



White Island

Friday 26 April – Sunday 28 April 2019

Just 49 kilometres off the coast of the Bay of Plenty lies White Island—arguably the world’s most accessible active marine volcano. We’ll cruise over to White Island on board a specially built luxury launch for the opportunity to see a world that only few have walked and experienced. Trained guides take us through the old mining factory, getting up close to bright yellow sulphur deposits. To top our experience off we venture right up to the main crater’s edge. After this experience we re-board our boat for lunch before returning to Whakatane. Our tour then continues following the volcanic centre of New Zealand. First of all to the base of Mount Edgecumbe to visit the spectacular Tarawera Falls, before continuing home via Rotorua passing Lakes Rotoma, Rotoehu, Rotoiti, and Rotorua.

Day 1 Friday 26 April 2019 Home Cities to Whakatane

This morning we depart Hamilton and make our way over the Kaimai Ranges to the Bay of Plenty. Our travels will take us through Tauranga, and Te Puke, the kiwifruit capital of the world, where we will stop for lunch (own cost). The name Te Puke simply means ‘the hill’. The area was pioneered by Ulstermen in the 19th Century and has been a market gardening centre ever since. The volcanic soils and the warm almost sub-tropical climate of the region provide an ideal environment for growing kiwifruit. Once we depart Te Puke, travel along the pretty coastal road through Matata, and arrive in Whakatane. Tonight we’ll enjoy dinner at the Whakatane RSA.

Accommodation: White Island Rendezvous Motel, Whakatane – 2 nights



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Day 2 Saturday 27 April 2019 White Island Cruise & Tour

Today will be an early start for our journey to White Island. After breakfast at our motel, we travel via boat to White Island. Sitting 49km off the coast of New Zealand’s North Island, this is one of the world’s most accessible live volcanoes. With the majority of the volcano sitting beneath the sea it means we are able to disembark directly into the crater complex – no mountain climbing required. Upon arrival on the island, experienced guides will lead us on a 1 - 1.5 hour walking exploration of the inner crater, providing a fascinating commentary on the geology of the island as well as stories of attempts to mine sulphur. Along with volcanic and geothermal features, we will see the remains of the sulphur factory which have survived multiple eruptions since being abandoned in



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the 1930s. On our journey back to Whakatane, we will be provided with a light packed lunch. This afternoon will be at leisure to explore Whakatane. Dinner tonight will again be at the Whakatane RSA. If the tour is cancelled due to unfavourable weather conditions, we aim to do the tour at the next available time over the weekend.

Day 3 Sunday 28 April 2019 Whakatane to Home Cities

After breakfast this morning, we depart Whakatane and travel to the forestry township of Kawerau. Here we will collect a forest permit gaining access to the Tarawera Forestry. Driving through the forest roads will bring us to the entrance of the Tarawera Falls walk (approx. 20 minute walk each way). The Tarawera Falls are the only outlet of Lake Tarawera coming through an underground cave network and finally out of a fissure in the cliff face. We retrace our steps to Kawerau, and then continue on to Rotorua passing by Lake Rotoma, Lake Rotoiti and Lake Rotorua, where you will have the opportunity to purchase your lunch. We then make our way back to Hamilton driving over the Mamaku Ranges.



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IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT THIS TOUR:

Please note that this tour requires a good level of agility, and is not suitable for passengers with limited mobility. There are minor physical challenges on the tour. Getting on and off the island involves a transfer via inflatable boat to an original concrete wharf. Once there, there is a short ladder to climb to get on to the jetty, a steel platform to cross which spans a gap in the jetty and then a series of boulders to walk over. There are no difficult hills to climb, however, the island surface can be uneven in some areas. Passengers will need to be reasonably agile and prepared to be on their feet for up to two hours. In some situations, passengers may also be required to wear gas masks for their own safety.

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Door to door collection or free parking at our depot...

Leisure Time Tours offers a free home collection and drop off service from selected Hamilton, Tauranga, Rotorua and most Auckland City areas on all of our Escorted Tours. Our complimentary collections are based on your individual postal code, and if you are outside of these areas we can make other home collection locations available at an additional cost. Alternatively you may wish to meet us at our Hamilton depot in which case you can park your car in our secure yard free of charge for the duration of your holiday.

Auckland Collections:

0620	1010	1025	1052	2023	2104	2120
0622	1011	1041	1060	2024	2105	2474
0624	1021	1042	1061	2025	2110	2675
0627	1023	1050	1062	2102	2112	
0629	1024	1051	2022	2103	2113	

Additional Auckland collections with a \$25 surcharge

0600	0626	0630	0632	1022	1026	1071
1072	2010	2013	2014	2016	2105	2576
2582						

Hamilton Collections:

3200	3204	3206	3210	3214	3216	3218
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Tauranga Collections:

3110	3112	3116	3118
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Rotorua Collections:

3010	3015
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Tour Inclusions & Costs....

- Door to door home collection & drop off service available from selected areas
- 2 Nights accommodation, twin/double rooms, (single rooms available with surcharge) all with private facilities
- Tour Admissions as per itinerary
- Daily Breakfasts (B), Lunch (L) and Dinners (D) where indicated on the itinerary
- Complimentary Travel Bag and Map
- Touring in modern air conditioned tour coach

TOUR PAYMENTS PER PERSON:

Club Member Guaranteed Twin/Double Share	\$1,050.00
Non Club Member Guaranteed Twin/Double Share	\$1,065.00
Single Supplement	\$ 200.00
Non-refundable deposit due at time of booking	\$ 200.00
Balance of tour payment due Friday 15 March 2019	

Early Bird Discount - Book and pay in full by Thursday 27 December 2018 and receive a \$60.00 discount per person!

Terms & Conditions...

Acceptance of Terms and Conditions

It is understood by Leisure Time Tours that the terms and conditions of travel are accepted by the passenger if/when the required deposit is paid.

Itineraries

Itineraries were correct at the time of printing, but are subject to change without notice. This could come about due to road or weather conditions, or any changes imposed by other tour operators and carriers included in the itinerary. If a passenger amends their itinerary by starting or concluding the itinerary earlier or later or during an itinerary then it becomes their responsibility to arrange tour or flight connections as necessary.

Price Amendments

Prices were correct at the time and date of printing, however Leisure Time Tours reserves the right to amend the price subject to any changes in price imposed by other tour operators and carriers included in the itinerary.

Payments, Cancellations and Refunds

A non-refundable deposit is required on booking to confirm your seat. All balance payments must be received by Leisure Time Tours prior to the date specified as per itinerary or your confirmation invoice. Payments are available to be made by Cash, Cheque, Direct Credit or EFTPOS only, any payments made by Credit Card will incur a 3% surcharge added to your payment. Leisure Time Tours reserves the right to amend or reschedule the tour due the result of circumstances outside the company's control. Leisure Time Tours also reserves the right to cancel the tour due to insufficient numbers and in this instance a substitute date will be offered or a full refund will be made available. Tour Price excludes drinks, telephone calls, travel insurance and items of a personal nature.

Travel Insurance

We strongly recommend to all passengers to obtain Travel Insurance as your household insurance will only cover your clothes and personal belongings, whereas travel insurance will cover disruption of travel due to any personal unforeseen circumstances that may arise, due to health or accident, preventing you from travelling or continuing with the tour once the tour has commenced. Ask us today for a no obligation travel insurance quote. We are agents for Covermore Travel Insurance, who provide Domestic Cancellation Cover up to \$1500.00 (\$25 excess, does not include pre-existing medical condition cover). Approximate price per person is below:

Under 59	60-69 years	70-74 years	75-79 years	80-94 years
\$36.00	\$41.00	\$53.00	\$72.00	\$91.00

Tours within New Zealand Cancellation Fees

- 42+ days prior to travel loss of non-refundable deposit
- 31-41 days prior to travel - loss of 50% of your full tour payment
- 30 days or less prior to travel - loss of 100% of your full tour payment
- No Refunds on any unused portions of itinerary

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