13 Days Classic Warbirds South Island

Day-by-Day Itinerary

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DURATION	FROM PRICE	TOUR TYPE	TOUR CODE
13 Days	**POA**	**Coach Tours**	**GPT**

Overview

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Itinerary

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Arrive Christchurch

Meals: Two Course Dinner

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Christchurch - Dunedin

Meals: Full Breakfast, Two Course Dinner

Enjoy a city sights tour of Christchurch, followed by a ‘behind the scenes’ visit to the Air Force Museum of New Zealand. Here you will witness restoration projects in progress and have a rare chance to climb inside a Bristol Freighter aircraft. Continue south to Oamaru, renowned for its stunning limestone architecture, before arriving in the charming city of Dunedin. Hotel Distinction Dunedin Hotel

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Dunedin Sightseeing (B)

Begin your day with a city tour of Dunedin, showcasing its remarkable architecture, including the iconic Dunedin Railway Station. Travel along the beautiful Otago Harbour viewing many scenic highlights. At Larnach Castle, enjoy a guided tour that delves into its tragic and scandalous history. Explore the castle’s Garden of International Significance before indulging in a delightful Devonshire Tea. Return to Dunedin for free time for optional activities. This evening is also free to dine at le...

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Dunedin – Invercargill (B,L,D)

Today travel through the remarkable region of The Catlins, where lush rainforest spills onto brilliant beaches. Along the way, take in the dramatic coastal scenery with plenty of opportunities to admire the views. Visit Purakaunui Falls, a magnificent triple tiered waterfall, perfect for capturing unforgettable photos. A visit to Curioscape located on picturesque Curio Bay will provide an interactive experience on the region including lunch. Later continue to Invercargill, home of the legenda...

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Invercargill – TE Anau (B,D)

This morning visit the Bill Richardson Transport World for a tour of this amazing private collection. Housed in a purpose-built Art Deco building, displays include vintage trucks, rare classic cars, petrol pumps as well as an ever-growing showcase of Wearable Arts. Travel via Gore to Mandeville Airfield to visit the Croydon Aviation Heritage Centre where aircraft, mostly from the 1920s and 1930s includes the largest collection of de Havilland aircraft in the southern hemisphere. Continue to T...

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TE Anau – Milford Sound – TE Anau (B,L,D)

Depart Te Anau for a fascinating drive to Milford Sound where you board your launch for a cruise on this magnificent fiord. See the spectacular Bowen Falls and towering Mitre Peak as you enjoy lunch onboard. This afternoon return to Te Anau where some free time is available. You might like to cap off your Fiordland experience by watching the breathtaking film, Ata Whenua – Shadowland, which screens at the Fiordland Cinema (optional). Hotel Distinction Luxmore Hotel

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Te Anau – Arrowtown - Queenstown

Meals: Full Breakfast

Travel to Arrowtown, an old gold mining village and visit the Lakes District Museum. Continue to Queenstown, a year-round resort situated on the shores of magical Lake Wakatipu. This evening is free to dine out at one of the many fine restaurants. Hotel Mercure Queenstown Resort (Lake View Room) (4 nights)

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Queenstown - Wanaka - Queenstown

Meals: Full Breakfast, Two Course Dinner

Today you have the choice of either a free day in Queenstown or travelling to Wanaka for the opening day of the Warbirds Over Wanaka Airshow. No flying will occur today, however there may be some practice happening overhead. On the ground check out the static displays which include classic cars and Warhorses (military vehicles), sport aircraft and aviation trade stands. This is also the opportunity to taste wine and food from the Central Otago region.

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Warbirds Over Wanaka

Meals: Full Breakfast, Two Course Dinner

Travel to Wanaka over the next two days where Wanaka Airport will become your home as you are entertained by the world’s best display pilots flying aircraft overhead. Your ticket will gain you access to the Gold Pass Enclosure. Enjoy the ultimate in Airshow luxury as you will be situated on the flight line with grandstand seating and a plush marquee where you can relax in comfort and watch the show from the best seats in the house.

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Queenstown – Franz Josef (B,D)

Travel to Arrowtown, an old goldmining village where you visit the Lakes District Museum. Continue via the Haast Pass to the West Coast, an area of stunning beauty. See the snow-capped peaks of the Southern Alps as you travel north to the township of Fox Glacier. Next you visit Franz Josef, where time is available to experience a scenic flight (optional, weather permitting) over the spectacular glaciers before arriving at your hotel for your overnight stay. Hotel Legacy Te Waonui Hotel, Franz...

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Franz Josef - Arthur’s Pass - Christchurch

Meals: Full Breakfast, Two Course Dinner

Travel to Hokitika and visit the Greenstone Factory. Continue to Arthur’s Pass and board the TranzAlpine, renowned as one of the great train journeys of the world. View rivers and valleys as you travel through the Waimakariri Basin, over massive viaducts and through the patchwork farmlands of the Canterbury Plains. On arrival into the elegant city of Christchurch, your Ultimate Coach will be waiting to transfer you to your hotel. Hotel Sudima Christchurch City

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Depart Christchurch

Time to say goodbye. You will be transferred to the airport for your flight home after a memorable New Zealand holiday. Itinerary valid from Sep 2026. (B) Breakfast, (L) Lunch, (D) Dinner, (SD) Specialty Dinner

Inclusions

AIRSHOW INCLUSIONS • 3 Day Warbirds Over Wanaka Gold Pass • Grandstand seating • Exclusive marquee access with CCTV • Souvenir Gold Cap and Badge • Airshow Programme • Opportunity to walk the flight line • Complimentary drink voucher • Complimentary tea, coffee and water throughout the Airshow PREPAID ATTRACTIONS • Air Force Museum of New Zealand • Larnach Castle and Devonshire Tea • Curioscape • Bill Richardson Transport World • Croydon Aviation Heritage Centre • Milford Sound Cruise and Lunch • Lakes District Museum • TranzAlpine Rail Journey • Dunedin City Sights Tour COACH FEATURES • 48 seats on a Classic touring coach • 2 door access; overhead travel bag storage • Restroom; panoramic viewing EXPERIENCE • Personalised Meet & Greet on arrival • Return airport transfers in New Zealand • Professional Coach Captain • Experienced Tour Leader • 12 nights 4 star hotel accommodation • 1 four night stay • 2 two night stays • Hotel porterage • 1 cruise • 1 rail journey • All sightseeing and prepaid attractions • Extensive Optional Activities • Classic Documentation Pack • BONUS GPT Tour Jacket MEALS • 12 cooked breakfasts • 10 sumptuous dinners • 2 lunches: lunch, The Catlins; Milford Sound Cruise • 1 delicious Devonshire Tea: Larnach Castle • Enjoy GPT Hotel Wine Time (discounted drinks) • Day 1: Dinner not included for anyone arriving later than 8pm.

Ready to Book?

Contact our travel experts to discuss this tour.

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