



WATTLETREE NEW ZEALAND

GARDEN TOUR

18 OCTOBER - 1 NOVEMBER 2019

You are invited to join Australian garden guide Brian Sams on this exclusive Garden Tour of New Zealand. This tour will visit many exquisite gardens including the famous Taranaki Garden Spectacular. Travelling north from Auckland, visit scenic and historic Bay of Islands before travelling south to intriguing Rotorua where you will experience unique Maori culture. Enjoy 2 days of the renowned Taranaki Garden Spectacular, visit the art deco town of Napier and onto our final destination, Wellington where you will see NZ's only native Botanic Garden & lots more! Spaces are limited, book early.

\$6,995
* per person Twin Share
ex BNE

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<h4>INCLUSIONS</h4> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Return airfare ex BNE • 14 nights quality 4* accom • All entry fees and sightseeing as per itinerary • 14 Breakfasts • 2 lunches • 8 dinners • Gratuities 	<h4>HIGHLIGHTS</h4> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taranaki Garden Spectacular • Ayrli's Garden & Wetlands • Cape Brett Hole in the Rock • Iconic Hobbiton • Rotorua Thermal Reserve • Napier - Art Deco Town • Martinborough Wineries & much more! 	 <p>BOOK YOUR TRAVEL INSURANCE WITH GO SEE TOURING & RECEIVE A 25% DISCOUNT</p>
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TRAVEL

Day 1, Friday 18 October 2019 (D)

Depart Brisbane - Arrive Auckland

Please be at Brisbane International Airport at least 2 hours prior to your departure flight. Kia Ora. Welcome to New Zealand! Meet and greet on arrival being transferred to your hotel. Rydges' location in the heart of Auckland CBD. Dinner tonight is at your hotel.

Accommodation: Rydges Hotel Auckland (2 Nights)

Day 2, Saturday 19 October 2019 (B)

Auckland Gardens Tour

This morning travel south of the city to visit Beverley McConnell's 12-acre country garden Ayrilies, one of the most celebrated gardens in New Zealand. Maple woodland complements large ponds connected by a tumbling stream and edged in hostas, irises and other damp-loving plants. We then visit SAJJ Garden - the urban garden of Pas & Jim which showcases a sizeable assortment of bromeliads of all shapes, sizes and rarities tucked amongst a variety of mature palm trees and cyclads. Our next visit is to Eden garden - formed within the former Eden Quarry. Our day of garden visits is completed with a visit to the stunning Totara Waters garden - a 2-acre subtropical garden set on the upper Waitemata Harbour. Own arrangements for dinner this evening.

Day 3, Sunday 20 October 2019 (B, D)

Auckland - Bay of Islands

Departing Auckland we travel north and make our first stop near Coatesville to visit the private garden - A' La Fois. Here every attempt has been made to use the existing land form. We continue north stopping briefly to visit the Parry Kauri Park. Continuing our journey we reach Paihia in the beautiful Bay of Islands. This region is renowned as the birthplace of the nation of New Zealand as well as for its beautiful beaches and wildlife. Dinner tonight is in the hotel restaurant.

Accommodation: Scenic Bay of Islands Hotel, Paihia (3 Nights)

Day 4, Monday 21 October 2019 (B, L)

Bay of Islands

Breakfast is our hotel this morning before we depart on a full day tour by private coach to Cape Reinga, New Zealand's northernmost point. At Cape Reinga see the famous lighthouse and enjoy the spectacular coastal views where the Tasman Sea and the Pacific Ocean meet. This afternoon travel back to our accommodation in Paihia. Lunch is included today. This afternoon travel back to our accommodation in Paihia where dinner tonight is own arrangements.

Day 5, Tuesday 22 October 2019 (B, D)

Bay of Islands / Darryl's Dinner Cruise

This morning after breakfast at the hotel board a luxury catamaran to cruise the Bay of Islands to Cape Brett before making a passage through the Hole in the Rock. The rest of today is at your leisure. Mid-afternoon enjoy a guided tour of the Waitangi Treaty House where New Zealand's history began. This evening we join a cruise with Darryl's Dinner Cruises - enjoy distinctive New Zealand flavours and stunning scenery.

Day 6, Wednesday 23 October 2019 (B, D)

Bay of Islands - Hamilton - Rotorua

Departing Paihia this morning after breakfast, we travel south to Hamilton to visit the impressive Hamilton Gardens. The unique theme of Hamilton Gardens is 'the story of gardens' which is explored through a series of five garden collections. The Paradise Garden Collection featuring gardens representing some of the most significant garden design traditions. From Hamilton we continue to the thermal wonderland of Rotorua, the "Sulphur City". Dinner is at the hotel tonight. **Accommodation:** Distinction Hotel, Rotorua (2 Nights)

Day 7, Thursday 24 October 2019 (B,D)

Rotorua Sightseeing / Hobbiton / Tamaki Maori Village

This morning we start our Rotorua tour with a relaxing guided walk through Rainbow Springs, a specialist garden featuring spring fed pools full of Rainbow & Brown Trout and New Zealand native flora and fauna including the iconic New Zealand Native Kiwi Bird. We then cross the Mamaku Ranges and travel to the rural area of Matamata. Here we join a guided walking tour of the Hobbiton Movie Set. Afterwards we retrace our journey back to Rotorua.

This evening you will be treated to a traditional Hangi (feast) and Maori Concert. You are transferred from your hotel to visit Tamaki Maori Village for a Cultural Experience and Hangi Dinner.

Day 8, Friday 25 October 2019 (B,D)

Rotorua - New Plymouth

This morning we enjoy a cultural visit and a guided tour of Te Puia including a visit to the Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve to see the boiling mud pools, steaming silica terraces and the geyser activity and the New Zealand Maori Arts and Crafts Institute where young Maori are learning traditional carving and weaving skills. Mid-late morning we depart Rotorua to New Plymouth via the west coast of the North Island. Dinner in the hotel restaurant. **Accommodation:** Quality Hotel Plymouth International, New Plymouth (3 Nights)

Day 9, Saturday 26 October 2019 (B) POWERCO Taranaki Garden Spectacular

Breakfast is at the hotel. Over the next two days we enjoy garden visits and sightseeing of New Plymouth and surrounding region including gardens featured in the 'Powerco Taranaki Garden Spectacular'. We are sure to include visits to the following "landmark gardens": Pukekura Park with its many displays then the historical Tupare Grounds and gardens before visiting the world renowned Pukeiti Rhododendron Trust where we enjoy the rhododendron and bush gardens, grass walks, mountain streams and glass houses. Dinner is at leisure.

Day 10, Sunday 27 October 2019 (B)

POWERCO Taranaki Garden Spectacular

Breakfast and dinner are again at the hotel today as we explore more of the region's gardens. This evening, dinner at leisure.

Day 11, Monday 28 October 2019 (B,D)

New Plymouth - Napier

Leaving New Plymouth after breakfast we will transfer today to Napier, enroute we make a stop to visit the outstanding Paloma Gardens at Whanganui, which has four distinct areas. From Whanganui we cut across the central North Island to Napier where we will check into our hotel. **Accommodation:** Scenic Te Pania Napier (2 Nights)

Day 12, Tuesday 29 October 2019 (B,L)

Napier Sightseeing / Winery Visits

This morning after breakfast take a specialised Art Deco walking of Napier. This afternoon enjoy some of what the Hawkes Bay is particularly renowned for - the wine! Visit the Mission Estate Winery for a 30-minute tour and wine tasting followed by lunch. Also visit Church Road Winery, home to New Zealand's only winery museum and take a tour through the winery and also explore the old semi-underground fermentation tanks of yesteryear that are now set up as a museum and also many natural cellars. Returning to the hotel late this afternoon. Dinner tonight is own arrangements.

Day 13, Wednesday 30 October 2019 (B)

Napier - Wellington

Today after breakfast travel through the rolling farmlands of Central Hawkes Bay and the Wairarapa. We detour into Martinborough to visit a few of the boutique wineries. Lunch at own expense today. This afternoon continue driving over the Rimutaka Hill into Wellington, New Zealand's capital city which clings to steep hillsides around a magnificent harbour at the southern tip of the North Island. Dinner tonight is own arrangements.

Accommodation: James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor (2 Nights)

Day 14, Thursday 31 October 2019 (B,D)

Wellington Sightseeing

We begin our tour with a visit to Otari/Wilton's Bush, New Zealand's only native botanic garden, devoted solely to the cultivation and preservation of native plants. Next, we take a ride on the one-hundred-year-old cable car from the city centre up to the Botanic Gardens. The rest of the afternoon is at leisure. Farewell dinner tonight is at your hotel.

Day 15, Friday 01 November 2019 (B)

Depart Wellington - Arrive Brisbane

Standard checkout time applies today. You'll be transferred to Wellington Airport in time for your flight home.