



Northern Explorer

Optional Activity Folder

Paihia, New Zealand

Dates: 28th and 29th January 2022

#1

Activity option #1

Cape Reinga / Ninety Mile Beach



Take a magical full-day tour to the top of New Zealand via Ninety Mile Beach.

Drive along the shores of Ninety Mile Beach as the waves crash beside the custom-built coach. Feel the sand between your toes as you help your driver guide dig for shellfish (conditions permitting). Your off-road journey continues up Te Paki Stream, stopping at the massive sand dunes where you can experience the thrills and spills of sand surfing. Clambering up and surfing down the dunes (if you dare!) is sure to get your heart pumping.

Visit the Puketi Kauri Forest and get up close to ancient and majestic giant kauri trees and native bush. Stroll along an elevated walkway as these graceful giants surround you, and learn about conservation efforts to preserve the forest today.

Visit Cape Reinga and hear the stories of this significant site where, according to Māori legend, spirits depart on their journey home to Hawaiki. Enjoy spectacular panoramic views, visit the iconic lighthouse, and see the point where the Tasman Sea and the mighty Pacific Ocean come crashing together. During your Cape Reinga tour you'll also experience another Kiwi icon: a lunch of delicious fish and chips at the historic Wagener Museum at Houhora. A vegetarian option is available and can be selected when booking.

Your journey home will be equally enjoyable as your tour guide's combination of local insight, extensive historical knowledge and fantastic sense of humour create an unforgettable adventure.

What is the cost?

This additional activity will cost **\$160 per person (Incl. Fish & Chip Lunch)**



#2

Activity option #2

Discover Russell



Experience New Zealand's past and present on a mini-tour of this historic town.

Today the town once called the "Hell Hole of the Pacific" is a charming and tranquil spot. This intimate one-hour coach tour visits many of Russell's iconic locations that make it so significant in New Zealand's early history.

See Christ Church (the oldest church in New Zealand, famed for the bullet-holes in its walls); historic Pompallier House, home to Bishop Pompallier's Catholic Mission and the oldest industrial building in New Zealand; and even the country's oldest licensed pub! You'll also hear more about the world's second oldest game fishing club – the Bay of Islands Swordfish Club, made famous by American author Zane Grey.

Your tour will be led by an engaging guide whose combination of historical knowledge and local insight will bring the culture and history of the area to life.

The Russell mini-tour visits areas which cannot be easily covered on foot, like Flagstaff Hill (Te Maiki). On this spot in the 1840s, Māori cut the signal flagstaff down four times in protest against the British government, leading to war. Hear about the battle that ensued as you enjoy stunning 360-degree views of the whole Bay of Islands.

What is the cost?

This additional activity will cost **\$32 per person**



#3

Activity option #3

Discover Kerikeri



Discover some of this charming town's best-kept secrets on our popular afternoon tour

Visit a place of rich history complimented by lots of character. Known for its fresh local produce, Kerikeri is a place to indulge and have fun. Experience some of New Zealand's earliest European history at historic Kemp House and the Stone Store, and taste quality wines and choco- lates.

What is the cost?

This additional activity will cost **\$60 (approx.) per person**



#4

Activity option #4

Dolphin Cruise to the Hole in the Rock



Join us on board Dolphin Seeker for the best half day in the Bay.

This is the most popular dolphin watching cruise in the Bay of Islands, and for good reason! Board your cruise in Paihia or Russell and take in the stunning views as we glide out through the islands and along the Rakaumangamanga Peninsula to Cape Brett, where a historic lighthouse keeps watch over and Piercy Island/Motukōkako, or as it is popularly known the 'Hole in the Rock'.

What is the cost?

This additional activity will cost **\$135 per person**



#5

Activity option #5

R Tucker Thompson—Tallship Cruise



Set sail on this iconic tall ship - a unique experience

Experience a day on the water on the R. Tucker Thompson, a traditional gaff-rigged schooner with her own unique history. Be as active as you like – take the helm, help set the sails, ride the bowsprit and climb the rigging – or simply relax while the crew command this impressive ship as it sails around the Bay of Islands.

What is the cost?

This additional activity will cost **\$159 per person**
(Incl. morning tea & BBQ lunch).



#6

Activity option #6

She's a Lady Sailing



An outstanding day on the water for those who really want to explore the Bay of Islands.

We depart Paihia at 10.00am and sail out to one of the main islands in the bay. Along the way we troll a lure in the hope of catching a fish and often see dolphins, penguins and other marine life. Once we arrive at a sheltered bay, people are ferried ashore in our tender and the next 2 hours is their time to relax, go for a kayak, swim, snorkel, or go for a walk to check out the views or explore the island. We provide a picnic lunch on the beach and this is generally an hour or so after arriving at the island. By midafternoon, time to get back to the yacht, up anchor and sail back to the inner bay, getting to the dock around 4.00pm.

The all-inclusive price includes the trip, lunch, kayaking, snorkeling and the chance to learn a little about sailing and helming the yacht.. It's a good idea to bring along something extra to drink and snack on and of course, usual things for a day on the water.....swimwear, sunblock, camera, sunglasses and a warm jacket for the wind chill on those cooler days.

What is the cost?

This additional activity will cost **\$100 (approx.) per person (Incl. picnic lunch)**



Scenic Flights



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A range of stunning and unique scenic flights and tours around the Bay of Islands, Far North and beyond are available.

What is the cost?

This additional activity will cost **from \$270 (approx.) per person (ask for all available options)**

Land on the hole in the rock

This gives you the opportunity to set foot on the infamous Hole in the Rock landing on our exclusive helipad, a privileged and unique experience!

What is the cost?

This additional activity will cost **from \$400 (approx.) per person**



Fishing Charters



All fishing gear and bait is included. Tea, coffee and hot chocolate are supplied on board. Just bring clothes for the weather.

Snapper fishing

Half day fishing trips, morning or afternoon! We take you to the best fishing spots in the Bay, fillet the fish nicely for you to bring home or to a restaurant..

What is the cost?

This additional activity will cost **from \$145 per person**

Kingfish Fishing

Kingfish charters targeting big fighters. 6 hour thrilling adventures either on Wairere or our Screaming Reels boats.. Normally also time for good snapper fishing.

What is the cost?

This additional activity will cost **from \$280 (approx.) per person**



How to book

Be in quick to secure your seats!



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