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HOT ROCKS

9 or 10 Days

includes food, transport, camp fees, shared tent, hot pools & water slide, Wai-o-Tapu geothermal wonderland, & much more...

Enjoy the heat of the thermal North

on this amazing loop of the North Island from Wellington or Auckland

This itinerary shows a trip starting from Auckland and heading north first (9 days). You can also start your loop in Auckland and head south first (point 4) or Wellington (point 8), both of which take 10 days.

Point 1: Depart Auckland at 10am heading north to the golden beaches and warm waters of the Bay of Islands. Stop at beautiful Uretiti beach for a swim or use our free sports gear or boogie boards. Visit the quaint beach town of Paihia, followed by a mangrove walk to the thundering Haruru waterfalls. U

- 🚲 Scenic cycle ride to camp
- 🚶 Mangrove walk to Haruru Falls
- 🍽️ Dinner

Point 2: Experience a full day exploring the Bay of Islands and its clear turquoise waters, with one of a wide variety of great optional activities to choose from. Alternatively there are plenty of walk and cycle options in this stunning area. Relax and enjoy a second night at the same great riverside camp. U

- 🚲 Coastal and farmland cycle options
- 🚶 Scenic viewpoint or coastal walkway
- 🚤 Sailing, fishing, Cape Reinga day trip, snorkelling
- 🍽️ Breakfast, dinner
- 🐬 Diving, hole in the rock fast boat, dolphin swimming

Point 3: Cross the top of the north to the giant dunes of Opononi for beach fun and optional sand boarding. Then on to Waipoua Forest, home to the giant Kauri trees and a variety of scenic short walks. Travel the Hibiscus Coast to Waiwera and enjoy a relaxing hot pool or an exhilarating fly down the water slides free of charge before heading to our beachside camp. U

- 🚲 Cycle a coastal estuary or forest landscapes
- 🚶 Short walks to giant Kauri trees
- 🏄 Sand boarding
- 🍽️ Breakfast, dinner

Point 4: Return to the "City of Sails". Depart Auckland at 10am. The beautiful Coromandel Peninsula waits! Marvel at the gorgeous views on a beautiful coastal walk. Visit the unique and famous Hot Water Beach to dig then relax in your own thermal pool while taking in the breath-taking scenery. U

- 🚲 Coastal cycle to our beachside camp
- 🚶 Stunning coastal walk
- 🏠 Sea Kayaking Cathedral Cove
- 🍽️ Breakfast, dinner

Point 5: Head south into the heart of the North Island and be amazed by the natural wonderland that is Rotorua. Experience the only native forest zipline canopy tour in New Zealand or the thrills of OGO, Luge and Agroventures. Take in the geothermal wonders with walks or relax with a mud bath and spa. Sample some world class mountain biking or cycle the NZ cycle trail to our lakeside camp in the shadow of dramatic Mount Tarawera.

- 🚲 Your choice of road, forest or NZ Cycle Trail riding
- 🚶 Whakarewarewa forest, Rotorua walkway (various lengths)
- 🏠 OGO, Agroventures, Luge, Hells Gate mud pools, zipline canopy tour
- 🍽️ Breakfast, dinner

Point 6: First stop after leaving camp is free entry into the Wai-O-Tapu geothermal wonderland before continuing on to the impressive Huka Falls. Enjoy a great walk or cycle into Taupo which is nestled beside one of the largest crater lakes in the world. Onwards towards the Tongariro National Park and relax in thermal pools at camp. U

- 🚲 NZ Cycle Trail, Huka Falls to Taupo
- 🚶 Huka Falls into Taupo
- 🏠 Skydive, bungee, giant swing, kayaking Lake Taupo
- 🍽️ Breakfast, dinner

Point 7: Experience one of the world's most famous one day walks – the Tongariro Alpine Crossing. Unmatched for the variety of landscape you will traverse in a single day trek. Alternatively, relax or cycle in this beautiful area with an awe-inspiring mountain backdrop. We then head south to our stunning beach camp. U

- 🚲 Turangi river track
- 🚶 Tongariro Alpine Crossing
- 🍽️ Breakfast, lunch, dinner

Point 8/26: Our early arrival in Wellington gives us the opportunity to see such great attractions as the celebrated Te Papa museum, Zealandia and the gorgeous Botanical Gardens. Take a movie tour or simply savour the unique culture of New Zealand's capital before we depart at 11am travelling the scenic Kapiti Coast and into the heart of the North Island. Beautiful river walks and cycle options before we rest our heads in Taupo. U

- 🚲 Turangi river track
- 🚶 River track
- 🏠 Te Papa museum, movie tours, Zealandia, cable car
- 🍽️ Breakfast

Point 27: We depart early to the limestone wonderland of Waitomo Caves. Experience exciting and unique black water rafting or a cave walk, with an opportunity for a local farm walk or cycle ride. Enjoy a picnic lunch then travel to Auckland for a taste of big city life "kiwi style. If heading north (started trip at point 4), accommodation is not included but we will help you make a booking in a local hostel ideal for exploring the city.

- 🚲 Farm land cycle
- 🚶 Farm land or cave walk
- 🏠 Black water rafting, glow worm cave tour
- 🍽️ Breakfast, lunch



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Departs:

Auckland or Wellington.

You can take extended breaks anywhere along the way.

Finishes:

Auckland or Wellington

but contact us if it doesn't quite fit - we are flexible!

Groups:

Average around 18 per trip

Fitness Level:

All levels

Accommodation:

Camping in commercial and Department of Conservation camps.

Most nights you can upgrade to a cabin or private room for a small fee (subject to availability).

U = Upgrade option available

Food:

Tasty & healthy meals suitable for

all diets & hot drinks - details on itinerary = 🍽️

(meals may be changed subject to ingredient availability)

Included:

All travel, Waiwera hot pools & water slide,

Wai-O-Tapu, side trips to remote areas & walking tracks, sports equipment on board, food & drinks (as per itinerary), camp fees & much more

Optional hires:

Cycle hire \$175

Private cycle handling \$55

Single tent upgrade (inc. mattress) \$40

Sleeping bag hire \$40

Optional activities = 🍽️

Cycle options = 🚲 Walk options = 🚶

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FAQS

- + you can start at any point on the loop
- + you can take extended breaks at any point and join another bus passing through
- + trips are flexible – contact us to create your own custom tour
- + optional activities aren't included but we get great discounts as a group & there are often free alternatives with sports gear on board
- + cabin upgrades available most nights for a small fee

CONTACT US IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS