DAY ONE: AUCKLAND

Island time Ease into your time in Auckland with a trip across the harbour to Waiheke Island for a guided tour of the island’s award-winning vineyards, olive groves and beautiful golden beaches. Stagger the group on ferry rides to Waiheke, with those waiting enjoying boutique shopping in the upmarket Britomart area. Split the group into activities on the island, with rotations between wine tasting at a local vineyard, olive oil tasting at an olive plantation, outdoor activities with Wild on Waiheke, and admiring the view from high above the treetop canopy on the island’s EcoZip zipline attraction.

The city by night Situated alongside the 328-metre SkyTower in the heart of the city, the SkyCity entertainment precinct incorporates award-winning restaurants, stylish bars and a casino. Enjoy a meal en masse at the SkyCity Convention Centre with a menu specially prepared for your group by the city’s top chefs, before sampling the city’s vibrant nightlife.

DAY TWO: AUCKLAND TO Rotorua

The magic of Middle-earth Board luxury coaches for a transfer to rural Matamata, the magical home of the Hobbiton Movie Set, used in the filming of The Lord of The Rings and The Hobbit Trilogies. Take a guided tour of the set before soaking up the atmosphere of the on-site Marketplace, complete with themed entertainment and look-a-like movie stars. Feast on a banquet lunch of hearty hobbit fare.

A Skyline view Continue on to the geothermal wonderland of Rotorua. At Skyline Rotorua, take a leisurely gondola ride up Mount Ngongotaha for expansive views of Rotorua and the surrounding lakes. Enjoy a thrilling luge ride down the mountain, or a sedate wine tasting at the Volcanic Hills Winery, before tucking into a buffet dinner at Skyline’s Stratosfare Restaurant.
DAY THREE: ROTORUA

Agrodome/Agroventures combo Split the group between Rotorua’s top attractions. Take part in a Farm Tour and an interactive Farm Show at The Agrodome, with a sheep-shearing demonstration, a fun sheep auction and even the opportunity to hand-milk a cow; try adrenaline-fuelled excitement at Agroventures Adventure Park, complete with jet boat rides, bungy jumping, ‘Shweeb’ monorail racing, and a ‘Swoop’ through the air at up to 130 kilometres per hour; tackle a 4WD Bush Safari and Monster 4X4 Thrill Ride on the forest-clad Mamaku Plateau with Off Road NZ; or soak in the natural hot spring bathing pools at the renowned Polynesian Spa. Refuel with a gourmet barbecue lunch.

A cultural feast Experience a traditional cultural performance at the famous Māori Arts and Crafts School Te Puia. Witness captivating displays of traditional weaponry, before taking a turn and trying poi dancing and the fearsome haka. Dine on indigenous cuisine in the midst of Te Whakarewarewa Thermal Reserve, with the Pohutu geyser and steam vents illuminated as a spectacular backdrop, before boarding coaches back to Auckland.

DAY FOUR: AUCKLAND TO QUEENSTOWN

Action stations Arrive at Auckland Airport for your 90-minute flight to beautiful Queenstown in the South Island. Once you have settled in, the group can be divided between a variety of memorable Queenstown experiences. Embrace Queenstown’s adventure sport spirit with an exhilarating jetboat ride with Shotover Jet; choose a Nomad Safari through Central Otago’s epic landscape; or get close to nature on the Dart River on a unique inflatable Funyak kayak adventure. More relaxing options including a tour and tastings at the renowned Gibbston Valley wine region; a visit to the historic gold mining town of Arrowtown; and a cruise across Lake Wakatipu on the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw.

Dinner served at Steamer Wharf End the day together with a meal at the Steamer Wharf Precinct, home to some of New Zealand’s most awarded restaurants and bars. Options range from Italian to Vietnamese or New Zealand cuisine; it is all served up with a lakeside location and views of The Remarkables mountain range.

DAY FIVE: QUEENSTOWN

At your pleasure Rotate between two of the attractions you didn’t take part in from yesterday’s itinerary, ensuring you make the most of your Queenstown experience.

Moonlight memories Enjoy a memorable final meal under the stars in a themed marquee at Moonlight Country, an 800-acre rural playground. The function venue’s stunning scenery and tailor-made dining experience will provide a fitting farewell for the group.

This itinerary is just a sample of the kind of incentive experiences you can have in New Zealand. For a customised itinerary find an expert incentive operator at businessevents.newzealand.com