



THRIVE
ADVENTURES

New Zealand

South Island Adventure

Highlights and hidden secrets at a relaxed pace!

Adventure Includes

- Accommodations
- Transportation
- Maori Cultural Experience
- Abel Tasman Sea Kayaking Trip
 - 3 days/2 nights
 - Includes camp gear and food!
- Kaikoura Dolphin Encounter
- Southern Alps Glacier Cruise
- Skyline Gondola and Luge
- Select meals
- Fully Escorted Trip



Popular Optional Activities

- Milford Sound Cruise
- City Tours
- Surfing Lesson
- Horseback Riding
- Queenstown Dinner Cruise
- White Water Rafting
- Skydiving
- Bungy Jumping

New Zealand:

Among Our "Best of the Best"

Warm sunshine, captivating beauty, rich island culture, and limitless adventure combine to create a paradise that will hold your fascination for a lifetime! Years of experience and friendship with local New Zealanders give us the ability to create personalized, unforgettable moments for each traveler, and 16 days will whet your appetite for more! We waste no time showing you the highlights and hidden secrets, and take care of every last detail along the way!

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Departure Dates
November - March



ITINERARY



B: breakfast included L : lunch included D: dinner included (if no indication, client responsible for meal cost)

DAY 1

Welcome to Your Adventure!

- 🕒 Depart the U.S.

DAY 2

Lose this day over the International Date Line

DAY 3

Arrive in Christchurch, Maori Cultural Experience **(D)**

- 🕒 Welcome to New Zealand! You are now in the hands of your expert Thrive Adventures guides, so kick back, relax, and enjoy the view!
- 🕒 In the evening, savor a traditional feast and learn the unique ways of New Zealand's native Maori people at Willowbank Wildlife Reserve

DAY 4

Travel to Marahau, gateway to Abel Tasman National Park **(B D)**

- 🕒 Our hosts at the Abel Tasman Guest House will cook dinner for us as we prepare to embark on our sea kayaking excursion

DAY 5

Water-taxi into pristine Abel Tasman National Park with kayaks and camp gear **(B L D)**

- 🕒 Set up camp on the beach and spend the day exploring the sunlit coves



DAY 6

Kayak to nearby seal colonies to watch the pups frolic in the sun, hike to a natural waterslide at Cleopatra's Falls, sunbathe on the beach... or all three! **(B L D)**

DAY 7

Kayak out of Abel Tasman and travel to Nelson **(B L)**

- 🕒 Relax in Nelson or make a stop in Motueka at Skydive Abel Tasman
Skydiving optional; additional cost

DAY 8

Travel the breathtaking coastal road to Kaikoura **(B)**

- 🕒 Take in the town, shop, explore, and bring your camera for photos of the stunning sunset



DAY 9

Wild Dolphin Encounter, Travel to Christchurch
(B L)

- 🕒 Outfitted with a buoyant wet suit, fins, and snorkeling gear, set out to sea on a catamaran. Once the pods of playful dusky dolphins are spotted, jump in and experience the joy and intelligence of these amazing creatures.
- 🕒 Later in the day, explore the city of Christchurch or take a surfing lesson at Pacific Safari
Surfing lesson optional; additional cost

DAY 10

Into the Mountains! Travel to Mt. Cook for crisp alpine air and glorious views of the Southern Alps **(B L D)**

- 🕒 Mt. Cook is taller from base to peak than Mt. Everest!
Optional Kawarau Bridge Bungy

DAY 11

Southern Alps Glacier Tour and Queenstown
(B L D)

- 🕒 Explore massive glacial lake icebergs on a guided boat tour at the foot of Mt Cook and the Tasman Glacier
- 🕒 Later in the day, travel to Queenstown, "The Adventure Capitol of the World"
Optional Kawarau Bridge Bungy

DAY 12

Queenstown Free Day + Skyline Gondola and Luge

- 🕒 Explore the endless adventure activities of this global hub
- 🕒 Ride to the top of the gondola for views of the mountains, waterways, and adventure seekers all around you! Then, harness gravity and take the Fast Run or the Winding Scenic Run down the Skyline Luge!

DAY 13

Queenstown Free Day

- 🕒 Activity Options [endless!] – city tour, dinner cruise, spa & massage, sightseeing, horseback riding, river surfing, white water rafting, Jet Boating, skydiving, paragliding, hang gliding, bungy jumping, etc

DAY 14

Queenstown free day

- 🕒 Optional day trip to world-renowned natural wonder, Milford Sound
Cruise toward the ocean between vast fjords, seal colonies, and 300 ft waterfalls

DAY 15

Travel to Christchurch **(B L D)**

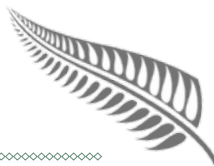
- 🕒 Dine and relax on our last night in New Zealand

DAY 16

Welcome Home! **(B)**

- 🕒 Regain this day over the International Date Line

Things to Know



NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED

All activities on your trip are fully outfitted and guided. No equipment, previous experience, or specific level of physical fitness is needed. All activities will be conducted at a pace set by the adventurer.

PASSPORTS

Your passport expiration date must be at least 6 months past the date of your return to the U.S. If your passport is due to expire even 5 months after your trip, you should renew it before the trip. Customs reserves the right to keep you from entering the country if the above criteria are not met.

If you do not have a passport, apply for one at least 3 months prior to departure. For an extra cost, it is possible to get your passport expedited; this implies a turnaround time of approximately 3 weeks. For passport information and application procedures, visit <http://travel.state.gov/passport>. Should you wish to apply for a passport in person, your local DMV may provide this service. If not, they will be able to direct you to the proper site in your area. Whether applying online or in person, you will need to submit a specific "passport photo." This may be inexpensively obtained at Target, WalMart, Walgreen's, or CVS Pharmacy.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Travel insurance is recommended, but is not mandatory. Thrive partners with a third-party travel insurance company, Travel Safe Insurance, to provide discounted prices for our clients. Visit www.TravelSafe.com for complete policy information. If you wish, a travel insurance quote will be sent to you upon completion of the Registration Forms portion of this packet.

FLIGHTS AND TRIP EXTENSIONS

Due to variable prices, Thrive Adventures does not include flights in your trip cost, but we are well-equipped to provide travel agent services. We will gladly assist you in arranging your flights and desired 'extras,' including all pre- and post-trip extensions. In our hands, you will be comfortable and well-informed throughout your experience!

TRANSPORTATION

Driving in New Zealand is quite an experience! It takes a day or so to get used to driving on the left side of the road, but your guides have plenty of experience navigating in these circumstances. Just hop in and enjoy the scenery!

ACCOMMODATION

Thrive takes pride in providing comfort and security at all of our accommodations, and our trusted local friends create unique and memorable experiences for our guests. We do our utmost to honor room-type, amenity, and special requests, and to provide you with your ideal experience!

ACTIVITIES

Thrive employs a philosophy called "Challenge By Choice," meaning we challenge our clients to participate in adventure activities but support individual decisions to refrain. Should you decide not to participate in included activities while on the trip, *no worries, Mate!* Alternative activities will always be available upon request.

WHAT TO BRING

A full packing list is provided below, but as a rule, pack lightly. Keep it to 1 suitcase and 1 carry-on backpack/daypack; the day pack will be very useful for short excursions. Though you will be outfitted for camping and provided with a tent, sleeping bag and sleeping mat, you may wish to bring other camping accessories (e.g. flashlight, bug spray, sunscreen, etc.)

*Tenting – The group will be paired off before the sea kayaking trip begins. The tents we rent are spacious, but you will have the opportunity to rent your own tent if you feel the need.

What to Bring



PACKING CHECKLIST

- o Day pack / backpack (carry on)
- o 1 suitcase / duffle bag
- o Passport
- o Credit / Debit Cards
- o Personal medication (Pack in carry on)
- o Camera (optional)
- o Rain Jacket
- o Towel (microfiber/quick-dry works best for travel, but is not a necessity)
- o Water bottle
- o Sunglasses
- o Sunscreen
- o Sunhat
- o Swimsuit
- o Flashlight / headlamp
- o Sport sandals (e.g. Teva, Chaco; optional, but worthwhile)
- o Flip flops
- o Toiletries
- o Jeans / trousers
- o Shorts
- o T-shirts
- o Sweatshirt or Fleece
- o Socks
- o Underwear
- o Small travel pillow (crucial for camping)
- o Insect repellent
- o Laundry Bag
- o iPod/MP3 Player
- o Alarm Clock



GUIDES

Think of your Thrive Adventures guide as the brilliant combination of a friend and a caretaker. We know how to have fun, when to keep quiet and let you relax, and how to take care of you should any unexpected challenges occur. You'll spend the entire time enjoying yourself, completely at ease, while we do the rest!

OUTLET ADAPTORS & POWER CONVERTERS

New Zealand uses a different type of outlet than we do in the US (slanted 3 prong). They also use a different voltage. We use 110V; NZ uses 220V. If you plug a 110V electrical device into a 220V outlet, you WILL fry your device. Most laptops, battery chargers, hair dryers, and cell phone chargers have voltage converters built in. To find out if your device converts power, look on your power cord or device. If it reads, 110V - 220V (or similar) this means that your device WILL CONVERT the power from one voltage to another and you will only have to have an outlet adaptor to charge your device. If it only reads, 110V - DON'T PLUG IT IN! You WILL need a converter AND an outlet adaptor. Figure out which devices you would like to bring before you pack, and figure out if they need conversion. Most travelers will only require adaptors.



PHONE

Cell phones will work in NZ and international calling plans are available through most cell phone service providers. The least expensive option, however, is to buy an interchangeable SIM (Subscriber Identity Module) card. A SIM card is essentially a mini memory chip that contains a subscriber's service information (minutes used, contact list, etc). Check to see if your cell phone runs on a SIM card, and contact your cell phone service provider if necessary. In addition, pay phones and calling cards are readily available once you arrive in New Zealand.

INTERNET

Internet access is available at most accommodations and is typically your least expensive option. Public internet cafes are also found in cities of moderate size.

SPENDING MONEY & EXTRA COSTS

When it comes to spending money, each traveler is unique. We recommend you allow \$30 - \$60 per day for souvenirs and any additional food purchases you may desire, but this is only a guideline and may differ from person to person.

*Remember: certain high impact activities are not included in the cost (e.g. sky diving). Make sure to add these activities to your total.

CURRENCY

As most venues in New Zealand accept credit and check cards, there is no need to carry an abundance of cash. ATMs are readily available, though they typically require an international transaction fee. Contact your bank for specific fee details and alert them that you will be abroad. Fraud departments will sometimes lock accounts when a transaction is attempted from an unexpected location.

The US dollar is generally worth more than the New Zealand dollar. [Click here for current exchange rates... Online Exchange Rate Table](#)





How to Register

Complete the following two steps to finalize your trip registration:

1. Complete the Registration Forms attached to this document
2. Submit a down payment of \$300 to Thrive Adventures

BOOK ONLINE:

Complete the registration forms provided and email them to al@thriveadventures.com. You may also submit your down payment online at thriveadventures.com/booking.

BOOK BY MAIL:

Complete the registration forms provided, include your \$300 deposit check made out to Thrive Adventures, and mail these to:

THRIVE ADVENTURES
10276 HANSON BLVD NW
COON RAPIDS MN 55433

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PAY ONLINE:

ThriveAdventures.com/booking



PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

- Down payment: 10% (\$300) due at date of booking
- Payment 1: 50% (\$1500) due 8 weeks before departure date
- Payment 2: 40% (\$1200) due 4 weeks before departure date

REFUND POLICY:

- Down payment: refundable until Payment 1 deadline
- Payment 1: refundable until Payment 2 deadline
- Payment 2: refundable until date of departure





Client Information Form

This information is for Thrive Adventures booking purposes only

Thrive Adventures will never share your information with anyone

Be sure that indicated information matches your passport. If it does not, you may incur flight delays.

FIRST NAME (as it appears on passport) _____

MIDDLE NAME OR INTIAL (as it appears on passport) _____

LAST NAME (as it appears on passport) _____

DATE OF BIRTH (as it appears on passport) _____

EMAIL _____

PHONE _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME _____

RELATIONSHIP TO CLIENT _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT PHONE _____

IMPORTANT

When traveling internationally, your passport expiration date must be at least 6 months PAST your last day of travel





Release of Liability Form

In exchange for participation in your Adventure Tour organized by Thrive LLC ("Thrive Adventures"), of 10276 Hanson Blvd Nw, Coon Rapids, Minnesota, 55433 and/or use of the property, facilities and services provided by Thrive Adventures, I agree for myself and (if applicable) for the members of my family, to the following:

1. I agree to observe and obey all posted rules and warnings, and further agree to follow any oral instructions or directions given by Thrive Adventures, or the employees, representatives or agents of Thrive Adventures.
2. I recognize that there are certain inherent risks associated with the above described activity and I assume full responsibility for personal injury to myself and (if applicable) my family members, and further release and discharge Thrive Adventures for injury, loss or damage arising out of my or my family's use of or presence upon the facilities of Thrive Adventures, whether caused by the fault of myself, my family, Thrive Adventures or other third parties.
3. I agree to indemnify and defend Thrive Adventures against all claims, causes of action, damages, judgments, costs or expenses, including attorney fees and other litigation costs, which may in any way arise from my or my family's use of or presence upon the facilities of Thrive Adventures.
4. I agree to pay for all damages to the facilities provided by or through Thrive Adventures caused by my or my family's negligent, reckless, or willful actions.
5. Any legal or equitable claim that may arise from participation in the above shall be resolved under Minnesota law.

Printed Name of Client: _____

Signature of Client or Legal Guardian: _____

Date: _____





Travel Insurance Form

Travel insurance is recommended, but is not mandatory. You may purchase travel insurance through Thrive Adventures or via an independent company of your choosing. Thrive Adventures works directly with a third-party travel insurance company, Travel Safe Insurance to provide discounted prices for our clients. Upon completion and submission of this form, a quote will be sent to you via email should you wish to receive one. For further information on Travel Safe insurance plans and policies, visit www.TravelSafe.com.

SEND ME A QUOTE

A QUOTE WILL BE SENT TO YOU VIA EMAIL. *TRAVEL SAFE* REQUIRES THAT INSURANCE BE PURCHASED WITHIN 15 DAYS OF YOUR INITIAL DOWN PAYMENT FOR YOUR TRIP.

DECLINE

BY CHECKING THIS BOX, I CHOOSE TO DECLINE TRAVEL INSURANCE THROUGH THRIVE ADVENTURES, PROVIDED BY *TRAVEL SAFE INSURANCE*. I ACKNOWLEDGE THE RISK INVOLVED IN THIS DECISION AND WILL NOT HOLD THRIVE ADVENTURES LEGALLY OR MONETARILY ACCOUNTABLE FOR ANY UNEXPECTED INTERFERENCE WITH MY PLANNED TRIP.

OR

I HAVE PURCHASED TRAVEL INSURANCE FROM ANOTHER PROVIDER AND WILL NOT HOLD THRIVE ADVENTURES LEGALLY OR MONETARILY ACCOUNTABLE FOR ANY UNEXPECTED INTERFERENCE WITH MY PLANNED TRIP.

Printed Name of Client: _____

Signature of Client or Legal Guardian: _____

Date: _____





Medical History Form

Thrive Adventures requests the following information in order to be prepared in case of an emergency and to provide assurance of the safety of our clients. This form is, however, optional; your comfort and confidentiality is paramount to us. Thrive Adventures combined guide certifications include National Registry EMT & Wilderness Certification, U.S. Army First Aid certification, and American Red Cross Wilderness and Remote First Aid certification.

Please list allergies to medications, food, and/or environmental/seasonal substances

Allergen:

Description of Reaction:

Have you ever experienced an allergic reaction with throat swelling or difficulty breathing? If yes, please describe the event and list the allergen.

Do you carry an EpiPen? yes no

Please list any medical conditions that may limit your ability to perform mild to moderate activity (e.g. hiking)

Please list any medications you currently take, whether daily or on an intermittent basis

