

New Zealand page & itinerary from Fraser Yachts Beautiful Winter Destinations in the Southern Hemisphere Book

“MAORI WELCOME”



New Zealand

New Year celebrations around the world begin with fireworks reflecting across the water alongside a city whose quiet sophistication has blended beautifully with Maori culture to create a wonderful mix of past and present.

From their sheer diversity and sporting cultural attractions, to the mountains, deep fjords, rainforests, glaciers and bubbling geo-thermal pools, no other country has such a vast cruising landscape. The islands are utterly enchanting.

The coastlines of both the North and South Island are a wonderful canvas of bays, harbors, fjords and beaches. Whether your itinerary takes in the marine reserves and islands lying off the North Island, or heads to the South Island to glide along the Marlborough Sounds, New Zealand is all about taking to the water.

Whilst there are many cruising grounds to choose from the most popular are the Bay of Islands and the Hauraki Gulf, close to the city of Auckland.



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SOUTH PACIFIC
AUCKLAND

MAORI WELCOME

As the first country on earth to celebrate the New Year, New Zealand offers a sophisticated summer celebration blended in with Maori Culture to create a wonderful mix of past, present and future.

From the largest Polynesian city of Auckland, you can easily explore the islands of the Hauraki Gulf including Waiheke Island with its sophisticated vineyards, bistros and café scene before heading further afield to Great Barrier Island and north to the Bay of Islands.

DESTINATION HIGHLIGHTS
AUCKLAND • WAIHEKE ISLAND
GREAT BARRIER REEF • THE POOR KNIGHTS
BAY OF ISLANDS



"The ultimate yachting destination where you're welcomed with a native Maori 'Kia ora' greeting."

DEBRA BLACKBURN
CHARTER BROKER, FORT LAUDERDALE



SAMPLE ITINERARY

- DAY 01**
Board in Auckland, then head to Waiheke Island. Enjoy wine tasting, fish for snapper or dive for scallops. In the evening, receive a traditional Powhiri or Maori welcome before a dinner under the stars.
- DAY 02**
Wake up in Great Barrier Island, 70% conservation land, and a hiker's paradise in native bush with hot mixer pools to relax in at the end of the day.
- DAY 03**
Enjoy hunting for crayfish, paua (abalone), oyster and mussels. Then get the jet-skis and kayaks out to explore one of the three harbours at Great Barrier Island.



- DAY 04**
Depart for The Poor Knights Islands, one of Cook's top 10 dive destinations. Arrive in the Bay of Islands in time for dinner.
- DAYS 05-06**
Choose golf or spa at Kauri Cliffs Lodge, shopping in Kawakae, a history lesson at the Waitangi Treaty House, marine fishing, or dive the Rainbow Warrior. Guests can also quad bike along pristine beaches, visit the ancient God of Trees or Tane Mahuta, or enjoy a day relaxing and snorkelling.
- DAY 07**
Wake up in Auckland, a city filled with great shopping, fantastic restaurants and scenery. Visit Tūhā, a black sand surf beach, or see how many of the 56 volcanoes you can visit.

BEST TIME TO GO...
October - April