

PRE & POST ITINERARIES

ONE DAY ITINERARY

» PRIVATE WINE TOUR

Enjoy a private half-day tour of Marlborough's famous wine region. Sample New Zealand's internationally acclaimed Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc and other varietals on one of our many wine tours.

» SEAFOOD OR GREENSHELL MUSSEL CRUISE

No Marlborough experience is complete without getting out onto the beautiful waters of the Marlborough Sounds. Come onboard of the Seafood Cruise (from Picton) and relax as you glide through the Sounds, cruise past aquaculture farms and learn about this fascinating industry while tasting fresh Greenshell mussels, King Salmon and more, paired perfectly with Marlborough Sauvignon Blanc.

TWO DAY ITINERARY

» OMAKA AVIATION HERITAGE CENTRE

Spend the morning visiting the internationally acclaimed Omaka Aviation Heritage Centre. Be inspired by the heroes of WWI and WW2 aviation history, whose stories have been brought to life by film director Sir Peter Jackson's Wingnut Films and Weta Workshop.

» WINE EXPERIENCE

After lunch at one of our acclaimed restaurants, enjoy a unique wine experience in the afternoon. From behind-the-scenes tours, to historic and underground barrel rooms or even "meet the winemaker". Relax this evening at a local hotel or motel or choose one of the many boutique B&Bs or vineyard cottages dotted throughout the Marlborough wine region.

» CRUISE TO SHIP COVE

Cruise from Picton, up through the beautiful Queen Charlotte Sound to historical Ship Cove., Captain Cook's favourite New Zealand anchorage. Take the opportunity to dabble in the creek where Captain Cook made home brew for his crew and share the beach with the resident wildlife.

» EXPLORE THE MARLBOROUGH SOUNDS

Use the afternoon to explore the surrounding walking and biking trails or go kayaking, a great way to relax and unwind. Soak up the brilliant scenery and look for seals, stingrays, dolphins and penguins. Stay at an idyllic resort on the water's edge or alternatively choose one of many accommodation options in Picton.

THREE DAY ITINERARY

» PREMIUM WINE BLENDING EXPERIENCE

Begin your indulgence tour with a premium blending winemaker experience, where you will learn how to blend a fine wine. Indulge in a leisurely lunch at a vineyard restaurant, and pair the wine with local produce to create the ultimate match made in Marlborough.

» GUIDED WINE TRAIL TOUR BY BIKE

Join a wine tour by bike and cycle your way around the Marlborough wine region. Compare wines from throughout the region, learn about the history of wine in Marlborough and visit boutique family producers as well as recognised international brands. Don't forget to stop at Marlborough's luxurious Makana chocolate factory, The Vines Village for some refreshing gin or one of our breweries for a chilled craft beer or cider.

» STAY IN STYLE IN BLENHEIM

From luxury town and country retreats to a wine barrel cabin, a refurbished heritage building or a colonial cottage in an award-winning garden - Marlborough has every accommodation wish covered.

» NATURE CRUISE TO MOTUARA ISLAND

Make your way to Picton and embark on a nature cruise to the bird sanctuary Motuara Island, one of four uninhabited wildlife reserve islands in the Queen Charlotte Sound. Look out for dolphins, seals, orca and the rare King Shag along the way.

» UNWIND AT A LODGE IN THE MARLBOROUGH SOUNDS

Get dropped off and stay the night at a secluded lodge in the Marlborough Sounds. Get active in the afternoon and walk a section of the famous Queen Charlotte Track and marvel at the brilliant views or experience the rush of mountain biking New Zealand's longest dual-purpose track. Or grab a paddle board or kayak and enjoy the calm blue waters. Finish your day with a relaxing massage at a day spa and enjoy fine dining whilst watching the sun go down over spectacular scenery.

» CATCH A FISH OR SWIM WITH DOLPHINS

Another good way to start the day is to catch a fish from the pristine waters of the outer Sounds, or for the experience of a lifetime, swim with dolphins in the sheltered waters of the Marlborough Sounds.

» SCENIC FLIGHT

Complete your visit to Marlborough with a scenic flight by helicopter or aircraft. Take in the stunning scenery and enjoy a birds-eye view of the wild, beautiful and remote landscapes that make up this special part of the world.