



Northern Region 'Escape to the North' Tour

Friday 20 May – Sunday 21 May
with optional extension on Monday 22 May to Omapere

NOTE - If you can't make the full tour, you are welcome to do part only or even just join us for one of the dinners

The programme (detailed below) includes stunning motoring, great attractions, good food and wine, and a lot of fun!



Whangarei



Kerikeri



Omapere



REGISTER NOW ON THE WEBSITE. While there is no registration fee, you need to prepay for the dinners at Whangarei and Kerikeri if you are joining us for those.

Accommodation must be booked by you, direct with the hotels.

“2022 Escape to the North”

Friday May 20th

Morning: At your leisure, drive to Whangarei and have lunch at the many cafes (not booked). *“Remember to get your tunnel ticket: <http://www.tollroad.govt.nz/>”*

Options for afternoon visits:

1. Whangarei Falls in the Whangarei Scenic Reserve
[//www.wdc.govt.nz/Community/Parks-and-recreation/Parks-and-reserves/Otuhau-Whangarei-Falls](http://www.wdc.govt.nz/Community/Parks-and-recreation/Parks-and-reserves/Otuhau-Whangarei-Falls)
On Boundary Road, Tikipunga -15 mins North from hotel
2. Quarry Gardens <https://www.whangareigardens.org.nz/>
They have a cafe and self-walk or pre-booked 1 hour walking or golf buggy guides (Bookings are essential, please book at least 48 hours in advance)
37A Russell Road, Kensington - 12 mins North from hotel
3. Visit Clapham's Clock Museum, Quayside, Town Basin
<https://claphamsclocks.com/> and adjacent to it the Rolling Ball Clock About Time Project. A world unique glass enclosed kinetic sculpture comprises 35 “bowling balls” running on stainless steel tracks, which perform various physical motions like banked corners, loop the loop, ride in elevators etc as well as telling the time via timing racks.

Stay overnight at the Distinction Hotel Whangarei at 9 Riverside Drive

www.distinctionhotelswhangarei.co.nz/

MAKE YOU OWN BOOKING VIA THE WEBSITE OR CALL 09 430 4080

You can join the “D-Club” (on their Home page, near bottom left) and enjoy a 10% discount (this offer is for a further 10% off per room per night for room only bookings and is subject to availability).

Dinner at 7pm- meeting for drinks from 6pm:

drive or walk across the Victoria Canopy Bridge from the hotel to

THE QUAY at \$56pp 2-course meal only (this has been booked by the club and must be pre-paid as part of the website registration)

www.thequaykitchen.co.nz

31 Quayside, Town Basin

Saturday May 21st

Morning – at opening time of 10am, visit the new Hundertwasser Art Centre
www.hundertwasserartcentre.co.nz
opposite the hotel, on corner of Quayside and Riverside Drive

Lunch – either at Hundertwasser Cafe "Aqua" or in Town Basin (not booked)

Afternoon - Drive to Waitangi and visit the new Te Kōngahu Museum of
Waitangi at the Treaty Grounds
www.waitangi.org.nz/

Stay in Kerikeri overnight at
Kerikeri Homestead Motel at 17 Homestead Road, Kerikeri.
MAKE YOU OWN BOOKING VIA THE WEBSITE OR CALL: 0800 222
407
www.homesteadmotel.co.nz

Evening -
Wine-Tasting at \$15pp (refundable on wine purchase) at 6pm
Dinner at \$55pp for 2-course meal only at 7pm
Ake Ake Vineyard (this has been booked by the club and must be pre-
paid as part of the website registration) www.akeakevineyard.co.nz
165 Waimate North Rd, Kerikeri (less than 10 mins from central
Kerikeri)

Sunday May 22nd

Morning - have morning tea at Adrien Garrett, then drive north on SH10 through
Kaeo to Mangonui Harbour and the local Heritage Trail

Lunch - at Mangonui Fish Shop or other cafes at your leisure (not booked)

Either drive back home

OR

Optional Tour Extension

Afternoon - Drive north on SH10 and then south on SH1 via Kaitaia and then
take side road at Mangamuka and at 4km south of Kohukohu take the Rawene
car ferry to Ōmāpere <https://northlandferries.co.nz/hokianga-ferry>

Stay at The Heads Hotel Ōmāpere
MAKE YOU OWN BOOKING VIA THE WEBSITE OR CALL 09 405 8737
www.theheadshokianga.co.nz/
334 State Highway 12

Dinner - at hotel at own cost (not booked)

Optional Tour Extension

Monday May 23rd

Various options at your leisure:

1. Waipoua Forest and the Tāne Mahuta Walk
2. The Dargaville Museum and Vintage Machinery Museum at Harding Park www.dargavillemuseum.co.nz
3. The Kauri Museum in Matakoho
www.kaurimuseum.com

Lunch at your leisure (not booked)

Then drive to SH1 through Wellsford and Whangaripo Valley and Matakana to meet up at Buckleton Beach, Tāwharanui Peninsula (Simon's & Libby's batch)

Then head home or have another night in the beautiful North e.g. The Salty Dog, Snells Beach (make you own booking)