

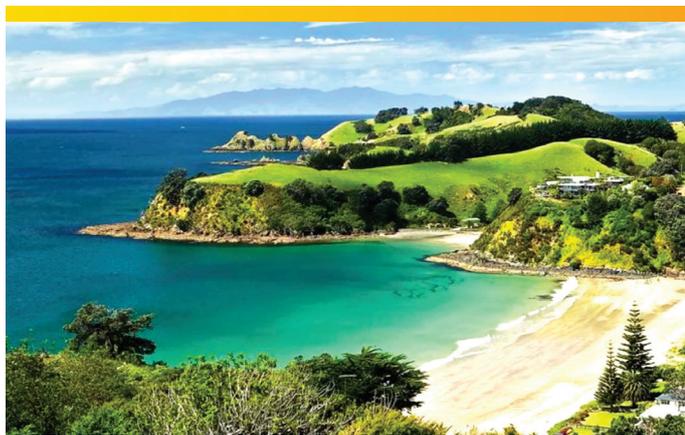


2020 NEW ZEALAND DERBY TOUR

We've decided to head across the Tasman for a six-day trip to the beautiful North Island of New Zealand. We have put together the perfect tour for the best in horse studs, scenery, wineries and a race meeting you won't forget at Auckland for their Derby meeting. The countryside is breathtaking and the Waikato area opens up to some of the finest horse studs in the world. Kiwi bred horses have won 43 of the Melbourne Cups run and through the Waikato area, we'll visit the iconic farms of Cambridge, Windsor Park, Waikato Stud and Te Akau Racing Stables. World-class thoroughbred nurseries that have produced some of the world's best gallopers and stallions. We'll also enjoy some amazing New Zealand wines and produce along the way, you won't go hungry or thirsty!

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- Arrival Transfer to Hamilton
- 2 Nights Accommodation at Quest Apartments in Hamilton
- 3 Nights Accommodation at Four Points by Sheraton in Auckland
- Welcome dinner and drinks at a fabulous local restaurant
- Te Akau Racing training and stable visit
- Stud Tours: Waikato Stud, Cambridge Stud, Windsor Park Stud (TBC)
- Gourmet lunches in the beautiful countryside
- Lunch on Waiheke Island and Winery visit
- NZ Derby Day races - Premium Hospitality in Silks Room including food & drinks
- Transfers throughout
- Services of an experienced tour leader



Tuesday 25 February 2020
– Sunday 1 March 2020

\$2995/pp **OR** **\$3695/pp**
Twin/Double Share Single Room

For more information and bookings, please contact Monique Ellis on **0430 347 910** or **monique@australianracingtours.com.au**

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DAY 1 TUESDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2020

Upon arrival in Auckland, we will be transferred by coach through some of New Zealand's richest and most fertile rolling hills and valleys to our hotel in Hamilton. Then once checked in and refreshed we'll head out for some welcome drinks and nice local dinner to talk about the week ahead and get to know everyone.

DAY 2 WEDNESDAY 26 FEBRUARY

This morning we're off to enjoy the heart of New Zealand racing in Waikato. The Waikato region is home to a host of New Zealand's premier stud farms, first, we're off to Te Akau Racing to see their training facilities. One of the leading racing stables in New Zealand, home of current stars Te Akau Shark, Melody Belle and Sword of Osman and former champions Princess Coup and Gingernuts.

We'll then head off to Windsor Park Stud, three-time NZ Breeder of the Year, to see where superstar Might and Power was bred. They are currently home to leading stallions Shamexpress, Mongolian Khan, Rageese and Rip Van Winkle. Then we'll head to Viligrad Wines to taste some fine New Zealand wines and some local food.

After a busy 36 hours, the late afternoon and evening are yours to relax and explore Hamilton.

DAY 3 THURSDAY 27 FEBRUARY

After check out we'll head out to visit the two best Studs in New Zealand, Waikato and Cambridge. Waikato Stud produces an average of 12 Stakes winners per season and is the current Australasian Group One breeder of the decade, having bred 39 Group One winners. We'll see Cox Plate winning superstar stallion Savabeel, as well as champions Ocean Park, Tivaci and Sacred Falls. We'll then stop off for lunch and some more wines on our way to Auckland where we'll check into the Four Points by Sheraton hotel.

DAY 4 FRIDAY 28 FEBRUARY

Today we're off to Waiheke Island by ferry where we'll visit an award-winning olive oil mill, followed by two vineyards, each offering a range of gourmet tastes to accompany their wines. Treats may include oysters straight from Te Matuku Bay, wild honey, the famous local green herb spread, and artisan cheeses. Afterward, enjoy a platter lunch at one of our top vineyard restaurants. After such a feast we have the night off to relax or head out and explore the Auckland nightlife.





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DAY 5 SATURDAY 29 FEBRUARY

After a relaxing morning, we're off to Ellerslie racecourse for the NZ Derby. One of the feature days on the New Zealand racing calendar, we're located in the Silks Room. Located on the second floor of the Ellerslie Stand; Silks' tiered design offers brilliant views of the racecourse and winning post for all seated guests. And if you're looking for a little more detail, revert to the TV on your table for all of the up-close racing action!

We'll enjoy premium beverages and a gourmet buffet lunch designed by their award-winning chefs incorporating the best New Zealand ingredients and featuring a carvery, seafood, hot dishes, salads and finished with dessert, tea, coffee, and a cheeseboard.

DAY 6 SUNDAY 1 MARCH

Our visit to New Zealand finishes today as we make our way onto flights back to Australia, hopefully with lots of great memories and some winnings in our pockets.



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