



Chatham Island Tour Package – 8 Days | From \$3,749pp*

A special part of the world. A unique part of New Zealand's heritage, natural environment, plants and animals. New Zealand's most eastern islands located over 800 kilometres east of southern NZ. Only about 600 people live on the two largest islands, Chatham and Pitt and we have officially been part of New Zealand since 1842. These magical islands sit astride the legendary Roaring Forties and are surrounded by the pristine and unspoiled waters of the Southern Pacific Ocean

The islands are volcanic in origin and have a rugged and windswept vista with delicate habitats that can be easily damaged by the elements and mankind. With diverse landscapes and fascinating history, the Chatham Islands are renowned for its bountiful seafood industry and conservation efforts protecting many rare and endangered species.

The natural beauty and the unique and spiritual energy of these islands are the perfect setting for a holiday full of laughter, adventure, discovery and relaxation.

Included in this Tour:

- 7 nights' accommodation at Awarakau Lodge (maximum capacity 12 guests)
- Return airport transfers on Chatham Island
- All meals - continental breakfast, picnic lunches, buffet dinners
- All sightseeing and entry fees as per Itinerary
- Daily guided Tours (arranged exclusively for the guests at Awarakau Lodge. 8 – 12 passengers only)

Available dates & prices (please call for latest availability)

- 7 October 2021 (to match flights from Auckland) from \$3,749 per person ***
- 4 November 2021 (to match flights from Auckland) from \$3,749 per person***
- 1 December 2021 (to match flights from Wellington) from \$3,749 per person***
- 17 February 2022 (to match flights from Auckland) from \$3,749 per person***
- 7 March 2022 (to match flights from Wellington) from \$3,749 per person***

Sole occupancy supplement - \$900 per person (limited to only 1 per arrival)

Payment: Non-refundable deposit of \$950 per person at the time of booking. Balance due 60 days prior to departure. Should there be travel restrictions due to Covid-19, booking will be transferred to next suitable/available date or a full refund less an administration fee will be offered.

*based on twin share standard room. **Price DOES NOT include flights.**

Day 1

Depart from the mainland on Air Chatham's Convair 580 turbo prop **(NOT included in the Tour package price)**. Flight time is approx. 2 hours and 15 minutes (Chatham Islands time is 45 min ahead of NZ time).

You will be met by one of your hosts Greg or Rosemarie Horler and transferred to your accommodation which is located 9km south of the main township Waitangi. Time to unwind, relax and take in the great sights with the possibility of a walk along the coastal rocks before the evening meal.

Day 2

After breakfast, which is served between 8.00am and 9.30am, you will travel North to Kaingaroa. The first stop will be at Ocean Mail scenic reserve where you will have a picnic lunch followed by a walk in the DOC reserve where you are able to see the regeneration of the wetlands.

Onwards to Dendrolyh Grove which is situated in Hapupu reserve. From here, travel on to Skirmish Bay - the place of the first landing of Europeans in 1791 - and visit the site of the missionaries and whalers. The last visit of the day will be to the only accessible seal colony.

Day 3

Today you will travel to the North West part of the Island to Port Hutt stopping on the way to visit the Basalt Columns and a visit to the Port Hutt fishing village. Next stop will be at the stone mission house which was built around 1866 by German missionaries. From here you will travel to Waitangi West beach which is the most westerly point on the Island.



Basalt Columns

Day 4

After breakfast, travel further South to Awatotara and Tuku where you are able to spot the native pigeon (Parea) and the Chatham Islands Tui. The next stop will be at Henga farm to walk through the native reserve and beach dunes. Before heading back to base, there will be a visit to the Admiral Gardens.

Day 5

Today we travel East to Owenga where you will visit Kopinga Maree (Moriore) on the way for morning tea and an informative talk. Then travel to Owenga to view the statue of Tommy Solomon - the last full blooded Moriore. After this (weather permitting) travel to the Millennium site and then travel back to the accommodation through the inland road.

Day 6

Today you have the whole day to do as you please. A fishing trip or a trip to Pitt Island can be arranged for today as well as a visit to the Museum, craft shop and other places around Waitangi Township (all at own expense).

Day 7

A busy day today. You will travel north to Cape Young. On the way, you will visit Blind Jims which is a place that Te Whanga Lagoon meets the road and you are able to have a look for fossilised shark's teeth.

Onwards to Nikau scenic reserve before going on to Wharekauri station to splatter rocks and then to Cape Young.

Day 8

After breakfast you will be transferred to the airport to catch your flight back.

Note:

The itinerary can vary with requests from guests i.e. if some guests do not choose to go on a fishing trip there can be a visit arrange to other sites. The itinerary can vary depending on where the Air Chatham flight leaves from but we will endeavour to include all sites. Itinerary to be used as a guide and all activities are subject to weather conditions.



Optional Add-on | Pitt Island

Pitt Island, just a 25min scenic flight away, is rated as a Top Chatham Islands destination being very different to the main Island and is a must see. Pitt Island is the second main inhabited Island in the Chatham Islands group, arguably one of the most remote holiday destinations in the World.

Pitt Island is the first place in the World to see the sun rise each day and has some of the region's most spectacular scenery, bird life, botany, geology, fishing, diving and hunting experiences. The Island provides a friendly atmosphere and a range of attractions to suit any visitor, especially nature lovers.

In conjunction with the Flowerpot Bay Lodge in Pitt Island, let us arrange for you a complete add-on package of 1 or more nights in Pitt Island. The Package includes flights to and from Pitt Island to Chatham Island, return airport transfers, accommodation, breakfast, lunch and dinner as well as escorted tours.

Please call or email for more details and prices.