

Wild Earth Travel

*Small Ships, Big Adventures*

# NEW ZEALAND'S SOUTH ISLAND DAFFODIL TOUR

*Meet local growers and attend New Zealand's National Daffodil show while touring through some of the South Island's most spectacular scenery*

**21- 29 SEPTEMBER 2020**





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REGISTRATION FORM**

**Passenger 1** Full name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (DD/MM/YY) Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number (including country code) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Passenger 2** Full name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dates Of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (DD/MM/YY) Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If different to above)  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number (including country code) \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

How are you travelling?

- Twin Accommodation  
Name of the person you are sharing with: \_\_\_\_\_  
Preferred bedding configuration:  Separate beds  Double bed
- Single Accommodation (with supplement)

*Please return this form to Wild Earth Travel, [info@wildearth-travel.com](mailto:info@wildearth-travel.com) or post to PO Box 7218, Christchurch 8240, New Zealand or alternatively contact the office directly to confirm your reservation.*





## ITINERARY

### MONDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2020

After a morning in Bowral make your way independently to Christchurch, New Zealand arriving late evening. Upon arrival in Christchurch you will be met and transferred to our hotel.

### TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER (B.L.D.)

After our late evening arrival yesterday we have a relaxed start to the morning with breakfast at the hotel before departing for a day touring the greater Christchurch region with visits to several of the major local growers and hybridisers in the area including David & Leitha Adams and Aaron Russ. Enjoy lunch in the countryside and explore some of the great local gardens in the area as well.

### WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER (B.L.D.)

This morning we set our sights southwards travelling across the Canterbury Plains to Geraldine. Departing from Geraldine our route takes us through to the expansive Mackenzie Basin which is surrounded by mountains and enjoys a continental climate as a result. The towering glaciated peaks of Aoraki Mt Cook National Park guide us past the turquoise Lakes Tekapo & Pukaki to our nights accommodation at internationally renowned Hermitage Hotel which sits within the National Park at the base of Mt Cook.

### THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER (B.L. D.)

Enjoy the alpine environment this morning with several short walks to choose from that allow you to explore and appreciate the specialist alpine vegetation of New Zealand. We then drive along the banks of the Waitaki River passing several important Maori Rock Art sites before arriving at the coastal town of Oamaru. Tonight we enjoy dinner by the sea and one of the highlights of the journey which is the nightly return of the local Little Blue Penguins.

### FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER (B.L.D.)

There is time this morning to explore the historic streets of Oamaru with the iconic local Oamaru stone buildings now housing a fabulous collection of galleries and shops. Driving northwards through the rolling hills of North Otago we stop at internationally acclaimed Trotts Gardens before continuing northwards to arrive in Christchurch in time to meet with the exhibitors at the South Island National Daffodil Show in Christchurch and enjoy dinner with the local growers at the show.

### SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER (B.L.D.)

Today is set aside to allow you to appreciate and enjoy the daffodils at the National Show, arrive at the show early in the morning to catch the hive of activity as the last staging is completed or arrive a little later and see the results of judging. This evening join with the members of the National Daffodil Society of New Zealand for the show dinner with presentation of trophies and awards.

### SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER (B.D.)

Return this morning to the show to take a closer look at the flowers before heading out to North Canterbury to visit Michael & Marion Brown in Loburn. This evening enjoy a farewell dinner with local daffodil growers.

### MONDAY 28 SEPTEMBER 2020 (B. D.)

Today has been set aside for you to either enjoy a free day in Christchurch exploring independently or take the opportunity to enjoy an iconic Canterbury experience with the choice of either the Tranz Alpine Train Journey through the Southern Alps to the West Coast of the South Island or travel northwards to Kaikoura and take a boat in search of Sperm Whales and marine life in the rich waters offshore from Kaikoura. Return to our accommodation in Christchurch this evening for a final group dinner. The optional tours today are an additional cost and should be pre-booked at the time of final payment.

#### OPTION 1

*TranzAlpine – full day including transfer from Hotel to Railway Station and return US\$195 - subject to confirmation on availability and confirmed rates at time of booking. Food will be available to purchase during the day.*

## OPTION 2

*Kaikoura- full day tour including Whale Watch, pick up Hotel and return US\$225 – subject to confirmation on availability and confirmed rates at time of booking Food will be available to purchase during the day.*

### TUESDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2020. (B)

After breakfast at the hotel this morning depart on your onwards travels, either continuing your exploration of New Zealand or starting the journey home. If you are interested in continuing your exploration of New Zealand with a visit to Nelson following this tour, please indicate this at the time of booking and we will provide you with further details

### RATES, INCLUSIONS, PAYMENTS

**INCLUSIONS:** Transport by coach with driver, meals as described in the itinerary (B = continental breakfast in CHC, full breakfast at Oamaru and Mt Cook, L = wholesome flavourful New Zealand casual lunch, D = two course dinner), touring as described in itinerary.

**EXCLUSIONS:** Beverages, travel insurance, items of a personal nature.

#### RATES:

Twin share accommodation: US\$1895pp

Single supplement to confirm a room by oneself: US\$500pp

Prices based on a minimum of 10 participants, if numbers are less than this a surcharge may be required. US\$ price is current as of 1/4/2019 but may be subject to currency fluctuations until paid in full.

Payments: *Deposit of US\$500pp to confirm participation with final payment due 1 August 2020*



*Mt Cook, Mackenzie Country*

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