

3 Day Bay of Island Auckland - Auckland

Duration: 3 days / 2 nights

Departs: Saturdays

Start: Auckland CBD

Finish: Auckland CBD

First Departure: 02/05/20

Last Departure: 29/09/20

Itinerary

DAY 1: Auckland to Paihia

Haere mai (welcome)! Your Stray adventure kicks off in New Zealand's largest city, Auckland. We depart northbound for the relaxed seaside town of Paihia, gateway to the beautiful Bay of Islands. On the way you'll learn about the rich early European and Maori history of the region. After stopping to see giant kauri trees en-route, we continue on to Paihia. This afternoon you will do the famous 'Hole in the Rock' cruise and make an island stop in the bay. Keep a watchful eye out for playful dolphins and other marine life!

Accommodation included: Hostel along from the beach

Activities included: Hole in the Rock cruise

Optional activities: View huge kauri trees at Parry Kauri Forest

DAY 2: Paihia to Cape Reinga to Paihia

Today you travel to the northernmost point of the country, the spiritually significant Cape Reinga. Highlights of this day trip include a visit to 90 Mile Beach, dune surfing and seeing the clashing of two oceans! You have the option to sample some of the best fish and chips available on your way back to Paihia (own expense). Make sure you pack a lunch, snacks and enough water to fuel you through the day.

Accommodation included: Hostel along from the beach

Activities included: Cape Reinga day trip, surf massive sand dunes

Optional activities: Sample fresh fish and chips

DAY 3: Paihia to Auckland

This morning you are free to explore this charming seaside town. You could view the 144 islands of the Bay of Islands from above with an exhilarating skydive, visit the nearby Waitangi Treaty Grounds, hop on the ferry to wander around Russell across the bay or just relax on the beach. We depart in the afternoon to head back to Auckland, where your trip comes to an end. We hope you had a blast on your Stray Journey!

Optional activities: Skydiving, Waitangi Treaty Grounds, ferry to Russell

Notes:

- Standard accommodation is dorm share in hostels, cabins and lodges
- Upgrades to twin/double and private rooms are available subject to availability
- Luggage is limited one backpack, bag or case per person with a maximum weight of 15kg plus a day pack
- Trips are not suited to children aged 6 years or under. 7 – 17 year old's may travel if accompanied by a parent or legal guardian
- A basic level of fitness is required for medium length walks

This itinerary is a guide. Given the spontaneous nature of our trips and lack of control over New Zealand's weather(!), what we do each day might occasionally vary.