



## ITINERARY OVERVIEW

Prepared for Les Picker  
travelling to Tonga and New Zealand  
October/November 2022

DATE	DESTINATION	ACCOMMODATION
Oct 11	Arrive Vava'u, Tonga	Tongan Beach Resort
Oct 12	Vava'u	Tongan Beach Resort
Oct 13	Vava'u	Tongan Beach Resort
Oct 14	Vava'u	Tongan Beach Resort
Oct 15	Vava'u	Tongan Beach Resort
Oct 16	Vava'u	Tongan Beach Resort
Oct 17	Vava'u	Tongan Beach Resort
Oct 18	Vava'u / Nadi, Fiji	Sofitel Fiji Resort & Spa
Oct 19	Nadi / Christchurch, New Zealand	Crowne Plaza Christchurch
Oct 20	Christchurch	Crowne Plaza Christchurch
Oct 21	Christchurch / Mt Cook	The Hermitage
Oct 22	Mt Cook	The Hermitage
Oct 23	Mt Cook / Wanaka	Edgewater Resort
Oct 24	Wanaka	Edgewater Resort
Oct 25	Wanaka	Edgewater Resort
Oct 26	Wanaka / Te Anau	Distinction Te Anau Hotel
Oct 27	Te Anau	Distinction Te Anau Hotel
Oct 28	Te Anau	Distinction Te Anau Hotel
Oct 29	Te Anau / Queenstown	Millbrook Resort
Oct 30	Queenstown	Millbrook Resort
Oct 31	Queenstown	Millbrook Resort
Nov 1	Queenstown / Depart New Zealand	

## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11

## ARRIVE VAVA'U, TONGA

With over 170 islands full of wonder, unspoilt beauty, lined with white beaches and coral reefs, the Kingdom of Tonga is an unforgettable destination.

On arrival to Vava'u, you will be greeted and transferred to the Tongan Beach Resort to check in.

Enjoy time at leisure this afternoon before reconvening for a whale swim briefing and practice. You will have time to get in your snorkeling gear and take the boats out in the water to get used to your equipment as well as familiarize yourself with the guidelines for getting out of the boat and protocols regarding swimming with the whales.

This evening convene for a private welcome reception and dinner in-house.

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Tongan Beach Resort

**Transfer:** Private or small group airport transfers in Vava'u

**Activity:** Whale swim briefing and practice

**Meals:** Dinner

### TONGAN BEACH RESORT

The Tongan Beach Resort spans 180 meters of beachfront with all guest rooms enjoying views of the golden sand beach and crystal-clear turquoise waters of the Port of Refuge Harbour.

**Room type:** Guest Room



## WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12 & 13

VAVA'U

Over the next two days, partake in an experience of a lifetime by swimming up close and personal with Humpback Whales. Before departing the resort, each guest will be fitted with their snorkeling gear and provided with a personalized bag to put their equipment in for the next four days.

Holidaymakers are not the only ones to return to Tonga's shores on a regular basis. After a long journey north from the icy krill-laden depths of Antarctica, southern humpback whales take shelter in the tropical reef-protected waters of Tonga to give birth to their young.

The arrival of the whales from July to November completes a remarkable cycle, as the new calves return to where they were first conceived 11 months earlier. Tonga is one of the few places in the world where you can swim with whales. You may get to hear the beautiful singing, see the stunning full body breaching, watch as a group of males peruse a female mate or see a mother gently tending to her calf.

Each day can be quite different, as our opportunities are solely dictated by the whales' activity and presence. Swimming excursions will be monitored by our guides with the well-being and safety of both the whales and participants as a top priority. Each swim can last anywhere from 10 to 30 minutes at a time, depending on conditions and the comfort level of the whales. If the animals seem stressed or disturbed by our presence, the guides reserve the right to conclude the experience at any time. This process will be repeated throughout the day.

Enjoy dinner in house.

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Tongan Beach Resort

**Activity:** Private whale swim

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14

## VAVA'U

Transfer to Vava'u markets this morning to see local handicrafts, ancient headrests, kava bowls, stone adzes, old whale teeth and other craftswork.

Following, transfer to 'Ene'i'o Botanical Gardens nestled at the beautiful 'Ene'io beach. This 22 acre garden is the lifetime commitment of founder Haniteli Fa'anunu former Director of Agriculture and Food within the Tongan government. His aim to preserve different plant cultivars, save endangered plant species, and educate locals and visitors about the flora and fauna of Tonga. Take a guided tour strolling through the gardens with Haniteli who relays stories, legends, history and folklore, and the many uses of certain plant species.

On your return to 'Eneio visitors centre, the locals will display live cultural demonstrations as part of the ancient Polynesians way of living including pounding of tapa cloths, mat weaving, making nonu juice, climbing the coconut tree and making coconut milk, extracting of vanilla essence, making and tasting of kava.

Have lunch at 'Ene'i'o beachside restaurant before visiting a local school to meet the children and learn about their school system.

Enjoy dinner in house this evening.



### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Tongan Beach Resort

**Activity:** Privately guided tour of Ene'i'o Botanic Gardens

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

# SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

VAVA'U

Today enjoy another day of swimming with the whales.

This evening transfer by boat to a local restaurant located on the Vava'u waterfront.



## TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Tongan Beach Resort

**Activity:** Private whale swim

**Transfer:** Return boat transfers to dinner

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

# SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

VAVA'U

Tonga is a church attending nation and Sunday is a sacred day devoted to church, family and rest with almost everything closing. Visiting a church on Sunday is a treasured memory for many travellers to the Kingdom of Tonga. Beautifully clear harmonies, the ringing of church bells, and the rhythmic beat of the Lali (wooden drums), are all familiar sounds drifting on the tropical breezes. Experience a Tonga church service today followed by the remainder of the day at leisure.

## TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Tongan Beach Resort

**Activity:** Church Service

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



**MONDAY, OCTOBER 17**

**VAVA'U**

Today enjoy snorkelling the Blue Clouds Reef and Coral Garden. The Vava'u Archipelago is blessed with a near-perfect climate. Depart for a day of snorkelling in the amazing crystal clear water with its brilliant visibility.

This evening enjoy a Tongan Feast in house to celebrate your Tongan adventure.

### **TODAY'S INCLUSIONS**

**Accommodation:** Tongan Beach Resort

**Activity:** Private snorkelling experience

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner



## TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

## VAVA'U / NADI

Transfer to Vava'u airport this morning to board your flight to Nadi, Fiji. In the heart of the South Pacific, Fiji is blessed with 333 tropical islands that are home to happiness. On arrival, you will be met and transferred to the Sofitel Fiji Resort & Spa, just 25 minutes from the airport.

Enjoy the remainder of your afternoon at evening at leisure.

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

*Accommodation: Sofitel Fiji Resort & Spa*

*Meals: Breakfast*

*Transfer: Private airport transfer in Vava'u and Nadi*



### SOFITEL FIJI RESORT & SPA

Located on Denarau Island, the newly renovated Sofitel Fiji Resort & Spa offers a luxurious stay within close distance of shopping and a range of restaurants.

Your Waitui Luxury Room features modern, Fijian inspired design and soft natural tones with contemporary features. Cocoon yourself within your own refined haven complete with semi-private outdoor deck and vistas across the opulent Beach Club pool. Access to the Waitui Beach Club provides access to complimentary minibar, daily breakfast, sunset cocktails & canapés, evening entertainment and access to the adults only, Waitui Beach Club.

*Room type: Luxury Room, includes Waitui Beach Club access*

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19**

**NADI / CHRISTCHURCH, NZ**

Transfer to Nadi airport this morning to board your direct flight to the ‘Garden City’ of Christchurch, often described as ‘the most English city outside of England.’ On arrival to Christchurch, clear customs and immigration before making your way to the arrivals hall to meet your driver for a transfer to your accommodation.

### **CROWNE PLAZA CHRISTCHURCH**

Located in Central Christchurch just minutes from dining, shopping and entertainment, Crowne Plaza Christchurch offers modern accommodation and dining options for all visitors to Christchurch.

**Room type:** Superior Room

### **TODAY’S INCLUSIONS**

**Accommodation:** Crowne Plaza Christchurch

**Meals:** Breakfast

**Transfer:** Private airport transfers in Nadi and Christchurch



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

CHRISTCHURCH

This morning visit Quake City, a special exhibition from Canterbury Museum charting the aftermaths of the September 2010 and 22 February 2011 earthquakes through stories of heroism, hope and loss.

Following, explore the 'Garden City' on a private walking tour with your guide. Get your bearings and soak up the atmosphere and sights of Christchurch, from the Botanic Gardens and Arts Centre to Cathedral Square and the Re:START project. Discuss with your guide the new vision for Christchurch including plans of rebuilding and restoring the city's heritage sites since its devastating earthquake in 2011. See the changed nature of the CBD and learn about the future of Christchurch as it becomes a 21st century city.

Enjoy lunch at a local favourite before meeting your guide for walking of the Botanical Gardens, discovering for yourself the beauty of the 'Garden City'. Christchurch's reputation as the Garden City is truly reflected in the world famous Christchurch Botanical Gardens, undoubtedly the finest collection of exotic and indigenous plants found anywhere in New Zealand. Located along a loop of the Avon River, the setting could not be more ideal.

Following your walk, sink back into the velvet cushions of your boat as the Edwardian punter gently glides you through the gardens down the Avon River.

Enjoy a group dinner this evening.

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Crowne Plaza Christchurch

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Activities:** Admission to Quake City

*Privately guided 2 hour walking tour of Christchurch*

*Privately guided 1 hour Botanic Gardens walking tour*

*Private 20 minute punt on the Avon River*



## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

## CHRISTCHURCH / MT COOK

Meet your driver this morning as you travel the 4 hour scenic drive to Mt Cook. Stop and marvel at the pristine Lake Tekapo and Pukaki before arriving to Mt Cook late afternoon.

Enjoy dinner in house this evening before a unique night sky experience. Your accommodation is located in the middle of the largest International Dark Sky Reserve and is one of the best places in the world to see the Milky Way (depending on conditions). Take a mesmerizing journey through the cosmos as you explore the wonders of the night sky, home to planets, stars and a whole other world we only dream about. Your experienced guide will introduce you to the beautiful southern night sky with a full hour using the naked eye, astro-binoculars and state of the art 14" and 11" astronomy telescopes.

### THE HERMITAGE

From an intrepid journey through glacial valleys to a mouth-watering culinary dining adventure, The Hermitage Hotel is the perfect place to base your adventure and discover why this region has endeared itself to Kiwi adventure seekers for so long.

**Room type:** Standard Sefton Room

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** *The Hermitage*

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Transfer:** Private transfer from Christchurch to Mt Cook

**Activity:** Shared 2.5 hour evening Star Gazing experience



# SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

## MT COOK

This morning, explore the Tasman Glacier Terminal Lake and Icebergs up close as you board your custom-built boat and cruise the rapidly growing terminal lake, taking in spectacular mountain views and scenery. Icebergs of every shape and size periodically tear away from the glacier allowing you to touch and taste the 300-500 year old glacial crystals.

Enjoy lunch in Mt Cook before exploring this area at your leisure with the many walking and photo opportunities available. Optional activities available at additional cost:

**Scenic Plane Flight:** The Grand Traverse scenic flight takes approximately 50 minutes and encompasses two World Heritage National Parks in a tour amongst New Zealand's highest mountains and largest glaciers. From the Glentanner Airport the Grand Traverse makes its way up the Tasman Valley to the Murchison Glacier over the Godley Glacier, which feeds Lake Tekapo. The flight then takes a turn to the west, taking in the Tasman Glacier in all its glory and then over to the West Coast where you will see the mighty Franz Josef and Fox glaciers and circle Mount Cook before returning back to the Glentanner Airport. Every passenger has a window seat for optimum viewing. \$430 per person.

**Helicopter Flight:** You will be whisked away by helicopter from Mt Cook. Your tour will head to Mt Cook and the West Coast of New Zealand for a spectacular experience including a glacier landing. 1 hour, \$499 per person.

**Lord of the Rings tour:** Whether you are a LOTR fan or just want to learn more about movie making, from finding locations, setting up stunts, visual effects, and finding extras for large armies! This tour takes in the all of the major scenes filmed in and around Twizel area. Get behind the locked gates and stand in the footsteps of the actors surrounded by the stunning scenery of Middle-earth. 2 hours, \$120 per person.

This evening enjoy dinner in house.

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** The Hermitage

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Activity:** Shared 2 hour Iceberg Cruise on Tasman Glacier Terminal Lake



## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

## MT COOK / WANAKA

This morning, depart on the scenic drive from the heart of Mount Cook National Park into the lakeside town of Wanaka. From remote farmland to brilliant turquoise canals, lakes and alpine meadows — this road offers huge scenic contrasts and some of the most beautiful landscapes in the country. You'll travel through the small towns of Twizel and Omarama before passing over the Lindis Pass into Wanaka.

Arrive in Wanaka at sunset to photograph the most photographed tree in New Zealand, the lone tree of Lake Wanaka. Framed by the South Island's stunning Southern Alps, the solitary tree has grown just off shore of Lake Wanaka.

Enjoy dinner in house this evening.

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Edgewater Resort

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Transfer:** Private transfer from Mt Cook to Wanaka

### EDGEWATER RESORT

All guest rooms have views of Lake Wanaka and the mountains with either an outdoor patio or balcony. Enjoy a tranquil and relaxing stay directly on Wanaka's lakefront.

**Room type:** One Bedroom Apartment



# MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

WANAKA

This morning, meet your local guide and embark on a 40-minute drive to shoot sunrise from an exclusive vantage point high over Lake Wanaka on West Wanaka Station. Here, enjoy epic views of Mt Aspiring, glaciers and expansive wild river valleys.

Return to the hotel mid-morning to enjoy some downtime until mid-afternoon when you return to West Wanaka Station to a different location to shoot twilight over the lake and rolling hills.

Return to the hotel this evening before convening for a group dinner in house.

## TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Edgewater Resort

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Activity:** Private morning and afternoon photography tour, includes lunch



# TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

WANAKA

Today begins with an early pre-dawn departure to shoot sunrise in the Nevis Valley including photo opportunities at Duffer Saddle, Nevis tree and historic gold mining buildings.

Return to hotel after lunch for some time at leisure. Late this afternoon, set out for a twilight shoot at an exclusive private location on Alpha Burn farm (only 15 mins drive from hotel).

Return to the hotel this evening before enjoying a group dinner at a local restaurant.

## TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Edgewater Resort

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Activity:** Private morning and afternoon photography tour, includes lunch



## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

## WANAKA / TE ANAU

Experience another sunrise shoot this morning before departing Wanaka mid-morning for the scenic drive to Te Anau. Stop at the best vantage points to capture the dramatic scenery and farmland before enjoy some time to explore the historic town of Cromwell. Rugged mountains, the meeting of two rivers and the pristine waters of Lake Dunstan – the natural beauty of the area is overwhelming.

Arrive in Te Anau early this afternoon, located on the shores of a beautiful lake with the spectacular backdrop of Mt Luxmore and the Murchison Mountains range. Lake Te Anau is the largest lake in the South Island and second only within New Zealand to Lake Taupo.

Spend the afternoon exploring the shores of Lake Te Anau and capturing its unique scenic rural surroundings. Following, visit the Te Anau cinema to view a locally made short film, “Ata Whenua – Shadowland”. Exclusive to the Te Anau cinema, “Ata Whenua – Shadowland” shows the Fiordland World Heritage Status wilderness you would otherwise never see. Mysterious, evocative, exhilarating and utterly spectacular, filmed mostly from a helicopter across extremes of season, climate and terrain, the short film will take you on an unforgettable journey through one of the most awe-inspiring landscapes on earth.

Convene this evening for a group dinner in-house.

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Distinction Te Anau Hotel

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Transfer:** Private transfer from Wanaka to Te Anau

**Activity:** Admission to “Ata Whenua – Shadowland” short film

### DISTINCTION TE ANAU HOTEL

Located on the Te Anau lake front, a short stroll from the Te Anau town centre, Distinction Te Anau Hotel is perfectly situated for you to make the most of this beautiful area.

**Room type:** Lake View Room



# THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

TE ANAU

This morning, take advantage of your centrally located hotel and make the short walk to the edge of Lake Te Anau to capture the sunrise.

Depart Te Anau this morning and travel along the spectacular Milford Road. Described as the 8th Wonder of the World, Milford Sound is renowned for its towering mountains, lush rain forest and incredible wildlife.

Experience the fiord in all its glory aboard your cruise. You'll see the geological drama of sheer cliffs, massive waterfalls, glaciers and rainforest. Keep a look out for wildlife, like seals basking on the rocks or dolphins.

Return to Te Anau this afternoon along the scenic highway, Milford Road and take the plentiful opportunities for photographs and short scenic walks.

Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant this evening.

## TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Distinction Te Anau Hotel

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Activity:** Privately guided full day Milford Sound experience, includes lunch, cruise on Milford Sound and transfers



# FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

TE ANAU

Today, embark on a full day tour exploring Lake Monowai, Borland Road and the Grebe Valley. The Borland Road is a gravel (unsealed) road that goes into the heart of the southern end of Fiordland National Park. The road was built for the transmission towers that bring the electricity out from the West Arm of Lake Manapouri Power Station. The road takes you over the "Borland Saddle" at around 3000ft above sea level, and into the alpine area. From here panoramic views of the surrounding mountain ranges can be seen. Just beyond this point is a spectacular vantage point overlooking the Grebe Valley.

Spend today photographing the lower open beech forest and the alpine areas accessed from the road. Return to Te Anau in time for sunset to photograph this stunning lake before enjoying dinner at a local restaurant this evening.

## TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Distinction Te Anau Hotel

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Activity:** Privately guided full day Fiordland National Park excursion, includes lunch



## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

## TE ANAU / ARROWTOWN

Today, take the secluded “backroads” to Queenstown, winding through some of New Zealand’s prime Central Southland farmland. Enjoy opportunities along the way to stop and shoot livestock and the beautiful rolling hills that the region is renowned for. Arrive at Walter Peak ranch and board the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw to Queenstown. The scenic cruise across the Lake showcases some of Queenstown’s’ spectacular alpine scenery while offering you plenty of time to explore a piece of Queenstown’s’ living history – the 105 year old TSS Earnslaw.

On arrival to Queenstown, you will be met and transferred to your accommodation, Millbrook Resort. Convene this evening for a group dinner.



### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Millbrook Resort

**Activity:** Private backroads tour from Te Anau to Queenstown, includes one-way TSS Earnslaw cruise

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

### MILLBROOK RESORT

The Millbrook ambience is warm and welcoming, the accommodation full of luxurious charm and quality reflects the unique character of the region. Every need is catered for with Millbrook’s 18 hole championship golf course, award-winning restaurants, and a magnificent spa facility designed for total body rejuvenation.

Set in a natural, alpine amphitheatre, against the backdrop of the Remarkables mountain range, the golf course at Millbrook exploits the dramatic terrain fully, delivering world-class golf. The 18-hole, par 72 championship course was designed by renowned professional and master golfer, Sir Bob Charles.

**Room type:** Deluxe Studio

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

## ARROWTOWN

Capture the sunrise at Coronet Peak this morning and enjoy the panorama views of the Wakatipu basin, including the Crown Terrace, a hint of Lake Hayes, and The Remarkables.

Return to your accommodation for breakfast before embarking on touring of the area with your driver guide. Your first stop is Arrowtown – a delightful gold rush village nestled below the beautiful peaks that surround the sparkling Arrow River. In the late 1800's, Chinese miners were invited to Arrowtown to re-stimulate the economy and hunt for gold. The settlement they created is still in Arrowtown today and is one of the most photo-worthy locations in the region. You will find the most photographed cabin of all - a rustic wooden cabin with a backdrop of the Arrowtown mountains and surrounding forest.

Take the opportunity to photograph Lake Hayes (the 'mirror' lake), the Remarkables Mountain range, Arrow River, Arrowtown and some secret local spots.

Enjoy lunch at a small boutique vineyard before returning to Millbrook Resort this afternoon to capture the soft light as the sun sets on the resort. Convene for a group dinner this evening.

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Millbrook Resort

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Activity:** Privately guided full day tour of Arrowtown, Queenstown and surrounding areas, includes lunch



## MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

## ARROWTOWN

Visit the Kiwi Birdlife Park, devoted to helping conserve New Zealand's native fauna through advocacy, captive breeding and rehabilitation. Enjoy a personal encounter with the park's unique endangered wildlife, guided by an experienced park zoologist. This exclusive opportunity offers up-close experiences and a private kiwi-feeding. Your guide will share a wealth of knowledge about New Zealand's iconic bird and the work the park does to help save the kiwi.

Cruise into untouched wilderness today to discover Lake Wakatipu's hidden gem, Mt Nicholas High Country Station, home to 29,000 merino sheep and set on 100,000 acres of breathtaking terrain. The farm is one of a handful of family-owned high country stations on Lake Wakatipu, and supplies wool exclusively to the world-renowned Icebreaker clothing company. Sit back, relax and enjoy the spectacular scenery as you cruise across Lake Wakatipu to Mount Nicholas. On arrival, enjoy a behind-the-scenes visit to a truly authentic, family-run merino sheep farm. Join your guide on a tour of the farm, watch sheep being moved by a farm dog, meet working animals used on the farm, and enjoy a ploughman's lunch before boarding your return cruise to Queenstown.

Convene this evening for a farewell dinner in house to celebrate your adventure.

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Millbrook Resort

**Meals:** Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

**Activity:** Privately guided 1 hour tour of the Kiwi Birdlife Park

*Small group 3 hour Mount Nicholas Station tour, includes return cruise on Lake Wakatipu, farm tour and lunch*



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

ARROWTOWN / DEPART NZ

Transfer to Queenstown airport this morning to board your international flights home.

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

*Meals: Breakfast*

*Transfer: Private airport transfer in Queenstown*



# A BESPOKE PHOTOGRAPHY JOURNEY TO TONGA AND NEW ZEALAND

## PRICE

United States Dollars

USD \$22,278.00 per person double occupancy

USD \$25,040.00 per person single occupancy

## INCLUSIONS

- 21 nights' accommodation as noted in the itinerary
- Meals as noted in the itinerary
- Private and group transfers as noted in the itinerary
- Activities and excursions as noted in the itinerary
- Coffee, tea, water, juice, soft drinks with all meals and house wine and beer with dinner
- 1x UPJ Tour Director to accompany trip and oversee all logistics

## DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Meals except where noted in the itinerary
- International & domestic airfare
- Airport taxes
- Gratuities



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## FLIGHTS REQUIRED FOR THIS ITINERARY

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DATE	DESTINATION	SUGGESTED FLIGHTS
Oct 18	Vava'u to Nadi	<i>TBC until flight schedule is released</i>
Oct 19	Nadi to Christchurch	<i>TBC until flight schedule is released</i>

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***Please note these flights are NOT included in the quote. We recommend booking fully flexible fares as these will ensure the best chance of priority and/or refund should any unforeseen circumstances occur.***

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**Included.** All accommodation, transfers, guides, activities as per the itinerary as prepared by UPJ • A GoPro camera • All accommodation, guides, activities etc. are subject to availability at the time of booking.

**Not Included.** The price quoted DOES NOT INCLUDE: international air and/or air ticket taxes; departure taxes; optional excursions or deviations from the scheduled itinerary; domestic airfares (unless noted); personal expenditure (laundry, overweight baggage, phone calls etc.); excludes fuel, luggage, cancellation, medical or accident insurance; passport and/or visa expenses; meals and beverages other than those specified in the itinerary; tips or gratuities (not customary in the South Pacific); mini bar or room service.

**Air Arrangements.** International and domestic airfares are not included in the tour cost.

**Tour Coordinator.** Lester Picker Fine Art Photography, 106 Flying Ebony Place, Havre de Grace, MD, 21078, USA is the tour coordinator for this program.

**Tour Operator.** Unparalleled Journeys Limited, 46 Kilmore Street, Christchurch 8013, New Zealand, is the tour operator for this program.

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- From confirmation to 365 days prior to travel initial deposit is refundable less a \$250 per person admin fee • 9-12 months 50% of the deposit is refundable • 6-9 months 25% of the deposits paid are refundable • 6 months – 0 days 100% of the tour cost is forfeited • No refunds from 6 months – 0 days once full payment has been made.

**Travel Insurance.** We strongly recommend that all our travelers are covered by some form of travel insurance (including health insurance) and it is your responsibility to arrange such insurance.

**Participation.** It is the traveler's sole responsibility to take all appropriate medical advice prior to departure as to the required level of fitness to undertake the trip and participate in the activities booked for you. Please be aware of your own health and well-being during your stay.

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