



# AIRWAYS NEW ZEALAND AIR EXPEDITION

Based on travel 6<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> November 2026

DATE	DESTINATION	ACCOMMODATION
6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Arrive Auckland, New Zealand	Hotel Indigo
7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Auckland	Hotel Indigo
8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Auckland / Rotorua / Queenstown	Hotel St Moritz
9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Queenstown	Hotel St Moritz
10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Queenstown	Hotel St Moritz
11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Queenstown / Christchurch	Crowne Plaza
12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Christchurch	Crowne Plaza
13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Christchurch / Ashburton / Christchurch	Crowne Plaza
14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Christchurch / Blenheim	Chateau Marlborough
15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Blenheim	Chateau Marlborough
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Welcome to New Zealand’s most cosmopolitan city, the “City of Sails,” where your Legends of Flight journey begins.

Upon arrival in Auckland, you will proceed through customs and immigration as per standard arrival procedures and will be met and transferred to your accommodation, Hotel Indigo.

Following lunch, join your private guide to be taken on an entertaining walking discovery experience around the central city of Auckland. Your private guide will offer insights to the local culture, the city’s heritage and the downtown areas that have been regenerated in recent years that are making Auckland one of the most vibrant cities in the world. Visit a variety of heritage and modern buildings that house art spaces and learn about the art set in public spaces.

This evening convene for private pre-dinner drinks and canapés, followed by a welcome dinner.

## TODAY’S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** *Hotel Indigo, includes early check-in*

**Meals:** *Breakfast, Lunch and Private Pre-dinner Drinks, Canapés and Welcome Dinner*

**Activity:** *Privately guided 2-hour walking tour of Auckland*

**Transfers:** *Private airport transfers to Hotel Indigo – group or individual*

## HOTEL INDIGO

Soaring above the city’s skyline in one of midtown Auckland’s tallest buildings, this boutique hotel stands at the vibrant intersection of history, arts, culture, and business, offering a distinctive experience that captures the spirit of its vibrant theatre and entertainment neighbourhood and the city’s thriving pulse. In a captivating blend of past and present, Hotel Indigo Auckland retains the historic charm of its original façade, once home to Dexter and Crozier’s “The Motor House”.

**Room type:** *King Standard City View*



This morning step back in time and celebrate New Zealand's rich aviation heritage with a private guided tour of the Taiwhanga Rererangi Aviation Hall. Gain exclusive insight into the nation's remarkable history of flight as you explore rare aircraft, pioneering designs, and stories of innovation that helped shape the skies. This experience includes the history of Jean Batten supported by Te Kotiu: An immersive digital experience.

Following lunch, transfer to Ardmore Airport for a privately guided tour of two modern hangars. Here, you will marvel at remarkable aircraft spanning from WWI biplanes to cutting-edge jets, alongside one of the largest displays of scale model aircraft in the world. The collection is complemented by a WWI Model-T ambulance, two authentic WWII jeeps, and a tug from an aircraft carrier, as well as pictorial dioramas depicting New Zealand's aerial conflicts and life on a Pacific wartime island. The experience culminates in a group photo with a warbird aircraft.

Upon arrival back at your hotel, enjoy the rest of your evening and dinner at leisure.

## TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** Hotel Indigo

**Meals:** Breakfast and Lunch

**Activities:** Privately guided tour of MOTAT,  
Privately guided tour of Ardmore Hangars

**Transfers:** Private return transfers for all activities



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SUNDAY, 8 NOVEMBER 2026

AUCKLAND / ROTORUA /  
QUEENSTOWN

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This morning transfer to Auckland Airport board your charter flight from Auckland to Rotorua. Located in the heart of the central volcanic plateau and uniquely built on top of an active geothermal field. From bubbling mud pools, shooting geysers, natural hot springs and fascinating Māori culture, Rotorua has it all.

On arrival, join your local Māori hosts for a privately guided tour of Ohinemutu, an ancient Māori Village in which its descendants still live today. Venture into areas that are not open to the public, seeing inside Te Papaouru Marae (meeting house). Starting with a traditional mihi (welcome), be entertained by captivating tales from Māori history and learn about the region's original tribe settlement. The location was chosen for its lakeside setting and abundant geothermal energy for cooking, bathing, and heating.



Enjoy lunch at Ohinemutu before transferring to Rotorua Airport boarding your charter flight from Rotorua to Queenstown, New Zealand's 'Adventure Capital'. Sitting on the shores of Lake Wakatipu and set against the spectacular Southern Alps, Queenstown's downtown area is energised by a permanent buzz emanating from a lively café/bar scene and excellent shopping precincts. Queenstown is a hub of adventure, bursting with adrenaline and fun.

Upon arrival transfer to your accommodation Hotel St Moritz and enjoy dinner at leisure.

## TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** *Hotel St Moritz*

**Meals:** *Breakfast and Lunch*

**Activity:** *Privately guided tour of Ohinemutu, includes lunch*

**Transfers:** *Private airport transfer from Hotel Indigo to Airport. Private return airport transfer from Rotorua Airport to Ohinemutu. Private airport transfer from Queenstown Airport to TBC*

*Charter flight Auckland, Rotorua to Queenstown – SAAB340*

## HOTEL ST MORITZ

Centrally located, just a 5-minute walk from downtown Queenstown, Hotel St Moritz has wonderful views looking out over Lake Wakatipu to The Remarkables mountain range.

**Room type:** *Lake View Guest Room*

No trip to New Zealand is complete without visiting Milford Sound, often described as the eighth wonder of the world. Your scenic helicopter flight takes you over snow-capped mountains and a variety of natural alpine landscapes on the way to view Milford Sound and Mitre Peak which rises 1700 metres out of the water. Enjoy a glacier/alpine landing to capture once in a lifetime photo or video before flying back to Queenstown.

Following, transfer to Shotover Jet. Get ready for a thrill of a lifetime with New Zealand's world famous Shotover Jet – the ultimate jet boat experience. Feel your adrenaline surge as you accelerate into the towering Shotover River canyons. Your expert driver takes you skimming through the shallows in mere centimetres of water, blasting past the canyon walls, rocky outcrops and boulders.

Arrive in central Queenstown and take the afternoon to explore at your own pace. Lunch and dinner are at leisure.

## TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** *Hotel St Moritz*

**Meals:** *Breakfast*

**Activity:** *Private return Milford Sound helicopter flight, Private 30-minute jet boat ride*

**Transfers:** *Private transfer from hotel to heli base, Private transfer to Shotover Jet then into Queenstown*



Embark on an exhilarating journey as you take to the skies in chartered Cessnas, flying from Queenstown across the stunning South Island landscapes to Mandeville Aerodrome. Upon arrival, enjoy a privately guided tour of the Croydon Aviation Heritage Centre, including a behind-the-scenes look at the workshop where historic aircraft are meticulously restored and maintained. The centre's collection spans decades of aviation history.

After the tour, enjoy lunch at Miss Cocoa, where fresh, locally inspired cuisine is served in a relaxed setting. For those seeking an extra thrill, there is the opportunity to experience the joy of flight in some of the vintage aircraft housed at the centre, creating memories that will last a lifetime.

Upon returning to Queenstown, enjoy your evening at leisure.

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** *Hotel St Moritz*

**Meals:** *Breakfast and Lunch*

**Activity:** *Fly to Mandeville in chartered Cessnas, privately guided tour of Croydon Aviation Heritage Centre, 1 flight in a vintage aircraft*

**Transfers:** *Complimentary return transfers to Queenstown Airfield, Private Charter Cessna Caravan from Airfield to Mandeville Aerodrome return*



This morning transfer to Queenstown Airport and board your commercial flight from Queenstown to Christchurch, known as the Garden City.

Upon arrival, enjoy a private tour of the Air New Zealand Maintenance Hangar, gaining a rare glimpse into the precision and innovation that keep the airline in the skies. Accompanied by expert staff, explore the maintenance facilities, discover intricate engineering processes, and witness the scale of New Zealand's premier aviation hub.

Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant before a private guided tour of the Wigram Air Force Museum, home to an impressive collection of historic aircraft and aviation artefacts. Set on the former RNZAF base, the museum offers insight into New Zealand's aviation heritage, including visits to the restoration hangar and aircraft from World War I, World War II, and beyond. Your expert guide will share engaging stories and behind-the-scenes knowledge throughout. Following the tour, transfer to your accommodation at the Crowne Plaza.

This evening enjoy a stroll to Riverside Kitchen for a private dinner, where contemporary cuisine is paired with a stylish riverside setting and an inviting atmosphere.

## TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** *Crowne Plaza*

**Meals:** *Breakfast, Lunch and Private Dinner*

**Activities:** *Privately guided tour of the Air NZ Hangar, Privately guided tour of Air Force Museum*

**Transfers:** *Private airport transfer from Millbrook Resort to Airport, Private transfer from Airport to all activities, then Crowne Plaza*

*Commercial flight from Queenstown to Christchurch – Air New Zealand*

## CROWNE PLAZA

Perfectly positioned in the heart of Christchurch's revitalised city centre, the Crowne Plaza offers contemporary comfort and effortless sophistication. Overlooking Victoria Square and just steps from the Avon River and the city's key attractions, the hotel provides an ideal base for exploring Christchurch's blend of heritage and innovation.

**Room type:** *King Standard City View Room*



Today you will have the unique opportunity to experience a private tour of the Air Traffic Control radar room based in Christchurch. This behind-the-scenes visit offers an exclusive look at the advanced technology and operations that ensure the safety and efficiency of air traffic management. You will gain insights into the vital role air traffic controllers play in guiding aircraft across the skies. Following the tour, there will be a chance for an engaging Q&A session with a staff member, allowing guests to ask questions and learn more about the complexities of air traffic control and the daily challenges of managing one of the world's busiest airspaces.

Transfer back to your hotel before meeting your private guide for an exceptional journey that intertwines indigenous storytelling, local cuisine, and the rich heritage of Ōtautahi Christchurch. Over the course of three hours, you'll uncover the city's cultural layers through authentic Māori narratives and tales of early settlers, gaining a deeper appreciation for Christchurch's evolution and modern identity.

Conclude your tour at the Antigua Boatsheds and enjoy one of the city's most iconic attractions, sit back and relax on an informative guided punt ride through central Christchurch, an eco-friendly experience at New Zealand's only punting site. See the flora and wildlife of the picturesque Avon River up close and learn about the sights from your classically-attired punter.

Enjoy the remainder of your afternoon and evening at leisure.

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** *Crowne Plaza*

**Meals:** *Breakfast and Lunch*

**Activities:** *Privately guided tour of Air Traffic Control Radar Room, Privately guided food, art & culture 3-hour tour including lunch, beverages and tastings, Private charter Punting on the Avon*

**Transfers:** *Private return transfers to ATC*



Today travel in comfort on a private coach from your accommodation to Ashburton, a scenic journey of approximately 1 hour through the Canterbury Plains. Upon arrival, enjoy a privately guided tour of the Ashburton Aviation Museum, exploring its fascinating collection of aircraft, engines, and memorabilia, with your guide sharing stories that bring New Zealand's rich aviation history to life. Following the tour, relax and enjoy a BBQ lunch before traveling back to Christchurch.

Enjoy your evening and dinner at leisure.

## TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** *Crowne Plaza*

**Meals:** *Breakfast and BBQ lunch*

**Activity:** *Private tour of the Ashburton Aviation Museum*

**Transfers:** *Private return transfer to the Ashburton Aviation Museum*



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SATURDAY, 14 NOVEMBER 2026

CHRISTCHURCH /  
BLENHEIM

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This morning travel from Christchurch to Blenheim aboard the Coastal Pacific, one of New Zealand's most scenic train journeys. Relax and enjoy stunning views of the Pacific coastline, rivers, and rolling countryside as you glide through the heart of the South Island. Upon arrival transfer to Harvest Restaurant for lunch.

Following lunch transfer to Omaka Aviation Centre for an exclusive, privately guided tour of both the WWI and WWII exhibitions. Immerse yourself in meticulously curated displays featuring historic aircraft, immersive dioramas, and compelling storytelling that bring New Zealand's wartime aviation history to life. Many of the centre's spectacular WWI displays were brought to life under the creative vision of filmmaker Peter Jackson, adding cinematic flair and remarkable detail to the experience. From the daring exploits of early fighter pilots to the strategic aerial campaigns of WWII, the tour offers an unparalleled glimpse into the bravery, innovation, and engineering that shaped the skies.

Next, enjoy a private visit to Jem Aviation, a renowned workshop specialising in the maintenance, restoration, and rebuild of classic antique aircraft and historic warbirds. Here you'll gain fascinating insight into the meticulous craftsmanship involved in bringing these remarkable machines back to life, with a particular focus on rare aircraft from the Eastern Bloc.

Enjoy dinner at leisure this evening.

## TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** *Chateau Marlborough*

**Meals:** *Breakfast and Lunch*

**Activity:** *Privately guided tour of WWI & WWII exhibitions at Omaka, Privately guided tour of Jem Aviation,*

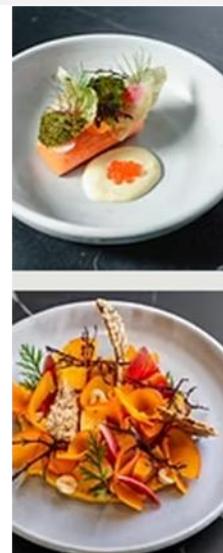
**Transfers:** *Private airport transfer from Crowne Plaza to Train Station. Private airport transfer to all activities and lunch and to Chateau Marlborough.*

*Christchurch to Blenheim via Coastal Pacific Train*

## CHATEAU MARLBOROUGH

Set right in the heart of one of New Zealand's most famous wine regions, yet only a 2-minute walk to Blenheim's town centre. Chateau Marlborough's boasts beautiful surroundings overlooking Seymour Square Gardens.

**Room type:** *Chateau Studio*



Today transfer just outside Havelock in the breathtaking Kaituna Valley. Kaituna Ridges is a working sheep and beef farm that offers an authentic glimpse into rural New Zealand life. This Farm Tour experience invites you to connect personally with the land, the animals, and the farmers who nurture them. The tour begins with a warm welcome in the woolshed, with a demonstration of the skills of the huntaway and heading dogs, showcasing their important roles in managing stock. You'll also enjoy a live sheep shearing demonstration, and hear about insights into New Zealand's farming practices, sustainable land use, and the value of strong wool and natural fibres. Following the demonstration, morning tea is served in the woolshed.

Following transfer to Allan Scott Bistro for lunch, where seasonal Marlborough produce is thoughtfully crafted into elegant dishes. Enjoy award-winning Allan Scott wines, this dining experience offers a true taste of the region's celebrated culinary and viticultural heritage.

Visit Mahi Wines this afternoon to enjoy a private wine tasting experience. Mahi, meaning 'our work, our craft' began in 2001 with a strong focus to respect and promote the individuality of Marlborough's various vineyards, soils and aspects. Owner, Brian Bicknell had been making wine in various parts of the world for 15 years, including France, Hungary and Chile, and he wanted to lay his roots back home in New Zealand. Starting with just a 1.5-hectare parcel, the total production of Mahi is now around 10,000 cases. See behind closed doors and gain an in-depth understanding to the winemaking process while walking through the barrel hall and cave cellar.

Transfer back to your hotel and enjoy the evening and dinner at leisure.

### TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** *Chateau Marlborough*

**Meals:** *Breakfast and Lunch*

**Activity:** *Privately guided Farm Tour includes morning tea, Privately guided wine tour at Mahi Wines*

**Transfers:** *Private return transfers for all activities*



This morning transfer to Picton to embark on a premium cruising experience showcasing the very best of the Marlborough Sounds. Settle in as you glide across tranquil waterways framed by forested hills and secluded bays, with your expert crew sharing insights into the region’s rich marine life, history, and pristine natural environment. Enjoy a BBQ lunch onboard featuring local ingredients and award-winning wine.

Upon returning to your hotel, the day concludes with your farewell dinner. Toast to the journey, share highlights, and reflect on an unforgettable aviation-themed adventure.

## TODAY’S INCLUSIONS

**Accommodation:** *Chateau Marlborough*

**Meals:** *Breakfast, Lunch and Farewell Dinner*

**Activity:** *Private charter cruise in the Marlborough Sounds, includes, lunch and one glass beer/wine*

**Transfers:** *Private return transfers*



This morning, bid farewell to Blenheim, reflecting on 12 unforgettable days of aviation discoveries across New Zealand, and take with you the memories and stories that will forever soar as part of the *New Zealand Air Expedition*.

## TODAY'S INCLUSIONS

**Meals:** *Breakfast*

**Transfers:** *Private small or group transfer from Chateau Marlborough to Blenheim Airport*

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## PRICE

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**Double Occupancy:**

USD \$10,520 per person

**Single Occupancy:**

USD \$12,640 per person

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## TERMS & CONDITIONS

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**Deposit and final Payment**

A \$2,500-per-person deposit is required to reserve space on this program. Final payment is due 90 days prior to program start. As a condition of participation, all confirmed participants are required to sign a Release of Liability.

**Cancellations & Refunds**

Deposits are non-refundable. Refunds can be made only if the program is sold out and we resell your place(s), in which case a \$2,500-per-person cancellation fee will apply. We recommend trip-cancellation insurance.

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## INFORMATION

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### **Inclusions:**

- Aviation themed program, pre-departure materials and travel information
- All meals, tours, and excursions as described in the itinerary
- 11 nights of hotel accommodations
- Early check-in on day one
- 12 breakfasts, 10 lunches and 3 dinners
- Non-alcoholic beverages
- Two flights aboard a privately chartered SAAB 340
- One flight aboard an Air New Zealand aircraft
- One train ride aboard the Coastal Pacific
- Transfers and baggage handling on program arrival and departure days
- Services of our professional tour manager to assist you throughout the program

### **Exclusions:**

- Personal travel expenses, including flights to and from the program
- Meals and beverages other than those specified as included
- Independent and private transfers
- Trip cancellation/interruption and baggage insurance
- Excess-baggage charges
- Gratuities to guides, drivers, and plane crew for all group activities
- Personal items such as email, telephone, laundry and nongroup services

### **Dates:**

November 6 to 17 2026 (12 days)

### **Size:**

Limited to 26 guests

### **What to expect:**

We consider this program to be moderately active, physically demanding at times, and quite busy. There are several early-morning departures and frequent city/hotel changes (approximately every other day) in order to maximize our time in New Zealand. Over the course of each day, travelers should expect to cover one to three miles, walking on sometimes uneven, hilly terrain. Tours may involve long periods of standing. Our hotel in Queenstown is located up a short, somewhat steep hill, which participants must navigate in order to get into town by foot. Participants must be physically fit, active and in good health. We welcome travelers of all ages to this program.

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## CHART YOUR COURSE

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Discover New Zealand from a uniquely aviation-inspired perspective, combining iconic flight experiences with rich Māori culture, cosmopolitan cities, and awe-inspiring landscapes across the North and South Islands. Travel between regions aboard a privately chartered SAAB 340, and commercial airline, turning each transfer into part of the journey. From a legendary Coastal Pacific rail crossing to Blenheim, to a helicopter flight over the Milford Sound and a journey in privately chartered Cessnas, this itinerary is designed for those who appreciate both the art of travel and the thrill of flight.

### Private Charter - SAAB340

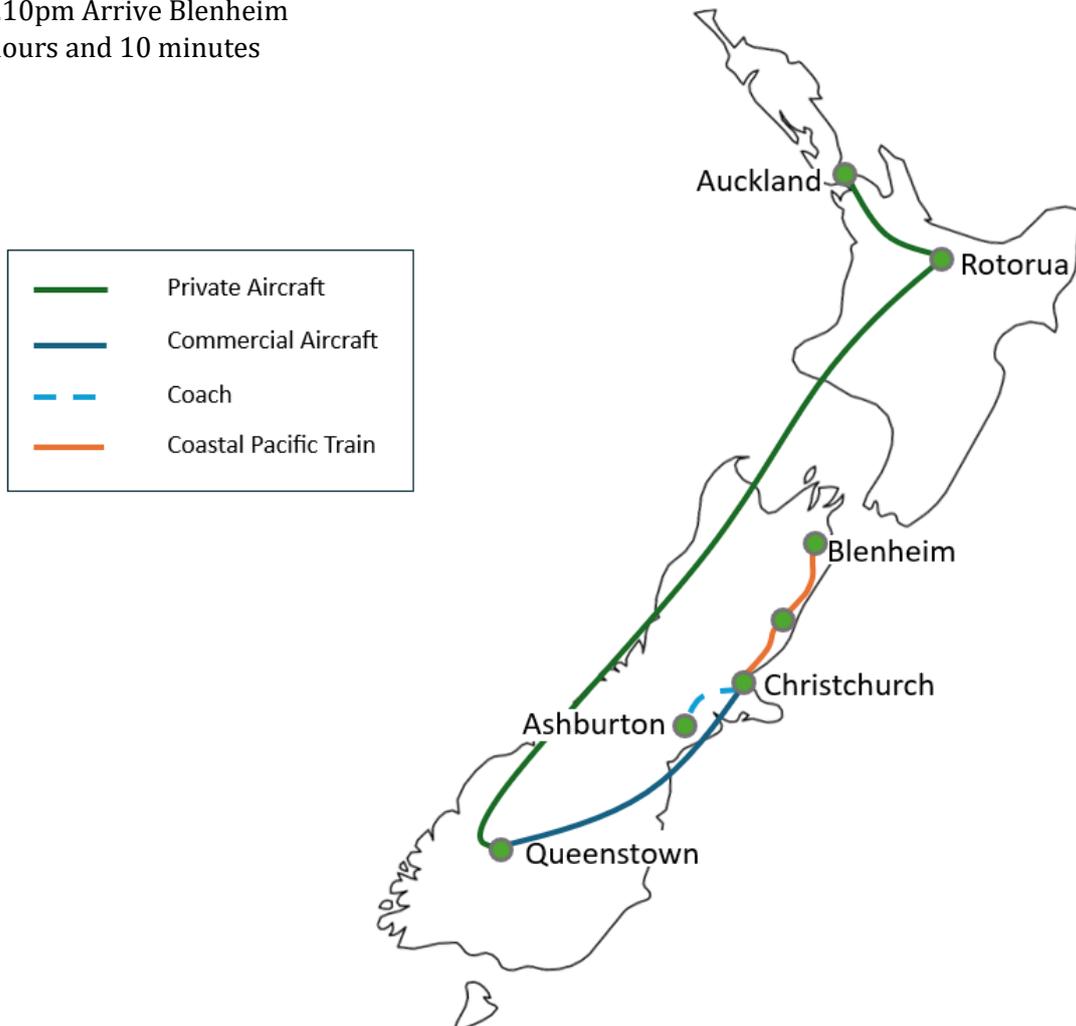
Auckland to Rotorua	45-minutes
Rotorua to Queenstown	2-hours, 30-minutes

### Commercial Flight - Air New Zealand

Queenstown to Christchurch 1-hour, 10-minutes

### Coastal Pacific Train | Christchurch to Blenheim

7.00am Depart Christchurch  
12.10pm Arrive Blenheim  
5 hours and 10 minutes



# PRIVATELY CHARTERED SAAB 340

Travel throughout New Zealand is thoughtfully designed to maximize comfort, efficiency, and the flying experience itself. The longest journey is aboard our privately chartered SAAB 340 turboprop, offering a seamless and refined way to move between destinations. This versatile aircraft is able to access the majority of airports across the country, supported by dedicated ground teams to ensure swift and effortless transfers. Celebrated for its reliability and performance, the pressurized, climate-controlled SAAB 340 is operated by two highly experienced pilots, with a professionally trained flight attendant delivering attentive, personalized service throughout each flight.

## Aircraft Specifications:

Speed	470 kilometers per hour
Max Altitude	25,000 feet
Pressurized Cabin	Yes
No. of pilots	2
No. Flight Attendants	1
Seats	Up to 34
Toilet	Yes

## Seating Plan:

