7 Day

South Island Coastal

Inclusions & Highlights



ACCOMMODATION

· 6 nights in your chosen category



TRAVEL

- · 6 days Budget rental car (CDAR)
- Total driving distance approx 1,013km (13 hr 30 min)



ICONIC SIGHTSEEING

- Entry into World Of Wearable Arts & Classic Cars Museum
- Entry into the Hanmer Springs
 Thermal Reserve

Your package includes these 'must dos' in New Zealand's southern coast.



Nelson, Entry Into World Of Wearable Arts & Classic Cars Museum: This unique Museum and Gallery is an iconic 'must see' attraction that celebrates two distinctly different passions. A world class collection of classic cars can be viewed alongside incredible wearable works of art from all around the globe.



Hanmer Springs, Entry Into The Thermal Reserve: The Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools offer a wide range of experiences, from soothing indulgence in the world class spas to exciting family fun. Enjoy the rock and sulphur pools and a popular family activity area, complete with water slides. Entry includes a towel.

Your Journey...

Day 1 Arrive Christchurch

Arrive in Christchurch and collect your rental vehicle, the rest of the day is at your leisure. Choose to visit the wildlife at Orana Park and Willowbank Wildlife Reserve or learn about life on the Southern Continent at the International Antarctic Centre. In the evening take a stroll around the shopping district of Riccarton before relaxing in one of the many bars of Merivale.

STANDARD - Christchurch Motel, 1 night SUPERIOR - Novotel Christchurch

Day 2 Christchurch to Kaikoura

Depart Christchurch and drive north to the Kaikoura Coast. This afternoon you may like to take a Kaikoura Whalewatch Cruise to see Dusky Dolphins, New Zealand Fur Seals and the pod of giant sperm whales that feed off the coast.

180km by road (2 hr 30 min)

STANDARD - Anchor Inn Motel, 1 night SUPERIOR - Waves On The Esplanade

Day 3 Kaikoura to Nelson via Blenheim

Travel up the coast past Lake Grassmere Salt Works with its pink salt ponds to Marlborough, New Zealand's top wine producing region. From Blenheim it is a relatively short drive to Nelson. Stop in Havelock along the way to taste the regions famous Green Lipped Mussels. Spend the afternoon at Nelson's World of Wearable Art and Collectable Car Museum.

245km by road (3 hr)

STANDARD - Balmoral Motel, 2 nights
SUPERIOR - Heritage Rutherford Hotel

Day 4 Nelson

Nelson is a city of art, crafts and creativity as well as being the gateway to the beautiful Abel Tasman National Park. Spend today at leisure exploring Nelson, drive over to the Abel Tasman National Park for a day, or join a guided tour of the Abel Tasman (additional cost).

Day 5 Nelson to Westport

Leaving Nelson, watch for remnants of the Nelson to Glenhope railway line. From Murchison the road is winding but scenic: steep bush clad hills, ferns, glimpses of the river and mountain peaks.

225km by road (3 hr)

STANDARD - Bella Vista Westport, 1 night
SUPERIOR - Westport Motor Hotel

Day 6 Westport to Hanmer Springs

From Westport head inland towards Reefton, the West Coasts only inland town nestled in the Inangahua River valley between the rugged and spectacular Victoria and Paparoa ranges. Continue on to Hanmer Springs, the main thermal resort of the South Island; relax this afternoon at the Thermal Reserve. From pampering to fine dining there is an abundance of activities to choose from including forest walks, horse treks and jet boating.

218km by road (3 hr)

STANDARD - Bella Vista Hanmer Springs, 1 night
SUPERIOR - Heritage Hanmer Springs

Day 7 Hanmer Springs to Christchurch

Depart Hanmer Springs at your leisure and head south towards Waipara. The Waipara Valley in the Hurunui region is the centre of the Canterbury winegrowing industry and there is the opportunity to visit wineries and indulge in some cellar door tastings and dining. From here continue through to Christchurch where your trip ends.

145km by road (2 hr)



Per Person Twin Share



Seasonal Pricing

PACKAGE FROM	STANDARD	SUPERIOR
01 JUL 15 - 30 SEP 15	\$647	\$885
01 OCT 15 - 31 OCT 15	\$735	\$945
01 NOV 15 - 31 MAR 16	\$808	\$1,038
01 APR 16 - 30 APR 16	\$724	\$909
01 MAY 16 - 30 SEP 16	\$676	\$909

All prices are based on per person, twin share



Car hire: A location fee of NZ\$46 is payable upon vehicle collection. An insurance excess of NZ\$3,450 (credit card imprint) and a security deposit will also be taken when you collect your car.

Explore some more...

Why not take more time to explore Nelson and the Abel Tasman?

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