Hawkes Bay Splendours -Fine Hospitality and Heritage Homes - itinerary

30% Deposit Required on Booking.

Day One D

If you love great food, amazing wine, and exploring some of New Zealand’s most spectacular scenery – this is the tour for you! After a quick stop along the way for morning tea, we will enjoy a stop in Taupo for lunch and an opportunity to browse in the shops or have a stroll along the lakefront. On arrival at our accommodation based in the pretty village of Havelock North, we'll take time to settle in and freshen up before heading to Mission Estate Winery where we'll enjoy delectable cuisine in the elegantly restored seminary building - the award-winning Mission Restaurant.

Day Two B, D

This morning, we head to historic Duart House, built in 1882 and surrounded by 3 acres of gardens. Next, we visit Birdwood Gallery—stroll through the garden or explore the charming sweet shop. At Hygge at Clifton, just outside Havelock North and Napier, we’ll enjoy a relaxing lunch. Inspired by the Danish concept of hygge—celebrating the good in life—this spot offers delicious food, exceptional service, and stunning Hawke’s Bay views in a rustic setting. After lunch, we head to Askerne Estate Winery for a wine tasting experience at their award-winning cellar door. We then have free time to either explore Havelock town or have a rest before dinner, the choice is yours.

Day Three B,L,D

Our first stop today is at the Hawkes Bay Farmers Market where there will be free time to browse the stalls and have some morning tea. Maraeakakaho Station was once one of New Zealand’s premier pure-bred Merino farms and boasts a rich history back to 1857. This is our next stop on today's itinerary. We visit the luxurious Greenhill Lodge, here we will delight in a light lunch followed by a tour

and a historical overview of the Lodge. Sitting below Roys Hill in the Bridge Pa Triangle is Oak Estate where we indulge in a wine tasting at the cellar door. Tonight's fabulous experience is private dining in the Cellar at Craggy Range Winery, a dinner that is a culinary indulgence like no other.

Day Four B,MT,L

Nestled in the heart of Hawke’s Bay, we will savour a scrumptious morning tea at 160-year-old Ashcott Homestead, which features a private home and gardens with a thrilling history that celebrates the verdant countryside. Our next stop is listed with the New Zealand Historic Places Trust and established in 1893, Woburn Homestead is a beautiful venue to behold. Rounding out our trio of homesteads today is the Wallingford Homestead: a 2200-acre station featuring thousands of sheep, hundreds of Friesian and Angus beef, and 1700 French Oak “Trufflere” – the result of which you can feast on at the in-house restaurant. Dinner tonight is at your leisure, there are several options available within a short walking distance.

Day Five B,MT,L,D

Let’s embark on our day, starting with a visit to Mangarara Eco Farm and Eco Accommodation in Central Hawke's Bay, where you'll be enchanted by the breathtaking landscape and sustainable farming practices. Whilst here we'll enjoy a lovely morning tea provided by our hosts and learn about the property. Next, we will make our way to Gwavas Garden Homestead a majestic heritage estate that captivates visitors with its grandeur, rich history, and stunning gardens. Here we'll enjoy a wonderful tour of the gardens and house along with a delicious lunch. After this, we'll continue back to Havelock where can have a rest back at our accommodation or spend the afternoon exploring alluring Havelock North Town, the choice is yours. After returning to our accommodation to freshen up, we’ll end the day with a luxurious dining experience at Mangapapa Hotel, highlighting local produce and paddock-to-plate excellence.

Day Six B,MT

We begin our final day with a guided tour of the Weleda Garden, exploring the

homestead and working garden filled with fragrant herbs and flowers used in Weleda’s renowned products. After taking time to enjoy the peaceful surroundings, we pause for a relaxing morning tea. Our journey home continues with a stop in Taupo for lunch, where you’ll have the freedom to choose from a variety of cafes, take your time and enjoy this final experience at your own pace.