

Taranaki Rhododendron and Garden Festival - itinerary

30% Deposit Required on Booking.

DAY ONE

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Our journey today takes us from Tauranga to Taumarunui, with a relaxing morning tea stop along the way to refresh and recharge. From there, we'll continue to Bradleys Garden, a tranquil botanical paradise in Taumarunui. This stunning garden showcases a diverse array of plant species, thoughtfully curated to create a serene and harmonious environment. Upon arrival, we'll enjoy a delicious catered platter lunch amidst the beautiful surroundings. After lunch, a guided tour will offer insight into the garden's unique design and captivating flora. Next, we'll embark on a scenic adventure along the renowned Forgotten World Highway, a route famed for its breathtaking landscapes, winding roads, and charming rural vistas. After a full day of exploration and natural beauty, we'll arrive at our comfortable accommodation for the evening, The Devon Hotel, where a delightful buffet dinner will be served. Relax, unwind, and reflect on the day's discoveries as we prepare for tomorrow's adventures.

DAY TWO

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Today we prepare to embark on a journey through a veritable Eden of flora and fauna. With a hearty breakfast fueling our bodies and minds, we set forth on our quest to discover the beauty of nature in its fullest form. Our tour of the gardens takes us through a kaleidoscope of colours and scents, each more breath-taking than the last. The names of these magnificent gardens remain shrouded in mystery, waiting to be unveiled by our esteemed Taranaki Festival Manager. Their secrets will be revealed in due time, and we will be sure to savour every moment of our exploration. As the day draws to a close, we bid farewell to the last garden and make our way to the Devon Hotel for a convivial gathering and delicious meal.

DAY THREE

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As the sun rises over the horizon, we fuel ourselves with a buffet breakfast before setting out on our journey to discover six more wondrous gardens. These gardens are yet to be named by our Taranaki Festival Manager, but rest assured, each one will be a marvel to behold. They will offer a breath-taking feast for the senses, with an explosion of colours, fragrances and sounds that immerse us in a world of natural wonder. As the day draws to a close, we return to the Devon Hotel for a convivial gathering and a delicious buffet dinner. With our bellies full and our hearts content, we retire to our rooms, dreaming of the delights that await us tomorrow as we continue our exploration of the beauty and magic of the natural world.

DAY FOUR

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We'll begin our day with a hearty breakfast at the hotel, preparing for our final adventures. Our morning will be spent exploring three more stunning gardens in New Plymouth, each offering unique beauty and inspiration. From tranquil landscapes to vibrant floral displays, these gardens promise a captivating experience. After soaking in the natural splendour, we'll travel to the charming Awakino Hotel and Pub, where a delightful lunch awaits, providing the perfect opportunity to relax and refuel. With satisfied appetites and hearts full of memories, we'll embark on our scenic journey back to Tauranga. As we approach the end of our tour, we'll reflect on the many remarkable venues we've explored and the unforgettable moments we've shared. Upon arrival in Tauranga, we'll bid each other farewell, carrying home inspiration for our gardens and a treasure trove of stories and friendships that will last well beyond our travels.