

# Best of New Zealand with Fiji

17 Day Tour from Coral Coast to Queenstown

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## Vacation Overview

It's true that sheep outnumber people in New Zealand six to one, but lucky for ewe, this untamed land also boasts an impressive number of soaring mountains, lush rainforests, and stunning fiords. The North Island's Bay of Plenty sets the stage for the abundance of spectacular sights you'll see on both of New Zealand's breathtaking islands. Rotorua's shooting geysers are only surpassed by the South Island's soaring Southern Alps, which you'll reach from charming Christchurch by way of the scenic TranzAlpine train. Throughout your tour of New Zealand, you'll have the opportunity to walk along the Franz Josef Glacier, warm your toes in natural hot springs, and partake in all of the fun that Queenstown, the "Adventure Capital of the World," has to offer. With so many ways to work up an appetite, you'll appreciate a special barbecue on a local farm and a traditional cooked-in-the-ground hot stone Hangi dinner.

Gear up for New Zealand's North and South Islands with the ultimate island kickoff. Start your tour of New Zealand with a 3-day Monograms vacation to Fiji to soak up the fun and sun of the Coral Coast and the genuine warmth of the islanders.



**Day 1 ARRIVE IN NADI, FIJI**

Welcome to Fiji! Arrive in Nadi and transfer to your resort on the Coral Coast.

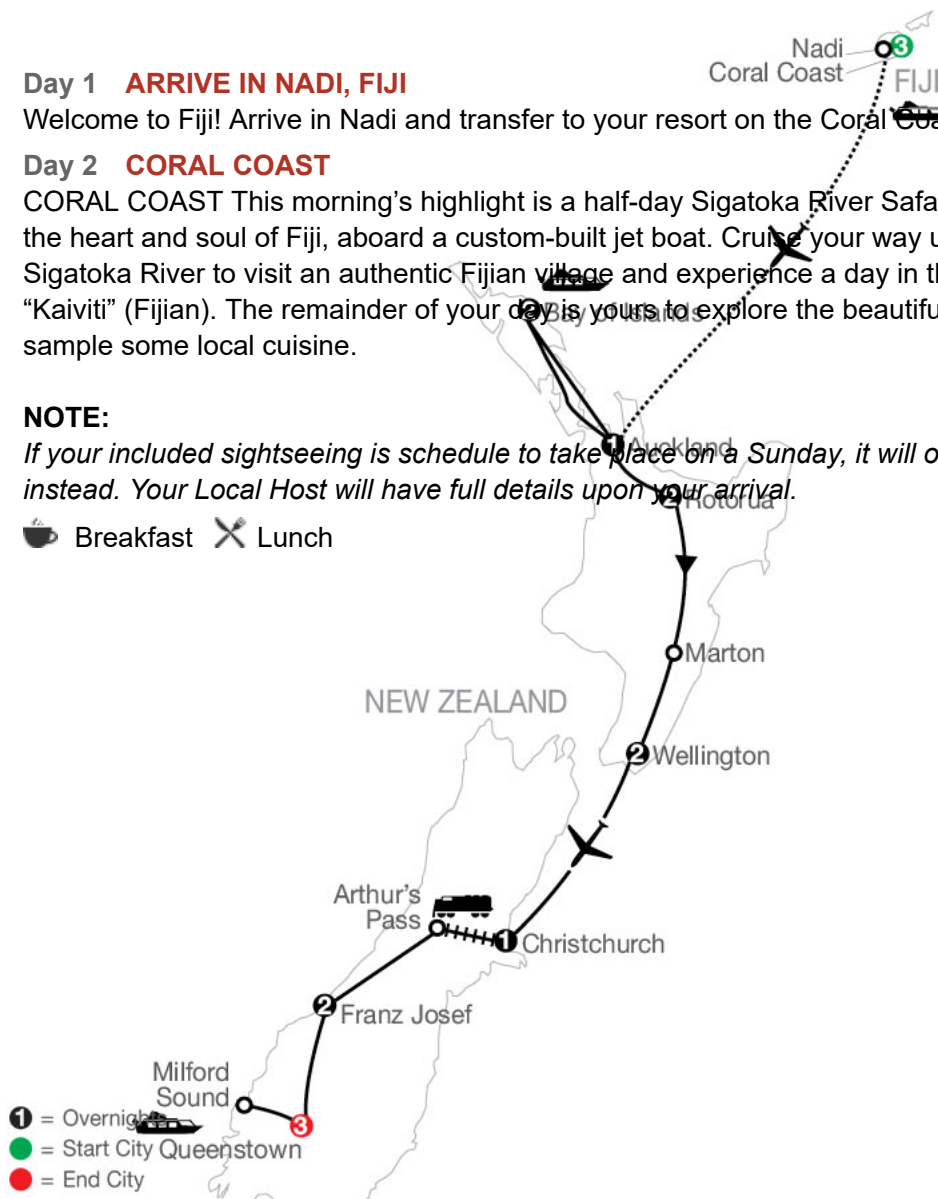
**Day 2 CORAL COAST**

**CORAL COAST** This morning's highlight is a half-day Sigatoka River Safari. Be transported into the heart and soul of Fiji, aboard a custom-built jet boat. Cruise your way up the magnificent Sigatoka River to visit an authentic Fijian village and experience a day in the life of the real "Kaiviti" (Fijian). The remainder of your day is yours to explore the beautiful beaches or perhaps sample some local cuisine.

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 Breakfast  Lunch



**Itinerary**

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### Day 3 **CORAL COAST**

CORAL COAST Today is at leisure. Make sure to check the daily activities offered at your resort. You may wish to take a dip in the pool, enjoy a Fijian handicraft demonstration, spend some time in the water with kayaks or paddleboards, or simply enjoy an amazing sunset with a cool tropical drink.

 Breakfast

### Day 4 **CORAL COAST–NADI–AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND**

CORAL COAST Transfer from the Coral Coast to Nadi International Airport. Fly to Auckland and join Day 1 of the New Zealand portion of your tour.

AUCKLAND Welcome briefing and dinner starting at 4 pm at your hotel.

 Breakfast  Dinner

### Day 5 **AUCKLAND–BAY OF ISLANDS**

AUCKLAND Guided sightseeing includes Queen Street, Auckland Domain (Auckland's oldest park), and historic Parnell Village. Drive to Bay of Islands.

BAY OF ISLANDS Visit Waitangi Treaty House to discover the history of New Zealand. Free time this evening.

 Breakfast  Dinner

### Day 6 **BAY OF ISLANDS**

BAY OF ISLANDS Scenic cruise includes the Hole in the Rock with the chance to view dolphins and other marine wildlife. Free time this afternoon and evening.

 Breakfast

### Day 7 **BAY OF ISLANDS–ROTORUA**

BAY OF ISLANDS Scenic drive to Rotorua.

ROTORUA In the evening, enjoy a traditional Hangi dinner (roasted meats and vegetables cooked underground with hot stones), followed by an authentic Māori (indigenous Polynesian people) cultural performance with singing, dancing, and storytelling.

ENHANCE YOUR FREE TIME in Rotorua with a visit to an authentic Māori (indigenous Polynesian people) village, including a cultural performance, traditional Hangi dinner (roasted meats and vegetables cooked underground with hot stones), and chance to learn the Haka (traditional Māori war dance). This and many more options throughout your tour are available with MyGlobus. Get local maps and tips for free time on your GlobusGO mobile app.

 Breakfast  Dinner

### Day 8 **ROTORUA**

ROTORUA Guided sightseeing includes a visit to Rainbow Springs Nature Park to see native bush and wildlife including the shy Kiwi bird and Te Puia, home to New Zealand's largest geyser, boiling mud pools, and silica terraces. Free time this afternoon before dinner at a local family's home.

 Breakfast  Dinner

### Day 9 **ROTORUA–MARTON–WELLINGTON**

Scenic drive through farmlands and past Lake Taupo en route to Marton.

MARTON Visit to a local farm includes a visit with the farm's owners and a barbecue lunch before driving to Wellington.

WELLINGTON Free time this evening.

 Breakfast  Lunch

### Day 10 **WELLINGTON**

WELLINGTON Sightseeing tour includes a scenic cable-car ride, the botanic gardens, the famous Beehive and Parliament buildings, and 360-degree views from Mount Victoria. Visit Te Papa Museum of New Zealand. Free time the remainder of the day.

 Breakfast

### Day 11 **WELLINGTON-CHRISTCHURCH**

Fly to Christchurch.

CHRISTCHURCH Guide sightseeing includes famous landmarks and the city's spectacular gardens. Free time this evening.

 Breakfast

### Day 12 **CHRISTCHURCH-TRANZALPINE TRAIN-ARTHUR'S PASS-FRANZ JOSEF**

CHRISTCHURCH Scenic TranzAlpine train trip through Canterbury Plains, the Waimakariri River, and the Southern Alps en route to Arthur's Pass. Continue with a scenic drive to Franz Josef.

FRANZ JOSEF Free time this evening.

 Breakfast  Dinner

### Day 13 **FRANZ JOSEF**

FRANZ JOSEF (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) Walking tour in Glacier Valley along the Waiho River bed with a Local Guide. A short climb rewards you with spectacular views of the glacier. Free time this afternoon and evening.

 Breakfast

### Day 14 **FRANZ JOSEF-QUEENSTOWN**

FRANZ JOSEF Scenic drive along the coast of the Tasman Sea and across Haast Pass en route to Queenstown.

QUEENSTOWN Guided tour and tasting at a local winery. Free time this evening.

 Breakfast

### Day 15 **QUEENSTOWN. EXCURSION TO MILFORD SOUND**

MILFORD SOUND Full-day sightseeing in Fiordland National Park (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) includes a scenic cruise in Milford Sound with the chance to see marine wildlife, waterfalls, glaciers, and rainforests. Late evening return to Queenstown. Please note that the excursion to Milford Sound may happen on Day 13 depending on weather and road conditions today.

 Breakfast  Lunch

### Day 16 **QUEENSTOWN**

QUEENSTOWN Free day followed by a special farewell dinner.

ENHANCE YOUR FREE TIME in Queenstown with an independent bicycle trip along country roads, through farmlands, and amid some of New Zealand's most gorgeous scenery. This and many more options throughout your tour are available with MyGlobus. Get local maps and tips for free time on your GlobusGO mobile app

 Breakfast  Dinner

### Day 17 **QUEENSTOWN**

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning.

 Breakfast