

Australia & New Zealand

Cruise Via Princess Cruise Line

Roundtrip from Sydney, Australia

13 Nights of Cruising | 8 Ports of Call

February 21 - March 8, 2020





Immerse yourself in Southern Wonders

Experience the full color of Australia and New Zealand — through music, art, dance and cuisine, and spectacular natural wonders. On our Australia-based sailings, both in port and on board, you'll have the chance to see traditional performances and sample wonderful local specialties, as well as the region's famously delicious wines. And you'll learn about the unique geology and wildlife that make this destination so fascinating.

Included in Price:

- Round-trip transfer from Bloomington to O'Hare
- Round-trip flights from O'Hare
- Hotel & Ship Transfers
- Cruise Accommodations
- All meals while on board the ship
- Taxes & Fees

Not Included in Price:

- Vacation protection coverage.
- Airline baggage fees - we will provide you with the details closer to departure if there are fees.
- Personal expenses for some meals, excursions, tipping and shopping.



Sailing Itinerary:

Friday, February 21, 2020

Depart Central Illinois

Today we will take a motor coach to Chicago O'Hare Airport for our flight to Sydney. Since we cross the date line on our travels it appears as if we are flying for two days. The flight from Chicago to Los Angeles is about four hours and the flight from Los Angeles to Sydney is approximately 15 hours.

Sunday, February 23, 2020

Sydney, Australia - Pre-night Stay at Park Hyatt Sydney

At Park Hyatt Sydney, enjoy unrivalled views of the Sydney Opera House. Explore the vibrant Rocks village, filled with cobbled laneways, cafés, art galleries, museums, and luxury stores. The day is yours to spend at your leisure.

Monday, February 24, 2020

Sydney, Australia - We depart at 04:00 pm.

As your ship passes Harbour Heads, you are presented with the shimmering skyline of Sydney - hailed by many seafarers as "the most beautiful harbor in the world." Two prominent landmarks, Harbour Bridge and the sail-like curves of the Sydney Opera House, grace the backdrop of this picturesque harbor.

Tuesday, February 25, 2020 - At Sea

Ruby Princess is a luminous jewel on the seas and a romantic destination in itself. Each day, a world of exciting activities awaits, from cooking demonstrations to dance classes, trivia contests and a range of enrichment programs, including our Encounters with Discovery at SEA™ speaker series from experts who offer insights into the places you'll visit.

Wednesday, February 26, 2020 - At Sea

Check out the Piazza and Shops Princess or the Fine Art Gallery. Take a dip in the freshwater pool and hot tubs, play a game of basketball, volleyball, tennis or golf on deck.



Sailing Itinerary Continued:

Thursday, February 27, 2020

Bay of Islands, New Zealand we arrive at 09:00 am and depart at 06:00 pm

(Tender Required), (Wheelchair Access Limited) - Note: This is an anchorage port. Passengers transfer to shore via ship's tender.

The Bay of Islands offers more than broad vistas of sea and sky, more than beaches, boating, and fabulous water sports. The Bay is the birthplace of modern New Zealand. Here the Treaty of Waitangi was signed, establishing British rule and granting the native inhabitants equal status. Rich in legend and mystery, the Bay of Islands has age-old ties to the Maori and to whalers, missionaries and New Zealand's early settlers.

The Bay of Islands has lured explorers for countless centuries. The Maori say that Kupe, the great Polynesian adventurer, came here in the 10th century. Captain Cook anchored offshore in 1769, followed by assorted brigands, traders, colonists and missionaries.

POINTS OF INTEREST INCLUDE:

Waitangi Treaty Grounds -It was here in 1840 that the Treaty of Waitangi was first signed between Maori and the British Crown. This historic site offers a commanding view of history and the Bay of Islands.

Kerikeri Mission Station - Also known as Kemp House, Mission Station is New Zealand's oldest kauri building, completed in 1822. Nearby sits the Stone Store, a former trading post and New Zealand's oldest stone building.

Bay Cruise -A cruise aboard a catamaran sets the stage for fun in the sun. Sail through the Hole in the Rock, a 210-foot hole carved by wind and waves.

Ancient Forest & Glow-worm Caves -The family owned Kawiti Cave tours were first established in the 1950's by Te Tawai Kawiti, Great grandson of the famous Maori Chief, Kawiti. The limestone cave system is home to thousands of glow worms spread across the ceiling surrounded by breath taking stalactites and stalagmites.

Outdoor Adventures - Canoeing and kayaking amidst the beautiful water are just some of the incredible outdoor activities you can participate in the Bay of Islands.

Cultural Experiences - Learn about the history, traditions and contemporary lives of the indigenous Maori people who inhabit the Bay of Islands. Experiences include Marae life and travelling by waka canoe which are brought to life by descendants of the original families.



Sailing Itinerary Continued:

Friday, February 28, 2020

Auckland, New Zealand - We arrive at 07:00 am and depart at 06:00 pm.

Straddling a narrow isthmus created by 60 different volcanoes, New Zealand's former capital boasts scenic beauty, historical interest and a cosmopolitan collection of shops, restaurants, museums, galleries and gardens. Rangitoto, Auckland's largest and youngest volcano, sits in majestic splendor just offshore. Mt. Eden and One Tree Hill, once home to Maori earthworks, overlook the city. One of New Zealand's fine wine districts lies to the north of Auckland. Auckland served as New Zealand's capital from 1841 until 1865, when the seat of government moved to Wellington.

POINTS OF INTEREST INCLUDE:

Auckland Museums - A trio of exceptional museums displays the unique natural culture of the area. The Maritime Museum focuses on nautical treasures, the War Memorial on native origins and the Art Gallery on visual mediums.

Auckland Harbour and Bridge - An Auckland icon, the Harbor Bridge stretches over the sparkling Waitemata Harbor, dotted with colorful yachts. Unparalleled city views of the city, Rangitoto Island, Devonport and the Waitakere Ranges can be seen from its heights.

Islands - A charming blend of beaches a picturesque area for sightseeing, and a host of outdoor activities.

Kelly Tarlton's Sea Life Aquarium - A world-class aquarium created by renowned New Zealand oceanographer Kelly Tarlton, this underwater adventure land includes thrilling interactive displays and viewing stations offering a unique perspective on New Zealand Pacific oceanic history.

Volcano—You can spot some of the 48 volcanic cones dotted across Auckland – just look for the tell-tale green pastures rising up. Our volcanoes – maunga – are one of the things that make our landscape so unique; they also hold huge historical, spiritual and cultural significance to Auckland Māori.

Sky Tower - The tallest man-made structure in New Zealand and the Southern hemisphere, take a transparent elevator to a glass-floored observation deck, towering 1,072 feet in the air. Panoramic views and a 360-degree revolving restaurant greet you at the top.

Waitomo Grotto - Sail quietly through the spectacular Glowworm Grotto an underground cave of historical and geological significance. Tiny phosphorescent glowworms light the way through the ornate limestone caverns.

Countryside/Wineries -Travel through the picturesque countryside on an excursion to New Zealand's premier wineries, acclaimed for their Rieslings, Sauvignon Blancs and Pinot Noir. Guided vineyard tours and tastings are available.

Saturday, February 29, 2020

Tauranga, New Zealand - We arrive at 06:30 am and depart at 05:45 pm.

New Zealand's natural bounty is always on display at the Bay of Plenty. It was Captain James Cook who in 1769 aptly named this bay, thanks to the prosperous Maori villages of the region. Tauranga, the chief city, is a bustling port, an agricultural and timber center and a popular seaside resort. Tauranga is also the gateway to Rotorua - a geothermal wonderland that is the heart of Maori culture. A 90-minute drive from Tauranga, Rotorua is New Zealand's primary tourist attraction.

Your ship docks near the foot of Mt. Maunganui, which rises 761 feet above the bay. Across the harbor, Tauranga offers scenic tidal beaches at Omokoroa and Pahoia. The region boasts fine beaches, big-game fishing, thermal springs and seaside resorts.

Sailing Itinerary Continued:

Saturday, February 29, 2020

Tauranga, New Zealand - Continued

Tamaki Maori Village (Maori Concert & Hangi): A visit to the Tamaki Maori Village, proud winner of New Zealand's Supreme Tourism Award, is a fun way to learn about the heritage and cultural legacy of the Maori. Experience Maori singing and dancing, and sample traditional food.

POINTS OF INTEREST INCLUDE:

Rotorua: A place of natural beauty, Rotorua is the geothermal capital of New Zealand and home to 16 incredible lakes.

Te Puia Thermal Reserve: Learn about the Maori culture at the fascinating Te Puia Thermal Reserve, home to a re-creation of an early Maori village, the magnificent Pohutu geyser, boiling mud pools, and the National carving and weaving school.

Rainbow Springs: Spread over 22 beautiful acres, Rainbow Springs is a must-see destination for nature lovers. Explore the trout pools, view 135 varieties of native trees and observe exotic native birds, including New Zealand's national emblem, the kiwi.

Skyline Skyrides: Rotorua's Skyrides is the perfect venue for a family day out. Enjoy the thrilling gondola cable-car ride up the side of Mount Ngongotaha, experience the fun of the high speed Luge, while soaking up the stunning panoramic views.

Waiotapu -Wai-O-Tapu, Maori for "Sacred Waters", is an active geothermal area found in New Zealand's Taupo volcanic zone. This thermal wonderland boasts breath-taking erupting geysers, bubbling mud pools, mineral terraces and steaming volcanic lakes.

Agrodome - See New Zealand through the eyes of a farmer on this unique 160-hectare sheep and beef farm. Watch sheep dogs in action, a sheep shearing demonstration, view 19 breeds of sheep and purchase woolen products at their shop.

Polynesian Spa Polynesian Spa - One of New Zealand's leading international day spas, the Polynesian Spa boasts many sumptuous spa and massage therapies. Enjoy their four relax

Sunday, March 1, 2020

Napier, New Zealand - We arrive at 10:00 am and depart at 06:00 pm.

Napier and Hawke's Bay have become New Zealand's premier lifestyle getaways. Located on the North Island's eastern coast, New Zealand's oldest wine-growing region boasts a superb Mediterranean climate and golden sand beaches. In recent years, Hawke's Bay has become a leading producer of fine olive oils and artisanal cheeses. Wildlife lovers and birders will flock to Cape Kidnappers in Southern Hawke Bay: the Cape is home to the largest mainland gannet colony in the world.

In 1931, a 7.8 magnitude earthquake leveled Napier. The town rebuilt itself, and today Napier is hailed as the "Art Deco City" for its superb collection of Deco, Spanish Mission and Classical Revival buildings.

POINTS OF INTEREST INCLUDE:

Art Deco City Tour: World-renowned as the "Art Deco City," visitors can leisurely stroll, take an antique car ride or jump on the Deco bus to view some of the most revered architectural gems in Hawke's Bay.

Wine Tasting: New Zealand's oldest wine region, Hawke's Bay is home to over 140 vineyards and 70 wineries. Visit a tasting room or take a wine tour to broaden your knowledge while taking in the spectacular scenery.

Sunday, March 1, 2020

Napier, New Zealand

POINTS OF INTEREST CONTINUED:

Cape Kidnappers: Home to a top-ranked golf course, spectacular ocean views, and geological cliff formations, this promontory is also home to the Gannet Reserve, the world's largest gannet nesting place.

Te Mata Peak: Majestically rising over 1,300 feet above sea level, Te Mata is the highest peak in the area, making it a favorite spot for paragliding and hang gliding, hiking and mountain biking.

National Aquarium: New Zealand's largest display of aquatic life features an Oceanarium tank filled with an amazing array of sharks, stingrays, porcupine fish, eels, snappers and more; plus there's a touch pool and a kiwi environment.

Silky Oaks Chocolate Company & Sunzup Fruit World: Silky Oaks specializes in handmade chocolates using couverture-chocolate with a high percentage of cocoa butter. Watch the chocolate making process, sample a handmade chocolate and tour the Chocolate Museum. Sunzup Fruit World, family-owned orchard produces award-winning apples and stone fruit. Board a wagon for a tractor-drawn tour of the orchards.

Mohaka River: The Mohaka River flows from the Ahimanawa Range into the Hawke Bay. The river is deeply entrenched in spectacular gorges, with the lower 17 miles formed during the last glaciation. The literal meaning of the Maori name is "a place for dancing." This name is believed to have been brought from Hawaiki and its significance is now obscure.

Mission Estate Winery: Mission Estate Winery has a fascinating past, surviving everything from floods to earthquakes, cutting the building into 11 parts and transporting it to its current site in Taradale using traction engines, all the while planting and growing grapes in Hawke's Bay.

Monday, March 2, 2020

Wellington, New Zealand - We arrive at 07:00 am and depart at 05:00 pm.

New Zealand's capital offers stunning views of forested peninsulas, dramatic cliff-side homes and fine Victorian buildings. Settled in 1840 by the London-based New Zealand Company, "wonderful, windy Wellington" is frequently buffeted by bracing winds funnelling through Cook Strait. The sophisticated metropolis boasts museums, winding streets and even a cable car. No wonder many travelers compare it to San Francisco. Despite its steep hills, the city can be easily explored on foot. Kelburn Cable Car, stairways and footpaths climb the slopes from the city center.

POINTS OF INTEREST:

Wellington Botanic Garden/Lady Norwood Rose Garden: The Wellington Botanic Garden features over 61 acres of landscapes, protected native forest, conifers, and special floral collections including the lovely 3,000 rose-filled Lady Norwood Rose Garden.

Cable Car: This landmark, constructed in 1902, rises 390 feet from the heart of the city and offers spectacular views at the top. From here, it's an easy walk to the Botanic Gardens, Carter Observatory and Cable Car Museum.

Te Papa Museum: New Zealand's national museum is dedicated to the country's culture and environment with a special emphasis on the Māori. Fascinating displays include the colossal squid; at over 1,000 pounds, it's renowned as the world's heaviest.

Wairarapa: Called the "land of glistening waters" by the ancient Maori, this beautiful rural area not only offers abundant lakes, bays and rivers, it's also at the heart of New Zealand's wine trail.

Zealandia: Karori Wildlife Sanctuary is a 550-acre eco-sanctuary home to New Zealand's rarest and endangered native animals including the tuatara lizard, little spotted kiwi, saddleback and hihi birds, and the giant weta insect. Their 500 year plan is to return the sanctuary to its pre-human origins.

Lord Of The Rings Tour: An exhilarating journey through the Wellington and Wairarapa regions, where visitors can see locations used in the filming of the blockbuster award-winning movies.

Sailing Itinerary Continued:

Tuesday, March 3, 2020

Akaroa, New Zealand View - We arrive at 08:00 am and depart at 06:00 pm.

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On the eastern shores of New Zealand's South Island, Akaroa is a popular tourist destination with a distinctly French flair, its history steeped in legend. It lies on the volcanic Banks Peninsula, which the Maori believe was formed when a hero named Maui piled mountains upon a giant who threatened to eat his children.

The same peninsula was purchased from the local Maori by a French whaler around 1838, and was later settled by both the French and the British, who had just signed the Treaty of Waitangi ensuring New Zealand's existence as a British colony.

With French-named streets leading to restaurants serving French cuisine and colonial architecture all around, Akaroa's heritage as the only French-founded community in New Zealand is unmistakable. Akaroa harbour is home to a diverse array of marine life, including rare Hector's dolphins, and visitors are lured by the area's secluded beaches and quaint boutiques.

POINTS OF INTEREST INCLUDE:

Tranz Alpine Express: One of the world's great scenic railways travels through 19 tunnels and across four bridges showcasing verdant open plains, lush beech forest, rugged river valleys and the towering Southern Alps.

Arthur's Pass: Giving its name to the astounding alpine wilderness that is Arthur's Pass National Park, the highest pass over the Southern Alps is a popular destination via road and the Tranz Alpine Express railway.

International Antarctic Centre: An interactive Antarctic experience unfolds through fascinating exhibits, a polar room chilled to -5° C, an indoor storm with authentic blizzard conditions, a 4D audio visual experience and a penguin encounter.

Canterbury Plains: This verdant breadbasket is spread out like a patchwork quilt of farmland in shimmering shades of green. And in the distance, the snow-capped peaks of the Southern Alps are a dazzling surprise.

Waimakariri River: Flowing in a southeastward direction the river rushes through a narrow canyon called the Waimakariri Gorge and then gently meanders across the Canterbury Plains on its journey to the Pacific Ocean.

The Giant's House: Originally known as Linton, "The Giant's House" is a unique part of the history of Akaroa - nestled in a secluded valley, it was built in 1880 for Akaroa's first bank manager. The grand house built of native timbers sits in sculpture mosaic garden that's colorful, exuberant, interactive, romantic, fun and full of surprises.

Hector's Dolphins: One of the smallest marine dolphins in the world and only found in New Zealand's water, Hector's dolphins grow no more than 1.5 m in length.



Wednesday, March 4, 2020

Dunedin, New Zealand - We arrive at 08:00 am and depart at 06:00 pm.

Perched on the hills above one of New Zealand's loveliest harbors, Dunedin is a Kiwi city with a Scottish heart. Hailed as the "Edinburgh of New Zealand," Dunedin is proud of its heritage. A statue of famed Scottish poet Robert Burns graces downtown, and the presence of New Zealand's only kilt maker and whisky distillery - as well as many bagpipe bands - keep Dunedin's ties to Scotland alive. The city also boasts a distinguished architectural and cultural history, a legacy of New Zealand's 1860s gold rush.

Port Chalmers, gateway to Dunedin, is located eight miles from the city center. Dunedin is a planned city: its streets and suburbs fan out from the city's octagon.

Travel tip: Dunedin is pronounced "Dunn-knee-din"

POINTS OF INTEREST INCLUDE:

Taieri Gorge Railway: Travel the fabled route of pioneers & prospectors through spectacular Taieri River Gorge. This historic railway, from the 1870s, boasts wrought iron viaducts, tunnels and modern and vintage carriages. Exclusively chartered for Princess Cruises, the train journey commences from alongside the ship and includes tea, lunch and continuous refreshment service.

Larnach Castle: Enjoy spectacular tower views and beautiful gardens at this neo-Gothic estate. Commissioned by William Larnach for his beloved first wife, the home preserves the baronial lifestyle of the 1800s.

Olveston House: Designed by London architect Sir Ernest George and built in 1904

-06 for David Theomin, a Dunedin importer, this magnificent 35-room Jacobean-style mansion tells the story of a gracious age.

Otago Harbour & Peninsula: Otago Peninsula is one of the South Island's most significant wildlife areas and boasts untamed landscape.

Speights Brewery: Still on Rattray Street at the foot of City Rise, the same site it has occupied since 1876, Speight's Brewery brews the "Pride of the South," a favorite New Zealand beer.

Botanical Garden: Established in 1863, the lush Botanic Gardens boast rose, camellia, rhododendron and native plant displays. Also on site are a Glasshouse Garden, aviary, and convenient souvenir shop.

Otago Museum: The Otago Museum was founded in 1868 and has undergone many changes over the years. It is the largest cultural and heritage institution in Otago and has a collection of over two million natural science specimens and human history artifacts. The Museum is Dunedin's most visited attraction.

Dunedin Train Station: Dunedin's landmark railway station features an elaborate Victorian facade, extravagant tile floors and etched glasswork.



Thursday, March 5, 2020

Fjordland National Park (Scenic Cruising)

New Zealand's largest national park was formed millennia ago by massive glacial flows that carved deep fjords into the coast of New Zealand's South Island. At the heart of Fjordland National Park lies Milford Sound. Lined by cliffs that soar nearly a mile above its surface, Milford Sound cuts into the heart of the Southern Alps. Rainforest clings to the cliffs and graceful waterfalls plummet into the void. Mile-high Mitre Peak dominates the upper reaches of the sound.

The town of Te Anau in Fjordland National Park is also your gateway to the South Island's other natural wonders including Lake Wakatipu, the resort of Queenstown and Mt. Cook National Park.



ONE OF CRUISING'S GREATEST WONDERS — FIORDLAND NATIONAL PARK

When Condé Nast Traveler and Princess Cruises were coming up with their list of the 7 Cruise Wonders of the World, there was no question of one destination's inclusion of New Zealand's spectacular Fjordland National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You'll understand why this haunting place made the list as you sail through its untouched natural beauty with 1,000-foot towering granite cliff walls, deep fjords fed by spectacular waterfalls, alpine mountains and lushly forested shores.

Friday, March 6 , 2020 and
Saturday, March 7 , 2020

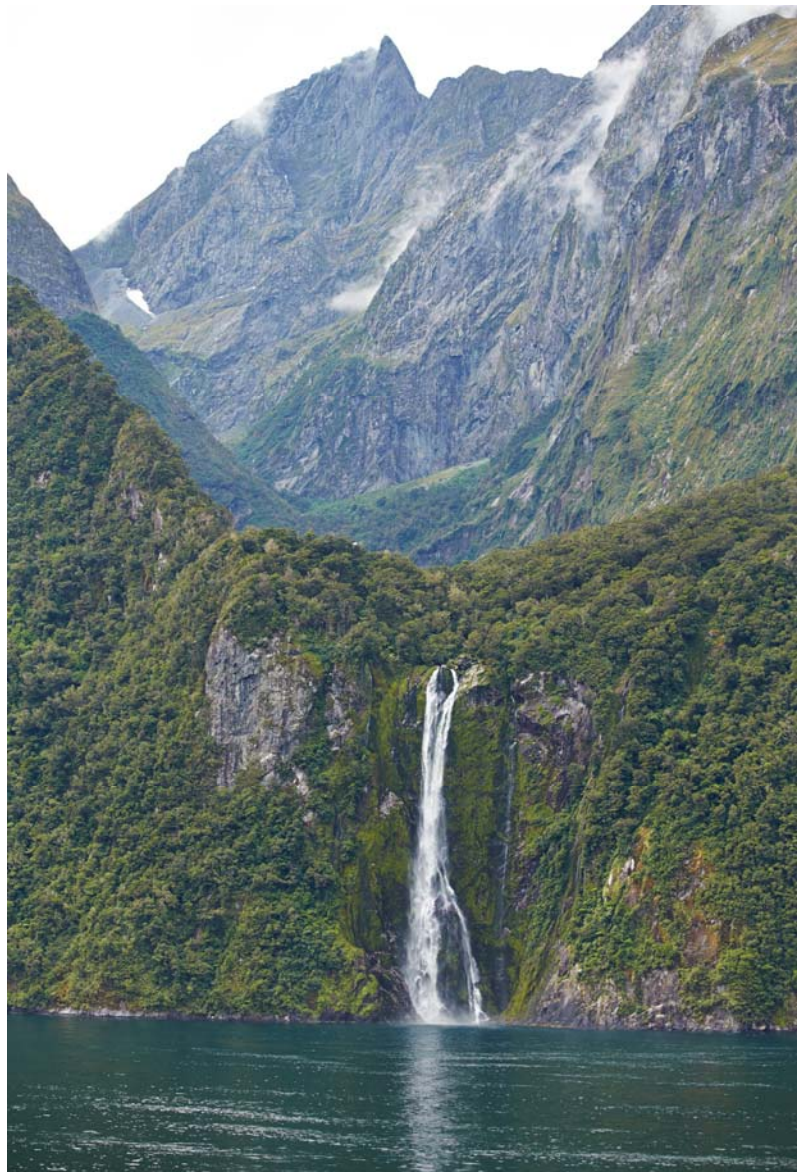
Sea Days

We have two days to enjoy all the amenities on board the Ruby Princess. There's always something happening on board — from heading to the Princess Theater for a lavish original musical production to enjoying a blockbuster movie poolside under the stars or simply relaxing in a lounge sipping a cocktail where a live band is playing your song. Take this time to wind down and reflect on all you have seen and done. These days of rest are the perfect ending to an adventure of a lifetime Down Under.

Sunday, March 8 , 2020

Sydney - Disembarkation

This morning we arrive in Sydney. We will make our way to the airport and take our flight home.



Cruise Rates:



Interior Cabin \$4599.00

Balcony Cabin \$5599.00

Mini Suite \$6099.00

Trip Insurance: \$348.00

Trip Insurance: \$423.00

Trip Insurance: \$461.00

Terms & Conditions:

All rates are per person based on double occupancy.

Princess requires initial deposit of \$900.00 per person at time of booking. Final payment no matter when you book will be due on or before November 21, 2019. A cancellation fee of \$900.00 will be assessed for any reservations canceled between January 15, 2019 and November 21, 2019. Cancellations made after November 21, 2019 will result in complete forfeiture of monies paid if you have not purchased insurance.

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