



## TOUR CODE CGPW13

**STYLE** Classic Group  
**COACH** 48 seat Classic  
**ACCOMMODATION** 4 star

**STARTS** Christchurch  
**FINISHES** Christchurch

### ALL INCLUSIVE TOUR PRICE

Fully escorted tour includes transfers in New Zealand, Classic 48 seat coach travel, 4 star accommodation, most meals, sightseeing, attractions, 3 Day Gold Pass + **BONUS** GPT Tour Jacket.

### THEY SAID IT ...

*"Enjoyed every day of the airshow. Good viewing, plenty of toilets. All attractions we saw and experienced were outstanding. A very informative Coach Captain who was an excellent driver and had a great sense of humour."*

**R.C.** - Australia



As well as all the aerial action of the Warbirds Airshow your tour also includes the TranzAlpine Rail Journey, renowned as one of the great train journeys of the world.

The majestic South Island featuring the Warbirds Over Wanaka International Airshow

# 13 Day Classic Warbirds South Island

No hidden extras

### PREPAID ATTRACTIONS

- Air Force Museum of New Zealand\*
- Larnach Castle\*
- Crioscape
- Bill Richardson Transport World\*
- Croydon Aviation Heritage Centre
- Milford Sound Cruise and Lunch
- Lakes District Museum
- TranzAlpine Rail Journey
- City sights tour of Dunedin

\*Guided tour.

### AIRSHOW INCLUSIONS

- 3 Day Warbirds Over Wanaka Gold Pass
- Grandstand seating
- Exclusive marquee access with CCTV
- Souvenir Gold Cap and Badge
- Airshow Programme
- Opportunity to walk the flight line
- Complimentary drink voucher
- Complimentary tea, coffee and water throughout the Airshow

### COACH FEATURES

- 48 seats on a Classic touring coach
- 2 door access; overhead travel bag storage
- Restroom; panoramic viewing

### EXPERIENCE

- Return airfares from your homeport
- Personalised Meet and Greet on arrival
- Return airport transfers in New Zealand
- Professional Coach Captain
- Experienced Tour Leader
- 12 nights 4 star accommodation
- 1 four night stay
- 2 two night stays
- Hotel portorage
- 1 cruise
- 1 rail journey
- All sightseeing and prepaid attractions
- Extensive Optional Activities
- Classic Documentation Pack
- **BONUS** GPT Tour Jacket

### MEALS

- 12 cooked breakfasts
- 10 sumptuous dinners
- 2 lunches: lunch, The Catlins; Milford Sound Cruise
- 1 delicious Devonshire Tea: Larnach Castle
- Enjoy GPT Hotel Wine Time (discounted drinks)

Day 1: Dinner not included for anyone arriving later than 8pm.

## Itinerary and Hotels

(B) Breakfast. (SL) Specialty Lunch. (D) Dinner. (SD) Specialty Dinner

### DAY 1: Arrive Christchurch (D)

On arrival into Christchurch, you will be met by a Grand Pacific Tours representative and transferred to your hotel. This evening meet your Tour Leader and travelling companions for dinner.

**Hotel** Distinction Christchurch Hotel

### DAY 2: Christchurch - Dunedin (B,D)

Before departing Christchurch, enjoy a 'behind the scenes' visit to the Air Force Museum of New Zealand. Here you will witness restoration projects in progress and have a rare chance to climb inside a Bristol Freighter aircraft. Continue south to Oamaru, renowned for its stunning limestone architecture, before arriving in the charming city of Dunedin.

**Hotel** Scenic Hotel Southern Cross (2 nights)

### DAY 3: Dunedin Sightseeing (B)

Begin your day with a city tour of Dunedin, showcasing its remarkable architecture, including the iconic Dunedin Railway Station. Travel along the beautiful Otago Harbour viewing many scenic highlights. At Larnach Castle, enjoy a guided tour that delves into its tragic and scandalous

history. Explore the castle's Garden of International Significance before indulging in a delightful Devonshire Tea. Return to Dunedin for free time for optional activities. This evening is also free to dine at leisure.

### DAY 4: Dunedin - Invercargill (B,L,D)

Today travel through the remarkable region of The Catlins, where lush rainforest spills onto brilliant beaches. Along the way, take in the dramatic coastal scenery with plenty of opportunities to admire the views. Visit Purakaunui Falls, a magnificent triple tiered waterfall, perfect for capturing unforgettable photos. A visit to Curioscape located on picturesque Curio Bay will provide an interactive experience on the region including lunch. Later continue to Invercargill, home of the legendary Burt Munro, Speed Bike Racer as depicted in the movie 'The World's Fastest Indian' to view memorabilia.

**Hotel** Distinction Invercargill



Visit the Bill Richardson Transport World for a tour of this amazing private collection that includes vintage trucks, rare classic cars and petrol pumps.

## Optional Activities



### TE ANAU GLOWWORM CAVES

Venture into the underground caves for a tour of the mysterious world of waterfalls and incredible rock formations before drifting into silent darkness beneath glittering glowworms.



### SHOTOVER JET

Enjoy a jet boat ride in the spectacular Shotover River Canyons, carved out over the ages by a vast volume of fast flowing water. Hold on tight and take a spin in the iconic Big Red for wall to wall action from start to finish.

### DAY 5: Invercargill - Te Anau (B,D)

This morning visit the Bill Richardson Transport World for a tour of this amazing private collection. Housed in a purpose-built Art Deco building, displays include vintage trucks, rare classic cars, petrol pumps as well as an ever-growing showcase of Wearable Arts. Travel via Gore to Mandeville Airfield to visit the Croydon Aviation Heritage Centre where aircraft, mostly from the 1920s and 1930s includes the largest collection of de Havilland aircraft in the southern hemisphere. Continue to Te Anau, the gateway to Fiordland.

**Hotel** Distinction Luxmore Hotel Lake Te Anau (2 nights)

### DAY 6: Te Anau - Milford Sound - Te Anau (B,L,D)

Depart Te Anau for a fascinating drive to Milford Sound where you board your launch for a cruise on this magnificent fiord. See the spectacular Bowen Falls and towering Mitre Peak as you enjoy lunch onboard. This afternoon return to Te Anau where some free time is available, you may like to visit the Te Anau Glow Worm Caves (optional).

### DAY 7: Te Anau - Arrowtown - Queenstown (B)

Travel to Arrowtown, an old gold mining village and visit the Lakes District Museum. Continue to Queenstown, a year-round resort situated on the shores of magical Lake Wakatipu. This evening is free to dine out at one of the many fine restaurants.

**Hotel** Mercure Queenstown (4 nights)

### DAY 8: Queenstown - Wanaka - Queenstown (B,D)

Today you have the choice of either a free day in Queenstown or travelling to Wanaka for the opening day of the Warbirds Over Wanaka Airshow. No flying will occur today, however there may be some practice happening overhead. On the ground check out the static displays which include classic cars and Warhorses (military vehicles), sport aircraft and aviation trade stands. This is also the opportunity to taste wine and food from the Central Otago region.

### DAY 9: Warbirds Over Wanaka (B,D)

Travel to Wanaka over the next two days where Wanaka Airport will become your home as you are entertained by the world's best display pilots flying aircraft overhead. Your ticket will gain you access to the Gold Pass Enclosure. Enjoy the ultimate in Airshow luxury as you will be situated on the flight line with grandstand seating and a plush marquee where you can relax in comfort and watch the show from the best seats in the house.

### DAY 10: Warbirds Over Wanaka (B,D)

On the final day, all eyes will be in the air as you watch some of the world's most iconic Warbird aircraft plus modern military machines, aerobatics, sport aircraft and so much more. The aerial action is backed by world-class pyrotechnics when the Airfield is defended by the fighters from an attack by enemy aircraft. The show culminates in a massed Fighter flypast, a sight not to be missed!

### DAY 11: Queenstown - Franz Josef (B,D)

Depart Queenstown and travel via the Haast Pass to the West Coast, an area of stunning beauty. See the snow-capped peaks of the Southern Alps as you travel north. Time is available to experience a scenic flight (optional, weather permitting) over the spectacular glaciers before continuing to Franz Josef.

**Hotel** Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier

### DAY 12: Franz Josef - Arthur's Pass - Christchurch (B,D)

Travel to Hokitika, famous for its greenstone then continue to Arthur's Pass where you board the TranzAlpine, renowned as one of the great train journeys of the world. View rivers and valleys as you travel through the Waimakariri Basin, over massive viaducts and through the patchwork farmlands of the Canterbury Plains to the elegant city of Christchurch. This evening enjoy dinner with your newfound friends and reminisce on memories shared.

**Hotel** Distinction Christchurch Hotel

### DAY 13: Depart Christchurch (B)

Time to say goodbye. You will be transferred to the airport for your flight home after a memorable New Zealand holiday.