**KEY FACTS**

- Similar in land size to Great Britain and Japan
- Population is approx 4.5 million
- Capital city is Wellington
- English and Te Reo Māori are the official languages
- No dangerous animals or snakes
- No vaccinations required
- Electricity supply runs at 230/240 volts

**WHY NEW ZEALAND?**

New Zealanders (kiwis) are very friendly people and visitors are warmly welcomed.

Visitors to New Zealand will discover:
- excellent tourism infrastructure
- spectacular natural landscapes
- a clean and unpolluted environment
- a safe, secure, and politically stable country
- a value-for-money destination!

**ENTERING NEW ZEALAND**

A valid tourist visa is required to enter New Zealand. For immigration and visa information visit immigration.govt.nz

You must declare all food items you intend to bring into New Zealand. For more information visit biosecurity.govt.nz

Find out about duty free allowances at customs.govt.nz

**TIME DIFFERENCE**

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*NZ DLS – New Zealand Daylight Savings starts in late September and ends in early April, exact dates vary.

**CLIMATE & WHAT TO BRING**

Always be prepared for sudden changes in weather, especially during outdoor activities.

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The New Zealand sun is very strong. Always use a high SPF sunscreen and wear sunglasses and a sunhat when outside.

**SHOPPING**

- Typical souvenirs include pounamu (jade) ornaments and jewellery, hand-crafted glass, local wood products, merino and possum knitwear, and sheepskin
- All goods and services are subject to a 15% Goods and Services Tax (GST) included in the display price. Visitors cannot claim this tax back
NEW ZEALAND CURRENCY
- The New Zealand Dollar is the official currency
- All major credit cards are accepted
- Automated Teller Machines (ATMs) are widely available
- International credit cards and ATM cards will work as long as they have a four-digit PIN encoded
- Tipping is not obligatory and restaurants do not add service charges to their bills

THINGS TO DO
- i-SITE is New Zealand’s official visitor information network with over 80 i-SITES nationwide, visit www.newzealand.com/sg/visitor-information-centre
- Qualmark is the New Zealand tourism industry’s official quality assurance organisation, providing a trusted guide to quality travel experiences, see qualmark.co.nz
- New Zealand has a wide range of accommodation options to suit everyone’s budget and needs. For a comprehensive list visit newzealand.com

GETTING AROUND
- New Zealand has an extensive domestic air network. Book well in advance for the best airfares.
- Trains operate in some cities and there are a range of scenic and world-class train journeys.
- Passenger ferries connect the North and South Island. The journey between Wellington and Picton takes approximately three and a half hours.
- Self-drive is an excellent way to explore New Zealand. Varied landscapes and dramatic geographical features are in close proximity. Most international rental vehicle companies have depots throughout New Zealand.

It is important to familiarise yourself with New Zealand’s unique driving conditions, road rules and drivers licence requirements. Find out more at nzta.govt.nz

For more information on New Zealand visit newzealand.com