**KEY FACTS**

- Similar in land size to Great Britain and Japan
- The population is approximately 4.5 million people
- Wellington is the capital city
- English and Te Reo Māori are the official languages
- No dangerous animals or snakes
- The ski season generally runs from June to October
- Electricity supply runs at 230/240 volts
- No vaccinations required

**TIME DIFFERENCE**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>State</th>
<th>Time Difference</th>
<th>NZ DLS*</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>NSW, VIC, QLD, TAS</td>
<td>+2</td>
<td>+3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SA, NT</td>
<td>+2.5</td>
<td>+3.5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>WA</td>
<td>+4</td>
<td>+5</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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

**CLIMATE & WHAT TO BRING**

Temperate climate with four distinct seasons. Always be prepared for sudden changes in weather, especially during outdoor activities.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Season</th>
<th>Temperature</th>
<th>Clothing</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Summer (Dec to Feb)</td>
<td>14°C – 28°C</td>
<td>T-shirt, Shorts, Jumper</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Winter (Jun to Aug)</td>
<td>9°C – 20°C</td>
<td>Pants, Jacket, Gloves, Thermals</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Autumn (Mar to May)</td>
<td>10°C – 24°C</td>
<td>Jumper, Light Pants</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Spring (Sep to Nov)</td>
<td>12°C – 22°C</td>
<td>Layers, Jacket, Light Pants</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

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

**ENTERING NEW ZEALAND**

- You must declare all food items you intend to bring into New Zealand. For more information visit biosecurity.govt.nz
- All eligible Australian and New Zealand ePassport holders may use the SmartGate facility. Find out more at customs.govt.nz
- For immigration and visa information visit immigration.govt.nz
THINGS TO DO

• New Zealand’s history, rich culture and unique geography provides visitors with a diverse range of attractions and activities.

• Spectacular cycle trails, single and multi-day hiking tracks, championship golf courses, world-renowned fly fishing, world-class skiing, adventure-based activities, and water-based activities are all on offer.

• For those seeking a relaxing holiday, hot pools, vineyards and cultural attractions will keep you entertained.

• i-SITE is New Zealand’s official visitor information network with over 80 i-SITEs nationwide, visit newzealand.com/au/visitor-information-centre

• Qualmark is New Zealand tourism’s official quality assurance organisation, providing a trusted guide to quality travel experiences, see qualmark.co.nz

FOOD AND WINE

• Delicacies include lamb, cervena (venison), seafood, cheese, honey, and kiwifruit.

• Experiencing a hāngi is a great way to immerse yourself in Māori culture. The traditional Māori hāngi is cooked outside in an underground pit filled with hot stones, giving the food a delicious smoky flavour. A hāngi feast typically includes kumara (sweet potato), pumpkin, chicken, pork, lamb, and seafood.

• Gisborne, Hawke’s Bay, Martinborough, Marlborough and Central Otago are signature New Zealand wine regions.

• Tipping is not obligatory and restaurants do not add service charges to their bills.

ACCOMMODATION

• New Zealand has a wide range of accommodation options to suit all budgets, including luxury lodges, hotels, motels, apartments, Bed and Breakfasts (B & B’s), farm stays, home stays, hostels, holiday parks and camping grounds.

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 is 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

SHOPPING

• New Zealand is an excellent shopping destination with many high quality local and international retailers.

• 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.

For more information on New Zealand visit newzealand.com

100% PURE NEW ZEALAND
newzealand.com

GETTING TO NEW ZEALAND

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>FLIGHT TIMES</th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane</td>
<td>3 hours</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Adelaide</td>
<td>4.5 hours</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Perth</td>
<td>7 hours</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Getting to New Zealand:

AUCKLAND

WELLINGTON

CHRISTCHURCH

QUEENSTOWN

NORTH ISLAND / TE IKA-A-MĀUI

SOUTH ISLAND / TE WAIPOUNAMU

STEWART ISLAND / RAKIURA

Rotorua

Arrowtown, Central Otago

newzealand.com