



# NEW ZEALAND (NORTH ISLAND) LEADERSHIP & SUSTAINABILITY, AUCKLAND TO WELLINGTON (13 NIGHTS)



SEE THE  
WORLD  
DIFFERENTLY!



We believe in the power of extraordinary experiences. They allow us to see ourselves, others and the world differently, and develop our confidence, independence and resilience.

## 13 NIGHT EXPEDITION IN NEW ZEALAND

Contribute to a sustainability initiative, get immersed in Kiwi culture, discover Wellington and sharpen your leadership skills on a remote six-day trek. With you and your team tackling fresh challenges each day, this once-in-a-lifetime experience proves just how much you're capable of. It could change the way you see yourself and the world, forever.

START  
HERE



## DAY 1

### ARRIVE IN AUCKLAND

Sleep: Eco-lodge

Travel: Transfer 2hrs  
to Raglan

Touch down in the multicultural city of Auckland and travel to Raglan.

Make sure you get some rest after your flight. You're about to take the road less travelled and experience the places you've been dreaming about.

Crashing surf, dramatic mountains and true wilderness – it's all here, waiting to be explored.

## TRAVELLING RESPONSIBLY

REMEMBER, YOU'RE MORE THAN A TOURIST IN THIS PLACE. YOU'RE PART OF A TEAM OF GLOBAL CITIZENS, EMBRACING DIVERSITY AND COMMITTED TO LIFELONG LEARNING.

STAY OPEN TO OPPORTUNITIES, CONTRIBUTE WHERE YOU CAN, AND CONNECT WITH THE MANY PEOPLE YOU MEET ALONG THE ROAD.

## DAYS 2-3

### RAGLAN SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVE

Sleep: Eco-lodge

Travel: Transfer 2hrs  
to Rotorua

Wake up in the chilled-out surf town of Raglan. Dive into expedition life, assign some team roles and meet the ground team to discuss your plans.

Hit the ground running and get clued-up on Raglan's sustainability plan. Hear how the locals tackle environmental problems in this beautiful part of the country, then roll up your sleeves and get involved.

Head to an aquaculture and eel farm to learn about sustainable farming. Identify the fish and plants, then lend a hand with farm work – help out with planting, drainage work and erosion control.

Delve deeper into Raglan's social and environmental issues with a gardening project. Hear about the positive impacts it's had on the community, then get stuck in with weeding, planting and watering.

You could also learn about evasive species on nearby Mount Karioi – help to control the stoat, rat and mice populations, and go trekking (or 'tramping' as we say in NZ) along scenic mountain tracks.

Next up, it's back on the transfer bus and onwards to Rotorua.



## LIFE ON LAND

CONTRIBUTE TO AN INITIATIVE THAT AIMS TO REVERSE BIODIVERSITY LOSS AND PROMOTE THE SUSTAINABLE USE OF ECOSYSTEMS.

## DAYS 3-4

### ● DISCOVER ROTORUA

**Sleep: Hostel, outdoor centre**

**Travel: Transfer 2hrs to the centre**



Rotorua is a Maori heartland and the most dynamic geothermal area in New Zealand – just smell that egg-scented sulphur!

Here, you've got options. You could visit a Maori village and get immersed in their history and legends – learn about carvings and tattoos, watch a weaponry display, poi dance and haka, then see the local glow worms and tuck into a 'hangi' feast.

Nearby, is Te Puia geothermal park – meet the feisty Pohutu Geyser, jump in the mudpools and keep an eye out for kiwi birds.



Or how about zorbing, lugging or zip-wiping through a prehistoric forest? Clip in and whizz over the treetops, clamber along cliff walks and wobble your way over swing bridges.

After two action-packed days, pile back into the transfer bus and travel to a special outdoor education centre to prepare for tomorrow's trek.

### PLAN AHEAD

REMEMBER TO BOOK ANY OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES AT THE START OF THE TRIP. CHAT WITH THE GROUND TEAM AND MAKE A PLAN.

## DAYS 5-10

### ○ PUREORA FOREST PARK TREK

**Sleep: Camp/huts, hostel**

**Travel: Transfer 1hr to the start point, transfer 1-2hrs to the centre, transfer 2hrs to the Marae**

**Trek: 6 days**

Boots on, time to trek. Travel to the trailhead with your guides and get ready for six days of trekking, camping and adventure. Taking it in turns to lead the group, you'll need to navigate through Pureora Forest Park.

Step forward as the first team leader and steer the group along the Waihaha river. Continue along the ridgeline, drop into a beautiful valley and pitch your tents by a stream.

Push on to the highpoint of Werarua (1,088m), followed by the bigger summit of Pureora (1,165m) – on clear days you'll be gazing down on Lake Taupo and Tongariro National Park.

Your final climb is the rocky peak of Mount Titiraupenga (1,042m) – take a team selfie when you reach summit and celebrate your epic six-day feat.

Rest your legs on the way back to the outdoor centre, then crash out on the journey to a Maori marae, where you'll spend the night. You've also got the option of a traditional 'hangi' feast.



### MEET THE GIANTS

PUREORA IS A MAGICAL WORLD OF SPARKLING RIVERS AND ENORMOUS NATIVE TREES – MANY OF THESE GIANTS ARE 1,000 YEARS OLD.



# DAYS 11-13

## ● DISCOVER WELLINGTON

Sleep: Hostel

Travel: Transfer 2.5hrs  
to Wellington



You've made it to the world's coolest little capital. Wellington has Victorian architecture, hipster vibes and a backdrop of beautiful peaks.

Gather the team and make a plan. You could ride the cable car or climb Mount Victoria for an awesome cityscape, then head to the harbourfront for cool cafes and art galleries.

Or how about visiting Weta Workshop - this inspiring company creates props and special effects for blockbuster movies that include the Lord of the Rings trilogy.

You've also got the option of an immersive waka tour - experience a 'mihi whakatau' welcome, then grab a paddle and hit the harbour for a Maori experience on water.



Kick-off your second day at Te Papa museum - soak up some history and discover crazy cultural treasures. Later on, you'll delve into the Zealandia eco-sanctuary to discover the native birds, reptiles and plants that thrive here.

As the sun sets on your final day, get ready to mark the end of your trip. You've achieved so much but you couldn't have done it without the team - be sure to celebrate in style.

## WINDY WELLY

WELLINGTON IS THE WORLD'S WINDIEST CITY. A HUGE AMOUNT OF WIND POWER IS HARNESSSED FOR ELECTRICITY.

# DAY 14

## ☀ TRAVEL HOME FROM WELLINGTON

After the best two weeks of your life, it's time to travel home. Cram everything into your backpack and head to the airport.

Check in, sit back and let it all sink in. You've just experienced something incredible. This trip has opened your eyes and challenged you more than you ever imagined. You've fast-tracked your life skills and connected with locals; you've led your team and made new friends for life.

These experiences will shape who you are and put you on the path to becoming a true global citizen. Prepare to return home forever changed.



# WE CARE ABOUT EDUCATIONAL OUTCOMES.

- ✓ Students will gain a **greater understanding of how to act for a more sustainable future**, at both local and global levels.
- ✓ Students will be **empowered to build on their self-care strategies**, enhancing their physical and mental wellbeing.
- ✓ Students will be immersed in different cultures and experiences, **growing to understand their role within our global community**.
- ✓ Students will experience and reflect on the power of being pushed outside of their comfort zone, allowing the **development of initiative, confidence, and resilience**.
- ✓ Students will be **challenged to think critically about topical issues** that affect our past, present and future around the world.
- ✓ Students will **build a deeper connection to their own identity & personal values**, developing their independence and sense of self.



EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING



## OUR JOURNEY TOWARDS RESPONSIBLE TRAVEL



