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This 16-day tour of the South to North Islands of New Zealand puts you in the middle of beautiful scenery ranging from rolling pastures to white sandy beaches to rugged mountains. You will experience riding through old growth rain forests, along sweeping costal roads, through rugged hill country, and lush pasture lands, while enjoying gentle sweeping corners mixed with twisty back roads.

Picking up your bike and leaving the modern city of Christchurch you will ride rugged coastal roads and through the Southern Alps.

The roads in NZ are in good condition, with light traffic out of the cities. Other than road repairs you will not be required to ride on any unsealed roads.

This tour is approx. 3900 km

This tour is suitable for Intermediate or Advanced riders. Note: NZ drivers drive on the left-hand side of the road.

This amazing tour highlights some of the best that the Nth. & Sth. Island has to offer. This exciting tour includes accommodation ranging from modest cabins to deluxe quality hotels and "farm stays".







1 - Christchurch International Airport - Christchurch - **0** Day # 1

After arriving at the Christchurch International Airport, you'll be met at the airport and shuttled to your hotel to check in and then to pick up your bike.

Today is set aside to allow you to settle in and rest up before the adventure begins tomorrow. Visit some of the city sights. The day will include a safety meeting to review road rules and safety requirements, and a "Get to know you" dinner.

2 - Christchurch - Fairlie - 320

Day #2. 251 km / 155 mi route (Approx. 3:55 hrs. riding)

Leaving the old English-style city, you will find that getting comfortable with your bike will be easy as you head across the plains before beginning the twisting climb into the Southern Alps. Stopping near the top to watch the native Kea parrots is a great photo opportunity. Continuing down from the pass and through scattered native bush brings you to your stop for the night. This 200-year-old hotel is full of history and maybe a ghost or two. It's also home to the best chef we've come across in the South Island.



3 - Fairlie - Balclutha - 445

Day #3. 325 km / 200 mi route (Approx. 5:10 hrs. riding)

After a relaxing breakfast, hit the road and cruise between rich farmlands and patches of thick native bush on meandering well-maintained roads. Today will take you back through the Southern Alps. As you leave this picturesque location, you'll ride along the base of the coastal mountain range to your stop for the night in a peaceful seaside town.



4 - Balclutha - Te Anau - 417

Day #4. (Via Interisland ferry) 300 km / 180 mi route (Approx. 4:10 hrs. riding)

Setting out early to catch the interisland ferry, you will ride to the port located in a small seaside town tucked into the picturesque hills surrounding a deepwater harbor. Once on the ferry and the bikes tied down in well-designed supports, sit back, relax, and enjoy crossing the Cook Strait. Once off the ferry, head out of the city for some easy riding through the ranges to your stop for the night.



5 - Te Anau - Queenstown - 415

Day #5. 257 km / 165 mi route (Approx. 4:15 hrs. riding)

Leaving the university city behind, you will steadily climb towards the mountainous central part of the Island. The countryside becomes more rugged, and the riding becomes more fun. A visit to a local Museum, followed by a lunch break, sets you up for a fast-paced ride along one of the most fun roads in the country, through some beautiful scenery.



6 - Queenstown - Queenstown - 145

Day #6. 471 km / 295 mi route (Approx. 7:00 hrs. riding)

Today you will have an amazing riding day along the west coast, giving you a view of the black sands found on this side of the island. The horizon is dominated by the dormant volcano known as Mount Taranaki. This mountain and surrounding countryside have played significant roles in many films, such as The Last Samurai. Heading north along the windswept coast before turning inland is a highlight of this tour; you will ride sweeping bends, rugged ranges, deep gorges, and along the tops of hills looking out over rich farmland and thick native forests, while traveling alongside deep rivers and lakes.



7 - Queenstown - Hokitika - 494

Day #7. (Free Day) 50 km / 35 mi route (Approx. 1:00 hrs. riding)

A treat for all "Lord of the Rings" fans, you will get to walk through Hobbiton and have a drink in "The Green Dragon" tavern. This location is surrounded by some great riding roads and is a fun day. The afternoon is free time for you to catch up on all those important things like sorting out photos, writing down all the key points and even getting that pesky laundry taken care off.



8 - Hokitika - Nelson - 416

Day #8. 240 km / 150 mi route (Approx. 3:50 hrs. riding)

Today you will get a mix of easy riding and some local sights, including visiting a world-famous glow-worm cave and seeing native birds in a natural setting. Leaving your hotel and the city behind you, you will head out on lightly traveled country roads, through rolling farmland. Stopping along the way for breaks & lunch in small out-of-the way country towns, combined with viewing the amazing scenery will have you pinching yourself to make sure you're not dreaming. After a relaxing lakeside dinner, a soak in the thermal hot pools will be the perfect end to the day.



9 - Nelson - Wellington - 136

Day #9. 210 km / 130 mi route (Approx. 3:40 hrs. riding)

Leaving Taupo, you will travel deep into the thermal area of the island; this combined with a visit to one of the important cultural interpretive centers for the native population of NZ, will give you a firsthand look at how New Zealand's Māori people lived in harmony with nature. Riding the twisty roads through the lake county, you will arrive at the coast, where a walk on the white sands will be a relaxing end to the day.



10 - Wellington - Tūrangi - 440

Day #10. 400 km / 250 mi route (Approx. 5:45 hrs. riding)

Today you will follow a lightly travelled road as it hugs the coast, taking you into a part of NZ that is a mix of rugged hills, inspirational coastal seascapes, and rich farmland. This combined with a small population makes for an easy riding day. Tonight's stop is in the Art Deco center of NZ on a gentle coast.



11 - Tūrangi - Nūhaka - 322

Day #11. 400 km / 250 mi route (Approx. 6:00 hrs. riding)

After a typical NZ breakfast, you will continue to follow the coast through more rugged twisty roads crossing rivers and gorges. After a light lunch and a visit to local points of interest, you will continue riding on well-maintained roads towards your stop for the night.



12 - Nūhaka - Rotorua - 350

Day #12. (Via Interisland ferry) 130 km / 80 mi route (Approx. 3:00 hrs. riding)

Setting out early to catch the interisland ferry, you will ride to the port located in NZ's capital city. Once on the ferry and the bikes tied down in welldesigned supports, relax and enjoy crossing the Cook Strait. After leaving the ferry on the Sth. Island, head out through some fantastic twists and sweeping corners with picturesque seascapes, windy roads, native bush, changing elevations & numerous photo stops, (along with some ziplining) that will lead you to your stop for the night. (Make sure your GoPro is ready with plenty of back up batteries)



13 - Rotorua - Rotorua - 253

Day #13. (Free Day) 250 km / 155 mi route (Approx. 4:30 hrs. riding) Optional ride along the coast.

Today is a free day for you to catch up on all those important things like sorting out photos, writing down all the key points and even getting that pesky laundry taken care of. Optional local ride routes are available for you to explore the area if the thought of doing laundry doesn't appeal to you.



14 - Rotorua - Orewa - 475

Day #14. 265 km / 165 mi route (Approx. 4:00 hrs. riding)

Heading towards the coast through bush covered hills, leads you to some great gorge riding. This is another GoPro day (there will be lots more on this tour) Have those batteries charged and ready.



15 - Orewa - Christchurch - 241

Day #15. 347 km / 215 mi route (Approx. 5:00 hrs. riding)

Today's ride takes you along the world-famous coastal highway, sweeping through fantastic corners, racing past rocky outcrops, and grinning all the way. Mix this with some fantastic stops for one-of-a-kind scenery and you have a ride location that is amazing. Turning East leads you back into the mountains for your return to drop your bike off and head to your stop for the night. Sorry but you've got to start the packing project. If you want to stay on, talk to us.



16 - Christchurch - Christchurch - 0

Day #16. hotel to airport

After a typical NZ breakfast, you will catch your shuttle to the airport. This shuttle ride is filled with talk about the adventure you've just had and the fun experienced. Now is the time to start planning your next motorcycle Tour Remember, additional night accommodation can be arranged.



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