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## WINTERLESS NORTH – ANCIENT KAURI FOREST – WORLD CLASS GOLF – 7 Days



### DAY ONE:

Collect your rental car from Auckland City Depot, make your way North to the Hokianga Harbour. (Drive time approx. 3 hours).

Enroute you will pass through the quaint township of Warkworth where a coffee shop is suggested before heading further north to Dargaville and the township of Matakohe to visit for the Kauri Museum.



**The Kauri Museum** - the museum has over 4000 sq metres of undercover exhibits, including the largest collection of kauri gum in the world, and the largest collection of kauri furniture. It has a

model of a 1900s kauri house with furniture and models in the dress of the early years, and an extensive collection of photographs and pioneering memorabilia.

From Matakohe head to the township of Omapere/Opononi located on the Hokianga Harbour, where you will spend 2 nights. The drive time is approx. 1 hour/30mins, and the drive will take you through the ancient Waipoua Kauri Forest. Accommodation will be at the Copthorne Hotel and Resort Hokianga.



Stunning 4 star hotel located on the beachfront with stunning views over the Hokianga Harbour and adjacent sand dunes.

**DAY TWO:**

Explore the Hokianga Harbour, visiting the townships of Opononi and Rawene where we highly recommend a lunch stop at the Boatshed Café. Take a ferry ride across the harbour to the sand dunes for a go at sandboarding, or charter a fishing boat.



This evening join Footprints Waipoua for a twilight experience into the Waipoua forest and learn the legends of the area and meet the oldest and largest Kauri in the world – one being the World Famous Tane Mahuta.



### DAY THREE:

Depart the Hokianga Harbour for the World-renowned Carrington Estate & Golf Course. The drive will take you back to Rawene where you will take a short ride on the car ferry across to Kohukohu and then making your way north to Karikari Peninsular, where you will spend the next 2 nights. Drive time approx. 2 hours/30 mins.



### DAY FOUR:

Round of Golf – Carrington Golf Course

Between the sweeping ocean views to the north and east, and the hillside vineyards of Karikari Estate to the south, is the Northland golf course at Carrington Estate.

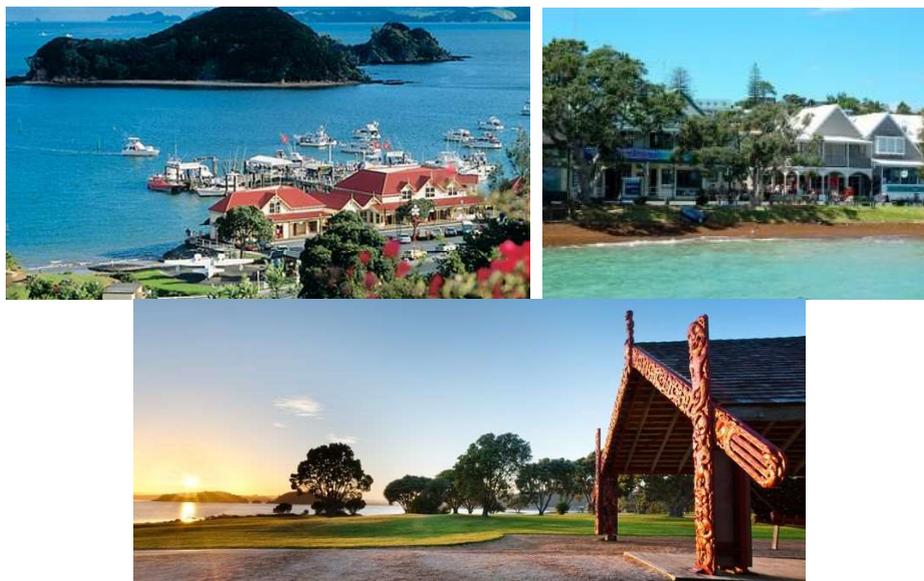
American golf course designer Matt Dye designed the championship-standard 18-hole Carrington Golf Course. It is 6417 metres (7267 yards) in length, par 72, and encompasses a variety of terrains from rolling vales to challenging water holes.

### DAY FIVE:

Today head south to the stunning Bay of Islands and Paihia (approx. drive time 1Hour/30Mins), where you will spend the next 2 nights. Paihia has a range of accommodation from motels to hotel and stunning water front apartments.

### DAY SIX:

Visit the Waitangi Treaty Grounds, featuring a carved meeting house, museum, and giant Maori canoe which marks the site of the founding modern NZ. Take a cruise and visit the hole in rock at the tip of Cape Brett, or catch a ferry across to the stunning township of Russell.



### DAY SEVEN

Today say goodbye to the North and make your way back to Auckland. Approx. drive 3 hours.

### FOR THOSE NON-GOLFERS – DAY THREE

Instead of making your way from Kohukohu to the Karikari Peninsular take a detour through Kaikohe en route to Paihia, where you will spend the next 3 nights before making your way back to Auckland.

**All prices are on application and subject to availability**

**There are a range of accommodation options from 5-star luxury loges, hotels to motels, so we can arrange an itinerary to suit your budget.**

**Should you not wish to drive we can certainly look at a private tour or helicopter transfers.**

**To book this package or stylise this package to personalise to suit you, please contact Fleur or Sarah at Stars Travel.**



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