



21-Day NEW ZEALAND Back-Country Adventure Tour



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TRAVEL, EXPLORE, DISCOVER...

Ever wanted to experience the very best of New Zealand from the seat of an adventure motorcycle? Then look no further!

Our **21-Day New Zealand Adventure Tour** is the ultimate Kiwi adventure ride. From Cape Reinga in the far north to Bluff in the deep south, this epic 3-week, 5,500+ km journey showcases the full beauty and diversity of our incredible country.

Designed with an adventure-riding focus, the route follows “off-the-beaten-track” paths through twisty sealed coastal roads, sweeping gravel passes, rugged high-country trails, and even a few rocky riverbeds. You’ll also enjoy an unforgettable ride on hard-packed beach sand, every day delivering that unmistakable *“smile inside your helmet”* experience!

The tour suits a wide range of riders, from capable intermediate adventurers to seasoned pros. You’ll be fully supported by our experienced riding guides, GPS navigation, and a dedicated support and luggage van, so you can enjoy each day’s ride without the hassle of carrying extra gear.

At the end of every day, you’ll have new stories to share over a cold drink and a hearty New Zealand meal, each stop offering its own unique experience and spectacular setting.

Riders must have prior gravel and off-road experience and be confident handling a large adventure motorcycle off-road. Our expert guides are always on hand with advice, support, and riding tips, however **this tour is not suitable for beginner off-road riders.**

If this sounds like your kind of adventure, don’t delay, spots are limited to just 12 riders for an exclusive, small-group experience and optimal safety.

Contact us today to secure your place on the Ultimate New Zealand Adventure Tour!



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TOUR OVERVIEW

The **Ultimate Adventure Moto - New Zealand Adventure Tour** is sure to excite your senses with all the delights of one of the most diverse and accessible countries in the world. Your route will take you from beautiful sub-tropical beaches in Northland to ancient alpine glaciers and waterfalls in South Westland, with a huge variety of magnificent scenery and experiences in between.

Starting in Auckland and ending in Christchurch, travelling the full length of the country from Cape Reinga in the far North, to Bluff in the deep South, your 5,500km+ off-highway focused route includes plenty of back-country gravel riding and off-the-beaten track roads that promise not to disappoint!

Join **Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ** for a ride you will never forget!



Route highlights include:

- Auckland city
- Bay of Islands
- Cape Reinga & Lighthouse
- 90 Mile Beach
- Hokianga Harbour Ferry
- Whangarei Falls
- Hot Water Beach
- Martha Mine
- Geothermal Areas
- Maori Culture Concert
- Motu Road
- Lake Waikaremoana
- Te Urewera Forest
- Moki Tunnel
- Whangamomona Hotel
- Mt Taranaki
- Molesworth Station
- Hanmer Springs
- Rainbow Road
- West Coast Highway
- Fox Glacier
- Queenstown
- Milford Sound
- Nevis Valley
- Danseys Pass
- Bluff
- Mount Cook Village
- Southern Lakes

WHAT DOES THE TOUR INCLUDE?

Our team have planned and designed this tour based on years of Adventure riding, travel experience and contacts throughout New Zealand. The routes, sights, and experiences have been selected to showcase the best New Zealand has to offer. We have taken all the hard work out of organising such an epic tour, so you can truly sit back in the saddle and enjoy the Adventure!

- **Motorcycle** – Your choice of Adventure Motorcycle available from our fleet. We have a good range of makes and models to suit all tastes and rider abilities. (See the end of this overview document for available makes & models)
- **Planned Routes** - Pre-ridden routes, selecting the best adventure riding from each region in New Zealand.
- **Tour Guides** – Experienced adventure motorcycle tour guides who have been there and done it all before. Multiple guides on each tour share leading the ride and following up in support to ensure everyone is on track and no one gets left behind. Tap into their local knowledge and maybe even pick up some adventure riding tips along the way.
- **Pre-Ride Briefings** – We provide a full ride and safety briefing prior to our tour departure, and daily before each days riding. Briefings detail the route and any hazards or harder sections, sight-seeing opportunities, tourist and photo opportunities, and any optional extra riding sections available for when time allows.
- **GPS Routes** – Garmin Zumo XT GPS units are supplied on all bikes with daily routes preloaded.
- **Accommodation** – A range of different Hotels and Motel accommodation is provided depending on our location for the night. Standard accommodation is twin share. If you are a single rider, you will be allocated a ½ twin share room; the room will be shared with another tour participant of the same sex. A single room option is available at an additional cost. Please advise on the registration form if you require the single room option.
- **Welcome Dinner** – Introductory welcome dinner on the eve of the tour. Staff meet and greet.
- **Support Van** – Our Mercedes Sprinter van and driver will be accompanying the tour. The van will carry all your luggage for the tour and have it ready at the accommodation stops at the end of each days riding. The van is also used for recovery and support where required.
- **Mechanical Assistance** – In the rare event that you have a mechanical issue with the bike e.g. flat tyre, our guides will be on hand to fix the problem, or arrange assistance for any major mechanical failures.
- **Medical Assistance** – All our tour guides and support staff hold formal First Aid training qualifications and are there to assist with any medical issues or accidents. For more serious medical events our guides also carry emergency locator and communication devices for fast response from New Zealand Emergency Services.
- **Ferry Crossings and Road Tolls** expenses included
- **T-Shirt** the essential Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ t-shirt is included!

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What's Included

- 21 Days & 5,500km+ Adventure Riding
- Adventure motorcycle hire
- Riding Tour Guide(s)
- Support Staff & Luggage Van
- Side bags or tail bag if required
- GPS Unit with routes
- Mechanical breakdown assistance
- Technical & Medical support
- 22 nights accommodation
- Welcome dinner on the first night
- Ferry Crossings, Road Tolls
- Full comprehensive motorcycle insurance
- Tour Pack, T-Shirt & goodies

Dates

✈ Arrival, Sign-In & Welcome Dinner

Sunday 28th February 2027

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Monday 1st March – Sunday 21st March 2027

✈ Departure

Monday 22nd March 2027

(23 days, 22 nights, 21 riding days)

What is Not Included

- Flights to/from Auckland & Christchurch
- Motorcycle Fuel
- All meals, snacks, and refreshments
- Personal items
- Additional activities and sightseeing experiences

Tour Participants

- A minimum of 6 riders are required for the tour to proceed.
- The maximum number of participants is 14 riders.
- Riders are accompanied by a riding tour guide and a support/luggage van.
- A second motorcycle guide will accompany the tour for groups of 7 or more participants.
- The tour guides are locals with international participants, the tour language is English.
- Solo participants will be allocated a ½ twin share room. The room will be shared with another participant of the same sex.
- Single room option is available for an additional cost, please see the pricing page.

Tour Pricing

Please see tour pricing page below.



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THE TOUR

The **New Zealand Back-Country Adventure Tour** is split into two Parts, both unique and fabulous in their own right.

Part 1 takes in the magnificent North Island with its beautiful beaches and geothermal areas, Maori culture and farm country before a ferry ride across Cook Straight to the South Island.

Part 2 on the South Island will impress with expansive stations and mountain passes, alpine glaciers, lakes and deserted coastal roads, finishing in the garden city of Christchurch.

PART 1 – North Island (Te Ika-a-Māui)

Day 1	Auckland - Paihia	260km
Day 2	Paihia - Ahipara (via Cape Reinga)	259km
Day 3	Ahipara – Whangaparaoa	330km
Day 4	Whangaparaoa – Thames	166km
Day 5	Thames – Whangamata (via Coromandel)	290km
Day 6	Whangamata – Rotorua	210km
Day 7	Rotorua – Gisborne	290km
Day 8	Gisborne – Taupo	330km
Day 9	Taupo - New Plymouth	280km
Day 10	New Plymouth – Wellington – Picton	330km
Total distance (North Island)*		2970km



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PART 2 - South Island (Te Waipounamu)

Day 11	Picton – Hanmer Springs	265km
Day 12	Hanmer Springs – Reefton	285km
Day 13	Reefton – Fox Glacier	300km
Day 14	Fox Glacier – Queenstown	330km
Day 15	Queenstown – Te Anau (via Paradise)	415km
Day 16	Te Anau – Te Anau (via Milford Sound or Bluff)	310km
Day 17	Te Anau – Alexandra	220km
Day 18	Alexandra – Aoraki Mount Cook	330km
Day 19	Aoraki Mount Cook – Methven	300km
Day 20	Methven – Christchurch	250km
Total distance (South Island)		3005km



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INITIAL WELCOME & BRIEFING OVERVIEW

Tour Welcome and Registration will take place at 3:00-5:00pm on Sunday 28th February 2027 in Auckland, New Zealand.

A welcome dinner is included in the tour package on the first night from 6:00pm, where you will meet the staff, tour guides and other tour participants.

1st March 2027 – Riding Day 1 will start with a transfer to our depot where we will have our Pre-Tour Briefing, this includes;

- **Welcome & Introduction** – tour overview
- **Tour check-in** - final paperwork and any extra payments
- **Bike handover** - individually run over each bikes setup and functions with each rider
- **Tour Description** - outlining the route and some of the sights and activities
- **Riding in New Zealand brief** - road rules, conditions, hazards and what to expect
- **Health & safety briefing** - what to do in case of any emergencies.

After the Pre-Tour Briefing, and morning tea we will then gear up ready for the Day 1 ride to Paihia in the Bay of Islands!

BOOKING PROCESS

Booking is via our online website tour booking page www.ultimateadventuremoto.co.nz/nz-adv-tour
(If you prefer we can do this for you, please contact us to arrange.)

1. Goto www.ultimateadventuremoto.co.nz/nz-adv-tour then click on “Book Now”
2. Select your choice of motorcycle from available models (subject to availability).
3. Add to Cart, and complete the checkout process by entering your personal details.
4. Pay the NZD\$3,500 deposit via secure online Credit Card payment.
5. After booking an invoice will be sent for the balance of the booking which must be paid 60 days prior to the tour start date. You will also be sent the full detailed tour preparation guide.



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PART 1 – THE NORTH ISLAND (TE IKA-A-MĀUI)

DAY 1 – Auckland to Paihia (260km)

Leaving Auckland city and crossing the Auckland Harbour Bridge you will travel north along the motorway and highways via Orewa beach and into the sub-tropical Northland Region famous for its beautiful beaches, bays and ancient native Kauri forests. After Whangarei the route heads off the highways for the first time and into some back-country rural New Zealand, experiencing your first taste of NZ gravel roads. A short vehicle barge ride across an open water channel, then a final few km's ride over the hill and into beautiful Paihia concludes the riding for day one.



DAY 2 –Paihia to Ahipara (259km)

Day 2 is an early start for a fairly long riding day with a short stop for morning tea and refuel the bikes on the way to the northernmost point of New Zealand - Cape Reinga. Here it is highly recommended to park up the bikes and take the short walking track to the Cape Reinga Lighthouse and lookout where you can witness the “Meeting of the Seas” where the Tasman Sea to the west and the Pacific Ocean to the east clash to create unsettled waters just off the coast. Leaving the cape you will take a creek track out to the coastline for a 60km dash down the famous 90-mile beach. After this unforgettable experience, it is a short ride to Ahipara for the night.



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DAY 3 – Ahipara to Whangaparaoa (330km)

Leaving Ahipara the route goes backcountry zig-zagging sealed and gravel country roads to the Hokianga Harbour which you will cross on a car ferry (open deck barge). Continuing south with a quick photo stop at the impressive Hokianga Harbour lookout then into the Waipoua Forest with a visit to its most famous resident “Tane Mahuta”, New Zealand’s oldest and largest living resident - a 2,500-year-old Kauri tree, one of the oldest trees in the world. Upon exiting the forest heading south you will have the choice of taking the highway through the river town of Dargaville and south through Paparoa and Wellsford, Warkworth, and Orewa to the beautiful Whangaparaoa peninsula.



DAY 4 – Whangaparaoa to Thames (166km)

Leaving Whangaparaoa and heading back through Auckland where there will be a stop for lunch and a drive up One Tree Hill in the heart of Auckland for 360-degree views of the city and harbours. Leaving Auckland the tour travels east taking the coastal route around the Firth of Thames to Thames township.



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DAY 5 – Thames to Whangamata (290km)

The Coromandel Peninsula awaits! This region is sprinkled with hidden treasures. Starting up the coast from Thames travel the famous Route 25 to Coromandel township, then continue up the coast to Colville where the road turns to awesome sweeping gravel and the coast is lined with beautiful Pohutukawa trees all the way to the end of the road near Port Jackson where you can get a view across the sea of Great Barrier Island. Back down the same road (because it is so good) to Colville you will then take a gravel road loop across to the other side of the peninsula and back to Coromandel. The afternoon will track over to Hot Water Beach where you can rent a shovel, dig a hole on the beach and bathe in hot water heated by a volcanic hot water spring under the beach. (Time permitting). Also very close by is If there is a 1/2 hour walk to Cathedral Cove which is definitely worth the walk if time permits. Back onto Route 25, you will finish the day at the beautiful beach town of Whangamata.



DAY 6 – Whangamata to Rotorua (210km)

30km south of Whangamata on Route 25 is the small gold mining town of Waihi with its impressive open cast Martha Mine, a massive hole dug in the middle of the town. Check out Waihi Beach close by before arriving at Tauranga and Mount Maunganui where you will stop for lunch and to enjoy the beachside town and harbour. A shorter day on the road today to arrive in Rotorua with plenty of time to explore this volcanic thermal wonderland and cultural heart of New Zealand. Activities for the remainder of the day can include a trip to a geothermal area, a therapeutic bath in a mud pool, and an evening concert showcasing the unique Maori culture with a traditional feast on a Maori Marae. (Optional Extras)



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DAY 7 – Rotorua to Gisborne (290km)

Heading East from Rotorua along the shores of the Rotoura lakes to the seaside towns of Whakatane and Opotiki in the Bay of Plenty, the tour will then dive back into the action tackling the sweeping gravel Motu Road, famous for being one of the most difficult stages on the Rally of New Zealand, part of the World



Rally Championship in days past. A short detour off the route you will find Motu Falls, a picturesque waterfall in From the Motu there is a choice to take the sealed highway the rest of the 75 kms to Gisborne, or an alternative route to Gisborne on twisty flowing gravel with the added bonus of another waterfall at Rere before arriving at Gisborne.



DAY 8 – Gisborne to Taupo (330km)

Leaving Gisborne your tour group can choose either state Highway 2, or inland flowing sealed backcountry roads both of which lead to Wairoa in Hawkes Bay. From Wairoa, the route goes north into the heart of Te Urewera the mostly forested, sparsely populated rugged hill country of the North Island. The road through the native forest is a fantastic unsealed adventure rider's dream, twisting and winding around the valleys of the hill country and tracking around the eastern edge of the unspoilt Lake Waikaremoana. Leaving Te Urewera the route soon enters Kaingaroa Forest the largest forest plantation in New Zealand. The well-formed forestry roads will take you through to Lake Taupo, NZ's largest lake at 616 square kilometres (roughly the same size as Singapore!) it is the crater of one of the largest volcanic eruptions Earth has seen in the last 5000 years.



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DAY 9 – Taupo to Stratford (280km)

Tracking south around the coast of Lake Taupo then onto Taumarunui where you will join the “Forgotten World Highway”, a section of which is New Zealand’s only unsealed official State Highway. Passing through the single-lane Moki Tunnel and the infamous Republic of Whangamōmona (ask us later!). The Taranaki Province is next, with its shining beacon that can be seen from all directions, the fabulous dormant conical volcano, Mount Taranaki. Options again to take a scenic regional highway, or backcountry twisty gravel and sealed roads to Stratford.



DAY 10 – Stratford to Picton (330km + Ferry)

After spending a night in New Plymouth your fun in the North Island is almost at an end. Today will be a relocation day taking in some nice open highway riding following the coast south through Whanganui, a good place to stop for lunch, then continuing down the Kapiti Coast all the way to New Zealand’s fabulous capital city Wellington.

After a brief sightseeing trip through the capital city, the group will then board the Interislander Ferry for the 4-hour crossing of Cook Straight to the South Island. Use the first part of the ferry journey across the open water Cook Straight to relax and maybe catch up on some sleep but make sure you are up and about with your

camera handy when the ship enters the Marlborough Sounds at the top of the South Island, one of New Zealand’s most picturesque landscapes. Enjoy dinner on the Ferry or after arriving in Picton later in the evening.



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PART 2 – THE SOUTH ISLAND (TE WAIPOUNAMU)

DAY 11 – Picton to Hanmer Springs (267km)

Welcome to the South Island! It is straight into the action with an awesome winding, twisting costal road around the coast then onto Blenheim to refuel bikes and bodies before heading into the Awatere Valley, home of the famous Molesworth Station, a massive high country cattle station and New Zealand's largest farm at over 440,000 acres. The road through the enormous valley is all gravel with various wide open and tight twisting sections - an adventure rider's dream, and on every NZ Adventure rider's bucket list. At the end of this gravel road, you will arrive at the resort spa town of Hanmer Springs, where a soak in the thermal hot pools after a good days riding is an absolute must.



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DAY 12 – Hanmer Springs to Reefton (285km)

After leaving Hanmer Springs, next to check off the bucket list is Rainbow Road, a wilderness driving experience across private land heading north to St Arnaud and Lake Rotoiti. From there a quick 25km loop takes you to Lake Rotoroa where a photo with the bikes on the wharf is always a favourite memory to capture. From here the route follows the highway through forest and farmland to Murchison and on to Reefton. For the more adventurous with good single-track Back-Country skills (and if time permits) there are optional Back-Country sections to consider, one optional section with a steep single-track hill descent section for advanced riders only.



DAY 13 – Reefton to Fox Glacier (300km)

A highway ride today heading for Greymouth and the famous West Coast. Beautiful and rugged, and with the highest average rainfall in all of New Zealand make sure to have your wet weather gear on-hand for this section. The route follows the coastline for a while before meandering along the base of the Southern Alps, with a quick excursion into Franz Josef Glacier car park lookout before continuing to Fox Glacier Village, the destination for the night.



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DAY 14 – Fox Glacier to Queenstown (330km)

Continuing down the West Coast through dense native forest enjoy waterfalls and river scenery as the highway leaves the coast and climbs up the Haast River valley to Haast Pass until reaching the Southern Lakes District with the beautifully scenic Lakes Wanaka and Hawea. After a well-deserved rest in Wanaka is the last push up the Cardrona Valley and a photo stop and maybe a drink at the famous Cardrona Hotel, before climbing up and over the Crown Range with its stunning views down the valley to the destination for the day, New Zealand's Adventure capital, Queenstown.



DAY 15 – Queenstown to Te Anau (175km)

Day 15 is split into morning and afternoon sessions. The morning has the option to jump on the bikes and take the fabulous loop ride up the northern shore of Lake Wakatipu to Glenorchy and Paradise (the setting for the Lord of the Rings movies), then back to Queenstown for lunch. Alternatively, spend the morning as free leisure time in Queenstown township - relax or do some shopping and take in the town atmosphere, or experience some of the local adventure attractions such as; a jet boat ride, bungee jump, parasailing or luge ride to name a few. The afternoon is back on the bikes with the tour leaving Queenstown on a scenic highway ride down the shores of Lake Wakatipu and the winding section nicknamed the Devils Staircase to Kingston, then riding on through open green farmland to your next stop at Te Anau.



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DAY 16 – (Option A) – Milford Sound Trip (240km) – Te Anau

From Te Anau a 120km each-way ride into Milford Sound and back will be an experience to remember. Milford Sound is a stunning fiord within the Fiordland National Park and has been judged one of the world's top travel destinations in international surveys, and is acclaimed by many as New Zealand's most famous tourist destination. At Milford, it is recommended you enjoy the 2 hour boat cruise on the Sound taking in the spectacular mountain views and waterfalls. (Additional cost from NZD\$80-\$120). After the Milford Sound experience, it is back to Te Anau for the night where you can enjoy the lakeside town.



DAY 16 – (Option B) – Southland Loop to Bluff (390km) – Te Anau

What ride around the South Island isn't complete without a visit to Bluff at the very bottom of the Island? Getting there takes the route past Lake Manapouri and deep into Southland farming country via Tuatapere until the road reaches the southern coastline then onto Invercargill, the capital of Southland. A short 20-minute ride from Invercargill lies the seaside fishing village of Bluff, the southernmost town on the New Zealand mainland, where there is a stop at the "Bottom of New Zealand" for the obligatory photo at the Bluff signpost. Lunch in the south before heading north back to Te Anau for the night via open green dairy and sheep farming country, passing through the southland farming towns of Winton and Lumsden.



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DAY 17 – Te Anau to Alexandra (220km)

Back into the Back-Country gravel action! Leaving Te Anau the tour heads back north on the highway via Lumsden to Garston where we get back on the gravel for a nice twisty climb up the Garvie Mountains to 1100m and into the Nevis Valley Road. This is a well-formed road which turns to a 4wd track for a section with a couple of river crossings required. Well worth the effort and a great sense of achievement will be had from riding the spectacular Nevis. Coming out the northern end of the Nevis is a nice climb again before descending down to Bannockburn and Cromwell where the tour will stop for a late lunch. From Cromwell, it's a beautiful highway ride down the Lake Dunstan shoreline to the historic gold mining town of Clyde with its fairly impressive hydro dam. A further 8km down the river is the destination for the day, Alexandra.



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DAY 18 – Alexandra to Aoraki Mt Cook (330km)

Leaving Alexandra and heading deep into the baron Central Otago countryside infamous for its abundance of rabbits, it's into the Ida Valley then on to Naseby, another historic little gold rush town. From Naseby, the Danseys Pass awaits with more gorgeous flowing gravel corners to soak up on the bike. An obligatory stop at the Danseys Pass Hotel then onwards and out of the pass and into the Waitaki Valley. Stopping first at Kurow for lunch, the tour follows the Waitaki River upstream to Lake Benmore and a ride over the Dam and onto the private gravel road through Black Forest Station. The spectacularly turquoise Lake Pukaki is next, and following the shore of the lake to the end of the road at Mount Cook Village, where the natural alpine scenery will delight.



DAY 19 – Aoraki Mt Cook to Methven (300km)

After getting your fill of scenic wonder at Mt Cook, it is back down the lake shore and on to the next of the great glacial lakes at Tekapo. Taking a detour off the main highway for a little fun in the gravel the tour makes its way to Fairlie and a stop at the famous Fairlie Bakery is always a hit for pastry and coffee. Continuing north into South Canterbury farming country, passing through Geraldine and then taking the inland scenic route through to the Ski Resort town of Methven.



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DAY 20 – Methven to Christchurch (250km)

Our final day of the tour has us leaving Methven and a short hop to the Rakaia Gorge and crossing the river over the one-lane bridge with a nice climb up the other side of the gorge and great views down the river. A back country road to Lake Coleridge and a nice sweeping gravel road to Lake Lyndon before climbing over Porters Pass and back down to Springfield where you can get a photo of the Simpsons-inspired donut monument! Crossing the Waimakariri River Gorge into North Canterbury and stopping at Oxford for an early lunch, the tour will then head into a Christchurch local Adventure riding classic loop through Lees Valley and the Okuku Pass back to journeys end in Christchurch.



Tour Route Discalimer: The tour route is accurate at the time of publication but may vary due to external factors. We reserve the right to alter the route at any time without notice.



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TOUR PRICING (\$NZD)

Motorcycle Model	Cost pp (Share Twin)
Husqvarna Norden 901	
KTM 890 Adventure R	\$19,800
KTM 890 Adventure S	
KTM 790 Adventure R	
KTM 690 Enduro R	\$18,900
Honda XL750 Transalp	
Yamaha T7 Tenere 700	\$18,900
CFMoto 450MT	
KTM 390 Adventure R	\$18,200

Single room option available for an additional NZD\$2,200

All bikes are subject to availability. Limited numbers of each model are available. See terms & conditions.

A luggage support van is provided to carry all luggage so you can enjoy the ride without the hassle of carrying your gear.

Please see payment terms and conditions for payment details.

PREREQUISITES & RIDER SUITABILITY

The **New Zealand Adventure Tour** is a genuine off-road motorcycle adventure, designed for riders with prior gravel and backcountry riding experience.

This tour primarily follows gravel roads and 4WD tracks and includes sections of rough and technical terrain, such as:

- Steep climbs and descents
- Narrow tracks with exposed drop-offs
- Uneven, rocky, and rutted surfaces
- Multiple water crossings

Due to the nature of the terrain, this tour is suitable for intermediate to advanced riders only.

This tour is NOT suitable for beginner or inexperienced off-road riders.

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PARTICIPANT REQUIREMENTS

All tour participants must:

- Hold a valid motorcycle licence recognised in New Zealand
- Be 25 years of age or older
- Have previous off-road or gravel road riding experience
- Be confident riding in rough, bumpy, narrow, and steep terrain
- Be capable of riding while standing on the footpegs, including over small obstacles

IMPORTANT RIDER RESPONSIBILITY

Our experienced guides are present to lead the route, manage safety, and assist riders through challenging sections where appropriate. However, guides are not there to provide riding instruction or to train inexperienced riders.

Riders without the required experience may:

- Slow group progress
- Cause delays to the daily schedule
- Impact the overall experience of other participants

RIDER ASSESSMENT & SAFETY POLICY

All riders are required to complete a self-assessment of riding ability and experience during tour registration.

If, during the tour, a rider's ability does not align with what has been declared, this may result in:

- Route modifications affecting the individual and/or the group
- Being escorted around more technical sections
- Delays to the tour schedule
- Removal from certain riding sections for safety reasons

These decisions are made in the interest of rider safety and group wellbeing.

Unsure if This Tour Is Right for You?

If you have any doubt about the skill level required, we strongly encourage you to contact us before booking. We are happy to discuss your riding experience and help determine whether this tour is suitable for you.

WHAT DO I NEED TO BRING?

While we provide most things you need for the 3-week tour of New Zealand we can't supply absolutely everything, particularly personal items. You will need to bring with you the following items:

- **Personal Clothing** – At the end of each day's riding you will want to change out of your riding gear into something a little more comfortable. Please bring with you changes of clothes for 3 weeks of travel. New Zealand has very changeable weather so make sure you have packed some warmer clothing if it gets cool. Most of our accommodation selections will have a laundry service or laundry available for you to do your own clothes washing when required.
- **Motorcycle Riding Gear** – It is best if you bring your own riding gear to ensure accurate fit and comfort. We do have a selection of riding gear for hire at additional cost however for your own comfort we suggest you bring your own gear. We do not hire boots. We suggest bringing the following as a minimum:

Essential

- Helmet
- Armoured Jacket
- Armoured Pants
- Warm Touring Gloves
- Lightweight Enduro style Gloves
- Enduro or Adventure style boots
- Base layers, thermal pants & top
- Warm removable mid layers
- Waterproof outer shell

Recommended

- Neck warmer/Buff
- Hydration backpack
- Goggles
- Sunglasses
- Sunscreen

We have a selection of new riding gear and accessories available at our online store and in our depot in Christchurch. If you would like to order any items we can have them ready for you at the start of your tour. Please contact us for more information.

- **Personal Toiletries** – All accommodation will have towels and basic toiletries such as soap and shampoo.
- **Personal Items** – e.g. Wallet, mobile phone, camera, GoPro, chargers,
- **Personal Medicines** – Any prescription medicines, asthma inhalers, etc

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ABOUT US...

Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd is New Zealand's leading and original professional adventure motorcycle tour operator, specialising in premium off-road tours that explore the breathtaking backcountry landscapes of Aotearoa.

Born from a deep passion for dual-sport adventure riding in the remote South Island, our company was founded with one goal: to share New Zealand's most spectacular and untouched terrain with riders and adventure enthusiasts from around the world.

We are proud to be New Zealand's only official KTM Authorised Tour Operator, a distinction that reflects our commitment to quality, professionalism, and the ultimate riding experience. Operating from our fully equipped, purpose-built shop and depot, we offer a level of service and support that sets us well apart from the competition, not just a couple of bikes in a trailer.

Our tours feature carefully designed routes, meticulously prepared KTM motorcycles, quality accommodation, and experienced professional guides who bring every journey to life. KTM motorcycles are the undisputed weapon of choice for New Zealand's rugged and varied terrain; they are the best adventure bikes in the world for this style of riding, and we would not settle for anything less. Each bike is maintained to the highest standard, thoroughly checked and serviced before every tour.

We partner with hand-picked accommodation providers that deliver comfort and relaxation after an exhilarating day's ride. Our guides are not only expert riders but passionate ambassadors for New Zealand's landscapes, culture, and history. They know the hidden trails, the best viewpoints, and the true essence of adventure riding in New Zealand.

Safety is our top priority. All tours begin with a detailed safety briefing, and our guides are first-aid trained and highly experienced in navigating New Zealand's diverse conditions. Riders can enjoy every moment knowing they are in capable and professional hands.

Beyond the thrill of the ride, we are deeply committed to sustainability and environmental stewardship. We operate responsibly to help preserve the pristine environments we ride through and to ensure the backcountry remains unspoiled for future generations.

At Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ, we deliver more than just a motorcycle tour; we provide an authentic, world-class adventure experience that riders will remember for a lifetime.

Join us for the ultimate ride through New Zealand's wild backcountry. **Experience the difference, ride with the original, the official, and the best.**



PAYMENT POLICY

Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd Payment Policy

- A deposit of NZD\$3,500 is required to secure your place on the tour and confirm your motorcycle selection from available models.
- Deposit payments are to be made by Credit Card on our website booking system. All deposits are non-refundable.
- An invoice will be sent to you for the outstanding balance with full payment due 60 days before the tour departure. Payment can be made via Direct Credit or Credit Card.
- If Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd has not received your final payment within 60 days before the start of the tour, the deposit will be forfeited and the booking cancelled.
- A Bond of NZD\$2,500.00 is required per motorcycle hire at the commencement of the tour. (See Insurance terms and conditions below.)
- All prices shown are in New Zealand Dollars (\$NZD)
- All prices include New Zealand Government Goods and Services Tax (GST) of 15%

CANCELLATION POLICY

Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd Cancellation Policy

- If cancelled 60 days before the start of the tour we will refund you 100% of paid tour cost, less the non-refundable deposit.
- If cancelled within 60 days of the start date 100% of the tour cost will be forfeited.
- If you are a no-show at the scheduled start time of the tour for any reason, 100% of the tour cost will be forfeited.
- We advise taking out your own personal travel insurance for any unforeseen circumstances that would prevent you from attending the tour.

INSURANCE TERMS & CONDITIONS

Motorcycle Insurance

- Full comprehensive motorcycle insurance is included in the tour fee for all motorcycle hires.

Security Deposit (BOND)

- At the commencement of the tour a bond of NZD\$2,500.00 is required to be held for each motorcycle rental in the event of any damage or loss to either the motorcycle, any accessories or third-party property. This sum is fully refundable if the motorcycle and any accessories are returned at the conclusion of the tour without any damage, loss or expense. Any damage will be deducted from the insurance bond with the balance being refunded. The hirer's maximum liability is limited to the full insurance bond plus any cost of recovery of the motorcycle. (All damages paid by credit card will incur a 2.9% credit card surcharge.)
- The bond must be taken in the form of a pre-authorisation on your credit card at the commencement of the tour and is held for the duration of your hire. Please ensure sufficient funds are available on your Credit Card for the bond pre-authorisation hold at the commencement of your tour. Note: Pre-Authorisation holds can only be charged to a Credit Card. Debit Cards are not valid.
- After the bond hold pre-authorisation is cancelled it may take up to 3-5 working days for the funds to be available again on your Credit Card depending on your bank.
- No transaction fees apply to Pre-Authorisation credit holds. If damage is deducted from the bond, standard credit card fees will apply to the charged portion.

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GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

TOUR PREREQUISITES

- Minimum age 25 years old
- Full motorcycle licence valid for riding in New Zealand, or an international driver's permit.
- Experience – This tour is not suitable for beginner riders or riders without off-road riding experience. Riders must have gravel road riding experience and be able to handle a large adventure motorcycle off-road.

MOTORCYCLE CHOICE & AVAILABILITY

- Kiwi Motorcycle Rentals provides the motorcycles for the tour.
- There are limited numbers of each make and model motorcycle available for each tour.
- Motorcycles are available on a first come first served basis and your first-choice motorcycle may not be available for the tour at the time of booking.
- Models available are shown at the time of booking on the website booking system in the motorcycle selection dropdown menu.

RIDER FITNESS, HEALTH & SAFETY

All tour participants enter into a tour contract with Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd and in doing so are stating that they are in suitable physical and mental condition and that they are capable of participating on the tour without risk to themselves or others.

Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd tour participants;

- are responsible for riding at their own pace and level of experience at all times during the tour, and
- should at no time exceed any of the local traffic laws and speed limits or their riding experience level, and
- are prohibited from exceeding laws in relation to the consumption of alcoholic beverages while operating any vehicle/motorcycle during a tour, or the taking of ANY drugs that may impair judgement while riding.

Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd reserves the right to cancel a participants tour and motorcycle rental agreement at once by giving either verbal or written notice for any infraction of the above, or if we reasonably believe that your driving is negligent, careless or will likely cause danger to themselves or anyone else.

Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd reserves the right to accept or deny anybody from participating on any Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd tour. Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd does not and will not discriminate against any sex, race or religion. Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd owners, operators or tour guides may for any reason deny a participant(s) continuance of the tour if they feel that the participant(s) is a danger or disruption to himself or herself, the tour group or the general public. Any participant(s) denied continuance of the tour is responsible for his or her own accommodation, meals, airport shuttle services or any other costs incurred as a result of their denial. No refunds will be issued to any participant(s) who are denied continuance of an Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd tour.

COVID-19

New Zealand has various rules and mandates in place in response to the Covid-19 pandemic. These rules and mandates change with the current Covid response level in New Zealand. The official response rules can be found on the NZ Government Covid website <https://covid19.govt.nz/> There are certain rules required for entry into most hospitality venues and tourism experiences including possible wearing of face masks where required. Proof of Covid-19 vaccination may be required for entry into some venues. It is the tour participants' responsibility to provide acceptable proof of vaccination status if required for entry into some hospitality venues. Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd takes no responsibility for participants who are unable to show correct proof of vaccination status.

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TOUR CANCELLATIONS

Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd reserves the right to cancel any scheduled tour at any time due to lack of participation, severe weather, natural disaster, world unrest, pandemic or any other given reason whatsoever.

If any tour is cancelled, Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd will;

- immediately notify tour participants of any such occurrence, and
- offer the possibility of rescheduling another tour on another date, or will refund the tour cost less any deposits paid to cover pre-booked accommodation, activities and admin fees etc. which will constitute a full settlement. All deposits required at the time of booking are non-refundable,
- not be liable for any additional cost or losses incurred by the participant due to a cancellation of any tour. This may include, but not be limited to;
 - personal airline tickets,
 - other accommodation reservations,
 - any other pre-planned trips/travel and/or associated expenses.

EXTRA FEES & CHARGES

- All motorcycle fuel for the duration of the hire is at the tour participants' expense.
- At the end of the tour the motorcycle must be returned with a full tank of fuel. Failure to return the motorcycle with a full tank of fuel at the completion of hire will incur an extra charge for the re-filling of the motorcycle fuel tank plus a \$25.00 administration fee.
- Traffic and/or parking violation fines that come in after the hire has ended will also be charged to your nominated card.

Please see Kiwi Motorcycle Rentals website www.kiwimotorcyclerentals.co.nz for further FAQ's on motorcycle hire or full motorcycle hire Terms & Conditions and additional information.

PRIVACY POLICY

Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd and Kiwi Motorcycle Rentals value our customers and respects their privacy. We recognise the trust you place in us through your dealings with us. We take all reasonable steps to maintain that trust. Under law, your rights to privacy are also protected. Privacy laws place requirements on us to treat certain information collected as confidential, to store information securely and to allow you access to check and correct your information. We comply with the Privacy Act 2020.

For our full privacy Statement please visit our website www.ultimateadventuremoto.co.nz/privacypolicy

INDEMNITY WAIVER

All participants will be required to read and sign an Indemnity Waiver to participate in the tour. This will be sent to participants after booking for signing. You can download a copy of the indemnity waiver on our downloads page at <https://www.ultimateadventuremoto.co.nz/downloads>

DISCLAIMER

Ultimate Adventure Moto NZ Ltd reserves the right to alter or amend any details, pricing, routes and inclusions which may be amended at any time and without notice.



