Cruise Details

Name:	New Zealand, Norfolk Island & Fiji’s Coastal Treasures
Reference:	SCENIC411F280129-2
Operator:	Scenic Ocean Cruises
Cruise Type:	Ocean
Cruise Rating:	Ultra Luxury
Ship:	Scenic Eclipse II
Regions:	Australia & New Zealand
Departs On:	28 Jan 29
Departs From:	Timaru
Arrives On:	11 Feb 29
Arrives At:	Lautoka
Cruise Nights:	14
Total Vacation Days:	15

Itinerary

Day 1: Timaru (New Zealand)

Upon arrival in Christchurch, you will be transferred by coach to Timaru, where your ultra-luxury Scenic Discovery Yacht awaits. Nestled along New Zealand's dramatic South Island coast, Timaru welcomes you with its blend of natural beauty and rich heritage. The Captain and crew will warmly greet you as you board Scenic Eclipse II.

Settle into your spacious verandah suite, meet your butler, and acquaint yourself with the world-class facilities of your Scenic Discovery Yacht. Then head to the Scenic Lounge Bar to meet your fellow guests and toast the start of your voyage as you sail away. Please book your flight to arrive into Christchurch prior to 10:30 AM.

Arrives On: 28 Jan 29

Day 2: Akaroa (New Zealand)

Arrive this morning in Akaroa, site of New Zealand’s only successful French settlement. Established by French settlers in 1840, it still carries its heritage lightly, with French street names, characterful cottages and a Gallic note in some of its cafés and cuisine. Akaroa also looks over a sheltered harbour frequented by rare Hector’s dolphins, and is framed by an historic lighthouse and rolling green hillsides.

Later, perhaps visit the open bridge on Deck 7 to meet the Captain and navigational team and gain first-hand insight into a Scenic Discovery Yacht’s state-of-the-art technology from one of the most inspiring vantage points on board.

Arrives On: 29 Jan 29

Day 3: Picton (New Zealand)

Wake early this morning to experience the Marlborough Sounds as you sail into Picton. Ask your butler to deliver coffee to your suite so you can soak it in from your private verandah.

Spend the day in Picton, a picturesque town that looks almost tropical with its towering palm trees and turquoise water. Wander the charming waterfront promenade, lined with shops, cafes and galleries, or visit the museum inside the Edwin Fox convict ship, dry docked offshore. Picton is a short drive from the famous Marlborough wine region, which produces around two-thirds of New Zealand’s wine.

Every day on board your Scenic Discovery Yacht, a true culinary journey awaits, with a distinct range of all-inclusive culinary experiences. You may decide to return to the Yacht Club for lunch, or choose Azure Bar & Café where you can graze throughout the day.

Arrives On: 30 Jan 29

Day 4: Napier (New Zealand)

Arriving in Napier, it can feel as though the clock has paused in the 1930s. After a devastating earthquake in 1931, the city centre was almost entirely rebuilt in the Art Deco style of the era, with clean lines, pastel facades and geometric detailing. Today, its palm-lined streets, sunlit promenades and carefully preserved buildings create one of the world’s finest concentrations of authentic Art Deco architecture, complemented by a relaxed café culture and easy access to Hawke’s Bay’s acclaimed vineyards.

Arrives On: 31 Jan 29

Day 5: Gisborne (New Zealand)

Gisborne, known affectionately as “Gizzy”, is celebrated as one of the first cities in the world to greet the new day. Its relaxed coastal atmosphere is complemented by a strong food and wine culture, with vineyards in the surrounding Tairawhiti region particularly noted for expressive whites and rich Chardonnay. Long, surf-washed beaches, a compact town centre and a growing focus on local producers give Gisborne a quietly confident, distinctly East Coast character.

After a day ashore, retreat to the Senses Spa# and relax in the thermal loungers or unwind in the infrared sauna. Later, dine at Elements, where Italian, steak and seafood menus change daily.

Arrives On: 01 Feb 29

Day 6: Tauranga (New Zealand)

Today Scenic Eclipse II docks at Mount Maunganui, a relaxed beachside town just across the harbour from Tauranga. A graceful volcanic cone rises above a long, curving surf beach and sheltered inner bay, with coastal paths leading to wide views over the Bay of Plenty. Nearby Tauranga, New Zealand’s busiest port, offers a revitalised waterfront lined with cafés, restaurants and bars, adding an urban gloss to the region’s otherwise easygoing, holiday atmosphere.

Arrives On: 02 Feb 29

Day 7: Auckland (New Zealand)

Auckland, the ‘City of Sails’, set between two harbours and ringed by dormant volcanic cones, is New Zealand’s largest and most cosmopolitan city. Here, waterside promenades, galleries and green spaces sit within easy reach of the central districts. You might spend time along the redeveloped waterfront, pause at a neighbourhood café or sample local seafood and New Zealand wines. Across the city, Maori and wider Pacific influences are reflected in its museums, art and everyday culture, giving Auckland a relaxed yet quietly sophisticated character.

Arrives On: 03 Feb 29

Day 8: Bay of Islands (New Zealand)

The Bay of Islands is one of the world’s most spectacular sailing destinations, so make sure you’re on your verandah or the Observation Terrace as you arrive early this morning. With its unique sub-tropical climate, around 150 islands and thousands of postcard-perfect coves, this is a little slice of paradise in northern New Zealand.

Scenic Eclipse II anchors off Paihia, once an early seaport and mission settlement and now a welcoming gateway to nearby walks, coastal viewpoints and local cafés. Just across the bay, the Waitangi Treaty Grounds offer insight into the 1840 agreement between Maori chiefs and the British Crown, adding cultural depth to this naturally appealing corner of the North Island.

Arrives On: 04 Feb 29

Day 10: Norfolk Island (Norfolk Island)

Roughly halfway between New Zealand and Australia, this tiny island is an outlying self-governing Australian territory with a tumultuous past. Claimed by Captain James Cook for the British in 1774, it was settled as a convict colony in 1788 and became known as Hell in the Pacific. In 1855, Queen Victoria gave the island to the descendants of the Bounty mutineers, who had outgrown their home on Pitcairn Island.

Today, Norfolk remains a wild place, with dramatic landscapes, towering pines and pounding surf. Perfect for relaxation and exploration, you'll discover a charming small town with rich history. Explore World Heritage-listed ruins and the remarkable St Barnabas Chapel.

Arrives On: 06 Feb 29

Day 13: Pacific Harbour (Fiji)

Pacific Harbour sits on Viti Levu’s southern coast, where lush hills meet a wide stretch of lagoon. Often referred to as Fiji’s adventure capital, it also offers a relaxed introduction to local life, with village visits, handicraft markets and coastal walks. You may have the opportunity to witness traditional ceremonies, learn about fire-walking customs or sample Fijian dishes influenced by both Indigenous and Indo-Fijian heritage. The area's sheltered waters and surrounding reefs provide a haven for diverse marine life, whilst nearby rainforest trails reveal waterfalls and birdlife unique to this part of the Pacific.

Arrives On: 09 Feb 29

Day 14: Sawa-I-Lau (Fiji)

The Yasawa archipelago comprises approximately 20 volcanic islands that boast a captivating landscape. These picturesque islands served as the backdrop for the iconic Blue Lagoon films, including both the 1949 and 1980 versions. Interestingly, until 1987, the Yasawas remained inaccessible for land-based tourism, allowing them to be admired exclusively from boats, shrouding them in an air of mystique and remote beauty.

Today you visit Sawa-i-Lau Island, celebrated for its limestone formations and sea caves, where local legend and natural drama meet. There may be opportunities to step inside the cool interior of the caverns, swim in sheltered pools or simply take in the towering rock walls and shifting light from the water’s edge.

On board, join a complimentary class in the PURE: Yoga & Pilates Studio, or recharge in the state-of-the-art POWER: Gym. This evening, enjoy a final dinner at your preferred dining experience, then bring your journey to a close in the Scenic Lounge Bar with a handcrafted drink and live music.

Arrives On: 10 Feb 29

Day 15: Lautoka (Fiji)

Your Discovery Voyage concludes this morning in Lautoka, the second largest city in Fiji. Set on the western side of the island of Viti Levu, just north of Nadi, it’s the gateway to Fiji’s Sun Coast a pleasant mix of sugar-cane fields, grass-covered peaks, rural villages and market towns. Please book your flight to depart out of Nadi after 12:00 PM. #Spa treatments and services at additional cost. Daily activities may be subject to change; please consult your Daily Wonder for updates.
+All drinks on board, including those stocked in your mini bar, are included, except for a very small number of rare, fine and vintage wines, Champagnes and spirits. Specialty restaurants require a reservation, enquire on board.
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