



New Zealand CULTURAL IMMERSION PROGRAM



3 night Maori Culture & Adventure Experience

This 3 night New Zealand Cultural Immersion Program is designed to welcome you to the beautiful land of Aotearoa and immerse you into the Māori culture.

Sitting within the Pacific Rim of Fire, Rotorua is a geothermal wonderland with bubbling mud pools, clouds of steam, and natural hot springs to explore. The city is surrounded by mountains, rivers, native forests and 18 fresh water lakes, making it the perfect place to reconnect with nature. Trip Highlights include:

- Discover the Mitai Māori village and be welcomed by the indigenous people of Aotearoa exploring their culture and feasting on a traditional hangi dinner.
- Experience the real Middle-earth with a fully guided walking tour around the 12 acre Hobbiton Movie set.
- Experience an unrivalled, world-class ziplining adventure set in one of the few preserved ancient native forests of New Zealand.





JOIN US for a once in a lifetime experience in Aotearoa, New Zealand!

Cultural Understanding:

Māori Culture – Learn to understand the differences between your culture and that of the Māori.

Cultural Adjustment – Understand why we need to respect cultural differences.

Living in Aotearoa, New Zealand – How is living in New Zealand different from your own country? How is the language different? Learn the lingo so you can impress your new Kiwi mates!

Excursions & Activities:

Mitai Māori cultural experience & Hangi feast - The Mitai traditional stories unfold through the dynamic scenes of warriors paddling the war canoe down Wai-o-Whiro stream. The melodious sounds of instruments and entertainment are highlighted through the haka and performing arts. Enjoy the traditional Hangi dinner followed by an evening walk through the forest visiting the old village site and discovering the sacred natural spring Te Puna Tapu a Tuhoe.

Guided Tour of the Hobbiton Movie set - Join a guided tour and experience the real Middle-earth at the Hobbiton Movie set, where, in the heart of the Waikato region, you can step into the lush pastures of the shire as seen in The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit film trilogies. Journey past the colourful Hobbit Hole doors that scatter the hillsides, including the iconic Bag End, home of Bilbo and Frodo Baggins, before arriving at Bagshot Row for a glimpse of the interior of the humble Hobbit's home.

Ultimate ziplining canopy tour - Unveiling New Zealand's natural identity around every corner, this Ultimate Ziplining experience just keeps on giving! Transporting you further into the lush canopy with longer zip lines, higher suspended swing bridges, and a one of a kind custom built spiral staircase. The expert team will keep you attached at every point while this ziplining experience elevates all your senses!

Scenic Gondola with luge through the ancient trees - The 900-metre long Doppelmayr cableway system will transport you and your friends on a gentle, scenic ride up to the Skyline Rotorua complex. Once you arrive at the top you have time to take in the amazing scenery with views to Lake Rotorua and the city before jumping into your own personal luge cart for a thrilling ride down the mountain! You will get three luge rides included and afterwards you might want to take a rest at the café and sip a coffee with your friends before taking the Gondola back down.

Guided Geothermal walk with healing mud pool indulgence - Come experience a land where myth and legend come to life, where the earth boils, mud heals, and steam disappears into the clouds above. Take part in a guided geothermal walk before indulging in a dip into the geothermal mud & sulphur waters that the local maori have been using for its healing powers for centuries.



What's Included?

- 3 nights accommodation in Rotorua
- Māori cultural experience & hangi dinner
- Professional & experienced group leader
- Scenic Gondola with 3 luge rides
- Guided Geothermal walk & mud pool experience
- Ultimate ziplining canopy tour
- Guided tour of the Hobbiton Movie set
- Cultural understanding session

COST OF THE PROGRAM IS

NZD\$ 1,500

Note: Please note that fees are subject to change. Flights to and from Rotorua are not included in the above price however we are happy to provide assistance in booking your flights.

How do I apply?

Step 1: Please select the program date that suits you best. Our programs are organised carefully around selected dates so that you won't miss any classes.

Step 2: If you have any questions about the trip before you book please email amy@pepacific.com so that she can help talk you through the program. When you are ready to book just let us know!

Step 3: Once your booking is confirmed you will then receive more detailed information regarding the trip and any assistance required to help you book your internal flights to Rotorua Airport. You may also use frequent flyer points to book your own flight or if you are coming from Auckland bus transport is the cheapest and most reliable way to get to Rotorua. The PEPA team will let you know the date you need to land into Rotorua Airport to meet the group for each program before you book your flight.

Step 4: Once you have confirmed your round trip flight to Rotorua Airport or bus transportation from Auckland please let your PEPA representative know immediately. You will receive your final trip itinerary 1 month prior to departing so you will have plenty of time to plan ahead.

PROGRAM DATES:

Available to add onto the beginning or end of any PEPA organised program.

Contact us

If at any stage you have questions please don't hesitate to contact a PEPA team member at: amy@pepacific.com

We look forward to making your New Zealand Culture & Adventure experience one of the most memorable moments in your life!

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