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TRAVEL ITINERARY**

<p>May 19 Monday</p> <p>-, -, D*</p>	<p>Kansas City – Auckland.</p> <p>Depart Kansas City on United Airlines flight TBA departing at TBA and arriving in Denver at TBA. Your connecting flight TBA departs at TBA and arrives in Los Angeles at TBA. Board your overseas flight, Air New Zealand flight 5, departing Los Angeles at 10:30P with dinner and feature films on board.</p>
<p>May 20 Tuesday</p>	<p>Over the Pacific Ocean.</p> <p>En route to Melbourne, lose one day crossing the international dateline.</p>
<p>May 21 Wednesday</p> <p>B*, -, D</p>	<p>Auckland – Hamilton.</p> <p>Arrive in Auckland at 6:30A, the largest and most cosmopolitan city. After customs formalities, meet your tour guide outside baggage claim. Board the coach for a city sightseeing tour, including a trip up the extinct volcano, Mount Eden, for panoramic views of the region, a visit to a fascinating Underwater Aquarium, and a look at the boats and activity around the waterfront at Viaduct Basin where the famous Americas Cup yachting Regatta is held.</p> <p>Later depart south, passing the vegetable growing region of the Bombay Hills and on to the productive Waikato farmland. This afternoon, settle in to the hotel for a well-earned rest after your overseas flight. “Welcome dinner” this evening at the hotel.</p> <p>Overnight at: Hamilton Hotel</p>

<p>May 22 Thursday</p> <p>B, -, D</p>	<p>Hamilton – Rotorua</p> <p>After breakfast, visit a Waikato kiwifruit orchard beautifully positioned on the shores of Lake Karapiro. Continue on to the pretty town of Cambridge for lunch.</p> <p>After lunch, visit a nearby sheep and bull beef breeding property overlooking Lake Rotorua. Later continue on to Rotorua, a centre of Maori culture and interesting geothermal region with boiling mud pools and spouting geysers.</p> <p>A great way to end the day is with a Maori hangi (feast) and concert this evening!</p> <p>Overnight at: Rotorua Hotel</p>
<p>May 23 Friday</p> <p>B, L, D</p>	<p>Rotorua – Palmerston North – Wellington.</p> <p>Following breakfast, visit a 900 cow pasture-based dairy farm including a modern rotary milking parlor. Then travel south via the vast Lake Taupo and visit Kitenui Deer Park, a fascinating 1200 head deer farm for a tour and lunch, then on to view the Huka Falls where the mighty Waikato River is confined to a narrow gorge, just a few metres wide. Continue on passing the active volcano of Ruapehu and across the Desert Road, to the farmland of the Manawatu and town of Palmerston North.</p> <p>Travel via the attractive coastline of the Tasman Ocean and on to Wellington, New Zealand's capital city, attractively positioned within a sheltered harbour.</p> <p>Overnight at: Wellington Hotel</p>

<p>May 24 Saturday</p> <p>B, - , D**</p>	<p>Wellington – Blenheim – North Canterbury</p> <p>After check-out and breakfast, we transfer to port to board a ferry to cross Cook Strait to the South Island. Travel to Blenheim in the heart of New Zealand's premier wine growing region and sample local wines at one of the country's largest wineries. Continue along the spectacular Pacific Coastline to Kaikoura, home of large whales and other marine life, which inhabit the deep, Pacific waters close to shore.</p> <p>Later, continue to North Canterbury, where overnight farm stays are arranged with a number of farmer hosts. This evening, a home cooked dinner and chat around the table with your host family, and a chance to see how they live and work.</p> <p>Overnight at: North Canterbury Farmstay</p>
<p>May 25 Sunday</p> <p>B**, L, D</p>	<p>North Canterbury – Christchurch</p> <p>After breakfast with your hosts, reassemble and travel south through the North Canterbury farmland. Visit a hog farm to see how pork and bacon are produced for the domestic market.</p> <p>Later you travel to a hill country sheep and beef farm for a farm lunch. Here you will see breeding cows and beef finishing under New Zealand conditions.</p> <p>Continue to Christchurch, the largest city in the South Island of New Zealand. Enjoy a brief sightseeing tour of the city before transferring to the hotel for dinner and overnight.</p> <p>Overnight at: Christchurch Hotel</p>

<p>May 26 Monday</p> <p>B, -, D</p>	<p>Christchurch – Twizel, Mackenzie Country.</p> <p>After breakfast at the hotel, visit Lincoln University – one of the two main agricultural universities in the country. Meet with Animal Science staff then visit the University’s 600 cow dairy farm for an introduction to the pastoral system of producing milk.</p> <p>Then travel south across the patchwork farmland of the Canterbury Plains and take a look at a nearby arable farm growing crops such as wheat, clover, peas, barley, and pasture seeds. (This is early winter in NZ so most crops will have been harvested but some replanting may be taking place.)</p> <p>Continue on to the spectacular but desolate Mackenzie Country with its aqua blue hydro lakes and sheep stations. Dinner at the hotel this evening.</p> <p>Overnight at: Twizel Hotel</p>
<p>May 27 Tuesday</p> <p>B, -, D**</p>	<p>Twizel – Oamaru.</p> <p>This morning you visit the Mount Cook National Park to view the glaciers and high mountain vistas. Stop for lunch on own.</p> <p>Later visit high country station where Merino sheep are kept for their fine wool, produced for European clothing manufacturers.</p> <p>Continue via Omarama and the Waitaki River valley to Oamaru on the Pacific Coast. Here the group will split up and meet with local farming families for an overnight stay on several farms.</p> <p>Overnight at: Farm stay with host families</p>

<p>May 28 Wednesday</p> <p>B**, L, -</p>	<p>Oamaru – Dunedin.</p> <p>After time with your hosts, visit a leading farmer who specializes in growing lucerne, sunflowers and canary seed crops for an added value bird seed and pet food wholesaling business. The farmer also grows alfalfa for local livestock farmers.</p> <p>Later continue south along the Pacific Coastline to Dunedin where you take a wildlife cruise on the Otago harbour. Here you will see pelagic birds, fur seals and rare albatrosses that have a colony nearby. Dinner on your own this evening.</p> <p>Overnight at: Dunedin Hotel</p>
<p>May 29 Thursday</p> <p>B, - , D</p>	<p>Dunedin – Queenstown.</p> <p>Depart further south to Dunedin Sheep milking enterprise with 1200 ewes and Poll Dorset sheep stud. After a lunch break, head inland again to the dry central Otago region. Here stop off at a vineyard and fruit orchard growing apricots, cherries and other fruit.</p> <p>Continue on into Queenstown for a two night stay. This is one of New Zealand's most beautiful regions, set in a delightful location beside the crystal clear waters of Lake Wakatipu amidst spectacular mountain ranges. You are free to explore the local restaurants for this evening's meal.</p> <p>Overnight at: Queenstown Hotel</p>

<p>May 30 Friday</p> <p>B, - , D**</p>	<p>Queenstown.</p> <p>This morning enjoy a sightseeing tour of this beautiful and popular resort town and nearby Arrowtown, an historic gold mining town. This afternoon you have free time for optional activities such as jet boating, lake cruises or perhaps a flight to Milford Sound. This evening, ride the gondola to a hill top restaurant for a farewell dinner amidst the lake and mountain scenery which surrounds you.</p> <p>Overnight at: Queenstown Hotel</p>
<p>May 31 Saturday</p> <p>B**, - , -</p>	<p>Queenstown – Kansas City.</p> <p>Free time until you need to be taken to the airport for your return flight home. Air New Zealand flight 524 departs at 12:20P, arriving in Auckland at 2:55P. Your overseas flight, NZ 6, departs at 7:15P and arrives in Los Angeles at 12:25P. Connect on United Airways flight TBA departing at TBA for Denver, arriving at TBA. Your last flight, UA TBA, departs at TBA and arrives in Kansas City at TBA. Welcome home!</p>
<p>Meal code: B-breakfast;L-lunch;D-dinner; *airline meal, **meal with host family.</p>	

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