

## Spectacular Marlborough Cruise

2 nights / 3 days

\$799pp includes transfer!

Picton-Havelock

28<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> Dec 2012



***Join us for this fabulous all inclusive cruise!***

***Enjoy walks, explore the Marlborough Sounds and you may even see wildlife such as Dolphins, Seals, Shags, Shearwaters and Petrels.***

**Day 1:** Boarding commences in Picton at 12 pm for a 12.30pm departure. Brian and the crew will welcome you aboard and after a safety briefing Affinity will cruise to the outer Queen Charlotte Sound where we will dredge for some scallops. We will anchor in a sheltered bay for the night.

**Day 2:** This morning you will visit Motuara Island bird sanctuary and Ship Cove where you will be able to explore these wonderful sites.

- Motuara Island – a Bird Sanctuary Island where Robins, Tuis, Kiwis, Kakariki and Bellbirds live. Hear the birdsong and look out for the rare South Island Saddleback as you walk along this wonderful island. A gem in the Marlborough Sounds
- Ship Cove- English explorer Captain James Cook made his home here in the early 1770's. Here you will find information panels explaining early Maori occupation and a monument to honour Captain Cook or go for a short walk to a waterfall.

We will depart the Queen Charlotte Sound and head around Cape Jackson; the Captain will talk to you about the Russian cruise ship Mikhail Lermontov and show you the area where she now lies at the bottom of the sea. Next we visit Wakatahuri; an old ship wrecking bay, we will view relics of a past sounds industry. We will also visit a King Shag colony, the largest native cormorant that we have in New Zealand. We will now find a sheltered bay to anchor for the evening.

**Day 3:** After breakfast we will make our way to Jacobs and Dillon Bay for a short easy walk, we will then leisurely cruise into Havelock. Lunch will be served on board as we make our way in for you to disembark at 12.30pm and meet your transfer back to Picton or Blenheim.

All walks are optional, you may wish to stay on board and relax or there may be a shorter walk option that would suit you better. All meals; breakfast, lunch, dinner, sunset nibbles, morning & afternoon tea, linen and activities including shore excursions as per the itinerary are included in the price.



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