



Spectacular New Year's Cruise



6 nights/7 days
Special Price \$2225pp
Havelock-Picton
30th Dec-5th Jan 2012

**HAPPY
NEW
YEAR**



***Join us for this fabulous 7 day 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 Havelock from 1.30pm with a departure time of 2pm. Brian and the crew will welcome you aboard and after a safety briefing Affinity will depart for Jacobs Bay where you have the opportunity to go ashore and walk through regenerated native bush on the very peaceful Jacobs Bay to Fairy Bay Track, this easy walk takes about 1hr to complete. Affinity will meet you at the end of the track. We will finish the day dredging for scallops and then anchor in a sheltered bay for the night.

Day2: This morning you will have a chance to add a few more scallops to our menu, following this we will look at a salmon farm and talk to you about salmon farming in the Marlborough Sounds. 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 now leave the Pelorus Sound and cruise towards d'Urville Island. After lunch we will visit French pass where you can go ashore, walk up the road and take photos looking down onto the pass, an area of strong tidal flows with big eddies. Once back on board we will cruise through the pass and spend an hour fishing for blue cod. Our sunset nibbles this evening will include freshly caught cod nibbles. We plan to anchor in Catherine Cove, d'Urville Island this evening where we will have dinner ashore at the Wilderness Resort Café and welcome in the New Year in Sounds style!

Day3: This morning if the weather conditions allow we will fish for blue cod and groper. In the afternoon we will head up Pelorus Sound to Tennyson Inlet where you will be able to go for a 1 1/2 hour flat easy walk. We will spend the night in Anchor Bay.

Day 4: After breakfast we will cruise back into Havelock briefly where we will farewell some of our fellow passengers. We then head out to cruise into the Queen Charlotte Sound.

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Day 5: Today we visit Motuara Island Bird Sanctuary and Ship Cove two must dos on any Marlborough Sounds checklist:

- 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 finish the day off with some delicious Marlborough Scallops that you will have helped to catch!

Day 6: Another beautiful morning in paradise! A walk along the Queen Charlotte track from Furneaux lodge to Punga Cove awaits you! This is a reasonably easy walk and there will be some wonderful scenery along the way. Affinity will meet you in Punga Cove and we will cruise towards the inner sounds for some more exploring!

Day 7: After breakfast we will leisurely cruise back into Picton where we will bid you farewell at approximately 10am.

*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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