

Invercargill & Rakiura Post TRENZ Famil

9th – 11th May 2025



Destination Information

Invercargill, the southernmost city in New Zealand, offers a unique winter gateway to the stunning beauty of Stewart Island. During the cooler months, visitors can enjoy a quieter, more serene experience, exploring the island's breathtaking landscapes and diverse wildlife. With its proximity to Bluff, Invercargill is a great jumping-off spot for Rakiura Stewart Island, providing easy access to ferry services. Whether you're after winter wildlife spotting or peaceful walks in nature, Invercargill is the perfect starting point for your Rakiura Stewart Island adventure.

Winter stargazing on Stewart Island/Rakiura is an unforgettable experience. As the southernmost Dark Sky Sanctuary in the world, it offers one of the darkest locations to view the night sky. With minimal light pollution and crystal-clear night skies, the island provides perfect conditions for witnessing the Milky Way, Southern Cross, and countless stars in stunning detail.

Invercargill offers a delightful taste of Southern hospitality, showcasing unique attractions like Transport World, where vintage vehicles are presented in vibrant setting. Just a short distance away, Henry the Tuatara at Te Moutere – Tuatara Islands stands as a living testament to New Zealand's rich wildlife. Experience the charm and warmth of New Zealand's southernmost city, where every visit guarantees unforgettable moments.

FAMIL INCLUSIONS

Accommodation

(2 x nights)

Meals (Picnic Lunch x2, Hosted Dinner x1)

Transport (From Invercargill Airport, transfer to and from activities,

Ferry to and from Stewart Island)

Activities and Attractions (as per itinerary)

DOES NOT INCLUDE

Unspecified meals, snacks, non-specified alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks and items of a personal nature

Domestic Flights to and from Invercargill

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*Please note that the itinerary is subject to change due to weather conditions or unforeseen circumstances.



Day 1 – Friday 9 May

Morning

Arrive Invercargill

Suggested [Air New Zealand](#) Flights:

- Christchurch to Invercargill arriving 10.10am
- Christchurch to Invercargill arriving 11.25 pm

Check in to [ILT Accommodation](#)

Afternoon/Evening

Visit [Bill Richardson Transport World](#) & [Toot Sweets](#)

360 at [The Langlands](#)



Day 2 – Saturday 10 May

Morning

Travel from Invercargill to Bluff

Ferry from Bluff to Oban

Tour of Stewart Island Village
and Bays

Afternoon/Evening

Explore Ulva Island
Ferry from Oban to Bluff

Travel from Bluff to Invercargill

Dinner at [Meld](#)



Day 3 – Sunday 11 May

Morning

Visit Henry the Tuatara

Afternoon/Evening

Fly from Invercargill

Suggested [Air New Zealand Flight](#)

- 12.55pm flight to Auckland

