

☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ Personally escorted throughout by Chris Harrop -owner and manager of ☆ You Travel Mairangi Bay on Auckland's North Shore. Chris is a passionate ☆ aviation enthusiast with over 30 years experience in looking after and ☆ escorting groups and working in the travel industry. He has experienced, ☆ first hand – many times – the fabulous Australian International Air Show ☆ and Aviation Expo at Avalon. ☆ ☆ Friday 03 March 2017. ☆ ☆ Meet up with fellow travellers at Auckland International airport this ☆ morning for an early start for our 0830 departure and flying on our Air  $\bigstar$ ☆ New Zealand Boeing 777-200\* non stop to Melbourne (4hrs flying time) ☆ Arrival into Melbourne approximately 1030 am. ☆ ☆

On arrival in Melbourne and after clearing customs and immigration our exclusive coach will be waiting for us to will take us directly to the **Royal Australian Air Force Museum at Point Cook** just 30 minutes South of Melbourne for a tour of this amazing facility.

**The RAAF Museum** is a unit of the Royal Australian Air force and is based on the Williams Air Force Base and is home to the largest collection of military aircraft in Australia and includes a fully functioning maintenance hanger where you can view restoration experts at work – a heritage gallery where a multitude of historical objects relating to the development of flight are displayed.

We will have approximately 3 hours here to enjoy and then proceed into Melbourne CBD to our accommodation for the next 3 nights .

Mantra on Russell Hotel 222 Russell Street Melbourne in a standard share twin /double room **includes full breakfast daily**.

The Mantra on Russell last year completed a \$7 million refurbishment to the whole hotel and is a lovely hotel to be based at for 3 nights

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You'll love the convenience of the 24 hour reception and room service, and can unwind in the **indoor heated pool**, spa, sauna and gymnasium.

This evening ,meet up for a complimentary "welcome to Melbourne drink and nibbles" with fellow travelers . Evening at your own leisure for dinner and explore this part of town.

### Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2017-

### Australian International Air Show – Avalon

This morning after breakfast we board our own coach and depart the City for a pleasant drive South to Avalon, Victoria home to the event of the Australian International Air show 2017.Avalon is an operational airport and technical facility that is home to a large engineering base servicing a number of airlines. The Australian International Air show is a large air show held every two years at Avalon Airport, between Melbourne and Geelong, Victoria. It has been said by air show organisers to be the largest air show in the southern hemisphere. It regularly features equipment from the United States Navy and the United States Air Force along with the Royal Australian air force and sometimes quest appearances from our very own RNZAF with a large array of commercial airplanes both on static and flying displays. Along with the flying displays that commence at 1000 am today and finish at 4pm is a large static aeronautical display featuring aircraft manufacturers from around the world with amazing displays of aircraft related engineering and equipment both fixed wing and heli.Major commercial airplane manufacturers Boeing and Airbus traditionally have a presence at this wonderful event along with on site Air traffic control demo and a myriad of static under cover aviation displays from suppliers worldwide.Today is the start of two flying day displays -the Sunday (second day is duplicated-show pass ticket is for the Sat only)

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Included in your package is the exclusive Gold Pass full day VIP pass which gives entry plus allocated seating in one of the dedicated stands right in front of the flying displays. This area is a fenced off secure section -this area not accessible by normal pass holders and has its own food and beverage concessionaires. (Pass does not include the cost of any food or beverages)

Gold Pass ticket holders can come and go from this area at any time and included with your pass is a complimentary day programme and souvenir cap. Gold Pass viewing is the most comfortable way to enjoy the days flying displays as the stands are immediately in front of the runway and flying action.

The Gold Pass Enclosure is located parallel to the flight line and in close proximity to the Aerospace & Defence Exposition, static displays and other major attractions.

Actual flying display schedule and programme will only be published on the day by the organisers for operational reasons .Our own coach will drop us off right at the main gates and we will be able to enjoy the day at your own leisure to wander at your own pace to enjoy the exhibits and the flying displays of equipment that we don't get to see in the skies over New Zealand.Avalon *also* always hosts an amazing collection of flying War birds which also adds to the magnificence of this event along with static displays by the RAAF and Australian Army and Navy. Estimates by the organisers advise that there will be over 1000 aircraft on display at the 2017 show. At the end of the day we will meet at the main gate for our transport back into the city. Arrival back at the hotel approximately 6pm This evening after a big day out we have organized a group evening meal at one of Melbourne's fabulous restaurants . (Dinner only includedbeverages at your own expense)

# Sunday 05th March 2017

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Today has been reserved to have at your own leisure to explore Melbourne at your own pace – maybe sample some of the fine shopping and dining opportunities or maybe take in some additional sightseeing of this wonderful Australian vibrant city. Melbourne's Queen Victoria markets are legendary (a short tram ride or a 20 min walk) and well worth some time here today. Why not jump on a tram and enjoy lunch at St Kilda or take in a tour of the famous MCG and visit the National sports museum at the MCG-if you like Cricket or AFL then this is a must. Melbourne's National Museum is well worth a visit and is only \$10AUD to visit and is open 1000am to 5pm daily. Chris will be on hand to help you get to where you would like to be today.

Evening at leisure .

## Monday 06<sup>th</sup> March 2017

This morning after a leisurely breakfast we depart on our own coach to Melbourne airport for our departure for Auckland on Air New Zealand Depart Melbourne at 1150am **Boeing 777-300**-and arrive in Auckland at 5.25pm.Tour arrangements terminate. **Note:** Aircraft type displayed in this itinerary is as per Air NZ schedules as at 01 October 2016 and could be subject to changes.

Fully inclusive Tour costs (based on twin or double share accommodation)

\$1799.00 per person and includes all the following.

(Single room occupancy costings on application)

- Economy class airfares Auckland to Melbourne (flying Air New Zealand – and based on group airfares (works fares) that allow full service of meals, drinks, music and all entertainment in seat back screens plus a 23kg checked bag and seat allocation before travel.
- All ticketable and govt taxes and airline charges includes NZ • and Australian departure taxes
- Arrival coach transfers Melbourne and **bonus complimentary** visit to the RAAF Pt Cook Air Museum with transfers back to hotel.
- Complimentary Cocktails and nibbles on Friday evening mix and • mingle with fellow aviation travellers.
- 3 x nights' accommodation Melbourne CBD at the 4 star Mantra • on Russell Hotel and includes daily breakfast.
- Exclusive Coach transfers to and from the Australian international Airshow and Gold Pass ticket entrance and allocated seating to the event .(no meals or alcohol included in ticket price )
- Group dinner on evening of Show day (meal only -beverages at own expense)
- Departure transfers from Melbourne CBD to airport.

Services of a professional travel industry escort throughout

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Tour can be extended for additional nights and accommodation if required subject to availability -we advise getting in very early as both flights and accommodation over this traditionally peak few days can be busy. Please ask if you would like to extend.

Air show flying displays on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March are weather dependent and if completely rained off on the Saturday arrangements will be made for the following day. (4th March)

Gold Pass VIP tickets are for the 3<sup>rd</sup> March only and if rained off are not transferrable to the 4<sup>th</sup> March unless advised otherwise by show organizers. Deposits made are non refundable and economy class airfares throughout are based on special group pricing that attracts high cancellation penalties along with accommodation and other transportation arrangements.

Accordingly we strongly recommend that you take out travel insurance in case of unforeseen cancellations due to sudden illness or accident. Our group Travel insurance will cover against cancellation charges, all medical costs (subject to no pre existing medical conditions) and personal luggage.

Emergency 24hr-7 days assistance. Travellers aged 66 and under at the time of travel.

If you require our You Travel insurance (cover underwritten by Allianz here in NZ) for the tour itinerary \$39.00 per person with a \$100 excess on each and every claim (recommended) .Please ask if you have any gueries re travel insurance re pre existing medical conditions or aged over 66 as we have several choices of cover.

Costings on this group departure are based on cash/cheque/eftpos or direct internet banking. If your choice of payment is by visa or MasterCard please add 3% card surcharge.

To secure a position on this tour please complete the following registration form and attach /fax or scan passports photo page copies to us along with payments-Very limited seats available

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