



The Wine Connoisseurs Tour

Sample Itinerary 2024

0900 Depart Auckland on **Fullers** Ferry to Waiheke Island.

0945 Arrive at Matiatia Wharf where you will be greeted by Ananda Tours and commence your privately guided tour of Waiheke Island. On the way, stunning scenery is around every corner, and you will be entertained by your guide's commentary on the history, geography, culture, people and produce of Waiheke.

1100 Travel down the Eastern End of Waiheke Island to **Man O' War Vineyard**, which boasts a pristine and beautiful spread of coastal hillsides with high cliffs and stunning beaches. This rugged and beautiful coastline was "Discovered" in 1769 by Captain James Cook. Today Man O' War has 150 acres of vines which are strategically placed to ensure that the distinct soil profile and microclimate of each block is used to best advantage. They have won international awards for their Flagship Black Label wines, which include Syrah and Chardonnay and a Bordeaux blend.

1215 Wine tasting at Passage Rock Wines. Their award-winning wines include Pinot Gris, Sauvignon Blanc, Viognier, Rosé, Merlot Cabernet and a particularly delicious Syrah, which is considered the most awarded wine on Waiheke, with over 18 gold medals and 6 trophies.

1330 Lunch at **Tantalus Estate**. This award winning winery within the vines offers a range of beautifully designed spaces including spacious botanical courtyards, comfortable lounge areas, a light and expansive tasting room and the elegant restaurant. The seasonal menu offers refined, tantalising dishes with bold flavours designed to complement the wine and beer made onsite.

1530 Visit **Stonyridge Vineyard** for vertical wine tasting of their flagship wine Larose. Founded in 1982, Stonyridge is a world-class producer of Cabernet blends Larose 2019 was rated 97 points out of 100 by James Suckling. Larose is often considered one of New Zealand's top red wines and is sort after by wine collectors around the world.

1700 Depart Waiheke on **Fullers** Ferry service back to Auckland

This itinerary is subject to some variation depending on seasonal vineyard availability. Substitutions of equal quality may be made as required. The price quoted is for a set timeframe. If the tour runs later than expected on the day, we may charge an extension fee. Our price includes tasting charges at selected venues but not beverages, lunch, dinner or ferry tickets unless arranged otherwise. Cancellation policy: Full payment is required if cancellation occurs within 48 hours of tour time.

Price is quoted for a set number of people. Should the number of people alter the price may change.

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