



Walking & Nature Tour

Sample Itinerary 2024 - Slow down, you're here - from \$455pp.

0915 Depart Auckland on **Island Direct** Ferry to Waiheke Island.

0950 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.

1000 Commence a guided **coastal walk**. The coastal path every two years hosts the Sculpture of the Gulf exhibition. The walkway has wonderful views over the Matiatia to the islands of Motuihe, Motutapu and Rangitoto. You will go past architecturally significant homes, vineyards and ancient p hutukawa. There are incredible views and interpretive panels with insights to the inner Hauraki Gulf.

1115 Experience the tranquility of **TIMMY SMITH Space** with stunning views over Oneroa Bay and enjoy a unique tea experience. Offering a beautiful selection of 'Organic Herbal and Orthodox' teas you are able to create your own unique blend. This experience also includes the opportunity to enjoy Timmy's PAUSE for Tea - Sugar Free Sparkling Teas. These Healthy 'Sparkling Botanical Teas' are completely sugar and sweetener free, made from certified organic ingredients and proudly developed here on Waiheke Island.

1245 Lunch at a venue of your choosing. This can be a vineyard that we can book on your behalf or if you prefer a more casual option there are several local eateries serving healthy nutritious salads such as Cappadocia (Turkish Deli) or Ritual Café (vegetarian Deli and Cafe) - Lunch own expense

1415 Commence a guided, mainly downhill walk through the **Whakanewha Regional Park**, down the Tarata track to the Cascades. You will see both original and regenerating New Zealand native bush. You will continue to the foreshore where the New Zealand dotterels can be seen. There are only 1500 of these birds left in NZ.

1615 Depart Waiheke on **Island Direct** Ferry service back to Auckland