

Travelrite International invites you to
join us aboard MS Noordam for the 2026

RAIL JOURNEYS OF AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND CRUISE

24 February to 15 March 2026

Christchurch, Wellington,
Auckland, Tauranga, Napier,
Picton, Dunedin and
Fiordland National Park;
New Zealand; Hobart and
Melbourne; Australia





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An experience of a lifetime!

An opportunity to cruise from New Zealand aboard MS Noordam. Experience the thrill of travelling by rail on the TranzAlpine from Christchurch through to Arthurs Pass National Park, ride on the Coastal Pacific from Christchurch to Wellington and journey on the Northern Explorer train from Wellington to Auckland. Cruise around New Zealand and visit the spectacular beauty of Milford Sound. As well as enjoying local rail experiences at ports of call.

DAY 1 Tuesday 24 February 2026

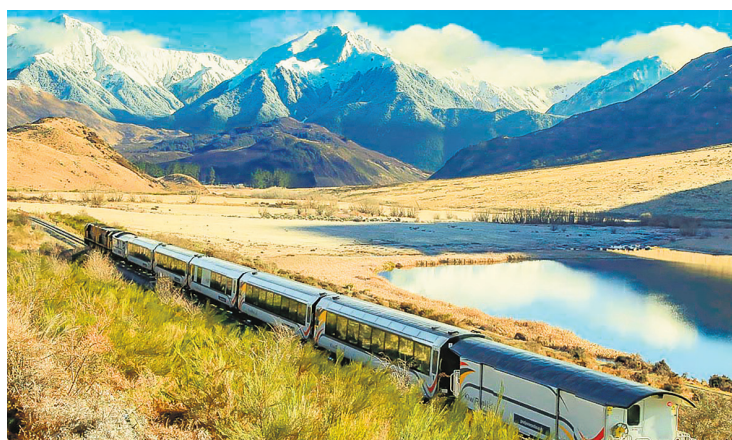
Arrive Christchurch

Group members fly to Christchurch, New Zealand, and upon arrival we transfer to our city hotel. This evening we have a welcome dinner so you can meet other passengers in the group.

DAY 2 Wednesday 25 February 2026

Christchurch

On our excursion today we travel on one of the most scenic train journeys in New Zealand – the TranzAlpine Express Train. From Christchurch, we cross the flat Canterbury Plains to the small community of Darfield. We continue through beautiful alpine scenery as we enter the Arthur's Pass National Park. Marvel at the alpine scenery as we sit back and enjoy the commentary.



DAY 3 Thursday 26 February 2026

Wellington

This morning we board The Coastal Pacific train to Picton. Travelling via Kaikoura, the home of whale watching and then onto the gateway to the beautiful Marlborough Sound with the famous wine growing region of Blenheim. The journey takes us through some of New Zealand's finest horticultural and farmland areas of the Canterbury Plains to the rugged Kaikoura mountain ranges on one side of our train, the Pacific Ocean coastline on the other with views of marine wildlife such as seals and penguins all from the comfort of our carriage. Arriving into Picton we transfer to the ferry port for a short journey across Cook Strait to Wellington.

DAY 4 Friday 27 February 2026

Auckland

This morning we board the Northern Explorer train for our journey to Auckland. The train service is a scenic rail journey through the five unique geographical regions of the North Island. We travel from Wellington, through the central heartland of the Northern Island. Along the way, we enjoy the farming landscapes and rocky sea scapes of the lower North Island and ascend through stunning river gorges to the volcanic plateau passing the majestic volcanoes of Mt Tongariro, Mt Ngauruhoe and Mt Ruapehu, the home of the North Island ski fields. Upon arrival in Auckland, New Zealand's largest city, we are transferred to our hotel.



DAY 5 Saturday 28 February 2026

Auckland

Today we travel to Waiuku to experience the golden era of "steam age" train travel at the Glenbrook Vintage Railway operating through picturesque rural countryside over 7.4 km of the former New Zealand Railways (NZR). The Glenbrook Vintage Railway owns and operates a number of historic and valuable heritage locomotives both steam and diesel, from the smallest locomotive, a 3 ton diesel shunter, to the giant 110 ton JA 1250 "Diana" steam locomotive. We then enjoy a sightseeing tour of gorgeous Auckland, the largest city and commercial centre of New Zealand. Our tour takes in the main sights of the city, including the Harbour Bridge, which spans the beautiful Waitemata Harbour.

DAY 6 Sunday 1 March 2026

Embarkation

The morning is free. At midday we board the MS Noordam for our cruise around New Zealand. Be up on deck as we cruise out of Auckland harbour.

DAY 7 Monday 2 March 2026

Tauranga

This morning we arrive in Tauranga, a harbourside city in the Bay of Plenty region on New Zealand's North Island. Today we will enjoy a magical rail experience. We first travel inland to Mamaku, past Lake Rotorua, and board our own self-drive Rail Cruiser to travel through



*Great fun and
luxury cruising aboard*

MS Noordam

Named for the Northern compass point, Noordam dazzles with museum quality art and lavish staterooms. Guests of this Vista Class ship will have their pick of onboard activities. Sing along to your favourite hits at Billboard Onboard. Enjoy a Pilates class at the Fitness Centre. Or savour the delights of one of our specialty restaurants. A voyage on the MS Noordam is a unique experience to be savoured and remembered!

the beautiful Dansey Road Scenic Reserve, on the steep 1:35 gradient railway between Mamaku and Tarukenga. We then see the famous geysers and volcanic activity of Rotorua

DAY 8 Tuesday 3 March 2026

Napier

Today we board the Hawke's Bay Express, a modern road trolley train. As the bell rings and the whistle blows, you're transported back in time for an Art Deco Napier experience. As you travel through town and towards Ahuriri, you'll hear about the catastrophic 1931 earthquake and the city's subsequent Art Deco-style rebuild, plus fascinating Māori legends that highlight the Bay's history.

DAY 9 Wednesday 4 March 2026

Wellington

This morning we will have a sightseeing tour of the main sights of Wellington, including the Houses of Parliament known as "the Beehive". We visit Mount Victoria, where we have 360 degree views of the city, then travel by cable car to the Botanical Gardens. This afternoon will be free to explore Wellington or perhaps visit the award winning Te Papa Museum.

DAY 10 Thursday 5 March 2026

Picton

This morning we arrive in Picton, located in one of the sunniest parts of New Zealand, the top of the South Island, it is a quaint port town nestled deep in the Marlborough Sounds. Our train journey today is on board the Marlborough Flyer, a WWI Memorial heritage steam train built in 1915. The hour-long Steam Train journey takes you up the challenging and steep elevation out of Picton (1-in-37 slope), through the Para Wetlands, across the Wairau River into the Wairau Valley and through a sea of vineyards into Blenheim.



DAY 11 Friday 6 March 2026

Christchurch

We begin the day with a sightseeing tour of Christchurch with its very English feel. It is the largest city on the South Island of New Zealand. The city boasts modern architecture and historic buildings set against beautiful parks, gardens, rivers and beaches. We then drive to the nearby village of Akaroa. Originally founded by the French, it is now a delightful town, retaining the ambience of France.

DAY 12 Saturday 7 March 2026

Dunedin

Our Dunedin train journey today is the Taieri Gorge Railway. Departing from Dunedin's beautiful railway station, our train begins its scenic journey into some of New Zealand's ever-changing, most spectacular and iconic scenery on its journey to Pukerangi, a peaceful outcrop out the other side of the Taieri Gorge. The train travels through the Southern parts of Dunedin city until it arrives at Wingatui junction, where it turns off onto the Taieri branch. From here the train sneaks across the Taieri

Plains and climbs into the Taieri Gorge, a narrow and deep gorge carved out over aeons by the ancient Taieri River. The train will stop or slow down at various scenic points along the way for photos where we can disembark and stretch our legs and enjoy the best of beauty, peace and quiet that nature has to offer.



DAY 13 Sunday 8 March 2026

Fiordland National Park

Today we cruise through some of the most spectacular scenery in New Zealand as we visit Milford Sound followed by Doubtful and Dusky Sounds. The fiords will be a highlight of the cruise, with spectacular scenery and fascinating wildlife. Nothing can prepare you for the majesty of Milford Sound, star of Fiordland National Park. New vistas mesmerise at each turn – towering Mitre Peak, rising 1692 metres above the Sound, plunging waterfalls, bottlenose and dusky dolphins, fur seals and Fiordland crested penguins are amongst this wonderland of outstanding natural beauty

DAY 14 Monday 9 March 2026

Day at sea

A day at sea to enjoy the fabulous facilities of the ship.

DAY 15 Tuesday 10 March 2026

Day at sea

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DAY 16 Wednesday 11 March 2026

Hobart

This morning we arrive in Hobart, the capital city of Tasmania. We are transferred to the airport for our flight to Strahan, on the west coast of Tasmania and board the West Coast Wilderness Railway. We journey deep into the heritage of the Tasmanian wilderness to discover the history and stories of the people and railway that turned the west coast of Tasmania into one of the wealthiest mining regions in the world.

DAY 17 Thursday 12 March 2026

Day at sea

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DAY 18 Friday 13 March 2026

Melbourne

This morning we arrive in the port of Melbourne, where we travel by coach to the Dandenong Ranges to take a journey on Puffing Billy. This century old steam train travels from Belgrave Station through to Gembrook, with a post-preservation history spanning over 50 years, the line is one of the most popular steam heritage railways in the world. The line was originally opened in 1900 to serve the local farming and timber community and originally ran from Upper Ferntree Gully station. In 1955 the Puffing Billy Preservation Society was formed to keep the train running indefinitely.

DAY 19 Saturday 14 March 2026

Day at sea

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DAY 20 Sunday 15 March 2026

Disembark Sydney

This morning we dock in Sydney and the cruise concludes.

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Included in the tour price:

- Travel on MS Noordam in the selected cabin category
- All meals, entertainment and service charges on MS Noordam
- Rail travel as listed in the itinerary
- Welcome Dinner
- 2 nights' 4-star accommodation including breakfast in Christchurch
- 1 night 4-star accommodation including breakfast in Wellington
- 2 nights' 4-star accommodation including breakfast in Auckland
- International flights from Brisbane, Melbourne, Sydney to Christchurch. (A surcharge will apply from Adelaide and Perth).
- Sightseeing tours as listed in the itinerary
- Entry to museums and attractions as detailed in itinerary
- Tour management by Travelrite International Pty Ltd

Not included in the price:

- Passport and visa fees
- Travel insurance
- Meals unless specified in the itinerary
- Sightseeing and general expenses unless specified in the itinerary
- Additional travel arrangements not in the detailed itinerary; these will be quoted for separately

Pre Tour: You can stay longer in New Zealand for minimal extra cost.

Please contact 1800 630 343 for more information.

GENERAL INFORMATION AND BOOKING CONDITIONS

International touring can involve a considerable amount of walking and stair-climbing in the places visited and it is important that all tour participants have a level of physical fitness that allows them to take part in this activity without the need of assistance from others.

TOUR OPERATOR: Travelrite International Pty Ltd, ATAS number A10538 (ABN 64 005 817 078) is the tour operator.

TOUR COSTS: The tour costs are based on general transport, accommodation costs and foreign exchange rate at 10/10/24. Travelrite reserves the right to alter the costs if any of these factors change, giving any passenger that has booked the right to withdraw with full refund of monies paid or modify arrangements. No alterations to price will be made within 90 days of departure from Australia.

DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT: A non-refundable deposit of \$1000 per person for is required at the time of booking. Full payment will be required 90 days before departure for the tour. A 1.5% administration fee will be charged on payment by credit card.

CANCELLATION CHARGES: Cancellation over 90 days before tour departs will result in loss of deposit. Cancellation 90 days and under before tour departs will result in a loss of all monies paid.

TRAVEL INSURANCE: Travel insurance is recommended to cover the costs of cancellation fees due to illness, death in family, etc.

MINIMUM TOUR NUMBERS AND CONDITIONS: The tour has been priced on the basis of a minimum number of passengers having booked 90 days prior to departure. Travelrite reserves the right to cancel the tour, giving a full refund of all monies paid or offer arrangements to proceed with the tour at a modified cost. Travelrite reserves the right to change advertised entrances and/or substitute the tour host, if necessary for the smooth operation of the tour.

REFUNDS: The tour is based on arrangements that do not allow for any refunds in respect to sightseeing, accommodation, meals or other services not utilised after the tour has commenced.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS: All passengers will require a valid passport. Visas for countries visited are not required for Australian passport holders. If you hold another passport, please check with Travelrite.

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DELAYS AND UNFORESEEN EVENTS: You engage Travelrite International to book this tour on your behalf and you acknowledge that Travelrite International acts as your agent for the purpose of making contracts between you and the various providers of accommodation, transportation and other services that comprise the tour. Travelrite International may without reference to you provide or make available to you, or may as your agent engage any third party to provide or make available to you, any good or service which Travelrite International reasonably believes is necessary for your benefit to maintain the tour itinerary, repatriate you or otherwise accommodate, transport or sustain you in circumstances in which the tour itinerary fails wholly

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HOW TO BOOK: Bookings can be made by sending full names and addresses of intending tour members with a non-refundable deposit of \$1000 per person for the tour. Please send to:

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Per person in Australian Dollars			Standard Fare		Early Booking Discount**	
Cabin / Description	Deck		Twin -share	Single Fare	Twin -share	Single Fare
MM Inside	8		\$ 9,390	\$ 11,790	\$ 8,690	\$ 11,090
L Inside	4,5,6		\$ 9,750	\$ 12,390	\$ 8,850	\$ 11,190
K Inside	1,4,5,6,10		\$ 9,790	\$ 12,450	\$ 8,890	\$ 11,190
J Inside	1		\$ 9,850	\$ 12,490	\$ 8,950	\$ 11,190
H Oceanview*	4		\$ 9,690	\$ 12,490	\$ 8,990	\$ 11,590
G Oceanview*	4		\$ 9,990	\$ 12,890	\$ 8,990	\$ 11,590
F Oceanview	1,6		\$ 10,090	\$ 12,990	\$ 9,090	\$ 11,890
E Oceanview	1		\$ 10,150	\$ 13,090	\$ 9,150	\$ 11,990
DD Oceanview	1		\$ 10,190	\$ 13,190	\$ 9,190	\$ 12,090
D Oceanview	1,4		\$ 10,250	\$ 13,290	\$ 9,250	\$ 12,190
VF Balcony	4,8		\$ 10,790	\$ 14,890	\$ 9,790	\$ 13,290
VE Balcony	4,7,8		\$ 10,890	\$ 14,990	\$ 9,890	\$ 13,390
VD Balcony	4,6,7		\$ 11,190	\$ 15,790	\$ 9,890	\$ 13,790
VC Balcony	4,5,6,8		\$ 11,290	\$ 15,890	\$ 9,990	\$ 13,890
VB Balcony	4,5,6,7,10		\$ 11,390	\$ 15,990	\$ 10,090	\$ 13,990
VA Balcony	4,5,6,8		\$ 11,490	\$ 16,090	\$ 10,190	\$ 14,090
SY Suite	5,8		\$ 12,590	\$ 18,290	\$ 10,890	\$ 15,790
SS Suite	6		\$ 12,790	\$ 18,490	\$ 11,190	\$ 15,990
SC Suite	6,7		\$ 15,190	\$ 23,390	\$ 12,590	\$ 18,390
SB Suite	4,5,6,7		\$ 15,590	\$ 24,190	\$ 12,990	\$ 19,190
Included port & handling charges			\$ 1,289	\$ 1,681	\$ 1,289	\$ 1,681
Included ship gratuities			\$ 340	\$ 340	\$ 340	\$ 340
Included air taxes as at 1/10/2024			\$ 160	\$ 160	\$ 160	\$ 160

*Obstructed **Enquire with our consultant

