

Island Aviation (Auckland Seaplanes)

Auckland

Scenic Flights, Fly & Dine and Transfers



A flight you won't forget in a hurry. With the ability to reach any coastal destination within an 800 km range you will have a glimpse of the beauty New Zealand has to offer. Our de Havilland Beaver floatplanes can fly you to where you need to be quickly and effectively while giving you an experience of a lifetime.

We have 2 aircraft, which combined can seat up to 13 passengers, and operate 7 days a week, 365 days a year during daylight hours.

Seaplanes were once the epitome of glamorous air travel in Aotearoa and seaplane flights continued to operate on the Waitemata Harbour under various companies until 1989 with a gap until Auckland Seaplanes started operations in 2013. Our eight-seater de Havilland Beaver seaplane is named Aotearoa II and registered ZK-AMA in honour of its 1940 predecessor and our second amphibious aircraft is registered ZK-WKA (a reference to the Maori word WAKA, which means canoe or vessel).

Auckland Seaplanes is proud to be New Zealand's first air operator to become ISO certified CarboNZero in Australasia.



Scenic Flights

Rangitoto and City Scenic Once you've boarded the flight, you will taxi out into the harbour taking in the sights of the City of Sails for a take-off past the city skyline. The route then goes past Devonport out into the Hauraki Gulf. You will enjoy stunning views into the crater of Rangitoto volcano, overfly several more of New Zealand's unique islands and then head over downtown Auckland, around the Skytower and over the harbour bridge before landing back in the centre of town.

Departs daily | Duration: 40 minutes | 1 Take-off and landing

Gulf island Scenic Make your visit to Auckland unforgettable by extending your flight after the Rangitoto volcano to follow along both coasts of Waiheke -one of the most highly rated islands in the world- and past the Treasure Islands and then back towards town along the popular city beaches, before landing again right downtown.

Departs daily | Duration: 1 Hour | 1 Take-off and landing

Pacific to Tasman The explorer's favourite a flight that highlights the diverse coastal landscapes of Aotearoa. You will discover the calm east coast sandy beaches, as we head North along the coast. Then we cross the mainland to the West coast and the beauty and ruggedness of this area becomes apparent as we track south down Muriwai towards Piha Beach on our way back to Auckland Harbour for landing.

Departs daily | Duration: 1.5 Hours | 1 Take-off and landing

Island Hopping From the remote beauty of Great Barrier Island to the rugged cliffs and black sand beaches of the West Coast create your own customized island hopping experience! Visit Kawau Island with its Governor's Mansion and sea life, the luxurious Rakino Island or a secluded bay on Waiheke Island. Make the experience one of a kind. Your possibilities are endless.

Departs daily | Duration: 2.5 Hours | 2-3 Take-offs and landings

Fly & Dine

Man O' War Waiheke Island makes a favourite destination for an unforgettable getaway. Join us on this mesmerizing flight over the Hauraki Gulf before we land on the tranquil waters of Man O' War Bay. The vineyard tasting room is located right at the beach. Relax and unwind by enjoying a full range of award winning wines for a tasting, followed by a glass of wine of your

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choice with a lunch platter inside or in the beautiful garden overlooking the beach and the other islands. After about two hours you board the plane for your flight back to Auckland.

Departs daily | Duration: 3 Hours | 2 Take-offs and landings

Oyster Inn Lunch After a photogenic flight over Rangitoto Crater and the surrounding Islands, land at one of Waiheke's beautiful beaches. Enjoy a 3 course a la carte meal and glass of bubbles at the highly praised Oyster Inn above the sandy half-moon beach of Oneroa. Waiheke Island is the perfect place to relax and unwind. Return to Auckland City via a relaxing cruise at your leisure.

Departs daily | Duration: 3 Hours | 1 Take-off and landing

Kawau Beach House The beautiful Island of Kawau is a truly remarkable experience. Join us on this unforgettable fly and dine experience to the stunning Kawau Beach House positioned on the edge of the golden sands and peaceful waters of Vivian Bay. Enjoy a fine 3 course meal in perfect harmony with the stunning natural surroundings. A truly captivating island getaway.

Departs daily | Duration: 3 Hours | 2 Take-offs and landings

City of Sails Enjoy our Rangitoto and city scenic flight, experiencing the majestic Haruaki Gulf from a unique perspective both on water and in the air but also taste the essence of Auckland at one of our top iconic waterfront restaurants, where you can also get an opportunity to watch the Americas Cup, which recently returned to New Zealand. Make your stay in Auckland an extraordinary one; the City of Sails Dining experience is sure to impress someone special.

Departs daily | Duration: 2.5 Hours | 1 Take-off and landing

Fly and Tour

Fly and Fish Nothing stops us from making the most of what New Zealand has to offer. Why not join our pilots who are all keen fishermen onboard our seaplane. They will fly you direct to the best secret fishing spots in the Hauraki Gulf or at Great Barrier Island. There you can wrangle with the fish straight from the aircraft floats. Enjoy your catch of the day at your leisure.

Departs daily | Duration: 3 Hours | 2 Take-off and landing

Waiheke Highlights Join us on the ultimate Waiheke experience. This full day fly, zip, taste, dine and cruise experience combines all the greatest Waiheke adventures. Have a flying start to your day over the Hauraki Gulf, take on the challenge of zip-lining through New Zealand forest, taste and dine at the award winning Stonyridge vineyard and return to Auckland City via a relaxing cruise.

Departs daily | Duration: Full Day | 1 Take-off and landing

Transfers

Arrive in style to a specific location of your choice. Take in the scenic views on the way to your selected location, including Bay of Islands, Coromandel Peninsula, Rotorua, Tauranga, Taupo, and the islands around Auckland.

Departs daily | Duration: Flights vary from 15 minutes – 2 hours 10 minutes | returns available

Additional Information

Your pilot will provide you with an extensive historical commentary throughout all flights.

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Directions

Auckland Seaplanes is located next to the Viaduct Event Centre on Karanga Plaza next to the draw-bridge.

Terms

Minimum numbers 2 passengers

Cancellation Please enquire when booking

Weather Flights are subject to weather conditions

Children under 2 years are free of charge, children aged 2-11 years are charged 75% of the adult fare provided at least 4 adults are travelling on the flight. Passengers 12 years and older pay the adult fare.

Christmas closed on Christmas Day

Accommodation in this area

- [The Boatshed](#)
- [Warblers Retreat](#)