

HIGHLIGHTS



Stunning Mincher Garden



Step into lush Ayrliès Garden



Waiheke wine country



Ayrliès Garden



A La Fois

PRIVATE GARDENS

Our first day we enjoy **Ayrliès**. Situated in the gentle rolling country of east Auckland, Ayrliès is one of New Zealand's best known gardens. Characterised by sweeping lawns and informal but detailed plantings by ponds and waterways it has been described as the quintessential New Zealand garden.

In place of the NZ Flower Show we will experience a wonderful day in the Coatesville area visiting the beautiful gardens of **Pinelee, A La Fois, Mincher** and **Totara Waters** at Whenuapai.

Approached by a chestnut-lined drive which winds past old orchards and streams, Mincher is a large rural garden just north of Auckland's CBD. A Georgian styled home is the centrepiece of the garden, set amongst the remnants of an old orchard. Behind the house is the formal area. To one side a cottage garden and whimsical garden shed lead to 'kissing gates', romantically placed under a trailing weeping willow.

CONTACT DETAILS

This quality tour is organised by the Canterbury Horticultural Society and guided by Gail Scrivener. The CHS office in South Hagley Park is open Monday to Friday from 9am to 4pm

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AUCKLAND AT ITS BEST

& WAIHEKE ISLAND

23-26 NOVEMBER 2016

Auckland Short Break

Includes

Return Airfares
The Best Private Gardens of Auckland
Coach & Ferry Travel
4* Waterfront Hotel Accommodation
Waiheke Excursion & Winery Lunch
Most meals

\$1,949_{pp}

WAIHEKE ISLAND

Excursion

Our excursion to Waiheke Island begins with a visit to Mudbrick for a tour of the vineyard and premises. *Morning tea in the garden.*

After this we visit **Sacred Blessing Sanctuary Garden** and **Rangihoua Estate** where the first olive oil was produced.

Lunch at "Batch Vineyard" followed by time in Oneroa Village and a private garden TBA.



Mecure Hotel Auckland Waterfront

Located in the heart of the Auckland waterfront district, Mercure Auckland overlooks the spectacular harbour and



bustling city. Walking distance to city shops, restaurants, the Viaduct Harbour and ferry terminals. Its Vue restaurant and bar is located on the top floor and offers great panoramic views.

ITINERARY

4 Day Short Break

DAY ONE: WEDNESDAY 23 NOVEMBER

CHC-AKL Depart 9.00am | Arrive 10.20am

On arrival we will meet our coach and travel to Whitford for our first garden visit at **Birthday Hill**, refreshments included.

Lunch at Whitford Village, "The Lime Tree"

Afternoon visit to **Ayrlies Garden** then return to Auckland City where we check into the Mecure Hotel Auckland Waterfront.

Dinner at Hotel, remainder of the evening free

DAY TWO: THURSDAY 24 NOVEMBER

8.15am departure from Hotel for Coatesville where we visit **Pinelee, A'La Fois** and **Mincher** Gardens.

Light lunch at Mincher Garden

After lunch we visit **Totara Waters Garden** before returning to our Hotel.

Dinner at a local restaurant

DAY THREE: FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER

Depart Hotel **7.45am** for Waiheke Island excursion (see opposite). Return to Hotel 5.15pm

Dinner at a local restaurant

DAY FOUR: SATURDAY 26 NOVEMBER

Morning at your leisure. Optional excursion via ferry to Devonport or venture downtown before **1pm departure** from Hotel to visit **Eden Garden** and the **Winter Gardens & Museum**, followed by our last visit to **Vertumnus Garden** in Remuera before departing for Auckland Airport.

CHC-AKL Depart 7.00pm | Arrive 8.25pm

WHAT'S INCLUDED

Costs & Inclusions

- Return Airfares
CHC-AKL Air NZ
- 4* Accommodation
Mecure Hotel
Auckland Waterfront
- Share-twin basis
- 3 Breakfasts
- 3 Morning Teas
- 3 Lunches
- 3 Dinners
- All Garden Entries
- Coach Travel
- Waiheke Ferry

Fully Escorted by Gail Scrivener

TOUR COSTS

\$1,949 per person

\$475 Single supplement per person
(subject to availability)

PAYMENT

A deposit of **\$300** is required for registration and to confirm your place.

Please complete the enclosed booking form and return with your deposit payment as soon as possible.

This tour has limited numbers. Please register early to secure your place.

Final payment due **Monday 3 October 2016**. A reminder will be sent prior.

Auckland at its Best & Waiheke Island Booking Form

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Home Tel: _____

Mob: _____

Email: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____

Postcode: _____

Next of Kin

Name: _____

Tel: _____

Mob: _____

Airpoints no: _____

Airline: _____

Accommodation requirements (tick one)

Double Share Twin Single Supplement *

**subject to availability*

If you indicated a double room but would like two single beds please tick box

If you indicated share twin and have someone to share with please name them below:

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Dietary Requirements: _____

Travel Insurance is with (Name of Company):

Please note: *travel insurance to be organised by yourself*

Group is subject to minimum numbers. If insufficient numbers are reached the tour may be cancelled and a full refund made to you. Similarly, confirmations will be made on the date payments are received. Once full no waitlists will apply.

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Payment Details

Enclosed is my payment of \$ _____ **per person**

I am Paying by (tick one):

Credit Card Online Banking Cheque Eftpos

Please debit my credit card for the sum of \$

VISA MASTERCARD

Cardholder's Name: _____

Card Number

EXPIRY DATE: _____ / _____

Payment via online banking for the sum of \$

Canterbury Horticultural Society Inc. Bank: ANZ Bank
Account No: **06 0831 0006913 00**

Please include your **surname** and the tour code: **648/43**
as your reference.

Payment via cheque for the sum of \$

Payable to: Canterbury Horticultural Society

I/We have read and understood the bookings conditions
(available from the CHS office and www.chsgardens.co.nz)
and agree to comply with them.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I would like a receipt (tick one): Yes No

Please return this form to:

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