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**Kiwi Specials, June - October 2020**  
**The Winterless North – 4 Days**

**PACKAGE INCLUSIONS**

- 4 scheduled rounds of golf (Waipu, Carrington, Kaitaia and Mangawhai).
- Electric carts at Carrington (trundlers supplied at other courses).
- 3 night's accommodation as listed.
- Breakfast each morning.
- 3 course dinner at Carrington on the evening of day 2.
- Transport in 17 seat Mercedes minibus rental vehicle with unlimited kms and insurance (\$1250 excess).

**COSTS** (Based on a group of 12 New Zealand based golfers)

\$915 per person – own room in 3 Bedroom Villa

## Schedule

Your Mercedes rental vehicle can be delivered the evening prior to the trip or on the first morning. We can provide delivery in Auckland City or at the Airport.

### **Day 1: Auckland to Karikari Peninsula (via Waipu)**

We recommend that you depart Auckland no later than 7:30am and travel to Waipu.

Golf at Waipu. **Tee times: 10:00am onwards**

Following golf, the group will travel to Karikari Peninsula and check in to their accommodation at Carrington Resort. Along the way we recommend that you stop at Mongonui for their famous fish and chips!

**Accommodation:** Carrington Estate, Karikari Peninsula. 3 Bedroom Villas x 3 nights

### **Day 2: Karikari Peninsula**

**Morning:** Golf at Carrington. **Tee times: 10:30am onwards**

**Evening:** Dinner at the resort.

### **Day 3: Karikari Peninsula**

**Morning:** Drive to Kaitaia GC (allow 50 minutes' drive) **Tee times: 11:00am onwards**

### **Day 4: Karikari Peninsula to Auckland (via Mangawhai)**

**Morning:** Depart Carrington no later than 8:00am for the 3 hour drive to Mangawhai.

Golf at Mangawhai GC. **Tee times: 11:45am onwards**

Following golf, the group will travel back to Auckland.

You can choose to return the vehicle on the evening that you return to Auckland or the following morning.

## Your Transport

### **Late Model Mercedes Vehicles**

Playing Around New Zealand owns and operates several late model Mercedes group moving vehicles with luxury leather seats, passenger step and large luggage compartments. We will supply you with a vehicle to suit your group size (and luggage) ensuring that you travel in style and comfort. We are confident that our vehicles are the very best available in New Zealand for group touring.



## The Golf Courses

### **Waipu GC**

Set on the water's edge of Bream Bay with spectacular ocean views from all 18 holes, the links style Waipu Golf Course is conveniently situated 90 mins north of the Orewa tunnel.

With a reputation of some of the best greens in New Zealand, this naturally sand based course presents the golfer with great challenges and outstanding panoramas from tees and greens. Unaffected by wet weather this course will offer you a great golfing experience while admiring some of the best coastal views of any golf club.

### **Carrington Resort**

Carrington Resort is located on the Karikari Peninsula in the far north of New Zealand. The tournament standard 18 hole Carrington Golf Course was inaugurated on December 15, 2003 and was designed by American golf course designer Matt Dye. The golf course is designed to accommodate golfers of all abilities and offers a great variety of hole play, from one of the longest par five's in New Zealand at 605 metres (667 yards), to one of the shortest par three's at 113 metres (132 yards) over water. Carrington also offers fine dining and lounge facilities, a guest lodge, tennis courts, a clay target shooting range and a swimming pool and spa. Spectacular views of the golf course, wetlands, Northland beach and ocean beyond are visible from the clubhouse and lounge complex. The clubhouse is sited on a high ridge in the middle of the golf course in order to take full advantage of the unique combination of vistas.

### **Kaitaia GC**

The Kaitaia course is a true 18 hole all season links course, with undulating fairways and excellent greens making it one of the best of its kind in New Zealand. The course runs parallel to the famous 90 Mile Beach to include magnificent views out over the Tasman Sea and enormous sand dunes at Reef Point to the south. Visitors are welcome to play on every day, either joining club haggles, open tournaments or on their own tee time. After you have enjoyed your game, you can relax in the comfort of the clubhouse and experience the friendliness of our members.

### **Mangawhai GC**

Mangawhai Golf Club is an 18-hole championship course that is consistently ranked in New Zealand's top 20. Sand-based, the course is always playable and offers challenge and reward for golfers of every ability. Well-groomed fairways and immaculate greens are the course's hallmark, with the greens regarded as exceptionally quick and true. The course is set amongst native flora and follows the natural, gentle undulations of what is described as perfect golfing terrain.

## Accommodation

### **Carrington Resort, Karikari Peninsula - Villas**

Northland boasts some of the most authentic, spectacular New Zealand adventures and experiences, at the heart of which is Carrington! A place where leisure meets nature, where luxury meets authenticity, where rolling vineyards and farmland flow through pristine fairways down to the azure waters, white sands and untouched beaches of the Pacific Ocean. Carrington is at the core of your Northland experience, where every day is a new journey.

Carrington is a grand estate at the heart of Northland. The 3000-acre estate on the pristine and picturesque Karikari Peninsula is a world-class beach-side escape, a million miles from everyday life and a unique New Zealand resort. We welcome explorers desiring transformational experiences, to your Northland accommodation spread over four breathtaking kilometers of secluded white sand coastline, with an ocean-side 18-hole championship golf course and 900 acres of restored wetlands.

The self-contained villas are located next to the golf course and have everything you require for the perfect stay on the Karikari Peninsula.

## Playing Around New Zealand

In the summer of 2003, a passion for golf and travel prompted Will Owen to buy a small minibus and begin offering a daily golf service for visitors to Christchurch, New Zealand. Through hotel and online marketing this service became popular and he expanded the tours to include other destinations on the South Island. In 2004, he conducted his first multi-day tour for a golf group from Australia along with several self-drive itineraries for visiting golfers from across the globe. By the summer of 2005, Playing Around New Zealand was firmly established and Will began employing the services of first class guides to assist him in making his tour service truly nationwide. Fast forward to 2020 and thousands of golfers from across the world have enjoyed the first-class itinerary planning and tour services from the team at Playing Around New Zealand, lifelong friendships have been formed and several visitors have returned to New Zealand for their second, third and even fourth golf trip! Will now leads a small team of dedicated professionals from his Auckland office. During the past fifteen years, they have built superb relationships with the best New Zealand golf courses and accommodation providers to ensure that golf visitors who use their services have the best possible travel experience. The company also owns several Mercedes vehicles that are exclusively available for self-drive and guided golf tours. As members of Tourism Industry Aotearoa (TIA) and the International Association of Golf Tour Operators (IAGTO) you are assured of the highest standards of service and integrity. Playing Around New Zealand were also the proud recipients of the World Golf Awards “Best New Zealand Inbound Golf Tour Operator” in 2015, 2017 and 2018. You can also read reviews on TripAdvisor at [https://www.tripadvisor.co.nz/Attraction\\_Review-g255106-d5111714-Reviews-Playing\\_Around\\_New\\_Zealand-Auckland\\_North\\_Island.html](https://www.tripadvisor.co.nz/Attraction_Review-g255106-d5111714-Reviews-Playing_Around_New_Zealand-Auckland_North_Island.html)