



Play golf on one of the finest courses in New Zealand - Jack's Point

Mickey Walker Golf Tour

3 - 21 November 2012





Cruise through the peaceful fjordlands of Doubtful Sound

Mickey Walker's latest bespoke golf tour to Hong Kong and New Zealand is a tour that has that much-coveted 'wow' factor. Experience golf in two very different countries, starting in the vibrant metropolis of Hong Kong where you will play at an exclusive club and enjoy the wonderful local cuisine. Next, head over to the pristine and frankly jaw-dropping landscapes of New Zealand to slow down to the local pace of life and unwind over its famous Pacific Rim cuisine and some of the world's finest wines. This compact but extraordinarily diverse country also boasts some world-beating golf courses in truly magnificent settings that regularly feature on the 'world's best' lists.

Arrive in Hong Kong late afternoon and transfer to the Langham Hong Kong Hotel on Kowloon Island and spend the evening settling in at leisure. Next morning transfer to Lantau Island to play 18 holes of golf at the Discovery Bay Golf Club. Return to Kowloon Island for a welcome dinner at the Peking Garden restaurant which has wonderful views over Hong Kong Island.

Spend the next day exploring the many different facets of Hong Kong, starting with a ferry ride across to Hong Kong Island to ascend Victoria Peak for dramatic views and visit

Repulse Bay and Aberdeen. Continue by ferry to tiny Lamma Island where you will have a relaxed lunch in a laidback beach restaurant that serves delicious fresh seafood. Return to the hotel in the afternoon and transfer to the airport for your evening flight to New Zealand.

Arrive in New Zealand the following day and transfer to the Stamford Plaza where you will spend the afternoon settling in at leisure. In the evening enjoy dinner with a view at the Sky Tower, 190 metres above the ground.

Next day take a cruise in Auckland Harbour and enjoy a picnic lunch on board. In the



Man-made splendour on Hong Kong Island, backed by Victoria Peak



Have dinner at Sky Tower above Auckland's lovely harbour (top);
See dramatically exploding geysers in Rotorua (above)

afternoon take a walking tour of this attractive city, including Takapuna Beach and Mount Victoria and onto the trendy suburbs of Parnell, Ponsonby and Newmarket.

Your first golfing experience in New Zealand is at the 18 hole Gulf Harbour Country Club on Whangaparoa Peninsula, the former home of the New Zealand Open. Play a round and return to Auckland for time at leisure.

Drive to Rotorua, famous for its hot springs as well as being a centre of Maori culture. Visit a traditional Maori village and learn about the Maori culture, enjoying a traditional hangi (earth oven) lunch. Explore the thermal wonderland of bubbling geysers, hot springs and boiling mud pools before continuing to the Millennium Hotel and Resort Manuels on Lake Taupo.

Next morning play 18 holes at the Wairakei International Golf Course, one of the top courses

in New Zealand. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon at leisure with the option to join a twilight cruise on Lake Taupo.

Next morning head south to the beautiful wine growing region of Hawke's Bay. Spend the afternoon exploring the elegant Art Deco town of Napier at your leisure before a late afternoon scenic drive through the vineyards to the Vidal Winery. After sampling the wines over a gourmet platter head upwards to Te Mata Peak, 399 metres above the sea, to watch the sunset with a glass of bubbly in hand. Drive onto the Craggy Range winery for the main course in a progressive winery dinner. Dessert with dessert wines will be served at the oldest and grandest winery in the country, Mission Estate.

Cape Kidnappers Golf Course will be one of the most memorable rounds played on the tour, with a setting so spectacular that it rivals any in the world. Play 18 holes the following morning before returning to Napier via a selection of excellent wineries in the afternoon.



Enjoy a glass of bubbly at sunset over views from Te Mata Peak (top);
Play 18 holes on the spectacular Cape Kidnappers golf course (above)

Spend your final morning in the North Island at leisure before flying to Christchurch in the afternoon to transfer to the Rendezvous Hotel, where you will have dinner.

Play a round of golf at Christchurch Golf Club the following morning, followed by a tour of the town and a punt along the Avon River in the afternoon. You will also visit the New Zealand Royal Show which will be taking place in the Canterbury Showground.

Make a spectacular train crossing across the southern Alps the next morning, arriving in Greymouth where you will have time at leisure before continuing to Franz Josef, land of the glaciers. Check into your hotel with the option to experience the hot pools before dinner.

Start early the next day to take a guided tour of the glacier. This tour takes you through some breathtaking scenery including a



Walk to the imposing Franz Josef glacier (top); Play on Jack's Point golf course, dwarfed by the aptly-named Remarkables mountain range (above)

rainforest, a glacier valley and up to the face of the glacier. There is the alternative option to take a helicopter over the top of the glacier. Afterwards drive to Queenstown through spectacular mountain and lake scenery to arrive at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

Take a morning cruise across serene Lake Manapouri to West Arm and drive through the fjordland forests to Doubtful Sound, one of the most awe-inspiring areas of natural beauty in the country, with towering peaks, waterfalls and pristine forests. Board a catamaran and cruise through the fjordlands with a picnic lunch on the way before returning to Queenstown.

Play 18 holes at the superb Jack's Point and relax in the afternoon before a farewell dinner in a private room. Spend the next morning at leisure before transferring to the airport for your return flight to London via Auckland and Hong Kong.

Itinerary 3 - 21 November 2012

B = Breakfast **L** = Lunch **D** = Dinner

3 Nov (Sat) Eve	London Depart London on Air New Zealand	Eve	Peak for a glass of bubbly as the sun sets To Craggy Range winery for the main course dinner and wine. Continue to Mission Estate for dessert
4 Nov (Sun) Pm Eve	Hong Kong Arrive in Hong Kong Transfer to the Langham Hotel	13 Nov (Tues) Am Pm	Hawke's Bay B Drive to spectacular Cape Kidnappers Golf Course for 18 holes Return via a selection of wineries
5 Nov (Mon) Am Pm Eve	Hong Kong B D Transfer to Lantau Island for 18 holes of golf at Discovery Bay Golf Club Return to Kowloon Island Welcome dinner	14 Nov (Wed) Am Pm Eve	Hawke's Bay / Christchurch B D At leisure Fly to Christchurch and transfer to the Rendezvous Hotel in Christchurch Dinner at the hotel
6 Nov (Tues) Am Pm Eve	Hong Kong B L Take the Star Ferry to Hong Kong Island. Visit the Peak, Repulse Bay and Aberdeen. By ferry to Lamma Island. Lunch on the island before returning to hotel and transferring to airport Depart on flight to New Zealand	15 Nov (Thur) Am Pm	Christchurch B Golf at Christchurch Golf Club Visit to the Royal Show and punt along the Avon River
7 Nov (Wed) Pm Eve	Hong Kong / Auckland B D Arrive Auckland and transfer to the Stamford Plaza and at leisure Dinner with a view at the Sky Tower	16 Nov (Fri) Am Pm Eve	Christchurch / Greymouth / Franz Josef Glacier B D Take the TranzAlpine train across the southern Alps to Greymouth Drive to Franz Josef, home of the glaciers. Option to visit the hot pools Dinner at the hotel
8 Nov (Thur) Am Pm	Auckland B L Cruise in Auckland Harbour Enjoy a picnic lunch onboard followed by a city tour taking in the city's highlights including Takapuna Beach, Mount Victoria and Westhaven Marina	17 Nov (Sat) Am Pm Eve	Franz Joseph Glacier / Queenstown B D Take a guided walking tour of the glacier OR Optional helicopter over the top of the glacier Drive through magnificent scenery to Queenstown, where mountains surround Lake Wakatipu Dinner at the Crowne Plaza
9 Nov (Fri) Am Pm	Auckland B Play 18 holes at the Gulf Harbour Country Club on the Whangaparoa Peninsula Return to Auckland and at leisure	18 Nov (Sun) Am Pm	Queenstown B L Cruise across Lake Manapouri to West Arm. Drive through fiordland forest to Doubtful Sound. Board the catamaran and cruise through stunning scenery with picnic lunch Return to Queenstown
10 Nov (Sat) Am Pm	Auckland / Taupo B L Drive to Rotorua. Visit the Whakarewarewa Village and learn of the Maori culture Enjoy a traditional hangi lunch and explore the thermal landscapes. Drive to the Millennium on Lake Taupo	19 Nov (Mon) Am Eve	Queenstown B D 18 holes at Jack's Point golf course Farewell dinner in a private room
11 Nov (Sun) Am Pm	Taupo B 18 holes at the Wairakei International Golf Course At leisure. Option to take a twilight scenic cruise of Lake Taupo	20 Nov (Tues) Pm Eve	Queenstown / Auckland Transfer to airport for flight to Auckland Arrive Auckland and depart for London via Hong Kong. Arrive London Heathrow following afternoon
12 Nov (Mon) Am Pm	Taupo / Hawke's Bay B D Drive to Napier in the beautiful Hawke's Bay region At leisure to explore the Art Deco town of Napier. Late afternoon scenic drive through the vineyards to the Vidal Winery for wine tasting. To Te Mata		

Please note all itineraries in Hong Kong and New Zealand are subject to change according to local conditions.

Hotels

Hong Kong

Langham Hong Kong Hotel (Hong Kong)

A gracious 5-star hotel on Kowloon Island, the Langham Hong Kong provides plush comfort, a range of excellent restaurants and bars, a gym and a pool.

New Zealand

The Stamford Plaza (Auckland)

An elegant modern 5-star hotel situated close to the downtown shopping centre, the Stamford Plaza provides spacious rooms, good service, a fitness area and pool.

Millennium Hotel and Resort Manuels Taupo (Lake Taupo)

With its lake edge location, Millennium Hotel and Resort Manuels Taupo provides unrivalled views of lovely Lake Taupo. This stylish and comfortable hotel provides a choice of award-winning restaurants and bars, a gymnasium, tennis court, heated swimming pool and sauna.

Te Pania Hotel (Napier)

A comfortable modern hotel with elegant minimalist décor, Te Pania Hotel is located on the waterfront overlooking Hawke's Bay and a few minutes walk from the Art Deco centre of town. It has a good restaurant and bar and well appointed rooms.

Renezvous Hotel (Christchurch)

This is a stylish modern hotel with comfortable rooms, located within walking distance of the Avon River and close to shops and restaurants. It has a good contemporary restaurant, a bar, a gym and sauna and very helpful staff.

Crowne Plaza (Queenstown)

With a superb waterfront location in the heart of Queenstown, all rooms have wonderful lake and mountain views. It has a bar and restaurant and a sauna and is very close to the attractions of Queenstown.

Golf Courses

Discovery Bay Golf Club (Hong Kong)

Discovery Bay is one of South East Asia's premier golfing venues. The 18-hole course is both spectacular and difficult. The mountainous terrain surrounding the course calls for accuracy.

Gulf Harbour (near Auckland)

The resort hosted the World Cup in 1998 and has a layout to rival any international course. Designed by Robert Trent Jones, who likens it to the Pebble Beach course, the course played host to the 2005 and 2006 New Zealand Open.

Wairakei International (Lake Taupo)

New Zealand's first international golf course, Wairakei is spread over 450 acres in the beautiful Lake Taupo region with 6429 metres from the championship tees and 108 large well placed bunkers.

Cape Kidnappers (Hawke's Bay)

The American designer of Cape Kidnappers, Tom Doak, has said that, 'If Cape Kidnappers were a book it would be an epic. Enjoy your game and enjoy the setting (because) you may never play golf somewhere like this again'. Play above the ocean, atop dramatic cliffs with a course that runs to and from the edge on a ridge-and-valley landscape with spectacular sea views.

Christchurch Golf Club (Christchurch)

The Christchurch Golf Club (known as Shirley) dates back to 1873, the second oldest in New Zealand. The course has held numerous Championships over the years and is renowned world-wide as a challenging course of the highest quality.

Jack's Point Golf Course (Lake Wakatipu)

With a soaring backdrop of the Remarkables mountain range and outstanding mountain and lake views, Jack's Point is not only one of the most spectacular in the world, but as a championship course offers golfers an unforgettable experience.

Tour Leader

Mickey Walker OBE is one of the most respected and influential figures in women's golf with a highly successful career culminating in Europe's Solheim Cup Victory in 1992. She played on both the European and US Tours before becoming the first woman in Britain to become Head Professional at the Warren Golf Club. Since then she has forged a reputation as a highly regarded coach with the Curtis Club, LGU Elite Squad and the Solheim Cup. Mickey Walker has also won six European titles and the Golf Writers Trophy, been awarded the OBE for her services to golf and is currently a golf commentator for Sky Television. Mickey has previously led long haul golf tours to many destinations including South Africa, New Zealand, Chile, Argentina, China, Thailand, Cuba, Costa Rica and India. www.mickeywalker.com

Christine Holt is a fully qualified PGA professional and established teacher. She played with the English under 23's and was Bolton Champion and a Lancashire County Player. Christine will work with Mickey in ensuring all the golf events run like clockwork. Christine has accompanied Mickey on a number of long haul golf tours. www.mwmccorporategolf.co.uk



Queenstown Gardens on Lake Wakatipu

The total cost of the tour is £6,380.00

The cost includes:

- Economy flights on the scheduled services of Air New Zealand between London Heathrow and Auckland via Hong Kong

Upgrades available on request (see below)

- The services of tour leaders Mickey Walker and Christine Holt
- Comprehensive pre-departure information
- 15 nights' accommodation in twin or double-bedded rooms with private facilities in four and five star hotels

The single room supplement is available on request

- Breakfast daily, 4 lunches and 7 dinners (including welcome and farewell dinners with wine)
- A full programme of sightseeing as per the itinerary
- Green fees at six top courses as per the itinerary
- Services of local experienced speaking drivers and guides where necessary
- All transportation services including internal flights and taxes

The cost of the tour without flights is £785 (AUD\$1192) in Hong Kong

The cost of the tour without flights is £4249 (AUD\$6790) in New Zealand

The cost excludes:

- All optional excursions, tours and visits
- Travel insurance
- All personal extras such as tips, portorage, laundry, inoculation fees and drinks

Options:

- Lake Taupo cruise: £27
- Glacier helicopter tour: £170

NB Please note all itineraries in Hong Kong and New Zealand are subject to change according to local conditions. Due to the nature of the tour places are strictly limited.

Flights

You may upgrade to Premium Economy and Business Class. Air New Zealand also have the Skycouch, three Economy seats that together create a flexible space.

About Us

To travel with us is to dig below the surface, revealing the deeper destination. Of course, you will visit the great historical sites; marvel at the wonders of architecture and engineering; be moved by the riches of culture and art; and experience the most spectacular landscapes in the world. What we also do is make sure that you see the country as it is today, giving you privileged access that independent travel and other tour companies rarely get close to. We give you a variety of experiences, from the sublime to the humble, in the company of intelligent, curious, like-minded people. And while we can be worthy, we also make sure that you have a lot of fun.



See extraordinary thermal landscapes in Rotorua (top); A classic car in the Art Deco town of Napier; Punt along the Avon River in Christchurch; An aerial view over Queenstown and Lake Wakatipu (above)

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