

# Avalon 2023



Departing Auckland 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023

## Tour Itinerary – Avalon 2023

### **Day 1 – Weds 1<sup>st</sup> March                      Flight to Melbourne                      (L, D)**

We depart today at 3.35pm flying Air NZ “The Works” with meal included, arriving in Melbourne at 5.55pm. We transfer to Mercure Welcome Hotel and settle in to our “Superior” rooms for our 7-night stay. This evening we have our welcome dinner.

### **Day 2 – Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> March                      RAAF Museum & B24 Liberator Museum                      (B)**

A short journey this morning takes us to the RAAF Museum at Point Cook. The museum will have recently reopened after refurbishment and the installation of significant new exhibitions. In the afternoon we head over to the B24 Liberator Restoration Museum and see the intricate restoration work proceeding in one of the impressive World War II hangars on the old Werribee airfield. This is the only remaining Liberator in the Southern Hemisphere and is one of only eight still existent in the world. We will be treated to an engine run during the afternoon, a P&W 1830 radial engine. This evening we suggest dinner together at the Hofbrauhaus for an evening of entertainment. (own cost)

### **Day 3 – Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> March                      Avalon Airshow                      (B)**

Today we explore the showgrounds and take in the first day of flying from the comfort of our Gold Pass grandstand. The evening show finishes with a fantastic firework spectacular. The Australian International Airshow has a strong focus on military aviation, featuring aircraft from the Royal Australian Air Force, United States Navy and the United States Air Force. Representatives from other air arms have also appeared at the airshow on many occasions, including aircraft from the Royal Air Force, Japan Air Self-Defense Force, Republic of Singapore Air Force and many others. It has been said by air show organizers to be the largest air show in the southern hemisphere.

### **Day 4 – Sat 4<sup>th</sup> March                      At Leisure                      (B)**

You may return for a second day at the airshow by public transport (own cost) or stay in Melbourne for a day at leisure. With our hotel in the heart of the city there are plenty of options.

### **Day 5 – Sun 5<sup>th</sup> March                      Avalon Airshow                      (B)**

We spend another day at the airshow with Gold Pass tickets.

### **Day 6 – Mon 6<sup>th</sup> March                      Shrine of Remembrance                      (B)**

This morning we visit the stunning Shrine of Remembrance. Built in 1934, the Shrine is the Victorian state memorial to Australians who have served in war and peacekeeping operations. You may like to explore the Botanical Gardens nearby and the rest of the day is yours at leisure.

**Day 7 – Tues 7<sup>th</sup> March Australian National Aviation Museum & Old Aeroplane Co (B,D)**

Today we head to Moorabbin and spend the morning enjoying one of the most significant collections of aircraft and engines in Australia. The collection has some very rare and unique examples of Australian made aircraft, including the oldest surviving Commonwealth Aircraft Corporation (CAC) aircraft - Wirraway A20-10; a Victa AirTourer and a DAP Mk21 Beaufighter, one of only two Australian made variants left in the country and the only Beaufighter left in the world capable of ground running. The Museum also owns the oldest surviving DAP / Bristol Beaufort which is now part of a massive restoration project. Our lunchtime experience will be at the Naked Racer Café, a museum in itself, full of antique motorcycles. Later we continue to the Old Aeroplane Company to visit the very impressive private collection of Judy Pays. This evening we enjoy our farewell dinner together.

**Day 8 – Weds 8<sup>th</sup> March Flight to Auckland (B,L)**

This morning we will transfer to the airport for our 12.10pm Air NZ “The Works” flight home including lunch, arriving in Auckland at 5.45pm

**8 Day Tour including Air NZ economy return flights from Auckland**

**\$ 3595 per person twin share**

**\$ 795 single room supplement if required**

**\$ 2795 Land Only joining at the hotel or \$ 2870 including airport transfers to the hotel**

A refundable deposit of \$200 is required on booking, full balance due by 1<sup>st</sup> December

For bookings after 1<sup>st</sup> December, the full balance is payable within 7 days

Please ask if you would like any variations to the above arrangements. We are quite flexible! Costs subject to availability.

**Inclusions**

Economy return airfares with Air NZ  
Accommodation with private facilities.  
Transfers, Private Coach Transport  
All breakfasts, Welcome Dinner  
Tour Escorts from NZ  
Sightseeing as stated  
Gold Passes for the Avalon Airshow Days

**Not Included**

Upgrade to Premium Economy/Business Class  
Accommodation upgrades, Insurance  
Shuttle or flights to Auckland  
Passport and visa charges  
Items of a personal nature i.e. laundry, beverages,  
telephone calls etc  
Optional excursions

**Tour Features**

Leisurely paced, small group, max 20 guests, unique itinerary, quality accommodation, escorted from NZ, flexible return date.

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

**Insurance** - It is essential that you have sufficient insurance to cover any loss. We strongly recommend a complete and comprehensive travel insurance policy. We accept no responsibility for any loss caused through insufficient or lack of insurance cover. We will be happy to help with your insurance.

**Cancellation refunds and flight changes** - Notice of cancellation must be in writing. Changes to flights once ticketed may incur charges. The following scale of cancellation fees will apply.

More than 90 days from departure – Full Refund

61-90 days from departure – 50% Refund

60 days to departure – No refund

There is no refund for unused tour components unless arranged prior to final balance payment. After departure there is no refund.

**Tour costs** - Tour costs are in NZD and based on negotiated airfares on which special conditions apply. Costs are based on a minimum number of 14 passengers. If the minimum number of passengers is not reached, all money paid will be refunded in full. Aviation Tours NZ is not responsible for any additional costs you may have incurred.

**Reservations and Payment** - By paying your deposit to secure your place, you confirm that you have read and understood the terms and conditions of the tour.

**Changes to Tour Costs** - Tour costs are based on exchange rates and are subject to change. Airfares are based on group departures and taxes correct as August 22. Should these costs change, we will do our best to absorb any increases. However, it may be necessary to make a surcharge on the tour. Once full payment has been received, no surcharge will be made in respect of currency or fuel surcharges. However, changes imposed by governments, or their agencies are not covered by this guarantee.

**Fitness** - A reasonable level of fitness is required to enjoy your tour. By making your payment you declare that you are fit and able to undertake the tour as per the itinerary.

**Changes to Itinerary** - If improvements can be made to the itinerary or circumstances beyond our control make it necessary to make changes, we reserve the right to do so.

**Optional Return Dates** - The international airfare on which this tour is based allows individual passengers to return independently on a space available basis. Additional costs may be applicable.

**Passports and Visas** - A current passport is essential. NZ passport holders do not need visas. Non-AU/NZ passport holders must be in possession of a visitor visa and re-entry permit. We can help with these.

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## Booking Form



Please complete in Block Capitals and return to the address below.

<b>Tour Name – Avalon 2023</b>		<b>Departure Date – 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023</b>	
<b>Passenger 1</b>	Full name as per passport	Mr/Mrs/Ms	Address
Phone			
Phone (Mobile)		Date of Birth	
Email		Special Dietary Needs	
Emergency contact details – Name, Phone numbers, Relationship			
Preferred name for badge		Preferred Room Configuration - Double / Twin / Single / Willing to Share Twin	
Please advise any pre-existing medical conditions and any situations where assistance may be needed			
<b>Passenger 2</b>	Full name as per passport	Mr/Mrs/Ms	Address
Phone			
Phone (Mobile)		Date of Birth	
Email		Special Dietary needs	
Emergency contact details – Name, Phone numbers, Relationship			
Preferred name for badge		Preferred Room Configuration - Double / Twin / Single / Willing to Share Twin	
Please advise any pre-existing medical conditions and any situations where assistance may be needed			

Please return to

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