



## **Footprints Waipoua 'Step into our World' 2011**

Date of Terms: Valid From September 30, 2010 to September 30, 2011

### **Introduction**

Footprints Waipoua 'Step into our World' is a Lonely Planet Code Green: Experiences of a Lifetime encounter of New Zealand's largest kauri forest – Waipoua. Located on Northlands rugged West Coast let Kupe's (NZ's first discoverer) descendants take you on a Day and NIGHT guided walk and introduce you to their relationship with Mother Nature, both spiritually and culturally.

Footprints Waipoua is a locally owned and operated venture, the only local company to have a Department of Conservation Concession and operates in association with the Copthorne Hotel & Resort Hokianga and Opononi Resort Hotel to provide visitors with an opportunity to connect, view, listen and learn about the oldest and largest kauri trees in the world. This ecologically significant environment; in former times a home and playground to Maori, is brought to life by not only the sounds and potential sightings of its inhabitants but by friendly, experienced local Maori guides who willingly share their knowledge, stories, song and the playing of musical instruments to enlighten and enhance this tranquil and spiritual location.

Footprints Waipoua offers several Day and NIGHT programmes that can cater for the FIT, Group, Exclusive, Educational and Conference markets. Our signature four hour night walk 'Twilight Encounter' is an experience that allows visitors to enter the Waipoua forest at a unique time; a time experienced by not many; a time when its inhabitants change; a time when seeing is replaced with listening and a time when the clouds and sun are replaced by stars and the moon.

Our forty-minute Meet Tane experience designed for groups requires a minimum of 15 pax to operate. With minimal time available, our guides and the interactive tools they use, entertain and educate groups regarding the importance of this environment, its role and past roles. The normally five minute Tane Mahuta walk can now through Maori song, story, and ecological interpretation be turned into a 40-minute immensely satisfying and memorable experience found nowhere else in New Zealand.

## **Our Tours**

### **Twilight Encounter**

The Footprints Waipoua signature tour, this 4-hour night experience visits the oldest and largest known kauri trees in the world, Te Matua Ngahere (The Father of the forest) and Tane Mahuta (The Lord of the forest). Let the night noises, foreign environment, time, local Maori guides and ecological and cultural interpretation (Maori story, song and instruments), awaken your senses.

Minimum: 2 / Maximum: 25

Departure time: ODS (From March) 5pm / DS (October to March) 6pm

\$95 Adult

\$35 Child (5-12) / Not recommended for children under 5

**Target Market: FIT**

### **Meet Tane at Night**

For those with minimal time available or families with young children this 1.5 hour shortened version of the Twilight Encounter tour has been developed to allow those to still participate in viewing this majestic environment and the largest kauri tree in the world at a time most people haven't, 'NIGHT'. This is one and a half hours not to be missed.

Minimum: 2 / Maximum: 25

Departure time: ODS (From March) 7.30pm / DS (October to March)

8.30pm

\$70 Adult

\$35 Child (5-12) / Not recommended for children under 5

**Target Market: FIT**

*Key: ODS – Outside Daylight Savings / DS – Daylight Savings*

### **Meet Tane**

Let our local knowledgeable Maori guides meet your coach at the Tane Mahuta car park and turn what is normally a brief and uneventful stop into a 40-minute interactive, ecological and cultural (Maori story and song) experience for groups. Now your clients have access to something that they did not have previously, an opportunity to heighten ones awareness and knowledge of this significant eco system and the largest kauri tree in the world.

Minimum: 15 / Maximum: Can be discussed

Meeting time: Prior arranged

\$25 per person

**Target Market: Groups**

## **Our Tours**

### **Footprints Waipoua Marae & Forest Experience**

Let the spiritual place of Hokianga immerse schools/groups in this educational and activity based weekend or one night two days. Enjoy the hospitality of local Maori while staying at one of the local Marae (traditional meeting place) then connect for four hours learning about the ecological and cultural significance of the world's largest kauri forest – Waipoua, home to the oldest and largest kauri trees in the world, told through the eyes of local knowledgeable Maori guides. On your final day participate in one of the many other wonderful activities that the area has to offer. Enjoy the stunning natural beauty and hospitality that is Hokianga.

Minimum: To be discussed

Departure time: October – March 6pm; Outside daylight savings 5pm.

**Target Market: Educational / Groups**

### **Exclusive**

For small groups or individuals enjoy your own personal guide and day or night experience of between one hour and up to 5 hours of the wondrous Waipoua Forest.

Minimum: 2 pax / Maximum: 10

Departure point and time: Arranged prior

Prices vary

**Target Market: FIT / Private / Small groups**

### **Conference Hokianga**

Footprints Waipoua delivers in association with the Copthorne Hotel & Resort Hokianga a cultural component for conference group days or evenings that can incorporate several stunningly unique natural environments that encompass the Hokianga, the Waipoua forest being a compulsory component. Weather permitting and for example imagine canapés on the giant sand dunes, entree and main on the lawn of the elegant Copthorne Hokianga next to rolling waves while experiencing a mesmerising sunset. In between times joyride the historical Hokianga harbour and conclude with dessert underneath a star glowing sky and the largest kauri tree in the world – Tane Mahuta, well imagine no more because here it is. Other Options are available.

Please contact The Office Manager Copthorne Hotel & Resort Hokianga for this Option:

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**Target Market: Conference / Incentive**

## **Accommodation & Activity Packages**

### ***Copthorne Hotel & Resort Hokianga (4 STAR) & Footprints Waipoua***

Package prices are based on twin share/double accommodation and upon availability.

#### ***Summer Package***

1 night accommodation	\$380.00
Twilight Encounter tour	
Buffet breakfast	
Single	\$280.00
2 nights accommodation	\$555.00
Twilight Encounter tour	
Daily buffet breakfasts	
Single	\$455.00

Summer packages available from 1 December – 31 March

#### ***Winter Package***

1 night accommodation	\$320.00
Twilight Encounter tour	
Buffet breakfast	
Single	\$220.00
2 nights accommodation	\$450.00
Twilight Encounter tour	
Daily buffet breakfasts	
Single	\$335.00

Winter packages available from 1 April – 30 November

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## Accommodation & Activity Packages

### *Opononi Resort Hotel (3 STAR) & Footprints Waipoua*

Package prices are based on twin share/double accommodation and upon availability.

#### *Summer Package*

1 night accommodation	\$365.00
Twilight Encounter tour	
Buffet breakfast	
Single	\$265.00
2 nights accommodation	\$540.00
Twilight Encounter tour	
Daily buffet breakfasts	
Single	\$425.00

Summer packages available from 1 December – 31 March

#### *Winter Package*

1 night accommodation	\$305.00
Twilight Encounter tour	
Buffet breakfast	
Single	\$205.00
2 nights accommodation	\$420.00
Twilight Encounter tour	
Daily buffet breakfasts	
Single	\$305.00

Winter packages available from 1 April – 30 November

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### **Non Operating Days**

Christmas Day  
New Years Day

### **Cancellation Policy**

Within 24 hours – 50%  
Within 12 hours – Full charge  
Cancellation due to weather or illness may incur a cancellation fee (at operator discretion)

### **GST Number**

90-022-075

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