# ESSENTIAL INFORMATION NEW ZEALAND

#### PASSPORT AND VISA INFORMATION

Your passport needs to be valid for at least six (6) months after your journey ends, and should have a minimum of one (1) blank visa page for entry and exit stamps.

A New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority visa (NZeTA) is required for U.S. and Canadian passport holders for entry into New Zealand and must be obtained prior to departure. To apply for an NZeTA visa, visit <a href="www.immigration.govt.nz">www.immigration.govt.nz</a>. The NZeTA visa allows multiple entries for up to 24 months after the date of issuance. The current fee is NZD \$23 (approximately USD \$13.50) if you apply online or NZD \$17 (approximately USD \$10) if you apply through their mobile app. In addition, you will be required to pay an International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy (IVL) fee of NZD \$35 (approximately USD \$24). This fee is paid at the same time as your NZeTA request. All fees are subject to change without notice. Read and follow all instructions carefully to ensure a smooth arrival in New Zealand.

If you are asked to provide contact information for your local tour operator, please use:

#### ABERCROMBIE & KENT AUSTRALIA

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Our partner VisaCentral offers easy, efficient U.S. passport and visa processing. Visit them online at <u>visacentral.com/abercrombiekent</u> or call 844 823 1224 and reference A&K's account number 73001. Service fees apply.

Citizens of other countries should contact the appropriate consular office for entry requirements pertaining to their journey.

## COVID-19 COUNTRY ENTRY REQUIREMENTS & TRAVEL ADVISORIES

New Zealand currently has no COVID-19 vaccination or testing requirements for entry for U.S. and Canadian residents. Visit the U.S. Department of State at <a href="travel.state.gov">travel.state.gov</a> or the Government of Canada at <a href="travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories">travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories</a> for up-to-date information and travel advisories. All requirements are subject to change.

#### CASH & CREDIT CARDS

Cash transactions must be made in New Zealand currency. Major credit cards are widely accepted for goods and services. Access to ATM machines is widespread in cities and towns, but may be limited in rural areas.

# PACKING LIST & BAGGAGE RESTRICTIONS

For checked baggage on flights within New Zealand, passengers are allowed one piece per person with a maximum weight of approximately 50 pounds (22.5 kilograms.) Total dimensions of each piece must not exceed 62 inches (158 centimeters). Dimensions for checked baggage are calculated by adding together the width, height and depth of the piece of luggage.

For carry-on baggage, each passenger is limited to one piece of luggage with a maximum weight of approximately 15 pounds (7 kilograms). Total dimensions of the carry-on bag are not to exceed 46.5 inches (118 centimeters).

Additional/different weight restrictions may apply on some Tailor Made programs. Contact your A&K Travel Consultant to determine the specific weight restrictions for your tour.

Please use the provided A&K luggage tags, even if your bags already have ID tags. This makes it easier for A&K staff to collect and manage your luggage for you.

## Clothing

Choose versatile, casual clothing that can be layered if the weather (or level of air-conditioning) requires. Smart casual attire is appropriate for evenings. Formal clothing is not necessary\*.

\*Note: if your journey is inclusive of a stay at Kauri Cliffs Lodge, Cape Kidnappers, Matakauri Lodge or Huka Lodge in New Zealand, please be aware that these properties require gentlemen to wear a jacket and women corresponding attire during canapés and dinner. However, in addition to the specific properties noted, if your tour is inclusive of stays at luxury lodges in New Zealand, it is a good rule of thumb for men and women to pack at least one such "dressy" outfit.

Clothing	
□ Casual slacks	□ Walking shorts
□ Polo shirts, casual short-sleeve shirts or blouses	□ Long sleeve shirts or blouses
□ Comfortable walking shoes with traction	□ Lightweight raincoat
□ Sweater or lightweight jacket	□ Brimmed hat for sun protection
□ Warm hat	□ Warm gloves
□ Sleepwear	□ Personal garments
□ Socks	□ Swimwear/cover-up
□ Foldable umbrella for rain protection and sun shade	
Other Recommended Items	
□ Face masks and hand sanitizer	□ Sun block / Insect repellent
□ Sunglasses	<ul> <li>□ Prescriptions and medications (in their original bottles and/or packaging)</li> </ul>
□ Simple first-aid kit	, , ,
□ Extra eyeglasses/contact lenses	□ Smartphone
□ Charging cables for electronics	□ Global travel adapter
Optional Items	
□ Small LED flashlight	□ Foldable walking stick
□ Lightweight binoculars	□ Small daypack or fanny pack

Laundry service is available at most hotels and dry cleaning is available in larger cities. Check costs and return times before using these services.

While decisions regarding tipping rest entirely with you, we suggest the following gratuities (noted in U.S. dollars) depending on the type of journey.

	Tailor Made Journeys
Local Guides	\$20 per person, per day (full day)
Drivers	\$10 per person, per day (full day)
Private Guide (driving own vehicle)	\$30 per person, per day (full day)
Airport Transfer Drivers	\$5 per person, per transfer
Hotel Porters	\$2 per bag
Housekeepers	\$2 per person, per night
Included Meals	Included
Restaurants or Room Service on Own	10-15% unless already added

For extra nights or Tailor Made services added to a Small Group Journey, please follow the Tailor Made Journeys guidelines for these days only.