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South Pacific eFlyer

May 2019

The Journeys listed in the South Pacific eFlyer are open to all ambassadors, representing some of the many places where you can experience new cultures and expand your global circle of friends.

If you are interested in any of the following Journeys, please contact the Journey Coordinator directly.

Journey Number 15110

Gold Coast, Australia to Chicago, USA and Winnipeg and Saskatoon, Canada

Journey Dates:
22 June - 18 July

Price:
FFI Fees AUD\$590
Airmiles AUD\$2700 not including flight to Calgary.
Chicago overnight (approx) AUD\$150
Flight Chicago to Winnipeg (approx) AUD\$300

Journey Coordinator:
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Host Clubs:
FF Chicago
FF Winnipeg
FF Saskatoon

Chicago: Wonderful Architecture, Botanical Gardens, other historical areas and an outdoor concert plus other activities.



Winnipeg: July 1, is Canada Day with lots of activities to participate in. Learn about the indigenous people and the fur trade. Other activities include visits to the Mint, Zoo and the countryside.



Saskatoon: Wanuskewin – First National Heritage Site with a presentation of their culture, dance and tipi building. There is also a Folk and John Arcand Fiddle Festivals.



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Journey Number 15286

Hamilton and Waikato, New Zealand to Jakarta and Yogyakarta, Indonesia

Journey Dates:

22 July - 21 August 2019

Price:

Approx. \$3800 NZD, includes return air fares from Auckland to Bali, all domestic travel and accommodation, FFI and Host Club fees, some extra tours, meals and incidentals.

Journey Coordinator:

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07 8278339

Host Clubs:

[FF Jakarta](#)

[FF Yogyakarta](#)

July/August is a great time to get away from our winter weather. Join us if you want to experience the warmth and friendliness of the Indonesian country and its people. We have 14 ambassadors travelling from our club for this Journey, and are now able to add another two ambassadors; this may be a couple or two friends.

We fly from Auckland to Bali, where we spend two nights acclimatising to the weather and the time difference. The group then flies to Jakarta, where we will be met by our host club. Jakarta is an atmospheric old city with some good museums and dozens of swanky shopping malls. We spend five days here, and I am sure our hosts will be able to show us the interesting side of Jakarta. We then travel to the resort town of Bandung for a further two days.

The group continues travelling eastward to Yogyakarta where we will be hosted for the next week. It is central to the island's artistic and intellectual heritage. It is a premier tourist city and an ideal place to explore nearby attractions such as the important archaeological sites Borobudur and Parmanand.

From here we travel to Solo where we stay independently for two nights. For some this may be a chance to catch your breath and relax. Alternatively there are some great antique and Batik markets as well as several interesting tourist sites.

We continue travelling overland to reach our final destination Malang which is in East Java. This is an area established by the Dutch in the 18th century and it has leafy, colonial boulevards and a breezy climate and moves at a far slower pace than the other cities we have visited.

We then travel back to Bali, where you can choose to fly home directly or stay with the group at Sunur Beach Resort for shopping, sightseeing or just R&R in the warm weather.

The Coordinator would be delighted to hear from interested parties wishing to join our Journey. Once accepted to join the group you would be required to purchase your air ticket and pay the club \$600 deposit. The balance then is to be paid at \$500 a month until fully paid.



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Journey Number 15154

Southern Sydney, Australia to Edmonton and Area and Manitoba and Greater Harrisburg

Journey Dates:

August 2019

Price:

\$1,400 AUD

Includes FFI and Host Fees
but not airfares

Journey Coordinator:

Teresa Whitters

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Host Clubs:

[FF Edmonton and Area](#)

[FF Manitoba](#)

[FF Greater Harrisburg](#)

The FF Southern Sydney club is excited at the opportunity of a triple Journey in August 2019 to Canada and the east coast of the USA.

If you decide to join us you will have the chance to see diverse parts of Canada, starting in Edmonton near the beautiful Canadian Rocky Mountains, which you could visit en route if you so desired. Then we fly to the central province of Manitoba near Lake Winnipeg. The Canadian countryside and its people are a joy to experience.

After a five-day individual break where everyone will be “doing their own thing,” we will gather in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, USA. This area is rife with the history of the American Civil War and has Amish and Mennonite communities which we will visit. We also have the chance to enjoy Hershey chocolates amongst many other cultural and culinary pleasures.

Some of us will be visiting nearby Washington and possibly staying in New York either during the break or after the Journeys have been completed. The choice is yours!

Please contact Teresa Whitters if you are interested in these Journeys or have any questions. We currently have space for 7 ambassadors and we'd love to meet and travel with you.

The host clubs have advised us that the cost of each Journey will be approximately C\$200/US\$200, although this may vary according to the final activity program. These costs exclude the airfares to and from Australia and the internal flights within North America.



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Journey Number 15255

Wellington to Cape of Good Hope, South Africa and Albany & Perth, Australia

Journey Dates:

27 October to 19 November
2019

Price:

NZ\$4500 (includes FFI & Host
Club fees, all travel and
accommodation). Plus
optional pre-Journey 13-day
Tour costs NZ\$5195.

Journey Coordinator:

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Host Clubs:

[FF Cape of Good Hope, South
Africa](#)

[FF Perth, Australia](#)

[FF Albany, Australia](#)

We have been lucky to be allocated this special Journey and Western Australia and South Africa. Will you join us?

Our first hosting is with FF Cape of Good Hope. Most members of the club live in the southern suburbs of Cape Town about 24 km from the city centre. Their Mediterranean climate will be comfortable during our visit. Most importantly, we will be able to learn about them, their culture, and the way they live in this rainbow nation.

We then move east to FF Perth on the Swan River. There we will enjoy visiting old Perth at the Perth Mint (early gold mining), the Barrack Street Jetty precinct and the Bell Tower (where we may take part in the bit of bell ringing). No Journey is complete without a visit to beautiful Kings Park, where we can take in the views of the city and wander through lush lawns and natural bushland and do the tree top walk. We will spend a day in the old port city of Fremantle to check out the old buildings and museums constructed by the early convicts. Plus shop at the markets and enjoy fish and chips for lunch at Fisherman's Wharf before enjoying a leisurely river cruise back to Perth city.

We then move south to our final hosting at FF Albany (population 34,000) situated on the south coast of Western Australia, which is approximately 400 kms south of the capital city of Perth. The main industries of the area are tourism, fishing (whaling), agriculture (woollen mills), forestry and wineries. The Port of Albany is steeped in history because it was the last view of Australia thousands of soldiers saw before sailing off to Europe and Gallipoli. The area has many National Parks and Reserves including Natural Bridge, the Gap, Stirling Range and Porongorup National Parks with beautiful flowers in springtime.

Above all, let's enjoy the company of our club members who will happily invite you into their homes - share with us group dinner hosting, barbecues and picnics.



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Journey Number 15244

Outdoor Adventure: South Taranaki and Taupo, New Zealand

Journey Dates:

4 - 20 November, 2019

Price: \$1960 USD, Includes
FFI and Host Fees and all
internal costs.

Not included: Airfare and
optional activities.

Journey Coordinator:

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Host Clubs:

[FF South Taranaki](#)

[FF Taupo](#)

You will be blown away by this opportunity to experience the great outdoors with two New Zealand clubs, FF South Taranaki and FF Taupo. New Zealand has it all – hiking, biking, white water rafting, canoeing, archery, and golfing – and we'll even throw in some sightseeing at the area's most famous attractions. This is a Global Journey so you will have the opportunity to join ambassadors from all over the world. Home hosting will be provided by South Taranaki for six nights and Taupo for five nights

Itinerary:

Arrive in Auckland and stay one night in a hotel.

Travel to South Taranaki visiting the Kiwi House and Glow-worm Caves on the way. Enjoy six nights of home-hosting by South Taranaki Club where activities will include mountain, beach, and river hikes

Travel to The Chateau Tongaririo and stay two nights. Opportunity to do the world famous Tongariro Alpine Crossing. Tramping or sightseeing (own arrangements).

Travel to Taupo doing Whitewater Rafting and ride bike trail on the way. Spend the next five nights hosted by the Taupo Club where activities include canoeing, biking, hiking, golf putting, and other outdoor activities.

Travel to Rotorua and stay two nights in hotel. Sightseeing around Rotorua including Whakarewarewa and Tree Tops Walk.



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2019 AUS-NZ Outbound Journeys

APRIL

- 15045 Albany, Australia to Kampala, Uganda
- 15047 Sydney, Australia to Trujillo, Peru and Mexico City, Mexico and Greater Orlando, USA
- 15048 Tamworth, Australia to Urla of Greater Izmir, Turkey and Tbilisi, Georgia
- 15028 Whangarei, New Zealand to Hobart and Newcastle, Australia
- 15192 Marlborough, New Zealand to Kyoto-Fukuchiyama, Japan and Hsinchu, Taiwan
- 15092 Napier, New Zealand to Norderstedt, Germany and Greater Izmir, Turkey

MAY

- 15093 New Plymouth, New Zealand to Cairns and North Moreton, Australia
- 15079 Kempsey, Australia to County Durham, United Kingdom and Hannover, Germany
- 15080 Sunshine Coast, Australia to Austin and New Mexico, USA

JUNE

- 15109 Brisbane, Australia to Western Colorado and Reno-Tahoe, USA
- 15110 Gold Coast, Australia to Saskatoon and Winnipeg, Canada and Chicago, USA
- 15112 Blue Mountains, Australia to Toulouse, France and Bristol, England
- 15124 Tauranga-Western Bay of Plenty, New Zealand to Tweed Valley and Central Coast, Australia

JULY

- 15382 Global to Flathead Valley, Cedar Rapids-Iowa City and World Conference, USA
- 15286 Hamilton and Waikato, New Zealand to Malang, Yogyakarta and Jakarta, Indonesia

AUGUST

- 15154 Southern Sydney, Australia to Edmonton and Area and Manitoba and Greater Harrisburg

SEPTEMBER

- 15176 Newcastle, Australia to Hamburg e.V., Germany and Leicestershire, UK

2019 AUS-NZ Outbound Journeys cont.

NOVEMBER

- 15191 Christchurch, New Zealand to Casterton and Salisbury and Northern Districts, Australia
- 15255 Wellington, New Zealand to Albany and Perth, Australia and Cape of Good Hope, South Africa
- 15208 Melbourne and Hobart, Australia to Niagara and Canadian Capital Region, Canada
- 15175 Murray Bridge, Australia to Yogyakarta and Denpasar (Bali), Indonesia
- 15209 Mount Gambier, Australia to Ota-Gunma, Japan

2019 AUS-NZ Inbound Journeys

APRIL

- 15046 Melbourne, Australia to Auckland-North Shore and Taupo, New Zealand
- 15056 Haliburton Highlands, Canada to Nelson and Southland, New Zealand and Mount Gambier, Australia
- 15052 Brandon and Area, Canada to Bundaberg and Blue Mountains, Australia

MAY

- 15093 New Plymouth, New Zealand to Cairns and North Moreton, Australia
- 15279 Oita, Japan to Southern Sydney and Mount Barker, Australia
- 15150 Western Tokyo, Japan to Perth, Australia

JUNE

- 15124 Tauranga-Western Bay of Plenty, New Zealand to Tweed Valley and Central Coast, Australia
- 15111 South Taranaki and Manawatu, New Zealand to Brisbane and Tamworth, Australia

AUGUST

- 19009 English Language Journey: Hiroshima, Japan to Kempsey and Murray Bridge, Australia

SEPTEMBER

- 15186 Mie, Japan to Adelaide, Australia

OCTOBER

- 15240 Oregon's Mid-Willamette Valley, USA to Whangarei and New Plymouth, New Zealand
- 15411 Global Cycling, Wining and Dining with Mount Barker, Australia
- 15242 Wisconsin-Madison, USA to Central Coast and Tweed Valley, Australia
- 15232 County Durham, UK to Tauranga Western Bay of Plenty, Horowhenua and Otago, New Zealand
- 15252 Riga, Latvia to Sydney, Australia and Auckland-North Shore, New Zealand

2019 AUS-NZ Inbound Journeys cont.

NOVEMBER

- 15244 Global Hiking in New Zealand with South Taranaki and Taupo, New Zealand
- 15259 Central Virginia, USA to Bundaberg and Sunshine Coast, Australia and Marlborough, New Zealand
- 15198 Birmingham, USA to Gold Coast and Blue Mountains, Australia and Wellington, New Zealand
- 15247 Ottawa, Canada to Christchurch and Manawatu, New Zealand
- 15225 Xalapa, Mexico to Adelaide and Southern Sydney, Australia and Hamilton and Waikato, New Zealand
- 15264 Utah, USA to Thames Coromandel, New Zealand and Tamworth, Australia
- 15265 Western Colorado, USA to Napier and Southland, Australia
- 15248 Kyoto-Fukuchiyama, Japan to Newcastle, Australia

2019 Domestic Journeys

APRIL

- 19006 Taupo, New Zealand to South Taranaki, New Zealand
- 15342 Mount Gambier, Australia to Salisbury and Northern Districts, Australia
- 15338 Melbourne, Australia to Central Coast, Australia
- 19007 New Plymouth, New Zealand to Wellington, New Zealand

MAY

- 15326 Bundaberg, Australia to Newcastle, Australia
- 15332 Gold Coast, Australia to Sydney, Australia

JUNE

- 15344 Newcastle, Australia to Sunshine Coast, Australia
- 15330 Central Coast, Australia to Adelaide, Australia

JULY

- 15350 Salisbury and Northern Districts, Australia to Gold Coast, Australia
- 15352 Southern Sydney, Australia to Hobart, Australia
- 15334 Hobart, Australia to Bundaberg, Australia

AUGUST

- 15328 Casterton, Australia to Kempsey, Australia
- 15436 New Plymouth, New Zealand to Christchurch, New Zealand
- 15348 Perth, Australia to Melbourne, Australia
- 15356 Sydney, Australia to North Moreton, Australia

SEPTEMBER

- 15340 Mount Barker, Australia to Mount Gambier, Australia
- 15320 Albany, Australia to Brisbane, Australia
- 15346 North Moreton, Australia to Perth, Australia

OCTOBER

- 15354 Sunshine Coast, Australia to Mount Barker, Australia



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