



# Rhine of the Pacific Tours

**Option A Itinerary. Starts 10am ex. Taumarunui.  
Finishes 2:30pm Taumarunui.**

## Day 1

You'll begin your exploration of the full navigable length of the Whanganui River with a guided shuttle from Taumarunui over the Paraparas (SH 4). Following a relaxing riverside lunch in Ūpokongaro you'll board the MV Wairua, one of Hatrick's original riverboats. Learn about the history of the region, the pioneers and the awa as you cruise. The evening is free for you to choose your own dining experience in Whanganui before retiring to your luxury accommodation at Aotea Motor Lodge.

Inclusions: lunch | Aotea Motel accommodation | vintage boat cruise (1.5hrs)

Exclusions: dinner

## Day 2

Join the local Postie on the River Road Mail Run where you will be guided through historic points of interest in New Zealand's very own London (Ranana), Athens (Atene) and Jerusalem (Hiruhārama), including visits to a gallery, a convent and a Marae. Board a scenic jet boat ride at Pipiriki with Whanganui River Adventures into the infamous Bridge to Nowhere. Stroll along the well formed track to enjoy a picnic lunch on the bridge. (Walk: 2.7 km each way, approx. 40min each way). Continue upriver by jet boat to either Blue Duck Lodge (conservation-focused) or Posh Pioneers (sustainability-focused) - your chosen accommodation for the next two nights.

Inclusions: continental breakfast | morning tea | lunch | dinner | accommodation | Mail Run | Whanganui River Adventures jet boat & walking tour.

Exclusions: alcohol (BYO)

## Day 3

Blue Duck Station's included activity is an ATV bush safari after breakfast, where you'll learn about the station, their manuka honey and Whio conservation efforts. After lunch, you'll be free to relax in your surroundings or partake in one of the optional activities that the Blue Duck team offers.

The included activity at Posh Pioneers off-grid boutique accommodation is a lesson in Manuka oil distilling with your personable hosts. After lunch you can relax in your surroundings or leap into one of the optional activities offered onsite.

Inclusions: breakfast | lunch | dinner | accommodation | ATV bush safari at Blue Duck Lodge or Manuka oil distilling at Posh Pioneers.

Exclusions: alcohol (BYO) | optional activities - these must be pre-arranged and paid directly to the accommodation provider. [Click here for Blue Duck activity options](#) [Click here for Posh Pioneer activity options](#)

## Day 4

Continue your scenic journey upriver and hear stories from the top end of the awa as you are collected by the Forgotten World jet boat. Access Lauren's Lavender Farm and Gift Shop direct from the river via a set of stairs through native bush and enjoy a light lunch in this peaceful setting. Return to the jet boat to complete the longest jet boat journey in NZ. Shuttle back to the Forgotten World Motel to complete your tour at approximately 2.30pm.

Inclusions: breakfast | lunch | Lauren's Lavender farm | jet boat tour | shuttle

Exclusions: merchandise at Lavender Farm or Forgotten World Adventures



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**Option B Itinerary. Starts 2pm ex. Taumarunui.  
Finishes 2:30pm Taumarunui.**

## Day 1

Enjoy a late departure time, checking in at 2pm for your guided shuttle from Taumarunui to Ohakune, visiting the engineering feat of the Makatote viaduct and the infamous Horopito Smash Palace on the way. Upon your arrival in Ohakune, the late afternoon and evening are free for you to explore and perhaps enjoy a scenic walk before dinner at Powderhorn Chateau.

Inclusions: dinner|accommodation

## Day 2

Following breakfast, take a guided shuttle through Raetihi to Pipiriki where you will enjoy a scenic jet boat ride and bush walk with Whanganui River Adventures into the infamous Bridge to Nowhere. Stroll along the well formed track to enjoy a picnic lunch on the bridge. (Walk: 2.7 km each way, approx. 40min each way). Continue upriver by jet boat to either Blue Duck Lodge (conservation-focused) or Posh Pioneers (sustainability-focused) - your chosen accommodation for the next two nights.

Inclusions: breakfast |lunch|dinner| accommodation |jet boat and walking tour

## Day 3

Blue Duck Station included activity is an ATV bush safari after breakfast, where you'll learn about the station, their manuka honey and Whio conservation efforts. After lunch, you'll be free to relax in your surroundings or partake in one of the optional activities that the Blue Duck team offers.

The included activity at Posh Pioneers off-grid boutique accommodation is a lesson in Manuka oil distilling with your personable hosts. After lunch you can relax in your surroundings or leap into one of the optional activities offered onsite

Inclusions: breakfast|lunch|dinner|accommodation|ATV bush safari at Blue Duck Lodge or Manuka oil distilling at Posh Pioneers.

Exclusions: alcohol (BYO)| optional activities - these must be pre-arranged and paid directly to the accommodation provider. [Click here for Blue Duck activity options](#) [Click here for Posh Pioneer activity options](#)

## Day 4

Continue your scenic journey upriver and hear stories from the top end of the awa as you are collected by the Forgotten World jet boat. Access Lauren's Lavender Farm and Gift Shop direct from the river via a set of stairs through native bush and enjoy a light lunch in this peaceful setting. Return to the jet boat to complete the longest jet boat journey in NZ. Shuttle back to the Forgotten World Motel to complete your tour at approximately 2.30pm.

Inclusions: breakfast|lunch| Lauren's Lavender farm|jet boat tour|shuttle

Exclusions: merchandise at Lavender Farm or Forgotten World Adventures