

" Musical Cruise Charter - Bay of Islands NZ - 2016

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" He iwi tahi tatou...We are all one people William Hobson

Join Jennifer & Stewart along with Spiros Rantos (violin), Brachi Tilles (piano) and Lynne Sterling-Jordan (piano) on this delightful sojourn in New Zealand's most historic region. The famous bay certainly boasts some of the country's most beautiful scenery, with its 144 islands set in ever-changing crystal blue waters. Charming, picturesque small towns, each with their own



special character, lure you into their little harbours to come ashore and explore their joys.

We fly Emirates (from many capitals it will be a big A380) to Auckland, then transfer for our first night together in Northland's capital, Whangarei.

In the morning we take time to explore 'The Basin', an inviting area of shops, cafes and galleries set around the very pretty marina. Our craft for this cruise is the Ipipiri (Maori for 'Bay of Islands'). This state-of-the-art, small ship has 30 cabins, each private and with large glass windows, A large glassed dining area, a sun-deck and inviting bar and lounge area make it easy to socialise or find a quiet corner. She is extremely comfortable.

Enjoy informal concerts by hosts, soprano Jennifer & baritone Stewart plus Spiros Rantos (violin), Brachi Tilles (piano) and Lynne Sterling-Jordan (piano), generally pre-dinner, when the mood is right.

During the day we will enjoy spectacular vistas of sea and land.



On shore visits, we explore fascinating towns including Russell and Kerikeri with their historic streets, landmarks and buildings and appealing little shops and galleries.

When it's time to reluctantly leave

the Bay of Islands, we cruise slowly down the coast to Auckland where we explore the harbour, including Great Barrier island, before docking among the other magnificent pleasure craft which are always to be seen in the 'City of Sails.'

We transfer directly from our ship to the airport to meet our flights home. (Of course, it is possible to extend your time in Auckland or NZ in general. Just advise your return date when booking)