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# Lonely Planet New Zealand (Travel Guide)





## Synopsis

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Lonely Planet guidebooks always have a ton of information, which is good, but means you also have to comb through a lot to plan your trip. The New Zealand book is organized the same as all the others - with 4 sections: Plan your trip, On the road, Understand, and Survival Guide. Plan your trip: Probably the most concise but important section of the book. Gives you an idea of what to expect from the North and South Island and how to budget your time and money. The sections include need to know info, a top 20 destinations list, "If you like..." section, traveling with children, regions at a glance, food and drink, cultural events by month, 6 sample itineraries based on length of your trip, and a few others. On the Road: Probably 75% of the contents of the book. Includes sights, activities, tours, getting there, getting around, eating, sleeping, nightlife, entertainment, and shopping information for every location in New Zealand. Understand: Sections include New Zealand today, History, Environment, Maori Culture, and Arts and Music. Since the book is organized in this order, I didn't read this section until had planned my trip and was on the plane to NZ. If you have time I would recommend reading this section before planning your trip since getting a background on the culture and history may give you a better idea of what you want to see in NZ. Survival Guide: Includes info on Customs, Embassies, Health, Internet Access, Holidays, Opening hours, etc. As

with most Lonely Planet books, this one was up to date and packed with all the information I needed to plan and enjoy my trip. According to Lonely Planet, between writing every edition they hire a mix of local and travel writers to visit every single location and update the book as necessary. I definitely found this to be the case, and would highly recommend the guidebook.

As usual this Lonely Planet guidebook is excellent for planning and carrying along while we travel. We drive ourselves and are here in New Zealand for a month. We find it very advantageous to have more than one travel guide (in this case three), plus a National Geographic map and our Garmin. We don't miss much!Lonely Planet always presents a different slant on a city of attraction that we find refreshing and have used them everywhere.

Just back from two months in NZ. We found this book is pretty heavy on "commercial amusements for tourists", less so on other attractions. We relied on Airbnb exclusively, and the hotel write-ups in this book were pointless, for us.

We ordered three travel books in preparation for our NZ trip. This is the only one that made the trip with us. Love Lonely Planet Travel

This came highly recommended. ALL the information, clearly laid out, extremely well-indexed---the traveler's guide book!

Used daily on our 3-month tour of NZ.

Good info but tiny print makes difficult reading for older eyes.

love it

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