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Travel

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Imagine a place where the only sounds are birds and the rustle of trees as we begin our two very special events, *Classical Sounds of Silence* and the next evening, *Music for Romantics*. We begin in silence and then the lovely Jess starts playing her violin and our soloists gradually start to sing.

Experience the Exceptional...

- A wondrous time where we enjoy 2 days and 2 nights in Doubtful Sound, with soft winds and birds being our only companions as we come as close to spiritual perfection as you will ever encounter.
- We combine this incredible environment with music and the joy of companionship and togetherness as we embark upon this journey of peace.
- All the engines are turned off and we stand on deck with not a sound and experience beauty and spiritual stillness.
- Following this natural wonder we enjoy the sophistication of Queenstown and the magnificent Sofitel Hotel.
- And to all this we add music presented by Sue, Bonnie, Derek, Penny and our beautiful string trio led by Jess.
- Encapsulating peace, music and beauty, it is champagne for the soul.



SATURDAY 09 NOVEMBER 2019 (L, AT, D) DOUBTFUL SOUND (2 nights)

- The Fiordland Navigator

Doubtful Sound is the second largest of Fiordland National Parks famous for its silent isolation, rugged wilderness and incredible peace.

- Magnificent drive through stunning countryside to Lake Manapouri.
- Cruise across its tranquil waters while having lunch.
- Journey to Deep Cove, drinking in the beauty of the thickest rainforests of Fiordland and the alpine moss gardens in all their colourful splendour.
- Time for resting and cruising before dinner.
- *Classical Sounds of Silence*. We begin in silence, then the lovely Jess starts playing her violin, and our soloists gradually start to sing.

SUNDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2019 (B, MT, L, AT, D)

- We enjoy our own version of paradise!
- While we cruise, we view the NZ fur seals, penguins and dolphins. You may also choose to explore in small boats or kayaks.
- A Naturalist talk about sights, bird life and fauna, and Captain's talk about the adventures of Captain Cook plus time to simply enjoy the scenery.
- *Afternoon Delights*, a recital from our string trio.
- *Music for Romantics* and the music in turn echos off the hard surfaces of nature's most beautiful masterpiece.

MONDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2019 (B, L, D) QUEENSTOWN (2 nights)

- Sofitel Hotel

- In the quietest bay, the captain will switch off all the engines and we are invited to stop moving and stop talking. Now we will really experience the true sound of silence.
- A gourmet buffet dinner at the Sofitel in Cafe de Paris restaurant with a *Family Style Soirée* from our fabulous musicians, singalong and the odd Irish joke!

TUESDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2019 (B, L, D)

- A tour of Queenstown and Arrowtown.
- Lunch at Gantley's, an historic stone building, surrounded by 2 acres of landscaped gardens amidst majestic mountain scenery.
- Dinner at Stoneyridge Estate, followed by *Classics by Candlelight* in their private chapel, overlooking Lake Hayes.

WEDNESDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2019 (B)

- This morning we are treated to a private bubbly breakfast in the hotel ballroom in keeping with the French flavour of the hotel but including some great New Zealand fare.

A perfect way to finish our perfect Classical Journey.





\$4,185 *per person
twin share*

Single Room supplement add \$2,660

Initial Deposit on booking	\$750
Second Deposit due 12 June 2019	\$1,000
Final Balance due 06 August 2019	

THIS TRIP INCLUDES:

- 2 night private charter cruise in Doubtful Sound on the beautiful Navigator Explorer, with a marine biologist on board as well as seal, dolphin and penguin spotting.
- 2 nights in Queenstown at 5 star Sofitel including special Cafe de Paris dinner with *Family Style Soirée* plus bubbly breakfast.
- 4 themed concerts presented by singers Susan Boland, Bonaventure Allan-Moetaua, Derek Hill, our string trio led by violinist Jess Hindin and pianist Penny Dodd, including 2 special classical concerts on board in Doubtful Sound, *Classical Sounds of Silence* and *Music for Romantics*.
- Special gala events at Stoneyridge, including dinner and candlelit concert, *Classics by Candlelight*.
- All tours and transfers listed in itinerary including Queenstown and Arrowtown tour and lunch at Gantley's.
- All meals, tips, portorage included.
- Limited to 42 travellers

PLEASE NOTE: As our travellers are coming from all over NZ, airfares are not included. We have reserved flights at an excellent rate with Air NZ from the main centres to and from Queenstown, so please contact us if you wish to book these, on a first come basis.

EASY TOUR

This tour will suit people with a stick, but not a walker. You will be required to walk to get from place to place and stand in museums, but it is designed to be an easy tour with lots of times to rest, travel on a coach and walk easy leisurely distances.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- All trips are subject to change but any changes will be of equal or greater value.
- Deposits refundable until final payment date minus any costs incurred, or an administration fee of up to \$150.
- Travellers need to be independently mobile and fit to travel.
- Travellers are required to obtain comprehensive travel insurance for all international trips.
- Please refer to terms & conditions on our booking form.



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