



The best of Napier's Art Deco including Hastings City and a drive through rural Hawkes Bay

This is a hugely popular tour - Napier Shore Excursion.

Experience Napier and Hastings Cities including rural Hawkes Bay in the short time you have available.

Be immersed in the "Art Deco Capital of the World" – City and Suburbs including the forgotten Art Deco City of Hastings.

Drive through some beautiful, picturesque countryside... as above

See Vineyards, Orchards, Deer, Sheep and Cattle farming.

Napier.

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ABOUT YOUR TOUR

\$100.00 NZD – All inclusive tour

Time on tour 4 hours – Max of 20 passengers on the day

We can also cater for larger groups on request. Interpreters available - please enquire

Your tour commences as soon as our booked clients arrived.

There is no waiting around to sell extra seats on the day.

We use a pictorial booklet during the tour to show historic differences before the huge 1931 earthquake and today. They also give a great insight as to what Art Deco actually is.

On the day you shall receive bottled water, local fruit and souvenir postcards.

Welcome to the “Art Deco Capital of the World” and also the oldest Wine growing region, and the largest Apple and Pip fruit producing region in New Zealand, all set in ..

“Hawkes Bay Wine Country – The Gourmet Wine and Food region of New Zealand”

We are looking forward to showing you our historic sister Art Deco Cities of both Hastings and Napier. Both Cities are famous for their Art Deco, and Hastings also famous for its collection of Spanish Mission styles also from the early 1930's.

You will visit the famous Te Mata Peak for a spectacular view across the region and beyond. You will travel through some very spectacular “postcard” scenic pasture land, orchards, vineyards and see many different types of farming.

Our part of New Zealand has been a well-kept “Secret Tourist Destination” for a long time. Now it's time for visitors, like you, to explore and enjoy this unique region of the world with us.

Our customized tours are designed to take advantage of every minute you are ashore. We understand that every vessel has a different amount of Port time and we do make that time work for you as the visitor.

As a general rule we will cover this tour as indicated. Should there be any changes in your ships arrival or departure times, we will make all necessary adjustments to the itinerary to ensure you get to experience the area as close to what is promised to you as possible on the day.

We aim to have you back to Napier with extra time to allow you to walk the Napier City Centre

We guaranty you will be returned back in plenty of time for sailing.

STARTING DETAILS

These details may change from ship to ship...

Please be the first to depart your ship upon arrival.

- **Board the first shuttle (free)**
- **depart that shuttle at the final stop**
(99.9 % of visits this is the Aquarium – on occasion the Visitor Centre)
- **At the final stop look for your bright green signage**

If your shuttle just makes the one stop, we shall know in advance and we shall be beside your shuttle at the first and final stop.



In the case of a private tour, your name can be used.

NAPIER CITY SIGHTS

Discover lovely City Gardens and more



The soundshell, and its colonnade surround, was built in 1935 following the 1931 earthquake. Napier was being restyled as a modern city of the future, a place for fun and pleasure."

This is a city with beautiful unique architecture and rich colorful gardens.

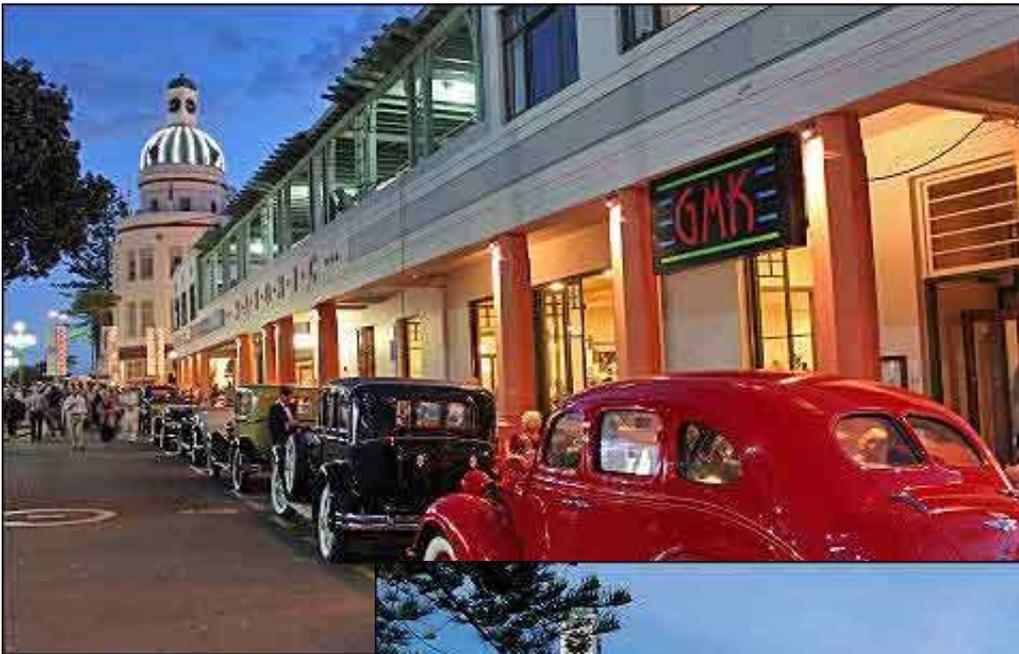


NAPIER'S FAMOUS ART DECO

At the start of the tour, you will learn the history to understand exactly what Art Deco is, and there is so much here in both the twin Cities of Hastings and Napier.

On the tour, you will drive all the main City streets and Suburbs of Napier to view this spectacular and unique City and gain an understanding of all the aspects of this beautiful style that has stood the proof of time.. This also includes Hastings City.

You will be given the option to walk the main street and return to the shuttle at your convenience or return directly to the shuttle bus which will take you back to your ship.



HASTINGS ART DECO CITY

As part of this tour, you will take a drive through the centre of Hastings City. Hastings was also rebuilt in the 1930's styles as was Napier. Napier and Hastings are affectionately referred to as the sister Cities , however it is often overlooked by visitors.

On this tour, you will drive all the main City streets stopping for Photos before heading out through a suburb as you head to Te Mata Peak to start your return journey back to Napier via the spectacular countryside.



DRIVE THROUGH POSTCARD SCENERY

You will take a drive through specular rural scenery. You will make many stops on the day as required for photos etc.

You will drive close to the top of this spectacular Peak on the day. From your vantage point, you will (on a clear day) have the opportunity to take the same mountain photo as below.

On the tour you will also learn the Maori Legend and story behind “The Sleeping Giant”



SEE ORCHARDS, VINEYARDS, DEER, SHEEP & CATTLE FARMING

See firsthand the many different types of farming across this countryside as you head back towards your ship.. The world knows us for our Sheep, but Deer farming.. ?

Do you know N. Z has the largest number of domesticated Deer in the world ?



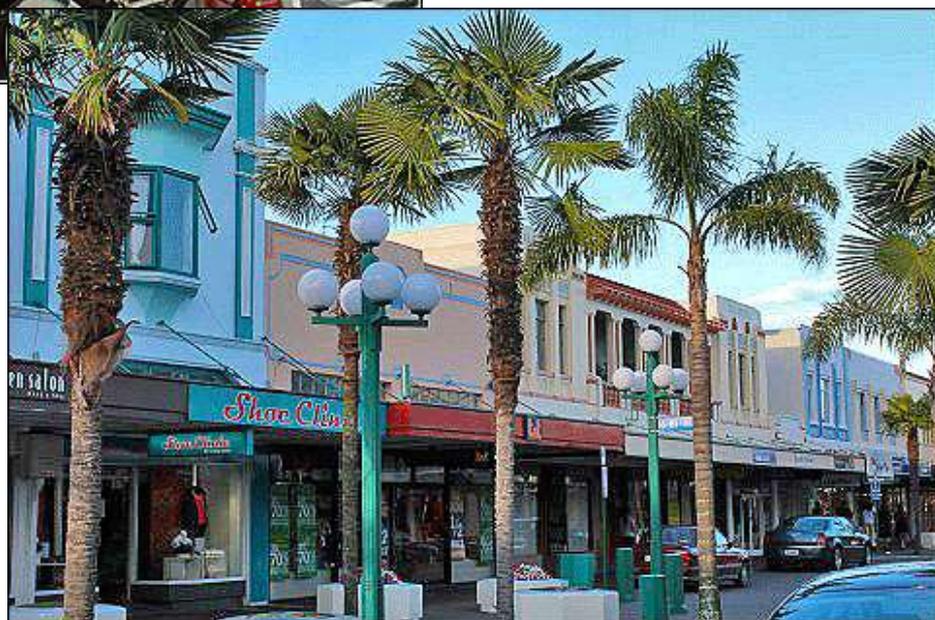
Napier the Art Deco Capital of the World

The style known as Art Deco had its heyday between 1920 and 1940. Within two years 1931 and 1933, the city was rebuilt, predominantly in Art Deco style, with Maori motifs and design elements incorporated setting this City apart from any other.

Napier still boasts 140 original 1930's Art Deco buildings and the care and protection of these buildings is managed by the City of Napier.

Visitors come from all corners of the earth to see, feel, and experience this unique collection of heritage buildings.

You too can feel the atmosphere, live the era of mystique, if only for a few hours on your fleeting ship visit on this tour. **Let's make the most of your time ashore.**



DISCOVER NAPIER'S SUBURBS

Napier the Art Deco Capital of the World

Following on from the huge 1931 earthquake, the land was made suitable for housing growth and of course the Art Deco style proceed to move into the suburbs

Napier and Hastings alike are so lucky today to still have dozens of these unique homes that you can discover with us on this tour.

You too can feel the atmosphere, as you drive slowly through a lovely 1930's housing area (as in the images below). The homes are a credit to the homeowners and council alike. There are photo opportunities through out the tour. **This is NOT a high-speed tour**, we have allowed plenty of time for you to get the best from your short time in Napier.



DISCOVER NAPIER'S UNIQUE HISTORY

In 1931 the city of Napier was struck by an 7.8 earthquake lasting 2 1/2 minutes levelling most of the city.

Napier was rebuilt largely in the art deco style. Napier is today, considered to be the best-preserved art deco town on the Planet.

Thousands of people from all around the world, flock to Napier every February for the Art Deco event, a celebration of its Art Deco designs and post-earthquake heritage and history.

This is a chance for townspeople and visitors to dress up in their best Great Gatsby style and turn back the clock.... And they do.



At the conclusion of the tour, we will offer you a souvenir as a token of thanks for choosing us to be your hosts for the day.

We truly enjoy showing visitors our part of this beautiful country.

Our aim is to make this tour, the best tour of your cruise.

Thank you: - John & Margaret Hanlon, Owner Operators.