

Taranaki Garden Festival

Friday 6 November 2015 - 9 November 2015

Awaken your senses with an impressive array of gardens. The Taranaki Garden Spectacular showcases a dynamic display of private & public gardens and we plan to visit as many as we can over the 4 days, including the world renowned Pukeiti Rhododendron trust.

Day 1 Friday 6 November 2015 HOME CITIES – NEW PLYMOUTH

Today we travel to New Plymouth travelling State Highway 3 via Te Kuiti, and the Awakino Gorge Road to Mokau. A stop here for you to purchase your lunch. Continuing on into New Plymouth we visit **Pukekura Park** with its many displays. We will then visit another garden (time permitting) before arriving at our hotel. During the tour we will utilize any spare time by visiting more local gardens. *Accommodation: Autolodge Hotel New Plymouth — 3 nights*

Day 2 Saturday 7 November 2015 TARANAKI GARDENS

This morning we start our day with a visit to **The Yews**. This is a formal garden, inspired by traditional English Style to complement the relocated grand old villa from the turn of the last century. We then continue on to the world renowned garden of **Pukeiti** where we enjoy the rhododendron and bush gardens, grass walks, mountain streams and glass houses. Time for lunch during this visit. This afternoon we head towards the seaside township of Oakura to visit the beautiful **Korurata Garden**. As you enter this country garden the sweeping drive and lawns enhance the overall design. Unexpected views of both Mount Taranaki and the sea can be seen across rolling farmland. Complimentary tea and coffee is available at this garden. If there is time available your driver will have another garden to visit.

Day 3 Sunday 8 November 2015 TARANAKI GARDENS

We have quite a selection of gardens to visit today in the areas of Inglewood, Stratford, Hawera and Manaia. This depends on the Gardens participating. We will have our lunch break in Stratford where you will have the opportunity to view the Glokenspeil. The glockenspiel housed in the clock tower is the only one of its kind in New Zealand. The music was accompanied by scenes from Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet, acted out by wooden figures (made by Nigel Ogle) in the windows near the base of the tower.

Day 4 Monday 9 November 2015 NEW PLYMOUTH – HOME CITIES

This morning, we will visit the *historical Tupare Grounds* and gardens. Tupare is an Arts and Crafts inspired property established in 1932 by Sir Russell and Lady Matthews. In the garden, reflecting Lady Matthew's legacy are a herbery, domestic glasshouse and cottage lawn borders. Her husband favoured rhododendron hybrids, camellias, fuchsias, hydrangeas, magnolias and deciduous trees including the beautiful dove trees Davidia involucrata which bloom during the festival. Before departing New Plymouth to make our journey home, we will *visit the stunning Te Rewa Rewa Bridge*.

Please note some gardens may change according to the 2015 programme.

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