

Waiheke Island is a short ferry ride from downtown Auckland but a world away. Ananda Tours offers a perfect guide to its art, wine and gourmet scene.

With an emphasis on friendly, professional service, Ananda Tours can create personalised tours of Waiheke Island to suit all groups, large or small. Travel in a comfortable minibus to three or more of the island's award-winning vineyards. Enjoy wine tasting and a scenic tour of Waiheke with commentary from one of Ananda's experienced guides, all of whom are locals with extensive knowledge of the island, its people and its produce. Visit olive oil producers, the galleries of renowned New Zealand artists, or take in some of Waiheke's white sand beaches and spectacular scenery. Enjoy wonderful food at one of the island's world famous restaurants.



The Exclusive Wine Tour

Ananda Tours invites you to enjoy a wonderful day on Waiheke Island in comfort and at your own relaxed pace.

Our private tour option allows you to craft your own personal itinerary, choosing from a delightful selection of fascinating people, places and tastes which combine to make Waiheke Island so unique.

- Premier Waiheke Wines and Vineyards, including Eastern End Vineyards
- "Gold Medal" Olive Oil
- Whittaker's Musical Museum
- Culinary delights to tempt the taste buds
- Gallery Exhibitions
- Sculpture and Garden Parks
- NZ renowned artists and their studios
- Bird and bush reserve & scenic walks
- Volcanic boulder fields
- Local cultural experiences
- "One off" special island events
- Incorporate activities such as Kayaking, Ziplining, Archery, Laser Claybird or Stand up Paddle Boarding (additional cost).

All our experienced guides are long-term Waiheke Island residents with an extensive knowledge of the island and its surrounds. Their knowledge makes the day informative and entertaining.

Minimum 2 people.

Depart 11am | Duration 5 hours (Waiheke-Waiheke)

The Gourmet's Food and Wine Tour

A natural complement to the fine wines you will taste on Waiheke is a range of hand-made specialty foods and locally-grown produce.

A visit to a local olive oil mill is followed by two boutique vineyards, each offering a range of gourmet tastes to accompany their wines, such as succulent oysters straight from Te Matuku Bay, wild honey, the famous local green herb spread and a small cheese board. Enjoy a commentated scenic tour including local history from your experienced guide. The tour includes a platter style lunch at one of our top vineyard restaurants (usually Mudbrick or Stonyridge Vineyard depending on availability). The platters consist of meats, seafood, bread and dips. Vegetarian options are also available. Beverages during lunch are at your own expense.

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Directions

Coming from Auckland, take the 10am Fullers Ferry to Waiheke Island as vineyards tend open 11am - 4pm. Ferries depart from Princes Wharf, Auckland Downtown. You do not need to book this ferry but make sure you turn up at least 15 mins prior to departure time. Ananda Tours can pre-book ferry tickets for you on request. The trip takes 45 mins.

We meet you with a sign welcoming you on the Waiheke wharf, Matiatia.

You return to Auckland on a 16:00 or 16:30 ferry. For groups of 6 or more we can arrange an itinerary around your time schedule.

Pick up and drop off available from Waiheke Ferry Terminal, Waiheke Accommodation, Helicopter and Private Charter landings.

Terms

GROUP SIZE Small Group or Private Tour option

CHILD POLICY 18 years or over for all wine tours

CANCELLATION 24 hours 100% | 48 hours 50% | other cancellations 20% | cancellation due to weather or mechanical reasons Full Refund

SEASON Open year round

CHRISTMAS Closed Christmas Day

Accommodation in this area

- [Great Ponsonby Art Hotel](#)
- [The Boatshed](#)
- [Warblers Retreat](#)