I warmly invite you on an extraordinary tour of New Zealand’s diverse landscapes and inspiring cultural riches. We’ve chosen this program as a unique opportunity to circumnavigate the South Island and visit not only the country’s must-see destinations but also its more remote locations.

Cruising the island’s coasts allows us up-close visits to spectacular Milford Sound, Dusky Sound, Doubtful Sound, and pristine Queen Charlotte Sound. We’ll stop in the world-famous Marlborough wine region and venture into nature’s sheer magnificence in UNESCO World Heritage-designated Fiordland National Park. Using Zodiac explorer boats, we’ll tour glacier-cut fiords, cascading waterfalls, and breathtaking valleys hung with kapua whakapipi (cumulus clouds). Our program focuses on the South Island, but also includes time to enjoy the magnificent harbor city of Auckland and learn more about the national tradition of sheep farming in the bucolic Northland country.

Our elegant home for this cruise is the Le Lâpêrouse, featuring 92 suites and staterooms as well as the world’s first multisensory underwater observation lounge, the Blue Eye. This intimately sized ship allows us to experience small ports and sounds inaccessible to larger vessels and to deftly alter course for marine life sightings.

Sir Peter Crane will join the onboard team of expert naturalists as our program study leader. We are thrilled to share his vast knowledge of New Zealand’s flora and fauna, and his passion for plant life and conservation within this fascinating itinerary. We look forward to welcoming you on board alongside alumni from the University of California - Berkeley, Columbia University, Georgetown University, University of Notre Dame, and members of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. To register visit yaleedtravel.org/newzealand20, or contact us at edtravel@yale.edu or 203-432-1952.

Best wishes from Yale,

Lauren Summers
Senior Director of Lifelong Learning and Travel, Yale Alumni Association

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Highlights

Visit the UNESCO World Heritage site of Te Wāhipounamu, encompassing 10% of the country and the world’s most intact ecosystem dating from prehistoric Gondwana.

Experience majestic glaciers, cavernous valleys, towering fiords, glacial lakes, rugged coastlines, snow-capped mountains, and plummeting waterfalls.

Look for kiwi, takahē, kea, and Hector’s dolphin, all found only in New Zealand.
Sir Peter Crane FRS is known internationally for his work on the diversity of plant life – its origin, fossil history, current status, conservation, and use. From 1982 to 1999 he was at the Field Museum in Chicago, and from 1999 to 2006 he was Director of The Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, one of the largest, most prestigious and influential botanical gardens in the world. He returned to Chicago in 2006 as the John and Marion Sullivan University Professor at The University of Chicago. From 2009 to 2016, he was the Carl W. Knobloch Jr., Dean of Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies.

Peter Crane was elected to the Royal Society – the U.K. academy of sciences – in 1998 and was knighted in the U.K. for services to horticulture and conservation in 2004. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Foreign Associate of the US National Academy of Sciences, a Foreign Member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, and a Member of the German Academy Leopoldina. He is currently President of the Oak Spring Garden Foundation in Virginia, an estate of Rachel Lambert Mellon that includes an exquisite garden as well as an exceptional library focused on the history of plant exploration, plant science, and the development of gardens and landscape design.

As a plant scientist Peter Crane has a special interest in the fascinating plant and animal life of New Zealand, which contains many unique and ancient species, some of which illuminate the deep history of the Southern Hemisphere continents. As an isolated island, New Zealand also illustrates the special challenges involved in conserving and managing its unique biological diversity for the future. Peter Crane is also interested in the history of botanical discovery on the island including the visit of Joseph Dalton Hooker, one his illustrious predecessors as Director of Kew, who visited New Zealand in 1841 as part of the Ross Expedition to Antarctica.

**Upcoming Trips**

**Elbe River Cruise**
March 31 to April 11, 2020
Prof. James Hepokoski, Music

**Circumnavigation of Iceland**
June 21 to 29, 2020
Prof. Maureen Long, Geology

**Cruising the Danube River**
June 21 to July 1, 2020
Prof. Harold Attridge, Divinity

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Yale Study Leader
Sir Peter Crane

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**ITINERARY**
**FEBRUARY 11-23, 2020**

**WELCOME PHONE CALL**
Tuesday, January 28 (tentative)
Join the group at 4PM EST for a pre-trip welcome call with Professor Crane in order to learn more about what to expect and to ask questions.

**DEPART THE U.S.**
Tuesday, February 11 and Wednesday, February 12
Depart the U.S. and cross the International Date Line.

**AUCKLAND, NORTH ISLAND**
Thursday, February 13
Arrive in cosmopolitan Auckland, the “City of Sails,” built around two beautiful harbors. Check into the deluxe, centrally located Pullman Auckland Hotel and join your traveling companions for the welcome reception this evening. (R)

**AUCKLAND**
Friday, February 14
One of the best collections of Māori taonga (treasures) in the world is housed in the Auckland War Memorial Museum, where an authentic Māori haka ceremonial war dance performance is arranged for our group.

The panoramic city tour features a visit to Bastion Point for stunning views of Waitemata Harbor and Auckland’s skyline. See charming Parnell Village, Auckland’s oldest neighborhood, with colonial-style terraced shops, cafés, and colorful flowers. (B)

**AUCKLAND FOR MURIWAI AND NORTHLAND COUNTRY**
Saturday, February 15
Visit black-sand Muriwai Beach for spectacular views of the Tasman Sea. See the Muriwai Gannet Colony and observe thousands of pairs of gannets tending to and protecting their chicks.

Meet friendly, local Kiwis and enjoy light refreshments at a family-run farmstead.

New Zealand is home to over 27 million sheep, a ratio of six sheep for every person. Learn about this important agricultural ranching tradition during a specially arranged sheep herding demonstration.

Near Matakana in the beautiful Northland, visit the playful open-air gardens and museum of the Sculptureum to see classic works by Cezanne, Chagall, and Rodin along with whimsical, modern-day sculptures. Lunch is included. (B/L)

**AUCKLAND/CHRISTCHURCH, SOUTH ISLAND**
Sunday, February 16
Fly from Auckland to Christchurch, known as “the most English city outside of England,” and the oldest established city in New Zealand.

The panoramic tour introduces you to this city in transition, where the restoration of Victorian architecture recaptures the charm of Britain as a renaissance of new structures emerges along the Avon River.

Visit the New Zealand Heritage site of Mona Vale. See the homestead designed by J.C. Maddison. Enjoy a guided tour of the gardens and fernery built for the 1907 New Zealand International Exhibition. See prominent Cathedral Square, the heart of Christchurch. Following lunch, embark Le Lapérouse. Attend the captain’s welcome reception on board this evening. (B/L/R/D)

**DUNEDIN**
Monday, February 17
Arrive in Dunedin, noted for its rich Scottish heritage. Dunedin is surrounded by dramatic, rolling hills with endless scenic vistas. See the Octagon and visit the grand, 1906 Flemish Baroque-influenced Dunedin Railway Station. Tour historic Olveston, the English country house in the city.

New Zealand’s only castle, Larnach (1871), was designed completely in Scotland and built atop a spectacular hill overlooking Otago Harbor. Enjoy a walk through its period rooms and magnificent, award-winning gardens. (B/L/D)

**DUSKY, DOUBTFUL, AND MILFORD SOUND/FIORDLAND NATIONAL PARK**
Tuesday, February 18 and Wednesday, February 19
Enter the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Te Wähipounamu, where, according to Māori legend, a demigod created what is now New Zealand’s stunning Fiordland National Park.

Experience the natural wonder of each new day as it dawns first in Aotearoa (New Zealand), due to its proximity to the International Date Line.

**Cruise Itinerary**

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**Air Routing**

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**UNESCO World Heritage Site**

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Enjoy a rare cruise into Dusky Sound, where sheer cliffs plunge into the sea and unbelievably beautiful Doubtful Sound, the deepest of the fiords, where waterfalls cascade down verdant slopes. Legendary Milford Sound offers majestic scenery worthy of novelist Rudyard Kipling’s appellation, the “Eighth Wonder of the World.”

Explore this topography of Alpine peaks, rugged shores, virgin rainforests, plummeting waterfalls, and pristine glaciers aboard Zodius guided by expert naturalists. See Mitre Peak, arguably one of the most photographed mountains in the country. Look for fur seals, dusky dolphins, Hector’s dolphins, the distinctive yellow crests of the Fiordland penguins, and the iconic pear-shaped flightless kiwi. (2B/2L/2D)

**CRUISING THE TASMAN SEA**  
*Thursday, February 20*  
Enjoy a day cruising the west coast of the Southern Alps, with enriching educational lectures. (B/L/D)

**PICTON FOR MARLBOROUGH AND BLENHEIM**  
*Friday, February 21*  
Cruise the beautiful coves and islets of Queen Charlotte Sound. The seaport of Picton serves as the gateway to the Marlborough District, New Zealand’s largest wine region and internationally acclaimed for its sauvignon blanc. Transfer through the fertile Wairau Valley to Blenheim and enjoy a wine tasting and tour.  
Tour the impressive Omaka Aviation Heritage Centre, home to a collection of authentic and replica World War I and II aircraft—many from the private collection of Sir Peter Jackson. (B/L/D)

**WELLINGTON, NORTH ISLAND**  
*Saturday, February 22*  
Cross the Cook Strait to Wellington, the capital of New Zealand and a historic site for the proud Māori. See the city’s Parliament buildings—including the distinctive “Beehive.” Tour Old St. Paul’s Cathedral, one of the finest examples of Gothic Revival architecture. Enjoy views of Wellington and Cook Strait from the top of Mount Victoria.  
Visit Te Papa Tongarewa, the national Museum of New Zealand showcasing an impressive Māori art collection. Attend the captain’s farewell reception this evening. (B/L/R/D)

**CHRISTCHURCH, SOUTH ISLAND/AUCKLAND/RETURN TO THE U.S.**  
*Sunday, February 23*  
Disembark the ship and continue on the Southern Alps and The Remarkables Post-Program Option or transfer to the airport for your return flight home. (B)

Included meals indicated each day as B/L/R/D = Breakfast/Lunch/Reception/Dinner.

**What is Included:**  
- Program of lectures and discussions with Professor Peter Crane.  
- Accommodation on double occupancy basis as per the itinerary.  
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary.  
- All entrance fees as per the itinerary.  
- Services of Travel Director during the tour as per the itinerary.  
- Complimentary alcoholic and nonalcoholic beverages served throughout the cruise.  
- Welcome & Farewell Receptions.  
- Complimentary Wi-Fi access aboard ship (conditions permitting).  
- Gratuities to ship personnel, local guides, and drivers on included excursions and transfers.  
- Transfers and luggage handling aboard if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with scheduled group transfer(s).  
- Port taxes.  
- Complimentary bottled water in your stateroom or suite and on excursions.  
- Emergency medical evacuation services.

**What is Not Included:**  
- Expenses of a personal nature like laundry, telephone/fax calls, Internet access unless otherwise specified, alcoholic beverages, camera/video camera fee at monuments, medical expenses, airport departure tax, etc.  
- Any insurance other than specified above.  
- Any meals or beverages that are not specified in the above inclusions.  
- Gratuities to hotel personnel.  
- International airfares and internal program airfare. Internal flights should be booked as part of your international air itinerary.  
- Expenses caused by factors beyond our control like rail and air plane delays, roadblocks, vehicle malfunctions, political disturbances, taxes, lost luggage, etc.  
- Any other services not mentioned in the inclusions.

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CATEGORIES

CATEGORY 8
$6,515
Picture window, single door onto private partial-wall balcony. Deck 3, forward. (limited availability)

CATEGORY 7
$7,715
Picture window, single door onto private partial-wall balcony. Deck 3, midship.

CATEGORY 6
$8,515
Expansive sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 4, forward.

CATEGORY 5
$9,315

CATEGORY 4
$9,515
Expansive sliding glass door, private balcony. Decks 5 and 6, aft. (limited availability)

CATEGORY 3
$10,115
Expansive sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 5, forward. (limited availability)

CATEGORY 2
$10,815
Expansive sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 5, midship. Single Pricing: $17,015

CATEGORY 1
$11,315
Expansive sliding glass door, private balcony. Deck 6, midship.

DELUXE SUITE
$12,515
Suite with expansive sliding glass door, large private balcony, sitting area with sofa. Decks 3, 4, 5, and 6. (limited availability)

PRESTIGE SUITE
$13,415
Two-room suite, expansive sliding glass door, larger private balcony, two bathrooms, two closets, large sitting area with sofa. Deck 5. (limited availability)

PRIVILEGE SUITE
$13,715
Large suite with expansive sliding glass door, larger private balcony, sitting area with sofa. Decks 5 and 6. (limited availability)

GRAND DELUXE SUITE
$14,715
Extra-large, two-room suite, expansive sliding glass door, spacious private terrace, full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath, sitting area with sofa. Decks 5 and 6. (limited availability)

OWNER’S SUITE
$15,115
Extra-large, two-room suite, expansive sliding glass door, spacious private terrace with outdoor Jacuzzi, full bathroom with tub and separate shower, additional half bath, sitting area with sofa. Deck 6. (limited availability)

Taxes and gratuities to ship personnel are included for all categories. Please call Yale Educational Travel for specific cabin availability.

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SPECTACULAR SYDNEY
Pre-Program Option
February 8-13
$1,995 per person, double occupancy
$2,095 per person, single occupancy
Experience life “down under” in Sydney, Australia. Enjoy the spectacular views of its harbor and an exclusive tour of the celebrated UNESCO World Heritage-designated Sydney Opera House. See the Royal Botanic Garden; tour the historic “Rocks” district; and visit the Yiribana Aboriginal Art Gallery, Bondi Beach, and The Gap. Accommodations are for three nights in the five-star SHANGRI-LA HOTEL SYDNEY.

NEW ZEALAND’S SOUTHERN ALPS AND THE REMARKABLES
Post-Program Option
February 23-27
$1,995 per person, double occupancy
$2,995 per person, single occupancy
Extend your journey in New Zealand’s interior in UNESCO World Heritage-designated Mount Cook National Park and in Queenstown. Enjoy panoramic views from Bob’s Peak and cruise aboard an antique steamship across scenic Lake Wakatipu, framed by the soaring mountain peaks of the Remarkables. Sample the acclaimed Otago region’s pinot noir during a wine tasting and visit delightful Arrowtown. Enjoy one night in the deluxe HERITAGE HOTEL, surrounded by snow-capped Alpine peaks, and three nights in the ideally located HOTEL ST. MORITZ.

Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.
To reserve, return the above form with your deposit of $1,000 per person to Yale Educational Travel. Final payment is due November 13, 2019.

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Sydney Pre-Program Option (per person)

| double | $1,395 | single | $2,095 |

New Zealand Post-Program Option (per person)

| double | $1,995 | single | $2,995 |

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Experience a rare circumnavigation of the South Island

Enjoy New Zealand’s natural history, from the verdant pastures of the Northland beyond Auckland on the North Island to the fiordlands at the tip of the South Island.

Immerse yourself in the unique Māori iwi (tribal) heritage and enjoy firsthand the friendly Kiwi culture.