

*Navigate Oceania*

## **5\* Kids Club – from Navigate Oceania**

**Auckland, New Zealand (May 2010). Launched this week at TRENZ (Tourism Rendezvous New Zealand), New Zealand's foremost inbound travel focused trade show is Navigate's latest offering within their suggested itinerary suggestions. 5\* Kids Club.**

You'll never hear: 'There's nothing to do' when you choose these Navigate Oceania lodges and resorts. Up and down the country there are fantastic opportunities for young ones and their folks to experience New Zealand's unique wilderness and wildlife, its superb beaches and water sports. You might find surfing lessons, ocean kayaking or bubbling mud pools, hot springs and a dinosaur hunt. There are fabulous cruises on rivers or harbours, sand duning or horse trekking. For quieter days there might be a Galaxy Tour followed by fish and chips on the beach, cooking lessons, astonishing inter-active museums, fishing from a local wharf or strawberry picking. Whether you stay in the city or in the countryside there's always something to do for the younger ones. Actually, it's probably what the grown ups wanted to do anyway.

The Navigate Collection of itineraries lists suggested itineraries themed around the most inspired destinations in New Zealand and the Pacific. Navigate Collection itineraries include Food & Wine, Chic, Spa Destinations, Luxury Golf, Eco Wilderness Adventures, Art & Architecture, Family Fun, Best Bed & Breakfast Discoveries, and Trout Fishing Adventures. New for 2010/11 Adventure itinerary, which is not for the faint hearted, and by demand our 5\* Kids programme.

Each of these unique experiences offers authentic adventure, challenging sport or matchless escapes in inspired destinations with world-class luxury lodges, resorts, boutique hotels and private islands. This resource is to assist luxury-market travellers to match their interests and passions with superbly planned and themed itineraries.

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Just four of our suggested 5\* Kids Club offerings – more at [www.navigateoceania.com](http://www.navigateoceania.com)

## WAIPOUA LODGE | WAIPOUA FOREST

World famous Maori guides lead you to see Tane Mahuta, the gigantic Kauri God of the Forest, and perhaps find a flightless Kiwi bird. The Kauri Museum gives kids a personal workbook on arrival. Explore our galaxy with New Zealand's largest private telescope at Astronomy Adventures, followed by fish and chips at Funky Fish Café. Professional surfing classes for teenagers at Bailey's Beach plus kayaks, picnics by lakes and waterfalls and bikes to ride around the lodge. Sand duning on the Hokianga sand dunes – boat ride across the sand dunes and keep going into the waves!

## SEAFIELDS | WHITFORD

A fabulous Kid's Sleepout and Playroom is an optional add-on to the Seafields Pavilion and The Shed luxury suites; it includes funky furniture, PlayStation, games and an oversized beanbag. Plenty of space for ball games in the extensive grounds, too. As well as a dedicated children's swimming pool, Seafields' has its own beach frontage and offers kayaking, rock pool explorations, paddling, flat-fi sheep spearing and great nature walks. Horse trekking and pony rides along the beach – and then a family barbecue by the big pool. Treasure hunts can be arranged.

## TREETOPS LODGE & ESTATE | ROTORUA

An amazing 'Children in the Treetops' programme introduces families to the wonders of Treetops 2500 acres of natural wilderness and to indigenous Maori culture. Classes include flax weaving, pumice carving, poi making plus Maori songs and dancing. Soak together in a natural hot spring and walk together to plant your very own tree. For older kids there's Archery/Clay Bird Shooting and Target Shooting, kayaking on a private lake and horse trekking. A Teddy Bears' Picnic will be a highlight for smaller ones and the whole family will be excited by Geo-caching, an up-to-the minute style of treasure hunting on the estate.

## HUNTLEY LODGE | CHRISTCHURCH

Christchurch, the Garden City, is packed with urban delights planned precisely for children and their parents. The Antarctic Centre is a must family visit for those who respect hardship and daring at the South Pole. The Christchurch Museum has an extraordinarily fascinating inter-active kid's area to explore and the beautiful Botanic Gardens have a truly outstanding playground for younger children, which also feature a dedicated pool. Kids really like telling their friends about visiting the Willowbank Wildlife Reserve and seeing the flightless national bird, the Kiwi bird. To prove it, every child visitor is given a 'Junior Keeper' Certificate.

**Navigate Oceania** is a collection of inspired destinations and unique experiences from New Zealand and the Pacific's best boutique hotels and luxury lodges, an exclusive private island, villas, spa destinations, a luxury expedition-style cruise, and a private motor yacht. Our members are: **New Zealand** Cavalli Island Retreat and Spa, Cavalli Islands; Paihia Beach Resort and Spa, Bay of Islands; Bay of Island Lodge, Bay of Islands; Cliff Edge Landing, Bay of Islands; Missionhills, Bay of Islands; Waipoua Lodge, Waipoua Forest; Takatu Lodge & Vineyard, Matakana; The Boatshed, Waiheke Island; Delamore Lodge, Waiheke Island; Stafford Villa, Auckland; Cotter House, Auckland; Seafields, Whitford; Kawaha Point Lodge, Rotorua; Treetops Lodge & Estate and The Pheasant House, Rotorua; Chalet Eiger, Lake Taupo; Tongariro Lodge, Tongariro National Park; Wharekauhau Country Estate, Martinborough; Bolton Hotel, Wellington; Edenhouse, Nelson; Split Apple, Abel Tasman; Claremont Country Estate, Canterbury; 36 Chester, Christchurch; Huntley Lodge, Christchurch; Elm Tree House, Christchurch; Release Private Retreat, Wanaka; Remarkables Lodge, Queenstown; **Fiji** Navutu Stars Resort, Yasawas; Royal Davui Island; Beqa Lagoon; **Cook Islands** Te Vakaroa Villas, Rarotonga. For more information on our experiences, visit [www.navigateoceania.com](http://www.navigateoceania.com).