Antarctic

McMurdo Station & Scott Base

Mt. Erebus 13,200 ft.

389 miles

Admiralty Range

Cape Hallett

Cape Adare

Oates Coast

Ninnis Glacier

South Magnetic Pole

422 miles

Baily Islands

1754 miles

Campbell Is.

Auckland Islands

1113 miles

Proposed Route

646 miles

Christchurch

1036 miles

Auckland

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"An Air New Zealand DC-10 eased down through the reflected glare of the great ice shelf, and at 16,000 ft. a splendid landscape stood out in sparkling clarity… a massive and strangely beautiful terrain drifted past."

Antarctica, February 15, 1977, as described by a correspondent aboard the first DC-10 flight over “The Ice.”

Following the success of its six Antarctic “day trips” in February and November of 1977, Air New Zealand has scheduled four more, commencing Tuesday November 7, 1978, and operating weekly. The flights will give YOU a unique opportunity to look down on the lonely land of Scott, Shackleton and Byrd, and their explorer-scientist successors. Your vehicle will be a long range Series 30 DC-10, one of the world’s most modern and comfortable airliners. Each flight will operate from Auckland to McMurdo Sound, nearly 400 miles beyond Cape Hallett on the northern Antarctic coastline (or, if weather so dictates, to the South Magnetic Pole and along the Antarctic ice cap past the Mertz and Ninnis glaciers). McMurdo Sound, in the Ross Sea, is the historic heart of most Antarctic exploration, and the main American base and New Zealand’s Scott Base are there. After its non-stop Antarctic “cruise”, the DC-10 will land at Christchurch in the South Island of New Zealand before returning to Auckland. The route (subject to weather conditions): Auckland, over Invercargill, to the Auckland Islands where the General Grant was wrecked (1696 miles). Auckland Islands to the Balleny Islands close to the edge of the summer pack ice (1113 miles). Ballenys to Cape Hallett (422 miles). Hallett to McMurdo (389 miles). McMurdo to Campbell Island (1754 miles). Campbell Island to Christchurch (646 miles). Christchurch to Auckland (464 miles).

Don’t forget to bring your sunglasses and camera.

**General Information**

* Dates Tuesdays, November 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th.
* Fare NZ fare $299 (Auckland to Christchurch or Auckland to Auckland). No children’s or infants’ discount.
* Flight Number TE901
* Class One Class Super Economy.
* Timings
  - Reporting time 7.00 a.m.
  - Departure Auckland 8.00 a.m. via Antarctica to arrive Christchurch 7.06 p.m.
  - Depart Christchurch 7.50 p.m.
  - Arrival Auckland 9.05 p.m.
* Inflight Entertainment Complimentary headsets. Ten channel audio entertainment. Special documentary movies.
* Inflight Commentary A commentator will be aboard each flight and providing conditions permit air-ground conversations will be relayed to passengers.
* Reservations May be made through any Air New Zealand Office or through your local Travel Agent.
* Payment Full fare must be paid within 14 days after your flight reservation has been confirmed.
* Flight Souvenirs Each passenger will receive the following souvenir items:
  - A full-colour souvenir menu.
  - A special 16 page photographic booklet in colour of Antarctic scenes taken from the air on previous Air New Zealand Antarctic flights.
  - A comprehensive map of Antarctica.
  - Plus informative material on the Antarctic region and points of interest.

* ALL FLIGHTS SUBJECT TO NEW ZEALAND GOVERNMENT APPROVAL AND TO WEATHER CONDITIONS. 
* NO REFUNDABLE IN EVENT OF FAILURE TO TRAVEL OR CANCELLATION BY PASSENGER.
Antarctic
The new adventure

It is unique among land masses . . .
the world’s highest and coldest
continent, aloof, isolated,
uncompromising . . . Antarctica.
And quite impossible for the
average person to visit until 1977
brought the era of Antarctic “day
trips” by jet.
There could be no greater contrast
between the conditions met by those
first into Antarctic seas and today’s
high-flying visitor.
The DC10 passenger has warmth
and even luxury as he looks down on
a beautiful but harsh terrain which
cruelly tested the hardihood of the
first explorers. He cruises in minutes
over areas which took men desperate
and trying days and weeks to traverse
early in the century.
Sentinel of McMurdo

From the DC-10 flight deck — two views of the 3704 metre Mount Erebus, which towers over the Ross Island scene.

Right: Erebus, capped by a plume, overlooks a frozen wasteland.
Conditions of Carriage and Special Conditions:
PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

A passenger ticket will be issued, and carriage will be governed by the conditions referred to therein.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS: Whilst every endeavour will be made to adhere to the proposed route, weather conditions may determine the actual route, according to the absolute discretion of the Captain of the aircraft.

No assurance is given as to what will be seen from the aircraft, and in the event the view is obscured or the proposed route is shortened or is not followed, no refund or part refund will be made.

The ticket issued is non-refundable in the event of failure to travel or cancellation by the passenger. Seat numbers will be allocated at random upon check-in at Auckland Airport. No guarantee can be given in respect of window seating and no requests for window seats will be accepted.

Whilst the aircraft is over the Polar Ice Cap and other points of interest, passengers will be expected to change seats so that all passengers may have equal viewing opportunity.

Cabin baggage is restricted to one piece per person.

In the unlikely event that your flight does not operate for any reason, the full refund will be made or an alternative flight may be offered.

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