



ACB MEETINGS Pre-Famil June 2022
Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland



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Nau Mai, Haere Mai

Welcome to Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland

Māori are the indigenous people – the tangata whenua – of New Zealand, and their culture is unique to our island nation. Early Māori called Auckland Tāmaki Makaurau – a place desired by many. It was a land desired for its fertile soils, abundant natural resources and harbours full of seafood. Today, this beautiful setting still draws people from all over the world.

As soon as you arrive into Auckland you will feel the warmth of our manaakitanga – our hospitality, generosity and openness of spirit. We welcome our visitors as guests. Discover this spirit as you connect with the people, land and stories that have shaped our region to create a truly genuine experience.

A place with soul, whose spirit will stay with you long after you've left





Why Auckland

Auckland's mix of big city style and beautiful landscapes open endless possibilities to reward and inspire.

Culture

Auckland's Polynesian flavour—including its unique Māori culture—is a major attraction for international visitors; and an abundance of activities and adventures on Auckland's doorstep will excite your delegates.

Stunning landscapes

Explore Auckland's sparkling harbours, our native forests, surrounding islands, beautiful vineyards, the golden calm of the eastern beaches, or the wildly dramatic black sands of the west coast. Explore rocky coastlines and sheltered bays. Auckland is a nature lover's paradise.

Action or relaxation

Auckland offers options to suit every guest: from active adventures kayaking or sailing on the beautiful Waitematā Harbour, to relaxing and enjoying the award-winning wineries of picturesque Waiheke Island.

Wildlife

Get up close to a range of species in remote wildlife sanctuaries, eco-safaris, conservation and marine reserves and our stunning Hauraki Gulf Marine Park, the only marine park in New Zealand, stretching over 1.2 million hectares.

Exquisite dining

Auckland produces top chefs, fresh seasonal produce, world-class wine, globally acclaimed craft beer, supreme dairy products, and succulent meats. Incredible restaurants make the most of the surrounding harbours and farms providing fresh, seasonal food, with cuisines and flavours to suit all tastes.

TĀMAKI MAKAURAU AUCKLAND PRE-FAMIL ITINERARY

Day One

Check in to [QT Auckland](#), Quirky, luxurious, and bold interiors are the redeeming features of this luxury Viaduct Harbour hotel, transformed from a former office building and rewarded with a prestigious refurbishment design award as a result.

Enjoy a picturesque 10-minute walk to [Park Hyatt Auckland](#), a stylish waterfront hotel to enjoy a formal dinner and traditional Māori entertainment while overlooking the sparkling lights of the Viaduct Harbour.

Not ready for bed? Have a nightcap in the Hotel's [Captain bar](#), a cosy den with plush chairs and a roaring fire – perfect for a winter's night, or check out the Viaduct Harbour's nighttime vibe.



Day two

The 'City of Sails' is arguably best viewed from the water, so ease into the day with a charter on [Rua Moana](#). Enjoy breakfast with views of the Waitematā Harbour on this impressive superyacht.

Back on dry land, head north to [Matakana](#). A foodie's haven, known for its markets, boutique food shops, artists, and spectacular vineyards.

Sip through a range of boutique wines accompanied by platters of fresh local produce in [Brick Bay's](#) stylish glass house. Cantilevered over a shimmering lake, take in the views before walking their impressive sculpture trail.

Escape to a world of creative wonder at [Sculptureum](#). Carefully curated to amuse, inspire, and delight visitors, this private collection includes more than 650 works of art that fill gardens and galleries bursting with colour and creativity. Works from around the world including Picasso, Chagall, Rodin, Chihuly, and Cezanne create an art experience unlike any other available in New Zealand. A local artist will join the group for a painting class - getting those creative juices flowing.

[Bluestone Estate](#) exudes a 'Hamptons meets New Zealand' vibe. Combining luxury with a relaxed style, this swish estate offers multiple inspirational spaces for events – you'll only be limited by your imagination.

Bypass the tar seal and soar back to the city with [Heletranz Helicopters](#). On this 20 minute journey, take in the breath-taking approach over the Waitematā Harbour and circle the Sky Tower for a birds eye view.

Enjoy pre-dinner drinks at the stylish, award-winning [QT rooftop bar](#) before dining at [Cocoon House](#). Enjoy a delicious menu curated by top New Zealand chef [Des Harris](#). Finish with a nightcap in the venue's lavish but ever so intimate bar, arguably the hidden treasure of the house.

Day Three

Visit [Cordis Auckland](#), New Zealand's biggest hotel for a site inspection of their stunning new Pinnacle Tower wing. With spectacular city skyline and Waitematā Harbour views, the interiors are sleek, streamlined, and luxurious yet minimalist, with contemporary finishes.

At the [Sky Tower](#) a glass faced lift will whisk you up into the clouds to experience incredible 360° views of Tāmaki Makaurau. Enjoy the stunning view, taking in ancient volcanoes, the sparkling sunlit harbour and beyond.

Experience a world where fantasy and reality collide at [Wētā Workshop Unleashed](#). Take a tour of this world of horror, sci-fi and fantasy while navigating enchanting environments, discombobulating displays and interactive technologies.

Test your skills, face a fearsome haka, and feel inspired by the legend of one of the most famous teams New Zealand has ever produced at the [All Blacks Experience](#).

Enjoy lunch at Mozzarella, Auckland's premier Italian trattoria at the newly opened [voco Auckland City Centre](#) hotel.



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TĀMAKI MAKAURAU AUCKLAND PRE-FAMIL CENTRAL AUCKLAND HOTELS & VENUES



QT Auckland

Recently opened in November 2020 and named Supreme Winner at the 2021 Hospitality Awards for Excellence. Quirky, luxurious, and bold interiors are the redeeming features of this luxury Viaduct Harbour hotel, transformed from a former office building and rewarded with a prestigious refurbishment design award as a result.



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Park Hyatt Auckland

Perfectly located on the water's edge, offering expansive views across the Waitematā Harbour. This hotel has 195 luxurious guestrooms, four restaurants and bars, a day spa, a 25-metre infinity pool, and a full fitness centre. Featuring interiors by Britain's Conran+Partners, the hotel's standard room of 47 square meters is a third more spacious than the average.



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Cordis Auckland

An elegant, upscale hotel situated in the lively upper end of Auckland's city centre, known for its creative and eclectic culture. The hotel offers 655 luxury rooms and suites, sophisticated restaurants, bars and excellent workout facilities. The stunning new Pinnacle Tower boasts 17 storeys of upscale accommodation offering sophisticated spaces, custom made furnishings, privately curated artworks, and a VIP suite and Club Lounge.



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voco™ Auckland City Centre

For a delightful escape that fuses the premium essentials with unexpected delights, voco™ Auckland City Centre is the perfect place to rest your head. Elevated among the beating heart of Auckland in the bustling centre of town. voco™ Auckland City Centre offers world-famous playful Kiwi charm in spades – from our attentive and thoughtful hosts to our spacious rooms and suites that will make you feel right at home.



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Cocoon House

Cocoon House is a truly boutique venue designed for exclusive and intimate gatherings and is something you just have to experience. Choose any combination of spaces or take over the whole house. With three floors of versatile and stunningly decorated spaces Cocoon offers both flexibility and exclusivity.



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Des Harris - Chef

Des Harris is widely regarded as one of New Zealand's most prominent and personable chefs and has led some of the finest kitchens in the country over a 25 year career, gaining countless accolades from restaurant critics and media alike.

Des offers a range of culinary experiences through to interactive hands on cooking classes.



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TĀMAKI MAKĀURAU AUCKLAND PRE-FAMIL MATAKANA VENUES



Sculptureum

A haven of art, food, wine and gardens, carefully curated to amuse, inspire and delight. Over 750 artworks displayed throughout six galleries, enjoy pieces from around the world including Picasso, Chagall, Rodin, Chihuly and Cezanne. Three sculpture gardens extend over 1.5km of flat paths with sculptures, reflective quotes, statement trees and colourful plantings that change with the seasons



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Brick Bay

The Glass House Restaurant is the spectacular home of Brick Bay Wines and gateway to the Brick Bay Sculpture Trail. Cantilevered over a shimmering lake, The Glass House offers relaxed all-day dining showcasing the freshest seasonal produce.

Make an inspired choice when planning your next group event or function. Enjoy lunch in The Glass House, take a stroll along the Sculpture Trail, then finish your visit with wine tasting or afternoon tea.



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Bluestone Estate

Beautiful private estate that exudes a 'Hamptons meets New Zealand' vibe. Combining luxury with a relaxed style, this swish estate offers multiple inspirational spaces for events – you'll only be limited by your imagination.

Touch of Spice

With an award-winning Luxury Stays portfolio, including Bluestone Estate, and our little black book of private chefs and expert guides, the Touch of Spice experience offers luxury travel in a league of it's own.



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NZ Tours & Transfers

A safe and reliable premium passenger transport solutions for all occasions. Operating a fleet of immaculately presented Mercedes vehicles ranging from S Class sedans through to executive mini vans and coaches.



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Pavlovich Coachlines

Since 1938, Pavlovich Coachlines have been building a business that is dedicated to the needs of their clients and passengers.



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Rua Moana

Boarding this superyacht guests leave the everyday world behind and enter a realm of effortless luxury. Rua Moana can accommodate up to 60 people and guests can enjoy fishing, water, and beach sports, all accompanied by fine wine and delicious cuisine – featuring locally sourced seafood – prepared onboard.



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Helitrans Helicopters

Fly over the Sky Tower and Auckland city, sparkling harbours and islands, dramatic coastlines and golden beaches. Step from a private helicopter into a vineyard or fine dining restaurant, experience heli-golfing on a world-class course or land in a secluded bay for a spot of fishing.



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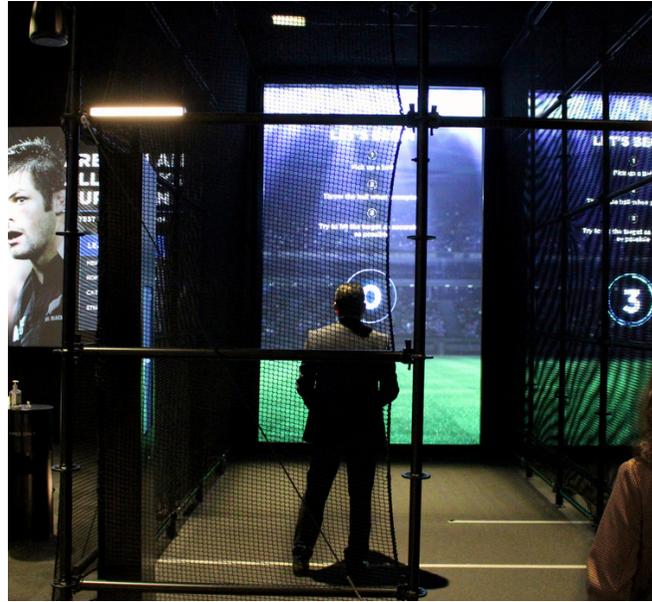


Sky Tower

It's hard to imagine an Auckland skyline without the iconic Sky Tower. For over 24 years now, this magnificent 328m high structure has been the focal point of our beautiful city, rising up out of the land to delight locals and visitors alike. So join us above the clouds to experience incredible 360° views of Tāmaki Makaurau, taking in ancient volcanoes, sparkling sunlit harbours and beyond.



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All Black's Experience

A state-of-the-art guided encounter that showcases the All Blacks, New Zealand's national rugby team, through exceptional innovation and technology. Follow the journey a player makes from club rugby to joining the legendary All Blacks. Experience the excitement and emotion of game day and discover the stories behind some of rugby's most famous players.



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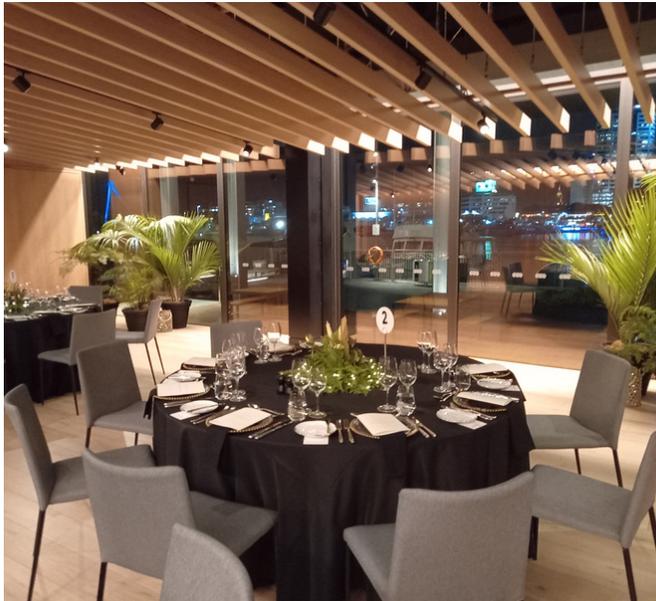
Wētā Workshop Unleashed

A fantastical film FX experience immersing guests in movie magic. Winners of five Academy Awards and four BAFTAs for bringing cinematic worlds to life in movies including Avatar and The Lord of the Rings. Wētā Workshop Unleashed is part film set and part creative workshop. Guests explore props and costumes and can try their hand at building a miniature world, sculpting, special effects make-up and prosthetics.



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TĀMAKI MAKAURAU AUCKLAND PRE-FAMIL STYLING, ENTERTAINMENT AND SERVICES



The Events Group

We are passionate about delivering corporate events, themed events and team building experiences that drive results for our clients.

From themed events and unique conferences to fresh team building events – whatever your desire we’ve got it covered. We’ll bring our fresh ideas to the table and obsess over the finer detail to ensure your event is flawless. Put simply, we’re corporate event experts and we’ve got you covered.



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HIWA

Hiwa is a Māori cultural provider that caters to all occasions wanting to add a unique Māori influence.



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Lissa Reyden Photography

Available throughout Auckland and New Zealand wide providing unobtrusive professional coverage with experience in a variety of events large and small.



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The Iconic Blond

"Platinum blonde, alluring charm and a voice that will soften the hardest of hearts"

Jazz singer and West End performer, Verity Burgess presents a one woman singing cabaret show - Her contrasting vintage set will transport you to the jazz era with swinging standards, romantic ballads and well-known pop classics with a twist.



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Bluebells Cakery

Looking to add something sweet to your next work function or advertising campaign?

Bluebells Cakery is Auckland's top boutique bakery, specialising in beautiful hand-iced: cupcakes, celebration cakes, catering, High Tea and other baked treats.



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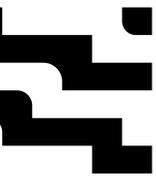


Helene Carpenter Artist

Helene is a warm and encouraging artist who has taught and exhibited in London, New York, Singapore and across Australia; her own art practice is lusciously wide-ranging in style.



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