



**Above** Bay of Islands



# WELCOME TO AUCKLAND & THE BAY OF ISLANDS

Reluctantly leave Auckland's harbour-fringed urban charms and chart a path north to sleepy harbours, compact coves and destinations etched into this young nation's heritage.

The Bay of Islands combines natural beauty with Māori and colonial history and further north is windswept and spiritual Cape Reinga.

The upper west coast of New Zealand's North Island is less developed but equally spectacular, and Auckland is the perfect base for journeys combining fine wine, farmers markets and local wildlife.

Just a short drive away, the stunning Coromandel Peninsula is fringed by some of NZ's finest beaches and most spectacular coastal road trips.