## Canterbury Trails PERSONALLY GUIDED TOURS

## AKAROA AND BANKS PENINSULAR FARM TOUR

**Tour Code: AK03** 

The harbour town of Akaroa is approximately 90 minutes driving time from Christchurch. Akaroa sits within the eroded crater of an extinct volcano, a small town set in a dramatic landscape of harbour and hills, rich in both French and Māori history. Akaroa waters are home to Hector's Dolphins, the world's smallest dolphin.

The journey from Christchurch explores the volcanic Summit Road which (on a clear day) affords spectacular views of Christchurch, the Canterbury Plains, Lyttleton and Akaroa harbours. The highway passes through the historic and arty town of Little River and runs alongside unique wetlands.

During the day you will have the opportunity to explore Akaroa's art and craft shops, or wander through the Museum which is full of Settler's history. You will also visit a Banks Peninsula sheep farm where you can marvel at working sheep dogs doing what they love and watch a sheep shearing demonstration. Lunch is enjoyed at an award winning harbourside café and a farmstyle morning or afternoon tea is included.

If time permits on the journey to/from Christchurch we visit the Cheese Factory at Barry's Bay and the Little River Art Store.

Please note that the order of events are subject to the timing of the Sheep Farm visit.



## **Tour Inclusions:**

- Travel by luxury vehicle
- Crater rim scenic drive with spectacular views (weather permitting)
- · Visit a working sheep farm.
- Delicious picnic style morning or afternoon tea
- Cafe lunch in Akaroa
- Courtesy city hotel / home-stay pickup and drop-off.
- Fully escorted with informative commentary.

Departure time: 8.15 - 8.30am Return: Approx 5.15 pm.