



### 3- day guided “Pure Abel Tasman”

Thank you for choosing “The Sea Kayak Company”, the following will provide you with the basis of our trip plan, remembering because of the nature of this activity; trip plans may need to be alternated because of weather or sea conditions. Each camp site is unique, but all have a beautiful golden sand beach, fresh water, toilets and a great view. Some campsites are close to the main coastal track; others are water access only

#### Day One:

Your trip starts at our Motueka base where we introduce you to your guide and other members of your group. After the introductions we travel to Marahau, the southern most road access into the National Park. Here we pack and launch the kayaks and cruise quietly along the coast with breaks for exploration on the islands and coves of the historic Astrolabe Roadstead. You pass the “Mad Mile”, a rugged exposed section of the coast and the picture perfect Te –Pukatea Bay, perhaps with time for a walk to Pitt Head and a photo stop.

By now you are at ease in your kayaks and head to the first campsite for your evening in paradise. Kayaks are unpacked, tents pitched, you relax while your guide prepares the evening meal.

#### Day two:

We head north along the Abel Tasman Coast to Tonga Island, where a resident colony of inquisitive fur seals lives, a kayak is the perfect place from which to view the seals aquatic acrobatics. Tides permitting Shag Harbour will be a treat your guide will share with you, as well as the magnificent Tonga Arches

Camp is set up once again for the magical night ahead under the stars of the “Milky Way” On long summer evenings you may want to explore the bush, beach, rock pools or simply relax!

### Day three:

The middle section of the park has many enchanted places, and today as you return you will be seeing the little spots you may have passed on the way north such as the Sandfly Lagoon and Falls River, where ancient trees and ferns grow. The journey home is generally with a sea breeze developing around midday, so we rig the specially designed sail and gently cruise back to Marahau Beach.

We then transport you back to our base in Motueka for a warm shower a swim in our pool, or use of our free WIFI

### What to bring:

- Quick drying shorts or swim wear. Avoid cotton T's when possible. Polypro underwear is best with fleece top. Long sleeved shirts are a good idea for summer when the sun is very strong.
- Sleeping bag liner
- Hat, sunscreen & sunglasses
- Insect Repellent
- Towel
- Light walking shoes/ sandals, water bottle
- Camera and headlamp / torch
- Warm clothes to change into after paddling including; Trousers, long sleeve top and fleece top, socks

### Check in Times:

7.45 a.m. meet at Motueka Base, 506 High Street. If you are staying Marahau night before your trip let us know and we'll advise alternate pick up time.

5.00 p.m. back at Motueka Base on day three.

### Frequency of Tours:

Tours depart twice a week. Minimum numbers required. Maximum of 8 people per group. Group bookings available

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