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Greetings Traveller

This month we've got yet another bumper competition edition with four fantastic prize packages to be won.

First up some exciting news - we are launching our very own [Twitter page](#) and to kick it off, we're got a fabulous [Classic Coromandel Prize Package](#) to be won. All you have to do is follow us and send us a [tweet!](#)



Then we've got two prize packages up for grabs in the stunning [Central Otago](#) region - a [Discover Naseby package](#) and a chance to enjoy [Alexandra's famous Blossom Festival](#). If you're the adventurous type, then [enter our Wild Waitomo competition](#) for an awesome Lost World experience valued at over \$750.

Congratulations to the winner of our Win a Snow Time at Ruapehu competition, John Bassett.

From the team at Jasons Explore!

New Zealand



Discover Naseby - a winter wonderland

Winter in Central Otago is A World of Difference, with cold, crisp clear days and snow-capped mountains dotting the horizon, stunning hoar frosts where the land and everything on it is crystallised into a fantastical winter wonderland, and a host of winter activities to warm the cockles of your heart.

Sitting among shady trees at the head of the sun-bleached Maniototo Plain (10 minutes off SH85), winter is an especially busy time at the historic goldmining town of Naseby. Often referred to as the 'Jewel of the Maniototo', Naseby is the most charming of Otago's gold rush settlements with a wealth of surviving Victorian architecture. Gold was discovered here in the 1860s and as many as 5000 diggers once toiled on its gold fields. Naseby's present day, permanent population is 100, but this swells to upwards of 3000 people during the holiday season, as visitors come to enjoy this corner of the Maniototo.

You'll find plenty of recreational activities to keep you toasty warm during the winter months. From indoor and outdoor curling to ice skating, ice hockey and the Southern Hemisphere's only natural luge track, Naseby without a doubt is the 'Ice Capital' of New Zealand.

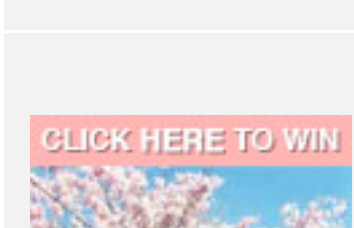
Try your hand at the ancient Scottish ice-sport of curling. Curling was introduced to Central Otago by Scottish gold miners in the 1800s, probably to pass the time when frozen winters made working impossible! Nowadays, curling can be done indoors all year round at the Maniototo Curling International Rink, the Southern Hemisphere's first international and Olympic standard indoor curling rink.

Or why not sample the traditions of crampit curling on the adjacent outdoor artificial rink? Opened in 1991 on the site Brown's Pond, this outdoor ice skating rink is popular with families for a day on the ice and is open over the winter months. The rink also hosts a full programme of ice hockey and curling competitions during the season. [Read more...](#)

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[WIN a Discover Naseby Prize Package - Central Otago](#)
Enter to win our special winter Discover Naseby Prize Package for two! Package includes 2 nights + breakfast at The Old Doctors Residence, a curling experience, a half day 4WD tour of the high country with Maniototo 4WD Safaris and a Totally Central Gift Basket. Valid from 1/8/09 to 30/11/09. [Enter now.](#)



[WIN an Alexandra Blossom Festival Prize Package - Central Otago](#)
Enter to win this fantastic prize for 2 and get to take part in Alexandra's colourful iconic celebration of the spring season! Prize includes 2 nights at Centennial Court Motor Inn, tickets to Saturday in the Park, garden tour tickets and a Totally Central Gift Basket! NB: Prize is only valid for the weekend of 26-28 September 2009. [Enter now.](#)



[WIN a Wild Waitomo Weekend for Two](#)
Enter to win a fantastic Wild Waitomo Weekend for two worth over \$750! Prize package includes a 4-hour Lost World Adventure, a night's accommodation at Waitomo Top 10 Holiday Park, evening meals to the value of \$120 at HUUH Cafe and breakfast or lunch to the value of \$30 at Bosco Cafe in Te Kuiti. [Enter now.](#)



[Twitter with Jasons and win a Classic Coromandel Prize Package for two](#)
To celebrate the official launch of Jasons on Twitter, up for grabs is a Classic Coromandel Prize Package for two. Prize includes 2 nights at Tahaia Lodge, a scenic boat cruise with Glass Bottom Boat and a 1/2 day kayaking tour with Cathedral Cove Sea Kayaking. All you have to do is follow us and send us a tweet. For more info [click here.](#)



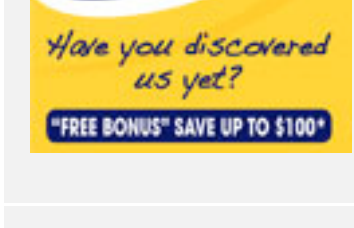
[Host Accommodation - Have you discovered us yet?](#)
FREE BONUS save up to \$100*. Stay 11 nights over 12 months with Host Accommodation and save up to \$100 off your 12th night stay (*some conditions apply). Host Accommodation properties are independently assessed by Qualmark, NZ Tourism's official quality mark.



[Taupo - save 30% this winter!](#)
Huka Falls Resort - the perfect family or group option for your next stay in beautiful Taupo. Pay \$185 per villa per night (sleeps up to 4) plus kids under 12yrs dine for free. Close to all Taupo attractions and the ski fields. Subject to availability. Extra person rates apply (can sleep up to 6). Conditions apply. Valid to 30/9/09.



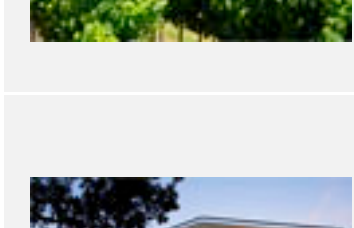
[Bay of Islands - 6 nights for the price of 4 on Russell's waterfront](#)
Escape to the more temperate climate of NZ's magical Bay of Islands. Book a stay at Hananui Lodge and Apartments from now to 12/10/09 and we'll give you 6 nights for as little as \$460 so you'll pay for 4 nights and enjoy another 2 nights with our compliments! Includes one full room service for the week. Subject to availability. Only one promotion per stay.



[Waitomo Adventure Centre - early bird booking special!](#)
Save 20% on any of our 5 amazing adventure options. Choose from Tumu Tumu Toobing (blackwater rafting), Haggas Honking Holes, Lost World 4 hour and Waitomo's ultimate adventure - the Lost World 7 hour epic. Must book and pay not less than 12 hours in advance of departure. Valid to 30/9/09.



[Wellington - A seat at Antonio's Table and a room with a view for \\$139pp!](#)
Stay the night at 83 By The Sea in one of the Harbour View rooms and lunch is waiting for you just a short walk around the corner at *La Bella Italia!* Package for 2 costs \$139pp and includes accommodation in a Harbour View Room, two seats at Antonio's Table, hand selected degustation of 4-5 dishes, a glass of wine and coffee to finish. Valid to 31/8/09.



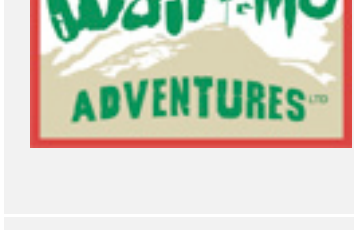
[Mountain Heights Lodge - Winter 2 night Midweek Special](#)
Visit Mount Ruapehu midweek and enjoy the quieter slopes and a special rate! Special costs \$220 (including GST) and includes 2 nights in our comfortable 1brm motel units (based on 2 people sharing). Extra person \$15/night. Valid Sunday to Thursday nights, outside school holidays. Minimum stay 2 nights. Valid to 29/10/09.



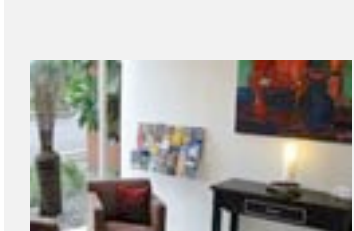
[Taupo - Wairakei Winter Warmers at Bayview Wairakei Resort](#)
Take advantage of our amazing 8 Day Sale! Stay any night between 21-28 July and pay just \$99/night. Includes golf for 2 on our 9-hole golf course OR check out our 'Bed and Breakfast For Two' package which costs \$165 and includes 1 night's accommodation and a hearty cooked breakfast. B&B package valid to 29/9/09.



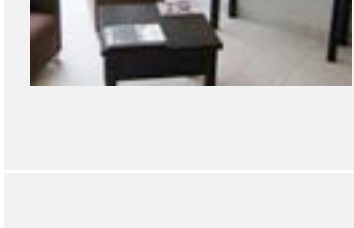
[Lose the Blues - Whitianga Winter Package Deal for Two](#)
Explore the wonderful Coromandel from your luxury 1brm apartment. Two people book a 2 night package deal at The Esplanade Apartments in Whitianga and pay just \$360 (includes GST)! Package includes a free day pass (worth \$80) for two people to the fabulous 'Lost Spring' luxury hot pools and spa. Subject to availability. Valid to 30/9/09.



[Taupo Treat for Two at Reef Resort Motel & Apartments](#)
Situated right on the lake edge of Lake Taupo with great views of the lake and snowcapped mountains. Choose from a romantic getaway package deal in our luxury lake edge apartment (\$350/night) or a stay in a luxury 1brm unit (\$165/night) or 1brm \$150/night (no views). Min stay 2 nights. Valid to 31/8/09.

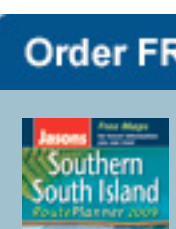


[Wonderful Whangamata - Stay 3 nights and pay for only 2 - \\$300 for two!](#)
Only a stone's throw from the golden sands of the fabulous beach, you'll find the relaxed luxury of Marine Reserved Holiday Apartments. Two people stay 3 nights and pay for only 2 in a 2 or 3brm apartment! Apartment sleeps up to 6; extra person \$20/night. Valid to 1 December 2009. Subject to availability.



[Taupo - spoil yourself and save at Clearwater Motor Lodge](#)
Take a winter break and save up to 30% when staying 2 or 3 consecutive nights in a luxury lake edge unit with in-room spa and lake views. Stay 2 nights (excl Sat) and pay \$290 (save \$90); stay 3 nights and pay \$399 (save \$170)! Package includes continental breakfast daily for two. Offer applies to 2 people and is valid to 20/9/09. Subject to availability.

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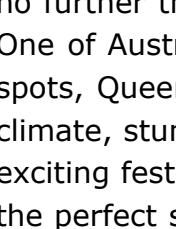
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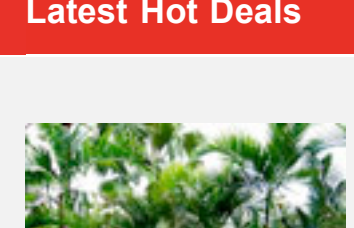
If you're looking for a spring holiday destination that offers an unbeatable line-up of world-class festivals and events, magnificent beaches and vibrant cities, then look no further than sunny Queensland. One of Australia's favourite holiday spots, Queensland's warm tropical climate, stunning scenery and exciting festival calendar make it the perfect spot to getaway from the winter blues, so read on and find out what's on offer for the rest of this year. [Read more...](#)

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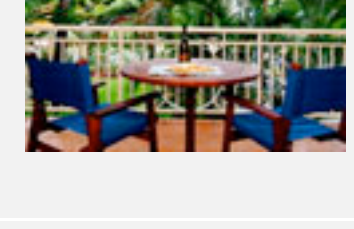


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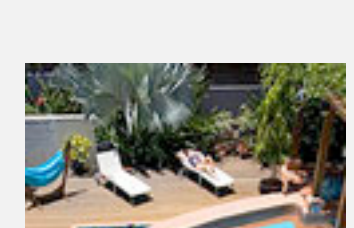
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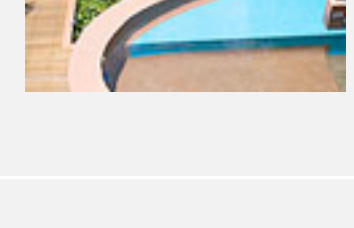
[Queensland - Escape the winter doldrums with this 7 night package!](#)
Come and relax in the sun near the beach at The York Beachfront Holiday Apartments. Package for two includes 7 nights in an Oceanfront Luxury 1brm apartment and complimentary champagne and chocolates on arrival. Located just 15min from Cairns CBD. Subject to availability. Valid to 4/10/09.



[Port Douglas, Queensland - Stay 7 nights, pay for 5!](#)
Relax in luxury at Freestyle Resort Port Douglas and enjoy the best of Port Douglas and Tropical North Queensland. 1&2brm apartments overlook a tropical reserve on one side and lush tropical gardens on the other. Easy walk to main street and beachside of Port Douglas and Four Mile Beach. Subject to availability. Valid to 24/9/09.



[Tasmania - 2 nights plus buffet breakfast daily for \\$159pp!](#)
Spend 2 nights at the multi award-winning Old Woolstore Apartment Hotel with full hot buffet breakfast daily for just \$159pp, twin share! Package includes 2 nights in a Studio Apartment with breakfast in *Stockman's Restaurant* each morning. Centrally located - within a stone's throw of the city centre and a block from Hobart's waterfront. Valid to 30/9/09.



[Cairns - Beat the Winter blues at Waterfront Terraces](#)
Come and join us in our tropical QLD paradise for 5 nights and get one night free plus more! Package includes one free night (+ bonus extra 20% off accommodation if you book 60 days in advance*), river cruise and dinner for 2* and wireless internet. Valid from 1/11/09 to 15/12/09, 16/1/10 to 31/3/10, 15/3/10 to 15/6/10. *Conditions apply.

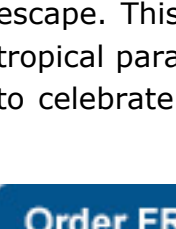
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If you're about-to-be-wed, newly wed or just romantic at heart, then Fiji is the ultimate romantic escape. This idyllic and relaxing tropical paradise is the perfect place to celebrate [Read more...](#)

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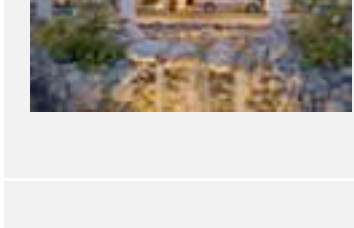


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[Fiji - Sofitel Fiji Resort and Spa - FJD\\$299/night](#)
Let Sofitel Fiji's Kids Club take care of your children while you enjoy the sun! Plus you'll wake up to a sumptuous champagne breakfast. Package costs FJD\$299/night and includes accommodation in a Resort View room and daily buffet breakfast for 2 adults and 2 children (under 12yrs). Valid to 5/10/09 (excludes 30/7/09 to 1/8/09).



[Fiji - Early Bird Special at Novotel Nadi - FJD\\$159/night](#)
Take advantage of our Early Bird Special rate of FJD\$159/night in our Novotel Guest Room. Package includes full breakfast for 2 adults and 2 kids (up to 15yrs), airport transfers, complimentary golf and club hire at our very own 9-hole golf course and late check-out of 1pm. Includes taxes. Subject to availability. Valid to 6/10/09.



[Fiji - Romance Me Nadi Offer](#)
Book with Mercure Fiji for this special rate of FJD\$139/night for 2 adults and 2 children (under 16yrs). Package includes upgrade to Deluxe Room, a bottle of bubbles on arrival, complimentary airport transfers and late check-out of 1pm. Includes taxes, breakfast not included, subject to availability and valid to 5/10/09.