

New Zealand

Less chartered waters

Leave the beaten track behind and head further afield to experience fair winds and fine living down under

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Spanning some 15,000 kilometres (9,300 miles) the coastlines of both North and South Island are a wonderful canvas of bays and beaches, offering perfect conditions for cruising. Famous for its outdoor lifestyle, not only does its unmatched landscape of rainforests, glaciers, rivers, lakes, alpine mountains and spectacular coastlines lend itself to adrenalin-pumping activities, it also has something for the more traditional sportsman as New Zealand is home to more than 400 golf courses.





Garden of Eden

hurakia lodge



Boutique retreats are abound in New Zealand, but there is one very special place in the Gulf of Hurakia that stands out from the crowd. Set high on a hill on a private island, only minutes away from downtown Auckland, Hurakia Lodge is a small piece of paradise that can be only be accessed by private yacht or helicopter

Hurakia Lodge is located on the privately owned Rakino Island – a rugged and hilly island in the Hauraki Gulf just a stones throw from the bustling city of Auckland to one side and Waiheke Island to the other. Only six minutes from Auckland by helicopter and 35 minutes by boat, the privately owned Hurakia Lodge is set amongst 20 acres with spectacular 360 degree views over the surrounding island and Gulf. With its own private access to a sheltered jetty, the Lodge is the perfect base for exploring the surrounding aforementioned vineyards of Cable Bay and Destina Bay, or simply staying on the island with its many activities including kayaking, fishing and mountain biking, amongst others. Built to the highest architectural standards, the Lodge is 100% self sufficient with its own integrated rainwater collection system and solar panelling. The design is a testimony to open contemporary architecture that seamlessly blends into nature while offering the quality facilities of the most luxurious resorts. Natural colours, a variety of local materials, including several different woods, ensures that the prop-

erty blends seamlessly with its surroundings. The Lodge accommodates 10 guests five double bedrooms with ensuite bathrooms, spacious indoor and outdoor living areas including pool, sauna and spa, and a personal chef and host.

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