

New Zealand's political and cultural heart is a sophisticated and convenient destination to hold a business event. Perched alongside a picturesque harbour and surrounded by nature, Wellington is a compact city with a vibrant culinary scene, great shopping, museums, and galleries and plenty of opportunities to enjoy its outdoor beauty. The capital city is known for its government agencies, world-class education institutes, blockbuster filmmakers, and its strengths in the tech sector and scientific research, ensuring a strong knowledge hub for events.

ACCESS

Award-winning Wellington International Airport, just 10km from the city centre, is well serviced by four international airlines. Air New Zealand, Qantas, Jetstar, and Fiji Airways provide direct access to Wellington from Fiji and Australia. Frequent direct flights with Auckland and Christchurch provides easy connectivity with other cities including direct flights from Hong Kong, Seoul, Shanghai, Singapore, Taipei, Tokyo, and a growing number of cities in the United States. The short 15-minute drive into the city can be taken on the Airport Express electric bus or by taxi, coach, or rental car.

VENUES

Tākina Wellington Convention & Exhibition Centre boasts 10,000 sqm of flexible events space over two levels, with the ability to host multiday conferences for 1,600 people. Located in the heart of the city's cultural precinct, delegates have easy access to Wellington's awardwinning eateries, many hotel rooms, and vibrant arts scene right on the doorstep of their conference.

Venues Wellington has the largest range of meeting and conference spaces in Wellington. With five options to choose from, there is something for everyone, from the heritage character of the 100-year-old Opera House or St James Theatre, to the versatility of TSB Arena and Shed 6, or the sleek contemporary space of the Michael Fowler Centre.

Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa is one of the world's top 25 museums and an iconic venue. Its conference rooms can accommodate up to 900 people and its foyer can host grand gala dinners. Te Papa means 'our place' in Māori and the museum is an amazing interactive showcase of New Zealand history.

Parliament's venues will allow delegates to experience the iconic grandeur at the heart of New Zealand's democracy. Hosting up to 450 people, the elegant venues are complemented by world-class fine

dining restaurant Bellamy's, and guided tours are available daily to complete the Parliamentary experience.

All these venues are an easy walk from each other, allowing organisers to build a varied and easily managed event programme.

ACCOMMODATION

Wellington offers a range of accommodation options, with more than 4,000 rooms available across boutique hotels, self-serviced apartments, and fully serviced global hotel brands, all within easy walking distance of the city centre.

GETTING AROUND

Wellington is very walkable, and it offers a variety of eco-friendly transport options including more than 400 e-scooters and 300 e-bikes for hire. The city has an extensive bus network with over 100 routes, and licensed taxis, ridesharing, and car rental services are available. The ferry system connects Wellington to the South Island, and there are five train lines to regional Wellington. Visitors can also take the iconic Wellington Cable Car to Kelburn for breathtaking views.





MEMORABLE INCENTIVE OPTIONS

EXPLORE sites made famous by The Lord of the Rings trilogy on a tour with Wellington Rings Tours or Wellington Movie Tours. Stop by the Wētā Cave to explore Wētā Workshop's award-winning creativity in films including The Hobbit, Avatar, and Ghost in the Shell.

SPOIL YOURSELF at the luxurious Boomrock Lodge, just 25 minutes' drive north of Wellington. Race hot-laps on the lodge's purpose-built car testing circuit or try extreme golf, clay bird shooting, archery and axe throwing.

SAVOUR fine wine in the famous wine region and home of New Zealand pinot noir, just one hour north of Wellington. For a unique experience, arrange an exclusive 'meet the winemaker' event during a vineyard tour.

SOAR high above Wellington on a scenic helicopter flight tour for spectacular views over the city, Cook Strait, and the rugged south coast. Or explore the city on a half-day guided e-bike tour.

INDULGE in a personalised cooking class with New Zealand celebrity chef Ruth Pretty at her stunning home in Springfield on the Kāpiti Coast.

EXPERIENCE the capital's culinary and coffee culture first-hand at one of Wellington's many eateries. Blend your own gin at Southward Gin, or Fine Art Tours NZ runs personalised local artisan food tours of the central city and Wairarapa.

PRE AND POST TOURING OPTIONS

RIDE the iconic Wellington Cable Car. Take in stunning views across the city and harbour at the lookout then discover the Māori creation story and view the southern skies through a 150-year-old Thomas Cooke telescope at Space Place, housed at Carter Observatory. Return to the city through the picturesque Wellington Botanic Garden.

EXPLORE the beautiful Kāpiti Coast, one hour north-west of Wellington, where you can spend time at Kapiti Island, one of New Zealand's oldest and most important nature reserves.

ENCOUNTER New Zealand's national bird, the flightless kiwi, at Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne. The ecosanctuary has a 500-year vision to restore the area, just 10 minutes from central Wellington. Alternatively, explore the rugged south coast by safari and see New Zealand fur seals.

HOP ABOARD the Interislander ferry across the Cook Strait to Marlborough. Explore the Marlborough Sounds on a nature cruise, devour Greenshell™ mussels, sample world-famous sauvignon blanc or walk or mountain bike along the Queen Charlotte Track.

JOURNEY along the Classic New Zealand Wine Trail. Wellington sits in the heart of the trail, a journey from Hawke's Bay to Wairarapa and across to Marlborough in the South Island - three regions that produce more than 80% of New Zealand's wine.













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