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# **New Zealand** Study Tour 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020 Tomato Potato Psyllid (TPP) Southern Agricultural Field Days



## **Tour Inclusions**

Key sights: Alex McDonald Seed Potato Specialists & Merchants; NZ Plant & Food Research Centre Lincoln; potato plant tissue culture; minituber production facilities; Integrated Pest Management (IPM); potato farms (seed, processing, vertically integrated and mixed enterprise); meetings with growers, Potatoes NZ, TPP researchers and industry suppliers; potato farming machinery from Grimme and Landpower; NZ grower field walk; International Industry Dinner (Australia and NZ); Countdown Supermarket; Heartland Crisping; Southern Agricultural Field Days; southern - most tip of mainland NZ 'Stirling Point'; International Antarctic Centre; Bill Richardson Transport World

#### Guides:

- Elizabeth Wharton,
- Sebright Adventures Chief Experience Officer
- NZ potato industry specialists

Transportation: Private air-conditioned coach.

Hotels: Centrally located. Double, single or twinshare rooms available with ensuite.

Included Meals: 4 breakfasts (B) 3 mornings teas (MT) 2 lunches (L) 3 afternoon teas (AT) 4 dinners (D)

Tour numbers: Maximum 30 people.

# This tour was made possible by:



## Day 1 Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020 MELBOURNE - CHRISTCHURCH - LINCOLN.

Welcome to New Zealand (NZ) mid-afternoon! Travel with your Tour Leader and group members for a cuppa at the **International Antarctic Centre** before travelling through **central Christchurch** to see how the city is recovering from the powerful 2011 earthquake. Late afternoon, arrive into Lincoln with free-time before enjoying dinner at a local restaurant with NZ Plant & Food Research staff who are working on TPP projects. The rest of the evening is at leisure. (AT, D)

### Day 2 Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2020 LINCOLN - PENDARVES - ASHBURTON.

Meet and mingle with NZ potato growers and researchers throughout the day to discover management practices being used and trialled to control TPP including Integrated Pest Management (IPM). Learn about TPP and the impact it's had on NZ primary industries at the NZ Plant & Food Research Centre based in Lincoln. Explore plant tissue culture and minituber production facilities, TPP colonies and TPP netting trials. Discover how New Zealand's seed potato scheme operates from NZ's leading supplier of high health seed potatoes, Alex McDonald. Learn about the seed potato industry in NZ, how this business works with potato companies around the world to develop high performing seed potatoes, and the impact of TPP. After networking with NZ potato industry members over lunch, visit Hewson Farms in the Pendarves growing region. Meet with owner Ross Hewson and Grimme Machinery experts from Landpower to see potato production practices, TPP impacts, and the Spudnik 6621 machine in action. The only one of its kind in the southern hemisphere, this machine uses air to separate stones to harvest 1000tons of potatoes per day. The farm is fully irrigated, mostly using centre pivots and laterals, which enable large-scale vegetable and arable crop production. An annual rotation of 25% potatoes and onions is used, with cropping supplemented by 8,000 – 10,000 store lambs. Refrigerated storage on-farm capable of holding 23,000 tons of potatoes provides surety, with all potatoes contracted to McCains. Late afternoon, check-in to your Ashburton Hotel with free - time before celebrating the Australian and New Zealand potato industries at the International Potato Industry Dinner. Stakeholders from all segments of the potato supply-chain will come together at Lakehouse Restaurant on the shores of Lake Hood. Opportunities to strengthen networks, share knowledge and develop future prospects for the industry as a whole will abound. (B, MT, L, AT, D)

### Day 3 Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020 ASHBURTON - RAKAIA - TEMUKA - TIMARU - DUNEDIN.

Scenic farmland awaits in the lush seed potato growing region around Methven. Meet with seed potato grower Tim Pike from Mid-Canterbury Growers at their head office in Rakaia, 'The Hub'. Discover how this business utilises land from 12 different properties to grow 140ha of seed and 60ha of processing potatoes. Learn about potato growing practices, how TPP has impacted production, and investigate potato machinery such as a contact-weight seed potato grader. Savour a tasty morning tea and perhaps catch a glimpse of the Giant Salmon! Afterwards, travel along the stunning landscapes of Arundel - Rakaia Gorge Road passed the Southern Alps mountain range to Temuka for lunch. Continue onto the seaside town of Timaru to discover how potatoes are value-added by processors such as Heartland Crisping. Owned and operated by the Bowan family, this agribusiness grows potatoes at their Fallgate Farm and manages produce throughout the supply-chain to their own processing facility. Learn how Heartland Crisping became vertically integrated and associated benefits of such a system, how TPP impacts their farm and processing of potatoes. Mid-afternoon, continue your journey southwards to historic Dunedin. After checking-in to your Hotel, enjoy dinner near the picturesque Dunedin Botanical Gardens, and relax with the rest of the evening at leisure. (B, MT, L, AT, D)

#### **\*OPTION FOR TPP ONLY TOUR PARTICIPANTS\***

After visiting Heartland Crisping and coffee & cake in Timaru, travel to Christchurch Airport ready for your evening flight back to Melbourne Tullamarine.

### Day 4 Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020

## \*MAIN TPP & SOUTHERN AGRICULTURAL FIELD DAYS TOUR CONTINUES\*

## DUNEDIN - WAIMUMU - INVERCARGILL.

Start the day in the fresh air of Dunedin's hilly heights this morning by taking an optional walk up the **world's steepest residential street**, Baldwin Street, home of the famous Cadbury Jaffa Race. Leave the hustle of the city behind and travel inland through fertile farmland to **Gore**, NZ's home of the brown trout and country music. The town is a favourite with fly fishing enthusiasts and the nation's country music capital, hosting the NZ Gold Guitar Awards and NZ Line Dancing Championships each year. Enjoy a morning cuppa before exploring the renowned **Southern Agricultural field days**, near Waimumu. Held once every two years, this event attracts people from around the world, featuring the latest in agricultural innovations and farming practices. Competitions including fencing, Southern Man, tractor pull and excavator precision will be on show, as well as machinery demonstrations, displays and staff from a broad range of agricultural sectors and businesses globally. See the best in their professions compete for glory and showcase exceptional talents. Late afternoon, make your way to NZ's southern most city Invercargill to check-in to your Motel. A sumptuous dinner awaits at Oyster Cove restaurant at The Bluff, with stunning views of the South Pacific Ocean. See the **Stirling Point Lighthouse** and stand at the **southern-most tip of mainland NZ**. Afterwards, head back to Invercargill where the rest of the evening is at leisure. (B, MT, D)

## Day 5 Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020

#### **INVERCARGILL - CHRISTCHURCH - MELBOURNE.**

Start the day with a wholesome breakfast at the famous **Bill Richardson Transport World**, before heading to Countdown Invercargill supermarket. Explore **Countdown Supermarket** and chat with their Fresh Produce team to discover how potatoes are marketed, consumer preferences in New Zealand, and if they have noticed any impacts from TPP. Next, Burt Munro's world-famous **fastest Indian motorbike** awaits, which set the 1000cc land speed record and featured in Anthony Hopkin's movie 'The World's Fastest Indian'. Explore the local shops and sites of Invercargill with free-time before heading to the local airport mid-morning ready for your midday flight to Christchurch and then onto Melbourne. (B)

Tour Participation					
Tour Type	Accommodation	Price (AUD\$) per person			
NZ TPP only Study Tour	Single room	\$2445.00			
10 - 12 February 2020	Double or Twinshare	\$2250.00			
NZ TPP and Southern Agricultural Field Days	Single room	\$2985.00			
<b>Study Tour</b> 10 - 14 February 2020	Double or Twinshare	\$2675.00			

## Flights

Flights can be booked upon request. A \$75 per person booking fee applies. Full payment for flights is due within 3 days of invoice date.

### - TPP only Tour, 10-12 February 2020 -

9:05am Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020, Melbourne Tullamarine – Christchurch, Air NZ 0898\*

9:05pm Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020, Christchurch – Melbourne Tullamarine, JetStar JQ174

#### - TPP and Southern Agricultural Field Days full tour, 10-14 February 2020 -

9:05am Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020, Melbourne Tullamarine – Christchurch, Air NZ 0898\*

12:05pm Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020, Invercargill – Christchurch, Air NZ 5708\*

4:00pm Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020, Christchurch – Melbourne Tullamarine, Air NZ 0893\*

#### \* Flights subject to availability and price changes

## **Key Dates**

7 January 2020	Registrations close for tour
10 February 2020	Tour commences
12 February 2020	TPP short tour finishes
14 February 2020	Full TPP and field day tour concludes early evening in Melbourne. Participants depart according to their own travel schedules

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#### **Booking Terms & Conditions**

Sebright Adventures reserves the right to change tour itineraries, inclusions, costings and suppliers/venues should the need arise due to operational requirements or unforeseen circumstances.

No responsibility or liability is accepted in the event of an accident, injury, loss or damage to persons or property.

Whenever travelling, participants are strongly advised to have travel insurance.

If a participant provides at least 31 days' notice of cancellation from scheduled departure date 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020, 100% refund of tour cost and accommodation will be provided. If 30 days notice or less is provided, no refund will be possible.

Tour places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis upon receipt of registration form and payment





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# **REGISTRATION FORM** (page 1 of 2)

One form per person. All information provided will be kept strictly confidential

Personal Details					
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Family name (as appe	ears on Passport)				
Business name					
Postal address	Postal address				
Phone					
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Special dietary requ	irements				
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Emergency contact	(name and phone num	ber)			
Applicant signature					
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To secure your place on tour the following is required: - a \$1000 deposit upon registration, with balance payable by 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2020;					
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Pre-tour accommodation Sunday 9 February 2020						
The Mantra Tullamarine	Single room	\$170.00				
(including room, airport shuttle)	Double or Twinshare room	\$85.00				
TOTAL PRICE						

Payment Options				
OPTION 1	OPTION 2			
\$1000.00 Deposit payable upon registration	Total Price payable upon registration			
• \$75.00 Flight booking and holding fee per person (if applicable)	• \$75.00 Flight booking and holding fee per person (if applicable)			
• Flight cost payable within 3 days of invoice date (if applicable)	<ul> <li>Flight cost payable within 3 days of invoice date (if applicable)</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Remaining balance payable by 7<sup>th</sup> January 2020</li> </ul>				

## **Applicant signature**

Date