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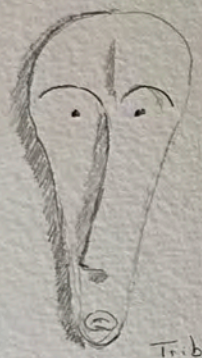
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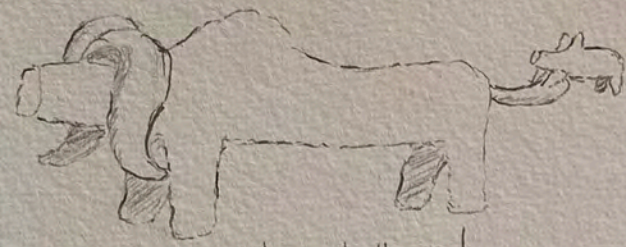
1996. WEDNESDAY
3RD JAN. Fine day a little sun but cold. Glad to have muffer, anoracs. Jill Sylvester drove us to bus station.

Bill Tute Dalton very ill - within a month. In good time for 10 am bus. Heathrow by 11.50. kindly elderly bus hostess. Waited 1 hour in cold for hotel minibus. Doodled in. Ham & cheese sandwich in bar - amiable Indian bannan. Dack in bus to Heathrow. 45 min underground to Piccadilly still well decorated for Christmas. Royal Academy 3.15 to 4pm Hockney, to 6pm in Africa. A large well-mounted exhibition from Ancient Egypt down Ethiopia S.A. Zaïre Cameroons. Nigeria. - outstanding Dami bronzes. - thro' to Islamic art, mosaics. Roman of Tunisia. V. comprehensive. Some magnificent 12th portrait, terracotta, bronze heads. V intricate wood carving - inspirations for Rodigliani, Henry Moore. Drawings of Hockney. Tlastor pieces of undulated line in his portraits and some jokey stuff much of it in coloured crayon - I must try it.

Via Regent St to see the lights - then to Carfunkels - newly employed foreign waitress - salad, rather disappointing steaks - with cheese potatoes. Back to Heathrow by 9.30 then watched TV to 11pm.



Tribal Worship
 Mask



Sit on bellows!

THURSDAY. 4th. JAN. Fine sunny mild. Continental breakfast in nice dining room. 8.30 bus to airport. 1/2 hour wait for 20 minute transfer to Terminal 4. Bought bowtie. Films. Grand Illusion and chocolates for Tlick. Beryl. Short hike to waiting lounge then long queues to board Jumbo 747 40 seats prebooked - window 44 a.s.b. Set off 30 mins late arrived 15 mins early. Printed Titmice. Free Whisky & singer - chicken hot dish & prawn sauce & white Bordeaux for lunch - several rather dull Hollywood films - Roman Affairs in Blackadder - High cloud mostly until Canada then wonderful views all the way to L.A. - less snow than 3y ago. Desert has Vegas then slow descent to L.A. Attractive Norwegian born Hollywood dweller in next seat, wished we had conversed more. 45 mins to get thro' immigration - worse than Russia. then Tlick to greet us - now. 4pm thru' U.S.A. lines, 1/2 hr. drive to beautiful new house. Covered in Christmas lights & Christmas trees. Beryl, Timmy & Roadies, much chatting viewing house then nice light meal & long chat to Harry over 2 bottle red wine coffee, brandy, bed at 11pm their time about 4 am. U.K. time.

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SAN DIEGO



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THE HOUSE CALLE CABRILLO



11. Yucca "Our Lord's Candle"

The flower stalk averages 4 to 8 feet tall and the basal sword-like leaves 1 to 3 feet long. Indians made flour and beads from the seeds and used fibers from the leaves to weave baskets, nets and ropes. Young flower stalks were roasted to produce a food that tasted like baked apples. Roots of this plant were pounded to produce a lathery soap.

12. Red Rock Geomorphology

The sandstone cliffs of Red Rock Canyon are composed of interbedded Sespe and Vaqueros rock formations. These sedimentary rocks were deposited during the late Oligocene epoch, 28 million years ago. Streams flowing from the coastal mountain range deposited layers of sand and cobbles along the front of the range; as the coastline changed, the sand and cobbles were covered by silt and mud along a shallow seashore. Buried under thousands of feet of deposits, the rocks were uplifted and exposed by the movement of the earth's crust. Borrego Canyon and Red Rock Canyon formed 8,000 to 11,000 years ago. The warm humid climate of Southern California at the end of the last ice age quickly eroded the exposed rocks, creating the canyons. The seams and holes in the cliff faces formed later, carved by water seeping through joints in the sandstone itself. Iron and manganese give the rocks their reddish color.

Trails End

At post number 12, the self-guided tour ends. We hope that you enjoyed your walk in Red Rock Canyon and that you gained some knowledge from it. Please follow the trail back the way you came and see if you can remember what you have learned.

We would appreciate your returning this trail guide to the brochure box at the beginning of the trail.

Red Rock Canyon Trail Guide

A self-guided nature trail into the ecology of Red Rock Canyon



Whiting Ranch Wilderness Park

self guiding trail guide to the natural
of Red Rock Canyon. As you lei-
alk along the trail, watch for num-
ets which mark some of the interest-
al features in Red Rock Canyon.

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y staying on designated trails and
nly footprints.



Sage

r of the mint family in the coastal
munity, sages have volatile oils that
distinct odors and make them a
oking herb. Their small light blue
e a favorite of bees and butterflies.
s seeds serve as food for birds like
and bushtits. Indians gathered the
parched and ground into a meal-



2. Poison Oak

LEAFLETS THREE LET IT BE! All parts of
this plant contain a poisonous oil. In some
people a skin rash of severe blistering and
itching will occur after contact. Native
Americans were immune to this plant, many
indian baskets were made using the supple
stems, and the juice used to cure warts and
ringworm. Mule deer frequently graze on the
berries.



3. Laurel Sumac

Due to its sensitivity to frost, a nickname for
this plant is "Poor-man's Thermometer".
Early settlers used it as an indicator to where
citrus crops could grow. Raised flower stalks
make it easy to recognize, and when crushed
smell like bitter almonds. The berries will
make a sweet drink when steeped in water.



4. Coast Live Oak

An evergreen tree with dark green, curled,
spiny margined leaves, oaks where a primary
resource for local native americans. Food was
derived from acorns, dye was manufactured
from bark, tannins from the leaves used to tan
leather and crude medicines were created
from moldy acorn mash. It takes approxi-
mately 500 pounds of acorns to feed one
indian family for a year.

5. Lemonade Berry

Indians would use the berries from this plant
to make a lemonade-like drink. Like many
members of the coastal sage community,
Lemonade Berry needs fire to reproduce.
After a fire, "Crown sprouts" (new shoots)
emerge from the buried crown as new plant
life.

FRIDAY, 5th. JAN Sunshine slight cool - cool then v. warm. - regretted vest. Shirt only. Thence & Harry to San Francisco after breakfast. In
 Mazda first with Harry to take Timmy to special school. Quite a long drive. Cleaner school doesn't cater for gifted. Timmy having trouble
 with spelling TRIED. Cars all v. clean - frequent wash, dry climate. Walked with Jill to Mall. Unusual plants, palms, eucalyptus, gazanias
 streets lined with alders. - catkins out. geuanimus bougainvillea, hundreds of palms. Condominiums in high chapparal. Beautiful
 lay out. Statues of male & female at road crossing to foothill Ranch. Quickly passed Nick picked us up by Ralphs. Dought cold drink
 for walk - then up the trail into semi wilderness park. Many tree dried watercourses. Holm oaks. - planted for watering soil
 by condensation. - each leaf makes a dome. Woodpeckers in profusion. Turkey vultures. Raven. Thoebe. Blue winged scrub jay
 goldfinch. Male deer by roadside. Mountain bikers. Long trails - old ranch trails & drovers roads. Ascended about 500-1000
 feet with magnificent views. Quite hot, thirsty. Did a sketch - gradual descent. (avoided Heartbreak Hill.) then along main road
 flower & palm tree lined to Mall. Excellent lunch in diner - clean - good service. Soup - chicken & mushroom and City
 Salad - mustard sauce - huge & excellent. \$4-99. beer. (about \$20 for 3.) Dought Diner at Ralphs. - Back to base. Sleep!
 Jill gardened. John painted & diary then everyone home. Drinks - currys, tomato mush. Chardonnay. Funié (Gallo) for supper = Grilled
 Salmon salad - bread. Terminal Velocity!; Lawrence at Arabia - bed at 10.30.



Bougainvillea

SATURDAY, 6th. JAN. V. HOT. then windy at San Diego. Interstate to English
 Shop. Solana Beach - extraordinary collection of English. Scottish imports
 Cheeses. Manute Jelly Babies pictures of the Queen, etc. Old town San Diego.
 at 12 noon. walked round, booked town tour on trolley, bus for lawn
 Excellent extrovert guide Dave. informative history from time of Caballero
 in 17th. Harbour - 2 huge aircraft carriers, old sailing ship, maritime
 museums. Well layed out tourist Harbour. Marina. Timmy fishing
 port now in recession, then to plaza (visited previously). Excellent shops
 of all kinds. - Tiled on top floor of well stuffed = mushrooms, salad, hot
 Sirloin steak - shaved. Coca cola. Bus then over huge bridge over harbour to
 Coronado island. Full of v. attractive. 19th wooden houses and remarkable
 Victorian jumble Hotel del Coronado. - extensive beach apparently, frequently closed
 because of Mexican pollution. Back over the bridge extensive views of
 San Diego - not unattractive - and Navy base with some big ships. Much made
 of visits to ships etc. Thence to Balboa Park - 1915. planted by Kate Sessions
 Timmy had urde on train. V. old Carousel (original a training toy for jousting)
 Back in sunset to Old Town. Jill had bought painting by lady Japanese Artist.



SAN DIEGO - OLD TOWN.



in the Spanish Village. Flow dark. 6 pm. so to Dana Point - list 2 restaurants full so to Mexican restaurant. Puroprandial Margarita.

Tequila, sweet, sour, salt. v. refreshing, then excellent dish of marinated cooked pork - Caesars salad - mushy beans, sweetcorn & various sauces Beer. - back to house, bed at 10 pm.

SUNDAY 7th JUNE HOT. - up at 7 am. Beryl took us in car to start of Whiting Ranch Wilderness Park - run by the County - & given

1 acre / house by the company building Foothills Ranch. Up the trail to Red rock Canyon. (45 mins) many joggers walkers, mountain bikers. Met Holly Ranger at 9 am. then with Gothers did Nature Trail Walk up Red Rock canyon. Holm Oak. Sycamore. Willow growing. Aspinin to Indians. Yacca-needles & thread hoco Weed (like ligwort) for

smoking & hallucinations. Poison Ivy. etc. Coyote scats. & Raccoon trail. Girl worried about mountain lions. Gradually canyon opened out & became v. hot. Back to Ralphs at 11.30 am. stopped. Beryl met us & back to lunch - salad & shrimp cocktail & cheese. Sheep then to Mall to buy plants - back to house weeded & planted Thonmirus. Iris & 3 roses. before dark at 5.45 pm then read & eunny = Suttler Home Cab. Sauvignon 1 ed at 9.15

MONDAY 8th. JANUARY Very HOT. - (90°F) up at 7 am. Beryl off at 7.30. Ticky 8.30. Painted front white still cool. then back of house - like rock needs pickaxe. Climbing Rose. Eucymous. Out in a car to Mall to buy more roses, petunias. pausies. - bow saw - sea food salad for lunch. Back to lunch ^{wafu rldop} then sleep. - up to paint bougainvillea. - more painting & watering - cut up Christmas tree. 6 pm. Ticky home with Tummy. - Beryl soon after. - out to buy provisions Spaghetti. Bolognaise. - Merlot.



Walk in Red Rock Canyon



TUESDAY, 9th. JANUARY Hot. then cooler. No car so walk to Ralphs. to buy sandwich. (a huge half French stick (brown) filled with beef, cheese, salad onion olives, mayonnaise mustard salt tomato. - jack to open jaws. then walk up trail to Red Rock canyon & painted until 1.30 pm. Jill walked to 4 corners. & up canyon. Jill walked back & me later. - up Altos to Cella Cabrillo Hick came with Poacher from aircraft. Stuffed pork sprouts. cheese potatoes. Tillerlot. Cloud evening. Birds seen. Starlings - red winged blackbirds. woodpeckers " flock.

WEDNESDAY, 10th. JANUARY Fog, mist then V HOT. but SEA BREEZE
Went with Harry. Ticky to take Timmy to school. Ticky took me to see classroom. No daylight or view but impressive work going on. Tilet the redoubtable Miss Kass who doesn't like the way Timmy writes 9 instead of 9. Room full of word processors but at this age Ticky insisted on. Playing area littered with toilet rolls (used as streamers). Dropped Ticky at work. Open plan offices - little computer cells like a beehive then back to house to pick up Jill's Tillerlot. so down direct road to Laguna Beach. Parked in landscaped car park then walked through shops - many art shops, paintings, beautiful bronze & soapstone whales dolphins etc. - wooden water birds, superb glass. - fish in bowls etc. Walked along cliffs palm trees, sea birds, ? whales out to sea Palm trees exotic plants, pootters, playing netball retired feeding birds - picked up lunch from car sandwiches from Ralphs. sat on bench with sea view then drifted back to car & so Plaza. Bought shirt for Harry's birthday. Sag for Tillerlot's Christmas present. belt \$1! for Jill \$2 for me then dived at bookstore - all books \$2-\$3. including hardbacks. (! - walked back to House for exercise. Timmy, Ticky out to skate. We (the rest) had Curries Fowl, Yams, Potatoes Sprouts, Apple sauce Cabernet Sauvignon & Tillerlot. Bed at 9.30 pm!

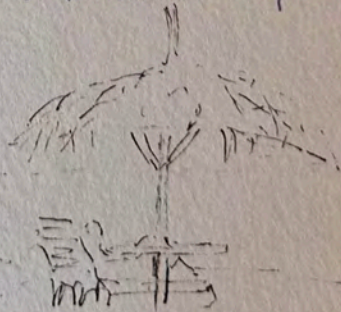
Yama
TEPPAN HOUSE
Dana Point



TAKE-OUT

THURSDAY, 11th. JAN ^{Very Hot} Harry's Birthday. Barry day off! Nick & Timmy
off at 8.5 am. later breakfast (wt. steady at under 12 stone)
Excellent Cinnamon. Fye bread & marmite. Cinnamon rolls. Orange juice
coffee. All went to Mission Viejo Lake. Titaniel & Harry to book trip
to Seattle. Explored possibility of Mexico. Peru or Hawaii. Latewatched
- fish, commorants, bunch of clamchowda, sandwiches - rest. Then
start tinting engraving of Herminig picture. Ticky back at 6.30
- off to Dana Point in 2 cars. to Japanese. Teppan cooking
on hot plate - acrobatic chef. Saki - Soup. Fried prawns &
crudites. - then N.Y. steak & shrimps. - Fried rice & egg in bowl.
Cab. Sauvignon & Chardonnay - Total. \$120 $\times 1.1 = \$132$

FRIDAY, 12th. JAN. Hot. Jill, me dropped by Nick & Timmy at
8.20 am at end of Whiting Ranch trail. lovely temperature.
Fine wood pecker trees - Western Sycamore. Decided to walk
up Dreaded Hill. path to Four Corners. Soon out of tree shade
was v hot - racoon, deep spoons & slots. Grounds on hillside
Finally got to top then down to Four Corners. & finally to
Ralphs. Found we had no key to get in!! Walked back to
house & fortunately Harry had come back as he realised we were
locked out. Titaniel having hair done. Picked up at 11.45 am. -
bunch of Clam, Chicken chowda - turkey slices salad. Then
sleep & finish tinting Herminig Picture.





On way to MALOLO LAI LAI.

SATURDAY 13th / 14th JAN. - Lost a day!

SATURDAY 13th JAN. VERY HOT - SUNNY. - Everyone up later. Finished packing. Continental breakfast then in two cars to Chinese restaurant near a big Plaza. For Dim Sum Bunch. at 10:30 - until 11 am. Magnificent collection of Chinese dishes Prawns Meat Balls Spinach. Troupe. etc. Tea, iced water. Walked round T Mall - bought video for Timmy then said farewell to Roaches, Mickey drove us to LAX. & saw us through to security check. Iranian. Kinds trying to get money, Squatamer. Delay getting onto mixed Fijian & Qantas plane - highly coloured Jumbo 747 200. Excellent seats with empty one alongside. Pretty Fijian, Samoan air hostesses. 1 hour delay getting off due to paperwork routing troubles. Off up, out of L.A. smog. S.W. course - above Pacific. Fleecy clouds. 10 hour flight crossing dateline. Set off 4:30 arrived 2:30 am our time. 10:30 pm on 14th Jan. Crossed equator in dark. One good film Network - on computers & one awful U.S.A. girls at puberty. 2 excellent meals - Rare steak & Trimmings & fish & trimmings. Slept a bit. Emerged from plane into blast of hot humid air. Slow customs - very helpful fuzzy-wuzzies. got us to hotel bus, hotel. Room delightful 4 beds airconditioned, TV, tea coffee etc. Swims pool, v. warm & then to bed.

SUNDAY 15th JAN.

VERY HOT, HUMID - THUNDERSTORM ON MAIN ISLAND. Up at 5:45 to catch travel rep at Fann. Frequent Lady Samsan. 3rd pregnancy - feeling the best. Various options - decided on all day trip to MALOLO LAI LAI. Booked, & waited for bus with girl. - 8:15 am. bus skot past us down road. Had to hire a taxi from John, Fijian Indian. Interesting drive in undeveloped countryside. shack, poor dwelling small holdings - emaciated cows, crops. Swamp area rather deadish. steep narrow roads then turned off in swamp area - over beautiful new golf course towards Sheraton Hotel and small primitive harbour to board the small motor schooner. Sea Spray.



Beach at Titatolo Lai Lai
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FIJI ISLANDS

SOUTH PACIFIC

Skylodge

HOTEL

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Set off through shallow lagoon, Titarogrove swamps, heron views back to mountains. Two girls, 4 crew & grizzled skipper who had been in merchant navy. Fiji has one or two fishery protection vessels — the Japanese are poaching with small mesh nets. All except skipper soon started singing to old guitar, ukulele, v. harmonious 'Love Songs' except 'Show me the way to go home' which they seemed to like — almost all the way to the island. Dropped anchor, taken to shore in open boats. Some passengers were going to stay 2 or 3 nights in hotel complex of huts. Skipper says it occasionally gets rough & typhoons or hurricanes in April. 6 foot tide. Put up jib sails for part of the way. Changed in changing rooms & then swimming on, off until lunchtime. Did w/e. opposite. Changed for lunch (included in trip) Descending coconut nearly brained me. to amusement of nice Australian mother & daughter in travel agency in L.A. lunch. Soup. Omelette (Jill). Pancake (John) dips & salad, tropical fresh fruit salad. Cocktail \$8 for Jill, Fijian Beer \$2 for me. Had to drink a lot of water (special taps only). Palm tree plantation, beautiful setting for hilted hotel. Activities every day — snorkelling, scuba diving — reef watching in submersible wind surfing, canoeing, water jet, sailing, local activities etc. Small airstrip on island. Distant thunderstorm on main island. — v. soon time to leave 3.30 pm, back to boat. More singing — observing distant islands, talking to occupational therapists from Hampshire — about to quit & move around U.S.A. on her qualifications with earnings top boy? husband! Dock to harbour at 5.30, back to hotel, tired & surprisingly sunbaked as we had kept covered. Rest, shower — another cocktail for Jill. ? Pinda — v. good then Dinner in hotel of special Fijian Fish Dish — water — as wine imported N.Z. — too expensive about \$10-15 a bottle — stuffed — staggered down drive to try to see Southern cross in wonderful starlit sky. Bed a 9pm in air conditioning. Slept to Fam. Tremendous rainstorm in night

TUESDAY 16th JAN. v. hot & humid — even the locals are complaining

Breakfast of Mangos, Bananas, Pineapple, Orange Juice, Toast, Bananas! Honey Coffee.

\$9, about \$4-50. Decided to trust nice pregnant Fijian lady & not taxi driver (Jubian John).



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PLANI U - 1. - RA. - Island off coast of RARIRAKI.



sun - growing on dead tree ferns. Mango drink at end of visit. Final boated walk through tropical rain forest. Back in bus to Nadi pronounced Nandi. Bizarre brightly coloured Hindu Temple Restrained but big mosque. Bought neck racks in craft market - window shopped. Lunch at Moslem Indian small fish restaurant. Jill had snapper dish I had rather tough. clam soup. Kokondan & kasava. (bread fruit). More shopping in Indian multistore - then bus back to hotel. \$35 cents. Both had Swini - read painted blossoms washing, little Indian girls Bitten by ants. Cocktail. Banana, Pineapple. Dinner of stir fry chicken - too hot to eat much.

so. 8.45. picked up by almost empty bus. 2 Australians 2 S.A lions in Australia - left S.A because of crime in Joburg. Excellent guide. First stop. traditional village Viseisei. - Bure with plaited palm walls, reed roof, & surrounded by dead tree fern. 2 Dead tree ferns sculpted at doorway. Village noted for breadfruit. Open plan village Only the sons own land. V. little intermarriage with Indians. 45% population Fijians 51%. No Europeans now. Queen revered & still on stamps, banknotes. Methodist church. - Monument to child killed in typhoon & monument to missionaries. Christ of village is vice president of Fiji. Village preparing for funeral of chief's grandson. (Below ground burial) Before Christianity religion was cannibalism. Only the most important strata. Children making lesles. Proceeded to Sleeping Giant Orchid Garden initially created by Raymond Burr. (Had Fijian blood) died 1993. Orchids in rock & concrete pots. - growing on trees, coconut shells almost no soil but lots of water & some fertilizer. Also in the



Frangipani

Garden of the
SLEEPING
GIANT



Blossom
Se kouta - Gold.
Sekohla



Unknown blossom
Flower
Painted For
Mleeral.

WEDNESDAY 17th JANUARY. Hot cloudy then Torrential Tropical RAIN over lunch.
Usual breakfast. 8.45am picked up by Mohammed Hariz - amiable Fiji born Muslim - Parents from the Fijis - good sense of humour. Flat drive through sugar canes several small trains on way to Lautoka sugar mill. Industry started by British Imported Indian labour. Indians stayed and now are 40% population. Hindu. Muslims - 2 sects, Sunni and? Not allowed to own land unless freehold - mostly now farmers who rear cattle (but don't eat 'em) and raise sugar cane crops and other crops in salad bowl valley - live on small farms mostly. Villages are mainly Fijian. Raise some crosses cattle. ev in the highlands work on forestry. Also hunt wild pig - we saw two parties out with dogs horses spears and machetes. Gradual ascent steeper & steeper into mist at top of mountain stopover for drink. Mist suddenly lifted to reveal views of volcanic hills. - occasional cattle. distant villages v. few. Clever road needing 4 wheel drive. - on & on through mountains. - pine forests - planted then rain forest being pillaged for hardwoods by? Australians

Se Kuda.
(Blossom) (Cold)



Navala Village on bank of Ba River.



Kava mixing in wooden bowl (tanua).
Drink is used for ceremonial purposes & social drink.

Fiji
HIDDEN SIGHTS

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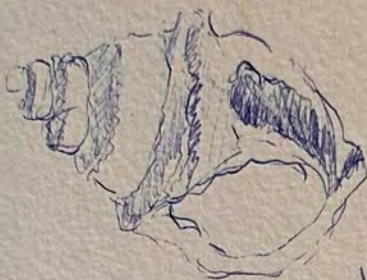
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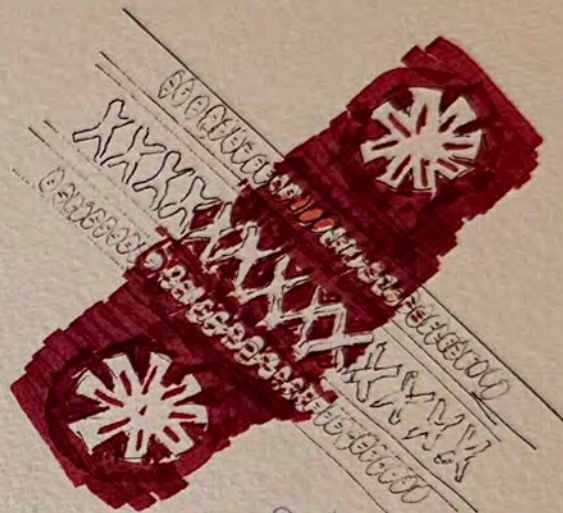
CORAL
COAST

VALLEYS

VILLAGES



Shells used as
Napkin ring a Bounty Restaurant
at Tahia.



Trivially into rainforest with many wild fruits. Big grapefruit
things and Guava like a warty lemon. I stopped picked & peeled - semi-sweet with
teeth breaking pips. - also oranges & mandarins. Saw 2 mountain villages with small
traditional bureas - both Fijian forestry villages. Passed 2 hunting parties & saw
many mongooses (mongoose?) Birds mostly Thyrid and Bulbul (red rumped) &
lots of small birds unidentified. No raptors. No mammals except mongoose. Iguana
lizards. No snakes. Fani started. Stopped at lunch village of . Entrance
by rickety banded wire gate. Geoff an Australian from Sydney - concrete engineer separated
from non-wife and 7 year old daughter in Canberra. Tall rangy & over here for wedding
of friend on Fiji at Orchid Garden. 150 guests from U.S.A where bride came from &
'Australia! Worked in Samoa for U.S. Went to chiefs hut with umbrellas up sloshing
through mud. Shoes hat off. Bula. Greeted by elderly father of chiefs wife. - her sister
another girl and 2 children & kava maker. I had brought kava for ceremony &
as a gift. All had 2 bowls of quite revolting mixture which semi-anesthetized the
palate - clapped hands before taking up bowl. Conversation stopped war thunderous rain
on corrugated roof and none of family spoke much English. Chief out hunting pig for
feast that night either quilled or coked underground. Single room. - walled plaited? bamboo
corrugated roof.



MENU

BREAKFAST

FRESH FRUIT BOWL

MAIN COURSE

SAVOURY OMELETTE

served with hashbrowns,
saute mushrooms and
a tomato wedge

OR

BREAKFAST GRILL

walu, lamb chipolatta, hashbrowns
and scramble egg

BREADROLL

MUFFIN

CONSERVES

COFFEE TEA

Please accept our apology if, owing to the previous passenger selection, your choice is not available.
Y NANBRK



Ceremony over T.I. produced Indian Fijian lunch of tepid fish stew salad cheese rolls, samosa, boiled large banana, oint of bread fruit or kasava. Mostly like boiled potatoes. We all left some for family but then told they wouldn't eat it. Drank water - and survived. Village has fresh water & electricity, school & health centre. Hut had 2 big double beds hammocks for children. walls decorated with traditional earth colour designs. No other furniture but transistor radios & tape recorder playing Fijian music. Packed up. Boys in rugby football jerseys playing in waterball. Slithered up track & onto main road then descended - to Sigatoka valley - river valley fertile Salad bowl of Fiji. Every vegetable, corn, rice, tapioca, aubergines, etc. Villages more in number and more modern. Passed through small town of _____ - in pressure sand dunes on way to only sandy beach on main island.

Swim in feet-knocking down breakers - children & women selling shells etc. Orange juice. Back in flat sugar cane country. lots of mosques. occasional Indian temple. Back in Nadi by 5pm. Wrote ecology at Tourist office. Back to hotel. Swim. Drink in bar with Geoff. Mark - young Brit. accountancy student who had spent a year in N.Z. & travelling back to finish studies & get married next Jan. in N.Z. Out to excellent cuisine meal at Tandour Restaurant Excellent food, company. The tipping finished packing. bed. - left at 5am. for 545 bus to airport.

THURSDAY 18th JANUARY. Hot & Sunny - long wait at airport. Coffee. Did diary. Bought wooden kava bowl and canned fish. Good seats on 737. Window, legroom. Three delightful male, female cabin staff excellent breakfast grill menu ←. Good classical music; cloudless flight up to 36,000 ft. - smooth descent to Auckland. - warm (very) high cloud. Plane packed with pushy Nips. Could do without them. Long long delay at customs. - had to declare wood carvings & seashells! Then long delay



AUKLAND. MUSEUM



Te Tahi. Tapiri War canoe (1830s) hallowed from one tree trunk
Hōtunui meeting house 1878, and Te Oha storehouse 1820s

while 3 Kravits argued about car rental. Finally got to rental car.
V. nice. spent time learning controls then off in brilliant sunshine
passing gigantic statues of Kiwis - on almost empty broad roads
- avoided getting lost & found Royal Albert Lodge Hotel.
Cavendish St. - in a rather seedy area. Shops like Flowerster
Rel. - many run by Indians, alongside ? metropolitan railway.
Beautiful trees - pink blossom on gum trees & everywhere
rotten with blue & white agapanthus. Unpacked - contacted Annie
Wills. Then wandered our way through the heart of Auckland. Fine
turn of century buildings, and art deco - many colonnades -
frontier town - no liquor stores - no obvious big shops or big
supermarkets. Volcanic mounds - many grass covered. Whole
city is built over volcanoes! lovely drive passing active
harbour and miles of promenade. Hosts of sailing boats,
swimmers, solar skaters, joggers to Kelly Tarlton. Huge
ess-pit tanks cleaned and turned into aquarium with
moving & static undersea walkway. See pict. Created by
Kelly Tarlton who had been a diver. Incredible views of
fish - eye ball to eye ball. Also reconstruction of Scott's hut
in the Antarctic - complete with smells - piano music &
gramophone. Ride on train through ice storm, penguin
feature and seal grabbed by killer whale (plastic!). Could
have spent a day there. 6.30 pm went to Annie Wills
Sister staying with her. Chardonnay. chat. A.W. has been
painting portraits (commissions) working as o.t. nurse at
N.Z. T.V. & running an art gallery. Out to dinner at
waterfront Restaurant. Saints. Excellent meal of smoked
fish mountain (shared) Rack of lamb. Superb! but had
to wait > 1 1/2 hours. Proprietress offered us coffee & pudding
free as compensation. Accepted the coffee!! hot car way
back to motel. Bed by 11 pm. (Wine was excellent N.Z. red)



The Figure above the doorway of the Maori pataka (Raised stone house) Te Tuawhiri o Te Arawa is Tama te Kapua, Captain of the Arawa canoe. Carved by Wero of Ngati Tararua.

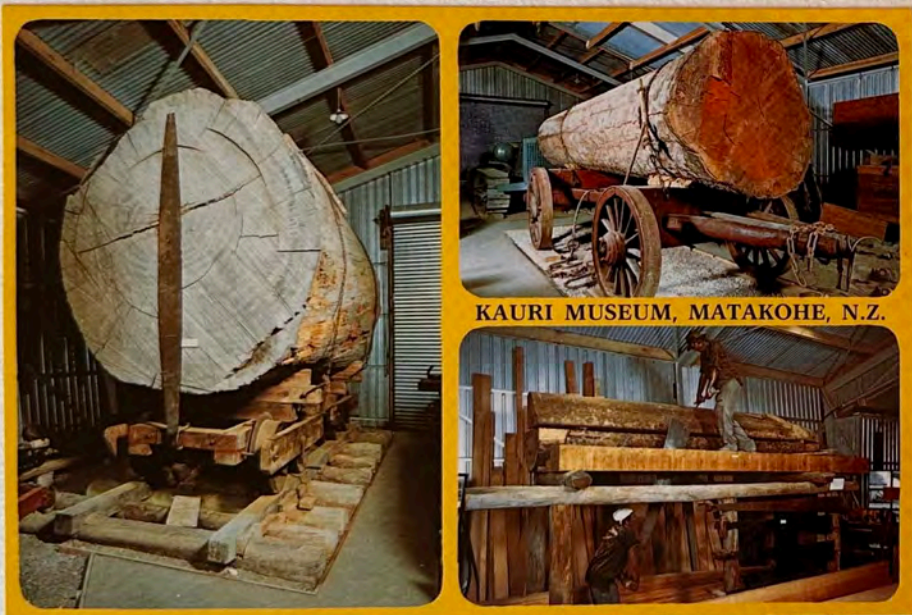


Maori hei-tiki made of pounamu greenstone (nephrite) variety known as kawakawa - shaped with stone tools



FRIDAY 19th JAN. Hot, humid then Tropical Rain Storm Breakfast in room. Vegemite, Honey bought at 8am in local Asian shops. Drove to Auckland Domain - having got lost! Park at edge of park on Coast to Coast track which looked good & decided to do. Ascent to Valkyrie Point in formal garden full of bedding plants. 3 colours of Cannas - ascent to to Memorial Museum. Marvellous display of Polynesian (as opposed to Melanesian, Micronesian cultures) Paper wedding gown. Huge war canoe & meeting houses - quite recent. (18th to 19th - Te Ao Murihiko since ? (12th ? 15th). Marvellous display of dancing. Haka - stick games & twirling poi. Beautiful singing at first unaccompanied then with guitar since 19th. Earth colours, red for the blood. Kai ora. 1/2 hour show. \$5. then Volcanoes, Dinosaur exhibition. V. well housed with noises etc. Numerous computerised of volcanoes & movements of tectonic plates

Dinosaur exhibition. Plastic Tiba being eaten by plastic Giant Eagle & Tui, nocturnal insects. Whole area - including Domain volcanic and Lake Taupo had the biggest eruption ever 26,000 yrs ago! In 200 A.D. made skies red over Rome. hunch in Titus museum. Sandwiches & iced coffee & emerged as rain started. Visited. Hothouses - full of stove plants then emerged into tropical Downpour. Didn't know it to run or shelter - in the end did both & got soaked to skin. V appropriate as the path down 'Lovers lane' was between tropical green plants. Eventually made it to car & drove back to rooms to charge down to skin. Hot showers - dressed - did laundry washed clothes the out at 6pm to get to Gillian Turner at 5a Woodbine Drive. Hoped to take wine but NO LIQUOR STORES. Traffic jams because of floods & arrived at 6.45pm instead of 6pm. Champagne. Nice colonial house but small, being built round in motor car sales area! Out to Santos again. Shaved Titusel starter then. Superb. Venison en route White Cloudy Bay Chardonnay & Red. Cabernet. Glad good conversation but Gillian had (& looked it) Thyxoedema now treated for one month. Obstetric situation with muleswires & C.P.s same as 1957 in Bristol! Staggered back to her house & our hotel by 11.30pm!



KAURI MUSEUM, MATAKOHE, N.Z.



MATAKOHE KAURI MUSEUM, NEW ZEALAND

- 1. KAURI LOG ON BUSH TRAIL. Treasures 2.4m diameter, 16 ft long age 800 yrs 14 tonnes
- 2. BULLOCK WAGON. Can carry log up to 18 tonnes using 16-24 bullocks
- 3. PIT SAW FRAME. Cutting log into boards. Actually bushmen used as models.

- 4. GUM DIEING DIORAMA
- 5. KAURI TIMBER CO. ROLL OF HONOUR. Panels of all species of KAURI
- 6. LARGE KAURI PLANK. PLAQUE
- 7. DISPLAY OF KAURI GUM.



TANE MAHUTA. God of the Forest.
1500 yrs old. WAIPOUA FOREST.

SATURDAY 20TH JAN. Cloudy intermittent rain - at times heavy, then clearing with strong wind then dull approaching Bay of Islands. Off at 8.30am, drove through suburbs to get to Northern Motorway. Water wherever you look - Frontier houses, & one or two imaginative skyscrapers. Traffic not busy. We liked seaside Orewa Warkworth, & interesting views over tree ferns. At Wellsford bought wine at liquor store. At Brynderwyn turned off on 12. Weather improved & visited Kauni Tikuseum just beyond Papanoa where we had a rather indifferent coffee. Museum was fascinating. Black & White Photo collection of years about 1870-1950 when N.Z. Kauni Hardwood Forests were stripped to make furniture, houses etc. Now old trees some 2,000 yrs old are still emerging from bogs. Good historic presentation of bushmans life & colonial intentions. Basement museum of Kauni gum - insects trapped in amber. Now remaining trees preserved. Fast drive along Waioa River to Dargaville then in varying weather to Trounons Kauni Park. - took wrong turning and did about 10 miles on unmade up roads. Found night track & drove on into Kauni Forest of WAIPOUA. Road surface deteriorated and was twisting and shale for 10 miles. (Jill driving!) Kauni & Tree Ferns. Pulled off road to visit a 20 minute walk on duckboards through rainforest 1. Te Maama Ngahere the Father of the Forest. Smelter diameter - then Three Sisters. Drove on further to see Tane

← Mahuta. Party of old Maoris with wonderful faces. Out of forest and on to decent road spectacular drive in mountainous farming country - over bluff of hill

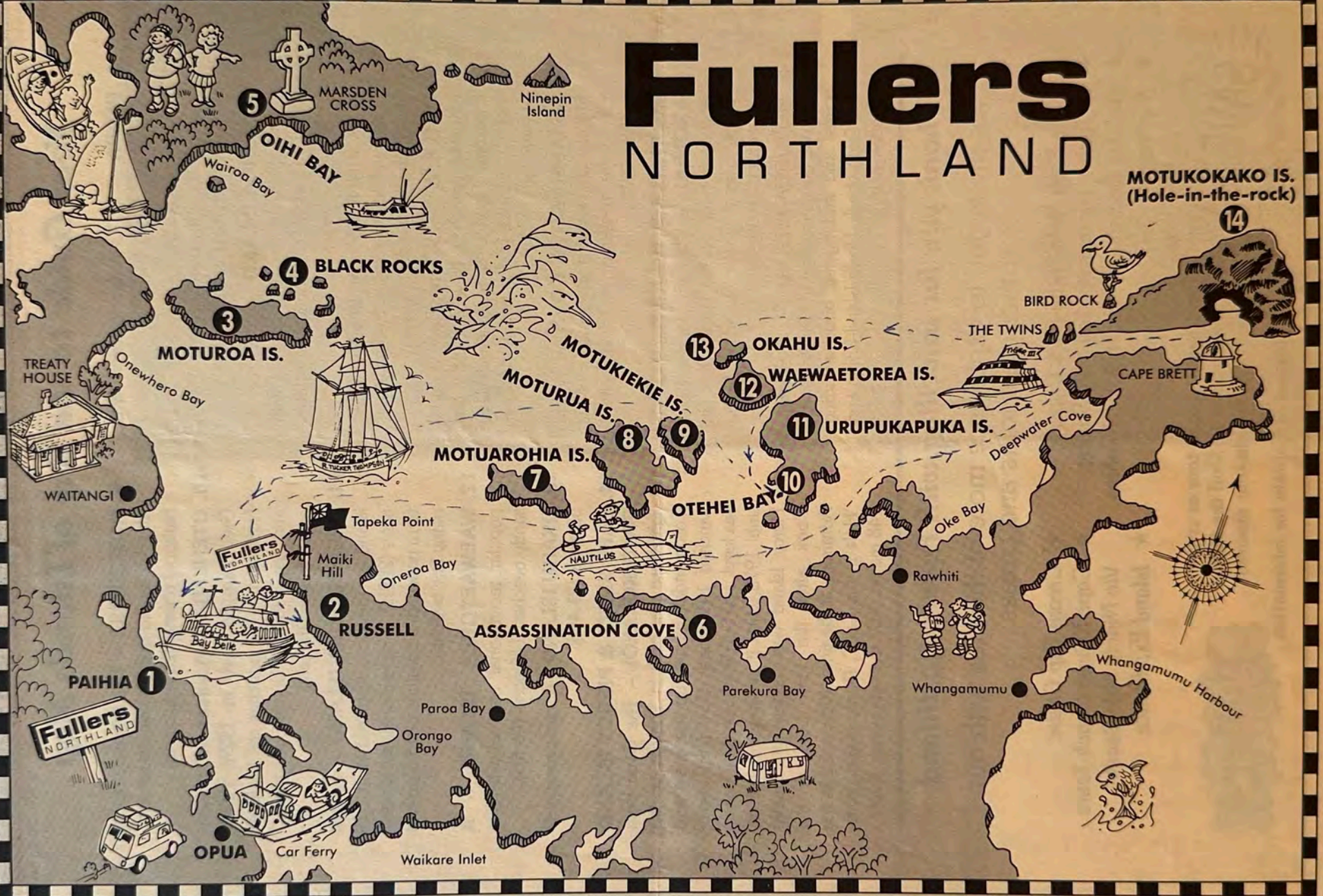
and sudden view of Hokianga Harbour. Huge sheets of spray from breakers on 100 mile beach & wonderful colours with clouds, sun & water. Stopped at Omapere to see video of Opo the friendly dolphin that swam with visitors for about 4 years - 1955-9. Nice old lady wanted us to stay at her B.B. At Opononi is a statue of the Dolphin. Sunshine drive through rolling empty farmlands to Kaikohe - small empty town/village then soon to Paikia in dull, windy cold weather. Beautiful Motel Bounty. Superb room. Friendly hostess. Meal in family run restaurant. Moules Marnisere (type of.) - big, filling John Road (Red Wine). Lamb Cauliflower Potatoes Breadfruit Mint Sauce V. good Jill Chicken Stuffed with Walnuts



OMAPERE, HOKIANGA HARBOUR.

Fullers

NORTHLAND





BAY OF ISLANDS, N.Z.

On left is NOTORUA where French Manon du Fresne established a hospital in 1772 to treat sick men in his crew. Later conflict, he was attacked.



NOTOROKAKO Is. Off Cape Brett. Boats navigate through the Hole in the Rock

SUNDAY, 21st. JAN. Windy. Very Cloudy but then Sunny, hot. Breakfast... superb room. Down to Quay for boat trip at 9am. Fullens have the monopoly. Excellent high powered cat. 3 decks with bar at bottom. Mabile hostesses. Maori skipper & crew. (Other boat skipper is Bristolian!) Weaved thru islands full of history. See pamphlet. Plaque marking Cook of the islands center then in open water on the top deck had to cling on for dear life. Several kids enjoying it - Dutch! & some were sick - gentle approach within 20 ft of Hole in Rock - quite exciting but roway the boat could go thro! Thank God. V. good skipper. - Ran before wind back to Otehei Bay. - Collected lunch (included.) Had coffee & walked to top of island - superb views. So Polkeko (see over) large moorhen, & on the sea numerous Cannets. Shearwaters terns. Gulls, Shags left boat at Russell for historic mini tour (Fullens!) making a lot out of not much but Old Whaling Station. Hell House of Pacific. (Still is on N.Y. Eve!) Flagstaff where resolution of confrontation with Maoris finally achieved lasting peace (until now) Russell had many old colonial houses, one hotel. Air of end of 19th. Back on ferry another \$3.11 - coffee in room then rapidly out to see Waitangi Treaty House (19th. Maori Meeting House 1970) and Wan Canoe 1970 made from 2 Kauni trees - to celebrate 150th anniversary. T.W. Busby in 1840 was appointed Resident. Scotsman with 5 children - administrators kept the peace & signed the Treaty with the Maoris in 1840! In 1864 was almost penniless.

Your Guide to the Bay of Islands Map

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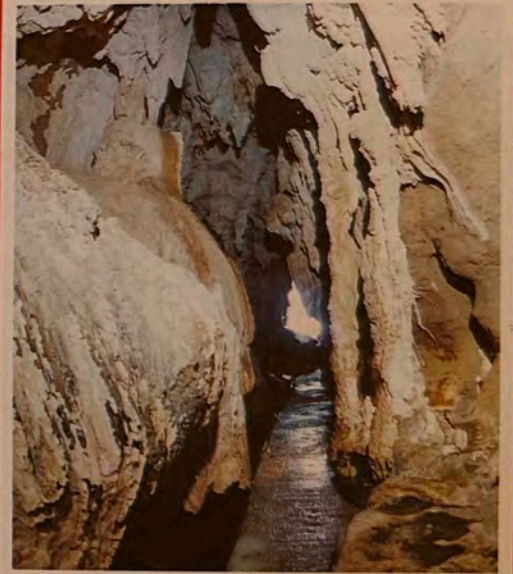
9. MOTUKIEKIE - This privately owned island is leased from its owners as a rec-



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ROBERTSON ISLAND . . . PIERCY ISLAND. CAPE BRETT BEHIND.
Scene of Robertson Tragedy when Tilaoni servant murdered the
family, was later hanged.



Brown Kiwi
Wood Pigeon
Pukaki

Tūrore
Kaka

Walked back through forest to car then drove on to Hanuman
Falls where we had 40 min. walk. alongside river below impressive
falls. Huge noise of crickets, photographed them! Saw kingfisher
& shag. Back to car & Kelly Tanthons shipwreck museum
Quite windy, but sunny. Drove to Takeaway shop & got
Fishermans Basket 2 Oysters 2 Mussels (Huge) 2 Calamari
2 pieces of fish 2 scoops of Chips \$ 13. = £5. - a blowout,
which we had in rooms! with Chardonnay. Ruth Randall
T.V. film. (Slept thru it !!)

Monday, 22nd JAN. VARIABLE Mostly Sunny. Got Petrol then
to Kawakawa to photograph train! - took wrong road for 20 mins
then returned! Cleared ear! Muddy from 2 days ago. Went
S. & stopped to see Kawto Glow Worm Caver - no one there - nearly
left then Tilaoni with lantern arrived & hilarious trip for 45 mins through
limestone passage - a place. 120 ft. deep. Impressive display of glowworms





at over ceiling of caves washed off walls by periodic flooding. Property owned by his family for 15 generations. Only opened 3 yrs ago. He & father took 8 1/2 months to make walkway. usual Stalactites, Stalagmites - all shown with gaffering kerosene lamp. (Shades of Pissmy Willie in France) Trip ended with walk through prehistoric forest with family of 4 from Auckland. Wife Fijian. - husband. it. 2. Advised us to go to Waikaremuke for lunch, which we did after brief visit to Waingere Falls. Impressive. Maori boys diving in pools. long drive to Waipua Cove. Quite pretty. Had lunch. Paddle - tide long way out. Black Oyster Catcher & Shag. long drive back to main road. (All roads led to Mangawhai. 11 (like NIURET). Changed drivers at Orewa. Two! Auckland by 4:30pm & turned off on highway 2, coffee at Petrol Station - short of Mangawhai. Essex boy had married proprietors daughter 3 yrs ago. 11 Flat open plain. Got lost. Found road to Coromandel Peninsula. Then long winding road over pass. So in evening light to TAIRUA. Fantastic Pacific Lodge Motel - Individual log cabins with view over estuary. Tide coming in - Stillor - Shags. Refreshing drink then got takeaway. Hamburger, Chips to add to Chicken legs. T.V. Film. Chandler & Co. - West to sleep watching it!

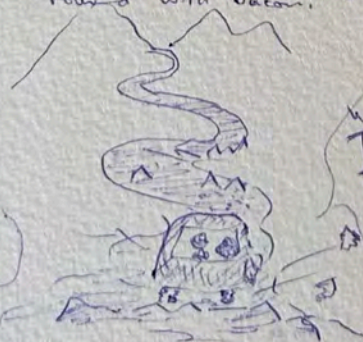
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TAIRUA



**Tairua - where you
can work and play!**

Why is it that whenever you take
over the driving the road becomes
a winding pass with rocks on
the surface.



Why is it that
I always get the
driving when we
go over a winding pass
with rocks on the surface

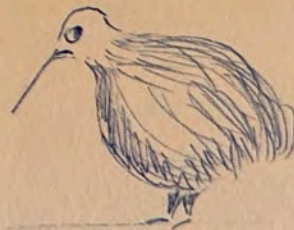
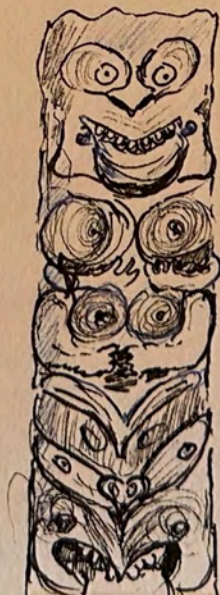
TUESDAY 23RD. JAN. Fine and Sunny all Day. Off at 8.30 am. Did drive over pass to Thames
in reverse. Winding road. Stopped at Thames - largest shopping street in N.Z. Real Frontier
town. Old mining town - biggest town in N.Z. at one time with 100 hotels. Flood goods available
in a variety of small shops. Stopped at Pockin Pay Supermarket. Tangelo. - poor substitute for grapefruit
bread, sweet & sour smoked mussels, tropical fruit drink, lovely winding coastal drive along
unspoilt coastline. (No one allowed to own seashore.) Tilly's dos. res. overlooking sea across to
Auckland. Flock of Oyster Catchers. Empty bathing coves. Red Christmas trees & Agapanthus by
the mile. Coromandel - an old gold town (Called after HMS Coromandel which came in to
pick up a load of Kauni spars & masto in 1820) Very hot. John had Oysters (specialty)
for \$9.50. L=1=\$2.50. then Picnic lunch in picnic area - ham sandwich & smoked mussels.
Picked up walk info. at info. office then drove to campsite, had 1 hour walk in native Kauni
forest. Pines. Tree Ferns. Saw long tailed? tite, green head green back pink chest prominent eye
other bird. Quail & chicks - took off in flight at entrance to campsite. Tried to have
a swim but tide too far out! Back to inspect oyster beds then visited Gold Stamp mill
in working order - water powered. Stamped ore slide to dust then dust mixed with mercury
to form amalgam then mercury driven off in retorts. - leaving gold & silver. Informative young
man. Carried on circuit - soon on unbelievably awful shale surface - winding pass - had to
take over from Jill. - then road works - etc - could have been a picturesque drive. Improved
near Whiranga. Wonderful Mercury Bay where Captain Cook recorded Mercury. Dolphins
play at harbour mouth. (none today) wonderful place for fishing. lovely drive in evening
light over mountain pass back to Tairua. Evening drink overlooking estuary. Haven
& Stills. Out to excellent meal in Shell Restaurant. Caesar's Salad & Lamb on spiced
pears. & superb sauce - ginger soya - onion etc. & cauliflower. Chicken liver wrapped
round with bacon. Dobek. Cabernet/Merlot. Hawkes Bay.



WEDNESDAY 24th JAN. V hot, sunny then later persistent rain & cooler. Up later. Tilaori Tummi! Drove round Tairua to sandpit Big breakers & spray. At Opoutoa drove down to bird sanctuary, native reserve. Tide so high we had to wade over duckboards to get to forest. Huge breakers on the beach. Few seabirds - should have been oyster catchers, dotted. Whangamata on a lagoon. At Whiria turned inland to Wairi & then Karangahake gorge. Pleasant picnic stop at site of old abandoned gold town. Titoutaeria (Crococsmia) everywhere. People bathing. From Paeroa onwards a rather dull drive flat, straight roads. Dairy herds. Huge complexes for making dairy products. Huge logging lorries bearing prizes. Saw a train! Doing likewise. At Matamata. At Tirau stopped for iced chocolate, espresso coffee, lemonade. V. hot. Sheep products shop in form of a sheep in corrugated metal. Road improved to Rotoma but rain started, so did the smell of sulphur!

Titotel excellent - not as good as Tairua but swimming pool & jacuzzi. Had tea did homework then too late for sights so swim in hot pool in rain then jacuzzi! Out to Italian Restaurant for modest Fettuccini & Cloudy Bay White Chardonnay. Typhoon forecast on T.V. Watched Hannah Tilt Bain! on T.V. Asleep by 10 pm

Babich. Cab/Verlot.
Hawke's Bay 13.95
⇒ /5-90.



BURNS NIGHT
IS NOT FAR OFF.

A stuffed kiwi
would make a
good substitute!



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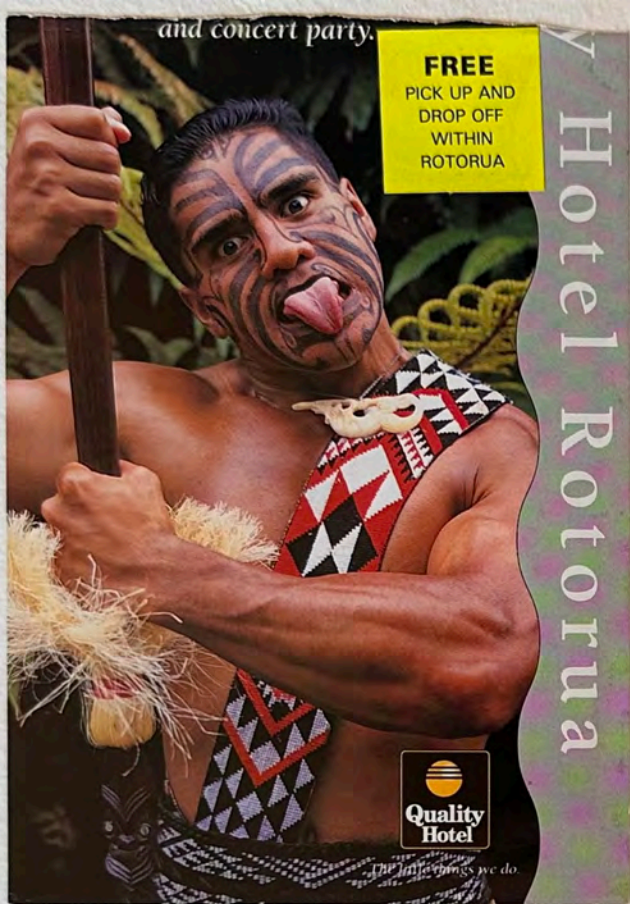


Maori Girl cooking in hot spring.



Orokaia Kororua Geoparkland & Caves. (see over)

Tilaoni's revenge now abated with LITHOTIC.
 THURSDAY 25TH. JANUARY. HOT. SUNNY ALL DAY. WINDY. Cyclone off E. coast.
 Up early. Bank. Then Whakaruarua Thermal Park & Tilaoni Cultural
 centre. Tilaoni crafts being maintained since about 1970. Making grass
 skirts, wood carving - gemstone carving etc. & maintenance of song & dance.
 Several buildings put up & carved in last 20 years. Extensive tour of
 mudpots, fumaroles, geysers, Tilaoni Village. Constant. Tilaoni's
 craft shops. - sweetcorn being cooked in fumaroles, washing places
 bathing pods. (v. hot) - kiwi house. (v. hot.) Kiwis quite big. (as a hen).
 Some capes made of kiwi skins. until 12.15 pm. when $\frac{1}{2}$ hour concert.
 Poi dancing. Stick dance etc. V. beautiful movements. symbolic gestures
 Excellent short lecture at end by Tilaoni woman. - Back to lunch
 in room on hot ham. Pick Fresh a superb supermarket. Rest
 then drove to the Baniid village - buried in 1886 when Mt.
 Tarawhera exploded - killing 156 inhabitants (some survived
 surprisingly in the primitive Tilaoni WHARES. The hotel was
 demolished but excavations still revealing full bottles of wine etc.
 lovely walk in well kept grounds. Treat stream and terrifying
 descent about 200ft down cliff face alongside waterfall & through
 cave. Back to car after about 1 1/2 hours. Then drove round lake
 in vain attempt to find Tilaoni wall painting. Quite a gale and
 wind surfaces going like the clappers. Back by time. Due lakes
 to pick up Takeaway Poi from Pick Fresh. Spare ribs & Chicken &
 potatoes & 2 salads & ham for tomorrow. < L=4. Bibet.
 Cabernet-Merlot. (Hawkes Bay) excellent meal in room. Treated
 by swim & followed by jacuzzi. Slept like a top from 9.15pm.
 FRIDAY 26TH. JANUARY. Fine, Sunny then cold dull, cold wind. Early
 morning swim. Took highway 30 towards Taupo. A beautiful drive
 in areas of deforestation, afforestation. Remarkable Basalt Cliffs forming
 West World like plateau, and singular tump. Wishing Hill. Usual clutter
 of dead opossums on the road, occasional hedgehog, rabbit. No
 carnion crows to feed off them! Joined Highway 1 & then turned
 off to ORAKEI KORAKO Geoparkland, Caves. Parked on edge of



THE TILAONI REVENGE

'lake (actually a dammed river.) Ohakuri, with a view of terraces formed by hot springs. (like Pamukkale in Turkey) Choppy evening of lake in jetboat manoeuvred by female Charon (called Karen!) then 2 hour walk Diamond Geyser. Rainbow Terrace. Rainbow Lookout Artist palette etc. Wonderful colours from various hot water algae & blue, green & hot pools. Quite steep ascent then v. steep descent into Ruatapu Cave, with moving memorial to 2 Tilaoni brothers, good natured quiches as boys who were both killed in action & buried in Libyan Desert in 1941 aged 21 & 19. - further ascent then descent to mud holes - walk thro' forest, back to boat - cafe & coffee & drove on to Taupo. Weather deteriorated and so did Jill who now also had the Tilaonis revenge. Found airport & confirmed arrangements for tomorrow then found hotel. Given Honeymoon Suite overlooking lake. Huge suite of rooms. - jacuzzi in bath etc. & etc. had a rest until 4pm then determined in spite of all to ENJOY OURSELVES - drove out to HUCKER FALLS. parked & walked for 1 1/2 hours along a track near the river through tree ferns etc. Birds - N.Z. Canary (like a yellow hammer) Waxeye and Fantail all around us & crickets. Hebes. Chinese lantern plant tree ferns etc. then the Tilaoni caught up with us & we only just made it back to the car park loo's! The Falls themselves were impressive & all around were activities to enjoy had the weather & us been in better shape. Visited the African Queen river boat etc. Then back to Taupo. Failed to find a decent Takeaway, ended up with the worst none fish & chips ever from Georgie Pie. for John. Jill had Toxic Water, Lomofol and Anadin and slept well until alarm at 5am! Weather & packs of screaming kids prevented one taking advantage of the heated swimming pools. We ought to visit Taupo again!

ORAKEI KORAKO GEYSERLAND AND CAVES



HELLO....

Welcome to the '*Hidden Valley*'
of
Orakei Korako.

This guide leaflet will assist you as you make your way around our geyser valley and cave.

All volcanic and thermal areas are dangerous and great care should be taken as you walk through. It is extremely important that you do not wander from the formed pathways where the crust can be deceptively thin and always remember that some of the water along the way is boiling, so keep a firm control on all children who may not understand the dangers.

So far you have only seen a tiny part of the unbelievable beauty of nature's 'pocket wonder world,' called Orakei Korako.

It does well to realise as you walk around, that the valley is almost unchanged from what it was thousands of years ago. Please help us preserve it in this condition, by keeping to the tracks, by not dropping litter and by not disturbing a single thing. Let nature continue its work so that those who follow, share in your enjoyment.

Now let's get you across the lake. Please take a seat on the boat at the jetty.

As we move across sheltered Lake Ohakuri, the Emerald Terrace seems to grow larger. Often mistaken for an old lava flow, this silica terrace is the largest of its kind in New Zealand and is about 20 metres thick. It continues another 35 metres under the lake.

After disembarking, make your way up to the

Diamond Geyser

Its eruptions are unpredictable, lasting a few minutes to sometimes many hours, ejecting boiling water as high as 8 metres. It gets its name from the way it shatters its water jet into millions of droplets which because of the clarity of the water sparkle like diamonds in the sunlight. Note the lovely mamillary, or coral like silica surrounding the vent.

When you are ready, let's walk on to the bridge and look right, to the magnificent....

Rainbow Terrace

One of three great fault scarps you will see, formed by a massive earthquake in 131AD about the time when the world's greatest known volcano, Lake Taupo, was last erupting. Note the unbelievable colours formed by the hot water algae growing in temperatures up to 60 C.

At the base, are several small geysers which play intermittently and to the left, the great Hochstetter pool, which was named after the Austrian pioneer geologist who visited here in 1859 describing the hot springs for the first time. It erupted in November 1954 and played as a geyser until mid 1955 but ceased suddenly after swarms of subterranean earth shocks were felt.

Let's move up the rise now to the.....

Rainbow Lookout

As you look down, you are given an indication of the turbulent history of Orakei Korako.

To the right you can witness the flow of nearly 20 million litres per day of hot water as it seems to just 'trickle' across the Emerald Terrace into Lake Ohakuri. Let's not hurry, why not take a small rest here, take in the beautiful scenery and when you are ready, we'll move on to the great white terrace known as the.....

Golden Fleec

Called 'Te Kapua' (The Cloud) by the Maoris, it stands 5m high and is 40m long. It is the third of the fault scarps formed in 131AD. Numerous geysers have erupted at the base in the right hand corner, this area is extremely unpredictable and not to be ventured onto.

On our way up the small rise we pass an ancient silica stump we call 'Elephant Rock', can you see why? It's tempting to climb over the barrier to touch it, but please don't as silica crumbles very easily and we want it to last another few thousand years!

Moving forward, on your left you will start to get a glimpse of where it all started as far back as 14,000 years ago, but let's go to the lookout where we can look down on the whole eerie expanse of.....

The Artist's Palette

Formed by hydrothermal eruptions between 8,000 and 14,000 BC, the Artist's Palette remains today one of the most dangerous and unpredictable areas on the resort. The thickness of the silica in some places is as little as 20mm and to walk on it would be foolhardy to say the least! Activity varies so much, that at times the springs discharge masses of hot water which cover the silica flat creating ideal conditions for algae growth. The myriad of browns, greens, yellows, oranges and pinks, pock marked by over 120 crystal clear blue pools, transform this awesome area into an unimaginable beauty, aptly named The Artist's Palette.

Why not take another small rest and when you feel like it we'll move on and take in the splendour of the

Ruatapu Cave

Sometimes called Aladdin's cave, its origin is still uncertain, some theories suggest a giant hydrothermal eruption, while others suggest a cave-in was the cause. Whichever way nature performed it, I'm sure you will agree, it was a performance such as only nature could enact.

Waiwhakaata (pool of mirrors), rests serenely at the bottom of the cave, where uncountable children, (and some grown ups) have 'wished for the stars'. Providing no one but yourself ever knows what you have wished for, your wish is guaranteed to come true! Just put your left hand in the water and 'wish'. (Most people at this point wish for an elevator!)

The pools acidity and chemical composition give it the unique ability to clean jewellery. Just place your jewellery in the water and leave it for about 5 minutes rubbing it occasionally with your fingers.

It's time now to catch your elevator and whisk your way back to the cave entrance where a resting bench awaits you. (Just in case you told someone of your wish!)

Now it's on to the....

Mud pools

Some people at this stage get concerned that they are getting a little too far from 'home', please don't be, the pathway is now starting to return you back to the jetty via the mudpools and a beautiful bush walk, taking you through some of New Zealand's lovely Pongas (tree ferns) and if your eye is good, some Silver Ferns, one of New Zealand's emblems.

Please do not try and get closer to the mud pools than the barriers. The area around the mud pools can be deceptively dangerous. Mud pools generally form in places where the thermal fluids have chemically decomposed surface rocks to form clay. This clay is heated by the underground energy source and boiling mud pools are created. Some expel pellets of thick viscous mud which form cones and these are called mud volcanoes. Activity tends to vary from season to season, depending on the varying amounts of rain to moisten or dry the mud. Accordingly, mud pools generally appear more active in winter than summer.

As we leisurely continue our return to the jetty via the bush walk, perhaps it's a good time to answer a few of the questions commonly asked. One of these is a perception by some people that the area is either more active or less active than their last visit. The simple answer is, that in general terms the heat source is unchanged, it stays fairly constant.

However, during winter there is a great deal more steam due to the lower air temperature (more condensation) than in summer and consequently it appears to be more active in the winter. Another reason is that there is a constant change in the surface features, old pools sometimes dry up and new ones appear, caused by a subterranean migration of the steam, can be confusing to visitors who have been a number of times.

The final gusher you may see is....

The Soda Fountain

After laying dormant for 17 years, The Soda Fountain suddenly refilled and burst into life in 1984. Since then it has been active one day and empty the next, no one knows exactly what's just part of the mystery that is, Orakei Korako.

As you look back across the lake from the....

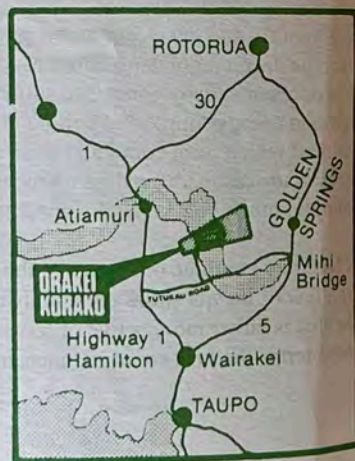
Resort Lookout

The log cabin lodge looks minute nestled beneath the proud volcanoes that once spat fire lava into the air and one wonders in awe, that from such a turbulent past is born such serene beauty.

We are pleased that you found your way to our 'Hidden Valley'. To where ever you may travel, may you have a safe journey and return again one day.

You may wish to recommend our 'Hidden Valley' to a friend, we have included this map for their convenience.

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AIR FORCE WORLD

Winner of Best New Zealand Visitor Attraction 1991

Be amazed by the sights, sounds and atmosphere of nearly a century of flying. With interactive exhibits, working models, dramatic displays and theatrical presentations, Air Force World is more of an adventure than a museum.

Features include the Aircraft Hall with 16 classic planes, the History Hall with hundreds of artefacts, the Memorial Atrium, theatre shows, tours of the Restoration and Storage Hangars, 'hands on' experiences, Tiger Moth joyrides, and Air Force veterans as Guides. A cafeteria and souvenir shop are also provided.



ARTS CENTRE OF CHRISTCHURCH

Set against the romantic backdrop of some of Christchurch's most admired neo-Gothic architecture, the Arts Centre is unequalled in the diversity of talent it fosters.

The 30 shops, dozens of galleries, professional theatres, cinema, restaurants, bars and cafes draw people from throughout Canterbury and beyond to take part in, and observe, the vibrant and varied entertainment, arts and crafts that flourish there.

In the weekends the Arts Centre is particularly inviting, with a colourful profusion of outdoor stalls in the market square and the tempting tastes of the international food fair.

SCIENCE ALIVE!

Science Alive!
provides hours of

SATURDAY, 27th. JAN. HOT & SUNNY, hazy, sunrise. Coffee. Airport by 6.15 am. One girl here to book us in. Only 3 of us on flight. 18 seats + 2 engine prop. aircraft. Pilot, copilot. Took off at 7.10. - v. bumpy up to 200 ft. excellent views of extinct volcano? Tava something. Flight only took about 20 mins. - bumpy descent. Decanted into Rotomanua airport. Boeing 737 arrived full of tips! Had a coffee.

Took off 9.5 am. Excellent breakfast. Egg on bun, orange juice fresh fruit yogurt croissant, jam! Arrived early 10.40 am at Christchurch. Views over Pacific, Canterbury Plain, Southern Alps, snowcapped Mt. Cook. Helpful girl in Budget - revamped booking (\$81 a day) and found Gothic Heights Hotel - alongside Hagley Park. Big Flourmill behind which put us off but people welcoming, room well equipped. Coffee unpacked then walked out in Hyde Park like Hagley Park. Cricket, hockey, netball fields. - avenues of lovely trees. - River Avon with punts, painted by men in white! canoes etc. Into Botanic Gardens like Kaw. N.Z. Section - Rose Garden Heather Rock Tropical House Begonia House. Herbaceous summer borders, well grown trees. Theatre in the air. Then to Museum - True. Dinosaurs of Ancient N.Z. - Antarctic Section. Dinosaurs Birds Coffee. Then to Arts Centre. - in old University. Displays including 'Charlie Chaplin' lot on Tram Loop. with Guide Driver. Whole of city was most impressive, wide streets, clean. Got off tram at Cathedral to find out services tomorrow. Walked back through city to Hotel. Slept. then out to Pegasus Restaurant. Grand Owner. Had excellent restrained meal of poached river salmon on bed of fresh fruit! + cream sauce. - salad + Buffalo Potatoes with yogurt + tomato. Sauvignon Blanc. good talk with proprietor. then tried to watch Maori on TV but kept falling asleep. succumbed at 10.30 pm. During the night the Maori once again struck!



CANTERBURY MUSEUM

The Canterbury Museum is renowned for possessing some of the finest cultural and natural collections in New Zealand, as well as for its creative and imaginative displays. Housed in one of Christchurch's finest historic buildings, the Museum has excellent geology, zoology, Maori and European history galleries. Highlights are the Edgar Stead Hall of New Zealand Birds, the internationally renowned Hall of Antarctic Discovery and the award winning gallery of moas and moa hunters, Iwi Tawhito, Whenua Hou: Ancient People, New Land.



ORANA PARK

New Zealand's largest wildlife reserve, Orana Park is set on 80 hectares of land and is internationally acclaimed for its breeding of rare and endangered New Zealand and African animals.

Experience feeding the magnificent Giraffes... see a Cheetah in full chase... marvel at the strength of the Lions, come very close to the rare White Rhino on the African Plains and enjoy the antics of the families of Monkeys, Lemurs, and Meerkats.

Be sure to see New Zealand's own native bird - the Kiwi - in the Nocturnal House, along with the Park's many other native birds and reptile species, including the rare Tuatara. Mingle with the native birds in the South Island's largest walk-through aviary. Then relax and enjoy the view from the Serengeti Restaurant.



THE INTERNATIONAL ANTARCTIC CENTRE

Christchurch - Gateway to Antarctica.

The International Antarctic Centre brings the frozen continent to you. You can experience the four seasons of Antarctica, discover a penguin rookery and marvel at the beauty of the Southern Lights.

While you're there be sure to see "The Great White South", an audio-visual presentation that will leave you spell-bound.

'The Antarctic Shop' offers an exclusive range of merchandise and '60° South Cafe and Bar' is an ideal place for lunch or coffee.

The International Antarctic Centre - it's the best way to discover Antarctica.



QEII FUN PARK AND SPORTS CENTRE

This beautifully landscaped park boasts indoor and outdoor attractions to delight every member of the family.

Enjoy the heated indoor swimming pools and hydroslide, play squash, use the weight training facilities or run on the all weather track.

The 18 hole mini golf course provides a challenge for golfers of all abilities, or test your skills in the replica Formula One racing cars.

Driveworld, Bumpa Boats, the Supa Slide and the Dodgems bring out the child in everyone, and when you're ready for a change of pace - try the vintage cars or test your sense of direction in the maze.

Christchurch - 'The Jewel of The South'

There is so much to do and see in beautiful Christchurch. You will want to stay awhile and enjoy the superb entertainment, the unique attractions, the fine dining, the colonial and cosmopolitan culture, the intriguing history, and of course, the relaxed and friendly shopping.

entertainment. There's something unusual and exciting for everybody from pre-schoolers to adults. The accent is on fun, and a hands-on approach to science.

Special exhibits have a local flavour - the Braided River, Falling Mountains and Envirozone will enrich your experience of the South Island.

Enter the worlds of science and technology through play and experiment - make fluorescent waves, modify your own voice pattern, measure your strength with a laser beam and explore your creativity - casting coloured shadows. There's endless fun, with shows, displays and interactive exhibits.



MOUNT CAVENDISH GONDOLA AND SUMMIT COMPLEX

From its position high on the Port Hills, the Mount Cavendish Complex affords unequalled 360° views of the city of Christchurch, the Canterbury Plains, Lyttelton Harbour, the Pacific Ocean and Southern Alps.

Ascend to the summit in the comfort of the spacious four-person gondolas, and enjoy the spectacular views.

While you are there browse in the gift shop, taste the best local cuisine in the a la carte Ridge Restaurant, or enjoy a snack and local ale or wine in the Red Rock Cafe.

Travel through the ages in the Mount Cavendish Time Tunnel; a unique multi-media historical adventure which reveals the geography and history of Christchurch and Banks Peninsula and their inhabitants, culminating in a stunning audio visual show of Christchurch today.



CHRISTCHURCH
THE GARDEN CITY
The city that shines

SUNDAY 28th JAN. Hot. Sunny. Up later. Topped near Cathedral, Surg. Fuchsiaist. well attended by variously attired congregation. Mixed men's boy choir. First Sunday back from holiday. Boys are at cathedral school. Christchurch Grammar, Choir. 40 strong. Two processions each with crucifer. Hody deacon conducted a lot of the service. Gospel read by lay preacher. Sermon preached by chaplain of Christ's College Public School - footnote. Afterwards had coffee with wife of paediatrician trained at the Westminster and a missionary teacher who had spent a lot of time in Thailand and S.W. China. - now retired & sings in the choir. - wife is an artist. Not saved who knew the U.K. well & one from Bristol. It felt like an extension of England. Walked to Arts Centre and visited Art Gallery many excellent Maori portraits by ? Tiddie. Few important works by European artists & much more of contemporary female whose work we didn't care for. Slightly disappointing in volume & content. Back to Arts centre to street full of food of different nations. we settled for Indian 2 kebabs, samosa. & 2 vegetable balls. Lebanese. Sat at table with man owning company dealing with removing top of a gold mountain in Papua New Guinea & his wathroough friend. (Dumas lived in Dorca Spain & commuted between there, Papua & New Zealand. Walked to car. Drove out to Gondola & up to mountain top on Banks Peninsula formed by eruption of 2 huge volcanoes. Named after Banks. botanist with Capt. Cook. 4 levels. - on bottom one a Home tunnel & video of formation of Banks Peninsula & Canterbury. (Christchurch. - Immigrants came in 1840's. to Lyttelton harbour & took goods over biddle paths to swampy plain of Canterbury. Panoramic view 36° from top gallery restaurant - coffee. Down again. drove to Lyttelton harbour - still with old 19th houses - hotels some brick - mostly clapperboard. Now a big port for Christchurch - approached through long tunnel thro' volcano. Containers ships, timber. - then out to New Brighton via estuary. Stopped to view. Heron. Stilts. Black Swans. Cormorants. Ducks, Gullmule. Oystercatcher. Out to beach to see breakers (like Lytham St Annes in 1930s!) Drove to Hagley Park to end of Blues Brews & Banbeures beer festival. Too late for drinks. (out at 6pm) Went to Oxford on Avon v. good canopy. Road Park, Timunings for \$9.95. - red house wine. Back to hotel at 8pm watch Ruth Rendell. Typology.



T.T. COOK



LUPINS T.T. SEFTON

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

The Anglican Church in Aotearoa,
New Zealand and Polynesia
Te Hāhi Mihinare ki Aotearoa, ki Niu Tirenī
ki ngā Moutere o Te Moana Nui a Kiwa

28 January 1996 ~ Epiphany 4

Sentence: One thing I have asked of the Lord, which I long for, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze on your beauty O Lord and to seek you in your temple.
Psalm 27:4,5



8am Traditional Holy Communion

Celebrant: Robin Smith
Reader: Noel Taylor

Artwork by Jo O'Hara

10am Choral Eucharist

Celebrant: Roger Couper
Liturgical Assistant: Trish Daniels
Preacher: David Winfield
Verger: Chris Oldham

Morning tea will be served after this service & guided tour held at 11.30am
Today's services continue on back page

MONDAY. 29TH. JAN. Hot. Sunny. At 9.45 to Mount Cook Travel to change vouchers to stay 2 nights at Te Anau instead of one. Then to supermarket in American Style Mall - got cheese, ham, bread, wine, orange juice, fruit. Trolley at bank then long straight drive South on main road. Huge plain. Distant Hills. Hills. Hills of Coulters wind-breaks for various crops. Houses. Cattle Sheep. & lots of Deer. Only towns of note Rakaiia where we crossed the Rakaiia River - a big salmon fishing river with a salmon fishing competition in February - and Ashburton. Rangitata River - all fishing rivers. All towns open, floral, clean & spacious. Railway track alongside but not main! Shout of Turramu turned inland to Geraldine. Towns filled with all amenities. Decided we could live there. Drive through hills became more interesting & picturesque. Before Fairlie we turned down a side road for picnic lunch in deserted ship dip place. Bell bird calling in woods. Over Banks Pass onto huge high plateau? 4000 ft - empty. Lupins & Vipers Baylors on roadside. Arrived at Lake Tekapo. Formed by damming the river. Church of Good Shepherd with statue of a dog nearby. Swimming with Japanese. Stopped for coffee in posh hotel on terrace. Walked up to viewpoint over the lake. Buddhist monk by watersedge. Window over altar frames the mountain view. Built 1935. The McKenzie Country - McKenzie was a sheep walter. Then to Lake Pukaki & long drive up lakeside with stunning views of Mt. Cook. Arrived at village. A handful of huts - aerodrome, helicopter station & 1 motel (ours) & the famous Hermitage hotel. (destroyed first by flood then by fire - this is the 3rd built in 1976). Our motel Travellodge poorer facilities than any so far but not bad. Huisilly built. Village so packed we had to book meal (9pm the earliest) Alpina Restaurant at the Hermitage. Had arrived at 5pm so had Government walk through the bush for 1 hr. then up a bit of the Red Tarns walk. Saw black & white pod tit. Bath at 8pm. Dinner. Jill Swoked Salmon Avocado & Boisenberry Shortcake. John. Clam chowder and superbly succulent lamb chops. House wine white red. Bed at 11pm.

TUESDAY, 30th JANUARY, 1996. HOT, SUNNY then DULL CLOUDY. John up with the birds to try for photographs of morning light on mountains - regretted not taking either glow last night lasting to 9.30pm. Reth Red Team walk for 1hr - over wadiety bridge. Breakfast then off at 9am. Wonderful morning with superb views back to Tilt, Cook, along lakeside to Twizel. - massive canals from hydroelectric schemes over the high deserted plateau. No habitation. Tiltone lupins - suddenly on TWIZEL! - an oasis of culture in the wilderness - a town resulting from housing workforce to build dams etc. There was a whole book on it. They all liked the place so much that they stayed. Golfcourse - everything - only one way in. Petrol. - This is Paradise - petrol attendant. No other town for about 30 miles! Blade still breeding reserve. Omelette similarly nice then started to rise over bleak Lindis Pass - short ascent but long prolonged descent for about 10 miles to Lindis Valley. (2 sheep stations!) and stopped at Tarras. Supermarket selling Tiltene Woolen Goods, Dines Coffee & bought honey. Countryside littered with hives - not habitation! Civil warthen had travelled world, decided Tarras was best. Boarding school at



CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD



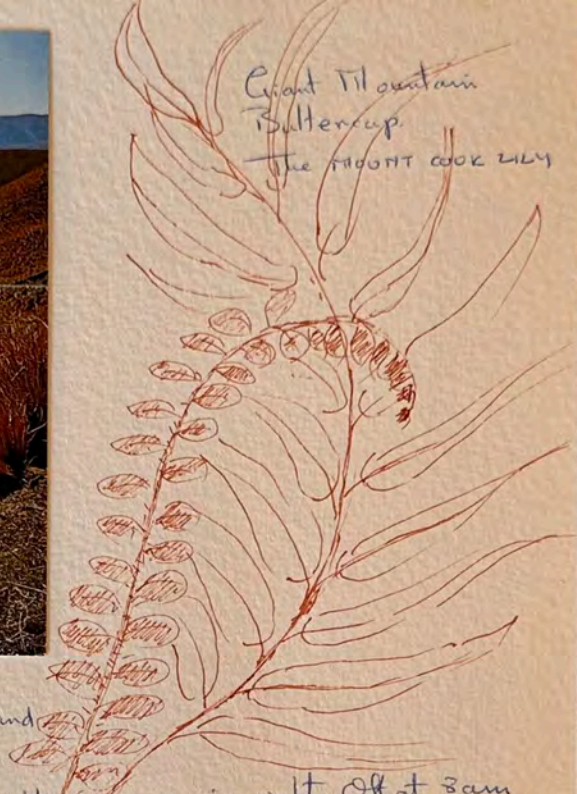
Tinian! some kids went at 5 & not allowed home in term time!
Drove down to Cromwell - another most attractive town with everything then exciting drive down river-gorge passing gold mining area and stopped at end of valley to watch Bungy-Jumping from historic bridge. Built 1870 - used until 1963. - for gold miners. bypassed Queenstown. - Lakeside Drive along L. Wapatipu to Kingston stop to photo engine! Weather clouding - via Five rivers & nothing remarkable to Te Anau. Arrived 5.15. Tiltone Lakeside Resort like latter day Swiss Resort. Beautifully manicured & befloward. Went to Visitor Centre - casual eating places. Motel. Takeaway etc. Visited disappointing bird sanctuary with miserable birds. - one Tui had a sore throat! Bought upmarket fish & chip takeaway from Henrys. Chardonnay, TV. pro quannie on Chatham Islands. Will wait for walk.



Hindis Pass, discovered by John Turnbull Thomson in 1857
to connect Waikiki Valley, Central Otago. Named after island
of Hindis Parne.

WEDNESDAY 31st. JANUARY 11.57. LIFTED HOT, SUNNY. Heavy rain in night. Off at 8am

— weather improving. mountain tops appearing. Drive along like then rolling countryside
forest waterfalls and lakes. then quite suddenly into the high stuff. Winding mountain
pass ascending steeply with slab faced bare mountain slopes a continuous waterfall. Rather
serie got to the ^{HOMER} TUNNEL. 1 1/2 km in pitch black rough hewn and shale surface steep
descent. Quite glad to emerge in panoramic views down valley to Milford Sound. (In reality a glacier formed fjord.)
600 - mile deep & mile high mountains. Milford sound just a very posh quay with all facilities & various boats about
6 or 8 - various sizes including one to sleep on. Found we could have come all the way on a bus! Caught the 10.30 am cruise. Danish skipper
well informed. Milford Sound is a glacier formed fjord - mile high cliffs & mile high deep. Sides scarred by avalanches started by one tree.
Earthquake fault, where Tasman plate & Pacific plate overlap. New Zealand fur seals & dolphins in the distance. Cruised right out to open
sea (not often possible). Reef in distance Cook did not enter! QE2 comes in through 1/2 mile wide entrance. On way back underwater lab
in bay where seals used to shelter & take on fresh water. Boat backed up right into 500 ft waterfall. Back at dock walked to waterfall
20 mins. Got petrol (dispensed once/hour) and drove back to Te Anau. Stopped for walk at the chaom (awe inspiring) Path up to rock
garden at the tunnel. Party of 18 bikers from U.S.A led by Englishman from London. Negotiated tunnel - stopped at far end for lunch
and got invaded by a Kea that tried to dismantle our windscreen wipers. Further stop at the Milnor Lakes and Boyd Falls.
Back to Te Anau. Till cooled Steak au Poivre (slightly tough) potatoes and brussels.) Babich Pinotage/Cabernet.



Giant Till mountain
Buttercup.
The MOUNT COOK LILY



THURSDAY, 1st FEBRUARY. Very hot, Sunny. Off at 9am. Did marvellous walk in red Hotopagus woods. Floor full of various ferns and covered in beech mast. Dappled sun. 3 hour walk there, back to Manapouri Lake - over torrents with stony bridges - swamps with sundew & finally the lake. Fresh water at this distance from sea. Cormorants, Scaup, Southern Black & White Robin - v. loudly. Brown Warbler, Fantail, Heard Bell Bird. Fell in with nice couple from Stratford on Avon, & walked back to car with them. Drove back to Visitor Centre & had picnic in the park alongside. Bought books on ferns. Drove to Queenstown. Beautiful drive - empty roads. Stopped at Atholl (One diner r. 3 houses!) Population about 200 - mostly sheep farms. 3000 acres. - Stations are 10-20,000 acres. Nice couple who had just taken on the store/diner from Invercargill. Had both been in T.A. Full of information about way of life in outback. (About 50 from any reasonable town. Gold mining in district still. (Open east - then ground returned to grazing. Good area for stream fishing! lovely views of Remarkables mountain range. Queenstown - a busy tourist joint. 10,000 population. 10-15,000 visitors. Attractive frontier town centre with many shops, restaurants, buskers, taxi operators. - mostly geared at young & v. active. Swarming with Japanese. Our Motel - Blue Peaks v. good. with suite of rooms, lounge T.V. Bathroom kitchen. Bedroom. Unpacked then at 6 pm. went up in Gondolo. \$12 each for panoramic view. Decided to walk down - 2000 ft. - regretted it! Got lost alongside hydroelectric pipe line, precipitous, rock strewn torrent. Scrambled up to find path again & got back to town via esplanade by 8pm. Found a ~~pub~~ pub for pasta - chicken lemon pasta and white house wine Oxford handling. - back to base at 10pm. Itched all night. Trivial in a.m.



ARROWTOWN.



FUR SEALS, NEW ZEALAND

Fur Seal Pups born in December. Males grow to 10 ft. 100 lbs.

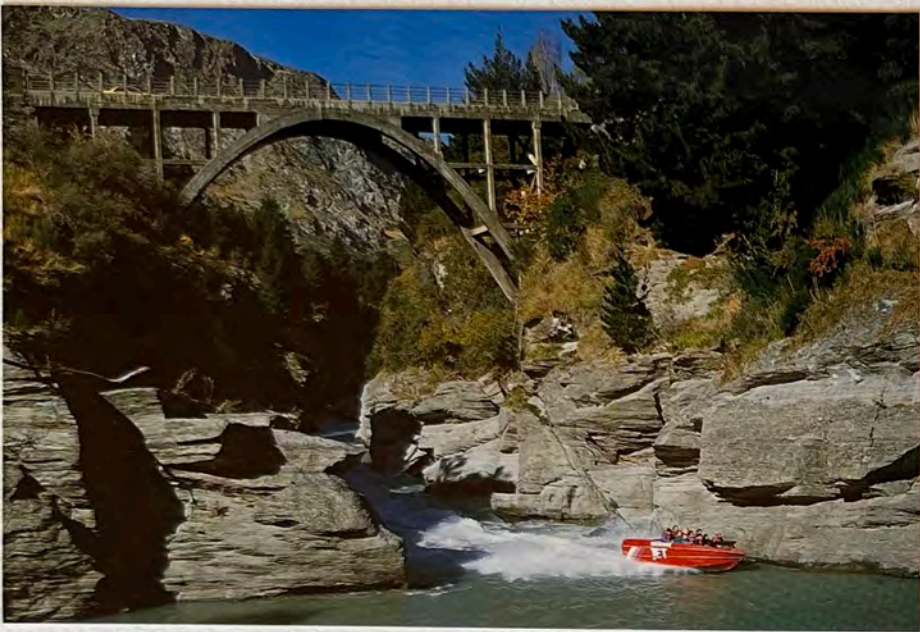
FRIDAY 2ND FEB. Hot Sunny then Windy. Walked to town to Shotover Jet, booked for 10.15. trip. Taken by bus to River. Shotover. Dumped valuables in locker - put on life jackets then hair raising trip with GREG. down gorge - up gorge - round, round missed rocks by mins. I got wet through, and paid for it. 30 mins exhilarating sick making hell. Photos taken. Taken back to town - stopped for jade & pauia - back to Hotel for lunch & rest. Slept off Triludam. Then abruptly decided on Dart River walk from Glenorchy. Hadist realised the road was gravel only most of the way. Beautiful drive with wind chasing cloud shadows over lake. Glenorchy - a collection of shades & no shades of doing walk in the time. Coffee in cafe, then drove back to Nature Trail at Robo Bay. Nearly had a swim in lake but cyclonic winds whipping up waves. Difficult track through FF high bracken at lakeside. Well documented trees & shrubs. After I drove back to car - town - got Chinese take away had a beer. Australian aborigine playing didgeridoo. Great atmosphere in the centre. Sweet & sow park, chicken reheat nuts, shrimp nice. - chardonnay.

SATURDAY 3RD FEBRUARY. Warm, Sunny then Rain becoming Tormented.

Got snaps of jet boat. Off by 9am to Jetboat gorge to take video. Then to Arrowtown. Old Goldtown preserved & restored but desirable place to live - many new posh houses beautiful gardens. Drove then back to Cromwell via Kawarau Gorge. Dramatic scenery. Few vineyards in profusion.

Stopped to photograph old gold working town over gorge by suspension bridge. (jet boat available) Cromwell surrounded by fruit stalls, orchards every fruit except Kiwi. Failed to find coffee at Cromwell. Weather deteriorated, turned off for coffee at Lake Hawea. long chat about fishing in river & lake. 10 1/2 lb stuffed trout on wall. Average catch. 2 lb. up. - can take down to 10 lbs. Rainbow, Brown introduced from Canada & now naturalised & breeding. No stocking. Trolling, Fly, Spinner & ?netting.

Weather getting worse. - gradual ascent to Haast Pass then steep descent - used to be v. hazy. Fantastic Waterfalls



Edith Cavell Bridge.



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FRANZ JOSEF GLACIER

Ka Komata o Hinechukitere (Tears of the Avalanche Girl) name given to the glacier. She loved climbing mountains & persuaded her lover Tawe to go with her. He fell & died. Heart broken hysteres formed the glacier.

Got to river level & had picnic lunch in shelter by torrent. Pestored by sandflies! At Haast visited World Heritage Visitor Centre. (Said to be remarkable architecture - corrugated iron! by small lake) opened 1990, recognised by UNESCO. Saw a film, v. good exposition of Westland. Only opened up in 1965 when Haast Pass opened.!! Area of salt water lagoons, pounding surf beaches and rain forest with tallest N.Z. tree the

Pestored by sandflies we did the dune walk to the lagoon half way to Knights Point. Haven Shaq & Paradise Duck. Stopped again at Knight's point & saw numerous fur seals on the beach in the distance & some penguins? variety. Sandflies in the ear. Raining with rain so decided not to visit Fox Glacier & drove on to Franz Josef without doing any of the numerous walks possible. Nice Hotel alongside river with levee which we hoped wouldn't give way in the night. Thunder, lightning, tropical cloud burst most of the night. but warm & cosy room with wood stove, microwave T.V. 2 beds, settees, heater, bathroom en suite. Finished up last night's takeaway! and smoked mussels, soup, chocolate, white wine, tea & watched Zimbabwe beat N.Z. in the first day/night international cricket.

SUNDAY 4th FEB. Tormental Tropical Rain most of the day! This area has the highest rainfall in the world. 10x LONDON 1 inis/hour. Raining so visited visitor centre. Saw wrong film. Interesting display on whole region & glaciers. Drove to glacier and walked to glacier face - about a mile to ice across river bed - nearly fell in then heavens opened - got soaked to skin. Back at car got into dryer clothes, then to village, hot coffee and steak & kidney pie - by now 1.30pm. Drove down to gold town at Ross. Walk we intended to do was closed! thence to

Hokitika an old gold town. Once an important port at the time of the gold rush now still attractive in good weather. Would have been nice to stay the night. Looked in game shops etc. drove to harbour entrance. then on to Greymouth which went on & on & seemed to be a dump. Couldn't find motel - then did. All facilities including jacuzzi, swimming pool. Swam then out to meal & recommended restaurant at Shantytown. 7pm. - Advised 45 minute wait. - eventually 1 3/4 hr. later got to meal. In the meantime Tilotua White - Chenni. Riesling. Chardonnay - Prawn cocktail. v. tasteless but excellent Poached Turbot - mashed spuds, v. good salad with amazing coconut balls. - apologetic waiter not worth the wait. Turned out to be a great rugby player - captain of Westland - had played extensively in the U.K. & gave us a cloth for Michael when he heard he played rugby! Watched tail end of Ruth Rendell. T.V.

FLORIDA. 5TH. FEB. hooked threatening but cleared to sunshine.

Did a walk along the wall at Greymouth - 19. Following a disastrous flood. Busy fishing port especially tuna. Talked to fishermen. Drove to end of jetty. Stormy seas at harbour bar. - scene of several disasters - removal of jetty. Stonny seas at harbour bar. - scene of several disasters - removal of jetty. Back through town to Shantytown, spent rest of morning there. Ride on steam train - saw mill. - panned for gold. Old Hospital etc. etc. left at 12.30. Drove up & down trying to find road to Arthur's Pass. Stopped for picnic alongside canal short of Kumara - site of famous goldfield. Present Race track, road on for Arthur's Pass Rd., Railway. - built. 1865 - pick, shovel & barrow Rd. narrow & narrower and dramatic ascent after Otira. Still driving! at times single track. v. steep. priority for ascending traffic. John took over. Summit was tame. Stopped for coffee in village then returned to summit for Tlatwe Trail walk. 30mins. Only notable plants - white Tritelea & white Daisies. Yellow astero. long long long descent in beautiful evening light - lakes - low hills. no habitation - railway until Springfield then Canterbury plain to Christchurch. V. nice motel. Belle Bonne Out to supermarket & evening meal. bacon egg. sausages (excellent) mushrooms & mixed veg. red wine cabernet/merlot. Watched Chandler. Co. T.V. Bed.

Rain

It rained and rained and rained
The average fall was well maintained
And when the tracks were simple bogs
It started raining cats and dogs

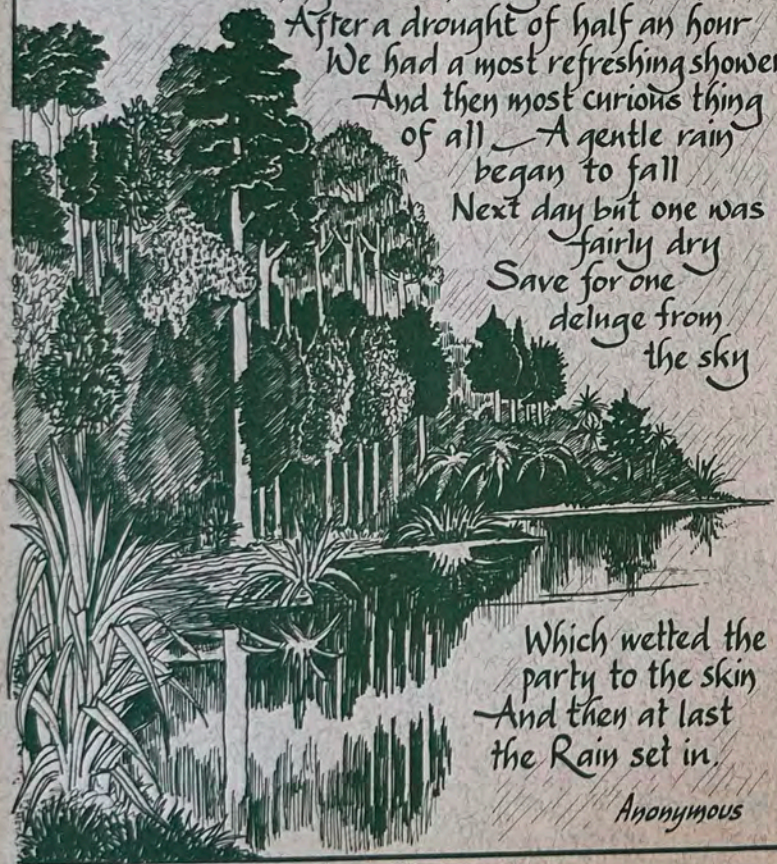
After a drought of half an hour
We had a most refreshing shower

And then most curious thing
of all - A gentle rain
began to fall

Next day but one was
fairly dry
Save for one
deluge from
the sky

Which wetted the
party to the skin
And then at last
the Rain set in.

Anonymous



POSSUM

Trichosurus vulpecula

Size: Average weight 3 to 4 kg.

Range: New Zealand wide, including many off-shore islands.

Habitat: Native forest, also small areas of bush and scrub.

Food: Leaves, shoots, fruit etc., of a wide variety of native and introduced plants.

Voice: Quite vocal; calls range from high-pitched squeals to throaty repetitive grunts.

Breeding: Mates during March; one young born about 18 days later and takes up residence in mother's pouch. Leaves pouch permanently in October but remains with parent until next breeding season.

General: Introduced from Australia last century to establish a fur industry, opossums have created havoc in New Zealand forests. Large amounts of money continue to be spent on control measures.



Begin at the site of the historic Mawhera Pa **1** at the town end of the Cobden Bridge. Stroll along Mawhera Quay to take in the view west towards the River mouth. Imagine if you can the wharf in its industrial heyday lined with coastal steamers, trains and rakes of coal trucks. The dredge buckets are relics of the days when the Mawhera Dredge maintained the shipping channel. This is also the site of the Riverside Station, which was the departure point for the Miners' trains to Rewanui.

Continue along the Wall, **2** past the Town Clock (see box over page) and Steve Newby's cement sculptures, towards the river mouth. The Wall follows through what was historically the heart of the industrial West Coast. **3** Climb to the Pumping Station platform for great views of the river and the remaining section of the wooden wharf. Leave the Wall for a short time and walk along the old wooden wharf.

The two cranes which remain here handled the tens of thousands of tons of coal which left Greymouth by ship. The old nails and the marks left by the train tracks on the wooden wharf are the remnants of a busy rail yard, the old wooden bollards show where the coal boats once moored.

Continue south along the wharf to the modern port and fish processing area **4**. This is a popular fishing spot for herrings. There's a small shop that sells fresh fish directly from the boats during the season.

Leave the wharf **5** and pick up the line of the wall through the industrial estate. To return to the town's commercial area follow Gresson Street back to the Information Office. (30 mins)

Continue south along the wall to emerge on the edge of the Blaketown Lagoon. 30 to 40 mins from town will bring you to the Preston Road bridge.



River Harbour Walk along "The Great Wall of Greymouth"

— Great Wall of Greymouth

..... Alternative Walking Routes

Turn left along Preston Road if you want to walk back to town. An interesting point about this bridge is that it can be made flood proof by placing the panels stored here into the slots in the Bridge. **6**

The intersecting Cowper Street section of the Wall, with the second Pumping Station, joins Preston Road by the Bridge. Follow the wall behind the industrial estate and continue around the head of the Blaketown Lagoon.

7 This is an important conservation area and there are normally grey ducks, plovers, shags and very occasionally white herons feeding here.

8 The wall continues between the lagoon and a magnificent row of pohutakawas to the main moorings for the fishing boats. Greymouth has the largest fishing harbour on the West Coast of the South Island.

Continue along the wall towards the southern breakwater. **9**

During October/November, the river will be lined with people fishing for whitebait — a famous West Coast delicacy. To walk from town to the end of the breakwater — 1hr 45mins. **10**

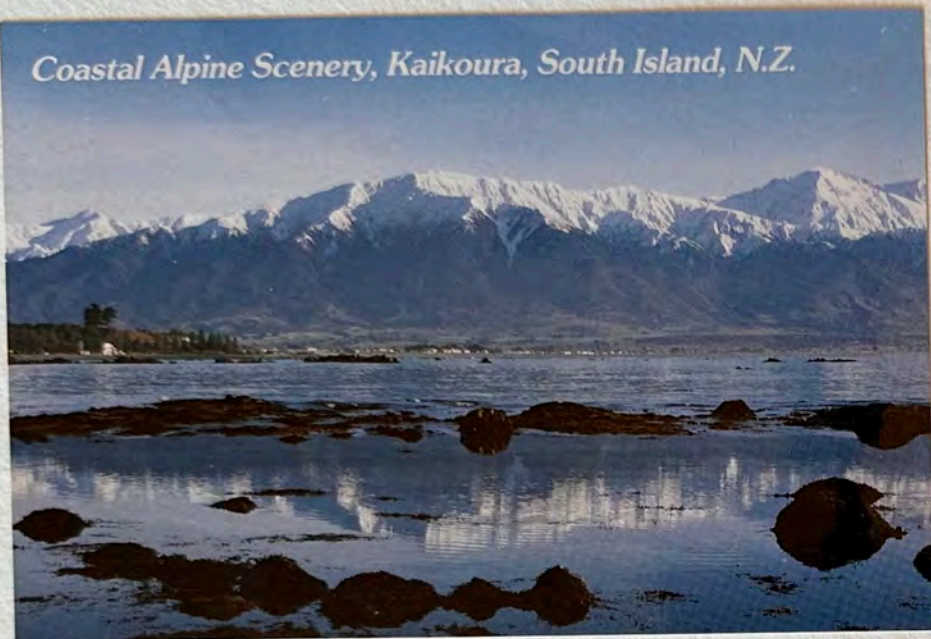
Seals and the rare Hector's Dolphin are often seen swimming around the river mouth. The seals enjoy basking in the sun on the rocks along the breakwater. On a clear day the panoramic view of the Southern Alps is spectacular. The bar on this river is notorious for ship wrecks. Twenty-three boats were wrecked here between 1863 and 1936.

From the breakwater, either return to the main town area by The Wall, or head south along the stony beach **11** for 5-10 minutes. Any of the tracks on your left will take you to the unsealed road behind the beach. Avoid the gravel works by turning left and follow the suburban streets of Blaketown back to the Preston Road Bridge. Turn left if you wish to return directly to town (1hr 40min) or right and continue towards the Aerodrome either via Preston Road or on the Wall. Follow the wall along Raleigh Street at the head of Lake Karoro, to Cowper Street. **12** Turn left along Cowper Street until you reach the steps to the sports grounds. There is a pleasant short walk through Kowhai Bush which begins here. (Walk across the sports ground to the railway line for the track entrance)

13 Dixon Park is at the end of Cowper Street - this is a pleasant place to rest your feet, there is a child's paddling pool adventure playground and picnic tables.

14 Walk along Turumaha Street, turn left at the Westland Brewery back to the Information Centre (2 hrs 45 mins).

Coastal Alpine Scenery, Kaikoura, South Island, N.Z.



TUESDAY 6th FEBRUARY Beautiful hot sunny day WAITANGI DAY.
No banks. !! Found out how to use cash point. !! Drove to
airport to arrange delivery of car. Then long beautiful drive.
— plain then rolling hills then foothills of Southern Alps.
Quite deserted. — very dry blue hills, yellow ochre foreground
& trees of varied greens & shapes. Poplars, rounded
and gum trees. About 120 miles to Kaikoura. Stopped at Chevrot
for coffee. Kaikoura by 1.30 pm. Booked into motel then to
Whaleway Station after lunch in spacious rooms. Got onto
4.15 boat, hauled from trailer. Almost 3 hours of sultry
round searching whales. (saw 5 diving, blowing) seals &
seal colony with pups, old males — v. fishy smell. Petrels
2 kinds. Gannets. Shearwaters. 2 kinds. Terns. Cormorants
Feeding shark blue fin, feeding seals. — but no dolphins.
(frightened away by orcas passing thru yesterday. Those attack
the Dolphins & Spinn whales — eat only eyes & tongues. !!)
Back to room. changed. Docked at Finz for supper.



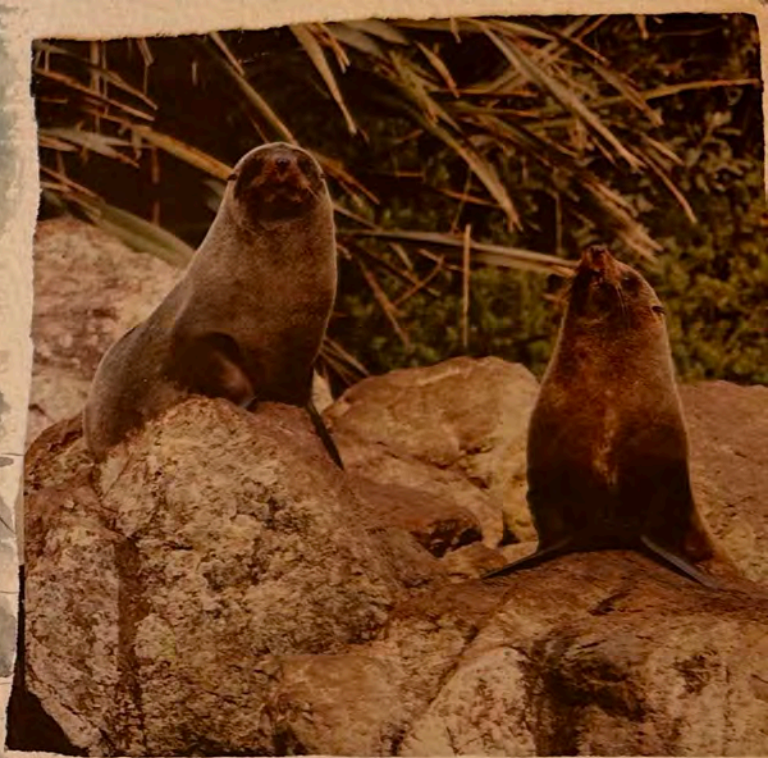
SHANTYTOWN

NEW ZEALAND

by ULRICH WALTHERT

(dry white wine). Crayfish Pilgrimage.
St. Rubyns. Chat with local crayfish fisherman
& businessman friend from Christchurch with
holiday house locally. Chandler & Co.

WEDNESDAY 7th FEBRUARY POOR FORECAST BUT.
Turned out sunny eventually 9 am — Visitor
centre & saw excellent slide presentation on Kaikoura
and the whales. Packed with information. Unique
place where deep trench 1 km at least approaches
closest to land with huge food potential from
phytoplankton down to deep sea giant squid on which
local pod of young < 10 yrs old spinn whales feeds
— also Blue Whale. Orcas in packs Pilot Whales —
grey fur seals, dolphins & penguins. Bought video
tape. Drove to end of peninsula & walked on
flat rocks amongst rock pools wrack & saw
people swimming with seals. Walked up to



KAIKOURA. At Finz waiting for Dimas to Waioa from Tarnassas.
lookout then back to car 12 noon, lovely empty countryside winding drive over small passes to Waioa from Tarnassas.
First stopped several times on huge bay between Oarū & Kāikōura to look at seals - cairns etc. Continuing beautiful drive
but stopped for picnic lunch by bridge over small stream. Road along the Hope River for several miles then gentle ascent over Lewis
Pass & dropped to hot spring spa at Mōruia Springs for coffee. Then after Springs Junction last road down mining valley
Reefton. Ahaura & stopped to visit the site of the Brunner mine. 1893 the worst mining disaster in N.Z. see over. Back to
our erstwhile Motel. Charles Court - quieted like long lost friend. - Walked to beach - attacked by sandflies - back to room for eggs bacon
veg. baked beans sausages. Red wine.

THURSDAY, 8th. February. Very hot. Sunny. Visited local hospital & found address of Donal Budge well remembered from Stoke Newington
days - Drove along coast. Amazing mixture of old mining towns - Mountains down to sea - Rocky beaches. - Tropical Rain forest.
Black biting sandflies. Fabulous Drive. On beach Jill picked up a Pāui shell. Numerous stops for photographs then 12 noon stopped at
Punakaiki to visit the pancake rocks & blowholes. Well documented walk to cliffs through Mākaupāto. Watched audio visual
presentation on geology of area. Sat in shade for picnic lunch then drove off to Porarua River. (Quiet Load). Hired ^{canoe} ~~canoe~~
& paddled upstream with tide to rapids 1 km with noisy lot of young both sexes. After 1 hr. down to base & walked



up river bank for 1/2 km. through tropical bush. Full of bellbirds
tui, fantail, tomtit, brighteye, NZ pigeon. Then down to walk alongside
lagoon, saw tern colony feeding young. Continued drive thro'
Charleston (non-event) old gold mining town then to Westport. Harbour
for cement shipping, railway yards coalmine exhibition - all v clean like
Clevedon or Milnehead. Beautifully situated motel. - bought hemon
Sole, Mund Fish & Chip Takeaway, Crews-tramper. (\$11), meal \$7.30. = 1/3.
Coaltrains passing through room until 10 pm then at 6 am.!

Friday 9th February. Hot. Sunny clouded over then finally very hot on E. Coast. Paid
£7 for prolonged call to Doudd Budge last night - but worth it. At 72 he is still working
in E.P. - has a boat, flies his own plane (Did Flying Doctor in Australia) much reminiscence
of Stoke Mandeville. Has a daughter at Dunvegan! Off by 9.15 to harbour entrance. Once a busy coal port. Visited Museum until 11.15 am
Magnificent display with 2 audiovisual performances of Goldmining Coalmining Shipping. Colonial Life. Geology Earthquakes etc. could

Coal Mining

Thomas Brunner recorded the existence of an outcrop of coal on the north bank of the Grey River in 1848.

Today, much of the Grey District's history is linked to the discovery of "Black Gold."

The satellite town of Runanga was founded as a result of a government decision to develop a state coal reserve. Houses were built on crown land to give shelter to the miners and their families who had been living in tents and shacks.

One of New Zealand's earliest industrial sites, the Brunner Mine, is situated just 11 km from Greymouth.

It opened in the 1860's, producing coal, coke and fire bricks, but carries a sad legacy as the site of the country's worst mine disaster - an underground explosion killed 65 men in 1896. Coal was still shipped to markets throughout New Zealand and Australia but by the turn of the century, activity at the site was declining.

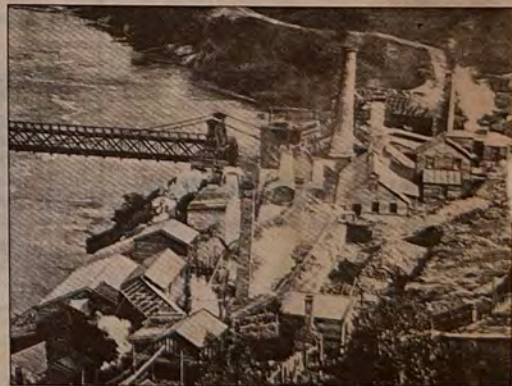
The Brunner mine is now protected by the New Zealand Historic Places Trust.

Its most interesting remains are the almost intact beehive coke ovens and the sulphurous ventilation shaft entrance.

Display boards give visitors an idea of what the operation was like in its hey-day and a 50 minute walkway through native bush passes other old mining sites.

Tourists are advised to approach Brunner via State Highway Seven. An old Tyneside chimney marks an Information Kiosk and car park and from there it's a short walk across a footbridge to the historic remains.

Further up the highway is the Stillwater cemetery where most of the victims from the 1896 disaster are buried. A monument stands on the mass grave.





SS. Mawhera. launched Renfrew Scotland 1908. Worked in Westport until 1979.

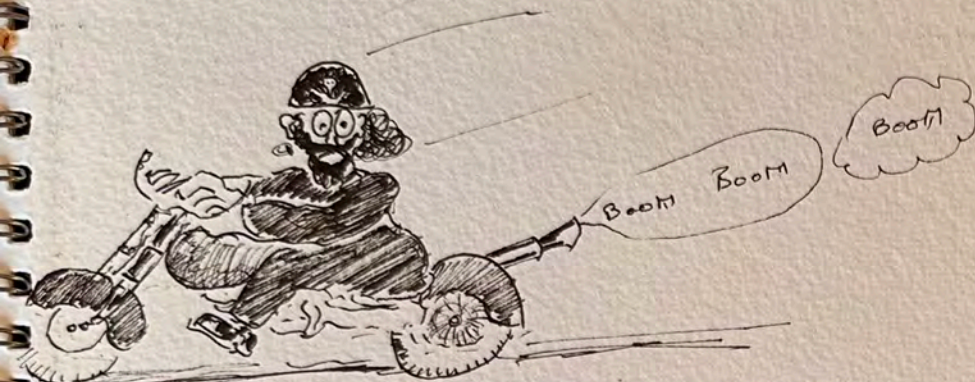


COALTOWN MUSEUM, WESTPORT, NEW ZEALAND.



Paparoa National Park

45 km north of Greymouth, on the Coast Road section of SH6 to Westport is Punakaiki, centre for the recently created Paparoa National Park. Immediate impressions are of a rugged coastline with a backdrop of dense sub-tropical rainforest often clinging precariously to high limestone cliffs. Allow plenty of time for a visit to Punakaiki. The Pancake Rocks and blowholes at Dolomite Point are a must, however, the National Park has a wonderful and diverse landscape with many interesting places to visit. Paparoa's limestone dominated landforms are of international importance because the area of National Park includes unmodified lowland karst landforms now rare in New Zealand. Karst landforms are dominated by underground stream systems and associated landforms such as caves and dolie (large sunken depressions). Truman Track, 3 km north of Punakaiki is a 15 minute walk through sub-tropical rainforest (as great an experience during a torrential downpour as it is when the sun is shining) to an inaccessible coastline. The main river systems of the Park emerge from spectacular gorges of towering limestone cliff and are readily accessible via walking tracks, suitable for all ages. Many of the lowland areas of the park can be reached on foot - there are a variety of walking and tramping tracks. The rugged Paparoa Range with its peaks rising to 1500m, can provide a wilderness experience equal to any in New Zealand, the Inland Pack Track is a popular route with family groups. The only breeding colony in the world of the Westland Black Petrel is located in the forest covered limestone cliffs just south of Punakaiki. The petrel spends the day in a burrow before heading out to sea to feed in the early evening. The Department of Conservation Visitor Centre can provide information on how to make the most of your visit to Paparoa. The Visitor Centre is open seven days all year.



BIG BURLY BEARDED BLACK LEATHERED BOOMING. B..... OF A BIKER.

Black biting, bloodsucking, voracious tiny sneaky sandfly. ← squashed!!

Rocks at Punakaiki



Slightly bump flight. Excellent meal at John Dovy. White Wine etc. Free Brandy, quinger. Video of Australia and complete recent concert of Kiri Te Kanawa at Pukland + Queenstown ending with unaccompanied Maori song and There's no place like home. Coast of New Zealand a big lagoon with distant mountains, Brisbane inland. Beautiful new terminal opened less than a year. Deserted. Had to declare bread butter, wooden goods & shells! Transfer to domestic airport by bus. Very warm. Beer. Orange juice. 3 1/2 hour flight to Brisbane. Airport deserted. Couldnt find where to deposit bags for Cairns. At last someone turned up. Had to catch shuttle to Domestic Airport - also deserted. Very hot. Had beer, did diary, watched w/tennis T.V. until 9pm

Bounded by the spectacular beauty of the Southern Alps and the rugged Tasman Sea, the West Coast of the South Island combines adventure and history with some of New Zealand's most breath-taking scenery.

Dramatic glaciers, lush native rainforests, rushing river gorges, and an abundance of wildlife are testament to the overwhelming generosity of nature.

The unspoilt beauty of this wilderness (which includes the Paparoa and Westland National Parks) is readily accessible to visitors. Most attractions are within easy reach of the West Coast Heritage Highways, a network with origins dating back to the early explorers.

The warmth of the West Coast people's hospitality is as legendary as the Coast's beauty. This is illustrated by the success of internationally recognised and unique events including the annual Coast to Coast race, which attracts athletes from around the world, and the Wild Foods Festival.

A welcome always awaits visitors to New Zealand's Last Frontier.



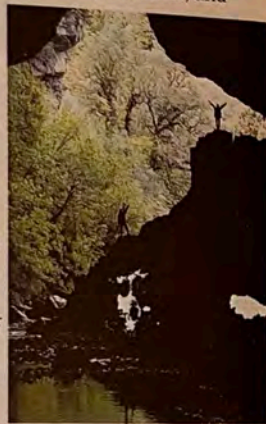
Northern West Coast. Untamed adventure.

Buller is the ideal place for an adventure holiday. Jet boating, white water rafting, gold panning, cave system expeditions, mountain biking and horse trekking are just some of the activities available.

The coastal scenery in the region is fiercely beautiful, and includes the spectacular Pancake Rocks and blow holes.

Places of interest to visit include the site where New Zealand's first public supply of electricity was generated, at Reefton.

① Outlined against the sky, is the towering grandeur of the 43 metre Oparara limestone arch. This is the largest (and most accessible) of three such arches in the area, carved out over thousands of years by the forces of the Oparara river.



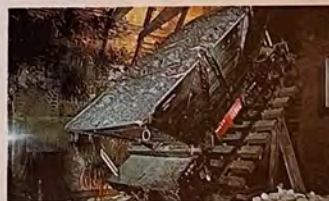
② One of the most famous of New Zealand's tracks, the Heaphy Track lures many trampers each year. Travelling through coastal forest and over the high country plateau, allow five days for the walk.



③ The New Zealand Fur Seal colony at Cape Foulwind near Westport, is one of the many opportunities to see West Coast wildlife in its natural habitat.



④ Westport's Coaltown provides a fascinating insight into coal mining on the Coast. The coal museum includes a re-creation of a mine tunnel and a miner's hut and models of coal extraction methods.



⑤ Rafting the mighty Karema's grade 5 rapids will challenge the most intrepid adventurer. Other rafting rivers, some gentler, can be found elsewhere on the Coast.



⑥ Underworld Rafting takes visitors on an unforgettable journey through a subterranean paradise of stalactites and stalagmites, on the gently meandering underground stream.



⑦ Visitors to the world's only breeding grounds of the Westland Black Petrel, near Punakaiki, duck their heads as an adult bird warms up before launching back to sea.



⑧ Putai Blow hole, at the famous Pancake Rocks in Paparoa National Park, midway between Westport and Greymouth, is one of the West Coast's most popular visitor attractions. In a heavy sea swell, spray is forced sky-wards in dramatic columns through blow holes in the stacked limestone rock formations.



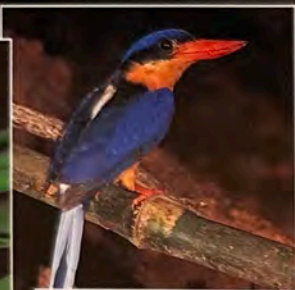
⑨ Waiuta, once the site of the West Coast's richest gold mine, now one of the region's most interesting ghost towns, provides the opportunity for visitors to explore and relive the past.



⑩ Mountain bikers, overlooking Reefton, enjoy the challenging terrain and magnificent scenery which the West Coast has to offer.



WET TROPICS RAINFORREST



Birds

- Imperial Crowned Pigeon
- Buff Breasted Paradise Kingfisher
- Golden Bowerbird
- Southern Cassowary

When crew + passengers appeared from nowhere. Rapid boarding of plane. 4 full. Rapid ascent - another meal!! Chicken + pasta, wine pudding cheese coffee!! Terrible American film with excellent cast - rapid descent (over rocks) at Cairns at 11 pm. - collected bags. met by cheerful Aussie in shorts - called Radar! - who said this plane - last out of Brisbane was always late - long drive through night time Cairns (not promising) in sweltering heat + spectacular thunderstorm to Hotel. Mile long walk to superb room with air conditioning + fan - cold shower + bed. Forgot to say would hassle at Customs at Brisbane about bringing in shells wooden ornaments + bread + butter! Slept well with fan on all night

SUNDAY 11th February. Very hot humid. Clear skies. Awakened 6.30 by Michael on phone. Bill + D + Gladys have died. Cold spell in UK is abating. Raymond has done decorating. Up at 7 am. Coffee in room. Emerged to body hitting heat. looked at Brochu's hang cabin style hotel swimming pool - beautiful entrance hall + restaurant. Walked to nearby supermarket for drinks. Booked Rainforest Trip. Took 11.15 courtesy bus into Cairns. Did centre shopping. V good old

+ new architecture. Visiting Reef only started in 1980 when air port was built. Sandwich in Orchid Mall. Esplanade. Art Gallery with display of Aboriginal Art with examples of infringement of copyright by carpet + fabric manufacturers. Also objected to degrading of objects which are their culture. Visited the Pear Mall + then a Cunard Cruise Ship. Viking Spirit. Back to hotel need swim painted. Practised + newly bought snorkel £6



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Ancient Land, Modern Art

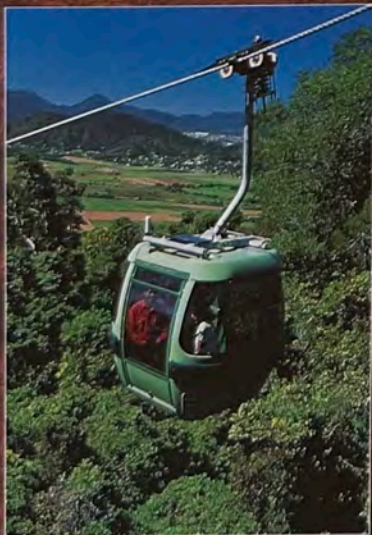
An exhibition of Contemporary Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander art

Had cocktail by pool
elucate bed. Will clouded, asleep by 9.30pm.

\$5. then dinner. Garlic Bread, John. Fillet Steak, Prawns, Jill Pork & Scallops Red Wine. Potatoes. veg/salad.



TROPICAL RAINFOREST, NTH. QLD., Australia



Skyrail

Rainforest Cableway
CAIRNS AUSTRALIA

The Skyrail Rainforest Cableway, stretching 7.5 kilometres from Cairns to Kuranda, Australia, carries passengers in six-person gondola cabins only metres above Wet Tropics World Heritage rainforest. Passengers are treated to a unique birds-eye perspective from above the canopy which is the rainforest's natural rooftop.

Cabins ascend the MacAlister Range to 550m above sea level where panoramic views of lush tablelands and the Coral Sea unfold.

Two stops along the way, Red Peak and Barron Falls Stations, allow people to explore the forest floor on boardwalks and foot paths. The Rainforest Interpretative Centre at Barron Falls captures the essence of rainforest life with educational videos and displays.

At the top of the cableway route Kuranda offers a relaxed village atmosphere with the excitement of traditional craft markets and a host of must-see attractions.

Skyrail - the World's Most Beautiful Rainforest Experience.

THURSDAY 12th February. Sizzling Hot then clouded & some showers at about 5pm. Alarm at 5.30am. Breakfast in room. 6.50am. bus didn't arrive - worried. bus came 7.20am. Rush hour in Cairns!! First on boat. Complimentary coffee. 8am. zoomed off at 32 knots, deep channel out to pen sea then along coast - at times close to shore. to Port Douglas. Mostly wooded to shoreline but occasional seaside resort Palm Cove where we picked up more. then at Pt. Douglas next to another Big Cat. Joined 2 Scots & 2 young Bassingstokeans and our khaki. elad guide into 4 W.D. Top station wagon Sugar plantations. (2nd most important in Aus. Economy. Area 300 miles x 2 miles in Queensland) Occasional Sugar Mills as at Mossman. Drove to Silky Oak lodge. Treetop style lodges in rainforest. Free orange juice coffee etc. Now owned by P.O who had put several million £ into development. Beautiful wooden floors with 16. rare woods. Walked down to river creek. Mossman river. Huge 2-3lb fish. like trout. Canoes etc. Drove on over Alexandra Hills to Dumtree River. Primitive path to river boat run by bearded pirate from Oklahoma - mosquitoes repelled by widge repellent. Joined some Americans. Chugged up & down river & creeks & saw no crocodiles but large beaked Heron. Crocodiles - estuarine regularly take cattle from banks. Walk thru mangrove swamp (30 kinds of mangroves & 900 species of native trees in forest. lianas, Ferns, - Palms and some prehistoric trees 1500 yrs old. Drove on to shack where owner had provided access to creek (only safe bathing). Excellent Barbecue lunch. Steak Chicken Sausage Salad bread with no yeast. Fruit juice. bilabong tea. (Tipstree Estate - started by Brits.) About 10 exotic fruits as dessert. Then swim in river hole for 10mins Refreshed back to drive over



brayhamette

CAPE TRIBULATION NORTH QUEENSLAND AUSTRALIA



By Andrew Wilson

awful unmetalled roads + bridges (often under 3-6ft of water at this time of year. to near Cape Tribulation (Where Cook struck a reef!) walked through forest to beach. Saw houses being urged into water to swim by widens! Walk along beach picking up coral - started to rain - drivers arrived with umbrellas. - then back to entrance to botanical boarded walk in rainforest for about 3/4 hours - excellent talk on trees, palms, ferns etc. - saw wild pig (? introduced by Capt. Cook - v. dangerous!) on road - cause much damage - evident on walk in forest. Rifle bird in trees - mostly in high canopy. Back in car retracing steps. - awful road goes on up to Cooktown - ex goldmining now port + tourist. + stopped at fruit farm run by 2 duo points selling fruit drinks + triple fruit icecream. (Started 10 yrs ago selling after 4 yrs - about 20 acres of exotic fruits) Community of 600 forest dwellers, school of 30-40. Schoolmistress found dead in creek last year having fallen in creek. No T.V. No church. No electricity. No air conditioning! Gas fridge + cooking. - have to pack up + leave when kids want higher education. Back in car to ferry - v. efficient - woman with fruit bat! orphan Ferry only way across Daintree River! - airstrip. Helicopter medical backup - kingfisher. (forest) Steady drive back. Dropped 2 off at Palm Cove - beautiful resort. Then other 2 in Cairns at 7pm. Dinner 8pm. Prawns deep fried in coconut. Bugs wrapped in bacon - garlic bread white wine - bed. Fruit bats in a cloud coming out of rainforest over Colonial Club. More death from jelly fish than crocodiles. Estuarine Crocodiles. Huge sugar cane area. - now cut mechanically. - before with machetes. Deadly 5 ft. Taipam - most poisonous snake in world. Huge rats in sugar cane - Weils disease. Climbing palm with barbed tendrils. Zaitain. Rainforest damage by pigs.

TUESDAY 13th FEBRUARY - Hot & sunny Up at 6.30 am. Bus at 7.45 am. 9 am Skyrail to Kuranda. Only in use for 6 months. Few gondolas. 6 in each. Shared with 2 Germans, 2 Brits. Stopped at Red Peak for well documented Rainforest Walk. 20 mins. On way up looking down onto canopy - full of birds & flowering trees. - extensive magnificent views. Erection had caused probably quite unnecessary opposition from the Queens. Second stage traversed a valley to Barron Falls Station. View down to falls & 3/4 hour in Rainforest centre with many audiovisual display. - birdsong - frog song etc. Then final stage to Kuranda terminus. Walked along Barron River bank to market. Excellent ice cream. Rum Raisin - by retired engineer living in Cairns - dedicated sea fisherman. Usual shops with opals, glass, wood digorydos - boomerang, koola beans etc. Market was in valley glade in woods and excellent tented aviary at the end full of free flying Australian birds (see back a page) Guide, orangeade, coffee at cafe. Much new building in the centre which will spoil the place! Then on to see Tjapukai aboriginal dance group. (see pamphlet.) Craft shop is owned 51% by aborigines who receive all profits from artefacts. One gets a shock with broad Aussie coming from a dark face. Down to train - marvellous old station & carriages pulled by diesel! Cliffhanging track above 1000 ft. gorge stopped for photos of Barron Falls. Excellent commentary which we couldn't understand because of the accent & train noise. Waterfalls, trestle bridges tunnels - magnificent engineering achievement. Back to Cairns. Hotel by Spm. Rest. Swim, practised snorkelling. Dinner of continental buffet. Soup, Salad, Veggies, Beef Stroganoff. Illuminated Chicken hasagae etc. £7 - red wine. Mango in rooms. chocolate & coffee. Did diary.



A U S T R A L I A N A B O R I G I N E S



T J A P U K A I

Tjapukai

ABORIGINAL DANCE THEATRE

Pronounced (*Jab-bu-Guy*)

TJAPUKAI is the tribal word for Rainforest. It is the aboriginal name for this region and is the language spoken by the Tjapukai people.

PROUD TO BE ABORIGINE

SYNOPSIS OF THE PERFORMANCE

In the time of Dreamtime in the time before the oldest man can remember the Rainforest people walked this land. **TJAPUKAI LAND.**

From among these people arose a young warrior larger, stronger and braver than all the rest. His name is **WOONUN**.

Also in the Rainforest lives the **QUINKAN**, a hairy man, a dreamtime evil spirit. The **QUINKAN** is jealous of **WOONUN** and wants to destroy him. He appears before **WOONUN** and his tribal brother **NARPOO** one day as a Kangaroo. As **WOONUN** throws his spear the **QUINKAN** catches it and thrusts it into **NARPOO** and kills him. **WOONUN** has to flee his tribe as he will be blamed for killing his brother. He becomes an outcast. **WOONUN** needs his people to survive so he keeps on the edge careful not to be seen but where he can see and feel his people and hear their songs.

The **QUINKAN** steals the sticks that the tribe use to make fire and without these sticks the tribe would not survive. **WOONUN** approaches the **QUINKAN** to steal them back but is overcome by a spell that the **QUINKAN** places on him and is caught by the tribe. **WOONUN** is now also blamed for stealing the fire sticks and will be put to death. During the execution he escapes.

WOONUN follows the **QUINKAN** to his cave to fight him but the **QUINKAN** is too strong. The tribe follow **WOONUN** to the cave and are confronted by the **QUINKAN**. **WOONUN** convinces his tribe to help him and together they overcome their fear and destroy the **QUINKAN**. **NARPOO** comes back to life, the fire sticks are recovered, **WOONUN** is accepted back into the tribe and to celebrate a fire is made.

THE DANCERS perform three animal dances during the show. These dances are imitations of the animals that live in the area in which the Tjapukai tribe live.

The Cassowary. The Cassowary is a large flightless bird which lives in the rainforest areas in North Queensland. It is the symbol of the Tjapukai people.

The Brolga. This bird is similar to the crane. It feeds in the shallows of rivers and ponds looking for small fish and frogs for food.

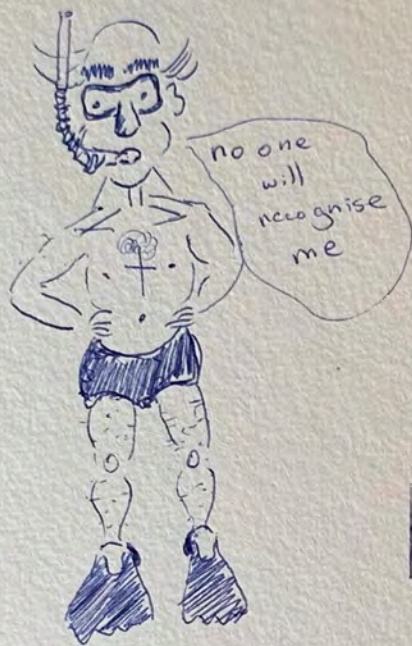
The Kangaroo. The Kangaroo is the symbol of Australia. There are many types of kangaroo from the small tree climbing kangaroo to the largest Red kangaroo which lives in the outback regions of Australia.

EXCERPTS FROM THE FINALE SONG "PROUD TO BE ABORIGINE"

I LEARN FROM YOU YOU LEARN FROM ME
WE CAN'T AFFORD ANOTHER BLUNDER
TOGETHER WE CAN LIVE IN HARMONY
BE AS BROTHERS IN THE LAND DOWN UNDER
PROUD TO BE ABORIGINE
WE'LL NEVER DIE, TJAPUKAI
ALWAYS BE OUR IDENTITY
PROUD TO BE ABORIGINE

The Tjapukai Dance Theatre is designed to give you, the audience, a better understanding of the Australian Aboriginal people and their ancient culture.

Please note that the use of flash photography during the performance is strictly prohibited as it interferes with the enjoyment of your fellow patrons.



GREAT BARRIER REEF

St. Valentines day. Heart shaped chocolates on arrival at boat!!
 Wednesday, 14th, FEBRUARY. Hot, Sunny but windy (too). Collected at 7.30am
 usual 3/4 hour collection of other passengers by informative N.Z. driver.
 Queensland houses built on stilts because of termites. Air conditioning
 secondary. On to smaller boat (no Japanese!) Set sail with bigger boat
 at 8.30. - soon under sail with quite a choppy sea. Met v. nice
 couple. - Farmer + postmistress wife from Putland. I spent day
 with them on & off. Complimentary coffee, cake + ^{chocolates} anniversary. Sailed
 out 25 miles to Upula Cay - sandpit on top of Barrier Reef
 which is bigger than the U.K. in size with numerous corals -
 hundreds, & the same in fish. A massive rainforest. Expert
 sailing by crew - mostly girls! Video instruction in scuba diving
 (not to Kay from anchored catamaran by glass bottomed boat on
 permanent mooring) On the sandpit - created tennis, another
 small term - segregated area for turtles to lay eggs. Instantiated
 in snorkelling - was o.k. except for flippers which deflated me
 - had a drink after drinking too much sea water. - then back
 to Cat and superb lunch of. Steak, Chicken & Potatoes. Fried Fish,
 King Prawn - salad, nice, etc. then exotic fruits - melon water
 melon grapes pineapple orange etc. - coffee - Back into flat
 bottomed boat with marine biologist trained at
 the best University for Marine Biology - had been on T.V.
 to demonstrate the disaster of the Crown of Thorns Starfish,
 Saw every kind of coral - spectacular giant clam, weighing 30 lbs
 blue starfish - jellyfish - all sorts of fish - then back to
 beach. Mastered snorkel in spite of waves & had excellent time
 on edge of reef with various corals & fish. Had to pack in
 all too soon - back to boat. V. good video on the reef - then
 chap playing guitar. Had to sing a silly action song & John
 won a prize for 2 dinners at the Hilton! Sunbathed on
 deck - choppy sea. Jill felt sick. Back at Cairns. Fond farewell
 to crew & friends from Putland. Pat & David Holloway
 Meadow Farm, Caldecott. Market Harborough.
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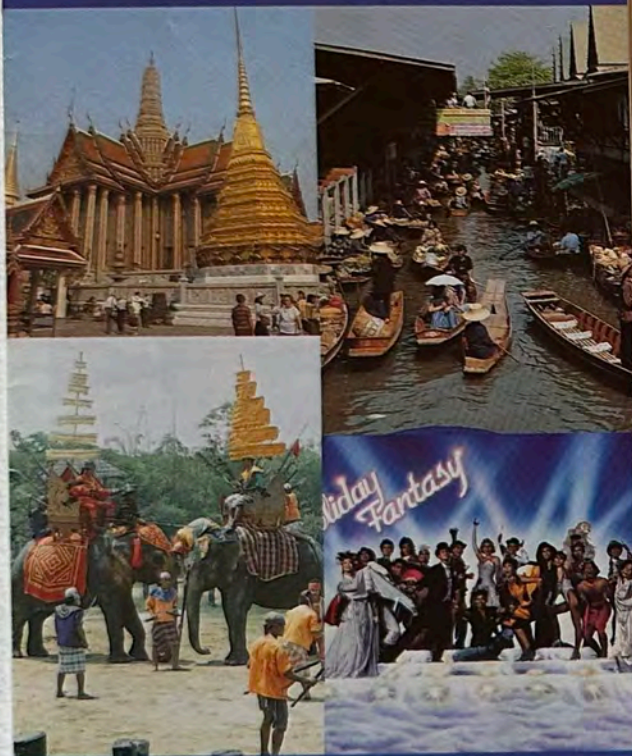


Back at hotel. Swim. Shower. Dinner. Barbecues. Steak. Lamb. Pork
 Kangaroo nissoles. (like strong beef) Crocodile Legs. (like chicken)
 Squid. Prawns etc. preceded by pumpkin soup, veg. & salad.
 and wine. In rooms coffee & mangoes.

THURSDAY, 15th FEB. Mostly hot humid & sunny. One shower later
 in day 7.10. Collected at Hotel by University - educated.
 Zoologist - bus driver. Picked up 1 Indian. 3? Germans. 2
 Germans - 2 Hongkong Chinese who slept most of the way as
 they had been on a night trip to the forest the night before
 Excellent guide. Stopped at Palm Cove for informative talk
 on trees. from day to wet terrain then on to Port Douglas
 Wildlife Park. Huge area with wet tent. to count air birds.
 Kangaroo, Wallabies. Crocodiles. Koala Beans. Nemenour
 Kangaroos - Joeys. eating out of hand. S.A. Guide -
 excellent. After I had coffee & sandwich. cake.
 then on to denatun round Mossman - a sugar town
 to see cane growing and houses lived in by owners
 Stopped at Mossman Gorge for walk. - excellent stuff &
 saw a Kingfisher. Then to Davitts & lunch at
 Tea Room. van by v. thin? A.I.D's young man.
 Barramundi on fruits of the forest - but we had
 sandwiches fresh fruit juice & coffee. On to Davitts
 River to excellent trip with zoologist. Mangroves.
 Young Python. Crabs. Crocodiles - old & baby - Flying
 Foxes (Fruit Bats) Herons & Storks. Oprey.
 Back at 2pm for coffee & cakes then back to
 Mossman. - talk on Sugar Till then Port Douglas
 - Dinner. Crochottanna then to Bank for money change
 - Visited Damin. Old Port Douglas. A wine back along
 beautiful coast - hotel at 5.45pm. Compimentary
 Champagne by Pool. Met aged & from Manchester & daughter
 from Bolton.!! Changed shower then to

HOLIDAY TOURS

BANGKOK & PATTAYA



HOLIDAY TOURS

Foyer. No transport to Cairns but Sonya & mother took us in on a Mini (like !!) to central Cairns. Dropped - after long walk found Hilton. Free dinner of \$50. I had Lebanese Kofta in pitta bread, Jill. Chicken. Spaghetti. Sprah Red Wine. then chocolate pudding to make up the price to \$50. Back to catch 9.30 pm bus to hotel.

FRIDAY 16th FEBRUARY. V hot, sunny. Packed by 9.45. left bag. Lady taxi driver to end of Esplanade. Walked along back to Orchid Mall, birdwatching with a lot of other twitchers. Tilt a young Australian composing for the guitar. Saw. Black. Barred Tail Godwits. Curlews. Curlew Sandpiper? Rufus. Struts. Pelicans. Caspian Terns. Mangrove heron & lung fish - all in the developing mangrove on the sea shore. Tilyrah Birds. Mudlarks. Masked Plover? Golden Plover. Sudden heavy rain showers at bus stop. Fresh mangoes, pineapple drink. Back to hotel at 11.45 - caught the 12 noon transfer bus to the Airport. Cool, half empty. - bags in no hassle. - changed money. - croissant egg, bacon - coffee. Flight QF.5 to Singapore via Darwin 3.15. - 2 1/4 hour flight to Darwin. Nice small empty airport. Flight there was over green fertile tablelands - with many rivers - then Gulf of Carpentaria. Darwin flat - indented harbour & mangrove swamps but hills & waterfalls within 200 km. long chat with shop keeper. Many Government Depto here, much defense against what? Books on Northern Territory made it look worth a visit with several national parks, & not too far from Alice Springs. left after 1 hour - lost track of time with frequent time changes. lunch between Cairns & Darwin. - Shrimp Plats. 1 Meal between Darwin & Singapore Beef Stroganoff. (Red wine), then a little something to put you on after 1 hour at Singapore. - more Rice & Prawns. (White Wine!) 1 3/4 hours - arrived Bangkok in steaming heat. at 11 pm. (corrected time.) 3.15 am! Asia Hotel - huge & pool - swimming pools 4 restaurants, cabaret bands etc. Tougat to after clock so 7 am alarm went off at 3.15 am!!

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SATURDAY 17th FEBRUARY. Steaming Hot 100% humidity, 35°C. Breakfast in canteen. Fresh fruit. Pineapple. Melon. Papaya. Fresh lime. Toast Croissant. Yogurt. Thai-made Coffee. 170 Bat. = £4-50
Saw tour operators. Book 2 trips, got free one thrown in! Hotel Taxi to Grand Palace 250 Bat. (meter price 60!) so bargained for one at 1000. Grand Palace fantastic. Shoes off to enter temple. Coin collection & medals, crowns of Royal Family. Chanting of monks accompanied the tour. Bonsai Trees. Bougainvillea in earthen pots. Wonderful Puccios. on inner wall of main temple of Jade Buddha. - huge complex with many buildings like the Kremlin. Had sandwiches in shade of tree at entrance and got interviewed by lady student. Walked to river pier and decided to take trip on long tailed boat 300 Bat each. £1=37. Taken for an hour up the squabid picturesque canals. Resisted visit to snakeless crocodiles - & coco-cola from lady in bum boat. Amazing mixture of tumble down royal barges then finally descended at temple of Dawn 17th - magnificent Khmer-style tower & last home of Emerald Buddha before Rama took it from Thonburi to Bangkok. Covered in mosaic of broken porcelain - common in Ratanakosiri Period, when Chinese ships used old porcelain as ballast. Main Buddha designed by Rama II himself, & his ashes are interred in the base. - Ascended steep steps 1/2 way up. On descent pleased to find boatman waiting! Then took Tuk Tuk to hotel (we thought.) Propped off at Marble Temple Wat. Bencham-abophit. Most remarkable for 53 Bronze Buddha images of all styles from all Buddhist countries. Temple built c. 1900. Outside - Tuk Tuk had gone - about to take a taxi when he reappeared. Then taken to inevitable huge stone jewelry mostly - bought some cheap bracelets. - outside the Tuk Tuk, gone!! He may have returned but time running out so another Tuk Tuk (40 Bat!) to hotel. At 6.30 p.m. collected to go on Wan Fah Dinner Cruise. on a busy old boat. Tai food. Pork in curry soup (hot.) Prawns, crispy Pancake & hard vegetable with special dip. Chicken in special sauce. Vegetables. Rice etc. Thai Beer. Coffee. Fruit. Girl playing dudonier. lovely views of floodlit temples. Ended at 9pm. At start of evening left in usual shopping emporium, bought Thai Silk shirt for Michael.

* Had a swim, shared jacuzzi with 2 fat giggling aged Russian ladies!

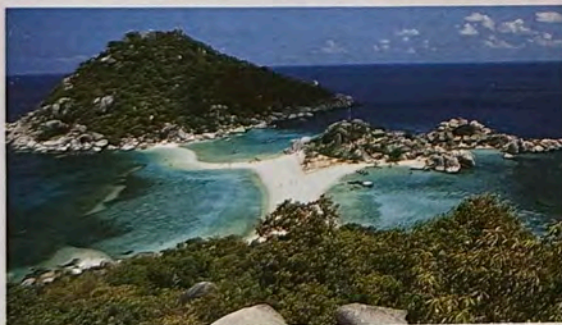
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A UNIQUE SHOW
NOT-TO-BE
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Samphran Elephant
Ground & Zoo

SUNDAY 18th FEBRUARY. Very Hot. Sultry CHINESE NEW YEAR

Alarm at 5.30. Breakfast (as before) 6.30 and caught
 Bus 6.50 - Collected. Teacher from Manchester. Had taught
 in Khantoom. Australia & now in Hanoi - also Greek
 Australian. I now drive through greater Bangkok
 into not v attractive countryside - fields of salt pans
 with windmills pumping sea water onto fields. Then
 Bananas then Coconuts. Stopped at coconut farm. Fighting
 Cods, Fighting Fish from irrigation canals. Coconuts -
 Fresh for coconut milk then husks used for orchid growing
 and fuel. Bought some netoukes. (kept getting cheaper)
 v. squalid but v. picturesque. Monkey, trained to throw
 down nuts. After 40 mins on the boat station and about
 30 min trip down narrow canals in coconut groves &
 palm houses to Floating Market. Notho many fruit boats
 because of New Year. - bought some wicknacks - had
 fresh coconut milk then back to bus. Trip with Monkey &
 another with a python. Drove now to Rose Garden.
 Huge restaurant for communal buffet lunch with Chinese
 1.30pm. went to Samphran Elephant Show - preceded by
 impressive conjures & more impressive elephants for 40 mins
 then watched crocodile show with man putting his head
 into crocodiles mouth. (rather dequading for crocodile!)
 Also ^{before all this} visited Royal Government Craft centre. Training &
 producing craftsmen for umbrella manufacture (paper made
 from tree fibre then dried & painted. - superb wood carving.
 - silk weaving - porcelain painting - all state employed, payed
 & accommodated. - wonderful craftsmanship. No allowed to
 practise privately. Played the guide at checkers & beat him
 the second game! Finally, back to Bangkok &



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refused on more a further shopping spree to another government centre! Back at hotel at 5.30 pm. almost exhausted - had a swim. Then 7pm. out in sudden Tropical Storm to Thai Dinner, Dance (Free!) see brochure Candlelit - no shoes, sitting at low tables with feet in well under table. Standard Thai Dishes. Thin chicken broth, chicken in coconut milk sweet, sour pork, ham strips with vegs. & crispy spring rolls. fresh fruit, melon papaya pineapple coffee beer & v. good entertainment - beautiful costumes - classical story Khon performance. - Fish, fisherman - Devils, Monkeys, Heros etc. - deteminated at end with tourists making fools of themselves. as usual. - Cold Lang Syne etc. 1. Fight to get shoes - Jill beat the Chinese to it Left at 9.30. for hotel. Companions - a German woman from Bremerhaven. Fanny, wife from Fraserburgh & 2 Irish girls from Co. Mayo!

P.S. Forgot to mention show at Rose Garden after crocodiles had included Thai Boxing, Chinese Procession, Wedding Ceremony - Spanish Ambassador in attendance. An old rose garden had had a hotel & cultural centre built alongside - more elephants, holedy voices

MONDAY, 19th. FEBRUARY. Hot & Muggy then Rain

Up late at 7am Breakfast then packed. Sorted out baggage then taxi 100 Bat to. What Tho. - Wonderhouse. - the largest Wat including a huge reclining Buddha. B.6 Stayed until 12 noon then ferry to River City. Huge Shopping Complex - a treasure house of antiques - mostly Eastern but some European. Massive Bronzes, also cranes etc. Stamp dealers. Silk shirts & suits etc. Had super

fish meal. Barbecued Prawns B.120 + Snapper B.200. Rice. + Beer, sitting under awning on riverside balcony. Rained then cleared + managed to catch bus directly back to Asia Hotel. Helpful bus conductor. B.3 each. - Back at hotel did diary. until 5.30pm then sawin Overcast, not too hot. Had rolls ham (this morning's breakfast!) Chinese New Year Cocktail in earthen ware pot (kept). Killed time until 5.50. - Hotel taxi with nice young woman - university, studying English - this was part time job. At Airport. HUGE - CLEAR. plane 2 hours late due to someone running a virtual truck into Tumbou 747. 400 at Brisbane! 2 am set off - 12 hour flight - in spite of big headwinds touched down on time at 8.10 am in snow and gale. -1°C. ! Flight was rather bumpy - little communication from flight deck - tea tray was broken + upholstery scuffed. - no flight journals + food not so good as other times. This was a B.A. - major routes + major plane. 1/2 empty. + we had 2 seats each but couple in seats behind played cards all night with lights on + voices raised. ! not p.l.u.o. Not an enjoyable nor comfortable flight. ! One good film 'Never trust a stranger' - another pink Hollywood rubbish. Porridge + Tilapia Python. Dinner at 2 am. Dressed Steak. - Breakfast - sausage bacon egg etc. Got 9 am. Hat. Express Bus in nick of time. Taxi home - King of Siam's revenge. He caught from Australian companion on Sunday! Home 12 noon. Downon Pulse Downon.

