

Waitaha Maya Fire & Water Gathering2016

Tour Description

Water Gathering of Waitaha is a semi century event, and the most recent Water Gathering of Waitaha was conducted in October 2014. During this event, after 177 years of absence, Haguro-Yamabushi (description) lit fire at the East gate. The fire has special power and we need to preserve it. We also need to spread the energy across Pacific Rim. To that end, we will gather again in February 2016. We will be honored to have a special guest in this event, Grand Mother Elizabeth from Maya Central America. We will activate the West Gate through the special ceremony by Maya's fire and Waitaha's fire. We will be blessed with special speech by our guests, and we will enjoy music and dance as well.

9 wonderful days, visit sacred places with Elder Te Porohau and Grand Mother Elizabeth, relax and enjoy finest time. The gathering will be very special experience, but there are many other attractions during this tour. Attending sacred and energetic ceremony conducted by Maori, Visiting cave, spending time in Elder's private Marae, and conduct water ceremony and Waitaha astronomy.

- Schedule:** February 5th (Friday) to 13th (Saturday)
(8 nights and 9 days in NZ)
- Price:** JPY240,000+8%tax
(Includes 6 breakfast, 3 lunch, 5 dinner)
- Location:** New Zealand North Island
(See pages 2 a~k for more detail)
- Accept period:** through December 28th

Early bird special JPY230,000+8%tax, if applied on or before Nov.16

*minimum attendance: 15

*Meet at 10 am on February 5th at Auckland Airport and dismissed on 13th at Hotel

*Take shuttle bus from hotel to airport

*Tour detail is subject to change

*Price is subject to change in accordance with currency fluctuation

Special privilege for tour attendee!!!

Optional private session with Grandmother Elizabeth and Elder Te Porohau

- ★Date February 12th (using free time in Auckland)
- ★Location Hotel (detail will be announced the day before session)
- ★Price Elizabeth's Maya Calendar reading: NZ\$200 (30 min)
Elder Te Porohau: NZ\$200 (30min)
(Junko Nakatani might provide support for the healing session)

Please make payment in New Zealand. (We will provide English-Japanese translation.)

Time slots are limited. Please make reservation asap if you are interested.

- a. Omapere: West gate, which is a route where ancestors traveled from Hokianga harbor in canoe
- b. Waitangi: Most sacred place for Maori, where Treaty of Waitangi was signed. There is a meeting house with beautiful engraving
- c. Waitangi day: Celebrating signing of Treaty of Waitangi, many canoe of Maori comes together and conduct Haka
- d. Waipoua Forest: Age of Tane Mahuta tree is estimated to be 2,000 year old, and its name means God of forest. Tane Mahuta is son made between Heaven Father God Rangi and Earth Mother God Papatuanuku, and all the plant and animals in the forest are considered to be children of Tane Mahuta. Jomon-sugi of Yakushima is considered to be Tane Mahuta's sibling.
- e. Cape Reinga: North tip of the North Island where Tasman Sea and Southern Pacific Ocean meet. People go through a gate here to reach star after death
- f. Waiomio Cave: Waiomio means "water of ancestors" and it is a small cave. Glow worm light here
- g. Mahuri Marae: Private Marae of Elder Te Porohau's family. It is located at the foot of sacred mountain Puhangatohora
- h. Kohewhata Marae: Main gathering place and you can see traditional engravings
- i. Bay of Islands: You can enjoy optional activities such as ocean trip and dolphin swim. People see dolphins 90% of the time in the dolphin tour. People also enjoy shopping at Paihia town.
- j. Ngawha (spelling?) Spring: You can enjoy mud hot spring bathing in swim suit (optional)
- k. Auckland town sightseeing: 12th is reserved for free time and you can enjoy activities such as visiting sky tower tour and shopping

What is included in the tour

- Attendance to the Gathering
- accommodation (2 nights in Mahuri Marae, 4 nights in Kohefata Marae, 2 nights in Hotel)
Room share with others – extra JPY20,436 if you want your own room
- Transportation (incl. chartered bus, rental van, gas etc.)
- Translation
- Koha: Customary gift to locals for Marae, meal, gathering, support staff, the Sacred Church of Waitaha
- Meal (6 breakfast, 3 lunch, 5 dinner)

What is not included in the tour

- International airfare, international trip insurance, shuttle bus from hotel to airport (\$30).
Also, below costs to be paid individually and prices are subject to change depending on climate and current - Waitangi Treaty Ground (\$12), Waiomio Cave (\$10), Waipoua Forest Reserve (\$2), shuttle bus from hotel to airport (\$30), optional tour (\$4 for Ngawha Spring, \$100 for dolphin swim).
- 2 breakfast, 4 lunch, and 3 dinners, and the dinner on the last day are not included in the package. The average cost at the restaurant at the last dinner is \$40.
- Any activity and shopping at Oakland

You will need

What to wear (long sleeve and short sleeve and light jacket – it will be summer but sometimes temperature drops suddenly in the morning and night). It is also recommended not to expose too much during ceremony (wear long skirt below knee instead of short skirt/pants). Underwear, swim suit, large towel, tooth brush and other personal items, sneaker, sandal, sun screen, hat, insects repellent, anti-itch medication, any standard medication, sleeping bag (mattress and sheets will be provided in marae, but you will need to bring your own sleeping bag or any other material to cover yourself during night), snacks (access to shops are limited). There are also items prohibited in New Zealand – please refer to “warnings” in the separate flyer.

Application

Please contact Office of Waitaha Japan and let us know you are applying to attend 2016 Fire and Water Gathering. Please be sure to include your name, telephone number, email address to receive attachment files. Upon receipt of your contact information, we will send you information package which includes application sheet. Once you receive the information package, please fill out the application sheet and send it back to us. Please also wire JPY30,000 initial deposit so that we can make reservation for you to guarantee a seat at the Gathering. The remainder of the tour price has to be paid within 10 days of application.

Wiring Instruction

Yucho Bank 1 4 3 4 0 – 3 0 5 0 0 1 Waitaha Japan

(Branch name is 438 and Account Number is 0030500, if you are wiring from other bank other than Yucho Bank)

Send application and questions to

Office of Waitaha Japan

info.waitahajapan@gmail.com

0 9 0 – 8 7 9 2 – 5 7 5 7 (Junko Nakatani)

Early Bird Special

Please complete the payment by November 16th (Monday)

Application Period

The application period ends on or before December 28th (Monday) once sold out

Cancellation Policy

JPY30,000 initial deposit is not refundable.

50% cancellation fee will be charged from January 8 through January 14th, 80%

cancellation fee will be charged from January 15th through January 21st, 100%

cancellation fee is charged on or after January 22nd.

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<http://waitahajapan2016.blogspot.jp/>

Waitaha Japan

<http://ameblo.jp/waitahajapan/>

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Sponsor: Waitaha ki Waitaha

Management and local guide: Waitaha ki Hokianga

Event Planning: Parallel World & Waitaha Japan

2 day Main Gathering and day trip to the Sacred Ground by bus

If you want to attend The Gathering only and if you can go to the Gathering Ground on your own or if you can communicate in English, you can apply to the following tour.

(please note that there is no public transportation to and from the gathering place)

- Schedule February 7th (Sun) to 10th (Wed)
3 nights and 4 days (8 meals included)
- Fee NZ \$ 888 Application Period ends on December 28th
Early Bird Special NZ\$ 777 if applied on or before November 16th
Initial deposit NZ\$200 (Not refundable)
- Location New Zealand North Island Ceremony Place (visit a,d,e,h)

Meet at Omapere Beach at 9:00 am on 7th,

Check out Kaikohe Marae at 10am on 10th after closing ceremony

Contact Waitaha ki Waitaha office

E-mail Waitahamayafire2016@gmail.com

This is not same as Waitaha Japan – please send email in English

English Blog <http://waitahajapan2016.blogspot.jp/p/english.html>

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