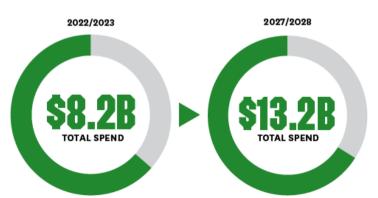
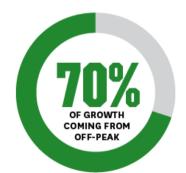


# **Tourism New Zealand Strategy**

### Tourism New Zeland 2028 growth aspiration

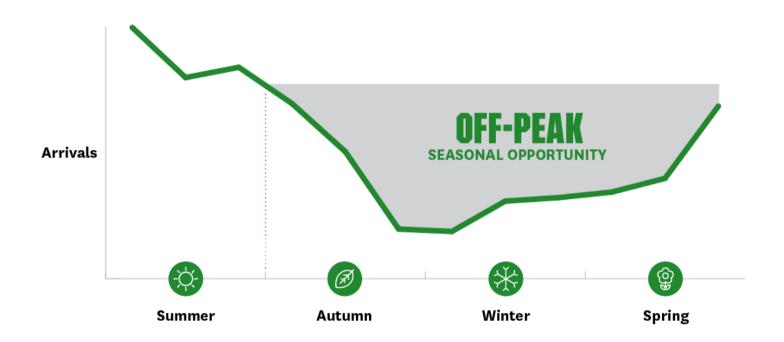








### The opportunity to grow off-peak arrivals and address seasonality in New Zealand

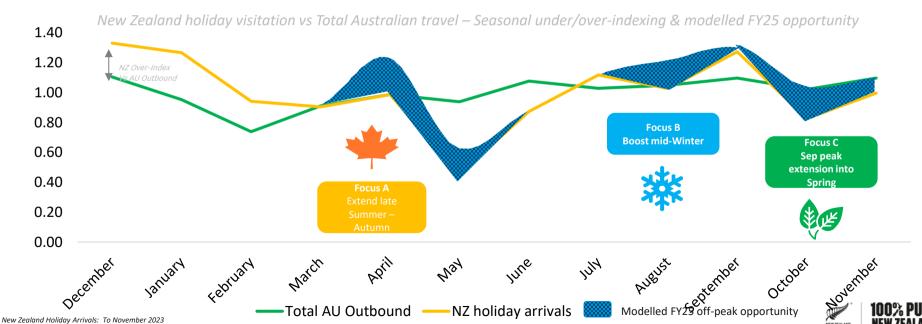




### Off-peak focus in Australia: Specific opportunities for growth

Where is the highest impact opportunity to drive off-peak travel from Australia

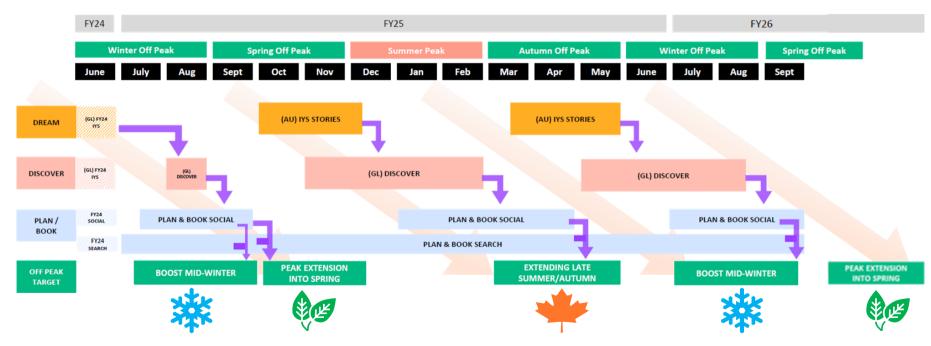
#### **Extend** existing travel behaviors to grow off-peak travel volume



Toal AU Outbound: Australian Bureau of Statistics – Overseas Arrivals and Departures – to Nov 2023 FY25 Off peak Opportunity: modelled based on FY25 plan and market factors. April

### Waterfalling Australian market activity into priority arrival periods

Following visitors through dream, discover, plan and booking phases based on evidence-based lead time



3 bursts of media activity, that waterfall through Dream, Discover, Plan & Book aligned to average visitor consideration & booking windows - from priority off-peak visitation periods in Autumn, Winter and Spring



Storytelling & content that drives off peak consideration & AU arrivals





# Focus A - Extend late Summer - Autumn

Apr -May // Storytelling & content to extend Summer into Autumn

### Apr -May // Storytelling & content to extend Summer into Autumn

Strategic brand driving experiences







#### **Cycling & Landscape**







Brand Halo

Off-Peak Truth



Cycling, mountain biking, day rides and great rides are at their best in the autumn months – as the heat fades away, and long warm days remain.



Cycling is a common & strong story in underrepresented regions, and Australians travel to New Zealand 'looking for somewhere new' at 43% in Autumn – double the rate of any other season





#### **Autumn Colour**

Distinctly New Zealand

Appeal Driver

Off-Peak Truth

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#### Food, Bev & Wine

Brand Halo

AU Appeal Driver

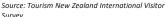
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Cities & Urban centers, cultural exploration through food, destination dining and wine regions.

Autumn is the highest period of the year for 'Food & Wine' as a travel motivator (29%).

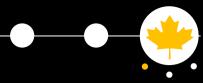
Source: Tourism New Zealand International Visitor





### Strategic Brand Driving Experiences: Apr-May

Detail: Autumn strategic brand driving experiences for Australia: 1







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Brand Halo

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AU Appeal
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Off-Peak Truth

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Most Great Rides can be cycled all year round. Autumn is a fantastic alternative to summer thanks to fewer riders on popular trails along with colourful foliage such as golden leaves.



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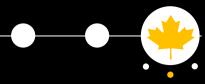
- City e-bike tours
- Single and multi-day cycle tours
- Great Rides of New Zealand
- · Mountain biking
- · Heli-biking





### Strategic Brand Driving Experiences: Apr-May

Detail: Autumn strategic brand driving experiences for Australia: 2







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There are rich & diverse visual stories to tell of Autumn landscapes across the county. Yellow tussocked valleys set against florescent blue lakes. Reds, oranges and yellows framing towns and country sides.

From March to May, the crisp air and clear skies make it the perfect time to explore the country's scenic beauty.



Australian visitors list landscapes and scenery as a motivator for travel in Autumn.

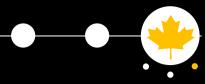
Source: Tourism New Zealand International Visitor Survey



- Road trips across the North Island and South Island
- Train travel through epic vistas
- Seasonal delights
- Rich cultural experiences
- Hiking and cycling
- Harvest season
- · Food and wine festivals

### Strategic Brand Driving Experiences: Apr-May

Detail: Autumn strategic brand driving experiences for Australia: 3







#### Food, Bev & Wine

Brand Halo Off-P

Off-Peak Truth

AU Appeal Driver

Cities & Urban centers, cultural exploration through food, destination dining and wine regions.

Autumn in New Zealand is a season of celebration, marked by festivals that showcase the country's vibrant culture and seasonal delights.



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Source: Tourism New Zealand International Visitor Survey



- Urban food tours
- · Fresh seafood caught off the boat
- Farm to table experiences
- Māori storytelling and cultural experiences
- Wineries, breweries and distilleries
- · Food and wine festivals
- Fine dining
- Gastronomy itineraries (e.g. Classic New Zealand Wine Trail)





# Focus B - Boost mid-Winter

Jul-Aug // Storytelling & content that boosts Mid Winter

### Jul-Aug // Storytelling & content that boosts Mid Winter



#### Strategic brand driving experiences















Ski & Snow

Brand Halo

Distinctly New Zealand

AU Appeal Driver

Off-Peak Truth

29 ski resorts across 2 islands. Adventure set amongst stunning alpine vistas. Experiences on mountain and off, adventures beyond ski resorts, and world class apres.

Key AU Differentiators in Snow quality, reliability, Size & quality of runs, Heli Ski, Glacier Ski.

Source: Tourism New Zealand 'Project Oscar' Winter Research 2024





#### Wellness & Rejuvenation

Brand Halo

Distinctly New Zealand

AU Appeal Driver

Off-Peak Truth

Geothermal hot pools and crisp mountain air are at their most invigorating in winter months.

'To Relax & Refresh' is the #1 driver of leisure destination brand appeal among Australians

Source: Tourism New Zealand 'Project Koru' Appeal drivers research 2023



#### Stargazing & Dark Sky

Brand Halo

AU Appeal Driver

Off-Peak Truth

Dark Sky reserves come to life in crisp winter skies. Māori new year celebrated with the rise of Matariki in the night sky.





### Strategic Brand Driving Experiences: Jul-Aug

Detail: Winter strategic brand driving experiences for Australia: 1







#### Ski & Snow

Brand Halo

Distinctly New
Zealand

AU Appeal
Driver

Off-Peak Truth

From June to October, snow transforms New Zealand's alpine landscapes into a winter wonderland.

29 ski resorts across 2 islands. Adventure set amongst stunning alpine vistas and world class après.

Differentiators in Heli Ski, Glacier Ski and back country.

Source: Tourism New Zealand 'Project Oscar' Winter Research 2024 More than half of Australian visitors that visited in Winter

More than half of Australian visitors that visited in Winter 2023 participated in skiing, snowboarding, sledging or other snow sports.

Source: Tourism New Zealand International Visitor Survey



This could come to life as...

- · Skiing & Snowboarding
- Heli-skiing
- Glacier climbing
- Snow shoeing
- · Scenic flights
- Après ski



Example imagery - Ski & Snow

### Strategic Brand Driving Experiences: Jul-Aug

Detail: Winter strategic brand driving experiences for Australia: 2









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Distinctly New Brand Halo Zealand AU Appeal Off-Peak Truth Driver

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86%

Australian Active Considerers are extremely interested in bathing in hot/mud pools during the off-peak in New Zealand.

Source: Active Considerer Monitor data 6month period ending July 2024



- Hot/mud pools
- Health/day spas
- Wellness retreats and classes
- Luxury and cosy accommodation
- Geothermal experiences
- · Dining and events

### Strategic Brand Driving Experiences: Jul-Aug

Detail: Winter strategic brand driving experiences for Australia: 3









#### Stargazing & Dark Sky

Brand Halo

AU Appeal Driver

Off-Peak Truth

Dark Sky reserves come to life in crisp winter skies. Māori New Year celebrated with the rise of Matariki in the night ski.

There's no better time for stargazing than winter. Visibility improves due to lower humidity and the nights are longer



Australian Active Considerers are extremely interested in stargazing experiences during an off-peak holiday in New Zealand.

Source: Active Considerer Monitor data 6month period ending July 2024



- Stargazing across the North Island and South Island
- Dark Sky Reserves
- Bespoke accommodation options
- Outdoor hot tubs
- · Dining under the stars
- · Celebrating Matariki Māori New Year





# Focus C - Sep peak extension into Spring

Sep-Oct // Storytelling & content that drives Spring extension

### Sep-Oct // Storytelling & content that drives Spring extension



Strategic brand driving experiences

















#### **Great Walks & Hiking**

Brand Halo

Distinctly New Zealand

AU Appeal Driver

Off-Peak Truth

Hiking, wilderness and alpine exploration is at its most invigorating in the spring air. Snow still sits on peaks, landscapes come to life.

70% of AU visitors list Landscape and scenery as a motivator for travel in Spring – the highest of all seasons

Source: Tourism New Zealand International Visitor Survey



#### **Adventure & Spring Ski**

Brand Halo

Distinctly New Zealand

Appeal Driver

Adventure activity, from bungy to jet boat, zip-line to mountain biking. World class ski-ing continues deep into September in the South Island, a unique differentiator so close to home for Australians.



#### **Spring Road Trips**

Brand Halo

AU Appeal Driver

Off-Peak Truth

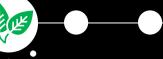
Spectacular diversity within a short drive, at a time of year where you can ski, swim, hike and relax.



### **Strategic Brand Driving Experiences: Sep-Oct**

Detail: Spring strategic brand driving experiences for Australia: 1









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AU Appeal Off-Peak Truth Driver

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73%

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Source: Tourism New Zealand International Visitor Survey



- Multi-day treks
- Urban walking tours
- Alpine hiking
- Great Walks of New Zealand
- Coastal walkways
- · Guided hiking journeys

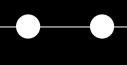




### Strategic Brand Driving Experiences: Sep-Oct

Detail: Spring strategic brand driving experiences for Australia: 2









#### **Adventure & Spring Ski**

Brand Halo

Distinctly New Zealand

AU Appeal Driver

Home of adventure tourism, New Zealand has plenty of exciting and thrilling one-of-a-kind experiences, from bungy to jet boat, zip-line to mountain biking.

World class skiing continues deep into September in the South Island, a unique differentiator so close to home for Australians.



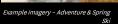
of Australians are motivated by the variety of outdoor and adventure activities on offer in Spring as a shoulder season.

Source: Tourism New Zealand International Visitor Survey



- · Jet boating
- Rafting
- Zip-lining and tree adventures
- Bungy jumping and swings
- Glacier hiking
- Mountain biking
- Nature and wildlife
- Fjords and boat tours

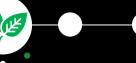




### Strategic Brand Driving Experiences: Sep-Oct

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Brand Halo

Off-Peak Truth

AU Appeal Driver









Spectacular diversity within a short drive, at a time of year where you can ski, swim, hike and relax.

As the days grow longer and nature bursts into life, New Zealand transforms into a springtime paradise. Whether you're seeking adventure travel, exploring nature, or looking for relaxation, it is the perfect time to visit.



Australian Active Considerers are interested in off-peak self-driven road trips in New Zealand.

Source: Active Considerer Monitor data 6month period ending July 2024



- · Day trips from urban cities
- Multi-day road trips
- Hire cars, campervans and guided tours
- Experiencing off the beaten track accommodation
- Proximity of experiences from beaches to mountains and forests, dining to Māori culture



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