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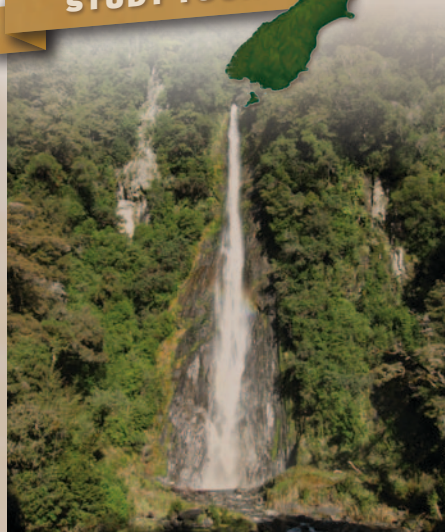
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## WHO IS RICHARD WILLIS?

Richard is currently a Research and Teaching Associate, attached to the School of Geography, Environment and Earth Sciences, Victoria University of Wellington.

He has recently retired after 39 years of teaching geography at VUW. He's currently teaching a third year Geographies of New Zealand Summer course GEOG 313 for about 40 students.

He is an experienced hiking guide and belongs to two walking clubs. He has been fishing in rivers, lakes and our ocean all his life. He also happens to know some pretty impressive places to play golf.

## WHAT SORT OF TOURS CAN BE ORGANISED?

Your tour can be completely planned from your arrival off the plane till you leave New Zealand. This includes all transport, accommodation, catering and access to all parks & attractions. Tours can be run for individuals, small groups, and larger bus tours. Groups can be hosted from one day in Wellington to up to three weeks in the whole country. These tours can be run as a lecture course, field trip, with a general or research focus. Home stays for non English speakers can also be organised with welcoming Kiwi families. As part of your tour you could build in golfing at one of the 400 fabulous scenic New Zealand courses or you could include exciting trout or salt water fishing. If you're after a bigger adrenalin kick, bungy jumping, aerobic plane rides or jet boat riding can be organised. New Zealand boasts thousands of high quality hiking (called tramping in NZ) trails. Richard can lead parties into our more remote areas.

## RECENT TOURS ORGANISED:

- > Third year summer course field trip on sustainable agriculture and tourism – including walking the famous Tongaririo Crossing.
- > Personal tour (assisted by Royal Society) for Chinese Professor from Beijing University, three weeks, research focus on quality control in the NZ and Chinese Dairy Industries.
- > One day tour of Wellington for Hitotsubashi University and Professor Fujio Mizuoka and six students.
- > Three weeks lectures, home stays and study tour for group from Sherbrooke (french – speaking Canada).



## TOURS OFFERED:

Lecture and Academic Content:  
(Summary only)

- > From Polynesia to European Dominance – history.
- > Poor Little Rich Country – demography and economy.
- > From Welfare Capitalism to Neo-liberalism – political economies.
- > Ethnicity and Inequality – social structure and social problems.
- > Economic saviour or Environmental Killer – rural areas and farming.
- > What happened to factories and trains? – industry and transport.
- > Mining and Energy – can we ever match Australia?
- > Killing the Goose that laid the golden egg – Sustainable tourism?
- > New Zealand's Place in the World – NZ and globalisation.

A tour can be tailored to suit your particular area of interest.



## GET IN TOUCH:

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These details can also be found on my tour bus operator's website: [www.hoticetravel.co.nz](http://www.hoticetravel.co.nz)

