

THE LAZY PERSON'S GUIDE TO THE VISIT TO NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA JANUARY 8 TO JANUARY 28, 2023

The travel document to which these pages relate is
<http://web.utk.edu/~rmagid/New Zealand-Australia 2023.pdf>

For the person who has better things to do than to read *all* of that 33-page, 23,300-word manuscript, here are some of the most significant highlights (or lowlights, depending on your point of view).

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Regent Seven Seas Explorer
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RSS Explorer Crew
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Butler (Dhiraj) and Stewardess (Nina)
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Ship hulls befouled with marine organisms and barnacles
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pp. 10, 11, 13 (us!)

Restaurants on the ship

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Chartreuse p. 18
La Veranda and Pool Grill: many breakfasts and lunches
Coffee Connection: many breakfasts and morning or afternoon snacks

Dinners with fellow passengers

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28ff (Sydney)

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Rocking and rolling on the Tasman Sea

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Uncharitable comments about Australians

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NZish

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Movies on the Sydney to San Francisco flight
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San Francisco Airport
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History and geography lessons (from Wikipedia and other sources)
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Attempts at humor and jokes
On every page, even if you don't agree