

Business
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Wellington

MEET IN WELLINGTON

NEW ZEALAND





WELCOME TO WELLINGTON

A scenic view of the Wellington skyline at dusk. In the foreground, a large fountain sprays water upwards, creating a misty atmosphere. A small buoy is visible in the water. The city skyline is visible in the background, with various buildings and the Deloitte logo on one of the prominent structures. The sky is a mix of orange and grey, suggesting sunset or sunrise.

Known for its vibrancy and energetic personality, it's not hard to see why Wellington has become wildly famous in New Zealand.

As New Zealand's compact, connected and creative capital, it's the perfect destination to host your next conference or event.

Our city is the venue – set on a stunning harbour and surrounded by nature, we boast a range of incredible conference and events venues within the city that can host everything from international conferences to unique incentive experiences.

WHY WELLINGTON

Central Location

Located in the centre of New Zealand with a well-connected international airport just a 15-minute drive from the city, Wellington is easy to get to

Compact and Walkable

Set on a stunning harbour, venues and accommodation are all within easy walking distance of food, drink, arts and cultural precincts

4,000+ Hotel Rooms

From five-star rooms with harbour views to laidback budget friendly, Wellington has over 4,000 hotel rooms to choose from, including all major brands

Memorable Experiences

Your delegates will love exploring the city's compelling mix of culture, nature and cuisine, from national museum Te Papa to craft beer bars

Connected Capital

As home to the New Zealand Government and headquarters for many associations, easily tap into high-profile creative, cultural, and political talent

Industry Strengths

Wellington is a growing knowledge hub, home to world-class science and research institutes, a thriving tech sector and a UNESCO-recognised screen industry

Unique Venues

No venue is like the other in Wellington. The city offers a wide range of unique spaces that vary in size and cost for all types of occasions

Sustainably Minded

Already the lowest carbon city per person in Australasia, Wellington's event providers are committed to hosting more sustainable events







SECTORS OF STRENGTH

Science and research

The largest research, science, and innovation workforce in New Zealand

- 💡 NZ's top university for research intensity
- 💡 Research strengths include advanced materials, climate change, organic chemistry, health and medical sciences
- 💡 Notable organisations include Malaghan Institute of Medical Research, Victoria University of Wellington, University of Otago, Wellington, Volpara Health

Climate and environment

Home to world-leading climate change researchers and experts in environment and biodiversity restoration

- 💡 Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne, the world's first fully fenced urban ecosanctuary
- 💡 Research strengths include climate change, extreme natural events, biodiversity, conservation, ecological restoration, urban ecology, water, oceanography
- 💡 Notable organisations include Victoria University of Wellington, National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research, GNS Science, Zealandia



Technology

High concentration of tech pioneers, research institutes, and startups

- 💡 Home to the largest computer graphics research group in the southern hemisphere
- 💡 Industry strengths include HealthTech, CleanTech, CreaTech, and FinTech
- 💡 Notable organisations include Victoria University of Wellington, Robinson Institute, TradeMe, Xero, WētāFX

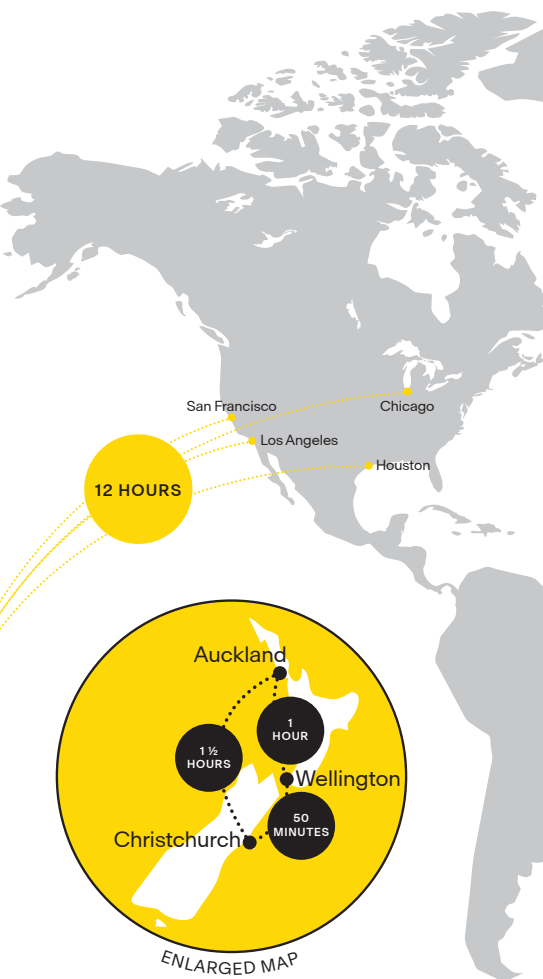
Screen and creative

The centre of New Zealand's film/TV, digital, and gaming community

- 💡 UNESCO City of Film and New Zealand's most creative city for 20 years
- 💡 Research strengths include filmmaking, 2D and 3D animation, visual effects, virtual, augmented and extended reality, indigenous filmmaking, game design
- 💡 Notable organisations include Massey University, Victoria University of Wellington, Wētā Group, Park Road Post, PikPok, Floating Rock

GETTING TO WELLINGTON





Flights

- More than 50 weekly direct flights between Australia and New Zealand
- Four international airlines fly direct to Wellington
- Up to 1,400 domestic flights in and out of Wellington every week
- 1 hour from Auckland and Christchurch international airports



Public transfers

- 15 minutes from Wellington International Airport to the CBD by taxi or car
- 30 minutes by electric Airport Express bus



Walkable city

- Walk from one side of the CBD to the other in 30 minutes



Everything is close in Wellington

Accommodation

	STARS	ROOMS
1 QT Wellington	5	81
2 Museum Apartment Hotel	5	97
3 Tryp by Wyndham	5	76
4 Oaks Wellington Hotel	4.5	226
5 Ohtel	4.5	10
6 Bay Plaza Hotel	3	76
7 West Plaza Hotel	4	102
8 Courtenay Village	3.5	10
9 Copthorne Hotel Wellington Oriental Bay	4	118
10 Ramada Wellington	4	72
11 Mercure Central City Apartments	3.5	54
12 Microtel by Wyndham	4	80
13 Mercure Wellington Abel Tasman	3.5	73
14 Sojourn Apartment Hotel Ghuznee	4.5	75
15 Boulcott Suites	5	114
16 Astelia Apartment Hotel	4	75
17 Quest Wellington	4	52
18 Willis Village Urban Garden Apartments	3.5	21
19 Trinity Hotel	3.5	60
20 InterContinental Wellington	5	236
21 DoubleTree by Hilton Wellington	4.5	107
22 Naumi Wellington	4	62
23 Naumi Studio Wellington	4	116
24 Quest 256 Lambton	4	68
25 Travelodge	4	132
26 ibis Wellington	3.5	200
27 Quest on Johnston	4.5	62
28 Andina CityLife	4	70
29 Wellesley Boutique Hotel	4	13
30 James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor	4.5	268
31 Quest Atrium	4	50
32 Rydges Wellington	4.5	280
33 Novotel Wellington	4.5	139
34 Quest on the Terrace	4	46
35 Quest on Lambton	4	44
36 Willis Wellington Hotel	3.5	90
37 Mövenpick Hotel Wellington	5	114

	STARS	ROOMS
38 Sofitel Wellington	5	129
39 Bolton Hotel	5	139
40 Quest on Thorndon	4	35
41 Atura Wellington	3.5	108
42 Sojourn Apartment Hotel Riddiford	4.5	43
43 The Sebel Wellington Thorndon	4	32
44 Brentwood Hotel	3.5	116
45 Rydges Wellington Airport	4.5	134

Venues

A	Tākina Wellington Convention & Exhibition Centre
B	Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa
C	Harbourside Function Centre
D	Te Wharewaka Function Centre
E	Wellington Rowing Club
F	Michael Fowler Centre
G	St James Theatre
H	The Opera House
I	TSB Arena
J	Prefab Hall
K	Shed 6
L	Wellington Museum
M	Cliftons Wellington
N	Massey University
O	Whisky & Wood
P	Public Trust Hall
Q	Basin Reserve
R	Nairn Street Cottage
S	Huihui - Parliament Events and Functions
T	Pipitea Marae
U	Old St Paul's
V	Tiakiwai Conference Centre
W	Space Place
X	Sky Stadium Function Centre
Y	Te Whaea National Dance & Drama Centre
Z	Wellington Cable Car Museum



TĀKINA

Wellington Convention & Exhibition Centre

Inspired by the city's dramatic landscape and environment, Wellington's convention centre is thoughtfully designed with the delegate experience in mind.

Tākina is located in the heart of Wellington's cultural precinct, opposite national museum Te Papa and the Wellington waterfront. Tākina means "to invoke" which reflects the city as a place people come together to talk and think.

The venue balances flexibility and functionality with the latest technology, stunning food and beverages that showcase the region, cutting-edge contemporary design, and panoramic views over the city and Wellington harbour.

Offering 10,000 square metres of multipurpose conference and exhibition space over two floors, the innovative facility can be tailored to single or multiple events concurrently. Enjoy built-in audio-visual equipment, two plenary spaces seating up to 700 and 1,600 delegates respectively, and exhibition space up to 2,500sqm.



10,000m² flexible
conference and exhibition
space



1,600 delegates theatre
style plenary



5-Star Green Star building
certification



New Zealand's largest
public exhibition gallery,
cafés and retail spaces

Sustainability at the heart

Tākina is a landmark for Wellington's sustainable future and has been awarded 5-Star Green Star certification representing New Zealand excellence for environmental sustainability.

The venue's features together result in a 60% reduction in energy use and 66% reduction in operational carbon emissions when benchmarked against a comparable new build. These include:

- 💡 water-efficient fittings and rainwater harvesting systems
- 💡 enhanced thermal insulation
- 💡 high-performance double glazing
- 💡 efficient LED lighting
- 💡 air-conditioning and ventilation systems for improved thermal comfort and energy efficiency.

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Level Two



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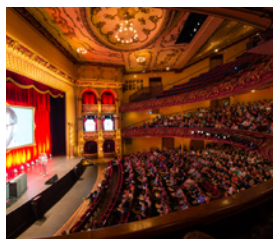
VENUES WITH A DIFFERENCE



TSB Arena and Shed 6

The TSB Arena is Wellington's biggest indoor venue. These versatile spaces can be easily transformed for large conferences, exhibitions and trade shows.

Meeting spaces	5	Banquet capacity	1,200
Theatre capacity	3,972	Cocktail capacity	2,800



St James Theatre

The decorative interior of this historic theatre on Courtenay Place makes for unique and memorable functions, conferences, and onstage dinners.

Meeting spaces	3	Banquet capacity	289
Theatre capacity	1,552	Cocktail capacity	650



Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa

The national museum boasts the city's largest selection of venue spaces, offering waterfront views and surrounded by the stories of the nation.

Meeting spaces	21	Banquet capacity	500
Theatre capacity	560	Cocktail capacity	1,000



Dominion Museum Building

Located on Massey University's 'Creative Campus', the impressive heritage space features one of Wellington's premier ballrooms.

Meeting spaces	5	Banquet capacity	300
Theatre capacity	500	Cocktail capacity	800



Huihui – Parliament Events and Functions

Parliament's elegant venues allow guests to experience the iconic grandeur at the heart of New Zealand's democracy.

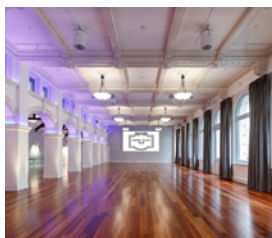
Meeting spaces	5	Banquet capacity	280
Theatre capacity	350	Cocktail capacity	450



Harbourside Function Centre

Located on Wellington's picturesque waterfront, this historic wharf warehouse has New York loft-style spaces and plenty of natural light.

Meeting spaces	6	Banquet capacity	230
Theatre capacity	350	Cocktail capacity	650



Public Trust Hall

Centrally located on Lambton Quay, this beautifully refurbished setting combines heritage with the contemporary.

Meeting spaces	2	Banquet capacity	200
Theatre capacity	300	Cocktail capacity	300



Wharewaka Function Centre

This purpose-built facility on the waterfront offers four spaces with a modern contemporary look and feel, complete with onsite food and beverage operators.

Meeting spaces	4	Banquet capacity	200
Theatre capacity	250	Cocktail capacity	300

WELLINGTON VENUE CAPACITIES

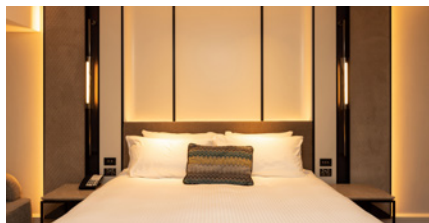
	 NUMBER OF MEETING SPACES	 THEATRE	 BANQUET	 COCKTAIL
TSB Arena	1	3972	1200	2800
Michael Fowler Centre	8	2209	300	500
Tākina - Wellington Convention & Exhibition Centre	15	1610	1070	1800
St James Theatre	3	1552	289	650
The Opera House	3	1381	130	130
Shed 6	4	966	440	966
Lower Hutt Events Centre	6	900	570	1000
Sky Stadium Function Centre	16	750	650	1500
Pipitea Marae	4	620	350	800
Massey University Wellington	22+	500	300	900
Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa	21	560	500	1000
Old St Paul's	1	460	-	-
Huihui – Parliament Events and Functions	5	350	280	450
Harbourside Function Centre	6	350	210	650
Te Whaea National Dance & Drama Centre	18	350	200	350
Wellington Zoo	6	300	100	200
Public Trust Hall	2	300	200	300



	NUMBER OF MEETING SPACES	THEATRE	BANQUET	COCKTAIL
Wharewaka Function Centre	4	250	200	300
Tiakiwai Conference Centre	7	200	150	300
Cliftons Wellington	9	170	95	-
Basin Reserve	3	150	120	200
Pātaka Art + Museum	6	150	150	250
The Dowse Art Museum	5	150	120	200
Prefab Hall	1	126	140	160
Whisky & Wood	2	120	120	120
Wellington Rowing Club	1	100	80	140
Wellington Museum	5	80	-	700
Space Place	4	80	70	180
Boomrock	3	50	120	160
Cable Car Museum	1	30	-	90
Nairn Street Cottage	1	20	-	30
Brewtown	6	-	-	2000
Willeston Conference Centre	8	120	60	100
Generator Bowen Campus	8	112	72	120
Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne	4	120	80	200
Generator Waring Taylor	8	58	56	140

ACCOMMODATION

Whether you are looking for a five-star room with a harbour view, a laid-back budget-friendly option or somewhere in between, you will be spoilt for choice with more than 4,000 hotel rooms to choose from.



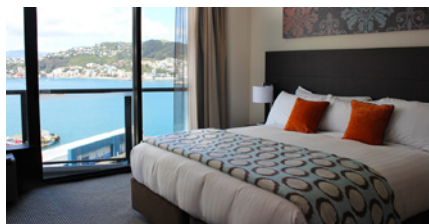
InterContinental Wellington

Stars 5 Rooms 236



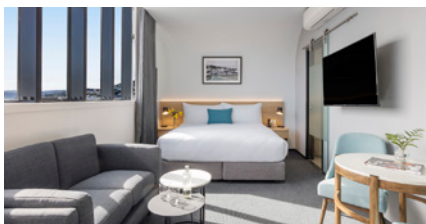
QT Wellington

Stars 5 Rooms 81



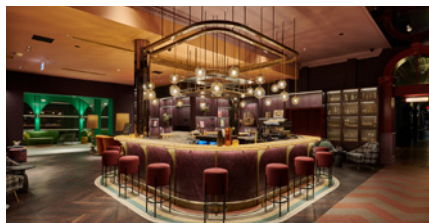
Rydges Wellington

Stars 4.5 Rooms 280



Oaks Wellington Hotel

Stars 4.5 Rooms 226



Naumi Studio

Stars 4 Rooms 116



Ibis Wellington

Stars 3.5 Rooms 200



SUSTAINABILITY

Wellington is gaining a reputation as an ambitious city when it comes to climate change, and was recently ranked in the world's top eco-friendly cities by Lonely Planet.

The city is highly liveable and ranks first in environmental security due to its compact inner city, urban planning and extensive use of public transport. To maintain this progress, Wellington has joined cities from around the world in the Cities Race to Zero, a collective pledge to halve carbon emissions by 2030, and is on a mission to become a carbon zero city by 2050.

Wellington's venues are also committed to the city's climate change response. Tākina was the nation's first convention centre to be awarded 5-Star Green Star certification for its design, build, and operation features, and four venues operated by Venues Wellington have become the first in New Zealand to be awarded EarthCheck's Bronze Benchmark accreditation.

UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCES

Surrounded by nature and fuelled by a creative energy, Wellington is a compact city your delegates will love. It's buzzing with culture, history, nature and cuisine, all year round.



Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne

The world's first fully fenced ecosanctuary, Zealandia Te Māra a Tāne is an incredible slice of wilderness and only a few minutes' drive from a city. A must-visit, Time magazine named Zealandia as one of the 100 greatest places in the world.

Worlds of flavour

Recognised as a top culinary destination of New Zealand, Wellington serves up an array of award-winning cafés, bars, and restaurants. Start your day with a life changing flat white, and in the evening, the craft beer capital's numerous breweries will delight your tastebuds.





Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa

Te Papa should be at the top of your list. The national museum features six storeys of cutting-edge interactive exhibitions housed in an architectural wonder of a building.

Wellington Waterfront

With a wide footpath that stretches from the Railway Station to Oriental Bay and beyond, the Wellington waterfront is perfect for walking, jogging or cycling. Along the way you'll find sculptures to admire, spots to sit, places to dine, or take a dip in the warmer months.



Wētā Workshop

Get behind the scenes of our world-famous movie-making magic with a trip to Wētā Workshop, where you'll see props and costumes crafted for the likes of The Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit.

STRATEGIC SUPPORT

The Business Events Wellington team can offer free and impartial advice from the initial planning process until during and after your event.



Venue and accommodation support

Sourcing suitable and available conference venues and accommodation, and providing options for social function venues including availability and costs



Site visits

Arranging site inspections and familiarisations of Wellington conference and function venues, accommodation, and other suppliers



Introductions in Wellington

Connecting you with local stakeholders as applicable, including conference-related suppliers, speakers, entertainment, and key industry leaders



Convention services

Resources and tools to help plan and promote the conference. For example, conference planning guides, imagery and videos of Wellington, delegate discounts, partner program recommendations, pre and post tour options, and more



Legacy advice

The Wellington Legacy Programme is the first of its kind in New Zealand. We can provide resources and guidance on the process to identify, action, and measure outcomes that are both meaningful and lasting.

NEW ZEALAND'S VIBRANT CAPITAL

WELLINGTON



Home to New Zealand

GOVERNMENT

UNESCO

CITY OF FILM

1 HOUR

flight to the rest of New Zealand

Top 10

ECO-FRIENDLY

city in the world

15 MIN

taxi from international airport

30 MIN

walk across the CBD

LARGEST

research, science & innovation
workforce in New Zealand

4,000+

hotel rooms

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