



Presentation New Zealand



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Geographical position



New Zealand - is an island country in the south-western Pacific Ocean , about one in the south-east of Australia. The main territory of the country consists of two islands with corresponding names - the South Island and North Island . North and South Islands are separated by the Cook Strait . In addition, the country includes and 61 other islands , much less in their area . Country's total area is 268,680 square meters. km . (which includes the addition of the main area of the islands in the same area of the Antipodes Islands , Auckland Islands , Bounty Islands , Campbell Islands , Chatham Islands , and Kermadec Islands) . This makes it a little smaller in area than Italy and Japan , the UK and several more .



South Island is the largest island which is part of New Zealand. It has approximately a quarter of the country's population. Along the island's north-south ridge of folded mountains stretches the Southern Alps , the highest peak of which is Mount Cook or Aoraki , also in the South Island it is another 18 peaks above . The eastern part of the island is flat and almost entirely occupied by agricultural farms. West Coast population is much less dense. Here are preserved vast tracts of unspoiled nature with virtually pristine flora and fauna . The western part is also famous for the many national parks, glaciers and fjords , sliding down the slopes of the Southern Alps right in the Tasman Sea .



The North Island is characterized by high volcanic activity of six volcanic zones in the country, five are located on it. In the center of the North Island is Lake Taupo , the largest lake in New Zealand. From this originates the Waikato River ,



Climate

New Zealand varies from warm subtropical in the north of the North Island, to cool temperate in south and central regions of the South Island, in the mountainous areas dominated by harsh alpine climate. The chain of high Southern Alps divides the country in half and zastupayuchy way primarily westerly winds, divides it into two distinct climatic zones. West Coast of the South Island - the wettest part of the country's eastern part, which is only 100 kilometers away from her - driest.



- East Australian current that passes through the Tasman Sea between Australia and New Zealand, the climate makes the islands and the east coast of Australia, a warm and humid, subtropical rainforest, instead, promotes the spread of tropical marine fauna in the subtropical region along the southeastern coast of Australia and New Zeala

