

Our team, who between them have over 100 years of travel experience:

Ian Holroyd - Managing Director

Owner and managing director of Mount Classic Tours Ltd, Ian has a love of New Zealand that goes way beyond skin deep. He's created his life around it! Moving to Tauranga, New Zealand from Britain in 2001, he quickly identified the lack of tours and sightseeing options available to cruise ship passengers so created the Shore Trips & Tours operation. Starting with a single Rolls Royce, the business now has over 50 driver and guides and 40 tour vehicles spread from the Bay of Islands in the North Island to Dunedin in the South Island.

By adding Hinterland Tours to the business we can now continue the work the Coleman family started back in 2000, and build on this to offer a greater range of quality smaller group escorted tours around New Zealand.



Kim Scanlen - Accounts Manager

Whilst Kim manages the administration, accounting and social media for the business her role also encompasses sales and operations. Her love of travel and NZ tourism combined with a passion for providing great service fits well with our company ethic. With a strong background in accounting and administration she has worked in tourism most of her working life.

Not one to leave a road untravalled she knows New Zealand like the back of her hand and loves to share her special places with others. She has also worked and lived in France and the UK, sailed the Greek Islands a few times, trekked overland through Morocco, temple hopped in Thailand, explored many parts of Australia and the USA and recently returned from a month's adventure in Cuba and the Caribbean Islands.



Nigel Spence - Operations Manager

Nigel joined the Mount Classic Tours company as Operations Manager in July 2016 - moving down from Auckland with his fiance Indie. Having spent the past 8 years living in Auckland, and too many years to count in the tourism industry, Nigel moved to Tauranga to help manage our ever-growing operation. Most recently he was Product Manager for a nationwide bus company so there aren't too many places in New Zealand that he hasn't seen!

When he's not working you might see him on one of the cricket pitches around town, hacking away on a local golf course or entertaining friends around the BBQ. He loves to travel - hoping one day to visit all 7 continents...luckily Antarctica has already been ticked off the list!



Tina Kennedy - Personal Travel Consultant

Tina joined the Mount Classics Tours team in September 2017 from her previous role at Hinterland Tours working alongside Brad Coleman so is 100% behind us taking over their great business started back in 2000. Growing up in Auckland, Tauranga is now home for the Kennedy family, but Tina has traveled extensively throughout New Zealand so knows our tour programs well.

Tina says that it has taken her over 20 years to find the industry that I love working in and that is front line customer services in tourism. So my role back at the Hinterland operation suits me tremendously. I am the first point of contact for email and telephone enquiries to the office and I strive to provide excellent customer service. So if I can assist you with your tour planning then please get in touch with me.



Kimberly Kleinhans - Personal Travel Consultant

Kimberly joined the team in October 2018. She's the one with the funny accent in the office. Kimberly moved with her family to New Zealand from the United States in April 2017 after visiting and falling in love with the country. She has worked in travel and tourism since 1997 in places such as Disney World in Florida and as an international exchange guide in Johannesburg, South Africa and ten years in a travel agency in North Carolina, USA.

She has traveled throughout much of Western Europe, The United States, South Africa, and has seen more of New Zealand than a lot of New Zealanders. So as you can imagine, working in travel is the perfect place for her!



Our team of great drivers and guides

A recent group shot (2019) of some of our Tauranga based drivers and guides who have been providing the cruise ship shore excursions for many years throughout the region. Many of these have already been involved with Hinterland Tours as we assisted Brad and Kae Coleman with their tour programs in recent years.

While they will now be wearing a new Hinterland Tours uniform, their warm welcome and hospitality will be just the same. We all look forward to meeting you on the upcoming Hinterland Tours.

