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EM24 - NEW IRELAND CYCLING HOLIDAY PACKAGE FOR INDEPENDENT TRAVELLERS 7 nights ex-Kavieng (extendable)

New Ireland is truly a tropical paradise and its people are inherently friendly and welcoming.

This package allows recreational cyclists to enjoy the scenery and people of New Ireland's East Coast on an unhurried foray along the Buluminski Highway between Kavieng and Namatanai. Each day involves a morning of cycling (3 to 4 hours, with stops) and a free afternoon to enjoy swimming and snorkelling, canoeing in native dugouts, beachcombing, village visits and rainforest nature walks. For non-cyclists there is also the option of travelling by local bus between the stops on the itinerary each day.

This package itinerary may commence and conclude any day of the week.

PACKAGE COST (rack rates):

	Group of 1	Group of 2	Group of 3	Group of 4
(per person)	PGK 9,071	PGK 6,000	PGK 5,738	PGK 5,125

PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:

- Three nights Treehouse Village Eco-Resort (twin or triple share) with meals and choice of local activities
- Three nights guest house accommodation (twin or triple share) with meals en route to Namatanai
- One night Namatanai Hotel or guest house (twin or triple share), with meals
- Bicycle hire with roadside backup service on callout basis (includes loan of local mobile phone)
- Optional local guide to cycle with you at no extra cost
- Snorkelling gear and basic fishing gear on loan basis
- Road transfer from Namatanai to Kavieng
- Full day Kavieng harbour boat trip including unlimited swimming, snorkelling, walking, with fishing and snorkelling gear supplied. Includes lunch.
- Ecotourism Melanesia welcome kit with destination information, maps and souvenir polo shirt
- Ecotourism Melanesia tour monitoring and 24-hour emergency support

EXCLUSIONS:

- Airfares
- Excess baggage charges

ITINERARY

DAY 1:

KAVIENG

Arrive Kavieng and transfer to the Treehouse Village Eco-Resort by car (15 minutes) or bicycle (1 hour), according to your preference and the time of day. If cycling, your baggage will be transferred by support vehicle. Spend the rest of today enjoying the quiet village seaside setting at the Treehouse, which has a range of activities available for both the energetic and the jet-lagged. The Treehouse is the world's largest inhabited tree house and

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will surely remind you of Enid Blyton's Magic Faraway Tree.

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In the evening you will receive a briefing on cycling protocols from your trip coordinator at the Treehouse. Any baggage you won't be taking cycling with you can be safely stored at the Treehouse. Bring a small backpack to wear while cycling (carry enough clothes and gear for the cycling trip but pack light!) Overnight Treehouse Village Eco-Resort (choice of waterfront bungalow or treehouse room), includes all meals.

DAY 2:

KAVIENG / MUNAWAI

After an early breakfast, kit up and commence cycling around 7am. The highway is sealed, and straight and flat most of the way. Stop at roadside markets along the way to buy fruit, peanuts, coconut juice etc. There are also small village shops everywhere that sell soft drinks, biscuits and other basic items. Arrive at Munawai around lunchtime and have lunch at the guest house. In the afternoon the guest house owner will show you the sights around Munawai and the best snorkelling spots. Enjoy !

Overnight village guest house, Munawai (or nearby) - basic twin share accommodation (single rooms if available) with mattress and sheets, mosquito net and basic toiletries supplied. Includes lunch, dinner and breakfast.

DAY 3:

MUNAWAI / KONOS

Morning: cycle from Munawai to Konos.

Afternoon: sightseeing, beach and village activities at Konos. The guest house owner will be your host.

Overnight village guest house, Konos - basic twin share accommodation (single rooms if available) with mattress and sheets, mosquito net and basic toiletries supplied. Includes lunch, dinner and breakfast.

DAY 4:

KONOS / RUBIO PLANTATION

Morning: cycle from Konos to Rubio Plantation. Check in at Rubio Plantation Eco-Resort, a quiet spot for surfers.

Afternoon: beach, beach and more beach. Surfing anyone?

Overnight Rubio Plantation Eco-Resort - basic twin share accommodation (single rooms if available) with mattress and sheets, mosquito net and basic toiletries supplied. Includes lunch, dinner and breakfast.

DAY 5:

RUBIO PLANTATION / NAMATANAI

Morning: cycle from Rubio Plantation to Namatanai township. Check in at Namatanai Hotel (just ask anyone for directions).

Afternoon: leave your bike at the hotel and explore this quiet little seaside town on foot.

Overnight Namatanai Hotel or Namatanai Guest House (depending on availability), includes meals

DAY 6:

NAMATANAI / KAVIENG

Your hosts from the Treehouse will pick you up in the support vehicle mid-morning for the drive back to Kavieng. Spend the rest of the day at the Treehouse: select from a range of activities, visit the village next door or sit on the verandah of your bungalow and catch up on the newspapers.

DAY 7:

KAVIENG HARBOUR BOAT TRIP

Transfer by car to the Kavieng waterfront and board your open speed boat for a tour around the myriad of pretty little islands in Kavieng Harbour. Troll a line

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behind the boat to pick up a Spanish mackerel, stop at secret snorkelling spots to enjoy the underwater world, and walk through the pristine rainforest in the middle of a tiny uninhabited island. Stop for lunch at Lissenung Island Resort. Overnight Treehouse Village Eco-Resort

DAY 8:

KAVIENG / FLY OUT

Fly out of Kavieng on either the early morning flight or the midday flight.