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Wellington Things to Do by Lek Boonlert

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Despite it being a relatively modern city, Wellington offers visitors a lot to do and see, from museums to a cable car and eco-friendly centres to a planetarium.  Hotels in Wellington should have guide books available to visitors.

Carter Observatory

With a state-of-the-art full-dome digital theatre, you can see how the universe developed through the fantastic interactive multimedia space experience.  Itâ€™s open 7 days a week.

Wellington Cable Car

This is one of the most popular things to do when visiting Wellington.  The cars begin from Lambton Quay, which is in the commercial centre of Wellington.  It travels inside a tunnel and emerges in Kelburn district.  The trip continues towards the university and finishes at the top of Upland road, where the Carter Observatory is situated, as is the Cable Car Museum.  Views from the â€˜lookoutâ€™ are spectacular covering the city, the Hutt valley and Mount Victoria.  Return trips are available, but you can walk back through the historic Bolton Street Cemetery, which has some beautiful gardens.

Events

Wellington has a number of annual events including Seaweek, which is an ecological event promoting the ecology and care of the ocean and all of its life forms.  Newtown Festival celebrates all things Newtown with international food, crafts, street theatre, music and dance.

Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa

If finding out about New Zealandâ€™s history is more to your taste, the Museum of New Zealand is something you must see.  The museum tells the history of New Zealandâ€™s story of the Maoris, as well as the geology of the land.  Exhibitions range from art to visual displays of Maori culture.

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