

Easier travel to New Zealand from Australia for Chinese visitors

From 3 November 2025, people from China will be able to travel to New Zealand from Australia with a **New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA)**, rather than applying for a visa.

From 27 October 2025, all Chinese visitors will also be able to transit through New Zealand with an NZeTA rather than a transit visa.

Requirements

To be eligible travellers must:

- Be travelling to New Zealand from Australia
- Hold a valid eligible Australian visa at the time of your flight to New Zealand
- Hold a valid NZeTA
- Meet the standard NZeTA requirements to be of good character, good health and a genuine visitor returning home at the end of the trip.

New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA)

With a NZeTA, you can:

- travel to New Zealand without first applying for a visa
- stay in New Zealand for up to 3 months at a time
- travel to New Zealand multiple times while your NZeTA is valid. You must be travelling from Australia each time.
- transit for up to 24 hours

You cannot work for a New Zealand employer if you are in the country on an NZeTA.

How to apply

Apply for an NZeTA on the **official Immigration New Zealand website**: <u>New Zealand Electronic Travel Authority (NZeTA)</u>:: <u>Immigration New Zealand</u>, or download **the free NZeTA app**.

Cost

An NZeTA costs \$17 through the app, or \$23 through the INZ website, plus the \$100 International Visitor Conservation and Tourism Levy (IVL).

Processing timeframe

Allow up to 72 hours for your NZeTA request to be processed, although this is often much quicker.





Eligible Australian visas

FA600 - Visitor	UF309 - Partner visa (temporary)	UC457 - Business (long stay)
TU500 - Student	GA400 - Temporary work (short stay specialist)	VF476 - Skilled – Recognised Graduate
UR162 – Investor (provisional)	GF407 - Training	GK482 - Skills in Demand
UY405 - Investor retirement	TQ410 - Retirement	VC485 - Temporary Graduate visa
UR163 - State/Territory Sponsored Business Owner (provisional)	TZ417 - Working Holiday	SP489 - Skilled Regional (provisional)
UR164 - State/Territory Sponsored Senior Executive (provisional)	TK445 - Dependent Child visa	PS491 - Skilled Work Regional (provisional)
UR165 - State/Territory Sponsored Investor (provisional)	UP461 - New Zealand citizen family relationship	PE494 - Skilled Employer Sponsored Regional (provisional)
UT173 - Contributory Parent (temporary)	US462 - Work and Holiday	TV651 - e-Visitor
EB188 - Business, Innovation and Investment	UU884 - Contributory Aged Parent	UR160 - Business Owner (provisional)
UK820 - Partner Visa	GH870 - Sponsored Parent	UR161 - Senior Executive (provisional)
TU590 - Student Guardian	TO300 - Prospective marriage	