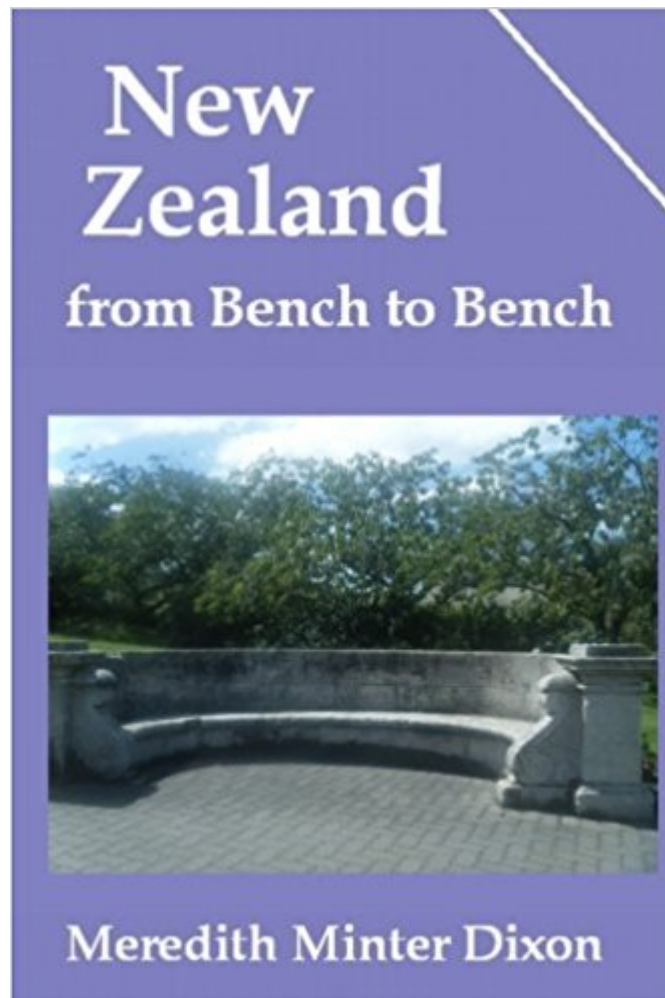




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# New Zealand From Bench To Bench



## Synopsis

I was 48, overweight, and disabled, but I went on a three-month solo trip from one end of New Zealand to the other. This is a story of the major and minor mishaps of disabled travel. It is a tale of the wonders of New Zealand. And above all else, it is a testimonial to the kindness and great consideration of the people I met there.

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I decided to procure this free e book, looking forward to a happy read about New Zealand. This woman is obviously blessed with an independent spirit and with her rather large weight problem and many health problems I am in awe of her attempting this trip. However I am very disappointed with the accommodations she chose. I thought I was going to be reading about someone who met and mingled with young and old travellers in Backpackers and had a lot of fun but most of the travelogue was a series of complaints about the beds, the lack of room, and her many health problems. I am sorry she didn't find it comfortable in the many places she stayed but as the saying goes..."you get what you pay for". The comment re the lack of a heater in the Wellington "motel" intrigued me.....the YHA's are definitely not motels in the any country in my experience. I didn't get the feeling that she

really enjoyed her trip and the long descriptions of how she managed her bags were tedious. In the end I resorted to skim reading to see if the tone changed, but alas it didn't. To do her justice I have reread the skimmed pages and my opinion is unchanged. The book needs editing .....maybe if she wrote it in Latin it would be more concise!

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