

## THE PERFECT ENDING



Hope springs eternal at the Otahuna Lodge, where an annual uprising of daffodils helps raise vital funds for the New Zealand Cancer Society.

# KIWILAND IN BLOOM

**And then my heart with pleasure fills,  
And dances with the daffodils.**

*From the poem, "Daffodils," by William Wordsworth*

**W**hile Wordsworth wrote his famous poem after a leisurely walk in the English Lake District, he easily could have been inspired by the magnificent gardens of New Zealand's **Otahuna Lodge**. The stunning, 30-acre grounds at this Heritage-listed property, located in a secluded valley on South Island, was recently honored as "nationally significant" by the New Zealand Gardens Trust. More than 80 years ago, the lodge's original owners established Daffodil Day in early September to showcase its endless rows of these delicate, dancing flowers. This tradition has now been reestablished, lifting guests' spirits while raising money for cancer research.

In 2010, the seven-suite Otahuna Lodge estimates that a million bulbs will be in bloom on the Great Lawn, making it one of New Zealand's largest daffodil fields. For each ticket sold for Daffodil Day, a donation is made to the New Zealand Cancer Society. Virtuoso guests who visit Otahuna Lodge receive a room upgrade, if available, breakfast daily, and a gourmet picnic basket with wine. *From NZD1,100 (approx. US\$779) per suite, per night.*