

Trade Manual Oct 2024 – Sep 2025







Welcome to RealNZ

We are your southern New Zealand tourism operator, offering real experiences, showing the power of nature, and helping the world fall in love with conservation.

We understand that experiencing New Zealand's quintessential nature is important to your guests. Whether they want to stand beside the thundering waterfalls of Milford Sound, or on the shores of crystalline Lake Whakatipu, our experiences will make them feel alive, reinvigorated, and changed.

Our founders, Les and Lady Olive Hutchins were original champions of this message. In 1954, they began a small tourist company in Fiordland, which would later become RealNZ, and they showed their guests the power of real places and how special New Zealand's nature is. So special, that we, and those who experience it, feel the need to love, cherish and respect it.

Now, 70 years later, we're still inspiring people to fall in love with nature in Ata Whenua Fiordland, Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown, Rakiura Stewart Island, and Wānaka.

Our heritage in these special places enables us to invest more in their futures. We aim to inspire and make real change with our conservation work, leading and supporting a variety of projects, such as restoring land at Walter Peak, eliminating predators on Cooper and Stewart Island, and protecting wildlife in Fiordland.

Our success is measured by guests leaving our experiences feeling alive, grounded, and with love for conserving our natural world. Their experience with us is as real as it gets. Take a closer look and see for yourself.









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Doing Real Good

We work closely with both the Department of Conservation (DOC) and our local communities. We contribute significant funds to conservation work, and support a variety of projects, such as trapping, conserving habitats, recovering species, and clean-up initiatives.



As a tourism company, we believe we have a responsibility to help the world fall in love with conservation. While we help our guests understand the importance of conservation, we also implement key conservation projects to help restore and protect New Zealand's natural environment.

Cooper Island Restoration Project

- RealNZ is removing stoats and rats from Cooper Island, the third largest island in remote Dusky Sound, to help provide a safe habitat for endangered native birds and make it one of the most intact ecosystems in the world
- Under the guidance of the Department of Conservation, it's the first time that predator control has been attempted on the island
- Over 450 double traps are currently set in three inland tracks across 1,778ha, and so far, we have reset a total of 981 traps and removed 1,241 pests. We are committing \$500k towards this project on a long-term basis

Walter Peak Land Restoration Project

- Almost 90ha of invasive wilding pines were removed and logged to stop them from infesting the iconic Lake Whakatipu landscape
- Wilding pines are considered a major threat to the South Island high country's ecosystem, competing with native plants for sunlight and water and degrading the natural landscape
- Over 20,000 native shrubs and trees have been planted and we continue to restore Walter Peak High Country Farm to its real high-country heritage

Predator Free Rakiura (Stewart Island)

- Our Chief Conservation Officer at RealNZ, Paul Norris, is a co-chair of the Predator Free Rakiura Project
- The group has an ambitious goal to rid the island of introduced predators to help more than 20 threatened species
- The project aims to free Stewart Island of rats, possums, feral cats and hedgehogs, and is one of the most complex projects of its type anywhere in the world
- We also run a trap line at Little Glory/Ocean Beach with a total of 175 traps that have removed 860 predators to date



Mountain conservation initiatives:

Kārearea Project

- Lead by Cardrona Alpine Resort, this is a long-term scientific study of the health of the 'threatened, nationally vulnerable' Kārearea/NZ Falcon, our only endemic raptor species
- We study and identify breeding pairs, try to capture and band them, and are currently monitoring 21 nesting pairs
- The project has a great deal of community involvement and engagement and has scientific oversight by Parker Conservation, who are experts in native bird species

Ride Tamariki

- A programme held at Cardrona and Treble Cone that offers outdoor education opportunities to less fortunate tamariki and rangatahi
- The initiative is spread between our Ride Tamariki day and overnight programmes, alongside the sponsorship of a number of school children
- Over 1,200 students took part in the Ride Tamariki Programme at Cardrona and Treble Cone during Winter 2024

Plant a Seed

- Plant a Seed is a project developed to restore and regenerate the mauri (lifeforce) of the mountain
- The project aims to support the environment and return it to a thriving and biodiverse landscape, by revegetating areas of past earthworks and scars on the upper mountain
- Our focus is on planting along the road corridor of Cardrona and Treble Cone, particularly around the shuttle car parks and lower creek areas
- Local schools have asked to be involved in our replanting projects, so we're including the kids and helping to educate them about horticulture and kaitiakitanga (guardianship)
- Over 6,300 natives have been planted to date across Cardrona and Treble Cone



Ata Whenua Fiordland Real nz

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Getting to Piopiotahi Milford Sound



Departing from Queenstown Te Anau

Coach with us, take a flight or travel independently. Every journey to Milford Sound is memorable when you cross the Te Wāhipounamu UNESCO World Heritage Area.

Stop on your journey to see:

- Mirror Lakes: Famous for mountain reflections on windless days
- The Divide: Mountain pass across the Southern Alps
- Monkey Creek: Taste fresh water straight from the alpine source
- Homer Tunnel: 1,250 metres long with a 1 in 10 gradient

By coach:

Guests hop straight off our coaches and onto our Milford Sound cruises, guaranteeing both a relaxing and amazing experience.

 Complimentary accommodation pickups available in Queenstown

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- Ergonomically designed seats are reclinable with air-conditioning
- Well-timed breaks with photo opportunities and a short walk along Mirror Lakes
- Experienced local drivers provide entertaining and informative English commentaries
- Bullet coach available: Features a glass roof and spacious seating, angled toward expansive windows to provide an unobstructed view of incredible scenery

By plane or helicopter:

Fly your guests between Queenstown and Milford Sound for a spine-tingling experience watching Fiordland's dramatic scenery unfold. Hop onto our cruise to get the close-up of Milford Sound.

- Enjoy remarkable views across glacial-fed valleys and dramatic mountainous landscapes on the way to Milford Sound. The return journey travels over valleys of rainforest and high-country farmland
- Unparalleled viewing from every seat on the aircraft with informative English commentary
- All aircrafts are particularly suited for flying over rugged, mountainous terrain such as the spectacular Southern Alps
- All flights are subject to weather conditions





Piopiotahi **Milford Sound Day Cruise**

Departing from Milford Sound

Departures Year round



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No photo of Milford Sound can prepare your guest for the feeling of really being there. Soak up one of the world's most beautiful, majestic and untouched places. With its immense scale and natural beauty, guests will leave the fiord with a newfound respect for nature.

Highlights:

- Cruise between 1hr 30 minutes 2 hours, with plenty of time to look out for native wildlife, such as seals, dolphins and penguins
- Explore the full length of the fiord, past St Anne's Point Lighthouse and out to the Tasman Sea (weather permitting)
- Get up close to the waterfalls and the fiord's sheer cliff faces
- A variety of purpose-built Fiordland vessels available with expansive outdoor viewing decks and comfortable interiors with uninterrupted views
- Licensed bar onboard with hot and cold food options available, such as seasonal lunch boxes, buffet, à la carte, and Japanese-style obento boxes
- Daily coach connections from Queenstown and Te Anau available
- Flight connections from Queenstown three times daily (subject to weather)
- Download the RealNZ app before cruising to access expert, multilingual audio commentary







Piopiotahi Milford Sound Premium Cruise

Departing from Milford Sound

Departures Year round



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Enjoy Milford Sound with our most exclusive offering, a 2.25 hour premium cruise. Step aboard the MV Sinbad for a welcoming glass of Mumm Champagne before settling in on this spacious, small-group experience.

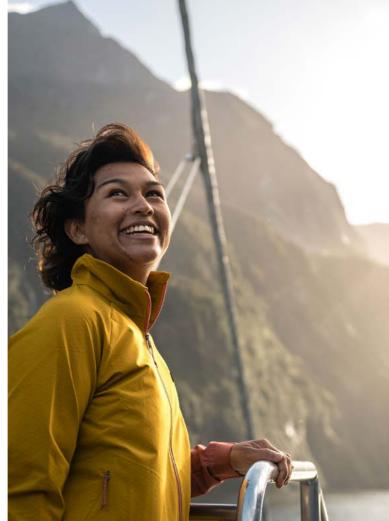
From the comfort of your own, reserved space, indulge in fresh, curated appetizers before soaking in sights from the skipper's bridge and rear deck. As you graze throughout your cruise, listen to your onboard nature guide's fascinating commentary and chat with the expert team. Anchor up in the tranquil setting of Harrison Cove to enjoy a locally sourced cheeseboard before returning to Milford Terminal.

Highlights:

- Glass of Mumm Champagne on arrival
- Small group, spacious setting
- Reserved seating, your own space
- Locally sourced bites, including wild Fiordland venison salami, Royalburn lamb kebabs and Balfour oyster mushroom arancini
- Onboard nature guide presentation and conversations
- Cruise on the skipper's bridge or on the spacious rear deck









Piopiotahi Milford Sound Overnight Cruise

Departing from Milford Sound

Departures September - May



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The ultimate Milford Sound experience. Wake in the UNESCO World Heritage area to the sights and sounds of real wilderness, anchored in the sheltered Harrison Cove.

Understand the immense scale of the area's natural beauty.

Highlights:

- Experience the magnitude of Milford Sound all to yourself when day visitors depart
- An extended cruise means a longer time visiting the habitats of native marine life, such as seals, penguins and dolphins
- Dedicated nature guide onboard, with specialist knowledge about the region's history, flora and fauna, and conservation, ensuring an informative trip for all guests
- Explore the fiord up close by kayak or tender boat
- Learn in-depth Milford Sound history and geography from the nature guide's presentation after dinner
- Meet like-minded people on this once-in-a-lifetime, interactive, and relaxed experience
- Coach connections available from Queenstown
 and Te Anau
- Fly-back options available from Milford Sound to Queenstown after overnight cruise

About the Milford Mariner

- Cruise the full length of Milford Sound at a leisurely pace, past St Anne's Point Lighthouse and out to the Tasman Sea (weather permitting)
- Enjoy a three-course gourmet dinner inspired by Fiordland, offering appetisers, salads, hot dishes, carvery meats, seafood and a selection of desserts and cheeses (vegetarian and dietary options available)
- Licensed bar onboard
- Full cooked breakfast with continental options
- 28 twin/double cabins with ensuite bathrooms and two triple/quad cabins with shared bathroom facilities







Pātea Doubtful Sound Wilderness Cruise

Departures Year round from Manapouri





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A day trip into Doubtful Sound's vast and secluded wilderness is awe-inspiring. Part of the UNESCO World Heritage area, the fiord is at the heart of Fiordland National Park.

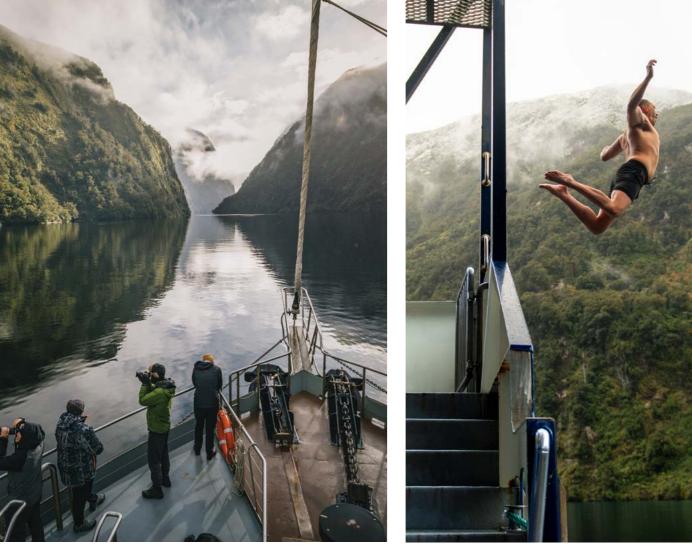
The remote fiord mesmerises guests with its silence, only broken by the sounds of rippling waters, birdsong, and splashing waterfalls.

Highlights:

- A fiord three times longer, located in an area ten times larger than Milford Sound
- 45-minute cruise across island-studded Lake Manapouri
- 45-minute coach journey over Wilmot Pass, a 671-metre-high Southern Alps crossing through rainforest
- 3-hour cruise through a secluded fiord onboard a purpose-built catamaran with a comfortable interior and spacious decks
- Onboard nature guide with specialist knowledge of local flora and fauna
- Look out for the resident pod of bottlenose dolphins and the permanent colony of New Zealand fur seals
- Licensed bar onboard, with cold food options available, such as seasonal lunch boxes and local cheese platters
- Daily coach connections from Queenstown and Te Anau available

*Inner Fiord Cruise option available seasonally







Pātea Doubtful Sound Overnight Cruise

Departing from Manapouri

Departures One night cruise: Two night cruise:

September - April October - November, April-May



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Wake up in comfort in the middle of New Zealand's wilderness. An overnight cruise is the best way to experience spectacular and remote Doubtful Sound Fiordland National Park.

Travel deep into one of New Zealand's most pristine and isolated destinations. This is your chance to travel beyond the 'everyday'. Choose to stay one or two nights in a location you'll never forget.

Highlights:

- The duration of the cruise is one or two nights, subject to the time of year and availability
- Explore Doubtful Sound up close by kayak or tender boat
- Enjoy a picturesque one-hour cruise across Lake Manapouri
- A scenic 45-minute coach over Wilmot Pass to Deep Cove
- Dedicated onboard nature guide, with specialist knowledge about the region's history, flora and fauna, and conservation, ensuring an informative trip for guests
- Stay longer on a two night cruise and gain more chances to spot penguins, seals and dolphins
- Coach connections available from Queenstown and Te Anau - one night cruises only

About the vessel

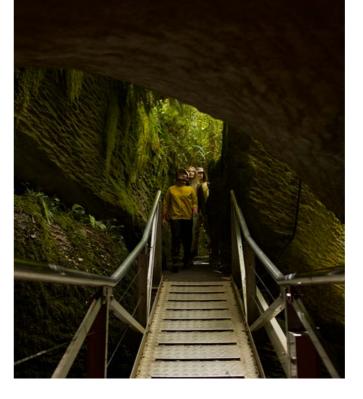
- Cruise the full length of the fiord all the way to the Tasman Sea (weather permitting)
- Licensed bar onboard
- Buffet dinner onboard the Fiordland Navigator and three-course dinner onboard the Wanderer, both including salads, hot dishes, carvery meats, seafood and a selection of desserts and cheeses (vegetarian and dietary options available)
- Full breakfast included with cooked $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}$ continental options
- Cruises operate onboard two different vessels:

Fiordland Navigator - 18 twin/double cabins with ensuite bathrooms and 36 quad-share berths with shared bathroom facilities

Wanderer - 14 twin cabins and 2 family quad cabins with shared bathroom facilities





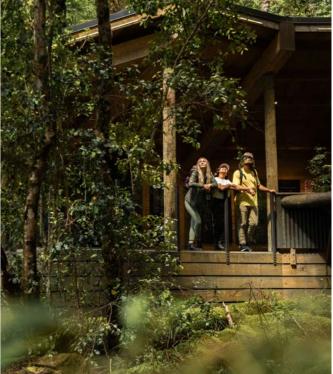


Te Anau **Glowworm Caves**

Departures Year round



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Hidden beneath the Murchison Mountains on Lake Te Anau's western shores is a network of caves lit by a multitude of glowworms. Visit an underground world of sculptured rock, rushing water and a glowworm grotto.

Take a cruise across Lake Te Anau and disembark on the western shore, walk through native bush and into an underground magical world of waterfalls and limestone passages before reaching the glowworms to watch their bioluminescent display.

Highlights

- 25-30 minute catamaran cruise across Lake Te Anau to the western shores
- At Cavern House, learn about the surrounding mountains, the cave network and Māori legends
- In small groups, explore the caves still being carved by the force of the river flowing through them that are still being carved out by the force of the river flowing through them
- Led by an expert nature guide, learn about the formation of the caves
- View the limestone passages with whirlpools and underground waterfalls
- Board a small boat and drift into the grotto where clusters of glowworms glitter

Some crouching and bending is required at the entrance to the cave and steps are involved. Suitable for people aged 5+. Photography and filming is not permitted in the caves.







- TSS Earnslaw Steamship Cruise
- Walter Peak Gourmet BBQ Dining
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- Queenstown Rafting

Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown

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TSS Earnslaw Steamship Cruise

Departures Year round*





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A cruise on the lovingly nicknamed 'Lady of the Lake' is a great day for the whole family. Originally launched in 1912, a journey on this vintage vessel is a memorable trip back in time.

With over 100 years of steam-powered journeys under her belt, the TSS Earnslaw is believed to be the oldest passenger-carrying twin-screw steamer still operating in the Southern Hemisphere.

While you're cruising on a piece of history, you can soak in the stunning panoramic mountain views on the decks, watch as the stokers fuel and operate inside the engine room from the viewing platform, and learn about the history of the steamship in the onboard museum.

The TSS Earnslaw makes daily trips across Lake Whakatipu to Walter Peak High Country Farm. On arrival, stay on board, or upgrade to disembark and experience high-country farming life and delicious dining options.

Highlights

- Cruise across Lake Whakatipu onboard the iconic vintage steamship
- Explore the two spacious viewing decks and take in the spectacular scenery travelling to Walter Peak
- Watch the engine room in action from the viewing platform, with steam engines, glowing fireboxes, and coal stokers at work
- Step into the Fo'c'sle gallery, a personal museum of the boat's colourful past
- Enjoy delicious snacks and drinks available for purchase at the Promenade Café and licenced bar
- Onboard English commentary

*TSS Earnslaw will undergo annual maintenance during winter months when the cruise will not run.



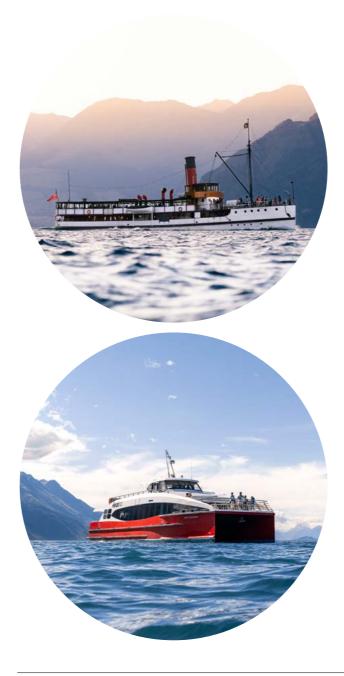






Walter Peak Gourmet BBQ Dining

Departures Year round



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Make a reservation at Queenstown's premium dining experience, and cruise across Lake Whakatipu to the shores of Walter Peak High Country Farm.

Enjoy the picturesque setting at our lakeside, colonial building. Grab a plate and graze on a selection of local and homegrown produce, from a range of wood-fired meats and seasonal vegetables, to a selection of cheese, charcuterie, and fresh breads. Toast with a glass of local wine or craft beer and top it off with dessert, before heading over to the amphitheatre for our farm dog show.

Highlights

- Lunch or Dinner buffet of local and homegrown produce at the Homestead Restaurant
- Lakeside dining on the shore of Walter Peak High Country Farm, with views of vibrant Queenstown
- Return scenic cruise across Lake Whakatipu
- Dinner and a show: relax after dessert with a skillful farm dog show
- Duration: 3 hours 30 mins 4 hours

Your meal

- Sit back and enjoy the views of Lake Whakatipu as your meal is prepared on the BBQ grill
- Choose from a large selection of delicious salads and vegetable dishes, plus a varied selection of the finest meats fresh from the grill. Vegetarian and dietary options available
- Bite into our selection of antipasti, breads and cheeses
- Remember to save room for our large range of desserts
- Our beverages (available for purchase) are proudly made in New Zealand and are free from plastic packaging

Your vessel

Select the vessel of your choice to cruise across Lake Whakatipu:

- TSS Earnslaw the only vintage twin-screw passengercarrying steamship in the Southern Hemisphere
- Spirit of Queenstown a modern catamaran and the newest addition to the Whakatipu fleet

Both vessels will undergo annual maintenance during the winter months.







Walter Peak Farm Tour

Departures Year round



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Explore this working high country farm, providing a number of authentic experiences perfect for the curious traveller.

Situated on the picturesque shores of Lake Whakatipu, with a colonial homestead and beautiful lakeside gardens, Walter Peak High Country Farm is the perfect place to spend a relaxing few hours. Join one of our rural hosts for a walking tour of the farmyard, watch sheepdogs in action and enjoy a delicious, freshly baked afternoon tea.

Highlights

- Scenic 45-minute cruise across Lake Whakatipu onboard the historic TSS Earnslaw or the modern Spirit of Queenstown
- Hosted walking tour of the farmyard to watch and feed the friendly farm animals
- Be entertained by the farm dog sheep herding demonstration and seasonal sheep shearing in the amphitheatre
- Afternoon tea freshly baked from the Homestead Kitchen
- Wander through the farm store to find a memorable souvenir
- English commentary while visiting Walter Peak Farm

Both vessels will undergo annual maintenance during the winter months.







Walter Peak Eco Experience

Departures November - April



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Take a short cruise across Lake Whakatipu to one of Queenstown's most secluded eco destinations. Welcomed by our rural team, you'll take a guided tour through the market gardens of Walter Peak, including bee hives, orchards, greenhouses, and our native plant nursery.

Choose a native seedling to plant and walk to the picturesque peninsula before planting it in the lakeside setting. Contribute to the reforestation legacy and New Zealand's future, before finishing off the experience at the rustic Woolshed for a high tea selection, prepared in the Homestead by our sous-chef. Return by cruise onboard the Spirit of Queenstown catamaran, or the vintage TSS Earnslaw.

Highlights

- Your choice of return lake cruise aboard either the Spirit of Queenstown or the TSS Earnslaw
- Explore our expansive market garden and see how produce goes from garden to plate
- Walk along the reforested peninsula and plant a native seedling
- Learn about native wildlife and conservation in New Zealand with your host
- Enjoy a high tea selection made up of homegrown and local produce







Walter Peak Horse Trek

Departures October - April



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Take in the sights when you take the reins of your adventure. Head off on a relaxing meander along the peninsula and through farmland, and create a holiday highlight.

Our experienced guide will take you on a horse trek across rolling high-country farmland to a spectacular lookout location with views of Lake Whakatipu and the surrounding mountains.

- Suitable for all abilities, including first-time riders
- Experience includes scenic cruise onboard the TSS Earnslaw or Spirit of Queenstown to Walter Peak Farm
- Small group size, personalised experience (six per guide)
- After the trek, enjoy afternoon tea baked fresh from the Colonel's Homestead
- Scenic 40-minute horse trek across rolling country

Height and weight restrictions apply

Both vessels will undergo annual maintenance during the winter months.





Queenstown Rafting

Departures October - April



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Don't just take photos of the river, take on the river. There's a rafting experience for everyone, with two different rivers and three experiences to choose from.

Shotover River GRADE 3–5 RAPIDS

- Depart Queenstown and drive through the iconic Skippers Canyon towards the headwaters of the Shotover River
- Learn about the gold mining history and paddle between steep cliff walls as you raft Grade 3-5 whitewater rapids with expert rafting guides
- Raft through a 170m tunnel

Finish with a splash down Cascade Waterfall

Minimum age, weight and water competency required.

Kawarau River GRADE 2 - 3 RAPIDS

- Paddle and swim down grade 2-3 whitewater rapids
- New cliff-jumping section for adventure junkies (optional and weather dependent)
- Tackle the famous 400m Dog Leg rapid the longest commercially rafted rapid in New Zealand
- Hot showers post-trip at the Rafting Base

Minimum age, weight and water competency required.

Jet to Raft – Kawarau River GRADE 2–3 RAPIDS

- Embark on the most seamless and iconic combo in town, and tick two of Queenstown's most thrilling water activities off your bucket list
- Jump on a 25-minute jet boat ride from Queenstown across Lake Whakatipu and onto the Kawarau River
- At the end of your jet boat journey, hop into rafts and paddle through Grade 2 – 3 rapids including the longest commercially rafted rapid in New Zealand – Dog Leg Rapid
- Enjoy spectacular scenery in 'The Lord of the Rings' filming locations, and options to swim and raft under the famous A J Hackett Kawarau Bungy Bridge
- This trip is ideal for first-time rafters or groups of mixed abilities and ages

Minimum age, weight and water competency required.







- Ferry Service
- Ulva Island Explorer
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- Stewart Island Guided Wilderness Walk





Stewart Island Ferries

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Whether it's a day-long adventure or a multiple-day excursion, expect a complete island itinerary to experience the best Rakiura Stewart Island has to offer.

Located beyond the southern tip of New Zealand is Rakiura Stewart Island. Though this picturesque island is well off the beaten track, Oban, the only township on the island, is only 30 kilometres from Bluff, and about an hour's ferry ride away.

Most of Stewart Island's lush forest, rocky coastlines and creamy golden sand beaches are protected within the Rakiura National Park, which makes up a huge 85% of the island. This makes the secluded island one of New Zealand's ultimate eco-tourism destinations and a real adventure in nature.

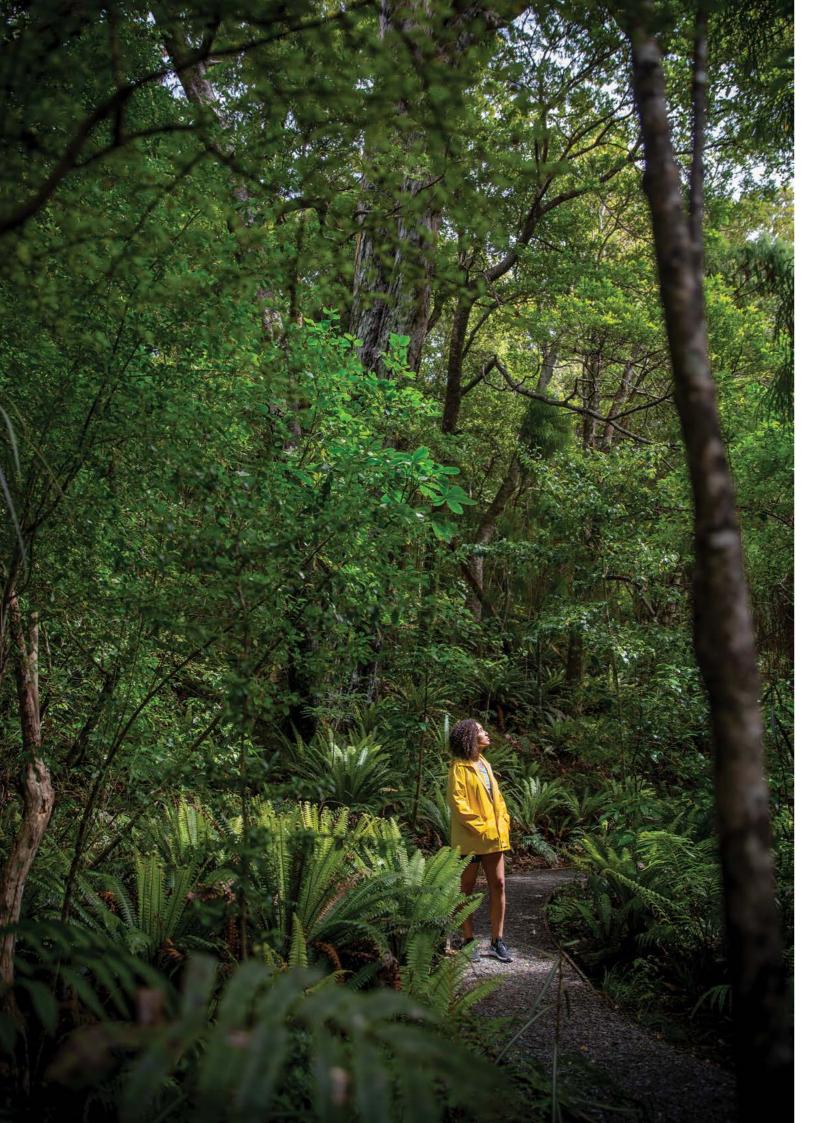
Getting there

The daily ferry service travels across the Foveaux Strait between Bluff and Oban, Stewart Island.

Our ferry service uses comfortable catamarans, where along the journey, you can keep an eye out for wildlife, particularly seabirds such as the mollymawk and tītī.

- Up to three departures per day during summer
- Up to two departures per day during winter
- Return coach connections available from Invercargill







Ulva Island Explorer

Departures Year round

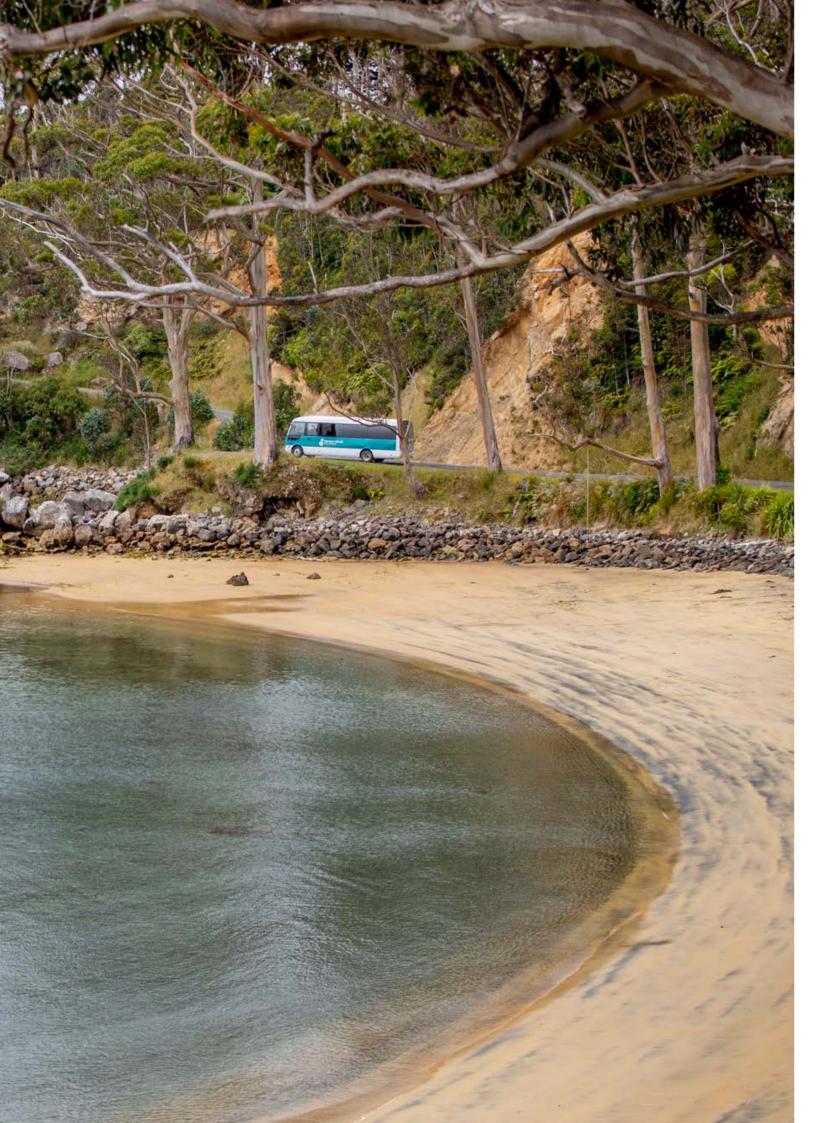
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Enjoy a leisurely informative cruise into beautiful Paterson Inlet, viewing unspoiled beaches, hidden coves, and sea life before exploring Ulva Island Bird Sanctuary.

- Cruise on a catamaran into Paterson Inlet past coastal beaches
- On Ulva Island, enjoy a forest and beach walk with a local nature guide through the Island, home to weka, bush robins, rare saddlebacks and yellowheads amongst other rare and endangered species
- Ulva Island is also a protected habitat for some of New Zealand's rarest plant species
- Throughout the experience, keep a look out for sea birds, seals, sea lions, and penguins

Suitable to link to the last ferry, so can be done in one day if preferred.







Village and Bays Tour

Departures Year round

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Explore Oban township and its surrounding bays with a local guide and enjoy the best introduction to Rakiura Stewart Island.

- Unspoiled, incredibly beautiful, and full of entertaining stories, Rakiura is worth a local's informal and entertaining introduction
- An insight into island life, discover the history and the integration of Māori, European and American cultures
- Time for short walks and photo stops throughout the tour, including a walk to the gateway of the Rakiura National Park at Lee Bay
- Enjoy the sights of Horseshoe Bay, the views from Observation Rock to Golden Bay, Paterson Inlet and Ulva Island







Wild Kiwi Encounter

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Before the sun sets, embark on a sea cruise to spot marine life before disembarking at Little Glory Cove. Walk through beach and forest at night with our experienced nature guide, and try to find tokoeka (southern brown kiwi) by torchlight.

- At sunset, depart Oban for a sea cruise, searching for marine life around Stewart Island's smaller neighbouring islands
- At Little Glory Cove, walk with your nature guide across the peninsula and through coastal forest looking for kiwi by torchlight
- Arrive at a secluded sandy beach to look out for kiwi, and watch the celestial show above
- Enjoy an informative presentation on kivvi
- Departures are weather dependent

Suitable for all ages 15 years and over and a level of fitness and sturdy shoes are required to navigate native and uneven bush trails in the dark







Stewart Island Guided Wilderness Walk

Departures November - April Available to charter year-round. Minimum numbers apply.

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Join a half-day, small group, guided walk across Oneke 'the neck' Stewart Island, an exclusive and remote section of the Rakiura National Park.

Start your experience with a short sea cruise before landing at a coastal wharf. Your guide will take you along the track as they tell you fascinating stories of the area's unique Māori and European history, culture, and native wildlife. Walk from forest to beach, while keeping a lookout for native wildlife.

- Half-day walk with a local guide
- Cultural commentary on Oneke history and stories
- Exclusive access to a remote section of Stewart Island
- Return boat transport, cruising along the coastline of Stewart Island
- Coastal beach and forest walk
- Conservation stories, wildlife spotting
- Picnic lunch optional

Suitable for all ages 15 years and over and a level of fitness and sturdy shoes are required to navigate native and uneven bush trails





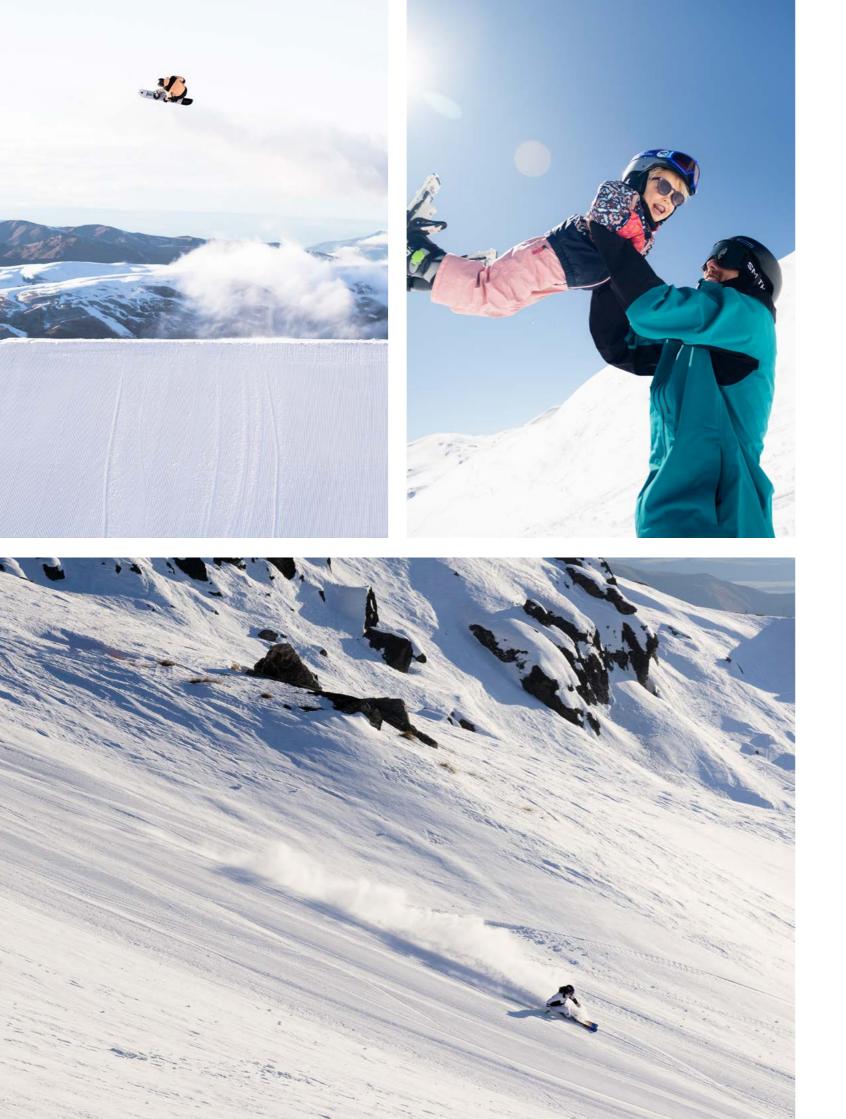
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Cardrona Winter

Location

Allow 60-90 minutes from Queenstown Allow 35 minutes from Wānaka

Season

June – October





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Why Cardrona?

- Consistently better snow conditions, thanks to our higher altitude and easterly facing basins
- 'McDougall's Chondola', a chairlift featuring gondola cabins, making life easy for sightseers and first-timers. Ratio of 1:4 cabins:chairs
- One of New Zealand's largest Snow Sports Schools, helping beginners to advanced, and young to old, with private, group and premium lesson options available
- Four different terrain parks, two halfpipes and one Big Air jump, catering to everyone from those beginning in the parks through to professional athletes
- In Winter '25, the installaion of a high speed chairlift in Soho Basin opens up 150ha of new, fun terrain, making Cardrona the largest ski area in New Zealand
- A huge range of the latest ski and snowboard gear in our four rental locations - Wānaka, Queenstown, Cardrona and Treble Cone.
- Effective bus transport from Queenstown and Wānaka, as well as free mountain shuttles
- Enjoyable for those who want to simply sightsee. Purchase a gondola ride to the top of Cardrona and look across alpine vistas from our picture-perfect mountain swing
- Nine distinctly different cafés and restaurants at Cardrona, catering to all diets and appetites
- We love our maunga community and are trailblazers in snow sport sustainability and community initiatives in New Zealand

Mountain Statistics

- Highest lifted point: 1860 metres
- Longest run: 4.2 kilometres
- Skiable area: 465 hectares
- 400 hectares of wide, open, undulating terrain, steep chutes and world-class terrain parks. The mountain is:
- 20% Beginner
- 25% Intermediate
- 30% Advanced
- 25% Expert









Cardrona Summer

Location

Allow 60 minutes from Queenstown Allow 35 minutes from Wānaka

Season

Dec – Mar



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As New Zealand's most popular ski area, there's even more to Cardrona Alpine Resort than the snowy season.

When the snow melts in summer, experience the wide-open slopes in a whole different way.

Summer at Cardrona is known for its unique mountain biking and mountain carting experiences. Take on our vast network of downhill trails by bike, polish your skills with lessons, or let professional athletes throughout our summer events provide the entertainment.

If biking isn't your thing, try your hand at mountain carting. Have more fun on three wheels and cruise down our dirt trails on specially designed mountain carts. Cardrona is the only place in New Zealand to offer fun like this and is a great experience for the whole family.

Alternatively, catch a gondola cabin to the top of the mountain and take a relaxed wander through alpine meadows or dial it up and hike through the mountain. Finish with a sit-down on New Zealand's most scenic seat: our very own Cardrona swing.







Treble Cone

Location

Allow for 90-120 minutes from Queenstown Allow 35 minutes from Wānaka

Season

June – September



Trade Manual

The South Island's largest ski area

Treble Cone is the home of skiing in Wānaka, founded back in 1968 by local ski enthusiasts. It is the largest ski area in the South Island in both terrain and vertical metres. Famed for its challenging steeps, natural halfpipes, and legendary off-piste terrain, Treble Cone sits firmly on the bucket lists of many intermediate and advanced skiers and snowboarders. Treble Cone is also home to one of the world's best skiing backdrops, with breathtaking views of Lake Wānaka and the Matukituki Basin.

Why Treble Cone?

- The South Island's largest ski area, Treble Cone, offers skiers and snowboarders 700 metres of vertical and 550 hectares of terrain
- Known for its long and uncrowded groomed runs, outstanding off-piste terrain, stunning views and consistent snow, Treble Cone is a must-do experience for skiers and snowboarders
- Stunning backdrop. It's not just the terrain that will take your breath away, the views out over the Southern Alps and Lake Wānaka will too
- Private lessons for all ability levels to take your skiing and riding to the next level
- A huge range of the latest ski and snowboard gear in our four rental locations, at our Wānaka and Queenstown ticket offices and on-mountain rentals
- A variety of delicious on-mountain dining options, barista coffee and a fully stocked bar featuring local craft beers
- Bus transport from Queenstown and Wānaka

Mountain statistics

- Summit Elevation: 2088 metres
- Lift Elevation: 1960 metres
- Base Elevation: 1260 metres
- Longest Run: 4 kilometres
- 550 hectares of terrain:
- 10% Beginner
- 30% Intermediate
- 40% Advanced
- 20% Expert







Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown and Walter peak

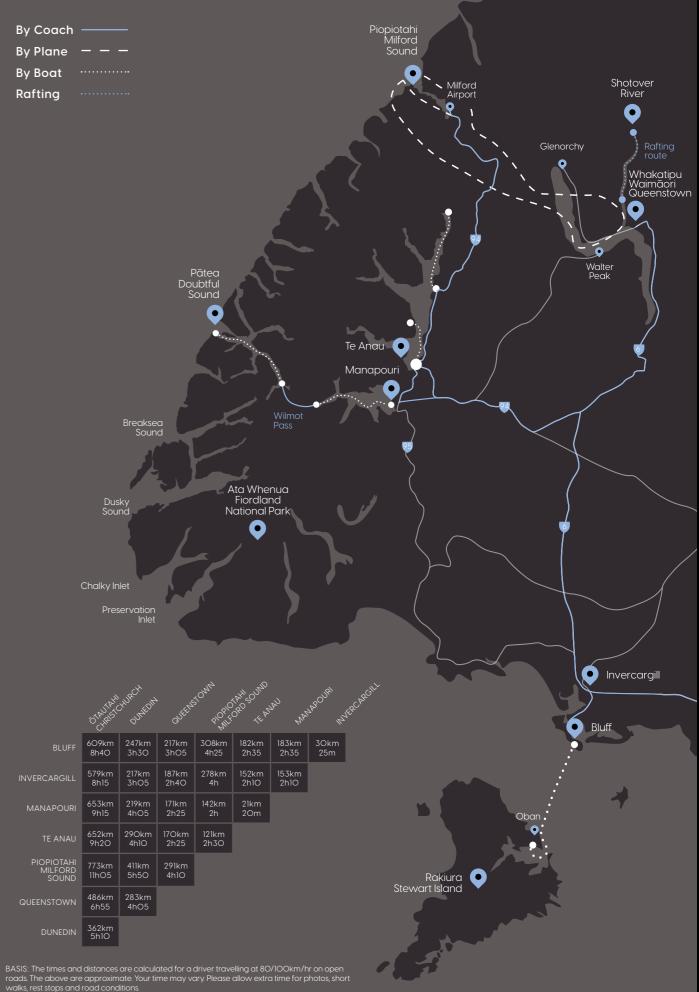


Kawarau and Shotover River Rafting



Cardrona Alpine Resort and Treble Cone

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