



ABOUT US

Dale & Bronwyn Burrows own and operate Franz Josef Wilderness Tours.

Paddle, Cruise or Fish with us on Lake Mapourika, locally owned and operated in Franz Josef Glacier.

Dale Burrows is a qualified skipper & sea kayak guide. Having guided in the region since 2006 he is a true kiwi outdoorsman with a depth of regional knowledge and care for the local environment. He was a guide on the Franz Josef Glacier for many years before purchasing the company in 2013.

FRANZ JOSEF WILDERNESS TOURS

Franz Josef Wilderness tours offer guided kayak trips, cruises and fishing charters. We also feature our own exclusive rainforest trail on the back of Lake Mapourika.

Our team is trained to deliver customer service and an outstanding experience from start to finish.

We have packaged up some unique offerings for incentive groups which are not available as part of our regular tours. We are able to further customize anything we offer to suit a group's needs.

Pictured on the top right is our comfortable tour boat: The Hanna-K

2nd on the right: our kayak on Lake Mapourika's famously calm & mirrored lake reflections.







- We are suited to groups between 10 and 80 people.
 Our groups can be in sizes of up to 16 pax per trip
- We provide picks ups and drop offs for all activities
- Groups of any phyisical fitness and ability are comfortably able to join our tours. There's a tour to suit all levels of adventure and/or relaxation.
- We provide all equipment, and we're a great wet weather activity. We provide high quality wet weather gear and our tour boat is fully covered to keep warm & dry on board.
- Free photographs are included with all tours, sent via email after each trip

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Cruise & Kayak on Lake Mapourika

Enjoy a beautiful 2 or 3 hours on Lake Mapourika with our Cruise & Kayak Tour. The Kayaks can also be substituted with Stand-Up Paddleboards for those seeking more adventure!

The tour includes scenic a crossing on our comfortable covered boat, while your skipper brews a warm cup of tea or coffee. (Paddling distances are minimal, and fitness requirement is low.)

Paddle with a knowledgeable kayak guide through the rainforest fringed creeks of the kiwi sanctuary, relax and enjoy the ride as we look after everything including the photos of your experience!

+ A great customize option for this trip would be to add the guided walk!







Cruise & Rainforest Walk (with Catering options available)

Enjoy the true remote beauty of the West Coast with a sensational afternoon on Lake Mapourika. The Cruise & Rainforest Walk offers a taste of adventure as you journey through our hand crafted rainforest trail- which is left as untouched as possible. The track was carved by Dale the team. It was uniquely designed to blend in the natural surrounds and to not disturb the old growth rainforest. This region is part of the protected Kiwi Conservation area home to NZ's rarest Kiwi bird the Rowi. Your guide will spot wildlife, and discuss the regions unique flora, fauna and geology. The Hanna-K includes comfortable covered seating to enjoy a scenic lunch and/or nibbles are provided as you cruise. +catering options can include fresh west coast white bait patties BBQ'd on the boat!







Fish, Cruise & BBQ (a catered light meal or nibbles on the Lake)

Spend a relaxing afternoon or evening on the lake with us in true Kiwi Luxury! Crack a cold beer or enjoy a glass of wine while we troll the lake for Wild Salmon or Brown Trout. Fish can be prepared for the group on our BBQ facility or enjoyed as FRESH sashimi. The boat is set up for enjoying a relaxing meal or nibbles which are included on this tour. Happy hour on Lake Mapourika, what an incredible way to finish an adventurous day in Glacier Country! (FAQ: YES- there is a comfortable toilet on board!)

No fishing experience is required, Dale is a knowledgeable fishing guide, experienced in fishing instruction with all abilities.