

Pre TRENZ 2025 West Coast Famil

1-5 May 2025



Development West Coast

Welcome to Untamed Natural Wilderness, welcome to the West Coast!

You can expect things to be different on the West Coast – more real, bigger than anticipated, greater than you thought.

Wedge between towering mountains and the crashing sea, the West Coast is the region forgotten by the rest of its country. Our trees are skyscrapers that touch the sky, our rivers and lakes are the best New Zealand has to offer and our attractions are authentic.

Get your wanderlust on by searching #westcoastnz and soon you'll be sharing your own snaps. Famed for its record rainfall, but with sunny days so crisp and clear you will be pinching yourself, there are attractions here for every type of visitor, even the discerning ones.

Be prepared to be astounded, have your breath taken away, be at a loss for words, as this is the West Coast. This is – Untamed Natural Wilderness.

Visual Library and Further Information

If you require any images of the West Coast, check out our [Visual Library](#).

For any further information about our extraordinary region please do not hesitate to visit our [website](#).

Inclusions

Hosted domestic air travel, accommodation, transport, meals and sightseeing as detailed on the itinerary only. All other costs including items of a personal nature, such as phone calls, mini bar, internet and laundry from accommodation will be at your own expense and some meals may also be at your own expense.

The arrangements in this itinerary have been made especially for you with the generous support and cooperation of our operators as detailed.

Dress Code

Famil dress code is casual and appropriate to your activities. To ensure you are prepared for our New Zealand weather, please bring with you the below items;

- Gloves, hat and scarf
- Sunglasses are handy
- Raincoat (this is a rainforest after all)
- Comfortable walking shoes
- Small day/backpack
- Swimsuit

Recommended Items

Here on the West Coast, we are advocates for sustainable and regenerative tourism. Please help us by eliminating waste and bring with you the below items;

- Reusable keep cup
- Reusable drink bottle
- A smile and a sense of adventure!

Health and Safety

New Zealand is generally a very safe place in which to travel. However, you should take the same precautions here as you would at home to protect your valuables and keep yourself safe.

Ensure that you have informed your hosts of any allergies, fears, phobias or health issues or other concerns which may impact on your experience of this famil.

Emergency Information

In the unlikely event of an emergency, your West Coast host will be able to advise you. If you are unable to contact your host or if your famil is un-hosted, please contact emergency services.

The emergency telephone number in New Zealand is 111. It is a free phone call. If you have an emergency and need a quick response from the Police, the Fire Service, Ambulance or Search and Rescue, dial 111.



Explore the Untamed Natural Wilderness of the West Coast, South Island!

The West Coast, or 'the Coast' as locals call it, is an untamed natural wilderness of rivers and rainforests, glaciers and geological treasures. This region is 600km long and there's a lot to see. In fact, the Great Coast Road stretching from Westport to Greymouth is one of the top 10 coastal drives in the world rated by Lonely Planet..

Starts: 01 May 2024 in Christchurch

Ends: 05 May 2024 in Christchurch

Number of seats: 9

Key Contacts:

Famil Host:

Andrew Aitken

022 697 885

andrew@dwc.org.nz

Famil Driver:

Rachel Wright

021 023 25363

rachel@hokitikascenictours.nz

Additional notes: Please arrive in Christchurch on 30 April, as the famil starts early on May 01st.

Famil Inclusions:

- All meals (breakfast, lunch & dinner) from 01st - 05th May. - some beverages will be included, not all.
- All activities and accommodation within the famil itinerary.
- Transport to and from activities beginning on 01st May, finishing at Christchurch Accommodation at

approximately 10:00am on 05th May.

Excluded:

- Pre & post famil accommodation in Christchurch (30th April & 05th May).
- Lunch & dinner after the famil ends on 05th May - (breakfast is included on this day).
- International/domestic flights.

Day 1 Thu, 1 May 2025



Pick up from your Christchurch Accommodation

Please ensure you are ready and waiting in the lobby of your hotel at your confirmed pick up time below:

Your host will let you know if they are running late.

Date and time



Start: 1 May 2025 at 6:30 AM



End: 1 May 2025 at 7:30 AM



Transfer with Hokitika Scenic Tours

Hokitika Scenic Tours •

Hokitika Scenic Tours, Weld Street,
Hokitika 7810, New Zealand



At Hokitika Scenic Tours we specialise in guided tours and transfers of this magnificent part of Aotearoa. Join our knowledgeable Kiwi guides to view our magical West Coast scenic treasures. Where time stands in all its natural glory.

A REAL West Coast experience like no other....with locals, who have a passion for their home and environment. From private transfers, through to half and full-day tours or multi day guided bespoke tour packages. Our goal is to create the best custom experience.

Ka tae manuhiri mai, Ka hoki hoa piripono atu
Arrive as our guest, Depart as our friend

Key Contact:

Rachel Wright

021 023 25363

rachel@hokitikascenictours.nz

Date and time



Pick up: 1 May 2025 at 6:30 AM



Drop off: 5 May 2025 at 2:05 PM

Location



Weld Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand

Contact



+64 210 232 5363



<http://www.hokitikascenictours.nz/>

Details

Transfer with Hokitika Scenic Tours (Entire family transfer) x 1



Transfer from Christchurch Accommodation to Maruia Hot Springs

Date and time

 Start: 1 May 2025 at 7:30 AM

 End: 1 May 2025 at 10:00 AM



Bathe & Sauna

Maruia Hot Springs • Maruia, 1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7847, New Zealand



Maruia Hot Springs is an award-winning natural hot springs, day spa and wellness destination tucked among the snow-capped Southern Alps on the picturesque Lewis Pass national reserve. Instantly feel connected to the mountainous landscape and nature surrounding you whilst you relax in natural geothermal mineral pools, nourish your soul with organic food and relax your body & mind in our daily wellness classes.

Key Contact:

David James

022 187 9544


djwatson@maruiahotsprings.nz

Date and time

 Start: 1 May 2025 at 10:00 AM

 End: 1 May 2025 at 11:30 AM

Location

 1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7847, New Zealand

Contact

 <https://www.maruiahotsprings.nz/>

Details

Bathe & Sauna (Adult) x 10



Gourmet Dining Experience

Maruia Hot Springs • Maruia, 1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7847, New Zealand



Onsite Restaurant.

Key Contact:

David James

022 187 9544


djwatson@maruiahotsprings.nz

Date and time

 Start: 1 May 2025 at 11:30 AM

 End: 1 May 2025 at 12:00 PM

Location

 1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7847, New Zealand

Contact

 <https://www.maruiahotsprings.nz/>

Details

Gourmet Dining Experience (Lunch) x 11



Transfer from Maruia Hot Springs to Reefton Distillery

Maruia Hot Springs, 1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7895, New Zealand


Date and time

 Start: 1 May 2025 at 12:00 PM

 End: 1 May 2025 at 1:00 PM

Location

 Start: 1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7895, New Zealand

 End: 10 Smith Street, Reefton 7830, New Zealand



Our Story and Tasting Tour

Reefton Distilling Co •

Reefton Distilling Company, 10 Smith Street, Reefton 7830, New Zealand



Reefton Distilling Co.

Our distillery expanded in 2022, relocating to our new 1.6ha rural site on the edge of town. We repurposed existing buildings to house our stillroom, warehouse, bottling hall and our office building, which is an important part of our commitment to sustainability. Our original site is still the home of our Cellar Door and retail store, and is open 7 days to welcome visitors.

The Reefton Distilling Co. team are inspired to provide you with a truly unique West Coast experience as they share the story behind the crafting of their local botanical gins, liqueurs, vodka and whisky. Join us at our Cellar Door lounge for a relaxed session, where your Host will share the story and the motivation of our Founder, to create a distillery in this part of Aotearoa New Zealand. You will be given an insight into the distilling process for our Moonlight Creek Whisky and Little Biddy Gin before getting to experience a selection of our products with a complimentary tasting.

Our first still Little Biddy remains in her original spot and has been turned into a time capsule, which will be opened at our 100 year anniversary in 2117.

Key Contact:

Patsy Bass

dutymanager@reeftondistillingco.com

Date and time



Start: 1 May 2025 at 1:00 PM



End: 1 May 2025 at 2:00 PM

Location



10 Smith Street, Reefton 7830, New Zealand

Contact



+64 3 732 7083



<https://www.reeftondistillingco.com/>

Details

Gin Tasting & Distillery Tour (Adult) x 9



Transfer from Reefton Distillery to Pounamu Pathway

Reefton Distilling Co., 10 Smith Street, Reefton 7830, New Zealand

Date and time

📅 Start: 1 May 2025 at 2:00 PM

📅 End: 1 May 2025 at 3:00 PM

Location

📍 Start: 10 Smith Street, Reefton 7830, New Zealand

📍 End: 43 Tainui Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand



Māwhera Pā Experience - Pounamu Pathway

Pounamu Pathway - Māwhera •

Pounamu Pathway - Māwhera, 43 Tainui Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand



Step into an immersive Māori Cultural experience with a one-of-a-kind self-guided journey, delving into the rich tapestry of Poutini Ngāi Tahu and the Māwhera Pā settlement. This captivating exhibition leads you through six compelling narratives, allowing you to explore at your own pace for a duration of 90 minutes or more. As you journey through these tales, be enchanted by a striking large-scale masterpiece crafted by Wētā Workshop and a sensory feast of visuals and sound, culminating in an unforgettable and inspiring cultural encounter.

Embark on a self-discovery journey through immersive experiences featuring monumental sculptures, audio-visual elements, and history told through audio and illustrations. Explore daily life in the Pā, and discover the region's past through stories of Pounamu, industry, and cultural change.

Key Contact:

Amanda Downs

027 464 9296

amanda@ngatiwaewae.org.nz

Date and time

📅 Start: 1 May 2025 at 3:00 PM

📅 End: 1 May 2025 at 4:00 PM

Location

📍 43 Tainui Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand

Contact

📞 0800 224 414

🌐 <https://www.pounamupathway.com/>

Details

Māwhera Pā Experience - Pounamu Pathway (Adult)
x 10



Transfer from Pounamu Pathway to Pancake Rocks & Blowholes Track

Pounamu Pathway - Māwhera, 43 Tainui Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand

Date and time



Start: 1 May 2025 at 4:00 PM



End: 1 May 2025 at 4:40 PM

Location



Start: 43 Tainui Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand



End: 4294 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Pancake Rocks & Blowholes Track

Pancake Rocks and Blowholes Track, 4294 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Explore a limestone landscape of pancake-shaped rock formations, blowholes and surge pools on this short, paved walk that's great for families.

Distance: 1.1km

Duration: 20/30 min loop.

This is an all-weather walk around the curious limestone formations of pancake rocks and blowholes. With the exception of an optional short section with steps, the walk is suitable for wheelchairs (with assistance).

Blowholes form from a mixture of compressed water and air escaping through the caverns below and being forced upwards, creating a huge wall of spray. They are at their best around high tide when there is a south-westerly swell.

Spectacular views, geological oddities, coastal forest, rich birdlife and marine mammals are highlights along this walk.

Date and time

 Start: 1 May 2025 at 4:40 PM

 End: 1 May 2025 at 5:15 PM

Location


 4294 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Transfer from Pancake Rocks & Blowholes Track to Punakaiki Rocks Hotel & Garden Bar

Pancake Rocks and Blowholes Track, 4294 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand


Date and time

 Start: 1 May 2025 at 5:15 PM

 End: 1 May 2025 at 5:20 PM

Location

 Start: 4294 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

 End: State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Site Inspection

Punakaiki Rocks Hotel & Garden Bar

Pancake Rocks Hotel & Garden Bar,
Corner Of State Highway 6 & Owen Street,,
Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Located between the West Coast towns of Westport and Greymouth in New Zealand's stunning South Island, lies Punakaiki, home of the famous Pancake Rocks and Punakaiki Hotel and Garden Bar! It is the perfect place to stop for a quick refresh, long lunch or a few days to explore all this region has to offer.

Key Contact:

Jill Harrison

jillh@scenichotels.co.nz

Date and time

 Start: 1 May 2025 at 5:20 PM

 End: 1 May 2025 at 6:00 PM

Location

 Corner Of State Highway 6 & Owen Street,,
Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

Contact

 03 731 118

 <https://www.punakaikirocks.co.nz/>

Details

Site Visit at Punakaiki Rocks Hotel & Garden Bar
(Adult) x 10



Transfer from Punakaiki Rocks Hotel & Garden Bar to Scenic Hotel Punakaiki

Punakaiki Rocks Hotel & Garden Bar, State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

Date and time



Start: 1 May 2025 at 6:00 PM



End: 1 May 2025 at 6:05 PM

Location



Start: State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



End: 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Scenic Hotel Punakaiki (1 night)

Scenic Hotel Punakaiki, 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Scenic Hotel Punakaiki

A stunning ocean view retreat located right on the beach, 30 minutes north of Greymouth and 300m south of the famous Pancake Rocks and Blowholes. With stunning views of the Tasman Sea, Punakaiki Beach the resort is surrounded by the forest Paparoa National Park. The 63 premium guest rooms are designed in harmony with the local environment to maintain a sense of privacy and have either ocean or rainforest views.

- 13 x Beachview rooms
- 14 x Grand Ocean view rooms
- 24 x Rainforest rooms
- 12 x Deluxe suites

Key Contact:

Steve Shearer

027 458 8235

steves@scenicgroup.co.nz

Date and time

- Check-in: 1 May 2025 at 6:05 PM
- Check-out: 2 May 2025 at 7:50 AM

Location

- 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

Contact

- +64 3 731 1168
- <https://www.theoceanviewretreat.co.nz/>

Details

Stay at Scenic Hotel Punakaiki - Grand Ocean View Room (Room including Breakfast) x 11



Ocean View Restaurant & Bar

Scenic Hotel Punakaiki •

Scenic Hotel Punakaiki, 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Watch the sunset over the Tasman Sea while enjoying epic views of the Punakaiki Beach and Coastline from your table.

The Ocean View Restaurant and Bar is open 7 days for breakfast, lunch and dinner to hotel guests, locals, and visitors to Punakaiki. Their Executive Chef's create seasonal dishes to tantalise the tastebuds using local foods and flavours that flow through into an exceptional dining experience.

Key Contact:

Raj Karekar

022 540 8331

raj@scenichotels.co.nz

Date and time

- Start: 1 May 2025 at 6:30 PM
- End: 1 May 2025 at 9:00 PM

Location

- 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

Contact

- +64 3 731 1168
- <https://www.theoceanviewretreat.co.nz/>

Details

Dine at Ocean View Restaurant & Bar (3 Course Dinner) x 11



Operator Networking Dinner

Scenic Hotel Punakaiki, 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

Tonight's dinner will provide an opportunity to connect with local tourism operators. We encourage you to engage with them and learn about their experiences.

Date and time

1 May 2025

Location

4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

Day 2 Fri, 2 May 2025



Breakfast at your leisure at the hotel

Scenic Hotel Punakaiki, 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Group will depart at 7:40am sharp.

Date and time

2 May 2025

Location

4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Transfer from Scenic Hotel Punakaiki to Paparoa Experience Centre

Scenic Hotel Punakaiki, 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

Date and time

📅 Start: 2 May 2025 at 7:40 AM

📅 End: 2 May 2025 at 7:45 AM

Location

📍 Start: 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

📍 End: 4294 Coast Road, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Paparoa Experience

Paparoa Experience •

Paparoa Experience, 4294 Coast Road, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Paparoa Experience – A Hidden World Awaits

Punakaiki, West Coast


- Blending Māori culture with historical & geological wonders, the Paparoa Experience is a self-guided tour that captivates visitors by giving them an insight to the history of the Paparoa National Park like never before. Learn the secrets of Te Tai Poutini (the West Coast) through an immersive storytelling experience crafted by Gibson International.
- Journey through rich heritage, unveil dramatic landscapes & natural formations and be transported into a world of wonder & discovery through a multi-sensory adventure and interactive displays.
- Create connections with the history & traditions of Mana Whenua (local iwi) Ngāti Waewae, get up close & personal with unique local stories and larger-than-life landscapes, splash underground to discover the amazing time-capsule of Limestone Caves, feel the full force of the famous Pancake Rock Blowhole, and interact with the people, plants & animals of Punakaiki & Paparoa.
- The Paparoa Experience is located inside our modernised state-of-the-art Punangairi Visitor Centre in the heart of Punakaiki, immersed in the taiao (nature) of Te Tai Poutini (the West Coast). Other amenities housed within our Punangairi Visitor Centre is an in-store café, high quality conference centre and a retail space stocking a range of local taonga (treasure). Open 7 days a week from 8:30am.

Key Contact:

Amanda Downs

027 464 9296

Date and time

 Start: 2 May 2025 at 7:45 AM

 End: 2 May 2025 at 8:30 AM

Location

 4294 Coast Road, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

Contact

 0274678152

 <http://www.paparoaexperience.com/>

Details

Paparoa Experience (Adult) x 10



Drive from Paparoa Experience Centre to Te Aka Treehouse

Punangairi Visitor Centre - Paparoa Experience, 4294 Coast Road, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

Date and time

 Start: 2 May 2025 at 8:30 AM

 End: 2 May 2025 at 9:30 AM

Location

 Start: 4294 Coast Road, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

 End: 189 Gows Creek Road, Nelson Creek 7872, New Zealand



Site Inspection

Te Aka Treehouse - Native Forest Retreat

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Te Aka Treehouse, 189 Cows Creek Road, Nelson Creek, Greymouth 7872, New Zealand



Welcome to Te Aka Treehouse, one of New Zealand's newest off-grid retreats in a pristine native forest. Owned by Kiwis, Lisa & Dave, our place offers a unique and relaxing escape. Immerse yourself in the untouched beauty of the forest environment, with its dappled light, birdsong symphonies, and breathtaking views.

Key Contact:

Lisa & Dave North

020 4100 0100

stay@te-akatreehouse.co.nz

Date and time

📅 Start: 2 May 2025 at 9:30 AM

📅 End: 2 May 2025 at 10:00 AM

Location

📍 189 Cows Creek Road, Nelson Creek,
Greymouth 7872, New Zealand

Contact

📞 0204 121 5822.

🌐 <https://www.te-akatreehouse.co.nz/>

Details

Site Visit at Te Aka Treehouse (Adult) x 10



Transfer from Te Aka Treehouse to Lake Brunner Eco Lodge

Te Aka Treehouse - Native Forest Retreat, 189 Gows Creek Road, Nelson Creek 7872, New Zealand

Date and time

📅 Start: 2 May 2025 at 10:00 AM

📅 End: 2 May 2025 at 11:20 AM

Location

📍 Start: 189 Gows Creek Road, Nelson Creek 7872,
New Zealand

📍 End: 1950 Kumara Inchbonnie Road, Inchbonnie
7875, New Zealand



Site Inspection

Lake Brunner Eco Lodge •
Lake Brunner Eco Lodge, 1950
Kumara Inchbonnie Road,
Inchbonnie 7875, New Zealand



Take a trip off the beaten track and find yourself in the untouched beauty of New Zealand's Wild West Coast at Lake Brunner Eco Lodge. The historic lodge looks across the picturesque Lake Brunner and is surrounded by native bush, with numerous walking tracks leading you through lush native rainforest, the surrounding wetlands, and up to the stunning Carew Falls.

In the hustle of modern life, nature can seem distant. We invite you to step away and rediscover connection—with the wild, with others, and with yourself.

All of the rooms at Lake Brunner Eco Lodge have a unique charm, each designed to immerse guests in the natural beauty and tranquility of the surroundings. Our accommodations feature eco-friendly materials, luxurious comforts, and spacious designs that blend harmoniously with the environment, providing a restful escape in the heart of the West Coast Wilderness. Our well-appointed rooms are the perfect place to wind down and relax after a day exploring the rainforest, kayaking the lake, or exploring the coast.

Key Contact:

Brenda Lynch


027 307 4040

Date and time

 Start: 2 May 2025 at 11:20 AM

 End: 2 May 2025 at 11:50 AM

Location

 1950 Kumara Inchbonnie Road, Inchbonnie
7875, New Zealand

Contact

 +64273074040

 <http://www.lakebrunner.co.nz/>

Details

Site Inspection (Adult) x 10



Restaurant

Lake Brunner Eco Lodge •

Lake Brunner Eco Lodge, 1950 Kumara Inchbonnie Road, Inchbonnie 7875, New Zealand



Each dining experience at our Eco Lodge is to savour a proud reflection of this area that we call home.

We take pride in using local ingredients that are either sourced locally or harvested from our garden. The West Coast has so much to bring to the plate, and our chef works hard to showcase the very best of the season for our guests.

We feature ingredients unique to our part of the world, choosing premium ingredients that have been locally crafted or artfully foraged.

Key Contact:

Brenda Lynch

027 307 4040

lodge@lakebrunner.co.nz

Date and time

📅 Start: 2 May 2025 at 11:50 AM

📅 End: 2 May 2025 at 12:30 PM

Location

📍 1950 Kumara Inchbonnie Road, Inchbonnie
7875, New Zealand

Contact

☎ +64273074040

🌐 <http://www.lakebrunner.co.nz/>

Details

Restaurant (Lunch - 2 course) x 11



Transfer from Lake Brunner Eco Lodge to Awatuna Sunset Lodge

Lake Brunner Eco Lodge, 1950 Kumara Inchbonnie Road, Inchbonnie 7875, New Zealand

Date and time

📅 Start: 2 May 2025 at 12:30 PM

📅 End: 2 May 2025 at 1:10 PM

Location

📍 Start: 1950 Kumara Inchbonnie Road, Inchbonnie
7875, New Zealand

📍 End: Hokitika 7882, New Zealand



Site Inspection

Awatuna Sunset Lodge •
Awatuna Sunset Lodge, 1209A
Kumara Junction Highway, Awatuna
7882



Awatuna Sunset Lodge is a luxury adult retreat with breathtaking views of the Tasman Sea. Enjoy this truly culinary experience offering an extensive garden-to-plate menu. Sip champagne in the sea view spa while watching the sunset or take a complimentary tour in an amphibious craft to the beach. With only three rooms, Elizabeth and Selwyn provide an exceptional and personalised experience, creating lasting memories of your time at this unique lodge.

Key Contact:

Elizabeth & Selwyn

022 329 2450

explore@awatunasunsetlodge.nz

Date and time

📅 Start: 2 May 2025 at 1:10 PM

📅 End: 2 May 2025 at 1:40 PM

Location

📍 1209A Kumara Junction Highway, Awatuna 7882

Contact

🌐 <https://awatunasunsetlodge.nz/>

Details

Site Inspection (Adult) x 10



Transfer from Awatuna Sunset Lodge to Hokitika Gorge Walk

Awatuna Sunset Lodge, Hokitika 7882, New Zealand

Date and time



Start: 2 May 2025 at 1:40 PM



End: 2 May 2025 at 2:20 PM

Location



Start: Hokitika 7882, New Zealand

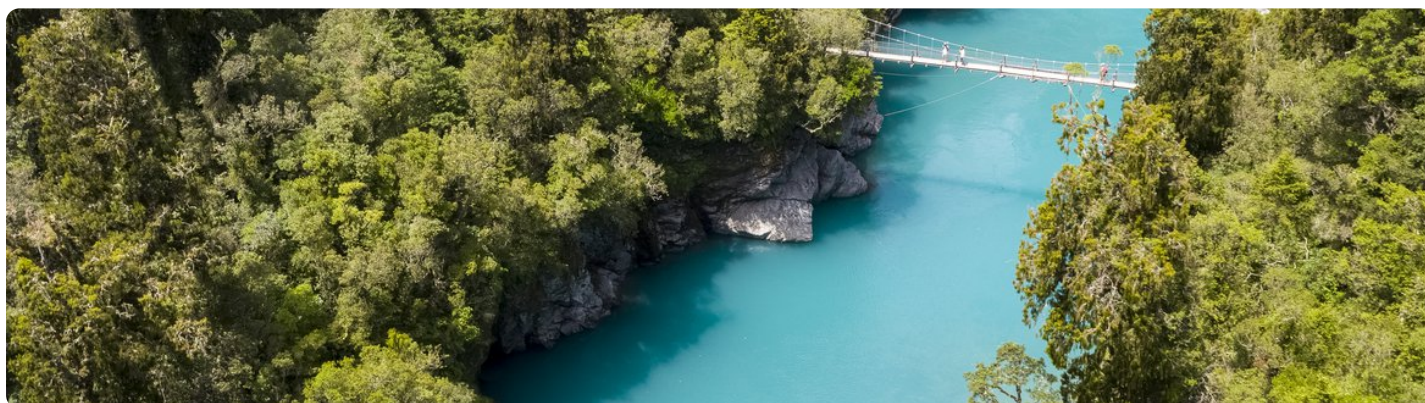


End: Kokatahi 7881, New Zealand



Hokitika Gorge

Hokitika Gorge, Kokatahi 7881, New Zealand



Hokitika Gorge Track

Distance: 1.2 km

Time: 45 min

There are multiple viewpoints along this track, save some for your return to the carpark. This track is accessible for wheelchairs with assistance.

From the western end of the carpark it's an easy undulating 15 minute walk through mature nature forest to a viewpoint overlooking the river and farmland land of the upper Hokitika Valley.

After a further 250 m of wandering track, the Upper Hokitika Gorge Suspension Bridge enters the forest canopy of Miro, Rimu, and Kamahi as it passes over a flood channel and an island before crossing the main channel of the Hokitika Gorge. The bridge offers spectacular views of the Hokitika Gorge, mature forested surrounds and the foothills of the Southern Alps.

Return to the carpark the way you came.

Times and distances (one way)

- Hokitika Valley viewpoint: 650 m, 15 min
- Upper Gorge suspension bridge: 900 m, 30 min
- Lower Gorge viewing platform: 1.2 km, 45 mins

Date and time

📅 Start: 2 May 2025 at 2:20 PM

📅 End: 2 May 2025 at 3:35 PM

Location

📍 Kokatahi 7881, New Zealand



Transfer from Hokitika Gorge Walk to West Coast Treetop Walk & Zipline

Hokitika Gorge Walk New Zealand

Date and time

📅 Start: 2 May 2025 at 3:35 PM

📅 End: 2 May 2025 at 4:10 PM

Location

📍 Start: Hokitika Gorge Walk New Zealand

📍 End: 1128 Woodstock-Rimu Road, Hokitika 7812, New Zealand



Tower Zipline & Walkway Combo

West Coast Treetop Walk & Zipline • Hokitika, New Zealand



A leisurely 45-minute to one hour stroll through the beautiful West Coast rainforest tree tops. One of the top things to do in Hokitika, only 15 minutes drive south of the town centre. An exhilarating treetop adventure among temperate rainforest giants, experience life with the birds, high in the ancient Rimu and Kamahi tree canopy. 2 options:



- **Treetop Walk:** Easy access for all to enjoy along a steel platform 20 metres high and over 600 metres long. Climb to the top of Hokitika Tower 47 metres above the forest floor.
- **The zipline challenge:** it begins from the platform 47m or 15 storeys above the ground into the sky. It's followed by a 425m long 45 seconds 60km/hr flight within the Rimu rainforest canopy before landing opposite the Cafe/Visitor Centre.

The Zipline starts with a walk from the Visitor Centre along a forest track for 300m. Then a 200m long walk along the tree top walk to Tower. Then a climb up the spiral tower to 47m above the ground. The zipline challenge then begins from the take-off platform with a step of 47m or 15 storeys above the ground into the sky, which will sure to take your breath. It's then followed by a 425m long 45 seconds 60km/hr flight within the Rimu rainforest canopy before landing opposite the Visitor Centre.

Zipline Length 425m
Zipline speed In excess of 60km/hr
Zipline Height 47m or 15 storeys above the ground
Zipline ride time 45 seconds

Please note we have weight restrictions. You must weigh between 30 kg to 120kg. The Zipline ticket also includes the walkway. Please aim to arrive 30 minutes before your tour starts.

Key Contact:
Ashley Cassin
03 755 5562
sitemanager@treetopsnz.com

Date and time	Details
 Start: 2 May 2025 at 4:10 PM	Tower Zipline & Walkway Combo (Adult) x 10
 End: 2 May 2025 at 5:30 PM	
Location	
 Hokitika, New Zealand	
Contact	
 03 755 5052	
 https://treetopsnz.com	



Transfer from West Coast Treetop Walk & Zipline to Te Waonui Forest Retreat

West Coast Tree Top - Zipline South Island, 1128 Woodstock-Rimu Road, Hokitika 7812, New Zealand

Date and time	
 Start: 2 May 2025 at 5:30 PM	
 End: 2 May 2025 at 7:15 PM	
Location	
 Start: 1128 Woodstock-Rimu Road, Hokitika 7812, New Zealand	
 End: 3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand	



Legacy Te Waonui Hotel, Franz Josef (1 night)

Te Waonui Forest Retreat, 3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef/Westland 7886, New Zealand



Experience eco-luxury at Legacy Te Waonui Hotel, Franz Josef, where nature and indulgence meet in New Zealand's Glacier Country. Nestled in the pristine West Coast wilderness, this lodge-style retreat is designed for sustainability, using raw wood, locally sourced stone, and energy-efficient design.

Set in Franz Josef Village, the hotel offers a serene escape with breathtaking landscapes and outdoor adventure. Wake to native birdsong and step into a world of rainforests, rugged peaks, and the iconic Franz Josef and Fox Glaciers. Four accommodation wings enclose dense rainforest, ensuring privacy and immersion in nature, while each elegant room features natural materials and a private balcony.

Key Contact:

Steve Shearer

027 458 8235


steves@scenicgroup.co.nz

Date and time

 Check-in: 2 May 2025 at 7:15 PM


 Check-out: 3 May 2025 at 7:30 AM

Location

 3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef/Westland 7886,
New Zealand

Contact

 03 752 0555

 <https://www.scenichotelgroup.co.nz/franz-josef/te-waonui-forest-retreat/>

Details

Stay at Legacy Te Waonui Hotel, Franz Josef (Room & Breakfast) x 11



Dinner at The Canopy restaurant - 5 course degustation menu

Legacy Te Waonui Hotel, Franz Josef •

Te Waonui Forest Retreat, 3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef/Westland 7886, New Zealand



At Canopy Restaurant, fresh, regional ingredients shine in à la carte and degustation menus. Every moment at Legacy Te Waonui Hotel, Franz Josef is designed to inspire and reconnect you with nature.

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027 458 8235

steves@scenicgroup.co.nz

Date and time



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End: 2 May 2025 at 9:00 PM

Location



3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef/Westland 7886,
New Zealand

Contact



03 752 0555



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Details

Dinner at The Canopy Restaurant - 5 course
degustation menu (5 course degustation menu) x 11

Day 3 Sat, 3 May 2025



Breakfast at your leisure at the hotel

Te Waonui Forest Retreat, 3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



Group will depart at 7:50am sharp.

Date and time

3 May 2025

Location

3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



Walk from Te Waonui Forest Retreat to West Coast Wildlife Centre

Te Waonui Forest Retreat, 3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Date and time

Start: 3 May 2025 at 8:00 AM

End: 3 May 2025 at 8:15 AM

Location

Start: 3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

End: Cowan Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



West Coast Wildlife Centre - Entry and Backstage Pass Tour

West Coast Wildlife Centre •

West Coast Wildlife Centre, Cowan Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



This is Trip Advisors Travelers' Choice 2024/5 and Lonely Planet's award-winning indoor visitor attraction in Franz Josef: the perfect place to see live kiwi in a natural and open setting behind no glass. It's an exciting public-private partnership with the Department of Conservation and is the largest kiwi incubation and hatching facility on the South Island. World-class Tuatara Encounter. Personally guided VIP Backstage Pass Tours 4 times daily. New Product – live penguins – opens 4th October 2025. Qualmark Gold accredited.

Key Contact:

Richard Benton

021 669 026

info@wildkiwi.co.nz

Date and time



Start: 3 May 2025 at 8:15 AM



End: 3 May 2025 at 8:55 AM

Location



Cowan Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Contact



+64 3-752 0600



<http://www.wildkiwi.co.nz/>

Details

West Coast Wildlife Centre - Entry and Backstage Pass Tour (Adult) x 10



Walk from West Coast Wildlife Centre to Franz Josef Wilderness Tours

West Coast Wildlife Centre, Cowan Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Date and time



Start: 3 May 2025 at 8:55 AM



End: 3 May 2025 at 9:00 AM

Location



Start: Cowan Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



End: Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



Kayak & Walk Tour

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours •

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



Please note: dress warm, it will be chilly first thing in May. We provide jackets, dry bags, paddling gloves and FREE photos. But we recommend everyone wear 2 warm layers on their top half, and ideally no denim on the bottom. Feet remain dry throughout.

For those without adequate warm tops we have some fleece layers in the office, not fashionable - but they'll do the job!

Warm tea/coffee provided on the tour and on the boat.

Kayak across the serene waters of Lake Mapourika, surrounded by stunning views of the Southern Alps within the UNESCO World Heritage area. Step ashore on our private beach and rainforest trail, and explore the untouched Jurassic rainforest of the Kiwi Conservation area. Learn about kiwi bird and predator free conservation, spot native birdlife, and experience the remote wilderness of Franz Josef Glacier. Our guides are passionate about the environment and will take photos for you along the way, which are provided free after each tour.

This tour has been slightly amended to include a scenic boat ride back from the private beach and rainforest trail. This would not be normal practice for a client.

Key Contact:

Dale & Bronwyn Borrows

027 322 6207

admin@franzjoseftours.co.nz

Date and time



Start: 3 May 2025 at 9:00 AM



End: 3 May 2025 at 12:00 PM

Location



Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Contact



+64 3 752 0230



<https://franzjoseftours.co.nz/>

Details

Kayak & Walk Tour - Franz Josef Wilderness Tours
(Adult) x 10



Dine at The Landing Restaurant & Bar

The Landing Restaurant & Bar •

The Landing Restaurant & Bar, State Highway 6, Franz Josef Glacier, New Zealand



We love three things: People, Food & Craft Beer.

At The Landing Bar and Restaurant we believe we've made 'Our Place' a special place where you will be treated like royalty without being pretentious, where every night is a celebration and every occasion made memorable.

From the home cooked meal or foaming ale, a glass of wine with family or friends, it'll be smiles all around. That's why word's gotten 'round about 'Our Place...'. That's why we've become famous for our friendly, no fuss, legendary 'West Coast Hospitality'. That's because we are proud of our bar and restaurant! Call in and say, "G'day." At 'Our Place,' we'll make sure you are made to feel at home.

Date and time



Start: 3 May 2025 at 12:00 PM



End: 3 May 2025 at 12:45 PM

Location



State Highway 6, Franz Josef Glacier, New Zealand

Contact



03 752 0229



<http://www.thelandingbar.co.nz>

Details

Dine at The Landing Restaurant & Bar (Lunch) x 11



Transfer from The Landing Restaurant to Franz Josef Wilderness Tours

The Landing Restaurant & Bar, 32 Main Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Date and time



Start: 3 May 2025 at 12:45 PM



End: 3 May 2025 at 12:50 PM

Location



Start: 32 Main Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



End: Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



Off-Road Adventure Tour - Franz Josef Glacier

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours •

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



Journey across riverbed and through the rainforest on our thrilling tracks.

Ride a quad bike, 3-seater buggy or with a guide-driven 5-seater buggy through a beautiful Jurassic rainforest, splash through rivers and explore an ancient glacier riverbed. Enjoy our incredible backdrop of the spectacular Southern Alps and Franz Josef Glacier as you follow your guide through our tracks.

On a sunny day enjoy some of the best views of the Franz Josef Glacier you can get from the township or get down and dirty in the puddles and the mud on a rainy day! As we like to say “the wetter the better!”...

Key Contact:

Dale & Bronwyn Borrows

027 322 6207

admin@franzjoseftours.co.nz

Date and time



Start: 3 May 2025 at 1:00 PM



End: 3 May 2025 at 3:00 PM

Location



Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Contact



+64 3 752 0230



<https://franzjoseftours.co.nz/>

Details

Off-Road Adventure - Franz Josef Wilderness Tours
(Adult) x 10



Walk from Franz Josef Wilderness Tours to Rainforest Retreat

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Date and time



Start: 3 May 2025 at 3:00 PM



End: 3 May 2025 at 3:05 PM

Location



Start: Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



End: 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856,
New Zealand



Rainforest Retreat - Site Inspection

Rainforest Retreat •
Rainforest Retreat, 46 Cron Street,
Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New
Zealand



Rainforest is nestled amongst the rainforest Franz Josef Village the retreat offers three accommodation options for all travellers.

- * Retreat Deluxe - Modern and luxurious accommodations
- * Retreat - Family tree houses and lodge cabins individually sited
- * Holiday Park & Flashpackers - Powered Campervan sites, motel room and dorm rooms available.

Key Contact:

Sinead Lyons
021 742 763
sinead@rainforest.nz

Date and time

Start: 3 May 2025 at 3:05 PM

End: 3 May 2025 at 3:30 PM

Location

46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 752 0220

<https://www.rainforest.nz/>

Details

Site Visit at Rainforest Retreat (Adult) x 10



Check in at hotel and time to freshen up / free time

Rainforest Retreat, 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

Check in and freshen up at Rainforest Retreat before next activity.

From 15:30 to 16:00 (30 minutes)

Date and time

3 May 2025

Location

46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand



Transfer from Rainforest Retreat to Glenfern Villas

Rainforest Retreat, 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

Date and time

📅 Start: 3 May 2025 at 4:00 PM

📅 End: 3 May 2025 at 4:05 PM

Location

📍 Start: 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

📍 End: 2761 Franz Josef Highway, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand



Site Inspection

Glenfern Villas •

Glenfern Villas, 2761 Franz Josef Highway, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand



Glenfern Villas offers spacious 1 and 2-bedroom villas that are ideal for the discerning traveller. Private, stylish, suitable and respectful, self-catered apartment-style accommodation in Franz Josef.

Key Contact:

Lauren Hurley

027 978 4331

host@glenfern.co.nz

Date and time

📅 Start: 3 May 2025 at 4:05 PM

📅 End: 3 May 2025 at 4:35 PM

Location

📍 2761 Franz Josef Highway, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

Contact

📞 +64 800 453 633

🌐 <http://www.glenfern.co.nz/>

Details

Site Visit at Glenfern (Adult) x 10



Transfer from Glenfern Villas to Kahere Retreat

Glenfern Villas, 2761 Franz Josef Highway, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

Date and time

📅 Start: 3 May 2025 at 4:35 PM

📅 End: 3 May 2025 at 4:40 PM

Location

📍 Start: 2761 Franz Josef Highway, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

📍 End: Potters Lane, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



Site Inspection

Kahere Retreat • Kahere Retreat, Potters Lane, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



Designed by nature lovers for nature lovers, Kahere Retreat offers a unique stay on the West Coast of New Zealand. Family owned and operated, our uniquely hand-crafted eco chalets are the ideal base from which to explore Glacier Country.

All our wooden chalets are hand crafted from native timbers and are fully self-contained offering a comfortable home-away-from-home. Designed to provide the perfect environment to relax your body and soul, reconnect with nature, and recharge pure energy to explore untamed wilderness.

Kahere Retreat offers self-contained accommodation in a beautifully picturesque location perfect for couples, families and friends who enjoy being surrounded by nature and birdsong. Just 5 minutes' drive from Franz Josef, Kahere Retreat offers just 5 individual chalets, each accommodating up to 4 guests.

All chalets are hand crafted from native wood and locally sourced materials. Each has its own unique charm and embodies the spirit of New Zealand's West Coast. The property itself is spacious offering a great deal of privacy and has been designed to complement the natural environment. Fall in love with our beautiful native bush, majestic trees, colourful garden and of course the mesmerising mountain and sunset views.

Key Contact:

Judith Beuel

03 752 0140

kahereretreat@gmail.com

Date and time



Start: 3 May 2025 at 4:40 PM



End: 3 May 2025 at 5:20 PM

Location



Potters Lane, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Contact



+64 21 0257 1775



<http://kahereretreat.co.nz/>

Details

Site Inspection (Adult) x 10



Transfer from Kahere Retreat to Monsoon Restaurant

Ribbonwood Retreat Bed & Breakfast Accommodation Franz Josef, 26 Greens Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Date and time



Start: 3 May 2025 at 5:20 PM



End: 3 May 2025 at 5:30 PM

Location



Start: 26 Greens Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



End: 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



Operator Networking Hour

Monsoon Restaurant, 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Tonight we host a 'Networking Hour' with local tourism operators who wish to meet and connect with you. Please engage with them and learn about their experiences.

Date and time



3 May 2025

Location



46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



Dinner

Blue Ice Restaurant & Bar •

Blue Ice restaurant & Bar Franz Josef, 12 Main Road, Franz Josef Glacier 7886, New Zealand



Something a little special...

Blue Ice Restaurant & Bar is for those looking for something a little special when it comes to dining and food experience in Glacier Country.

Located on the main street of Franz Josef Glacier, Blue Ice is locally owned, and family operated with two complimentary offerings spilt across two stories. Although positively varied in interior design and atmosphere, both spaces serve the same menu – a combination of delicious Filipino and European cuisine. The ground level is a light,


fresh and modern space with well thought out décor, set up primarily with formal dining in mind flowing out onto an expansive wrap around deck, perfect for afternoon drinks in the sun or alfresco dining. Arrive early to claim the best seats and be rewarded with views up the glacier valley, rainforest and snow-capped mountain peaks.

Upstairs, a more casual affair awaits with an industrial flair. Bar leaners, a pool table, sports TV and a well-stocked bar offers the perfect place to continue an evening of fun after dinner. Think pizza and beer on a Friday evening!

Blue Ice Bar & Restaurant values quality, beautifully presented and delicious fare and is dedicated to providing a comfortable and memorable modern dining experience in Glacier Country.

Date and time
📅 Start: 3 May 2025 at 6:35 PM
📅 End: 3 May 2025 at 9:00 PM
Location
📍 12 Main Road, Franz Josef Glacier 7886, New Zealand
Contact
☎ 03 752 0707
🌐 <https://www.blueicefranzjosef.com/>

Details
Dinner (Dinner - 2 course) x 11





Rainforest Retreat (1 night)

Rainforest Retreat, 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand



Nestled amongst the Southern Alps close to Franz Josef Glacier and countless scenic spots, Rainforest is the perfect base to explore New Zealand’s Glacier Country and the wild West Coast. Rainforest retreat offers three accommodation options for all travellers: Retreat Deluxe - Modern and luxurious accommodations; Retreat - Family tree houses and lodge cabins individually sited; and Holiday Park & Flashpackers - Powered Campervan sites, motel room and dorm rooms.

Date and time

-  Check-in: 3 May 2025 at 3:05 PM
-  Check-out: 4 May 2025 at 7:50 AM

Location

-  46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

Contact

-  +64 3 752 0220
-  <https://www.rainforest.nz/>

Details

Stay at Rainforest Retreat (Room & Breakfast) x 11

Day 4 Sun, 4 May 2025



Breakfast at your leisure at the hotel

Rainforest Retreat, 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

Group will depart at 7:50am sharp.

Date and time

-  4 May 2025

Location

-  46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand





Walk from Rainforest Retreat to Heliservices Franz Josef

Rainforest Retreat, 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

Date and time

-  Start: 4 May 2025 at 7:55 AM
-  End: 4 May 2025 at 8:00 AM

Location

-  Start: 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand
-  End: Franz Joseph Glacier, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand



The Grand Tour - Scenic Helicopter Flight

HeliServices NZ (Franz Josef) •

Heliservices.NZ Franz Josef, Alpine Adventure Centre, 29 Main Road,, Franz Josef 7856, New Zealand



HeliServices.NZ is an experienced helicopter flightseeing company providing you with a diverse range of South Island scenic helicopter flights and private charters in some of New Zealand's most spectacular alpine heights and coastal regions.

HeliServices.NZ has an experienced team with a total focus on the safety and wellbeing of passengers. Explore the Fox and Franz Josef Glaciers as well as taking in Aoraki/Mt Cook (New Zealand's highest mountain), Mt Tasman, and Tasman Glacier.

A snow landing and some magnificent photo opportunities are the icing on the cake. As a bonus, weather permitting, we cross the main divide to view the Tasman Glacier.

Allow 40 minutes

Key Contact:

Quentin Arnold

03 752 0793

foxf Franz@heliservices.nz

Date and time



Start: 4 May 2025 at 8:30 AM (Check-in 8:00 AM)



End: 4 May 2025 at 9:30 AM

Location



Alpine Adventure Centre, 29 Main Road,, Franz Josef 7856, New Zealand

Contact



+64 (0)3 752 0793



<http://www.heliservices.nz>

Details

The Grand Tour - Scenic Helicopter Flight (Adult) x 10



Transfer from Heliservices Franz Josef to Heritage Jade Hokitika

HELISERVICES NZ Fox & Franz, Franz Joseph Glacier, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

Date and time

📅 Start: 4 May 2025 at 9:30 AM

📅 End: 4 May 2025 at 11:15 AM

Location

📍 Start: Franz Joseph Glacier, Franz Josef / Waiau
7856, New Zealand

📍 End: 86 Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New
Zealand



Story of Pounamu - Heritage Jade

Heritage Jade • Heritage Jade, 86 Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand



Pounamu Greenstone, also known as New Zealand jade, is found in the foothills of the Southern Alps behind Hokitika in the West Coast region. One of these pounamu fields is the Arahura. The Arahura River is the home of pounamu and some of the most beautiful stones man can find. Heritage Jade in Hokitika is where you will find this beautiful pounamu designed and carved exclusively by Colin Davidson.

Key Contact:

Colin Davidson

027 844 8881

heritagejade@yahoo.co.nz

Date and time

📅 Start: 4 May 2025 at 11:15 AM

📅 End: 4 May 2025 at 11:30 AM

Location

📍 86 Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand

Contact

📞 +64 27 844 8881

🌐 <https://heritagejade.co.nz/>

Details

Story of Pounamu - Heritage Jade (Adult) x 10



Transfer from Heritage Jade to Monteith's Brewery

Heritage Jade, 86 Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand


Date and time

 Start: 4 May 2025 at 11:30 AM

 End: 4 May 2025 at 12:05 PM

Location

 Start: 86 Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand

 End: 60 Herbert Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand



Lunch

Monteith's Brewery •

Monteiths Brewery, 60 Herbert Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand



At Monteith's Brewing Company we love beer.

Come and enjoy one of our award-winning beers and great hearty meals. Located in Greymouth on the West Coast, Monteith's Brewery is the original home of craft brewing in New Zealand and is a recognised Qualmark Gold visitor experience. This is thanks to our great hospitality, fabulous menu, prompt service and wonderful stories; not to mention, our selection of award-winning beers and ciders.

Monteiths Brewery Tour


The Monteith's Beer Experience is a walking, talking and tasting tour through the original home of Monteith's. We'll take you backstage to learn all about our family of beers and ciders, from our history and how it's made, through to pouring the perfect glass, direct from the tap. Learn everything you need to know about our former brewery in this fully immersive tasting experience, and leave feeling like a pro.

Date and time

 Start: 4 May 2025 at 12:05 PM

 End: 4 May 2025 at 12:45 PM

Location

 60 Herbert Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand

Contact

 +64 3 768 4149

 <https://www.thebrewery.co.nz/>

Details

Lunch (Buffet Lunch) x 1



Monteith's Brewery

Monteith's Brewery • Greymouth, New Zealand



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Key Contact:

Rosie Rogers

027 420 8383

rosie@theexperiencecollective.nz

Date and time



Start: 4 May 2025 at 12:45 PM



End: 4 May 2025 at 1:40 PM

Location



Greymouth, New Zealand

Contact



+64 3 768 4149



<https://www.thebrewery.co.nz/>

Details

Monteith's Brewery (Brewery Tour) x 10




Transfer from Monteith's Brewery to Greymouth Railway Station

Monteiths Brewery, 60 Herbert Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand

Date and time

 Start: 4 May 2025 at 1:40 PM

 End: 4 May 2025 at 1:45 PM

Location

 Start: 60 Herbert Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand

 End: 164 MacKay Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand



TranzAlpine

Great Journeys NZ - TranzAlpine:
Scenic Train



Great Journeys New Zealand

The TranzAlpine is rated as one of the world's best train journeys, travelling covering 223 km (139 miles) one-way, taking just under 5 hours from one coast of New Zealand to the other, over the spectacular Southern Alps.

Experience spectacular views of dramatic alpine landscapes; snow-capped mountain peaks, thrilling viaducts, braided rivers, and sub-tropical rain forests.

Elevate your experience with Scenic Plus, a full-sensory exploration of the lands you travel through aboard your TranzAlpine rail journey.

Using the finest ingredients carefully selected from the lands you see through your window, we've curated a menu of regional delicacies that are freshly prepared in our custom-built kitchen carriage and served at your seat throughout the journey.

Check in at least 20 minutes prior to the train's departure.

Key Contact:


Louisa Turner

027 209 3805

louisa.turner@kiwirail.co.nz

Date and time

 Departure: 4 May 2025 at 2:05 PM (Check-in 1:35 PM)

 Arrival: 4 May 2025 at 7:00 PM

Contact

 027 209 3805

 <https://www.greatjourneysofnz.co.nz/tranzalpine/>

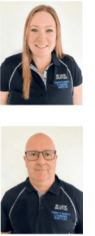
Details

TranzAlpine (Greymouth - Christchurch (Scenic Plus))
x 10



Shuttle Transfer

NZ Look Shuttles • Christchurch,



Our award-winning shuttle service is designed to cater to the diverse needs of travelers, whether you're a corporate event planner, sports team, or traveler. Offering premium shuttle options, we ensure that your journey is smooth, flexible, and tailored to your schedule. At NZ Look Shuttles, we prioritize customer satisfaction, making sure you arrive at your destination on time and stress-free. Ready to experience hassle-free travel? Let's get you moving with NZ Look Shuttles today!


Key Contact:

Heather

027 887 7701

hello@nzlookshuttles.co.nz

Date and time

 Pick up: 4 May 2025 at 7:00 PM

 Drop off: 4 May 2025 at 7:15 PM

Contact

 027 887 7701

 <https://nzlookshuttles.co.nz/>

Details

Transfer with NZ Look Shuttles (Transfers within Region) x 10



Hotel Montreal (1 night)

363 Montreal Street, Christchurch, New Zealand



You can find boutique hotels all around the world. But what you don't find often is a place that also feels like home – stylish, comfortable and welcoming.

A place like Hotel Montreal.

Date and time

- 📅 Check-in: 4 May 2025 at 7:15 PM
- 📅 Check-out: 5 May 2025 at 10:00 AM

Location

📍 363 Montreal Street, Christchurch, New Zealand

Contact

- 📞 03 943 8547
- 🌐 <https://www.hotelmontreal.co.nz/>

Details

Accommodation (Junior Suite) x 10

**Farewell Drinks**

Hotel Montreal, 351 Montreal Street, Christchurch 8013, New Zealand



For our last night together, we will celebrate with a few drinks and nibbles to end on a high before TRENZ 2025 kicks off.

From 19:30 to 21:00

Date and time

- 📅 4 May 2025

Location

📍 351 Montreal Street, Christchurch 8013, New Zealand

Day 5 Mon, 5 May 2025



END OF FAMIL

Christchurch, New Zealand



A big thank you from Development West Coast, Hokitika Scenic Tours and the rest of our West Coast tourism industry. Thank you for experiencing our Untamed Natural Wilderness! Please share your stories with us via #WestCoastNZ

If you need a transfer from Hotel Montreal to Christchurch International Airport, please ask your host for assistance.

Key Trade Contact:

Development West Coast

Lara Thomas

027 252 0118

lara@dwc.org.nz

Date and time



5 May 2025

Location



Christchurch, New Zealand

OUTLINE

DAY 1

Thu, 1 May 2025



6:30 AM | Pick up from your Christchurch Accommodation



6:30 AM | Transfer with Hokitika Scenic Tours

Hokitika Scenic Tours •

Hokitika Scenic Tours, Weld Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand



7:30 AM | Transfer from Christchurch Accommodation to Maruia Hot Springs



10:00 AM | Bathe & Sauna

Maruia Hot Springs • Maruia, 1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7847, New Zealand



11:30 AM | Gourmet Dining Experience

Maruia Hot Springs • Maruia, 1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7847, New Zealand



12:00 PM | Transfer from Maruia Hot Springs to Reefton Distillery

Maruia Hot Springs, 1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7895, New Zealand



1:00 PM | Our Story and Tasting Tour

Reefton Distilling Co •

Reefton Distilling Company, 10 Smith Street, Reefton 7830, New Zealand



2:00 PM | Transfer from Reefton Distillery to Pounamu Pathway

Reefton Distilling Co., 10 Smith Street, Reefton 7830, New Zealand



3:00 PM | Māwhera Pā Experience - Pounamu Pathway

Pounamu Pathway - Māwhera •

Pounamu Pathway - Māwhera, 43 Tainui Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand



4:00 PM | Transfer from Pounamu Pathway to Pancake Rocks & Blowholes Track

Pounamu Pathway - Māwhera, 43 Tainui Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand



4:40 PM | Pancake Rocks & Blowholes Track

Pancake Rocks and Blowholes Track, 4294 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



5:15 PM | Transfer from Pancake Rocks & Blowholes Track to Punakaiki Rocks Hotel & Garden Bar

Pancake Rocks and Blowholes Track, 4294 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



5:20 PM | Site Inspection

Punakaiki Rocks Hotel & Garden Bar •

Pancake Rocks Hotel & Garden Bar, Corner Of State Highway 6 & Owen Street,, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



6:00 PM | Transfer from Punakaiki Rocks Hotel & Garden Bar to Scenic Hotel Punakaiki

Punakaiki Rocks Hotel & Garden Bar, State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



6:05 PM | Scenic Hotel Punakaiki (1 night)

Scenic Hotel Punakaiki, 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



6:30 PM | Ocean View Restaurant & Bar

Scenic Hotel Punakaiki •

Scenic Hotel Punakaiki, 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Operator Networking Dinner

Scenic Hotel Punakaiki, 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

DAY 2

Fri, 2 May 2025



Breakfast at your leisure at the hotel

Scenic Hotel Punakaiki, 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



7:40 AM | Transfer from Scenic Hotel Punakaiki to Paparoa Experience Centre

Scenic Hotel Punakaiki, 4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



7:45 AM | Paparoa Experience

Paparoa Experience •

Paparoa Experience, 4294 Coast Road, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



8:30 AM | Drive from Paparoa Experience Centre to Te Aka Treehouse

Punangairi Visitor Centre - Paparoa Experience, 4294 Coast Road, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



9:30 AM | Site Inspection

Te Aka Treehouse - Native Forest Retreat •

Te Aka Treehouse, 189 Cows Creek Road, Nelson Creek, Greymouth 7872, New Zealand



10:00 AM | Transfer from Te Aka Treehouse to Lake Brunner Eco Lodge

Te Aka Treehouse - Native Forest Retreat, 189 Gows Creek Road, Nelson Creek 7872, New Zealand



11:20 AM | Site Inspection

Lake Brunner Eco Lodge •

Lake Brunner Eco Lodge, 1950 Kumara Inchbonnie Road, Inchbonnie 7875, New Zealand



11:50 AM | Restaurant

Lake Brunner Eco Lodge •

Lake Brunner Eco Lodge, 1950 Kumara Inchbonnie Road, Inchbonnie 7875, New Zealand



12:30 PM | Transfer from Lake Brunner Eco Lodge to Awatuna Sunset Lodge

Lake Brunner Eco Lodge, 1950 Kumara Inchbonnie Road, Inchbonnie 7875, New Zealand



1:10 PM | Site Inspection

Awatuna Sunset Lodge •

Awatuna Sunset Lodge, 1209A Kumara Junction Highway, Awatuna 7882



1:40 PM | Transfer from Awatuna Sunset Lodge to Hokitika Gorge Walk

Awatuna Sunset Lodge, Hokitika 7882, New Zealand



2:20 PM | Hokitika Gorge

Hokitika Gorge, Kokatahi 7881, New Zealand



3:35 PM | Transfer from Hokitika Gorge Walk to West Coast Treetop Walk & Zipline

Hokitika Gorge Walk New Zealand



4:10 PM | Tower Zipline & Walkway Combo

West Coast Treetop Walk & Zipline • Hokitika, New Zealand



5:30 PM | Transfer from West Coast Treetop Walk & Zipline to Te Waonui Forest Retreat

West Coast Tree Top - Zipline South Island, 1128 Woodstock-Rimu Road, Hokitika 7812, New Zealand



7:15 PM | Legacy Te Waonui Hotel, Franz Josef (1 night)

Te Waonui Forest Retreat, 3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef/Westland 7886, New Zealand



7:30 PM | Dinner at The Canopy restaurant - 5 course degustation menu

Legacy Te Waonui Hotel, Franz Josef •

Te Waonui Forest Retreat, 3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef/Westland 7886, New Zealand

DAY 3

Sat, 3 May 2025



Breakfast at your leisure at the hotel

Te Waonui Forest Retreat, 3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



8:00 AM | Walk from Te Waonui Forest Retreat to West Coast Wildlife Centre

Te Waonui Forest Retreat, 3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



8:15 AM | West Coast Wildlife Centre - Entry and Backstage Pass Tour

West Coast Wildlife Centre •

West Coast Wildlife Centre, Cowan Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



8:55 AM | Walk from West Coast Wildlife Centre to Franz Josef Wilderness Tours

West Coast Wildlife Centre, Cowan Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



9:00 AM | Kayak & Walk Tour

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours •

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



12:00 PM | Dine at The Landing Restaurant & Bar

The Landing Restaurant & Bar •

The Landing Restaurant & Bar, State Highway 6, Franz Josef Glacier, New Zealand



12:45 PM | Transfer from The Landing Restaurant to Franz Josef Wilderness Tours

The Landing Restaurant & Bar, 32 Main Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



1:00 PM | Off-Road Adventure Tour - Franz Josef Glacier

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours •

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



3:00 PM | Walk from Franz Josef Wilderness Tours to Rainforest Retreat

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



3:05 PM | Rainforest Retreat - Site Inspection

Rainforest Retreat •

Rainforest Retreat, 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand



Check in at hotel and time to freshen up / free time

Rainforest Retreat, 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

**4:00 PM | Transfer from Rainforest Retreat to Glenfern Villas**

Rainforest Retreat, 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

**4:05 PM | Site Inspection**

Glenfern Villas •

Glenfern Villas, 2761 Franz Josef Highway, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

**4:35 PM | Transfer from Glenfern Villas to Kahere Retreat**

Glenfern Villas, 2761 Franz Josef Highway, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

**4:40 PM | Site Inspection**

Kahere Retreat •

Kahere Retreat, Potters Lane, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

**5:20 PM | Transfer from Kahere Retreat to Monsoon Restaurant**

Ribbonwood Retreat Bed & Breakfast Accommodation Franz Josef, 26 Greens Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

**Operator Networking Hour**

Monsoon Restaurant, 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

**6:35 PM | Dinner**

Blue Ice Restaurant & Bar •

Blue Ice restaurant & Bar Franz Josef, 12 Main Road, Franz Josef Glacier 7886, New Zealand

**3:05 PM | Rainforest Retreat (1 night)**

Rainforest Retreat, 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

DAY 4

Sun, 4 May 2025

**Breakfast at your leisure at the hotel**

Rainforest Retreat, 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

**7:55 AM | Walk from Rainforest Retreat to Heliservices Franz Josef**

Rainforest Retreat, 46 Cron Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

**8:00 AM | The Grand Tour - Scenic Helicopter Flight**

HeliServices NZ (Franz Josef) •

Heliservices.NZ Franz Josef, Alpine Adventure Centre, 29 Main Road,, Franz Josef 7856, New Zealand

**9:30 AM | Transfer from Heliservices Franz Josef to Heritage Jade Hokitika**

HELISERVICES NZ Fox & Franz, Franz Joseph Glacier, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand

**11:15 AM | Story of Pounamu - Heritage Jade**

Heritage Jade • Heritage Jade, 86 Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand

**11:30 AM | Transfer from Heritage Jade to Monteith's Brewery**

Heritage Jade, 86 Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand

**12:05 PM | Lunch**

Monteith's Brewery •

Monteiths Brewery, 60 Herbert Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand

**12:45 PM | Monteith's Brewery**

Monteith's Brewery • Greymouth, New Zealand



1:40 PM | Transfer from Monteith's Brewery to Greymouth Railway Station
Monteiths Brewery, 60 Herbert Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand



1:35 PM | TranzAlpine
Great Journeys NZ - TranzAlpine: Scenic Train



7:00 PM | Shuttle Transfer
NZ Look Shuttles • Christchurch,



7:15 PM | Hotel Montreal (1 night)
363 Montreal Street, Christchurch, New Zealand



Farewell Drinks
Hotel Montreal, 351 Montreal Street, Christchurch 8013, New Zealand

DAY 5

Mon, 5 May 2025



END OF FAMIL
Christchurch, New Zealand
