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Explore New Zealand's Top of the South!

The Top of the South Island is known for its mild climate, relaxed pace, untouched vistas and some of the most picturesque coastal drives in the world. Discover the rugged mountain peaks and dramatic coastal landscapes of the Top of the South. Immerse yourself in world-class wines, get up close with majestic marine wildlife and unwind in natural alpine hot springs. This is a place where the curious and intrepid are rewarded with meaningful connections and memories that will last a lifetime!

Famil Starts: 09 May 2025 in Blenheim

Famil Ends: 14 May 2025 in Nelson

Number of seats available: 8

Famil Host:

Morgan Monahan

027 305 6171

morgan@hanmersprings.co.nz

Included:

- Domestic flights from Rotorua to Blenheim on Friday 09th May.
- All meals (breakfast, lunch & dinner) from 09th - 14th May. - some beverages will be included, not all.
- All activities and accommodation within the famil itinerary.
- Transport to and from activities beginning on 09th May, finishing at Nelson Domestic Airport at approximately 2:30pm on 14th May.

Excluded:

- Pre & post famil accommodation (08th & 14th May).
- Dinner after the famil ends on 14th May - (breakfast and lunch is included on this day).
- Additional international/domestic flights.

Day 1 Fri, 9 May 2025



Taupo to Auckland
Flight



Date and time

Departure: 9 May 2025 at 9:15 AM (Check-in 8:30 AM)
Arrival: 9 May 2025 at 10:10 AM

Flight number

NZ5092

Details

Taupo to Auckland (Adult) x 8



Auckland to Blenheim
Flight



Date and time

Departure: 9 May 2025 at 11:15 AM (Check-in 10:15 AM)
Arrival: 9 May 2025 at 12:45 PM

Flight number

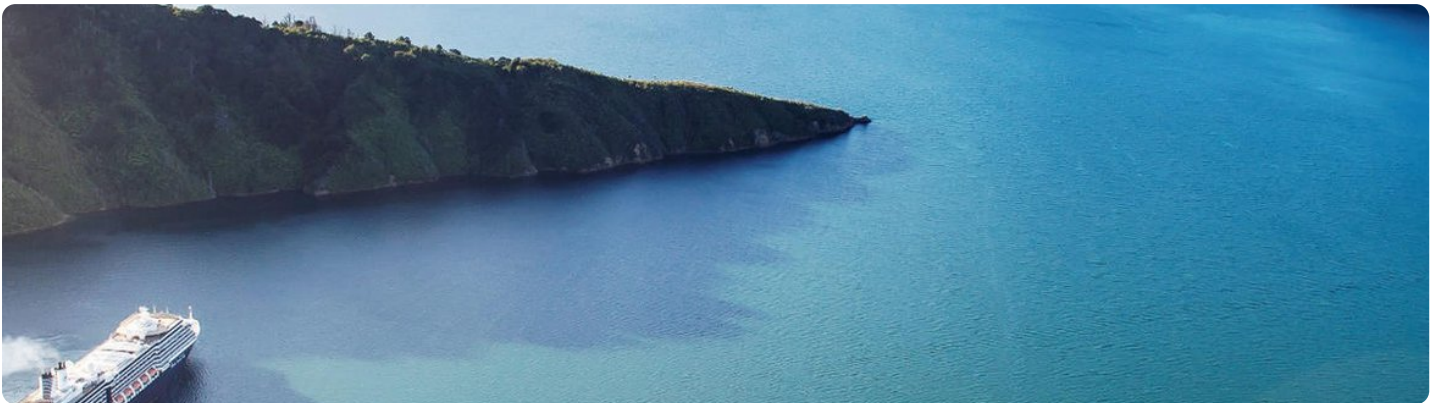
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Details

Auckland to Blenheim (Economy) x 8



Welcome to Marlborough
Marlborough, New Zealand




Imagine a weekend where food, wine, scenery and a touch of adventure all meld into one brilliant experience. Where, within minutes after arriving, you're tasting incredible wines at a celebrated cellar door, and by evening, you're ensconced in a remote waterfront resort, enjoying a gourmet dinner of local produce surrounded by nothing but natural beauty and tranquility. Welcome to Marlborough, where all the best ingredients for a brilliant getaway are in one amazing, easy to get to place. Get off beaten track to Marlborough's brilliant hidden gems and unique experiences, ranging from the growing treasure trove of history at the Omaka Aviation Heritage Centre, to a journey through our rich and diverse Māori and European heritage at pivotal locations like Ship Cove/Meretoto. Experience unspoilt natural beauty, such as a visit to a deserted island bird sanctuary. Walk a section of the Queen Charlotte Track and marvel at the brilliant views, or experience the rush of

mountain biking New Zealand’s longest dual-purpose track. Fish for your dinner in the deep waters of the outer Marlborough Sounds, or cruise the calm bays - try swimming with dolphins, or sailing on a yacht.

Date and time
 9 May 2025

Location
 New Zealand





Transfer with Sounds Connection


Transfer



Sounds Connection has been operating since 1993 and is privately owned by Marlborough locals Mark and Maria Baxter. And while some might say more than 20 years is an impressive stint – the connection goes back even further, as Mark’s father, and grandfather, operated a water taxi service and fishing excursions company in the Queen Charlotte Sound before him. While Mark and Maria have a longstanding connection, and over 20 years of sharing Marlborough experiences with clients, they’re still as enthusiastic and fresh about it as the day they started. They genuinely believe Marlborough is a fabulous place to visit, stay and explore, and will never tire of sharing it with you!


Date and time
 Pick up: 9 May 2025 at 12:45 PM
 Drop off: 14 May 2025 at 7:30 PM


Details
Transfer with Sounds Connection (Transfer) x 1



Arrive to Marlborough to be picked up by Sounds Connections. Addy your host will be with you

Marlborough Airport Blenheim, 1 Tancred Crescent, Blenheim 7206, New Zealand

Date and time
 9 May 2025

Location
 1 Tancred Crescent, Blenheim 7206, New Zealand



Lunch with wine pairing

Activity



Just like the vines themselves, the family's story is entwined in the very roots of Marlborough winemaking. In 1990, Allan and his wife Catherine founded Allan Scott Family Winemakers, one of the region's first independent wineries. Just as the name promises, it has always been a family affair, and now it has evolved into a true family calling.



Date and time
 Start: 9 May 2025 at 1:30 PM (Check-in 1:30 PM)
 End: 9 May 2025 at 2:50 PM



Details
Lunch with wine pairing (Adult) x 10



Head to Cloudy bay for wine tasting and tour

Allan Scott Bistro, 229 Jacksons Road, Rapaura 7273, New Zealand

Date and time
 Start: 9 May 2025 at 2:55 PM
 End: 9 May 2025 at 3:00 PM

Location
 Start: 229 Jacksons Road, Rapaura 7273, New Zealand
 End: 230 Jacksons Road, Blenheim 7273, New Zealand





Site Visit and Wine Tastings

Activity



In Marlborough we farm 163 parcels of vines and 65 grower blocks. Those parcels closer to the Wairau River have stony, sandy and free-draining soils ideal for the iconic Sauvignon Blanc. Further south of the river in the Southern Valleys, the Pinot Noir and Chardonnay vineyards love the heavy clay-based soils. These soils and Marlborough's maritime climate work in harmony to set the stage for Cloudy Bay's captivating style of wine.

Date and time
 Start: 9 May 2025 at 3:00 PM (Check-in 3:00 PM)
 End: 9 May 2025 at 3:40 PM


Details
Site Visit and Wine Tastings (Adult) x 10



Head to The Marlborough Boutique Hotel

Cloudy Bay Vineyards, 230 Jacksons Road, Blenheim 7273, New Zealand

Date and time

 Start: 9 May 2025 at 3:45 PM

 End: 9 May 2025 at 3:50 PM

Location

 Start: 230 Jacksons Road, Blenheim 7273, New Zealand

 End: 776 Rapaura Road, Blenheim 7273, New Zealand



Site Visit @ The Marlborough

Activity



The Marlborough offers a unique and luxurious accommodation experience in the world renowned Marlborough vineyards. Whether you're looking for a romantic getaway, vacation or a weekend with friends our small luxury hotel NZ provides you with the perfect backdrop to create lasting memories.

Date and time

 Start: 9 May 2025 at 3:55 PM (Check-in 3:55 PM)

 End: 9 May 2025 at 4:40 PM


Details

Site Visit @ The Marlborough (Adult) x 9



Head to Picton Yacht Club

Date and time

 Start: 9 May 2025 at 4:45 PM

 End: 9 May 2025 at 5:15 PM




Rest & Refresh at Picton Yacht Club 17.15 -17.45




Site Tour of Picton Yacht Club with Josh (GM - Picton Yacht Club)

Picton Yacht Club Hotel, 25 Waikawa Road, Picton 7220, New Zealand

Date and time

 Start: 9 May 2025 at 5:50 PM

 End: 9 May 2025 at 6:15 PM

Location

 25 Waikawa Road, Picton 7220, New Zealand



Walk to Lochmara office

Picton Yacht Club Hotel, 25 Waikawa Road, Picton 7220, New Zealand

Date and time

 Start: 9 May 2025 at 6:15 PM

 End: 9 May 2025 at 6:25 PM

Location

 Start: 25 Waikawa Road, Picton 7220, New Zealand

 End: London Quay, Picton 7220, New Zealand



Water taxi will depart to the Sounds from Lochmara office in Picton at 18.30

Lochmara Lodge, Queen Charlotte Sounds, Picton 7220, New Zealand

Date and time

 9 May 2025

Location

 Queen Charlotte Sounds, Picton 7220, New Zealand



Dine at Lochmara Lodge

Meal



Lochmara is a locally owned and operated small waterfront resort with your hosts Niki and Chris ready to welcome you all.

Lochmara has no road access, and is located in Lochmara Bay, Jetty Q5490

Queen Charlotte Sound, Picton, New Zealand.



Lochmara has fourteen rooms offering options available for two adults through to rooms suitable for families.

We also have a waterfront café/restaurant open every day of the season and catering to all dietary requirements.

The cuisine is based on seasonal Marlborough flavours, reflecting the regional specialties from sea and land. Our menus emphasise sustainability and where possible our meat and seafood are organic or local, and fresh produce is sourced locally

and seasonally. Our drinks menu showcases wines from Marlborough and throughout New Zealand, as well as boutique craft beers. We have a reputation for the best coffee in the Sounds, and there is fresh baking from our kitchen for morning and afternoon tea.

In the cooler Autumn and Spring months we have the log fire going in the evenings to add to the already ambient experience that is Lochmara.



Date and time
 Start: 9 May 2025 at 7:15 PM
 End: 9 May 2025 at 8:30 PM


Details
Dine at Lochmara Lodge (Dinner) x 10




Glowworm walk at Lochmara

Lochmara Lodge, Queen Charlotte Sounds, Picton 7220, New Zealand

Date and time
 Start: 9 May 2025 at 8:30 PM
 End: 9 May 2025 at 9:15 PM

Location
 Queen Charlotte Sounds, Picton 7220, New Zealand




Water Taxi Transfer from Lochmara Lodge to Picton at 21.30- 22:00 opportunity to star gaze in the sounds

Lochmara Lodge



Head back to Picton Yacht Club for the night stay

Picton Yacht Club Hotel





Accommodation (1 night)



With spectacular vistas over the Marlborough Sound, the Picton Yacht Club Hotel is an ideal destination for both leisure and business travellers alike. 48 comfortable spacious rooms and contemporary apartments to choose from we have options to suit every traveller's preference. The onsite restaurant, outdoor bar, conference centre and swimming pool complement the property perfectly. Close proximity to the Picton Ferry terminal and Marlborough wineries. Picton Yacht Club is part of the CPG Hotel Family with 9 other hotels around New Zealand, ranging from 3-star to Boutique 5-star.

Date and time

 Check-in: 9 May 2025 at 8:30 PM
 Check-out: 10 May 2025 at 8:00 AM

Details

Picton Yacht Club Hotel (Room & Breakfast) x 9

Day 2 Sat, 10 May 2025



Please be ready to check out with bags in the lobby by 7.20am

Picton Yacht Club Hotel, 25 Waikawa Road, Picton 7220, New Zealand

Date and time

 10 May 2025

Location

 25 Waikawa Road, Picton 7220, New Zealand



Walk/Drive to Beachcomber cruises office 7.30am

Beachcomber Cruises. Queen Charlotte Cruise & Track Adventures, London Quay, Picton 7250, New Zealand

Date and time

 10 May 2025

Location

 London Quay, Picton 7250, New Zealand



Cruise the sounds with Lady Anne

Activity • Picton 7250, New Zealand






Beachcomber Cruises operate scheduled departures, well known for the iconic Mail Boat Cruise delivery mail and freight to residents who live within the Queen Charlotte Sounds waterways. They service the Queen Charlotte Track for walking/biking options and in the summer season we visit Motuara bird islands as well as offering water transport to the resorts within the Queen Charlotte Sounds. Picton Water Taxis are our private on demand water taxis, our water taxis offer private cruises such as the Paua Pearl Tour options and resort transfers to the resorts including Bay of Many Coves.

Cruise with us in comfort and style on board our new 17m single hulled vessel. Lady Ann was originally built in a local Picton


ship yard and worked for many years in the North Island, we are proud to bring her back to her home port and now she proudly cruises the Queen Charlotte Sound once again along with the rest of our fleet.

The vessel can be chartered for groups of 1-40 guests and is available for the times of your choice although we recommend at least 2 hours to make the most of your cruise time.

Lady Ann is the perfect vessel for private groups, sightseeing and nature tours, intimate weddings and corporate trips. There is a spacious indoor lounge area with galley, lower open air deck, upper flydeck with seating and sun deck on the bow.

Date and time
 Start: 10 May 2025 at 8:00 AM (Check-in 7:45 AM)
 End: 10 May 2025 at 9:45 AM
Location
 Picton 7250, New Zealand

Details
Cruise the sounds with Lady Anne (Tour) x 10



Drive from Picton to Kaikōura

Beachcomber Cruises. Queen Charlotte Cruise & Track Adventures, London Quay, Picton 7250, New Zealand

Date and time
 Start: 10 May 2025 at 10:00 AM
 End: 10 May 2025 at 11:45 AM
Location
 Start: London Quay, Picton 7250, New Zealand
 End: State Highway 1, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand




Experience Kaikōura

Kaikōura, New Zealand



Kaikōura has some of the country's most breath-taking scenery with a mix of stunning coastline, dramatic peninsula and some of the South Island's highest mountains. Kaikōura is the most northern district in the Canterbury region located on the east coast of the South Island – a 2.5 hour drive north from Christchurch. A unique ocean environment provides a home to an astonishing variety of marine life. Kaikōura is a tourism destination with marine based operators, unique experiences and historic attractions along with a mix of both relaxing and exhilarating land-based activities.

Main contact & Host:
Lisa Bond | lisab@kaikoura.co.nz | 021 149 2109
[Destination Kaikōura Trade Hub](#)

Date and time 10 May 2025**Location** Kaikōura, New Zealand**Lunch**

Meal



You will find Karaka Lobster on State Highway 1, 30 minutes north of Kaikōura.



Since the start of the 20th century, this family have been providing Kaikoura locals and visitors with the freshest crayfish in New Zealand. Two generations and 40 years have passed since 1980 when the family started cray fishing off the coast of Kaikōura.

From humble beginnings as a small shop at the local campground, to a caravan on the side of the road, to now this store, the Karaka Lobster - they offer the freshest crays on the coast directly from the sea to your plate. Ash Reader and Liese Belgrave are now at the helm of Karaka Lobster, the second generation on the coast.

Main Contact:

Liese Belgrave | hello@karakalobster.com | 021 058 7211


[More information](#)

Date and time Start: 10 May 2025 at 12:00 PM End: 10 May 2025 at 12:30 PM**Details**

Lunch (Fish n' Chips incl. 1 soft drink) x 11

**Drive from Karaka Lobster to Ohau Point**

Karaka Lobster, State Highway 1, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand

Date and time Start: 10 May 2025 at 12:30 PM End: 10 May 2025 at 12:35 PM**Location** Start: State Highway 1, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand End: Half Moon Bay 7371, New Zealand



Ohau Point Seal Colony

Ohau Point Lookout, Half Moon Bay 7371, New Zealand



Located 30 minutes north of Kaikōura on State Highway 1, Ohau Point is one of the biggest and most well-known Kaikōura seal colonies.

The viewing platform just above the breeding colony allows you to spot them from afar. Watch the fur baby seals play in the water and the adults "sunbathing" (ie laying around, doing nothing).

The New Zealand fur seal breeding time means that seals are often born between December and February. Therefore, the best time of year to see seal pups in Kaikōura is between April and September.

While getting out of your vehicle, you can immediately smell the residents of Ohau Point. Yes, they're smelly, but they're so cool!

Date and time



Start: 10 May 2025 at 12:35 PM



End: 10 May 2025 at 12:45 PM

Location



Half Moon Bay 7371, New Zealand



Drive from Ohau Point to Kaikōura Lookout

Ohau Point Lookout, Half Moon Bay 7371, New Zealand

30 km - 26 min

Date and time



Start: 10 May 2025 at 12:45 PM



End: 10 May 2025 at 1:15 PM

Location



Start: Half Moon Bay 7371, New Zealand

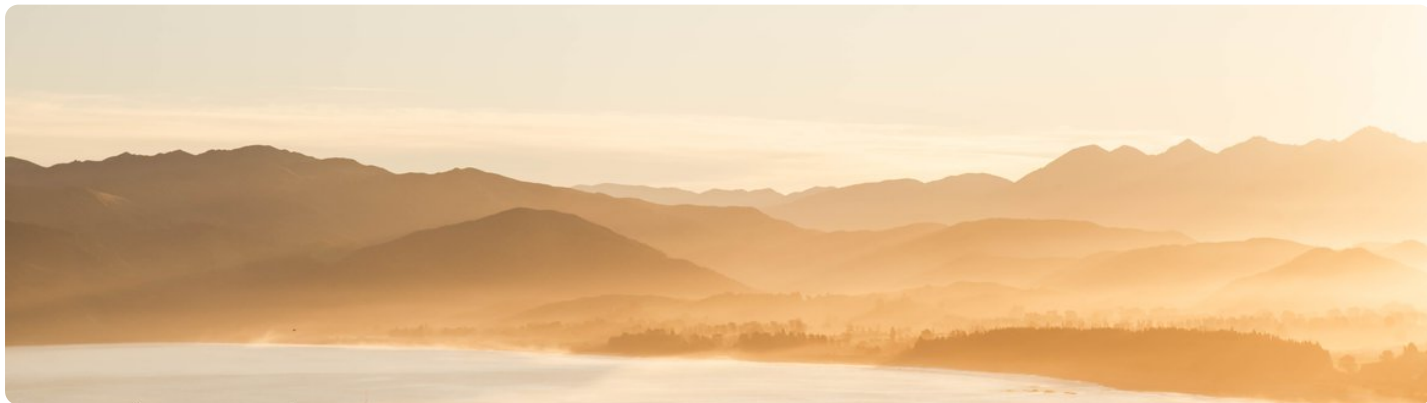


End: 274 Scarborough Street, Kaikōura 7300, New Zealand



Kaikōura Lookout

274 Scarborough Street, Kaikōura 7300, New Zealand



Head up Kaikōura iconic water tower where you can enjoy sweeping 360-degree scenic lookout across Kaikōura. You may even catch a glimpse of a whale in the distance.

Date and time



Start: 10 May 2025 at 1:15 PM



End: 10 May 2025 at 1:30 PM

Location



274 Scarborough Street, Kaikōura 7300, New Zealand



Drive from Kaikōura Lookout to EcoZip

Kaikoura Lookout, 274 Scarborough Street, Kaikōura 7300, New Zealand

3 km - 5 min

Date and time



Start: 10 May 2025 at 1:30 PM



End: 10 May 2025 at 1:45 PM

Location



Start: 274 Scarborough Street, Kaikōura 7300, New Zealand



End: 11 West End, Kaikōura 7300, New Zealand



Kaikōura Ziplining & Native forest trail

Activity



WELCOME TO THE SOUTH ISLAND'S NEWEST ZIPLINE TOUR (opened 15 Dec 2023)

Views that leave you speechless, thrills that leave you breathless – this is Kaikōura like you’ve never seen it before.

This 3.5-hour eco-tourism adventure starts in the centre of town. At EcoZip’s homebase, you’ll meet some of our legendary crew, who will prep you for your 15-minute scenic shuttle ride south, in airconditioned comfort, to our “gear up” and staging location.

From there, you’ll be transferred to a custom-built Unimog 4X4 that will carry you through the intertwined freshwater streams of the Kahutara river, then onto Rakanui Station.

Then, get set to zip! Clip into 2.2km of high-flying fun across five giant ziplines, where you’ll enjoy bird’s-eye views of the mountains and the ocean.



Throughout your journey, you’ll be accompanied by two of our expert, local guides, who will describe the history of the region, share stories of the local people and explain how your participation in the EcoZip experience is helping to restore sections of Rakanui Station’s farmland back to native forest.

5 ziplines that cumulatively represent 2.2km in length in an 11,000-hectare piece of private land just 9km south of Kaikōura.

Trade information:

Main contact: Gavin Oliver | gavin@ecozip.co.nz | 021 298 5369

[More information about EcoZip](#)

Date and time	Details
 Start: 10 May 2025 at 2:00 PM (Check-in 1:45 PM)	The Kaikoura Experience with EcoZip (Adult) x 7
 End: 10 May 2025 at 5:30 PM	







Drive from Kaikōura airport to Manakau Lodge

Kaikoura Airport (KBZ), Kaikōura 7374, New Zealand

20km – 0h20

The group will leave directly from the airport and not drive back to town in EcoZip shuttle.

Date and time
 Start: 10 May 2025 at 5:30 PM
 End: 10 May 2025 at 6:00 PM
Location
 Start: Kaikōura 7374, New Zealand
 End: 198b Parsons Road, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand



Site Visit

Activity • Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand



Manakau Lodge is Kaikoura's luxury rural retreat located at the foot of Mountain Ranges with panoramic views of the Pacific Ocean.

This peaceful haven with tranquil surroundings is the perfect place to relax, reconnect and explore everything our beautiful region has to offer.


Each booking gets exclusive use of the property.


Trade contact:

Janice Atkinson | stay@manakaulodge.com | 021 433 590

[More information about Manakau Lodge](#)

Date and time

 Start: 10 May 2025 at 6:00 PM

 End: 10 May 2025 at 6:45 PM

Location

 Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand

Details

Site Visit (Pre booked Famil) x 10



Note: Half the group to check in.

Manakau Lodge, 198b Parsons Road, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand

The group will be split into 2 accommodations tonight.

4 will be staying at Manakau Lodge, 4 at Hapuku Lodge

Staying at Manakau Lodge are:

- Kathrin Koch | Explorer World of Travel
- Kristin Helgerud | Australiareiser AS
- Shubhra Halliday | ANZCRO
- Val (Valerie) May | Southern World

Date and time

 10 May 2025

Location

 198b Parsons Road, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand



Drive from Manakau Lodge to Hapuku Lodge + Tree Houses

Manakau Lodge, 198b Parsons Road, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand

7 km – 7 min

Date and time



Start: 10 May 2025 at 6:45 PM



End: 10 May 2025 at 7:00 PM

Location



Start: 198b Parsons Road, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand



End: State Highway 1, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand



Dinner

Meal



Hapuku Lodge + Tree Houses is a contemporary country hotel located on a deer breeding farm in the South Island of New Zealand, 12 kilometres North of the renowned eco-marine town of Kaikoura. It sits snugly at the base of the Kaikoura Seaward Mountain Range, with the Kaikoura coast and famed Mangamaunu Bay only a kilometre to the east. The Lodge provides luxurious accommodation on Kaikoura's rugged coastline, a place for guests to relax in its intimate indoor/outdoor setting and a place from which they can explore the larger maritime landscape of Kaikoura.

The Lodge's five Tree Houses are unique, nested 10 meters or more above the ground in the canopy of a native Kanuka grove. There are three 1-bedroom Tree Houses, and two "Family" Tree Houses which both have a master bedroom in the upper branches and a somewhat smaller bedroom in the lower branches. The Tree Houses are designed to complement the natural environment, as your bedroom in the sky. Their large windows bring the tree canopies into the bedroom and provide impressive views of Kaikoura's dramatic mountains and the Pacific Ocean. The one-bedroom Tree Houses are perfect for couples, they are warm & inviting with deep soaking tubs, fireplaces and our custom made furniture. The "Family" Tree House has the same upstairs design along with the downstairs room, designed perfectly with children in mind including a separate bathroom & twin beds.

Notes:

2 glasses of wine per person included.

Janice / Manakau Lodge will be joining us for dinner

Contact on the day:

Emile Van der Linde | emile@hapukulodge.com | 021 0853 3123

Trade contact:

Louise Frend | louise@uniquestay.co.nz

[More information about Hapuku Lodge + Tree Houses](#)

Date and time



Start: 10 May 2025 at 7:00 PM



End: 10 May 2025 at 9:00 PM

Details

Dine at Hapuku Lodge (3-course gourmet dinner) x 11



Note: other half of the group to check in at Hapuku Lodge

Hapuku Lodge + Tree Houses, State Highway 1, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand

Staying at Hapuku Lodge & Tree Houses:

- Barbara Kusters | Knecht Reisen
- Jeanne Platel | My Dream Adventures
- Julie Revett | Travelcation Group
- Roger Clulow | Collette

Date and time



10 May 2025

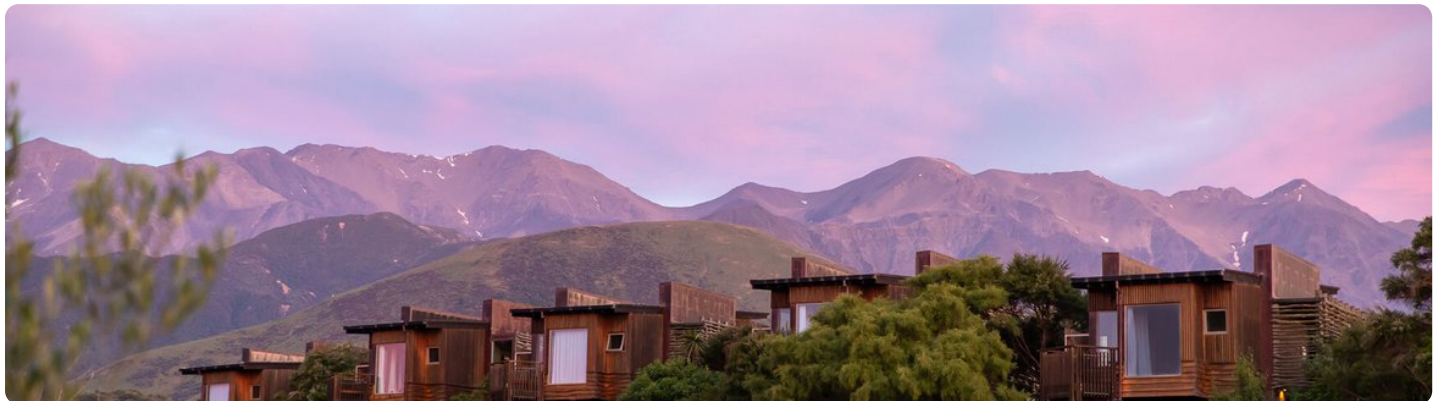
Location



State Highway 1, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand



Accommodation (1 night)



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couples, they are warm & inviting with deep soaking tubs, fireplaces and our custom made furniture. The “Family” Tree House has the same upstairs design along with the downstairs room, designed perfectly with children in mind including a separate bathroom & twin beds.

Notes:
Rooms booked as follows:

- Res # 25804 - 1x Lodge Suite (King) – 1 pax /
- Res # 25806 - 1x Tree House Upper Branch (King) – 1 pax /
- Res # 25807 - 1x Two Bedroom Olive House (King & King) – 2 pax

Trade contact:
Louise Frend | louise@uniquestays.co.nz
[More information about Hapuku Lodge + Tree Houses](#)





Date and time	Details
 Check-in: 10 May 2025 at 9:00 PM	Hapuku Lodge + Tree Houses (Room & Breakfast) x 4
 Check-out: 11 May 2025 at 8:15 AM	




Drive back to your accommodation

Hapuku Lodge + Tree Houses, State Highway 1, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand

Half the group (4 agents) to stay at Hapuku Lodge.
Other half of the group (4 agents) to drop off at Manakau Lodge.
TOTS Host at Kaikōura Quality suites.

Date and time
 Start: 10 May 2025 at 9:00 PM
 End: 10 May 2025 at 9:15 PM
Location
 Start: State Highway 1, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand
 End: 198b Parsons Road, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand



Transfer back to your accommodation with Kaikōura Shuttles




Transfer • [Kaikoura 7371, New Zealand](#)



Whether travelling into Kaikoura by Rail, Air or Coach we can get you to your chosen destination. We also provide transport to and from your accommodation to Whale Watch, Dolphin Encounter, all walking tracks, seal colonies or your favourite restaurant.

Contact:
Katrina | Kaikoura.shuttles@xtra.co.nz | 021 113 4512

[More about Kaikōura Shuttles](#)

Date and time	Details
 Pick up: 10 May 2025 at 9:00 PM	Transfer with Kaikoura Shuttles (Transfer) x 1
 Drop off: 10 May 2025 at 9:30 PM	
Location	
 Kaikoura 7371, New Zealand	



Accommodation (1 night)

Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand



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Note:

Exclusive use of the Lodge for this famil

Trade contact:

Janice Atkinson | stay@manakaulodge.com | 021 433 590

[More information about Manakau Lodge](#)

Date and time	Details
 Check-in: 10 May 2025 at 9:00 PM	Stay at Manakau Lodge (room & breakfast) x 4
 Check-out: 11 May 2025 at 8:15 AM	
Location	
 Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand	

Day 3 Sun, 11 May 2025



Breakfast in house at leisure in your respective accommodations.

Date and time

 11 May 2025




Pick up of half of the group to go to Hapuku Lodge

Manakau Lodge, 198b Parsons Road, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand


Pick up of half of the group at Manakau Lodge to go to Hapuku Lodge to do a site visit


Date and time

 Start: 11 May 2025 at 8:15 AM

 End: 11 May 2025 at 8:30 AM

Location

 Start: 198b Parsons Road, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand

 End: State Highway 1, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand



Site visit

Activity



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Trade contact:

Louise Frend | louise@uniquestays.co.nz

[More information about Hapuku Lodge + Tree Houses](#)

Date and time



Start: 11 May 2025 at 8:30 AM



End: 11 May 2025 at 9:10 AM

Details

Site Visit at Hapuku Lodge (Adult) x 10



Drive from Hapuku Lodge to Kaikōura Airport

Hapuku Lodge + Tree Houses, State Highway 1, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand

22 km - 20 min

Date and time



Start: 11 May 2025 at 9:10 AM



End: 11 May 2025 at 9:30 AM

Location



Start: State Highway 1, Kaikōura 7371, New Zealand



End: Kaikōura 7374, New Zealand



Note: All the group to go to the Airport for Whale watching flight 30 min

Both Helicopters will leave from Kaikōura airport.

You will get to meet both suppliers on the day.

Group to be split into 2 helicopters:

- 1 helicopter from Kaikōura Helicopter
- 1 helicopter from South Pacific Helicopters

Date and time



11 May 2025



Whale Watching Flight

Activity



Definitely one of the best whale watching spots in Aotearoa New Zealand, but Kaikōura is also recognized internationally as

one of the only spots in the world where you can easily see sperm whales from tip to tail.
Kaikōura’s rich marine wildlife also gets seasonal visitors, like Orca and Humpback whales, Blue and Finn whales as well as Southern Right and Pilot whales, delivering an amazing spectacle that is not to be missed.



The following agents will be flying with Dan:

- Kathryn Koch | Explorer World of Travel GmbH
- Kristin Helgerud | Australiareiser AS
- Shubra Halliday | ANZCRO
- Roger Clulow | Collette

Trade contact:

Tania Ross | marketing@spheli.co.nz | 027 482 6421

[More information about South Pacific Helicopters](#)

Date and time	Details
 Start: 11 May 2025 at 10:00 AM (Check-in 9:30 AM)	Whale Watching Flight (Adult) x 4
 End: 11 May 2025 at 10:30 AM	



Whale Watching flight
Activity



Put yourself in the ultimate vantage point and explore Kaikoura and its many natural wonders by Helicopter. See an entire Whale from head to tail as we fly slow orbits above. Be amazed by large pods of Dolphins playing in the water. Explore the unique and rugged Kaikoura Coastline and fly through the towering peaks of the Kaikoura Seaward Ranges. Discover your sense of adventure by experiencing a heli-raft or picnic at altitude.

The following agents will be flying with Kaikōura:

- Barbara Kusters | Knecht Reisen
- Jeanne Platel | My Dream Adventures
- Julie Revett | Travelcation Group
- Val (Valerie) May | Southern World

Trade contact:

Sheryl Fleming | sheryl.fleming@gchaviation.com | 021 914 630

[More information about Kaikōura Helicopters](#)

Date and time



Start: 11 May 2025 at 10:00 AM (Check-in 9:30 AM)



End: 11 May 2025 at 10:30 AM

Details

Kaikoura Helicopters Ltd (Whale Watching) x 4



Drive from Kaikōura Airport to Town centre (near Coopers Catch)

Kaikoura Airport (KBZ), Kaikōura 7374, New Zealand

9 km - 8 min

Meet with Rachel near Coopers Catch / EcoZip.

Date and time



Start: 11 May 2025 at 10:30 AM



End: 11 May 2025 at 10:45 AM

Location



Start: Kaikōura 7374, New Zealand



End: Kaikōura, New Zealand



Kaikōura Walking Tour

Activity

Since 2010, NZ Travel Adventure provides professional guided tours year round.

Bespoke tours in Kaikōura are also available

Multi day tours, guided day walks and photo walks available for small groups with qualified guides.

They hold a Department of Conservation Licence to provide services on 130 DOC land tracks throughout the South Island.

Meet with Rachel near Coopers Catch / EcoZip.

End of the Walking tour at Dolphin Encounter

Trade contact (& guide on the day):

Rachel Gillespie | info@nztraveladventure.com | 027 517 8732

[More information about NZ Travel Adventure](#)

Date and time



Start: 11 May 2025 at 11:00 AM



End: 11 May 2025 at 12:00 PM

Details

Kaikōura Walking Tour (Private group) x 1



Lunch at Encounter Cafe

Meal



The novel idea of swimming with dolphins became a reality in 1989 and was the brain wave of Ian Bradshaw and Rik Buurman. It soon became apparent that the concept had appeal and the tour became a popular option for visitors to Kaikoura. As the business grew it was re-branded to Encounter Kaikoura and in 2004 moved to a larger premise on the Esplanade. This enabled a café and a larger retail space to be added to the tour experience. At the heart of the business lies a commitment to best practice and environmental sustainability and this along with a great love for the marine environment, motivates us to share this passion with our customers in a meaningful and resolute way. Dolphins are some of nature's most extraordinary and captivating creatures. They're even more amazing close-up. Choose swimming or watching and immerse yourself in their world with Dolphin Encounter; an unforgettable experience in one of New Zealand's most breath-taking destinations.


Trade Contact for Encounter Kaikōura:

Lynette Buurman | Lynette@dolphin.co.nz | 027 224 4937

More information about:

- [Albatross Encounter](#)
- [Dolphin Encounter](#)
- [Encounter Cafe](#)

Date and time

 Start: 11 May 2025 at 12:00 PM

 End: 11 May 2025 at 1:00 PM

Details

Dine at Dolphin Encounter Cafe (Lunch) x 11



Product Training during Lunch

Café Encounter, 96 Esplanade, Kaikōura 7300, New Zealand

While feeding your bellies, we thought we would also feed your minds and give you an opportunity to expend your knowledge on some of our Kaikōura operators:

● Kaikōura Kayaks

Get up close with the marine and bird life around Kaikoura with Kaikoura Kayaks, taking one of their full or half-day guided tours. Among the wildlife that calls the area its home are fur seals, blue penguins, dusky dolphins and more. As well as scenic trips, visitors can try their hand at kayak fishing or paddle boarding.

Trade contacts: Matt & Kim Foy | matt@kaikourakayaks.co.nz | 021 462 889

[More information about Kaikōura Kayaks](#)

- **Whale Watch**

Whale Watch is a nature-based Tourism Company owned and operated by the indigenous Ngāti Kuri people of Kaikōura, a Māori sub-tribe of the South Island's larger Ngāi Tahu Tribe. Whale Watch Kaikoura gives the opportunity to see some of the most majestic animals in the ocean, from Giant Sperm Whales, to Blue and Humpback Whales, Orca, Dolphins, Seals and an array of seabirds, this is truly an unforgettable experience. Designed especially for whale watching; Whale watch modern catamarans are equipped with engines that minimise underwater noise.

Trade contact: Abba Kahu | abba@whalewatch.co.nz | 027 356 8102

[More Information about Whale Watch Kaikōura](#)

Date and time

 11 May 2025

Location


 96 Esplanade, Kaikōura 7300, New Zealand




Drive Encounter Kaikōura > Greystone Wines

Encounter Kaikoura (Dolphin Encounter), 96 Esplanade, Kaikōura 7300, New Zealand


Date and time

 Start: 11 May 2025 at 1:00 PM

 End: 11 May 2025 at 2:30 PM

Location

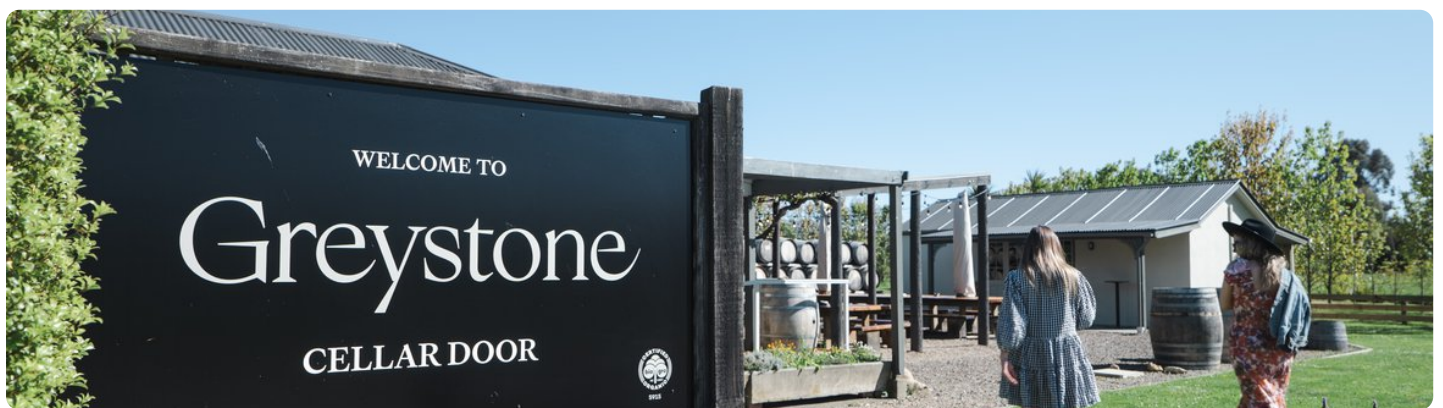
 Start: 96 Esplanade, Kaikōura 7300, New Zealand

 End: 8 Vineyard Lane, Waipara 7483, New Zealand




A Taste of Greystone

Activity • [Waipara 7483, New Zealand](#)



Our Greystone journey began in 2000 when the Thomas family discovered a unique piece of land in the Omihi Hills of New Zealand's Waipara Valley. The limestone-rich soil, born from an ancient seabed, captured our imagination and inspired us to dream big. In 2004, our vision became a reality as we planted thirteen blocks of vines across the Omihi slopes. Each vine planted to take full advantage of the unique soils and microclimates, laying the foundation for what would become Greystone's signature wines.

Date and time

 Start: 11 May 2025 at 2:30 PM

 End: 11 May 2025 at 4:00 PM

Location

 Waipara 7483, New Zealand

Details


A Taste of Greystone (Adult) x 10




Drive Greystone Wines > Tussock Peak Motor Lodge


Greystone Wines, 376 Omihi Road, Waipara 7483, New Zealand


Date and time

 Start: 11 May 2025 at 4:00 PM

 End: 11 May 2025 at 5:00 PM

Location

 Start: 376 Omihi Road, Waipara 7483, New Zealand

 End: 25 Amuri Avenue, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand



Accommodation (1 night)

Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand



We pride ourselves in offering our guests a warm, friendly hospitality and first-class service. Perfectly located on the corner of Amuri Avenue and Leamington Street, from here you're in walking distance to everything in the Hanmer Springs alpine village. Tussock Peak Lodge offers affordable accommodation, in tranquil and comfortable surroundings, close to everything.

Date and time

 Check-in: 11 May 2025 at 5:00 PM

 Check-out: 12 May 2025 at 8:00 AM

Location

 Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand

Details

Room (Single Room) x 9



Explore Hanmer Springs

Hanmer Springs

Take some time to walk the avenue and have a look at the beautiful township of Hanmer Springs.



Walk Tussock Peak > Tease Bar & Eatery

Tussock Peak Motor Lodge, 25 Amuri Avenue, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand

Date and time



Start: 11 May 2025 at 6:20 PM



End: 11 May 2025 at 6:30 PM

Location



Start: 25 Amuri Avenue, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand



End: 12A Conical Hill Road, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand



3 Course

Meal • Hanmer Springs 7334

At Tease, we've teamed up with some of the best local suppliers to bring you a true taste of fusion cuisine in Hanmer Springs. Whether you're after something bold or a bit familiar, our menu's all about having a laugh and a great feed. Fancy a steak? Come to us. Fancy a lamb rump? We got you. Craving a curry? We've got you sorted. As a Kiwi-Asian fusion restaurant, we've got everything in one place.

Date and time



Start: 11 May 2025 at 6:30 PM



End: 11 May 2025 at 8:15 PM

Location



Hanmer Springs 7334

Details

3 Course (Dinner - 3 course) x 10



Walk back to Tussock Peak Motor Lodge

Tease Bar & Eatery, 12A Conical Hill Road, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand

Wak back to accommodation & collect warm hats, gloves & jackets for star gazing.

Date and time



Start: 11 May 2025 at 8:15 PM



End: 11 May 2025 at 8:30 PM

Location



Start: 12A Conical Hill Road, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand



End: 25 Amuri Avenue, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand



Star Gazing Tour

Activity • Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand



Looking for an unforgettable night-time adventure? Experience the breathtaking beauty of our dark skies as you learn about the wonders both within and beyond our own galaxy.

Using our range of telescopes, join us as we explore different star clusters, nebulae, far away galaxies and much more!

Date and time



Start: 11 May 2025 at 8:30 PM



End: 11 May 2025 at 10:30 PM

Location



Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand

Details

Star Gazing Tour (Adult) x 8

Day 4 Mon, 12 May 2025




Continental Breakfast


Meal • Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand



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Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 7:00 AM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 8:00 AM

Location

 Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand

Details


Continental Breakfast (Breakfast - continental) x 9



Drive Tussock Peak Motor Lodge > Forest Amble


Tussock Peak Motor Lodge, 25 Amuri Avenue, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand


Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 8:00 AM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 8:05 AM

Location

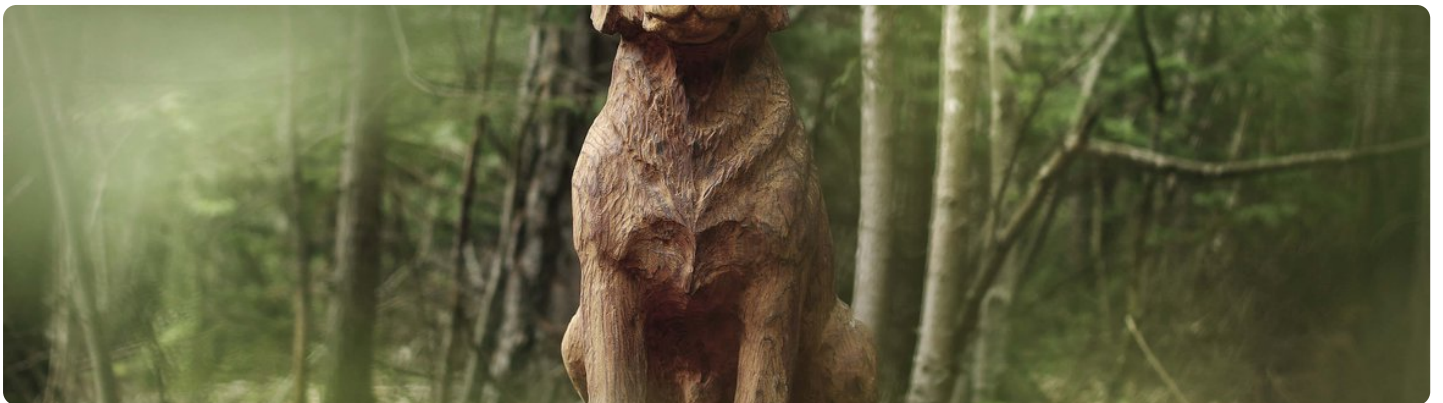
 Start: 25 Amuri Avenue, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand

 End: Jollies Pass Road, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand





Walk

Activity



Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 8:05 AM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 8:40 AM

Details


Walk (Walk) x 10




Drive Forest Amble Sculpture Walk > Hanmer Springs Hotel


Forest amble sculptures, Jollies Pass Road, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand


Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 8:40 AM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 8:45 AM

Location

 Start: Jollies Pass Road, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand

 End: 1 Conical Hill Road, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand



Site Inspection

Activity



Surrounded by stunning scenery and nestled amongst beautiful gardens and tall canopies, the Hanmer Springs Hotel is a truly relaxing retreat. Located in the heart of Hanmer Springs near shops, restaurants and attractions, everything you need is only a small stroll away.

Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 8:45 AM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 9:25 AM

Details


Site Inspection (Site Inspection) x 9




Walk Hanmer Springs Hotel > Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools & Spa


Hanmer Springs Hotel, 1 Conical Hill Road, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand


Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 9:25 AM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 9:30 AM

Location

 Start: 1 Conical Hill Road, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand

 End: 42 Amuri Avenue, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand



Site Inspection & Tour

Activity



The best place to indulge, with a range of 22 outdoor thermal pools including the new cascades, relaxing rock pools, soothing sulphur pools, an array of water jets and bubbles – at a range of temperatures. Plus a luxurious day spa with a range of treatments, private pools, sauna and steam rooms. The best place to act like a kid, with New Zealand's largest aquatic thrill ride, Conical Thrill, an activity pool, lap pool, lazy river, water slides, garden picnic areas and the Tea Kiosk Café & Grill.

Date and time



Start: 12 May 2025 at 9:30 AM



End: 12 May 2025 at 10:15 AM

Details

Site Inspection & Tour (Adult) x 10



Tea Kiosk Cafe and Grill

Meal



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Date and time



Start: 12 May 2025 at 10:15 AM



End: 12 May 2025 at 10:45 AM

Details


Tea Kiosk Cafe and Grill (Light refreshments) x 10




Drive Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools > Hanmer Springs Attractions


Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools, 42 Amuri Avenue, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand


Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 10:45 AM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 11:00 AM

Location

 Start: 42 Amuri Avenue, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand

 End: 839 Hanmer Springs Road, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand



Jetboat Ride


Activity




Many adventures – one location! Hanmer Springs Attractions offers you the outdoor adventure activities that New Zealand is famous for in the natural environment of Hanmer Springs. Activities include jet boating, bungy jumping, quad biking, river rafting and more.

Enjoy the spectacular scenery of the Waiau River as you jet through narrow gorges, white water rapids and braided shallows.

Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 11:00 AM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 12:00 PM

Details

Jetboat Ride (Adult) x 9



Drive from Hanmer Springs to Maruia Hot Springs


Hanmer Springs Attractions, 839 Hanmer Springs Road, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand


Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 12:00 PM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 1:30 PM

Location

 Start: 839 Hanmer Springs Road, Hanmer Springs 7334, New Zealand

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



Gourmet Dining Experience

Meal



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.

Date and time



Start: 12 May 2025 at 1:30 PM



End: 12 May 2025 at 2:30 PM

Details

Gourmet Dining Experience (Lunch) x 11



Site Inspection

Activity



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Date and time



Start: 12 May 2025 at 2:30 PM



End: 12 May 2025 at 3:00 PM

Details


Site Inspection (Adult) x 10




Drive from Maruia Hot Springs to Reefton Distilling Co.


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


Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 3:00 PM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 4:00 PM

Location

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

 End: 10 Smith Street, Reefton 7830, New Zealand



Reefton Distilling Tour

Activity




There is something about the spirit of the West Coast and its people. They have always had belief in themselves, a can-do attitude and they are not afraid to get behind a new idea. Reefton was an entrepreneurial and prosperous place in its early days, and we in turn plan to add the success story of Reefton Distilling Co. to the history books.

The hills surrounding our distillery are rich in botanicals, if you know where to look. Our search takes us deep into the densely forested West Coast region and to local gardens where we forage for native leaves, flowers and berries.

Reefton Distilling Co. is a modern ... 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.

Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 4:00 PM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 5:00 PM

Details


Reefton Distilling Tour (Adult) x 9




Drive from Reefton Distilling Co to Pounamu Pathway

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

Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 5:00 PM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 6:00 PM

Location

 Start: 10 Smith Street, Reefton 7830, New Zealand

 End: 43 Tainui Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand



Mawhera Greymouth

Activity




The Pounamu Pathway is an immersive storytelling experience delivered in four unique and linked hubs across the West Coast/Te Tai o Poutini, from Haast/Awarua to Westport/Kawatiri.


Life at the Māwhera Pā

Step into a one-of-a-kind self-guided experience that immerses you in 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 encounter.

Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 6:00 PM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 6:50 PM

Details


Mawhera Greymouth (Adult) x 10




Drive from Mawhera Pounamu Pathways to Scenic Hotel Punakaiki


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


Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 6:50 PM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 7:30 PM

Location

 Start: 43 Tainui Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand

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



Ocean View Restaurant & Bar

Meal • Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand




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.

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.

Date and time

 Start: 12 May 2025 at 7:30 PM

 End: 12 May 2025 at 8:30 PM

Location

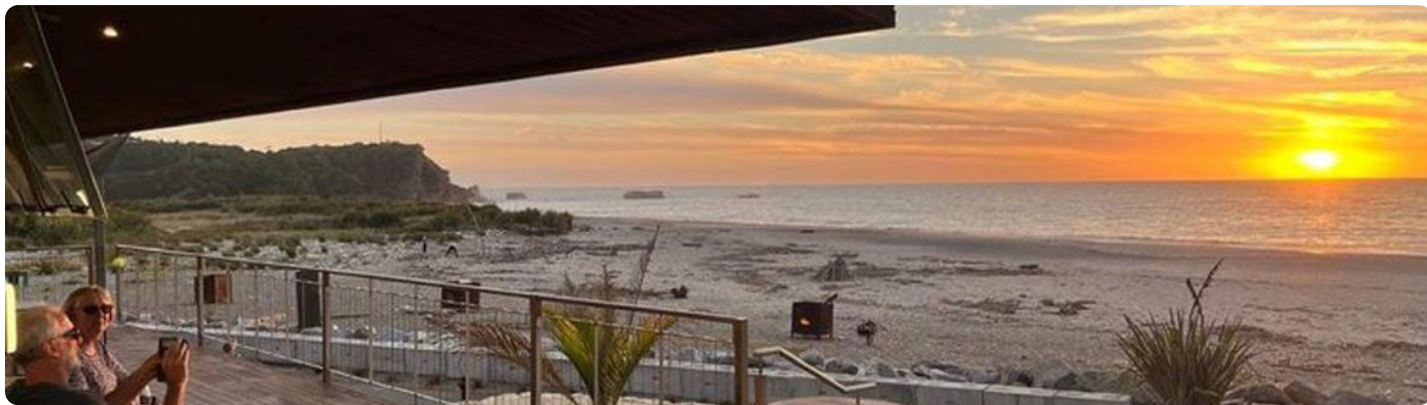
 Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

Details

Ocean View Restaurant & Bar (Dinner) x 11



Accommodation (1 night)



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.

Date and time



Check-in: 12 May 2025 at 7:10 PM



Check-out: 13 May 2025 at 7:00 AM

Details

Deluxe Suites (Room including Breakfast & Dinner) x 11

Day 5 Tue, 13 May 2025



Overnight Backpack

Smaller bags will be given, from Wilsons, to pack only what is needed in Nelson Tasman. The remainder of luggage will be transferred to the Wine, Art & Wilderness depot in Nelson.

NOTE:

Please ensure you pack essentials for overnight stay, you will need appropriate warm clothing for kayak adventure plus a change of clothes incase you get wet.

Date and time



13 May 2025



Breakfast at your own leisure


Enjoy breakfast in house from 6:30am-7:00am. Please be ready to check out with your bags in the lobby at 7:00am




Drive from Scenic Hotel Punakaiki to Underworld Adventures


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


Date and time

 Start: 13 May 2025 at 7:15 AM

 End: 13 May 2025 at 7:45 AM

Location

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

 End: 7368 State Highway 6, Charleston 7892, New Zealand




Charleston Glowworm Cave Adventure

Activity



Underworld Adventures is based in Charleston, nestled between rugged mountain tops and the wild Tasman Sea. With rainforest clad limestone country on our doorstep, offering a unique variety of cave and karst adventures.

Date and time

 Start: 13 May 2025 at 8:00 AM (Check-in 7:45 AM)

 End: 13 May 2025 at 12:30 PM

Details

Charleston Glowworm Cave Adventure (Adult) x 10




Lunch

Meal • Charleston 7892, New Zealand



Underworld Adventures is based in Charleston, nestled between rugged mountain tops and the wild Tasman Sea. With rainforest clad limestone country on our doorstep, offering a unique variety of cave and karst adventures.

Date and time

 Start: 13 May 2025 at 12:30 PM

 End: 13 May 2025 at 12:30 PM

Location

 Charleston 7892, New Zealand

Details


Lunch (Lunch) x 11




Drive from Underworld Adventures to Karamea Aerodrome


Underworld Adventures, 7368 State Highway 6, Charleston 7892, New Zealand


Date and time

 Start: 13 May 2025 at 12:30 PM

 End: 13 May 2025 at 2:25 PM

Location

 Start: 7368 State Highway 6, Charleston 7892, New Zealand

 End: 80 Aerodrome Road, Karamea 7893, New Zealand



Golden Bay Air

Flight

Date and time

 Departure: 13 May 2025 at 2:45 PM

 Arrival: 13 May 2025 at 3:30 PM

Details

Golden Bay Air (Adult) x 9




Welcome to Nelson Tasman


Nelson, New Zealand




Nelson Tasman is a place where all the best bits of New Zealand are distilled into a single destination, where artisan food producers, stunning natural landscapes, consistently high sunshine hours, world class mountain biking and a vibrant arts scene are just the beginning. Beaches, rivers, lakes and mountains combine to create an outdoor playground unlike any other. Opportunities to immerse in nature abound across three diverse national parks, whilst waterfalls, dancing springs and natural forest flames surprise and delight. A network of cycling and walking trails weave through coastal and urban landscapes and nestled amongst the hills you'll find a selection of renowned mountain-bike tracks. Boutique arts and artisans are discoverable at every turn at weekend markets, arts trails, waterfront galleries and home studios. Sampling fruit chutneys, gourmet chocolates, sheep's cheese and olive oil is a highlight of a visit to Nelson Tasman, and there are plenty of

craft breweries, cellar doors and distilleries to explore along the way. What's more we have 28 zero carbon certified tourism experiences in the region. Nelson Tasman is a place where you can experience life beyond the ordinary. A place to slow down, linger, savour and enjoy.

Date and time
 13 May 2025



Location
 Nelson, New Zealand






Transfer from Motueka Airport to Kaiteriteri Beach

Motueka-Abel Tasman Airport (MZP), Motueka 7120, New Zealand

Wilsons Abel Tasman will collect you from the Motueka Airport and transfer you to Kaiteriteri Beach, where you will join their boat to head into the Abel Tasman National Park for the night.

Date and time
 Start: 13 May 2025 at 3:40 PM
 End: 13 May 2025 at 4:00 PM

Location
 Start: Motueka 7120, New Zealand
 End: Tasman Bay 7197, New Zealand





Wilsons Abel Tasman - Scenic Water Taxi


Activity • Motueka 7120, New Zealand



The Wilson family has been welcoming visitors to this beautiful corner of New Zealand since 1841. They invite you to share eight generations of experience, with a real kiwi welcome, and a promise to make your Abel Tasman experience truly memorable. As the only company in Abel Tasman National Park operating Beachfront Lodges, Vista Cruise, Vigour Water Taxis, Guided Sea Kayaking and Walking they can design the perfect experience for you.

Enjoy a scenic Water Taxi transfer along the stunning Abel Tasman Coastline

Date and time
 Start: 13 May 2025 at 4:30 PM (Check-in 4:00 PM)
 End: 13 May 2025 at 5:30 PM

Location
 Motueka 7120, New Zealand

Details
Wilsons Abel Tasman - Scenic Water Taxi (Private Charter) x 1



Accommodation (1 night)



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Experience the true essence of a kiwi beach holiday in New Zealand's finest coastal national park. Relax into the rhythm of the tides. In 1968, Torrent Bay Lodge was a small, simple cottage used for family holidays – a classic Kiwi 'bach' that has evolved over the years to offer a very warm welcome in our little slice of paradise. In the 50 years since, the original building it has been extended and refurbished to create a blend of Kiwi charm and modern comfort, offering visitors an authentic holiday bach experience – with hot showers, memorable meals and luxurious beds, of course! Torrent Bay Lodge has 13 comfortable double/twin ensuite rooms, each named after ships that featured in the nautical history of the Abel Tasman coast. It's a civilised place to stay, far away from the hustle and bustle of town. It sits just above the tide line on a gorgeous, golden beach – the perfect place for a swim at the end of the day or in the tranquil morning before breakfast. The beachfront sundeck is always popular for socialising, too. Lodge hosts will give you a warm welcome at the end of your day's exploration of Abel Tasman. Enjoy the sumptuous comfort and informal atmosphere of the communal lounge and dining area, styled in natural wood and warmed by a roaring log fire on cooler evenings.

Date and time



Check-in: 13 May 2025 at 5:30 PM



Check-out: 14 May 2025 at 8:00 AM

Details

Wilsons Abel Tasman - Torrent Bay Lodge (Dinner, Bed & Breakfast - Boat Transfers included) x 10

Day 6 Wed, 14 May 2025



Breakfast in house from 7 am – 8.15 am

Have your breakfast in house at 7am to 8.15 am and then head to the beach for your next activity



Guided Kayaking Tour

Activity



By land or water, make your holiday unforgettable We offer seamless kayak and walk products ranging from half to multi day adventures. Our extensive range of trips will suit however you want to explore the Abel Tasman. Come explore the beautiful golden beaches, peaceful coves and lagoons, offshore islands, wildlife and the native forest fringing granite coastline that is the Abel Tasman!

Date and time



Start: 14 May 2025 at 8:30 AM (Check-in 8:15 AM)



End: 14 May 2025 at 11:30 AM

Details

Guided Kayaking Tour (Bespoke Famil Tour) x 1



Bespoke Moutere Artisan Tour - Including lunch

Activity



Based in Nelson, Wine, Art & Wilderness is an Owner/Host Business Class visitor activity provider. Wine, Art & Wilderness provides luxury and private wine, nature and art tours in the Marlborough and Nelson regions of New Zealand.

Date and time



Start: 14 May 2025 at 11:30 AM



End: 14 May 2025 at 2:30 PM

Details

Bespoke Moutere Artisan & Wine Tour - Including lunch (Bespoke Tour) x 1



END OF FAMIL

Nelson Airport (NSN), Trent Drive, Whakatū 7011, New Zealand

The famil will conclude at the Nelson Domestic Airport at 2:30pm. The Wine, Art and Wilderness driver will have your luggage on board.

We wish you a safe flight home and thank you for joining us on this TOTS journey.

Date and time



14 May 2025

Location



Trent Drive, Whakatū 7011, New Zealand

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

INCLUSIONS

Hosted domestic air travel, accommodation, internet, transport, meals and sightseeing as detailed on the itinerary.

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 the Regional Tourism Organisations (RTOs), accommodation, transport and product suppliers as detailed.

PASSPORTS AND VISAS

Please ensure that you hold a current passport with at least six months validity left on it. If you require a Visa please ensure that this is confirmed.

All travellers coming into New Zealand must complete a digital declaration online at www.travellerdeclaration.govt.nz or via the NZTD mobile app. There is a paper declaration form available at NZ airport's, for travellers who cannot complete it online. The earliest you can submit your declaration is 24 hours before you start your trip to New Zealand. It needs to be submitted by the time you reach passport control in New Zealand.

The New Zealand Traveller Declaration system collects travel, customs, immigration and biosecurity information. It aims to improve the safety and security of New Zealand.

MEDICATION

Visitors bringing in a quantity of medication are advised to carry a doctor's certificate to avoid possible problems with New Zealand Customs. Doctor's prescriptions are needed to obtain certain drugs in New Zealand.

TRAVEL AND MEDICAL INSURANCE

Please arrange adequate travel insurance coverage prior to your departure for New Zealand.

LUGGAGE

Please ensure your luggage is clearly labelled with your name and contact details. The luggage limit on Air New Zealand domestic flights is 23kg plus a small cabin bag is allowed. Charges apply to excess luggage.

CLOTHING REQUIREMENTS

All participants must bring with them:

Gloves

hat and scarf

Waterproof rain coat

Warm jacket
Closed toe comfortable walking shoes
Small day/back pack
Sunscreen
Swimsuit (if applicable for your famil)

BIOSECURITY IN NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand has strict biosecurity procedures at airports to prevent the introduction of pests and diseases of animals and plants.

All food items brought into New Zealand, even the smallest amounts, need to be declared. Tourism New Zealand recommends that you do not pack any food products for your trip.

Any food you are provided on the plane needs to be left on the plane, disposed of in one of the airport disposal bins or declared.

Any hiking shoes, sporting or camping equipment you bring should be declared at the border where they will be checked for soil, plant matter and seeds. We recommend that if you are bringing these items, you pack them in an accessible place.

It is not illegal to bring these items into the country as long as you declare them on the passenger arrival card you will be given on the plane. Failing to declare food, plants or equipment that may carry soil or plant matter, may result in a fine. For detailed information please go to the New Zealand Customs Service site at:

<http://www.customs.govt.nz/features/prohibited/imports/Pages/default.aspx>

CURRENCY

The currency of New Zealand is the New Zealand Dollar. Major credit cards are widely accepted in hotels, banks and shops. ATMs accept cards that are part of the Cirrus, Maestro or Plus systems that have a four-digit PIN encoded. Check with your bank before departure if you are unsure of the international status of a card you plan to use in New Zealand.

GOODS AND SERVICES TAX

All goods and services purchased in New Zealand are subject to a 15% GST, which is usually included in the displayed price. Visitors cannot claim refunds on this tax, although if a supplier agrees to export an item to a visitor's home address, GST is not charged on the goods or freight.

DEPARTURE TAX

A \$NZ25 departure tax is included in your flight tickets.

TIPPING

Tipping in New Zealand is not customary – even in restaurants and bars. However, tipping for good service or kindness is at the discretion of the visitor. Hotels and restaurants in New Zealand do not add service charges to their bills except on public holidays.

QUALMARK

Qualmark is the world's first comprehensive quality assurance programme dedicated to the tourism industry and is New Zealand tourism's official quality mark. Most of the accommodation, attractions, activities and transport in your itinerary are Qualmark endorsed. For further information visit www.qualmark.co.nz

DRIVERS LICENCE

If you have indicated you are willing to drive on the family please bring your current drivers licence (if with English text), an official English translation or an International Drivers Permit. This is required by New Zealand law. All drivers must also read the 'What's different about driving in New Zealand' (link below). <http://www.nzta.govt.nz/resources/whats-diff-driving-nz/>

DRINKING AND DRIVING

New Zealand has strict drink driving laws. We recommend that you designate a sober driver for each vehicle if your group is travelling after drinking.

SMOKING

Smoking at airports is not allowed in terminal buildings. Most hotels no longer offer smoking rooms. Smoking inside public restaurants and bars has been prohibited.

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. Take copies of your important documents (like your passport and credit cards), and keep them separate from the originals. You should also keep a record of the description and serial number of valuable items (like digital cameras). Always lock your accommodation and vehicle and keep windows secure when you're not around.

Don't carry large amounts of cash or expensive jewellery. If withdrawing money from a machine, withdraw small amounts only – preferably during the day and shield your pin. When out at night, keep to well-lit places where other people are present. Don't take short cuts through parks or alleyways. Travel with someone you know. Store valuables securely, ideally in a safe at your accommodation. Never leave valuables or important documents in parked vehicles. Never leave bags, backpacks, wallets or cameras unattended in any public place, especially airports, ferry terminals or bus/railway stations.

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

In the unlikely event of an emergency, your Tourism New Zealand host will be able to advise you.

If you are unable to contact your Tourism New Zealand host, please contact the Regional Tourism Organisation in the region you are visiting.

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.