



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.

Wedged 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: 12 May 2024 in Christchurch Ends: 16 May 2024 in Christchurch

Number of seats: 9

Key Contacts:

Famil Host:

Taylor Tian

022 646 5147 taylor@dwc.org.nz

Famil Driver:

Helen Sutton 027 2789603

info@explorewestcoast.nz

Additional notes: Please arrive in Christchurch on 11 May, as the famil starts early on May 12th.

Famil Inclusions:

- All meals (breakfast, lunch & dinner) from 12th 16th May. some beverages will be included, not all.
- All activities and accommodation within the famil itinerary.
- Transport to and from activities beginning on 12th May, finishing at the Christchurch International Airport at

approximately 10:30am on 16th May.

Excluded:

- Pre & post famil accommodation in Christchurch (11th & 16th May).
- Lunch & dinner after the famil ends on 16th May (breakfast is included on this day).
- International/domestic flights.

Day 1 Mon, 12 May 2025



Transfer with NZ Look Shuttles

NZ Look Shuttles • 21/3 Factory Drive, Rolleston, 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: 12 May 2025 at 6:00 AM

Drop off: 12 May 2025 at 7:30 AM

Location

• 21/3 Factory Drive, Rolleston, Christchurch

Contact

+64 27 887 7701

https://nzlookshuttles.co.nz/

Details

Transfer with NZ Look Shuttles (Single Transfer) x 1

Check-in instructions

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.



TranzAlpine

Great Journeys NZ - TranzAlpine: Scenic Train

TranzAlpine, New Zealand, New Zealand



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

Confirmation

#3393755

Date and time

Pick up: 12 May 2025 at 8:15 AM

Drop off: 12 May 2025 at 12:15 PM

Location

• New Zealand, New Zealand

Contact

+64 27 209 3805

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

Details

TranzAlpine (Christchurch - Moana) x 10



Transfer with Explore West Coast

Explore West Coast • Explore West Coast, 164 MacKay Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand



Explore West Coast will show you the highlights of this untamed region where the weather and landscape combine with dramatic effect. Taking you to our local hidden gems and exploring the best the region has to offer.

Key Contact:

Helen Sutton 027 2789603

info@explorewestcoast.nz

Pick up: 12 May 2025 at 12:15 PM

Drop off: 16 May 2025 at 10:30 AM

Location

• 164 MacKay Street, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand

Contact

+6437687080

https://www.explorewestcoast.co.nz/

Details

Transfer with Explore West Coast (Entire famil transfer) x 1



Transfer from Moana Train Station to Hotel Lake Brunner

Moana Train Station, Moana 7872, New Zealand

Date and time

Start: 12 May 2025 at 12:25 PM

End: 12 May 2025 at 12:30 PM

Location

Start: Moana 7872, New Zealand

• End: 34 Ahau Street, Moana 7824, New Zealand



Site Visit Hotel Lake Brunner

Hotel Lake Brunner · Hotel Lake Brunner, 34 Ahau Street, Moana 7824, New Zealand



Hotel Lake Brunner offers a great range of West Coast accommodation options, suited for varying budgets and requirements. The hotel's lakefront location makes for easy access to great walks and lake activities.

Our Kingfisher restaurant is open to everyone for breakfast, lunch, coffees & evening meals.

- 7 x Lake View Studio Suite
- 2 x Lake View Two Bedroom Apartments

Key Contact:

Kelly Ashworth

021 296 4871

kelly@westcoasttravel.co.nz

Confirmation

✓ Kelly

Date and time

Start: 12 May 2025 at 12:30 PM

End: 12 May 2025 at 1:00 PM

Location

34 Ahau Street, Moana 7824, New Zealand

Contact

021 2964 871

http://www.hotellakebrunner.co.nz/

Details

Site Visit Hotel Lake Brunner (Adult) x 10



Dine at The Kingfisher - Hotel Lake Brunner

Hotel Lake Brunner · Hotel Lake Brunner, 34 Ahau Street, Moana 7824, New Zealand



Our menu has a great selection of New Zealand produce including venison and whitebait when in season, and offers a wide variety of meals to cater for everyone. With a range of your classic NZ favourites, and a selection of light meals and fresh salads, our Asian dishes are brought to you by our Chinese head Chef. We also cater for small bites so perfect for sharing and typical pub kai, pizzas, fish n chips and burgers and all with great views!!

Key Contact:

Kelly Ashworth

021 296 4871

kelly@westcoasttravel.co.nz

Confirmation

✓ Kelly

Date and time

Start: 12 May 2025 at 1:00 PM

End: 12 May 2025 at 1:45 PM

Location

• 34 Ahau Street, Moana 7824, New Zealand

Contact

021 2964 871

http://www.hotellakebrunner.co.nz/

Details

Dine at The Kingfisher - Hotel Lake Brunner (Lunch) x 11



Transfer from Hotel Lake Brunner to Copthorne Hotel Greymouth

Hotel Lake Brunner, 34 Ahau Street, Moana 7824, New Zealand

Date and time

Start: 12 May 2025 at 1:45 PM

End: 12 May 2025 at 2:15 PM

Location

Start: 34 Ahau Street, Moana 7824, New Zealand

• End: 32 Mawhera Quay, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand



Site Visit at Copthorne Hotel Greymouth

Copthorne Hotel Greymouth ·

Copthorne Hotel Greymouth, 32 Mawhera Quay, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand



With a riverside location right in the centre of town, Copthorne Hotel Greymouth offers comfortable, modern 53 room accommodation, newly refurbished, along with Jimmy Cook's Kiwi Kitchen restaurant and bar:

- 44 x Superior room
- 8 x Superior Riverview room
- 1 x suite

Key Contact:

Aroha Matthews

027 5985 926

aroha.matthews@millenniumhotels.co.nz

Date and time

Start: 12 May 2025 at 2:15 PM

End: 12 May 2025 at 2:45 PM

Location

32 Mawhera Quay, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 768 5085

https://www.millenniumhotels.com/en/greymout h/kingsgate-hotel-greymouth

Details

Site Visit at Copthorne Hotel Greymouth (Adult) x 10



Transfer from Copthorne Hotel Greymouth to Pancake Rocks & Blowholes Track

Copthorne Hotel Greymouth, 32 Mawhera Quay, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand

Date and time

Start: 12 May 2025 at 2:45 PM

End: 12 May 2025 at 3:30 PM

Location

Start: 32 Mawhera Quay, Greymouth 7805, New Zealand

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



Pancake Rocks & Blowholes Track

Pancake Rocks Cafe, Coast Road, Punakaiki 4300, 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: 12 May 2025 at 3:30 PM

End: 12 May 2025 at 4:30 PM

Location

Coast Road, Punakaiki 4300, 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.

Date and time

Start: 12 May 2025 at 4:30 PM

End: 12 May 2025 at 5:15 PM

Location

• 4294 Coast Road, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

Contact

0274678152

http://www.paparoaexperience.com/

Details

Paparoa Experience (Adult) x 10



Transfer from Paparoa Experience to Scenic Hotel Punakaiki

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

Start: 12 May 2025 at 5:15 PM

End: 12 May 2025 at 5:20 PM

Location

Start: 4294 Coast Road, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand

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



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

12 May 2025

Location

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4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Dine at 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

rajk@scenichotels.co.nz

Start: 12 May 2025 at 6:30 PM

End: 12 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 (Dinner) x 11



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

Check-in: 12 May 2025 at 5:20 PM

Check-out: 13 May 2025 at 8:00 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

Day 2 Tue, 13 May 2025



Breakfast at your leisure at the hotel

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

Group will depart at 8:10am sharp.

Date and time



Location

9

4237 State Highway 6, Punakaiki 7873, New Zealand



Transfer 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 8:10 AM

End: 13 May 2025 at 8:45 AM

Location

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

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



Charleston Glowworm Cave Adventure

Underworld Adventures •

Underworld Adventures, 7368 State Highway 6, 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.

Experience one of New Zealand's (if not the world's) best GlowWorm displays, deep in the Paparoa National Park, near Punakaiki New Zealand. Just 30 minutes north of Punakaiki on the Wild West Coast lies the historic township of Charleston. But the old gold-mining town hides a spectacular secret: the beautiful Metro / Te Ananui Caves and one of the best GlowWorm displays you can experience anywhere in the world!

Key Contact:

Adan Schurr

020 4014 6503

aidan@caverafting.com

Date and time

Start: 13 May 2025 at 9:00 AM (Check-in 8:45

End: 13 May 2025 at 1:00 PM

Location

7368 State Highway 6, Charleston 7892, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 788 8168

http://www.caverafting.com/

Details

Charleston Glowworm Cave Adventure (Adult) x 10

Lunch from Cafe Underworld Adventures.

Underworld Adventures, 7368 State Highway 6, 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 1:00 PM

End: 13 May 2025

Location

• 7368 State Highway 6, Charleston 7892, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 788 8168

http://www.caverafting.com/

Details

Lunch from Cafe (Packed Lunch) x 11



Transfer from Underworld Adventures to WC Treetop Walk & Tower Zipline

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

Date and time

Start: 13 May 2025 at 1:00 PM

End: 13 May 2025 at 3:00 PM

Location

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

End: 1128 Woodstock-Rimu Road, Hokitika 7812,

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

Start: 13 May 2025 at 3:00 PM

End: 13 May 2025 at 4:00 PM

Location

Hokitika, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 755 5052

https://treetopsnz.com

Details

Tower Zipline & Walkway Combo (Adult) x 10

Transfer from WC Treetop Walk & Tower Zipline to Legacy Te Waonui Hotel, Franz Josef

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

Date and time

Start: 13 May 2025 at 4:00 PM

End: 13 May 2025 at 6:00 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:

steves@scenicgroup.co.nz

Confirmation

#3043218

Date and time

Check-in: 13 May 2025 at 6:00 PM

Check-out: 14 May 2025 at 8:20 AM

Location

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

Contact

+54 3 752 0555

https://www.scenichotelgroup.co.nz/franzjosef/te-waonui-forest-retreat/

Details

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



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: 13 May 2025 at 6:30 PM

End: 13 May 2025 at 9:30 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

Day 3 Wed, 14 May 2025



Breakfast at your leisure at the hotel

Legacy Te Waonui Hotel Franz Josef, 3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Group will depart at 8:25am sharp.

Date and time

14 May 2025

Location

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



Walk from Legacy Te Waonui Hotel to West Coast Wildlife Centre

Legacy Te Waonui Hotel Franz Josef, 3 Wallace Street, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Date and time

Start: 14 May 2025 at 8:25 AM

End: 14 May 2025 at 8:30 AM

Location

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

• 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

richard.benton@wildkiwi.co.nz

Date and time

Start: 14 May 2025 at 8:30 AM

End: 14 May 2025 at 9:30 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 Rainforest Retreat

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

Date and time

Start: 14 May 2025 at 9:30 AM

End: 14 May 2025 at 9:40 AM

Location

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

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



Site Visit at Rainforest Retreat

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 accommodiations
- * 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

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sinead@rainforest.nz

Date and time

Start: 14 May 2025 at 9:45 AM

End: 14 May 2025 at 10:15 AM

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

Dine at Snakebite Brewery SnakeBite Brewery •

SnakeBite Brewery, 28 Main Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



Snake Bite Brewery opened in December 2015 with the concept of creating a menu combining their passion of NZ Craft Beer with their favourite Southeast Asian Street Food and Kiwi dishes. Our flavour filled menu is prepared and cooked by professional chefs using only the freshest ingredients and original methods.

Date and time

14 May 2025

Location

28 Main Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 752 0234

http://www.snakebite.co.nz/

Dine at Snakebite Brewery (Packed Lunch) x 11



Transfer from Rainforest Retreat to Heartland Hotel Glacier Country

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

Date and time

Start: 14 May 2025 at 10:15 AM

End: 14 May 2025 at 10:45 AM

Location

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

End: 39-45 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand



Site Visit at Heartland Hotel Glacier Country

Heartland Hotel Glacier Country •

Heartland Hotel Glacier Country, 39-45 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand



Heartland Hotel Glacier Country is a cosy hotel that draws inspiration from the West Coast surroundings. The hotel's rustic charm is evident in its wood-panelled walls, exposed beams, and fireplaces. The hotel also has a warm feel, thanks to its friendly staff and comfortable beds. Guests can enjoy stunning views of the Southern Alps. The hotel is also close to many popular attractions, such as Fox Glacier and Franz Josef Glacier. Whether you're looking for a relaxing getaway or an adventurous base for exploring the West Coast, the Heartland Hotel Glacier Country is the perfect place to stay.

Key Contact:

Steve Shearer 027 458 8235

steves@scenicgroup.co.nz

Date and time

Start: 14 May 2025 at 10:45 AM

End: 14 May 2025 at 11:15 AM

Location

39-45 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 751 0847

https://scenichotelgroup.co.nz/fox-glacier/heartland-hotel-glacier-country

Details

Site Visit at Heartland Hotel Glacier Country (Adult) x 10



Walk from Heartland Hotel Glacier Country to Fox Glacier Guiding Heartland Hotel Glacier Country, 39-45 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand

- Start: 14 May 2025 at 11:15 AM
- End: 14 May 2025 at 11:20 AM

Location

- Start: 39-45 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand
- End: 29 Main Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

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Flying Fox Heli Hike - Fox Glacier Guiding

Fox Glacier Guiding •

Fox Glacier Guiding - Glacier Tours & Adventures, State Highway 6, Fox Glacier 7951, New Zealand



Description

No experience is required. All you need to enjoy your time on the glacier is warm clothing, sun protection, snacks to keep you energised, and a sense for adventure! We'll provide you with the necessary outerwear, boots, crampons, and technical equipment. Our highly experienced guides will get you up close to impressive ice formations and safely lead you across the glacier.

What to Bring:

- Any Essential Medication (in case your trip is extended)
- 3 4 layers of warm upper body clothing
- Sunglasses and sun protection
- A drink and snacks are useful
- A Camera
- NO Drones
- Denim jeans are not recommended\

What We Provide:

- Leather Boots
- Socks
- Crampons
- Walking poles
- Waterproof Jacket
- Overtrousers

- Small Backpack
- A great day on the ice!

Location/Check-in: All our trips depart from Fox Glacier Guiding at 44 Main Rd, Fox Glacier, West Coast, NZ. All clients need to arrive 20 minutes before their trip departure time ready for check-in.

Weather Conditions: We operate in a very changeable alpine environment and therefore we do not assess the weather conditions until check-in time for each experience. Please note we are often unable to give any weather updates until this time.

Key Contact:

Rob Jewell

027 597 5049

info@foxguides.co.nz

Confirmation

#984370

Details

Flying Fox Heli Hike - Fox Glacier Guiding (Adult) x 10

Date and time

Start: 14 May 2025 at 11:30 AM (Check-in 11:20

End: 14 May 2025 at 3:50 PM

Location

State Highway 6, Fox Glacier 7951, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 751 0825

https://www.foxguides.co.nz/

Transfer from Fox Glacier Guiding to Lake Matheson Walkway

Fox Glacier Guiding, 29 Main Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Date and time

Start: 14 May 2025 at 3:50 PM

End: 14 May 2025 at 4:00 PM

Location

Start: 29 Main Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886,

New Zealand

End: Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand



Lake Matheson is nestled in ancient forest and is famous for mirror views of Aoraki/Mount Cook and Mount Tasman. Its excellent reflecting properties are due to the dark brown colour of the water – the result of organic matter leached from the humus of the forest floor. Dawn and dusk are the best times to enjoy the reflections in the lake.

Shorter walk option: Car park to Jetty Viewpoint

Time: 45 min return car park to jetty **Distance**: 2.4 km return car park to jetty

The first section of the walk, to the Jetty Viewpoint, is suitable for assisted wheelchairs. After crossing the Clearwater suspension bridge, the walk to the Jetty Viewpoint takes you past tall kahikatea and rimu as well as a rich profusion of smaller plant varieties.

The jetty provides a magnificent mountain view reflected in the dark waters.

Date and time

Start: 14 May 2025 at 4:00 PM



Location

• 7886, New Zealand



Transfer from Lake Matheson Walkway to Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier

Lake Matheson Walk, Lake Matheson / Te Ara Kairaumati Walk, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand

Date and time

Start: 14 May 2025 at 4:55 PM

End: 14 May 2025 at 5:00 PM

Location

Start: Lake Matheson / Te Ara Kairaumati Walk, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand

• End: 11 Cook Flat Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand



Site Visit at Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier

Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier •

Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier, 11 Cook Flat Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand



Conveniently located in the heart of Fox Glacier village, Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier offers ready access to the many natural attractions of the area. Our hotel offers warm hospitality and a cosy setting for people exploring this rugged adventurer's paradise. The White Pub Café and Bar has a large screen TV and pool table for some fun times getting to know the locals and other guests alike, while the free WiFi and internet kiosk ensure that you can share your stories of the adventures with loved ones at home.

Key Contact:

Steve Shearer

027 458 8235

steves@scenicgroup.co.nz

Date and time

Start: 14 May 2025 at 5:00 PM



Location

11 Cook Flat Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 751 0839

https://www.scenichotelgroup.co.nz/fox-glacier/heartland-hotel-fox-glacier

Details

Site Visit at Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier (Adult) x 10



Transfer from Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier to Te Weheka Retreat Fox Glacier

Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier, 11 Cook Flat Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand

- Start: 14 May 2025 at 5:30 PM
- End: 14 May 2025 at 5:35 PM

Location

- Start: 11 Cook Flat Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand
- End: 15 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand

Te Weheka Hotel Fox Glacier (1 night)

Te Weheka Hotel Fox Glacier, 15 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand



Te Weheka Hotel Fox Glacier is located in the township of Fox Glacier, a lovely and quaint settlement nestled at the foot of the magnificent Southern Alps. All the hotel rooms feature their own balcony, lounge area, spacious bedroom, TVs with Free view channels and ensuite with a separate shower and bath.

The hotel is located in one of the world's most ruggedly beautiful environments - nestled beneath the towering Southern Alps. All 20 rooms are beautifully appointed and feature their own balcony, lounge area and spacious bedroom.

Hotel restaurant available for breakfast, dinner by group booking only (summer only).

• 20 x Fox Glacier Hotel rooms

Key Contact:

Ashley Baty 027 749 9885

reservations@teweheka.co.nz

Confirmation

#2668

Date and time

Check-in: 14 May 2025 at 5:35 PM

Check-out: 15 May 2025 at 7:30 AM

Location

• 15 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 751 0730

https://www.teweheka.co.nz/

Details

Stay at at Te Weheka Hotel Fox Glacier (Room & Breakfast) x 11



Operator Networking Dinner

Betsey Jane Eatery & Bar, 27 Cook Flat Road, Fox Glacier 7886, 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



14 May 2025

Location



27 Cook Flat Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand



Dine at Betsey Jane Eatery & Bar

Betsey Jane Eatery & Bar • 27 Cook Flat Road, Fox Glacier, New Zealand



Betsey Jane is a fully licenced Eatery & Bar located in Fox Glacier. We cater to a wide range of customers and are only a couple of minutes walk from the main street and most of the accommodation in Fox Glacier. We are open at 4pm 7 days a week. We offer a variety of wholesome dishes using only the best and freshest ingredients. Betsey Jane was converted from a old two bedroom cottage to a beautiful big restaurant.

Start: 14 May 2025 at 6:30 PM

End: 14 May 2025 at 8:30 PM

Details

Dine at Betsey Jane Eatery & Bar (Dinner) x 11

Location

27 Cook Flat Road, Fox Glacier, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 751 0780

https://betseyjanenz.business.site/

Walk from Te Weheka Hotel to Betsey Jane Eatery & Bar

Te Weheka Hotel Fox Glacier - Managed by THC Hotels & Resorts, 15 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886. New Zealand

Date and time

Start: 14 May 2025 at 6:15 PM

End: 14 May 2025 at 6:25 PM

Location

Start: 15 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand

• End: 27 Cook Flat Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand

Day 4 Thu, 15 May 2025



Breakfast at your leisure at the hotel

Te Weheka Hotel Fox Glacier - Managed by THC Hotels & Resorts, 15 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand

Date and time

Location

15 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand



Transport from Te Weheka Hotel to Heliservices.NZ Franz Josef

Te Weheka Hotel Fox Glacier - Managed by THC Hotels & Resorts, 15 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand

- Start: 15 May 2025 at 7:30 AM
- End: 15 May 2025 at 8:00 AM

Location

- Start: 15 Main Road, Fox Glacier 7886, New Zealand
- End: Franz Joseph Glacier, Franz Josef / Waiau 7856, New Zealand



Twin Glacier with Snow Landing - HeliServices Franz Josef

HeliServices NZ (Franz Josef) •

Heliservices.NZ Franz Josef, 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

foxfranz@heliservices.nz

Start: 15 May 2025 at 8:00 AM

End: 15 May 2025 at 9:00 AM

Location

29 Main Road, Franz Josef 7856, New Zealand

Contact

03 752 0793

http://www.heliservices.nz

Details

Twin Glacier with Snow Landing - HeliServices Franz Josef (Adult) \times 10



Walk from Heliservices.NZ to Franz Josef Wilderness Tours

Date and time

Start: 15 May 2025 at 9:00 AM

End: 15 May 2025



Off-Road Adventure - Franz Josef Wilderness Tours

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours •

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours, 30 Main Road, 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

Start: 15 May 2025 at 9:00 AM

End: 15 May 2025 at 11:00 AM

Location

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30 Main Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New 7ealand

Contact

+64 3 752 0230

https://franzjoseftours.co.nz/

Details

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



Site Visit / Product Update at Franz Josef Wilderness Tours

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours •

Franz Josef Wilderness Tours, 30 Main Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand



Explore beyond the Glaciers with Franz Josef Wilderness Tours. Join a mirror-lake Kayak Tour a Scenic Boat Tour or Fishing trip on Lake Mapourika – OR join an thrilling Off-Road Adventure Tour!

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Key Contact:

Dale & Bronwyn Borrows
027 322 6207
admin@franzjoseftours.co.nz

Start: 15 May 2025 at 11:00 AM

End: 15 May 2025 at 11:30 AM

Location

30 Main Road, Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 752 0230

https://franzjoseftours.co.nz/

Details

Site Visit / Product Update at Franz Josef Wilderness Tours (Adult) \times 10

Transfer from Franz Josef Wilderness Tours to Beachfront Hotel Hokitika

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

Date and time

Start: 15 May 2025 at 11:30 AM

End: 15 May 2025 at 1:15 PM

Location

Start: Franz Josef / Waiau 7886, New Zealand

• End: 111 Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand



Site Visit at Beachfront Hotel Hokitika

Beachfront Hotel Hokitika •

Beachfront Hotel Hokitika, 111 Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand



Located right on the beach, the stunning Beachfront Hotel is located in central Hokitika on New Zealand's West Coast. With its unique location on the shores of the Tasman Sea and in the centre of Hokitika, beachcombing, shopping, artisan shops, and galleries are right on the hotel's doorstep.

The hotel offers five categories of rooms – from elegant street-front Driftwood Rooms to modern, luxury and spacious Ocean View Rooms with an uninterrupted view of the beach, to the magnificent Penthouse.

Key Contact:

Leana Simpson 021 154 1129

marketing@beachfronthotel.co.nz

Date and time

Start: 15 May 2025 at 1:15 PM

End: 15 May 2025 at 1:45 PM

Location

111 Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 755 8344

http://www.beachfronthotel.co.nz/

Details

Site Visit at Beachfront Hotel Hokitika (Adult) x 10



Lunch from The Hokitika Sandwich Company

The Hokitika Sandwich Company •

The Hokitika Sandwich Company - West Coast, 83a Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New 7ealand



Real Food Locally Sourced: Our bread is baked from scratch every morning by a local baker. ① Our meat is free range and local, crafted the old-fashioned way by an artisan butcher. ② Our cheese is handmade by a variety of South Island cheesemakers. ② Our condiments are fresh and made in-house. ② Our salad is picked every morning by a local grower. ② Our meats and cheeses are sliced fresh as we make your sandwich.

Date and time

Start: 15 May 2025 at 1:15 PM

End: 15 May 2025

Location

83a Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand

Contact

+64 3 429 2019

https://www.hokitikasandwichcompany.com/

Details

Lunch from The Hokitika Sandwich Company (Lunch) $\times 11$



Transfer from Beachfront Hotel to Maruia Hot Springs

Beachfront Hotel Hokitika, 111 Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand

- Start: 15 May 2025 at 1:45 PM
- End: 15 May 2025 at 4:05 PM

Location

- Start: 111 Revell Street, Hokitika 7810, New Zealand
- End: 1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7895, New Zealand



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: 15 May 2025 at 4:05 PM

End: 15 May 2025 at 7:00 PM

Location

1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7847, New Zealand

Contact

https://www.maruiahotsprings.nz/

Details

Bathe & Sauna (Adult) x 11



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: 15 May 2025 at 7:00 PM

End: 15 May 2025 at 9:00 PM

Location

1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7847, New Zealand

Contact

https://www.maruiahotsprings.nz/

Details

Gourmet Dining Experience (Dinner) \times 11



Maruia Hot Springs (1 night)

Maruia, 1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7847, New Zealand



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Onsite Restaurant.

Key Contact:

David James

022 187 9544

djwatson@maruiahotsprings.nz

Date and time

Check-in: 15 May 2025 at 4:05 PM

Check-out: 16 May 2025

Location

1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7847, New

Contact

https://www.maruiahotsprings.nz/

Details

Hotel Room (Mountain View Room & Breakfast) x 11

Day 5 Fri, 16 May 2025



Breakfast at your leisure at the hotel

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

Date and time

16 May 2025

Location

1513 State Highway 7, Lewis Pass 7895, New Zealand

Transfer from Maruia Hot Springs to Christchurch International **Airport**

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

Date and time

Start: 16 May 2025 at 8:00 AM

End: 16 May 2025 at 1:30 PM

Location

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

End: 30 Durey Road, Christchurch 8053, New **7**ealand



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

Key Trade Contact:

Development West Coast Taylor Tian 022 646 5147

taylor@dwc.org.nz

Date and time



Location

• Christchurch, New Zealand