

*"Even torrential rain adds to the atmosphere of this magical place, as an ethereal mist descends, periodically lifting to reveal the waterfalls at their thunderous best."*

ROUGH GUIDE TO NEW ZEALAND

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# Trade Manual 2016 - 2017

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*Experience  
the best of  
Southern  
New Zealand  
with us*



# WELCOME

Based in Southern New Zealand, Real Journeys shares this exceptional corner of the world through remarkable tourism experiences.

MILFORD SOUND, FIORDLAND NATIONAL PARK

Our natural heritage is our focus, from Stewart Island in the far south to Te Anau, Doubtful and Milford Sounds in the World Heritage area of Fiordland, the adventure capital of Queenstown, and up through Christchurch and the Banks Peninsula.

Founded in May 1954 by tourism pioneers Les and Olive Hutchins, the company remains true to their guiding principles of conservation and Southern hospitality.

We have a strong conservation ethic and appreciation for the special regions we work in and have a number of initiatives to look after and preserve these environments.

We monitor our carbon footprint and through the adoption of technical innovations minimise emissions, wake and noise pollution. The quality of our plant and day-to-day operational practices ensures that we can offer visitors the best experience possible while minimising our impact on the environment.

## Our national-level awards include:

- Qualmark Enviro Silver accreditation
- Qualmark Endorsed Visitor Activity accreditation
- Qualmark Endorsed Visitor Transport accreditation
- Qualmark Accommodation four star plus accreditation (Stewart Island Lodge)



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# GETTING TO Milford Sound

No matter how many photos you've seen of Milford Sound, nothing can prepare you for the incredible feeling of actually being there. It is an inspiring and exceptional place and getting there is definitely part of the experience.

Whether you are travelling independently or coaching with us, the overland route, which traverses the Te Wāhipounamu UNESCO World Heritage Area, will be a trip highlight. To ensure hassle free connections with our cruise options, we operate our own fleet of luxury glass-roof coaches and aircraft.

## Milford Sound Highlights

- Travel the world renowned Milford Road – voted most scenic road in the world (theluxurytravelexpert.com, 2014)
- Be over awed by the vista of Mitre Peak rising 1,692 metres out of the water
- Cruise Milford Sound – the ultimate way to experience the unforgettable grandeur of this mighty fiord

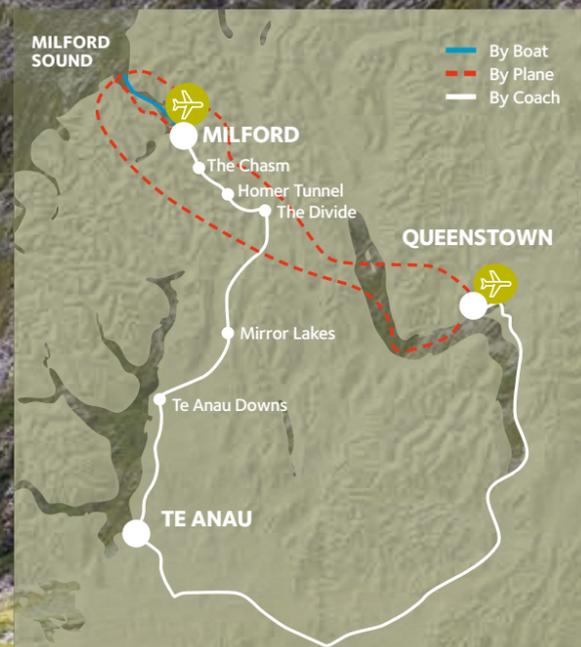


STIRLING FALLS, MILFORD SOUND

## Points of interest on the Milford Road

- TE ANAU DOWNS**  
Departure point for the Milford Track
  - MIRROR LAKES**  
Famous for their mountain reflections
  - THE DIVIDE**  
Pass across the Southern Alps
  - HOMER TUNNEL**  
1219m long with a 1 in 10 gradient
  - THE CHASM**  
Powerful waterfalls and sculpted rock
- These are just a few of the potential stops along the Milford Road. Our drivers will choose the best ones depending on the season and weather – each day is different.*

Coach design minimises emissions, wake and noise pollution and boosts fuel efficiency.



MILFORD ROAD

## By Coach

- Luxury glass-roofed coaches with glass above every seat
- Seats are angled towards the window and are reclinable
- Theatre-style seating allows unobstructed views
- Air conditioned for comfort
- Stop in Te Anau for a 30 minute coffee break and enjoy the view of Lake Te Anau
- Plenty of opportunities for photo stops and short walks along the Milford Road
- Experienced local drivers provide detailed commentaries
- Accommodation pick ups available in Queenstown and Te Anau



COACH INTERIOR



MIRROR LAKES, MILFORD ROAD

# GETTING TO Milford Sound

Take the view from above on an extraordinary scenic flight, before connecting to a cruise in Milford Sound.



*“Top place to visit in 2015”*

HUFFINGTON POST

Milford Sound is the top ‘new place’ to visit according to Huffington Post. The blog says Milford was described by Rudyard Kipling as the ‘eighth wonder of the world’ and is a stunning destination all year round.



## By Plane

Flying between Queenstown and Milford Sound is an awe-inspiring way to experience southern New Zealand’s dramatic alpine scenery.

- Remarkable viewing from every seat on the aircraft
- All aircraft are particularly suited for flying over rugged, mountainous terrain such as the spectacular Southern Alps
- Look out over high country farmland and glacial lakes
- Informative commentary provided by experienced pilots
- Detailed flight plan handouts are also available on board (English, Japanese and Chinese)
- Fly-over options available
- Taxi pick ups and drop offs provided from most Queenstown accommodation



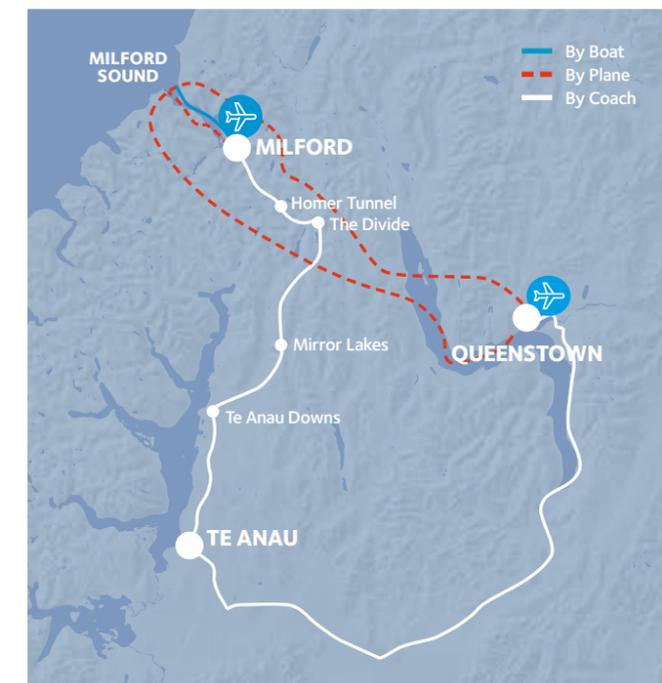
## By Helicopter

- We coordinate spectacular helicopter flights between Queenstown and Milford to connect with our cruises in Milford Sound
- View mountains, valleys and ice fields up close, and if weather permits a glacier landing is included
- Real Journeys contracts experienced helicopter operators to provide this service
- Option to stop at Walter Peak
- AS350 B2 helicopters

## Aircraft Fleet

- Three Britten Norman Islander aircraft (twin engine, nine seater)
- Three GA8 Airvan (single engine, six seater)
- One Cessna Caravan (single engine, 12 seater)

*Note: Additional aircraft (single or twin engine) are subcontracted as required. All flights are weather dependent.*



## MILFORD SOUND

# Nature Cruises

See, learn and experience more!

### Milford Mariner

- Traditional style motor vessel with staysail schooner rigged sails
- Dining saloon, observation lounge and three viewing decks
- Length: 40 metres

### Milford Wanderer

- Traditional style motor vessel with gaff rigged ketch sails
- Dining saloon and two viewing decks
- Length: 30 metres



MILFORD MARINER

## Our longest and most leisurely Milford Sound cruise.

- Explore Milford Sound on a relaxed and interactive cruise
- Cruise up to two hours fifteen minutes exploring the full length of the fiord, past St Anne's Point Lighthouse and right out to the Tasman Sea (weather permitting)
- A dedicated Nature Guide provides informative commentary and interacts with guests
- Nose right into the waterfalls and the fiord's sheer cliff faces
- Wildlife viewing opportunities including seals, penguins and dolphins
- Smaller boats provide a more interactive cruise
- English only commentary
- Interpretation handouts in eight languages (English, German, French, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Japanese and Thai)
- Picnic lunch, Indian lunch box and Obento available (must be pre-ordered). Snacks available for purchase on board
- Complimentary tea and coffee available and licensed bar on board
- Queenstown and Te Anau glass-roofed coach connections
- Year round Queenstown flight options connecting to selected Nature Cruise departures



Season	Departs - Returns
<b>From Milford</b>	<b>Cruise Only</b>
Nov - Apr	10.30am - 12.45pm
May - Sep	10.30am - 12.30pm
May - Sep	12.55pm - 2.55pm
Nov - Apr	1.35pm - 3.50pm
<b>From Te Anau</b>	<b>Coach + Cruise</b>
Nov - Apr	8am - 4.30pm
May - Sep	9.50am - 4.45pm
Nov - Apr	10.20am - 5.45pm
<b>From Queenstown</b>	<b>Coach + Cruise</b>
May - Sep	6.55am - 7.45pm
Nov - Apr	7.15am - 8pm
<b>From Queenstown</b>	<b>Coach + Cruise + Flight</b>
May - Sep	6.55am - 4.10pm
Nov - Apr	7.15am - 5.10pm
<b>From Queenstown</b>	<b>Flight + Cruise*</b>
May - Sep	9am - 1.40pm
May - Sep	12noon - 4.10pm
Nov - Apr	12.30pm - 5.10pm

\*Includes a free picnic lunch.  
 Note: Milford Mariner and Milford Wanderer are interchanged for Nature Cruises and the MV Sinbad may also be used during peak periods.



FIORDLAND CRESTED PENGUINS



VIEW OF MITRE PEAK

# MILFORD SOUND

# Scenic Cruises

## Experience Milford Sound's towering peaks and wild waterfalls.

- Cruise past waterfalls to the mouth of the fiord on a modern, spacious vessel with excellent viewing
- One hour 40 minute cruise
- Wildlife viewing opportunities including seals, penguins and dolphins
- Get close to waterfalls to witness nature's power
- Mono hull design offers the most window seating in Milford
- Enjoy uninterrupted views from comfortable interiors
- Private area available for groups
- Nature Guide provides interactive commentary on the 1.45pm Scenic Cruise (English only)
- Lunches prepared on board include International Buffet, Indian Buffet, Rock Lobster starter, seafood platter, Obento, Indian lunch box and picnic (all must be pre-ordered); sandwiches and snacks available for purchase
- Lower level kitchen galley and buffet means uninterrupted views from main decks
- Complimentary tea and coffee available and licensed bar on board
- Multi-lingual commentaries with foreign language guides on selected departures
- Interpretation handouts in eight languages (English, German, French, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Japanese and Thai)
- Queenstown and Te Anau glass-roofed coach connections
- Year round Queenstown flight options connecting to selected Scenic Cruise departures (weather dependent)

## Milford Sovereign

- Scenic motor vessel purpose built for cruising within Milford Sound (recently renovated in 2015)
- Three spacious observation decks
- State of the art navigation and safety equipment
- Espresso coffee available
- Length: 40 metres
- Variety of catering options available

Note: Milford Monarch is similar in design and specifications

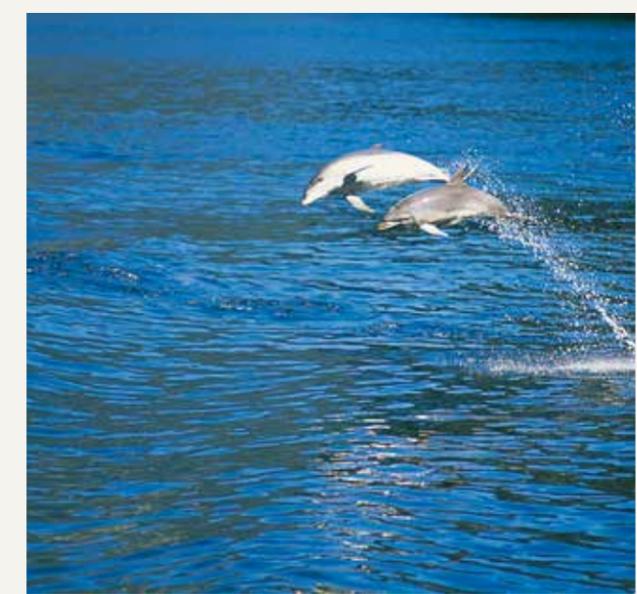
MILFORD SOVEREIGN



Route may vary dependent upon weather

Season	Departs - Returns
<b>From Milford → Cruise Only</b>	
Nov - Apr	9am - 10.40am
All Year	11am - 12.40pm
Nov - Apr	12noon - 1.30pm*
All Year	1pm - 2.40pm
Nov - Apr	1.45pm - 3.25pm
Nov - Apr	3pm - 4.40pm
<b>From Te Anau → Coach + Cruise</b>	
Nov - Apr	8am - 4.30pm
All Year	9.50am - 5.25pm
<b>From Queenstown → Coach + Cruise</b>	
All Year	6.55am - 7.30pm
Nov - Apr	7.15am - 8pm
<b>From Queenstown → Coach + Cruise + Flight</b>	
All Year	6.55am - 3.40pm
Nov - Apr	7.15am - 5.10pm
<b>From Queenstown → Flight + Cruise*</b>	
Nov - 15 Apr	8am - 11.40am
All Year	10am - 1.40pm
16 Apr - Sep	12noon - 3.40pm
Nov - Mar	2pm - 5.40pm
<b>From Queenstown → Heli + Cruise</b>	
All Year	10am - 1.40pm

\*Please note: this cruise is a shorter duration at 1hr 30mins.  
 \*Includes a free picnic lunch or snack box on 8am departure.  
 Check in 20mins prior to departure.



## MILFORD SOUND

# Lunch Options

From the freshest ingredients our talented chefs create delicious lunch options.

All lunches are available on Scenic Cruises and must be ordered 24 hours prior to departure.

Obento, Indian lunch box and picnic lunches are available on Nature Cruises, if pre-ordered.

Sandwiches and snacks available for purchase on board all vessels. Bar facilities available. Tea and coffee are complimentary on board all vessels.

*Note: Dietary requirements catered for if arranged 24 hours prior to departure.*

*Lunch options may vary according to season*

 Available on Scenic Cruises

 Available on Nature Cruises



### Rock Lobster Starter and International Buffet



Half Fiordland Rock Lobster, served with international buffet.



### Seafood Platter



Prawns, squid, salmon, prawn twisters. Crayfish option available (extra cost).



### International Buffet



Steamed dumplings, steamed seasonal greens, stir-fried seasonal greens, green lip mussels, steamed South Island fish, chicken dish, Southland beef or venison, Cardrona merino lamb, kimchi, seasonal salads, steamed rice, noodles, fresh fruit, ice cream.



### Indian Lunch Box



Spring rolls, samosas, onion salad with lettuce, dahl, vegetable curry, rice, naan bread, mango pickle, plain yoghurt, ice cream, apple and fruit selection (available on 11am, 1pm and 1.45pm Scenic Cruises and 1.35pm Nature Cruise).



### Obento



Salmon and avocado maki, cucumber sushi roll, tuna nigiri, inari sushi, steamed banana prawns, ponzu, marinated tofu, poached teriyaki chicken, steamed vegetable, soba noodles, daikon and wakame salad, hot rice, furikake served with miso, soy sauce, wasabi and pickled ginger.



### Picnic Lunch



Sandwich, cookie, cheese and crackers, fruit and juice (vegetarian option available if requested at the time of booking).



## MILFORD SOUND

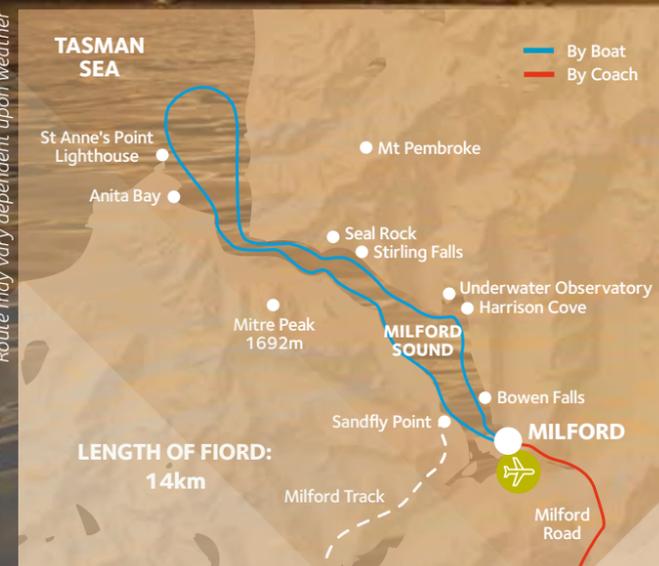
# Overnight Cruises

### The ultimate Milford Sound experience.

- Experience the grandeur of Milford Sound when all other day visitors have departed
- Enjoy the sun setting and rising over this UNESCO World Heritage Area
- Keep an eye out for wildlife – seals, penguins and dolphins
- Cruise the full length of Milford Sound at a leisurely pace, past St Anne's Point Lighthouse out to the Tasman Sea (weather permitting)
- Dedicated Nature Guides impart specialist knowledge about the region's history, flora and fauna ensuring a memorable trip for all guests. English only commentary
- Enjoy a relaxed evening of activities, which may include exploring the fiord up close by kayak or tender boat, or a walk on the world famous Milford Track
- Meet like minded people on this informal and interactive, once in a lifetime experience
- Interpretation handouts in eight languages (English, German, French, Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Japanese and Thai)
- Daily Queenstown and Te Anau glass roofed coach connections
- Queenstown fly-back options (weather dependent)



Route may vary dependent upon weather



### Milford Wanderer

- Choose to experience an exclusive walk on the world famous Milford Track or hop on the tender boat to explore the fiord up close
- Hearty three course dinner including soups, roast meats, vegetables, salads and dessert (vegetarian options available)
- Licensed bar on board
- Cooked and continental breakfast options
- Twin/double cabins with shared bathroom facilities



### Milford Mariner

- Choose to explore the fiord up close by kayak or tender boat
- Three course buffet dinner including appetisers, soups, salads, hot dishes, carvery meats, seafood and a selection of desserts and cheeses (vegetarian options available)
- Licensed bar on board
- Learn more of Milford Sound's history from the Nature Guide presentation after dinner
- Full buffet breakfast with cooked and continental options
- Twin/double cabins with ensuite bathrooms



Season	Departs - Returns (Day 2)	Vessel
<b>From Milford - Overnight Cruise</b>		
May & 16 - 30 Sep	3.30pm - 9.15am	Mariner
Nov - Apr	4.30pm - 9.15am	Mariner
Nov - Mar	4.30pm - 9.15am	Wanderer
<b>From Te Anau - Coach + Overnight Cruise</b>		
Nov - 20 May & 16 - 30 Sep	12.45pm - 12.30pm	Mariner
Nov - Mar	12.45pm - 12.30pm	Wanderer
<b>From Queenstown - Coach + Overnight Cruise</b>		
Nov - 20 May & 16 - 30 Sep	8.30am - 3.30pm	Mariner
Nov - Mar	8.30am - 3.30pm	Wanderer

Check in 20mins prior to departure.

# Milford Mariner

## Design Features

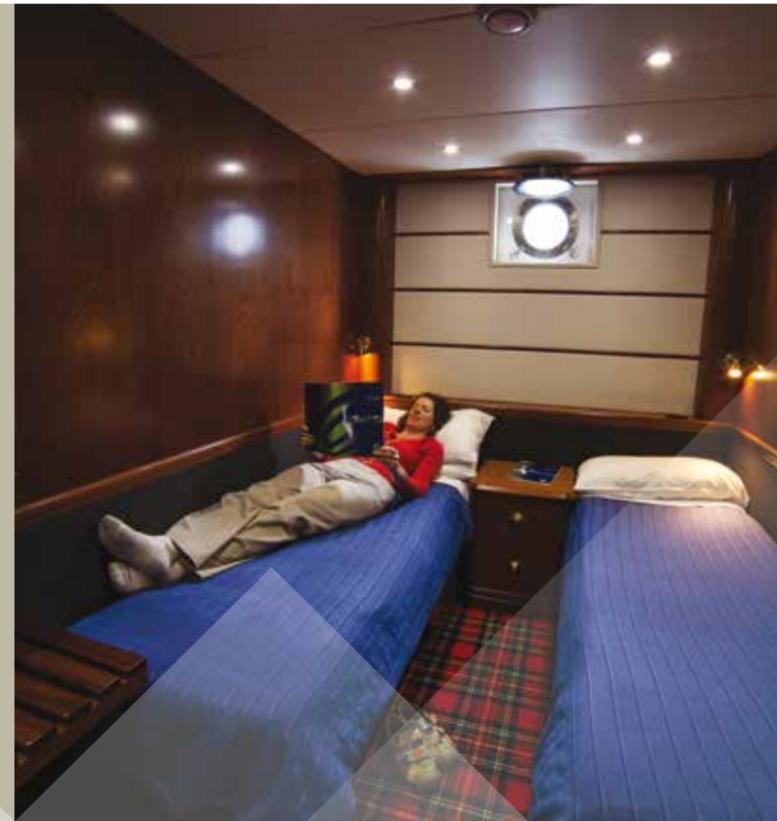
- Dining saloon, observation lounge and viewing decks
- 28 comfortable private cabins with ensuite bathrooms (16 twin singles / 12 double beds) and two ensuite family rooms with four bunk beds
- Capacity: 64 passengers (overnight)
- Length: 40 metres



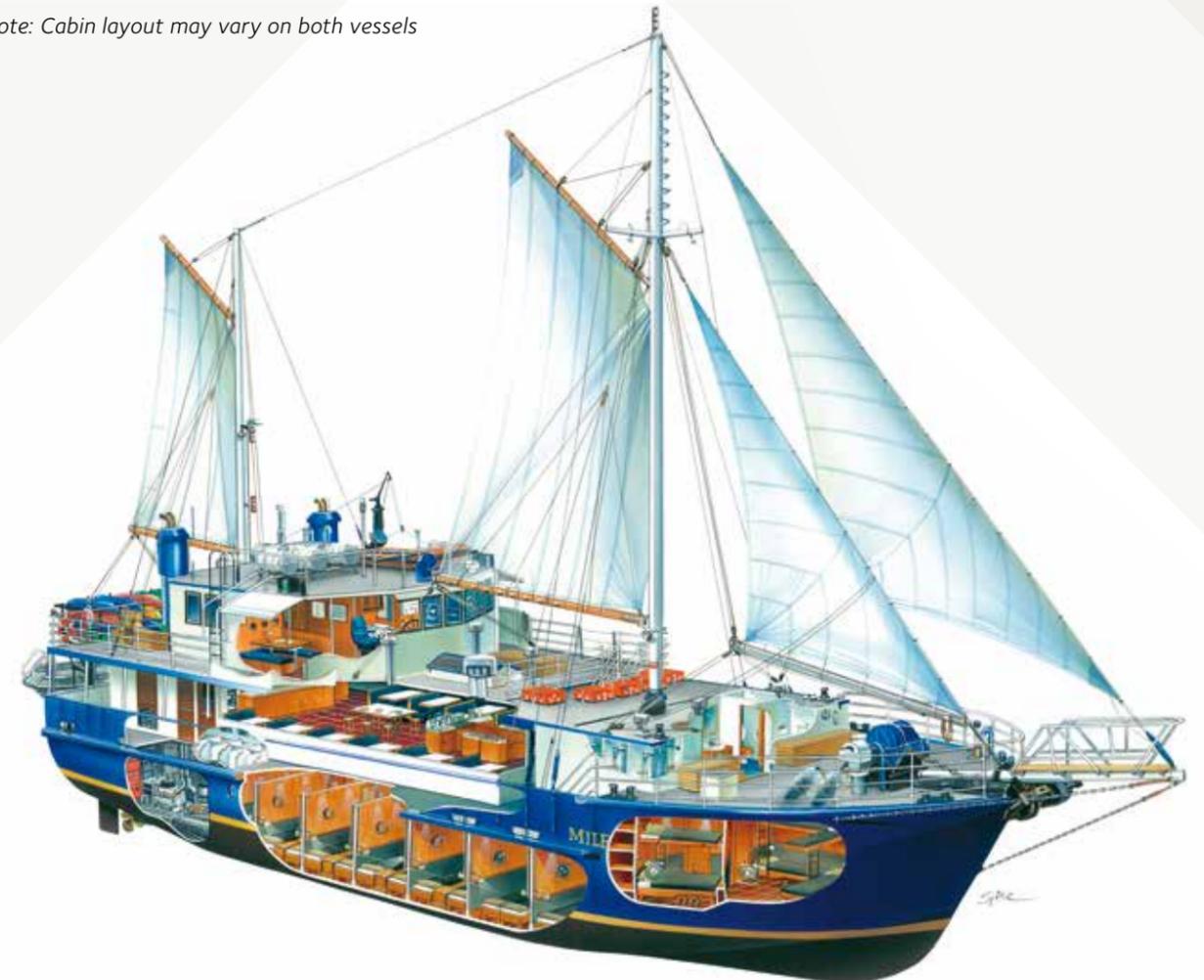
# Milford Wanderer

## Design Features

- Dining saloon and viewing decks
- 14 comfortable private cabins (twin singles / double beds) and two quad-share bunk style cabins all with modern shared bathroom facilities
- Capacity: 36 passengers (overnight)
- Length: 30 metres



*Note: Cabin layout may vary on both vessels*





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# Sea Kayak



**Sea Kayak**  
FIORDLAND

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## MILFORD MUST DO

Join a small group sea kayak in Milford Sound accompanied by an experienced guide. Get close to thundering waterfalls and explore the fiord edges and sheer cliffs. Look out for seals, penguins and possibly dolphins.

4 - 5hrs kayaking involved  
Small groups, maximum eight per guide  
Hot drinks and snack provided  
Te Anau coach connections available



### DEPART MILFORD

Nov - Apr 8.30am - 3pm  
Oct 9.30am - 3pm

Duration from 5hrs 30mins  
Departs from Deepwater Basin

### DEPART TE ANAU

Nov - Apr 6.30am - 6pm  
Oct 7.30am - 6pm

Duration from 10hrs 30mins



## TRACK TASTER

An ideal half day on Milford Sound with a leisurely two hour paddle around Deep Water Basin and Sandfly Point plus a two hour easy walk along the final section of the famous Milford Track.

2hrs kayaking involved  
2hrs walking involved  
Small groups, maximum eight per guide  
Minimum age 14yrs



### DEPART MILFORD

15 Dec - 28 Mar 3pm - 7.30pm  
Duration approx 4hrs 30mins  
Departs from Deepwater Basin

## MILFORD MAGIC

A great combination of sea kayaking and cruising Milford Sound. Enjoy a relaxed morning paddle before joining a 2.5 hour cruise of the fiord out to the Tasman Sea. Look out for seals and other wildlife. Picnic Lunch included.

2 - 2.5hrs kayaking involved  
Milford Sound Cruise included  
Picnic lunch is included  
Small groups, maximum eight per guide



### DEPART MILFORD

Nov - Apr 8.30am - 4pm  
Duration from 6hrs  
Departs from Deepwater Basin

MILFORD SOUND

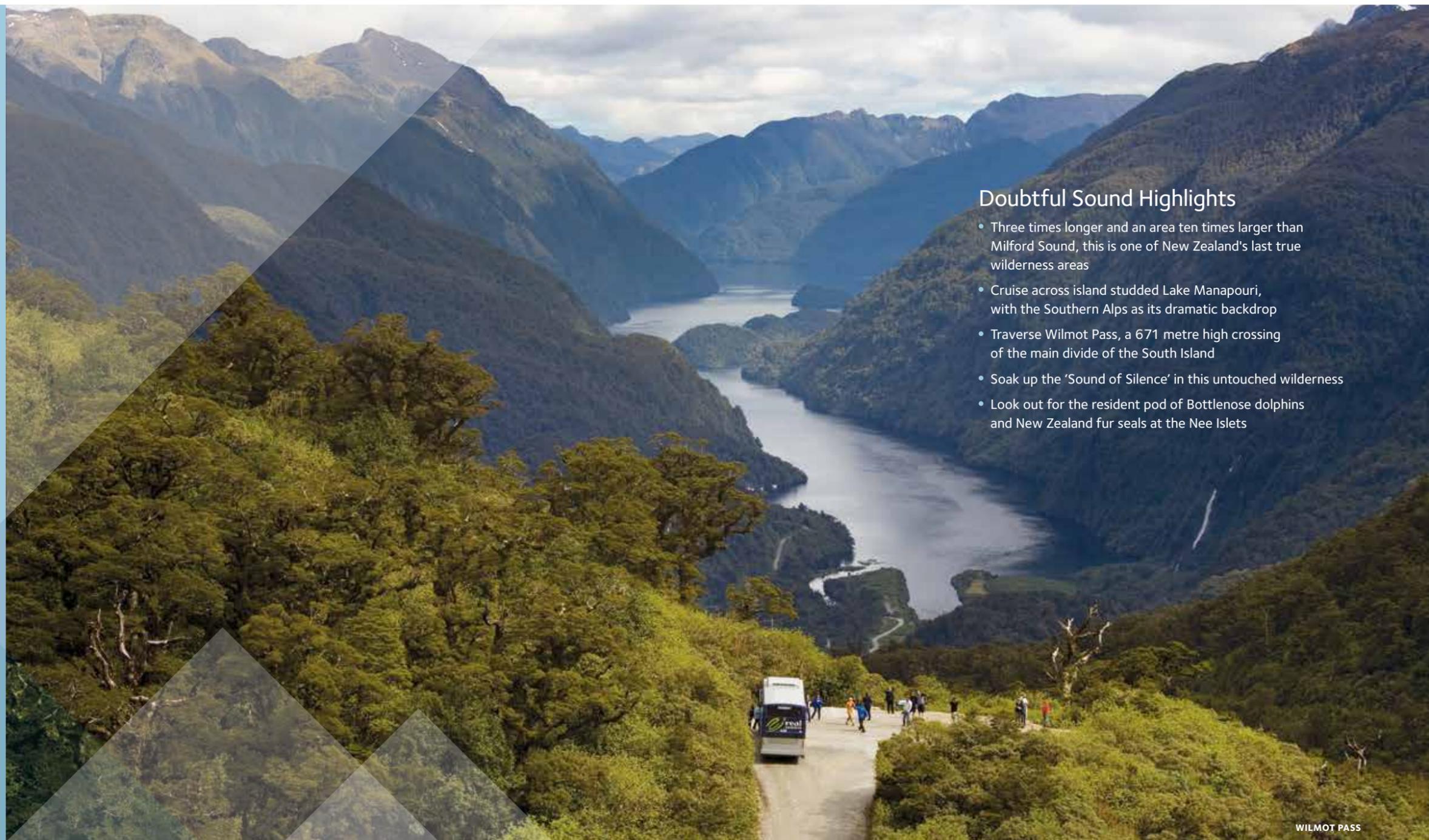


It's exciting  
being out on  
the water  
and there is  
the feeling  
of really  
experiencing  
an exceptional  
place.



# GETTING TO Doubtful Sound

Real Journeys is the only operator offering daily connections to Doubtful Sound – a wilderness fiord that is otherwise inaccessible.



WILMOT PASS

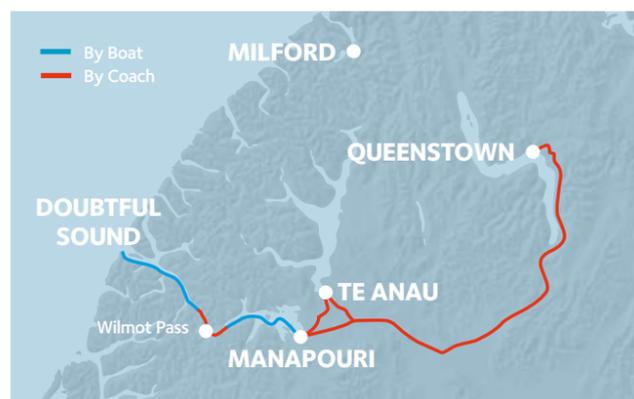
## Doubtful Sound Highlights

- Three times longer and an area ten times larger than Milford Sound, this is one of New Zealand's last true wilderness areas
- Cruise across island studded Lake Manapouri, with the Southern Alps as its dramatic backdrop
- Traverse Wilmot Pass, a 671 metre high crossing of the main divide of the South Island
- Soak up the 'Sound of Silence' in this untouched wilderness
- Look out for the resident pod of Bottlenose dolphins and New Zealand fur seals at the Nee Islets

## Doubtful Sound lies at the geographic heart of Fiordland National Park.

Discover Doubtful Sound and be struck by the quality of its silence – a silence broken only by birdsong, or the rushing of a distant waterfall or river.

Begin with a cruise across the crystal clear waters of Lake Manapouri. Then it's over Wilmot Pass, stopping along the way to view some of Fiordland's most dense rainforest and Doubtful Sound far below. On reaching Deep Cove, join our daytime Wilderness Cruise or our renowned Overnight Cruise.



LAKE MANAPOURI

## By Coach

### From Queenstown

Travel on our luxury coach for only two hours along the shores of Lake Wakatipu and through rolling countryside to Manapouri. Pick ups are available from our Queenstown Visitor Centre and most accommodation.

### From Te Anau

A smaller coach provides a 30 minute transfer to Manapouri for travellers joining our Doubtful Sound daytime wilderness cruises and overnight cruises. Pick ups from Te Anau Visitor Centre and most accommodation.

## DOUBTFUL SOUND

# Wilderness Cruises

Secluded, uninhabited and wild.

- Experience a day trip into the remote wilderness of Doubtful Sound
- Explore Doubtful Sound's vast waterways on a three hour cruise out to the Tasman Sea
- Keep a look out for penguins, seals at the Nee Islets, and the resident pod of Bottlenose dolphins
- Dedicated Nature Guide with specialist knowledge of flora and fauna imparts interesting information about the area
- Hear only birdsong and waterfalls during the 'Sound of Silence', while floating on the fiord with the boat's engines turned off
- Witness the inner workings of the Manapouri Underground Power Station (selected departures)
- Interpretation handouts in six languages (English, German, French, Spanish, Chinese and Japanese)

Season	Departs - Returns
<b>From Manapouri</b> Cruise Only	
Nov - Apr	8am - 3.15pm
May - Sep	9.45am - 5.15pm
Nov - Apr	10.30am* - 5.45pm
<b>From Te Anau</b> Coach + Cruise	
Nov - Apr	7am - 4.30pm
May - Sep	8.45am - 6pm
Nov - Apr	9.30am* - 6.30pm
<b>From Queenstown</b> Coach + Cruise	
May - Sep	6.55am - 7.45pm
Nov - Apr	7.15am* - 8.15pm

Check in 20mins prior to departure.

\*Manapouri Underground Power Station is not available with these departures.



Route shown are indicative only

## Lunch Options



### Picnic Lunch

Filled Turkish bread, fresh fruit, cheese and crackers and muesli slice



### Noodle Box

Asian noodles, fresh fruit, cake, cheese and crackers



### Deluxe Picnic Lunch

Filled Turkish bread, filled croissant, fresh fruit, cake selection, cheese and crackers, dried fruit and nut mix



## Patea Explorer

- High speed catamaran purpose built for cruising within Doubtful Sound
- Luxurious interior with comfortable seating and spacious decks
- Floor to ceiling windows on the bridge deck and transparent covered outdoor area
- Licensed bar and espresso café on board
- Video camera and audio visual screens provide navigational information
- Length: 31.6 metres

DOUBTFUL SOUND

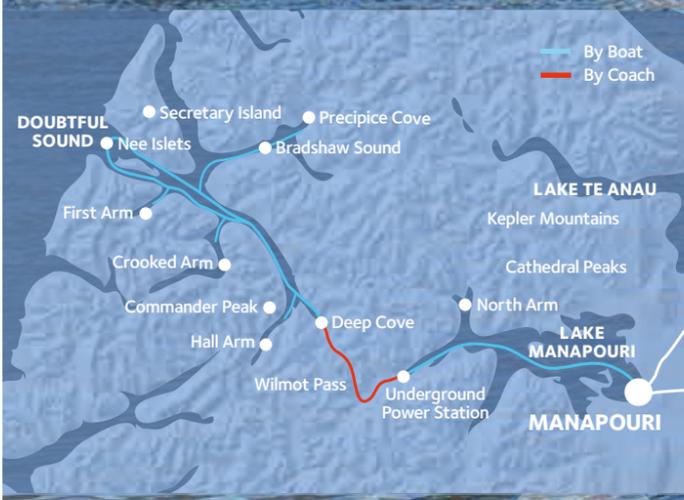
# Overnight Cruises

Voted "Best Small Cruise of the Year"

OUTSIDE MAGAZINE, USA, 2015



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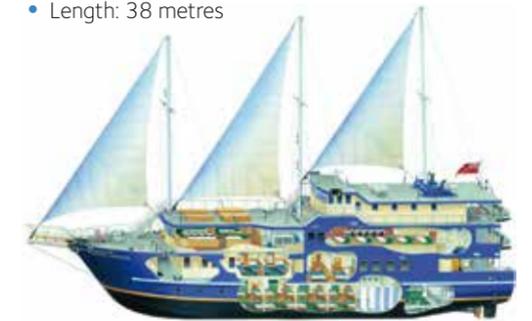
Wake up to wilderness in one of New Zealand's most spectacular and pristine fiords.

- Leisurely cruise with time to explore Doubtful Sound's vast waterways on your way to the Tasman Sea
- Keep a lookout for wildlife – penguins, seals and the local pod of Bottlenose dolphins
- Hear only birdsong and waterfalls during the 'Sound of Silence', while floating on the fiord with the boat's engines turned off
- Dedicated Nature Guide provides specialist knowledge of the region's history, flora and fauna
- Explore the fiord further and closer by tender boat or kayak
- Three course buffet dinner including appetisers, soups, salads, hot dishes, carvery meat, seafood and a selection of desserts and cheeses
- Full buffet breakfast including cooked and continental options
- English only commentary
- Interpretation handouts in six languages (English, German, French, Spanish, Chinese and Japanese)
- Daily Queenstown and Te Anau coach connections

Season	Departs - Returns (Day 2)
<b>From Manapouri Overnight Cruise</b>	
Apr - 20 May & Sep	12noon - 11.45am
Nov - Mar	12.30pm - 11.45am
<b>From Te Anau Coach + Overnight Cruise</b>	
Apr - 20 May & Sep	11am - 12.45pm
Nov - Mar	11.30am - 12.45pm
<b>From Queenstown Coach + Overnight Cruise</b>	
Nov - 20 May & Sep	8.30am - 3.30pm

## Fiordland Navigator

- Dining saloon, observation lounge, viewing decks
- 18 private cabins with ensuite bathrooms (12 twin singles / 6 double beds)
- Nine quad-share bunk style compartments with a shared bathroom facility
- Capacity: 72 passengers (overnight)
- Length: 38 metres



Note: Cabin layout may vary





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# Sea Kayak

## DOUBTFUL SOUND OVERNIGHTER

The Doubtful Sound overnigher is all about allowing yourself some quality time to experience a personal adventure; a genuine sea kayaking and camping trip in a remote environment that epitomises what Fiordland wilderness is all about – and of course having fun along the way! Each day involves approximately five hours kayaking amidst towering cliffs, waterfalls and lush rainforest. Penguins, seals and dolphins are sometimes encountered and bird song breaks the silence as we paddle the shoreline.

In the evening we camp amidst the forest in Hall Arm beside a fresh water stream – a special place in which to relax as dusk descends.



Crossing of Lake Manapouri and Wilmot Pass included  
5hrs kayaking involved each day  
Overnight camping  
Hot drinks provided  
Small groups, maximum eight per guide  
Te Anau coach connections available

**DEPART MANAPOURI**  
Oct - Apr  
6.45am - 5pm (day 2)  
Duration 2 days

If we can't kayak due to deteriorating weather, the kayaking may be replaced by a launch cruise and camping replaced with a hostel.

**DEPART TE ANAU**  
Oct - Apr  
6.15am - 5.30pm (day 2)  
Duration 2 days

Please phone by 5pm day prior to departure to confirm pick up place and time and to advise your height and weight (wet suit sizing).

**“Kayaking is by far the best way to intimately explore the unique sounds and sights of this natural wonder and spending the night enhances this experience.”**

- NZ Adventure Magazine

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## 3 DAY EPIC

Doubtful Sound is a vast, untouched wilderness. Three times longer than Milford Sound it has a sea surface area roughly ten times larger due to its longer length and many side arms. The more time you spend in Doubtful Sound, the greater the rewards. There are wonderful secluded waterways and islands to explore.

Our multi-day trips are designed to really enhance your understanding of wilderness and adventure. They offer a challenge at all levels and an experience of a lifetime.

Please contact us for more details.

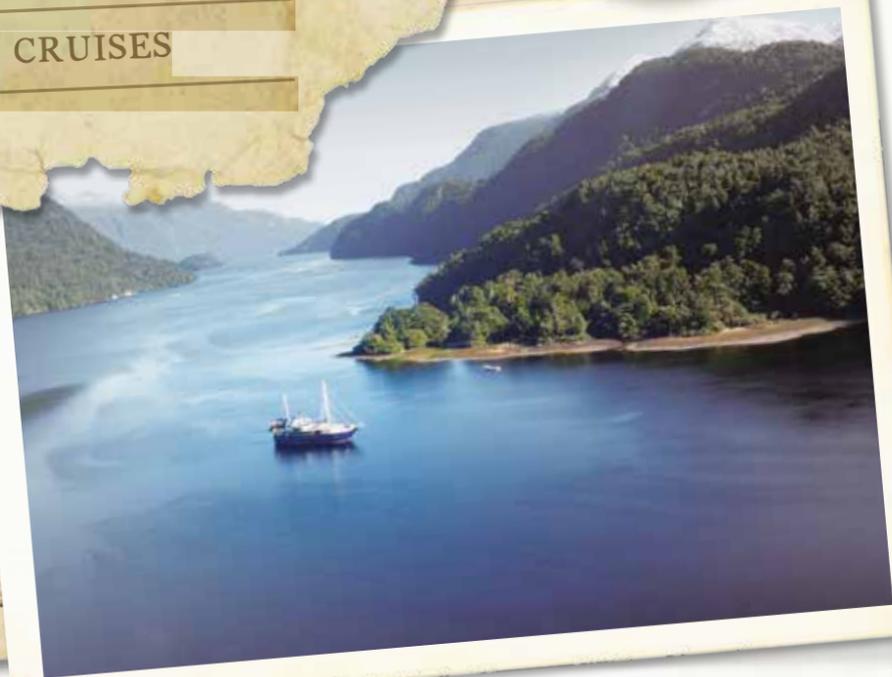


Crossing of Lake Manapouri and Wilmot Pass included  
Small groups, maximum eight per guide (minimum numbers apply)  
A reasonable level of fitness, water confidence and previous experience required  
Te Anau coach connections included  
Hot drinks provided; kayakers supply own food

Contact us directly to find out more. All kayakers meet at our Te Anau base the day before departure where we answer questions and work through trip details.

# Discovery Expeditions

## MULTI-DAY CRUISES



A multi-day Discovery Expedition takes you on an exploration of Fiordland or Stewart Island, delving into the rich natural and human histories of the regions. You get to reach out and touch the stunning landscapes with opportunities to disembark and explore relics of settlements long past.

All Discovery Expeditions have onboard specialist Nature Guides, who are experts on Southern New Zealand, providing an informative commentary, spotting wildlife and taking guided walks and activities.

Passenger numbers are limited to 32 creating a friendly and relaxed atmosphere on board the purpose built Milford Wanderer. With sumptuous meals and an attentive crew, all your needs are looked after against an awe-inspiring backdrop.

Discovery Expeditions attract people of all ages. An average level of fitness is recommended along with a love of the outdoors and a sense of adventure.

**PRESERVATION INLET**  
SIX NIGHTS / SEVEN DAYS  
Departs from Manapouri in Apr, May, Aug & Sep

**DUSKY SOUND**  
FOUR NIGHTS / FIVE DAYS  
Departs from Manapouri in Aug & Sep

**STEWART ISLAND**  
FIVE NIGHTS / SIX DAYS  
Departs from Bluff in Jul & Oct

## DISCOVER FIORDLAND

### DUSKY SOUND

FOUR NIGHT CRUISE  
with helicopter transfer options

With more than 350 islands, Dusky and Breaksea Sounds offer many idyllic spots for mooring, kayaking and trips ashore. This cruise will also take you to Doubtful Sound, well known for its wildlife, including fur seals and a resident pod of bottlenose dolphins.

### PRESERVATION INLET

SIX NIGHT CRUISE  
with helicopter transfer options

Preservation and Chalky Inlets are New Zealand's southernmost and seldom visited fiords. The windswept coastlines and broad beaches allow excellent opportunities for landing and exploration. These cruises encompass the highlights of the Dusky Sound trip and can include Breaksea and Doubtful Sounds.

## MILFORD WANDERER

- » Sleeps 32
- » Warm, comfortable cabins (twin share / double)
- » Duvets, sheets and towels provided
- » Modern bathroom facilities with hot showers
- » Cosy dining saloon
- » Hearty meals prepared by our onboard chef
- » Specialist Nature Guides
- » Kayaks and small boats available
- » Open bridge policy

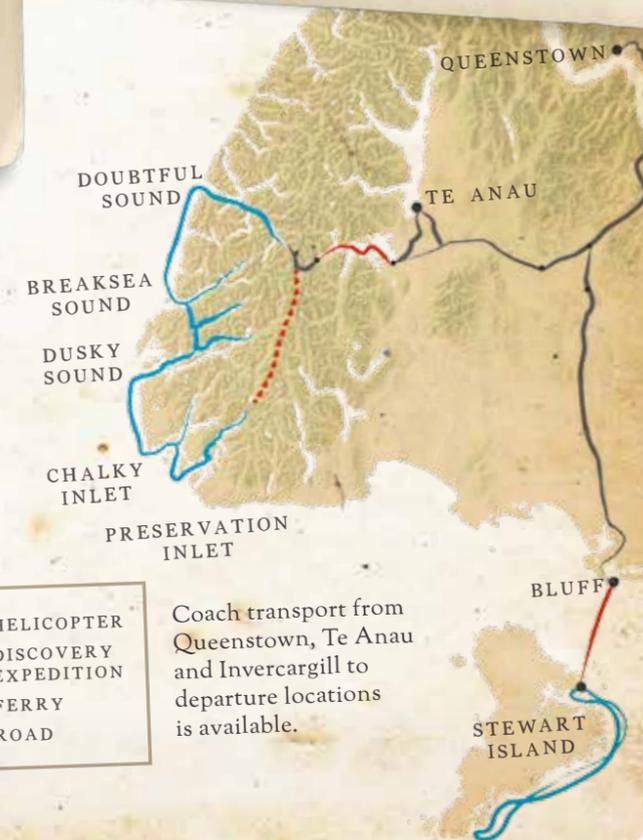
Visit [www.discoveryexpeditions.co.nz](http://www.discoveryexpeditions.co.nz)  
for full cruise routes and departure dates

## DISCOVER STEWART ISLAND

### FIVE NIGHT CRUISE

New Zealand's third and southernmost island is a wonderful destination for people who value nature and wild places. Most of Stewart Island is part of the Rakiura National Park with settlement mainly confined to Oban, the only township. The island's densely forested hills, tiny population and untouched coastline of rocky outcrops and creamy golden sand beaches make it a natural refuge for marine and bird life and an ideal destination to explore by boat.

Your journey starts with a cruise across Foveaux Strait from Bluff to Stewart Island's eastern shoreline. There, you'll board the Milford Wanderer, and spend the next several days cruising some of the most magical waters in New Zealand, venturing ashore regularly for guided walks – including the renowned Ulva Island bird sanctuary – and visits to historic sites such as the old Norwegian Whaling station at Prices Inlet.



# TE ANAU Glowworm Caves

Magical underground world of sculpted rock, rushing water and a glowworm grotto.

Hidden beneath the mountains on Lake Te Anau's western shores is an underground network of caves lit by thousands of glowworms.

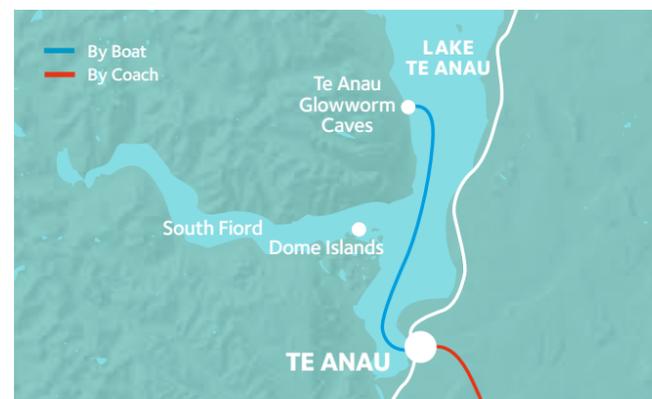
This underground world is surprisingly beautiful. By geological standards the caves are very young (12,000 years) and are still being carved out by the force of the river that flows through them. The result is a twisting network of limestone passages filled with whirlpools and roaring underground waterfalls.

- Cruise across to the western shores of scenic Lake Te Anau by catamaran
- At Cavern House learn about the surrounding mountains, the cave network and Maori legends
- Walk through the cave and learn about the formation of the caves from the Cave Guide
- Board a small boat and enter the silent glowworm grotto where thousands of glowworms glitter overhead
- Take the optional self-guided nature walk into the surrounding forest
- Interpretation handouts and safety cards in four languages (English, German, Japanese and Chinese)
- Complimentary tea and coffee



Season	Departs - Returns
<b>From Te Anau</b>	
27 Dec - Feb	9.30am - 11.15am
Nov - Apr	10.15am - 12.30pm
All Year	2pm - 4.15pm
Nov - Apr	4.30pm - 6.45pm
Nov - Apr	5.45pm - 8pm
All Year	7pm - 9.15pm
Nov - Apr	8.15pm - 10.30pm
27 Dec - 28 Feb	9.30pm - 11.45pm

Coach transport available from Queenstown (full day).  
Check in 20mins prior to departure.



# MILFORD TRACK Day Walk

Get a taste of one of the 'great walks of the world'!

Guided small group walk on the world famous Milford Track.

- An excellent 'taste' of the Milford Track for travellers short on time who want to experience this 'great walk of the world'
- Highlights include ancient beech forest, the Clinton River, grassy flats, wetlands and native birdlife
- Leisurely and scenic cruise to the stunning northern tip of Lake Te Anau from Te Anau Downs
- Easy grade walking track (4-5 hours, 11 kilometres return)
- The guide explains the track's history and points out native flora and fauna
- Take time to stop and enjoy the scenery and take photos
- Picnic lunch at Glade House included
- 12 walkers maximum per guide
- English only commentary (Japanese speaking guide available on request at extra cost)

Season	Departs - Returns
<b>From Te Anau</b> <b>Coach + Walk</b>	
Nov - 28 Apr	9.30am - 6pm
<b>From Queenstown</b> <b>Coach + Walk</b>	
Nov - 28 Apr	6.55am - 8pm

Note: Track transport for independent walkers also available.  
Check in 20mins prior to departure.

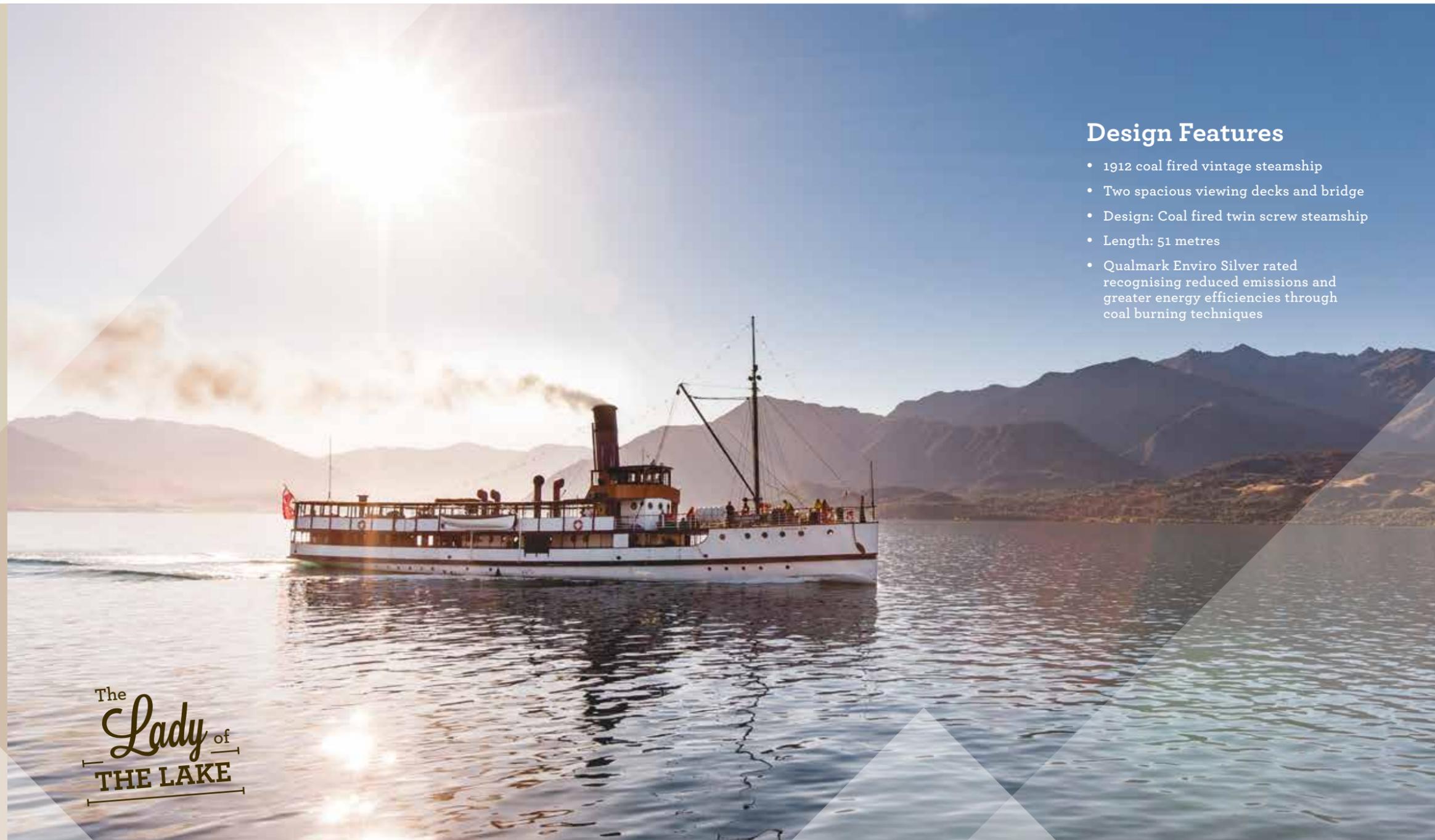




## QUEENSTOWN Lake Cruises

Vintage steamship the TSS Earnslaw, launched in 1912, and Walter Peak High Country Farm provide a highly visible link with Queenstown's heritage.

- Cruise on board the iconic vintage steamship across beautiful Lake Wakatipu
- Take time to explore the vessel, view the engine room and the historic displays of the steamship's former life in the Fo'c'sle Gallery
- Piano sing-along with a NZ song book to take home
- Promenade Café with café food and licensed bar
- On board commentary and interpretation handouts in eight languages (English, German, Spanish, Portuguese, Chinese, Japanese, Thai and Korean)



The  
*Lady of*  
THE LAKE

### Design Features

- 1912 coal fired vintage steamship
- Two spacious viewing decks and bridge
- Design: Coal fired twin screw steamship
- Length: 51 metres
- Qualmark Enviro Silver rated recognising reduced emissions and greater energy efficiencies through coal burning techniques



Relive the elegance of turn of the century travel with a scenic cruise on Queenstown's iconic vintage steamship. The TSS Earnslaw is believed to be the oldest working coal fired steamship in the southern hemisphere. Cruising on the 'Lady of the Lake' is like stepping back in time. Below deck, the steam engines hiss and thud as the stokers shovel coal into the glowing fireboxes.

The TSS Earnslaw makes several trips daily across beautiful Lake Wakatipu to Walter Peak High Country Farm. On arrival, stay on board, or disembark to experience high country farming life.



Season	Departs - Returns
All Year*	10am - 11.30am
	12noon - 1.30pm
	2pm - 3.30pm
	4pm - 5.30pm

*Check in 20mins prior to departure.*

*6pm & 8pm cruises available, minimum numbers apply.*

*\*TSS Earnslaw will undergo annual maintenance during mid May - early July 2017.*

*Please allow extra time for parking.*



## WALTER PEAK HIGH COUNTRY FARM

### WALTER PEAK Farm Tours

- Scenic 45 minute cruise on board the TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm
- Guided walking tour of the farmyard to view and feed sheep, deer, cattle and alpacas
- Demonstrations of sheep dogs working, sheep shearing and wool spinning
- Morning or afternoon tea in the Colonel's Homestead including freshly baked scones and cookies
- Time to relax in the lakeside gardens, in the sunny courtyards or peruse the gift shop for a memorable take home souvenir
- English-only commentary and interpretation handouts in seven languages (English, German, Spanish, Chinese, Japanese, Thai and Korean)

Season	Departs - Returns
	10am - 1.30pm
All Year*	12noon - 3.30pm 2pm - 5.30pm

*Check in 20mins prior to departure. Please allow extra time for parking. \*TSS Earnslaw will undergo annual maintenance during mid May - early July 2017.*



Your trip includes:



### WALTER PEAK Horse Treks

- Cruise on board the iconic vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm
- Our experienced guide will take you on a horse trek across rolling high country farmland to a lookout offering spectacular views of Lake Wakatipu and the surrounding mountains (40 minutes)
- Return to the stables and enjoy a traditional morning or afternoon tea at the Colonel's Homestead
- Suitable for all abilities, including first time riders
- Minimum age seven years; maximum weight 100 kilograms
- Small group, personalised experience (five per guide)

Season	Departs - Returns
	10am - 1.30pm
Oct - Apr	12noon - 3.30pm 2pm - 5.30pm

*Check in 20mins prior to departure. Departures weather dependent.*

### WALTER PEAK Guided Cycling

**Fun day out for the whole family.**

- Cruise on board the vintage steamship TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak High Country Farm
- Guided small group excursion with stunning views, including Cecil Peak, Walter Peak, Mount Earnslaw and Mavora Lakes
- Visit a traditional Musterer's hut and historic stone cottage
- Quiet back country gravel road, mostly gentle rolling terrain
- Experienced guide and van transport with cycle trailer so you can take a break when you want to
- Top quality, comfortable bikes and helmets provided
- Picnic lunch, hot and cold drinks and afternoon tea are all included
- 15 - 35 kilometres cycling (depending on fitness)
- Personalised cycle tour (nine cyclists maximum)
- Visit Colonel's Homestead and gardens prior to return cruise back to Queenstown
- Suitable for all ages

Season	Departs - Returns
Nov - Apr	10am - 5.30pm

*Check in 1hr prior to departure. Departures weather dependent.*



# COLONEL'S HOMESTEAD RESTAURANT

## Lakeside Dining

Overlooking Lake Wakatipu and Queenstown's alpine scenery, the Colonel's Homestead at Walter Peak High Country Farm is the perfect place to spend a few hours. Its colonial architecture and sweeping grounds evoke the elegance of a bygone era.



### Choose your trip



Season	Departs - Returns
<b>Gourmet Barbecue Lunch</b>	
All Year*	10am - 1.30pm 12noon - 3.30pm
<b>Gourmet Barbecue Dinner</b>	
Nov - May	6pm - 10pm
Jun - Sep**	6pm - 10pm

Check in 20mins prior to departure. Please allow extra time for parking. \*TSS Earnslaw will undergo annual maintenance during mid May - early July 2017. \*\*Minimum numbers apply.

### Sample Gourmet BBQ Dinner Menu

- Soup and breads
- Home cured Stewart Island salmon, fennel, capers, lemon
- Caramelised onion and thyme tart
- Quinoa, avocado, roasted pepper, chilli and pumpkin seeds
- Beetroot, local goats cheese, hazelnuts and sage
- New potato salad, spring onion, capers and parsley mayonnaise
- Southern ale barbecue pork ribs
- Spiced / teriyaki rotisserie chicken
- Whole beef joints, short ribs, rump cap, brisket, flank
- Whole spit roast Cardrona lamb / suckling pig
- Roasted carrot, orange, thyme and peanut
- Buttered jersey bennes and chives
- Sticky toffee pudding
- Crème brulee, fruit compote, biscotti
- Fresh berries, citrus curd, meringue, honeycomb
- Selection of NZ slices and biscuits
- Selection of NZ cheeses, homemade chutneys

Note: Tea & coffee included for BBQ Dinner, espresso coffee available at BBQ Lunch. BBQ Lunch does not include seafood.

# GETTING TO Stewart Island

This is the place to go to experience an unspoiled coastal landscape, a place where you can walk, fish, dive... and maybe even spot a kiwi in the wild.



## Stewart Island Highlights

- Relax on New Zealand's unspoiled third island
- Only an hour's scenic ferry ride from the 'mainland'
- Deemed New Zealand's 'eco-sanctuary' for its untouched beauty
- Be sure to try fresh seafood – crayfish, blue cod and 'world famous in NZ' Bluff Oysters
- Be lucky enough to perhaps walk among some of New Zealand's rarest native bird species on Ulva Island – the South Island saddleback, mohua, rifleman and Stewart Island robin. Weka, kakariki, bellbird and tui are often seen too
- With over 20,000 Kiwis, there's a high chance of spotting a Kiwi bird in the wild

● Stewart Island

Located at the southern tip of New Zealand, just a one hour ferry ride from Bluff, is New Zealand's ultimate eco-tourism destination – Stewart Island.

Picturesque Stewart Island is well off the beaten track, but just 30 kilometres from the southern tip of New Zealand's South Island. Most of the Island's lush forest, rocky coastlines and creamy golden sand beaches are protected within the Rakiura National Park. Settlement is mainly confined to Oban, the only township on the island.

We'll get you there with coach transfers from Invercargill, Te Anau and Queenstown and daily ferry services between Bluff and Stewart Island.

## Ferry Services

You'll zip across Foveaux Strait between Bluff and Stewart Island aboard our comfortable catamarans. During your trip, keep an eye out along the way for wildlife – particularly seabirds such as the Mollymawk and Titi. Our friendly staff provide informative commentary and point out highlights.

- All-year daily scheduled ferry service
- Complimentary tea and coffee served on board



## Coach Connections

- Invercargill - Bluff (all year)
- Te Anau - Bluff (late Oct - mid Apr)
- Queenstown - Bluff (late Oct - mid Apr)

## Foveaux Express

- Design: Catamaran
- Capacity: 97 passengers
- Length: 23 metres

## Southern Express

- Design: Catamaran
- Capacity: 62 passengers
- Length: 19.5 metres

Season	Departs
<b>NOVEMBER - MAY</b>	
<b>From Bluff</b> → Ferry Only	
26 Dec - 15 Jan	8am
Daily	9.30am
Nov - Apr	11am
May	4.30pm
Nov - Apr	5pm
<b>From Stewart Island</b> → Ferry Only	
Daily	8am
26 Dec - 15 Jan	9.30am
May	3pm
Nov - Apr	3.30pm
Nov - Apr	5pm
<b>JUNE - SEPTEMBER</b>	
<b>From Bluff</b> → Ferry Only	
Tue, Wed & Sat	9.30am
Daily	4.30pm
<b>From Stewart Island</b> → Ferry Only	
Mon - Sat	8am
Tue, Wed, Sat & Sun	3pm

Note: Luggage is limited to two bags per person (one stowed and one small carry on, extra goods are by arrangement). Departures are sea condition dependent. Timetable subject to change.



Stewart Island Experience is owned and operated by Real Journeys

## STEWART ISLAND Village & Bays Tours

Explore Oban village and its surrounding bays with a local guide. This is the best introduction to Stewart Island.

Unspoiled, incredibly beautiful, and steeped in stories, Stewart Island is well worth this informative introduction. You will have plenty of time to get off the bus for photo stops and short walks along the way.

### Highlights include

- An insight into life on Stewart Island by a local
- Discover the whaling history of the island and the integration of European, Maori and American cultures
- A walk to the gateway of Rakiura National Park at Lee Bay
- Take in the sights of beautiful Horseshoe Bay
- Stand atop Observation Rock with its stunning views of Golden Bay, Paterson Inlet and Ulva Island



Season	Departs - Returns
All Year	11am - 12.30pm
All Year	1pm - 2.30pm
Nov - Apr	4pm - 5.30pm

Check in 20mins prior to departure.



Sculpture depicting a chain linking Stewart Island to the mainland (South Island).

## STEWART ISLAND Guided Walks

Join a small group guided walk and immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of Stewart Island.

- Specialist Nature Guide points out native bird and plant life
- Learn about the work local residents are doing to preserve wildlife species
- Small group (eight per guide)
- Minimum age 14 years
- Minimum numbers apply (four adults)

Season	Departs - Returns
Nov - Apr	8am - 10am
Nov - Apr	6pm - 8pm

Note: Minimum age 14 years, and minimum numbers apply (four adults).

Check in 20mins prior to departure.



## STEWART ISLAND Paterson Inlet Cruises

Enjoy a leisurely cruise of beautiful Paterson Inlet and a guided walk on Ulva Island Birdlife Sanctuary.

This cruise showcases some stunning scenery, hidden coves and unspoilt beaches. Your guide is passionate about this area, providing informative commentary and is more than happy to answer questions. While on board, keep a look out for fur seals and penguins – there are a lot of them around.

At Ulva Island enjoy a guided walk. The island is home to weka (native woodhen), bush robins, rare saddlebacks and yellowheads amongst other rare and endangered species. It is also a protected habitat for some of New Zealand's rarest plant species.

- Cruise on a modern, comfortable catamaran
- 45 minute guided bush walk included
- Local Nature Guide provides interesting commentary
- Picnic lunches available (please pre-order)

Season	Departs - Returns
Nov - Apr	12.45pm - 3.30pm

Check in 20mins prior to departure at the Red Shed.



*The royal choice for  
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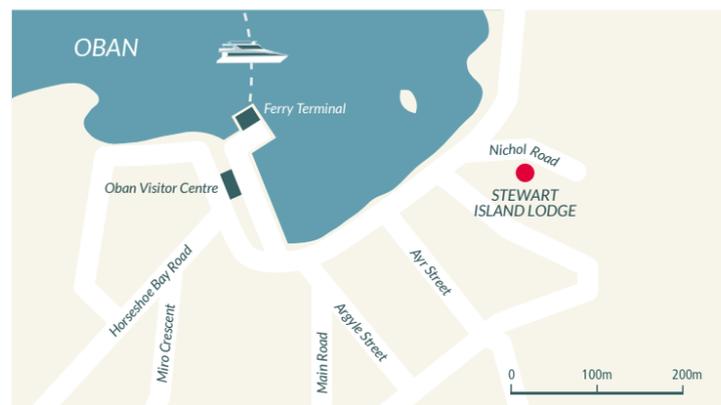
Located atop the hill, just five minutes walk from the village centre, the Lodge is private and secluded and commands the best views across Halfmoon Bay and Foveaux Strait

The Lodge has extensive grounds, home to many native birds including kaka (native parrots), which may be viewed from the terrace. In the evening, the guest lounge or outdoor terrace provides the perfect place to relax and enjoy the views. Restaurants are available in the village for evening dining. A small kitchen is also available for guest use. Each morning a continental breakfast is served in the dining room.



Stewart Island is a haven for nature lovers, walkers and outdoor adventurers

- » 6 king or twin bedrooms, all with ensuites
- » Communal guest lounge with great views
- » Continental breakfast provisions included
- » Complimentary pick-up and drop off from ferry or flight depot
- » TVs in all rooms
- » Tea/coffee making facilities available in-room



# Suggested Packages

## STEWART ISLAND DAY EXCURSIONS

### Option One *Self-drive ex Bluff*

**09:30** Ferry from Bluff to Stewart Island  
**11:00** Village and Bays Tour

*Optional extras: museum or DOC Visitor Centre visit*

**12:45** Paterson Inlet Cruise including a guided walk on Ulva Island

**15:30** Depart Stewart Island to Bluff (early departure)

*Optional extras: rent a car or mountain bike or enjoy a short forest walk*

**18:00** Ferry from Stewart Island to Bluff (late departure – seasonal, Nov – Apr)

### Option Two *Self-drive ex Bluff*

**11:00** Ferry from Bluff to Stewart Island

**13:00** Village and Bays Tour

**15:30** Depart Stewart Island to Bluff (early departure)

**18:00** Ferry from Stewart Island to Bluff (late departure – seasonal, Nov – Apr)

## EXPLORE STEWART ISLAND

**Three day** *Self drive or with coach connections ex Queenstown / Te Anau*

### Day One

Depart Queenstown 06:40 or Te Anau 07:05 (coach or self-drive) for 11:00 ferry departure to Stewart Island arriving 12:00 and then take the 13:00 Village and Bays Tour. Overnight accommodation is included at Stewart Island lodge.

### Day Two

Morning is at leisure to explore the island (optional extra – explore by rental car, motor scooter or mountain bike). At 12:45 take the Paterson Inlet Cruise including a guided walk on Ulva Island. Overnight accommodation is included at Stewart Island Lodge.

### Day Three

Depart Stewart Island 08:00 by ferry for 09:15 onward transfer from Bluff (coach or self-drive) arriving Queenstown 14:30 or Te Anau 13:20.

**Inclusions:** Return Stewart Island ferry, two night's accommodation at Stewart Island Lodge, Village and Bays Tour and Paterson Inlet Cruise (includes coach connections Queenstown / Te Anau – Bluff and return if not self-drive).

**Please note:** Pricing is per person twin / double share.

## DISCOVER STEWART ISLAND

### Two day *Self drive trip*

#### Day One

Self-drive to Bluff. There is secure outdoor vehicle parking available in Bluff adjacent to the ferry terminal (additional cost). Depart Bluff on 11:00 ferry departure to Stewart Island arriving 12:00 and then take the 13:00 Village and Bays Tour. Overnight accommodation included at Stewart Island lodge.

#### Day Two

Morning is at leisure to explore the island (optional extra – explore by rental car, motor scooter or mountain bike). Take the 12:45 Paterson Inlet Cruise including a guided walk on Ulva Island. Depart Stewart Island 15:30 by ferry to Bluff arriving 16:30.

**Inclusions:** Return Stewart Island ferry, one night's accommodation at Stewart Island Lodge, Village and Bays Tour and Paterson Inlet Cruise.

**Please note:** Pricing is per person twin / double share.

# Cardrona Alpine Resort

- Highest lifted point – 1860 metres
- Longest run – 4.5 kilometres
- Skiable area – 345 hectares
- 4 quad chairlifts
- 1 platter tow
- 2 learner conveyor lifts

## Terrain

Cardrona has a wide variety of terrain, from wide, open, undulating bowls to steeper chutes and an unparalleled area dedicated to beginners. The variety of terrain park facilities makes entertaining viewing for everyone.

- 20% beginner
- 55% intermediate
- 25% advanced
- 4 terrain parks (beginner to world cup)
- 2 half pipes, one of Olympic standard
- Gravity X track

## Facilities

- On mountain rental service
- Snow sports school for group and private lessons, ski kindy and Skiwees/Lowriders
- Medical centre and qualified physio
- 6 cafés and restaurants – more choice than any other mountain in Queenstown or Wanaka
- Snow shop
- Day and overnight lockers
- Extensive childcare facilities including four dedicated kids centres and a nursery that caters to children as young as three months old

## There's something at Cardrona for all snow lovers!

Beginners, intermediates and families will be in paradise thanks to an abundance of wide open trails spread across three bowls, giving you plenty to explore.

Located in the heart of the Southern Lakes district, between Wanaka and Queenstown, Cardrona is one of the highest ski areas in the region, with some of New Zealand's best snow conditions.

## The Mountain

Cardrona has about 20% more terrain than the next biggest resort easily accessible from Queenstown. Thanks to its higher altitude and easterly facing basins, along with the fact that Cardrona's base building sits at a higher altitude than Coronet Peak's highest point, Cardrona is consistently blessed with better snow conditions.



## Real Journeys Transport Packages

Real Journeys' suite of Cardrona packages is based around return transport from either Queenstown or Wanaka, combined with Cardrona products to deliver a variety of ski and snowboard package options to suit guests who have never seen snow before, to those with a bit more experience, and those who want to progress their ability. The range of package options ensures there's something for everyone.

Choose from basic transport and lift pass packages, or comprehensive rental and lesson packs:

- The Cardrona First Timer Pack is designed for complete beginners who have never skied or snowboarded before, and includes return bus transport, a learners conveyor pass, rental hardware and two group lessons totalling 4.5 hours. There is an option to also include jacket, pants, helmet, goggles and gloves
- The Cardrona Booster Pack is designed for those who would like to take their skiing or snowboarding to the next level. These packs include return bus transport, a full mountain lift pass, rental hardware and one group lesson of two hours' duration. There is an option to also include jacket, pants, helmet, goggles and gloves
- The Cardrona Complete Pack is designed for those who would like a more consolidated approach to progress their skiing or snowboarding as there are four hours' worth of lessons included. These packs also include return bus transport, a full mountain lift pass, rental hardware and two group lessons. There is an option to also include jacket, pants, helmet, goggles and gloves
- Additional lessons and rental options are available as add-ons. All these packages are available ex Queenstown or Wanaka



**CARDRONA**  
ALPINE RESORT / NEW ZEALAND



# Queenstown Rafting



## Shotover River / Kawarau River Rafting

Queenstown is the ideal place to meet the challenge of white water rafting with our expert guides.

Raft the spectacular Shotover River (grade three - five rapids) in historic Skippers Canyon and encounter adrenalin pumping white water action. Or raft the equally beautiful but more gentle Kawarau River (grade two - three rapids). This includes some great rapids plus drifting under the bungy bridge and through Gibbston Valley.

- Queenstown coach transfers
- Comprehensive safety and paddling techniques briefing
- Wetsuits, booties and safety equipment provided
- Professional photos available
- Sauna and hot shower included
- No previous rafting experience needed, although competence in water and moderate fitness required

## Queenstown Rafting Combos

Optimise your time by combining rafting with an exciting jetboat trip and / or scenic helicopter flight. To find out more about these options contact us.

Departs - Returns	Season
<b>Shotover and Kawarau River Rafting</b>	
8am - 12.45pm 1pm - 5.45pm	All Year*
<b>Queenstown Rafting Combos</b>	
Twice daily, duration 4hrs - full day	All Year
<b>Landsborough 3 day Wilderness Experience</b>	
8am (Fri) - 7pm (Sun) approx	Nov - mid Apr

\*During Jun - Sep access to the Shotover River is via helicopter.

## Landsborough Three Day Wilderness Experience

To experience the ultimate in wilderness rafting, choose our three day Landsborough River trip. Enjoy the remote outdoors in style with gourmet food and luxury camping as well as bush walking and paddling through exciting rapids (grade three - five rapids) interspersed with meandering scenic river flats.

- Queenstown or Wanaka coach transfers
- Scenic flight into the Landsborough Valley
- Luxury camping accommodation (two nights) with all equipment, wine, beer and meals included
- Comprehensive safety and paddling techniques briefing
- Wetsuits, booties and safety equipment provided
- Senior rafting guides and safety kayaker



For more information call **0800 RAFTING (0800 723 846)** or visit [www.rafting.co.nz](http://www.rafting.co.nz)

Queenstown Rafting is a joint venture and is 50% owned by Real Journeys

## AKAROA

# Black Cat Cruises



## Akaroa Harbour Nature Cruises

Depart the charming historic French township of Akaroa (just 90 minutes from Christchurch) aboard our catamaran, Black Cat. Cruising the scenic splendour of Akaroa Harbour, enjoy the skipper's commentary as you discover rare New Zealand Hector's dolphins, fur seals, penguins and other sea birds. Visit the volcanic formation of Cathedral Cave, see relics of the area's Maori and colonial past and a working salmon farm. Cruises (two hours duration) depart daily all year round from the Main Wharf, Akaroa.

## Swimming with Dolphins

Akaroa Harbour is the only place in the world where you can get up close and personal with Hector's dolphins. Swimming with the world's rarest and smallest dolphins is an unforgettable experience. We provide everything you will need - including wetsuits, masks, snorkels, hot showers and a hot chocolate. You can also choose to simply watch the dolphins up close, along with other marine wildlife, from aboard one of Black Cat Cruises vessels. Departures Sep - May (three hours duration) from the Main Wharf, Akaroa.



To find out more including booking conditions  
Freephone **0800 436 574** or visit [www.blackcat.co.nz](http://www.blackcat.co.nz)

Black Cat Cruises is a joint venture, and is 50% owned by Real Journeys

# International Antarctic Centre

The Coolest Fun in Christchurch!



Antarctica is the coldest, driest and windiest place on earth and more than 98% covered in ice. Incredibly dangerous, the earth's fifth largest continent radiates a magical feeling across its untouched vast wilderness of white.

Globally important for environmental and climate research, Antarctica is also home to enchanting penguins, seals and wildlife and features spectacular seasonal light displays (auroras), stunning glaciers, ice formations and pressure ridges. Then, there are the amazing stories of the historically significant intrepid Antarctic explorers.

Antarctica is quite simply one of the world's most amazing places and truly the only place on earth that is still as it should be. Experience the wonder and magic of the continent without mounting your own expedition.



## New! Join the Huskies in an Antarctic Storm!

We've partnered with Husky Rescue NZ to bring these gorgeous animals in to the International Antarctic Centre.

- Get up close and personal with the huskies in the cuddle zone
- Enjoy fluffy cuddles and some cool selfies!
- All ages welcome
- Every Friday, Saturday and Sunday (times are subject to change)



## Highlights

- Learn stories of historic explorers and experience the four seasons of Antarctica through an impressive light and sound show
- Shelter in an ice cave and brave -18°C
- Get 'exhilarated' in the Antarctic Storm
- Take the 'Polar Plunge Ice Water Challenge'
- Sit back, buckle up, hold on and experience travelling across the rough terrain of Antarctica on the all-terrain, amphibious vehicle – the Hagglund
- View Little Blue Penguins in a natural themed environment
- Watch the penguin feeding and see them dive for fish
- Experience 4D Extreme Theatre – a simulated cruise to Antarctica with Ice Voyage
- Put on your dancing shoes and boogie to Happy Feet in 4D
- Learn about modern day Antarctica in the Antarctic Gallery
- See how scientists and visitors 'camp out' in the field



## General Admission includes:

- 4 Seasons of Antarctica
- Snow & Ice Experience
- Antarctic Storm
- Penguin Encounter
- Penguin Feeding
- 4D Extreme Theatre
- Hagglund Ride
- Husky Cuddle Zone
- Antarctic Gallery entry

Allow 2-3 hours

## Xpress Admission does not include:

- 4D Extreme Theatre
- Hagglund Ride

Allow 1-1.5 hours



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## Conservation

Protect. Sustain. Grow.

*"Today I am more convinced than ever before that conservation is the real cornerstone of New Zealand's tourism industry."*

LES HUTCHINS, FOUNDER OF REAL JOURNEYS, 1998



The rise of NZ's modern environmental movement can be traced back to one key event in the 1960s: the Save Manapouri Campaign. Real Journeys founders Les and Olive Hutchins were key figures in the fight against the Government's plans to raise the lake level. Their efforts didn't just protect Manapouri – they inspired a nationwide change of attitude in how we protect and conserve the environment. We are dedicated to continuing their pioneering work.

The Leslie Hutchins Conservation Foundation was established in 1994 with this aim in mind. Every year we contribute a percentage of our sales to ensure this vital charity can support a number of conservation initiatives – everything from educational trips to native bird relocations.

Real Journeys works closely with the Department of Conservation (DOC) on a range of projects. We assist with the protection of the Kakapo, Whio, Kiwi and various penguin species. Other projects we've partnered with DOC include a significant land restoration at Walter Peak, rebuilding an iconic piece of early settler history in Dusky Sound and coastal clean-up programmes in Fiordland and Stewart Island.

We are also committed to operating sustainably and minimising our footprint. From recycling initiatives to investing in leading edge technology we always aim to go above and beyond to protect our pristine environments.

For everyone at Real Journeys, looking after and caring for our backyard isn't policy – it's a way of life. By following in the footsteps of Les and Olive we both honour the past and protect the future.

