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Doubtful Sound is a remote wilderness of many moods, one minute clear, blue and sun-drenched, the next mysterious and mist shrouded.



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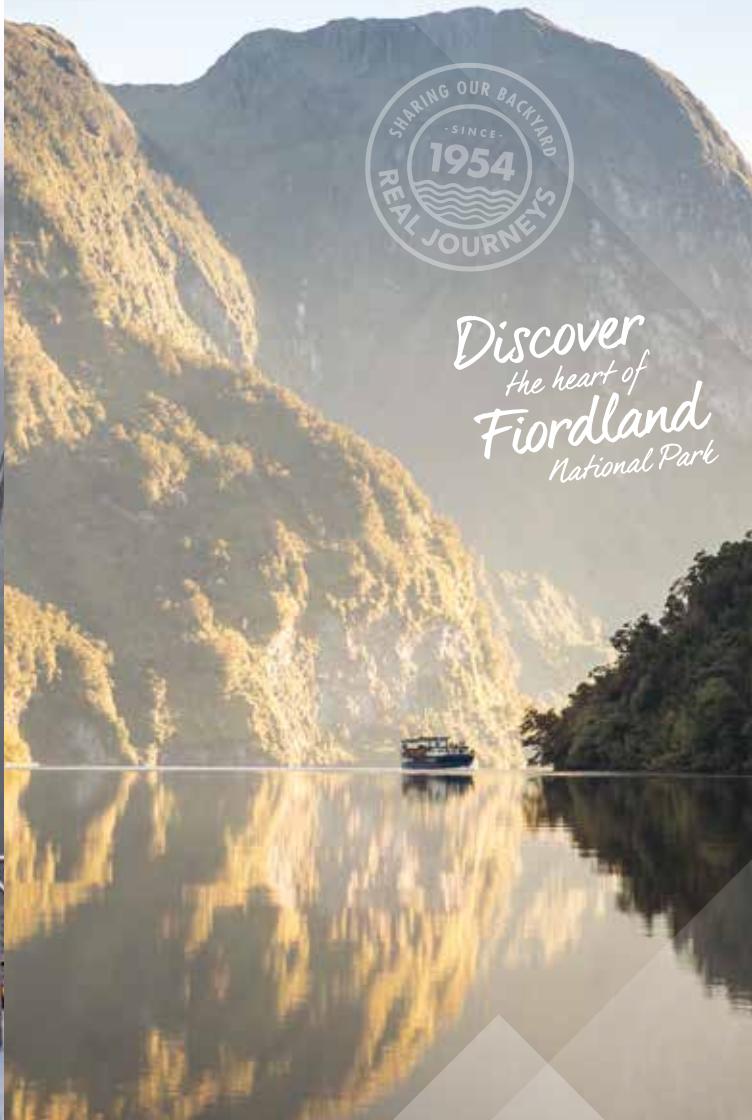


# Doubtful Sound

FIORDLAND, NEW ZEALAND



Discover  
the heart of  
Fiordland  
National Park



# WELCOME

Immerse yourself in the vast and untouched wilderness...



Doubtful Sound is a beautiful fiord. Three times longer than Milford Sound, with twisting arms, it has a surface area ten times larger.

With its rugged peaks, verdant rainforest and twisting, hidden inlets, Doubtful Sound will take your breath away.

There's no direct road access, so the only way you can get to Doubtful Sound is a cruise across Lake Manapouri and a coach trip over the Wilmot Pass. This isolation makes this fiord a very special place, a place only those in the know get to see.

If you'd like to experience the pristine beauty of Doubtful Sound for yourself, join us for a Wilderness Day Cruise or better still, spend an unforgettable night on our Overnight Cruise.

Our coach connections from Queenstown or Te Anau make it easy to get to Manapouri, where all of our Doubtful Sound experiences begin.

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# DOUBTFUL SOUND Wilderness Cruises

⌚ 7hrs 15mins duration

*"The absolutely massive Doubtful Sound is a magnificent wilderness area of rugged peaks, dense forest and thundering post-rain waterfalls."*

**kids  
go  
free**  
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Unchanged, uninhabited and unforgettable.

Doubtful Sound is a UNESCO World Heritage area that sits in the heart of the Fiordland National Park. This is a place of pristine and isolated beauty. A day trip into the vast and remote wilderness will take your breath away.

Abundant with lush rainforest and waterfalls, the fiord is home to New Zealand fur seals, a resident pod of Bottlenose dolphins and the rare Fiordland Crested and Little Blue penguins. Aboard our purpose built luxury catamaran, the Patea Explorer, you will discover the many 'arms' of this vast fiord. Listen to the birdsong and experience the 'Sound of Silence' whilst floating on the fiord with the engines turned off. A highlight that will stay in your heart long after you return to shore.

## What's included

- A cruise across crystal clear Lake Manapouri to West Arm
- A coach trip over Wilmot Pass through Fiordland's lush rainforest
- A three hour cruise exploring Doubtful Sound right out to the Tasman Sea
- Dedicated Nature Guide to share local knowledge of the regions flora and fauna
- Delicious picnic or noodle lunchboxes available (must be pre-ordered and picked up at check in, extra cost applies)
- Complimentary coffee and tea on board

| Departs - Returns | Season         |
|-------------------|----------------|
| From Manapouri    | Cruise Only    |
| 8am - 2.30pm      | Nov - Apr      |
| 9.45am - 5pm      | May - Sep      |
| 10.30am - 5.45pm  | Oct - Apr      |
| From Te Anau      | Coach + Cruise |
| 7am - 3.30pm      | Nov - Apr      |
| 8.45am - 5.45pm   | May - Sep      |
| 9.30am - 6.30pm   | Oct - Apr      |
| From Queenstown   | Coach + Cruise |
| 6.55am - 7.30pm   | May - Sep      |
| 7.30am - 8.15pm   | Oct - Apr      |

# DOUBTFUL SOUND Overnight Cruises

⌚ 2 days / 1 night duration

Watch the sun set and rise in one of New Zealand's most pristine and isolated wilderness areas.



A UNESCO World Heritage area, Doubtful Sound rewards those who linger. The fiord is known for its wildlife. Fur seals and Bottlenose dolphins inhabit the deep, dark waters and, in season, penguins nest along the rugged shores. The peace and tranquillity is magical - broken only by birdsong or the rush of distant waterfalls.

Our overnight vessel Fiordland Navigator is purpose built for cruising Doubtful Sound. Designed along the lines of a traditional trading scow, it combines the character of a bygone era with all the modern comforts.

As the evening draws near, we'll drop anchor at a sheltered mooring, enabling you to explore the shoreline by kayak or small boat.

## What's included

- Three course buffet dinner, cooked and continental breakfast prepared on board
- Complimentary tea and coffee
- Kayaking or exploring by small boat
- Insightful commentary provided by our coach drivers and Nature Guides



## Fiordland Navigator

- Sleeps 72
- Private cabins with ensuite bathrooms
- Quad-share bunk style compartments with shared bathroom facilities
- Licensed bar

### Departs - Returns (Day 2)   Season

#### From Manapouri   Overnight Cruise

|                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 12noon - 11.45am  | Apr - 18 May & Sep |
| 12.30pm - 11.45am | Oct - Mar          |

#### From Te Anau   Coach + Overnight Cruise

|                   |                    |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| 11am - 12.45pm    | Apr - 18 May & Sep |
| 11.30am - 12.45pm | Oct - Mar          |

#### From Queenstown   Coach + Overnight Cruise

|              |                    |
|--------------|--------------------|
| 9am - 3.30pm | Oct - 18 May & Sep |
|--------------|--------------------|

# GETTING TO Doubtful Sound

All our Doubtful Sound experiences start in Manapouri. You can drive there yourself or if you'd much rather relax, let us do the driving for you.



## By Coach

FROM QUEENSTOWN 3hrs to Manapouri

On board our luxury coach, travel around Lake Wakatipu and through rolling farmland to Manapouri township. Our coach drivers will provide you with informative commentary along the way.

FROM TE ANAU 30mins to Manapouri

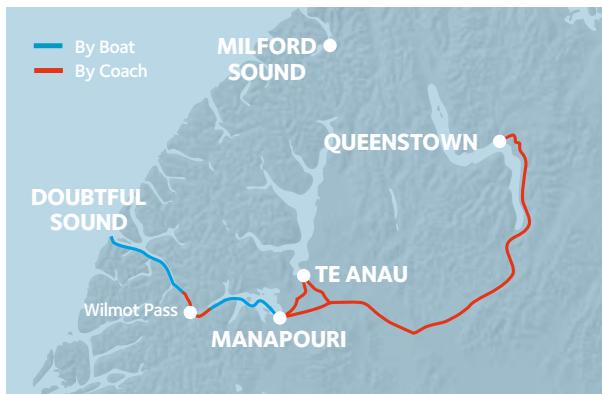
A smaller coach provides transfers to Manapouri for travellers joining our Doubtful Sound experiences.

*Pick ups are available from most Queenstown and Te Anau accommodation.*

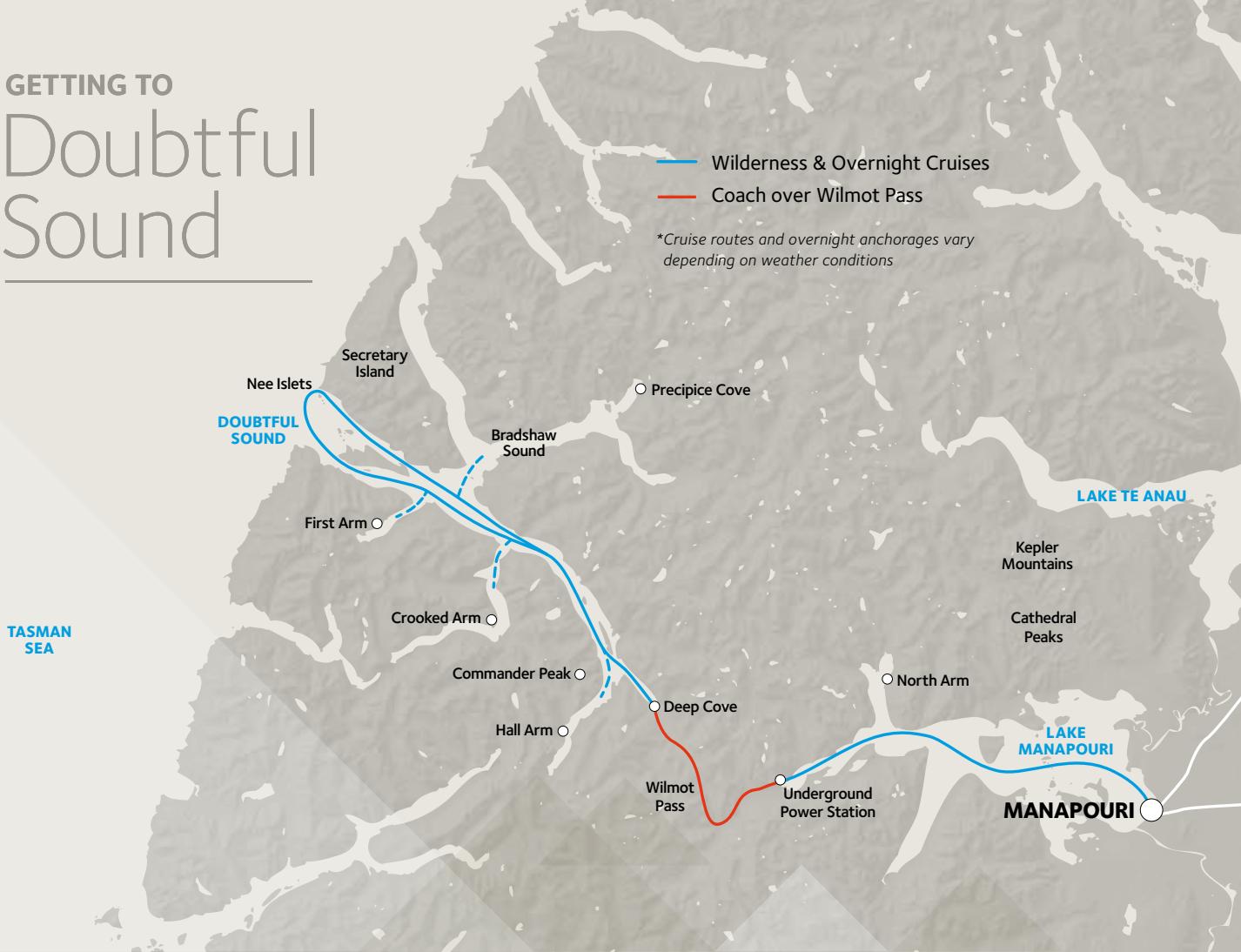
## From Manapouri

Your Doubtful Sound experience begins with a cruise across the picturesque Lake Manapouri followed by a trip over New Zealand's most expensive road - the Wilmot Pass - before arriving in Deep Cove, Doubtful Sound.

*Real Journeys contributes over \$50,000 annually via a Doubtful Sound passenger levy, to the Leslie Hutchins Conservation Foundation.*



# GETTING TO Doubtful Sound



# 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

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.

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. Last year, to help our native birds, we began laying traps for a \$500,000 programme to remove predators from Cooper Island, the third largest island in Dusky Sound, Fiordland. Other projects include coastal clean-up programmes in Fiordland and Stewart Island and an annual fundraising 'Birds of a Feather' Conservation Ball (100% of all proceeds from ticket sales and auctions are donated). We assist with the protection of the kākāpō, whio, kiwi and various penguin species.

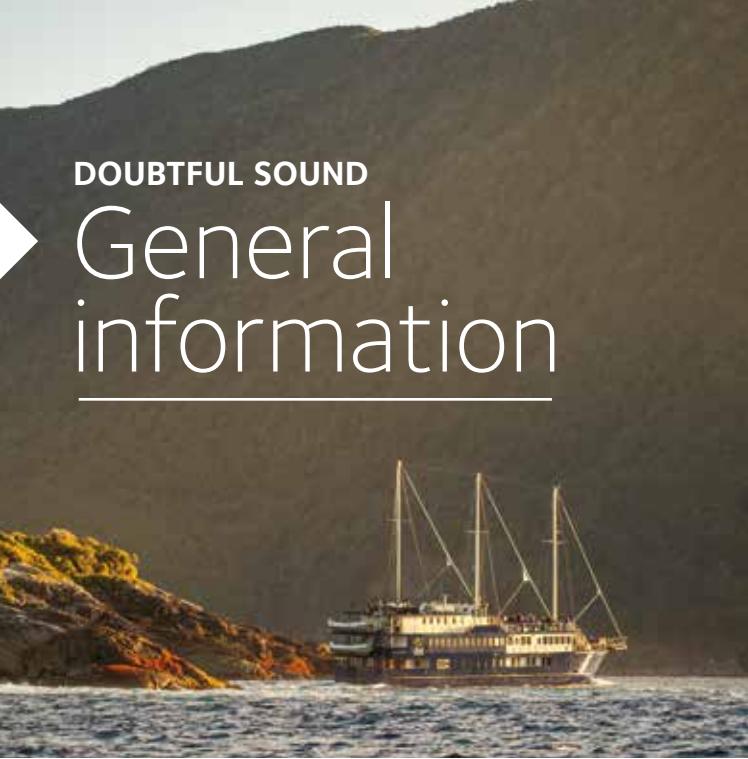


We are also committed to operating sustainably and minimising our footprint. From recycling initiatives to investing in leading edge technology we always aim to go above and beyond to protect our pristine environments.

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.

DOUBTFUL SOUND

# General information



## What to bring

### Daytime cruises

Non-slip footwear, waterproof jacket, warm clothing, sunscreen, sunglasses, insect repellent and camera.

### Overnight cruises

Non-slip footwear, waterproof jacket, change of clothes, extra trousers (water based activities), warm clothing, sunscreen, sunglasses, insect repellent, swimwear (optional), camera, overnight bag only.

## Lunch options

Picnic & deluxe picnic lunches and noodle lunch boxes are available; with vegetarian options also available. Please pre-order.



Deluxe Noodle Lunch



Deluxe Picnic Lunch



Picnic Lunch

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