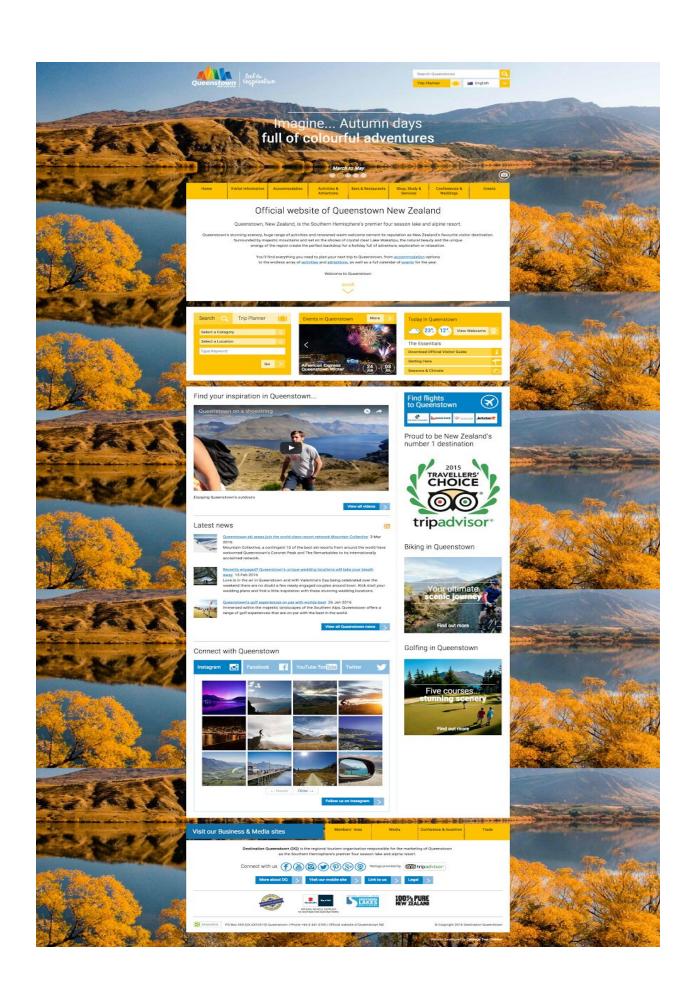


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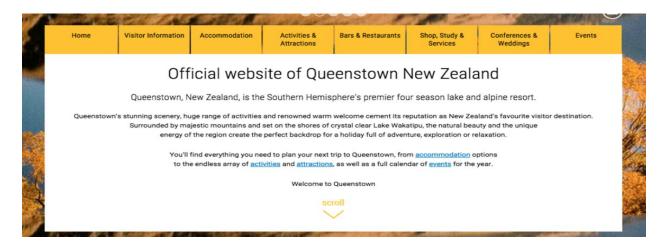


The first thing I noticed when investigating the http://www.queenstownnz.co.nz website is the changing background. The background image fades into another image approximately every 7 seconds. This simple feature adds a lot to the site and makes it a more enjoyable experience.

Very consistent design. Each page of the site seems to load right on top of the previous page. The different sections of the site are arranged as tiles making it very easy to tell where one part ends and another begins.

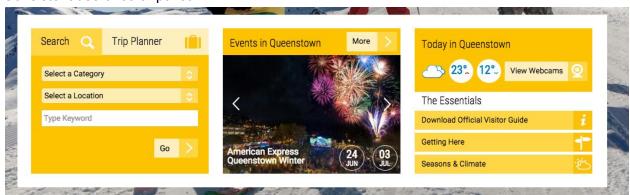
The content of the site is contained within a maximum width of about 50% or less of the total page width and is displayed in the center.

Search function easy to find in the top right of the screen with the language setting and trip planner. In short the most useful tools on the page are displayed in the top right corner.

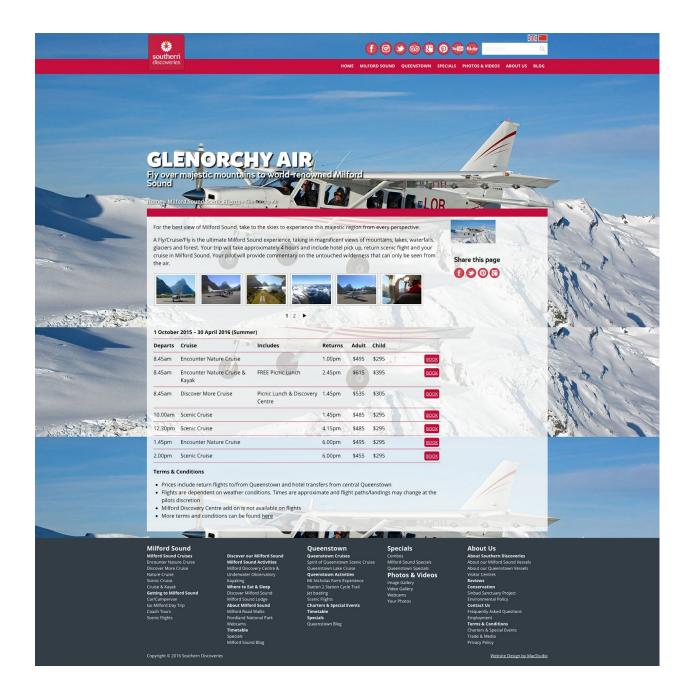


The image above is of the sites home/about section and the main navigation tabs all contained inside a tile.

Consistent use of color pallet.



This image is of the next tile down and contains information about the product (in this case queenstown itself) showing temperature, upcoming events and allowing the customer to plan a trip right from here.



http://www.southerndiscoveries.co.nz/milford-sound/milford-sound-scenic-flights/glenorchy-air

This site shares the full sized background image from the queenstown site as well as the approximately 50% of the width containing content centered in the middle. The site has a parallax effect where the content on screen scrolls while the background image stay anchored.

Content wise this client has decided to focus more on their prices than showcasing their services, this give me the impression that this option is aimed more towards the middle market as opposed to the upper market my client is wishing to attract.

Links to social media appear twice on the page but there is a very small amount of space for the gallery part of the site.
Like the previous site this one also has the traditional search bar in the top right corner of the screen.
Cover image source: http://www.natgeotraveller.in/site/assets/files/33693/above-lake-wanaka.jpg