

NEW ZEALAND SOUTH ISLAND

TOUR



Duration

9 days - Nelson to Christchurch



Tour Cost

From £1100

HIGHLIGHTS

- Franz Josef Glacier
- Aoraki/Mt Cook visit
- Lake Wanaka Visit
- Lord of the Rings set Edoras
- West Coast animal sanctuary
- Whale Watching
- Devil's Punchbowl walk
- Lake Tekapo's Church of the good shepherd
- Antarctic Station tour

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Breakfast for each morning
- Professional tour guide and information
- Kayaking at Abel Tasman National Park
- Gondola ride and buffet dinner
- Entrance to all activities not labelled as not-included
- 8 nights accommodation



OVERVIEW

Beginning from Nelson, travel to Christchurch looping through Franz Josef, Queenstown and up through the mountains of Wanaka before returning to Christchurch. This trip will delve into the very heart of South new Zealand.

Beginning from the quiet town of Nelson, hike and trek through the Abel Tasman before cruising down the eastern coast and Kaikoura's marine spectacles. Moving into Christchurch and exploring the largest southern city you'll then climb over the mountains of Arthurs Pass on your way to the iconic Fraz Josef glacier. Diving down into the depths through Wanaka of the island to the bustle of Queenstown before looping back to Christchurch with Lake Tekapo and Mt Cook/Aoraki in between.

Explore beaches to mountains, rainforests to modern cities as you travel across this beautiful country. With so much included in our tour and more you can add, contact us now to book and find out more.

Day 1: Nelson To Kaikoura

We start locally with a walking/kayaking trek through the Abel Tasman National Park. Begin your day with a short hike through a beautiful forest and cliff walk before stopping for lunch at anchor bay. After soaking up the sun and sea, we will kayak back past Adele island and stop at a number of isolated beaches before returning back to basecamp and heading to our next location.

Day 2: Kaikoura To Christchurch

Rise and shine for a chance to visit some marine wildlife and try some of the delicious food in town. We start the day by undertaking a whale watching tour off of the coast, offering a rare glimpse at so many magnificent animals. After lunch we walk along the coast to see the local seal colony before setting off to the city.

Day 3: Christchurch To Franz Josef

Our time in Christchurch is short but sweet as we have a long day of travel through Arthurs Pass National Park and over the Franz Josef. Take some time hiking to the Devil's Punchbowl and Castle Hill walks to view the stunning vistas over the southern Alps. Take your time to adore the deep coursing gorges on one side of our trip and luscious rainforests on the other.

Day 4: Franz Josef To Wanaka

Adventure up high as we walk along the rainforest below Franz Josef and view the glacier on its path along the gorge. Breathe that fresh air before we head out of town to the West Coast wildlife centre to see New Zealand's native wildlife. Finally we cruise down to lake Wanaka where you can take in the massive cool lake along the town's edge, snap that perfect photo shot at the Wanaka tree or take in some kayaking and water-sports (Not-Included).

Day 5: Wanaka To Queenstown

After an early start you have a free day for those who want to vibe in the city! Either spend the day enjoying the eclectic vibes of the city or talk to our staff about taking a trip down to Milford Sound (Not-Included) in the fjordland outside of the city. Regroup in the evening to ride the gondola up the mountain side and have a dinner and drink high above the city lights.

Day 6: Queenstown To Lake Tekapo

We follow up the hustle and bustle of Queenstown with a relaxing morning drive through Lindis Pass towards Lake Tekapo, where we detour for our hike up to the lower lakes of Aoraki/Mt Cook. Snap some shots of the iconic mountain and hear the Kea-birds before we head to lake Tekapo.

Day 7: Lake Tekapo To Geraldine

Even the hottest day will feel cool beside the iridescent blue waters of Lake Tekapo. We start by visiting the Church of the Good Sheperd on the very edges of the lake before ascending the nearby Mt John for the money shot. After working up a sweat we can relax and unwind on the local beach or the extravagant Tekapo Springs (Not-Included).

Day 8: Geraldine To Christchurch

As our tour begins to wind-down we make our way through the scenic Canterbury Plains and detour off to Mt Sunday/Edoras, a key filming location for the Lord of the Rings films. A charming walk between the mountains to a breath-taking spot. From here we make our way back to Christchurch where we take a city tour following the city art trail; great sites include the cardboard church and the botanic gardens.

Day 9: Christchurch

Our final day together is a special one, heading to the nearby Antarctic station to see the variety of activities they have on offer. Stand on glacial water, see penguins and huskies, trek in an Antarctic vehicle and even survive a snow storm! Finally we return to the city for a farewell and safe travels from the team.

Ready To Spread Your Wings?
Let Us Help.

Get in touch and we'll call you back to discuss your tour.



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