

10 DAY HIGHLIGHTS TOUR

SOUTH ISLAND DISCOVERY

\$3499

PER
PERSON
TWIN
SHARE

CHRISTCHURCH • FRANZ JOSEF • QUEENSTOWN • LAKE TEKAPO

THE OFFER

Few destinations stir the imagination quite like the South Island. The setting of countless Hollywood films; a wild land of towering mountain peaks, deep glacial lakes, forested valleys and undulating grasslands.

This “epic” 10 day tour of the South Island makes that easy, taking in iconic sights from Christchurch to Queenstown, Lake Wanaka to Franz Josef Glacier. See how the ‘garden city’ of Christchurch has adapted and rebuilt following the 2011 earthquake; marvel at the turquoise waters of Lakes Pukaki and Ohau; view the picture-perfect Church of the Good Shepherd on the shores of Lake Tekapo; and feel dwarfed by the immensity of the southern alps. Enjoy two nights at leisure in the adventure capital of Queenstown, with optional activities from a Milford Sound cruise to a ‘Lord of the Rings’ 4WD tour available to help you get more out of your stay. You’ll also get to e-bike around Wanaka, visit the remarkable Franz Josef Glacier, and travel onboard the famous TranzAlpine railway from Greymouth to Christchurch. This amazing package includes eight nights quality hotel and lodge accommodation, a one night glamping experience at historic Criffel Station, 11 meals and more!

DOUBLE/TWIN ROOM

\$3499

SOLO - SHARED ROOM

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SOLO - PRIVATE ROOM

\$4549

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Day 1 Arrive Christchurch, New Zealand

Kia ora and welcome to Christchurch.

Make your own way to the accommodation and be ready for the 6pm pre-tour meeting. Here you will get to know your Tour Manager and be introduced to your new road trip friends.

Afterwards, the evening is yours to enjoy. We recommend a good night's sleep to be ready for tomorrow's early start, but you may want to experience Christchurch's exciting nightlife - the choice is yours.

Overnight: 24Seven Travellers Inn or similar, Christchurch

Meals included: None

Day 2 Christchurch - Lake Tekapo - Ohau

Rise and shine! After a continental breakfast this morning, explore iconic downtown Christchurch. The guide will show you the cool and creative ways the city is being rebuilt after the life-changing 2011 earthquake here. Christchurch folk are an innovative and creative bunch - the Transitional Cathedral, created from cardboard, is truly inspirational.

Mid-morning head for Lake Tekapo. Ready your camera - the lake's breathtaking turquoise colour and mountain backdrop is a photographer's dream come true.

On arrival head up to Mt John Lookout and enjoy the sweeping views of the Southern Alps and the turquoise waters of Lake Tekapo. Afterwards visit the tiny Church of the Good Shepherd stands right at the water's edge, proving that small is bold and definitely beautiful. Grab some confetti and congratulate any passing brides - couples travel from all over the world for wedding shots in front of the chapel!

Travel onwards to Lake Ohau. Along the way pass Lake Pukaki and catch a glimpse of Mt Cook, New Zealand's highest mountain at 3724m.

Overnight: Ohau Lodge or similar, Ohau

Meals included: Breakfast;Dinner

Day 3 Ohau to Queenstown

From the golden tussock grasslands of Mackenzie country - where epic battles of Return of the King were filmed - to the dramatic peaks of the Southern Alps, it's like you're driving into a postcard.

Give your camera a workout with lots of photo stops en route, including a stop at the spectacular Kawarau Gorge. This also happens to be the world home of bungy! Give it a go (at an additional cost) or enjoy watching the jumpers scream their way into the gorge.

Whether you're an adrenaline junkie, an avid hiker, wine taster or scenery lover, Queenstown has something for absolutely everyone. With two nights and plenty of daylight hours here, get ready - this town certainly knows how to live life to the max.

Overnight: Pinewood Lodge or similar, Queenstown

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 4 Queenstown

With a full day at leisure in Queenstown, it's a good chance to work on that bucket list!

There are heaps of optional activities (at an additional cost) to choose from: extreme jet boat rides, river kayaking,

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horseback riding through Lord of the Rings scenery, and the skyline gondola are just a few of our favourites. For scenery lovers, Milford Sound is a must-see. Whether you fly or drive, the scenery en route is as awesome as the destination. Once on the Sound, as you sail beneath thundering waterfalls and towering cliff faces you'll understand why many call it the "8th Wonder of the World".

Find more optional tour suggestions and pricing in the Important Information section further below.

Overnight: Pinewood Lodge or similar, Queenstown

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 5 Queenstown to Wanaka

With the morning in Queenstown, you have another chance to tick off your bucket list today. What will it be? A trip to the top of the Skyline Gondola, or perhaps an adrenaline-pumping jet boat ride through the Shotover Canyon (optional tours not included)? You decide!

This afternoon jump back onto the road and head off to Wanaka, a quick one hour drive away. The drive is a scenic highlight in itself, so make sure your camera is fully charged and ready to go. En route we'll stop in charming Arrowtown, a historic gold rush village with heaps of old-world character.

This afternoon is your chance to relax in stunning Wanaka, known as Queenstown's slightly quieter little sister. Blessed with towering peaks and a glacial blue lake, you'll soon see why Wanaka's considered to be one of New Zealand's most beautiful mountain towns. There are breathtaking hikes and easy bike rides for a welcome chance to relax.

Overnight: Oakridge Resort Lake Wanaka or similar, Wanaka

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 6 Wanaka

Today is your chance to explore one of the most beautiful towns in the southern lakes region, with plenty of activities to tempt every lover of the outdoors.

Included this morning is a scenic e-bike experience around Wanaka. An e-bike, for those wondering, is an electronic bicycle. It's like a normal bike but has a small motor so you don't need to pedal as hard.

After the e-bike, enjoy the day at leisure or take part in one of the many optional activities (at an additional cost) - such as a visit to Mou Waho Island. Accessible only by boat from Wanaka and famous for being home to an (unnamed) island, in a lake (Arethusa Pool), on an island (Mou Waho), in a lake (Lake Wanaka), on an island (the South Island) in the ocean (the Pacific!). Sounds complicated, but once you are there it will all make sense!

In Wanaka there are many walks, hikes and biking trails to choose from - check out the famous "Wanaka Tree" while making your way around the lake! Or, if you feel like relaxing, ask your guide to recommend their favourite secret spots to enjoy the surrounding scenery.

One of the best ways to admire Wanaka is from the air. Treat yourself to a skydive or a scenic flight in a vintage plane - you can even take a flying lesson. As always, it's your trip and your choice: you do you!

Find more optional tour suggestions and pricing in the Important Information section further below.

Mix things up tonight by heading to the stunning Criffel Station for a night of glamping (AKA glamorous camping)! Think fancy canvas tents with decadently comfortable beds and the great outdoors right on your doorstep. The views from

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Criffel are sublime... to get the real experience, you'll have to see it for yourself! Here you will enjoy a delicious Kiwi BBQ dinner.

Overnight: Criffel Station Glamping Experience, Wanaka

Meals included: Breakfast;Dinner

Day 7 Wanaka to Franz Josef

After a relaxing morning in Wanaka, the journey to Franz is another stunner.

En route, stop at one of the most popular lakeside lookout points at Lake Hawea or Lake Wanaka. Your guide will keep an eye on the weather and pick the best option. You will also enjoy a stop and walk along the Blue Pools Track - stroll through beech/tawhero forest to a swing bridge that crosses the Makarora River. Follow the boardwalk to a viewing platform over the Blue Pools then cross the Blue Pools bridge for great views up the river gorge. Along the way look out for large trout feeding in the pools and listen for the threatened yellowhead/mohua, which can often be heard in the canopy.

Afterwards continue on through the cascading waterfalls of Haast Pass to classic Kiwi coastal views, you won't want to nap on the bus in case you miss anything. Your guide will have some epic surprise photo stops and short walks along the way.

Between September and December it's whitebait season (a small fish that's a delicacy in New Zealand). Fried up with eggs and served on toast, it's a local treat and shouldn't be missed. Stop at one of the local spots for a taste during the season.

Roll into Franz Josef around late afternoon/early evening. This UNESCO World Heritage area is famous for its spectacular glacier, just 5km from town, which is begging to be explored tomorrow.

Overnight: Rainforest Retreat or similar, Franz Josef

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 8 Franz Josef

With Aoraki/Mount Cook (New Zealand's highest mountain) twinkling behind the glaciers, Franz Josef is about as beautiful a setting as you can find in New Zealand.

Te Wahi Pounamu (which means 'the place of greenstone' in Maori) is the name given to this part of the West Coast because of the abundance of pounamu (greenstone/jade) to be found here. Included in the tour today is a special opportunity to carve your very own pounamu pendant at a local gallery.

Afterwards, enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure or alternatively take part in an optional activity (at an additional cost). There are heaps of ways to enjoy Franz Josef Glacier; weather permitting, to get up onto the bluest ice you can take a scenic helicopter flight and hike onto the glaciers. Maybe you'd prefer to kayak on a glacial lake; or just relax in the steamy hot springs down below.

As well as the awesome glacier activities, you could also try out quad biking, horseback riding and even a bit of group karaoke tonight in Franz Josef!

Find more optional tour suggestions and pricing in the Important Information section further below.

Overnight: Rainforest Retreat or similar, Franz Josef

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 9 Franz Josef to Christchurch

Before you know it, it's the last full day - but there's still a lot to enjoy!

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After breakfast head further along the beautiful west coast on another of the most spectacular drives in the country (and, some would say, the world): a rugged, primeval landscape of luxuriant rainforest juxtaposed against breathtaking beach and ocean waves.

Stop at Hokitika and visit a greenstone factory, a great place to stock up on souvenirs for your friends and family back home.

Time permitting, visit the National Kiwi Centre, where there is guaranteed viewing of rare kiwi birds in their nocturnal house.

On the way back to Christchurch, you'll traverse the South Island on the stunning TranzAlpine train crossing. Travelling across the Southern Alps through Arthur's Pass, this is considered as one of the world's most scenic train journeys. Along the way you'll see epic vistas, travel the edges of the ice-fed Waimakariri River and see miles of native beech forest.

You'll arrive in Christchurch around 6.30pm before transferring to the accommodation.

Overnight: 24Seven Travellers Inn or similar, Christchurch

Meals included: Breakfast

Day 10 Christchurch

Today is the final day of the tour, where we exchange photos and stories over breakfast before saying our goodbyes and making your own onwards travel arrangements.

Meals included: Breakfast

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TOUR INCLUSIONS

HIGHLIGHTS

Enjoy free time in the garden city of Christchurch

See how Christchurch has rebuilt following the 2011 earthquake on tour

Visit the beautiful Church of the Good Shepherd in Lake Tekapo

Marvel at the vivid turquoise waters of Lake Tekapo, Lake Ohau and Lake Pukaki

Discover the 'Lord of the Rings' tussock grasslands of Mackenzie

Marvel at the dramatic peaks of the Southern Alps

Enjoy 2 nights in the tourist mecca of Queenstown

Enjoy views of Mt Aspiring from the beautiful mountain town of Wanaka

Experience a guided electric bike ride around Wanaka

Admire the mountainous peaks that surround Lake Wanaka and Lake Hawea

Travel through the picturesque Haast Pass, home to hundreds of waterfalls

Wander through beautiful native forests to the pristine Blue Pools of the Makarora River

Visit the UNESCO World heritage area of Franz Josef Glacier

Enjoy a day at leisure in the beautiful town of Franz Josef

Carve your own pounamu pendant at a local gallery in Franz Josef

Visit a pounamu (greenstone) factory in Hokitika

Travel aboard the iconic Tranz Alpine railway from Greymouth to Christchurch

ACCOMMODATION

8 nights quality hotel and lodge accommodation

1-night glamping experience at historic Criffel Station outside of Wanaka

DINING

Enjoy 11 meals including daily breakfast

TOUR ESSENTIALS

English speaking tour leader

TRANSPORT

Private A/C transportation

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

*Please note: All information provided in this brochure is subject to both change and availability. Prior to purchase please check the current deal for up-to-date information. If you have already purchased this deal, the terms and conditions on your Purchase Confirmation apply and take precedence over the information in this brochure.

BOOKING INFORMATION

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a Purchase Confirmation, directing you to an online Passenger Information Form. The Passenger Information Form must be completed within 72 hours of purchase.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras MUST be clearly stated in your Passenger Information Form. Any change requested after submitting your Passenger Information Form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the Schedule of Fees below.

On purchasing this Travel Offer you are bound by the General Terms and Conditions, in addition to the specific terms and conditions outlined in this Important Information.

Please note: all additional charges are payable direct to your Travel Consultant in NZD (unless otherwise stated).

OFFER ESSENTIALS

Travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 19th April 2021.

This travel offer is priced for one person based on twin share.

Single Traveller Supplement

- Solo travellers have the option of selecting a 'Solo Traveller - Share Room' option when checking out. With this option solo travellers of the same sex will be paired to share accommodation throughout the tour. This does not incur an additional charge.

- For solo travellers who wish to have private accommodation throughout the tour please select the 'Solo Traveller -

Private Room' option when checking out. This incurs a single supplement cost of \$1150.00 NZD.

Departure Dates

Please see the TripADeal website for current departure dates.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation Used

3 Star (self-rated)

- Christchurch: 24Seven Travellers Inn
- Ohau: Ohau Lodge
- Queenstown: Pinewood Lodge Queenstown
- Wanaka: Oakridge Resort Lake Wanaka
- Criffel Station: Criffel Station
- Franz Josef: Rainforest Retreat

Please note: Accommodation/rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type, and are subject to availability based on seasonality. Properties will be confirmed, no later than two weeks prior to travel.

Extra Nights

- Christchurch (Pre & Post Tour): \$140 NZD per room including breakfast

Please note: extra nights are based on room only and subject to availability until the time of booking. Airport transfers are not included if you wish to arrive early or stay behind.

Maximum Room Capacity

2 People.

Child Policy

- No child discounts. Full price applies for all children travelling with their parents.
- Valid for Children 12 years old and over.

Please note: Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors allowed.

Triple Share

Not available

Bedding Configuration

2 x Single or 1 x King (subject to availability).

Adjoining / Interconnecting Rooms

Subject to availability and at the hotel's discretion. Please enquire on booking if you require this option.

GENERAL TOUR INFORMATION

Minimum group size 8, maximum group size 16 per vehicle.

Please note: this tour requires a minimum of 8 passengers to operate and departures are not guaranteed until this minimum number is met. Please refrain from booking travel arrangements such as flights prior to receiving a confirmation email that your departure date has hit minimum numbers and is now guaranteed. This confirmation email will be sent at least 60 days prior to the departure date, and if minimum numbers are not met a date change or refund will be offered.

Optional Tours / Activities

Queenstown

- Kawarau Bridge Bungy - \$205 NZD per person
- Shotover Jet - \$159 NZD per person
- Walter Peak Gourmet Dinner & Boat Cruise - \$153 NZD per person
- Milford Sound Nature Cruise Day Trip - \$209 NZD per person
- Lord of the Rings 4wd Day tour - \$225 NZD per person

Wanaka

- Wanaka SkyDive - \$369 NZD per person
- Mou Waho Island Cruise and Nature Walk - \$239 NZD per person

Franz Josef

- Franz Josef Glacier Valley Walk - \$82



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NZD per person

- Glacier Country Kayaking - \$115 NZD per person
- Franz Josef Heli Experience with Snow Landing - \$280 NZD per person

Please note:

- Prices are based on per person, are subject to availability, time permitting and weather conditions, and are payable direct to the tour operator in the currency specified
- Some tours require minimum numbers to operate.

EXCLUSIONS

- Visa fees and requirements (A visa is not required if travelling on an New Zealand passport)
- International Flights / Arrival & Departure Transfers
- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary
- Optional gratuities/tipping
- Optional activities/tours
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance (Strongly recommended)

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION TOUR GUIDE VS. TOUR LEADER

Tour Guide:

Often locals with intimate knowledge of an area, its culture, and history. Their role entails providing commentary, routing the tour, and seeing that people have a good time. They are a licensed, qualified expert who supplies specific information on history, art, architecture and culture of the city/village/attraction in which he or she is guiding the tour. The guide meets the group at the required place and leaves the group at the end of the tour, they do not travel with the group.

Tour Leader:

An experienced person tasked with ensuring the smooth operation of tours, as well as providing practical support to passengers throughout the whole trip. Their role primarily includes assisting with accommodation, transportation between locations, and communication with tour guides in each stop. A tour leader may provide general guidance around a city or village, and offer information on the place visited on the bus, however they are not required to have specific knowledge on art, architecture, or history. They are not allowed to provide a guided tour or commentary of a city/village/attraction once there and if caught doing so, can be fined.

Please note: Tour leaders/guides are not a standard inclusion in all travel offers. Tour leaders/guides will only be made available when particularly required to enhance the experience of the destination featured.

CLIMATE & AVERAGE TEMPERATURES

New Zealand's climate varies wildly. The far north has subtropical weather during summer, while inland alpine areas of the South Island can be as cold as -10°C (14°F) in winter. However, most of the country lies close to the coast, which means mild temperatures year-round. The average New Zealand temperature decreases as you travel south. January and February are the warmest months, and July is the coldest month of the year.

FLIGHTS

Seat Selection & Frequent Flyer Points:

At TripADeal we do not arrange seat selection. It is important to highlight that some Airlines do not allow pre-selected seats. We strongly suggest you contact the Airline directly with seating allocation requirements and or arrive at the airport earlier to arrange your seating. While we do not add frequent flyer member details to bookings, you

can do this directly with the Airline once you have your flight information.

Passport Validity:

Customers are required to provide valid passport details either at the time of purchase, or no later than 45 days prior to departure date. Failure to do so may result in cancellation of the booking. In this instance customers will be responsible for any costs and fees incurred.

COACH TOUR

Meals:

Some meals are included in the tour, for all other meals; lunches and dinners the tour leader (when available) will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. It is your responsibility to notify TripADeal of any dietary requests/requirements. Please note; we will do our best to meet your requests/requirements, however cannot guarantee that we will always be able to.

Luggage:

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on the tour. With regards to luggage, you must carry your own luggage from the coach to the hotel room and back to the coach. The driver will assist with the uploading and off-loading of the luggage from the coach.

OTHER

Fitness Level Required / Mobility:

Our vehicles are not equipped with wheelchair access, so unfortunately our tours are currently not suitable for wheelchair users and those less mobile.

Please note: a basic level of fitness will be required. If you have any concerns please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.



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Gratuities / Tipping:

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- Gratuities (tips) are not included in the tour price for services of the tour leader (when available) and driver throughout the tour. Tipping is optional and at the customers discretion.

- Tipping for all services provided on tour is always a matter of personal discretion, however please be aware that tipping is considered by many locals to be a part of their normal remuneration and they may approach you for payment and there is no need to be intimidated by the request.

Sightseeing:

Please note: In the event entrance to a site is affected by changes in operating hours or public holiday closures, your itinerary where possible, will be adjusted or a similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).

Shopping:

Shopping overseas can be a daunting and confusing experience, especially when there is a language barrier. Please be very cautious when foreign currencies and prices are involved. If paying by credit card, please pay close attention to the amount you are being charged and keep all of your receipts.

Do not make any purchases you are not comfortable with or feel pressured into. If you are uncertain or need assistance with the language barrier, please seek assistance from your Tour Guide/Leader.

Please refer to our Terms and Conditions in regards to shopping for further information.

VISAS

A tourist visa is not required if travelling on a New Zealand passport.

Please note: Passengers who are not New Zealand citizens must check with the respective consulate or visa agency to determine what their visa requirements

are and what personal identification is required. It is also important to note, some areas of employment such as journalism, government authorities and charity organisations may have additional restrictions in applying for Visas. This may in turn affect the type of application required.

INSURANCE

We are proud to offer a range of travel insurance products - please ask your Travel Consultant for more information.

SCHEDULE OF FEES

Post-Purchase Change

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring an airline ticket or a Purchase Confirmation reissue.

- \$50 NZD per change request post-purchase + any additional charges applied by the travel partners associated with the order.

Supplier Fees

In the event the Travel Offer you have purchased is unable to proceed, and/or a travel Supplier is unable to fulfil the Travel Offer due to external circumstances (Limitation of Liability e.g. a Force Majeure event), there may be a fee or amount of money that is withheld by our Suppliers and is unrecoverable. This may be due to non-refundable airline tickets, cancellation penalties with cruise cabins or unrecoverable payments with our land/accommodation partners. TripADeal has committed to these costs as your Agent and will endeavour to recover all funds committed and/or paid for your Travel Offer, but this may not be possible in all circumstances. If refunds are not available from Suppliers, we will endeavour to obtain a travel credit on the best terms available and communicate these outcomes to you. In the event, TripADeal is unable to obtain a refund or travel service credit, or part thereof,

this cost is passed on to the customer as a Supplier Fee. This fee is not revenue-raising and is paid to or withheld by our suppliers when recovering payments.

