

7 DAY SELF DRIVE PACKAGE

# QUEENSTOWN & MILFORD SOUND

\$1199

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QUEENSTOWN • TE ANAU • GLENORCHY • MILFORD SOUND

## THE OFFER

There are some experiences that stay with you forever. Cruising on the sapphire waters of Milford Sound in New Zealand's Fiordland National Park is one of them. The majestic mountain peaks, the waterfalls cascading down rocky cliff-sides, lush native rainforest and wildlife spotting opportunities straight out of a David Attenborough documentary. What's not to love?

This seven day self-drive package with rental car hire is a chance to experience the diverse wonders of Milford Sound, combined with impressive Lake Te Anau and the world-famous alpine village of Queenstown. Choose from two fantastic itineraries: one featuring a day cruise of Milford, and another dialling up the magic with an overnight cruise. Whichever you decide, you'll be in for an unforgettable experience. Includes seven days rental car hire and 4-star hotel accommodation.

Itinerary 1: Featuring a day cruise on Milford Sound

Itinerary 2: Featuring an overnight cruise on Milford Sound

ITINERARY 1

\$1199

ITINERARY 2

\$1699

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## THE ITINERARY

### Itinerary 1 - Milford Sound Day Cruise Option

#### Day 1 Arrive Queenstown

Kia Ora and welcome to Queenstown. Experience snow-capped mountains rising out of deep glacial lakes during your southern lakes experience. This jewel of a resort town is the adventure capital of the world as well as being a great place to relax and be amazed by the mountainous scenery.

At the airport, head to collect your car, standard insurance is included but it is recommended looking at the different options to see what best suits you.

You will be staying at the Heritage Queenstown which has awe-inspiring views of the Remarkables mountain range. Crafted from centuries-old schist stone and cedar, this sophisticated yet cosy Queenstown hotel is the perfect place to start your adventure. The evening is yours to explore the many eateries that Queenstown has to offer.

**Overnight: Heritage Hotel**

**Meals included: None**

#### Day 2 Queenstown

Enjoy a leisurely morning today and take a walk around the Queenstown trails including the Queenstown Gardens located on the edge of Lake Wakatipu. Wakatipu means 'The trough of the Giant' and the lake is so-named because of the Maori Legend about how this lake came to exist. A fearsome Giant kidnapped a woman, the love of a man named Matakauri. Matakauri fearlessly retrieved her and then killed the Giant with a great fire. The Giant was gone, but the indentation in the ground from his huge body remained.

When the rains came, they filled this newly formed valley with water, creating Lake Wakatipu. Though the Giant has been dead for many years, look closely, and you'll see the steady rise and fall of his heartbeat on the Lake.

In the afternoon it's recommended you take a trip up the Gondola where you will take in breathtaking views of Lake Wakatipu stretching out to Kingston, flanked by The Remarkables. You might want to try the luge, which is suitable for all ages. If you stay up there long enough, we recommend dining. A highlight for many is the Stratosfare Restaurant which has floor to ceiling windows and panoramic views of Queenstown. You can eat from their a la carte menu or try their signature buffet which offers everything from locally sourced wild meats to seasonal vegetarian dishes and a delicious dessert bar.

**Overnight: Heritage Hotel**

**Meals included: None**

#### Day 3 Queenstown - Glenorchy

Enjoy a leisurely start to the morning before getting into your rental car and departing Queenstown for the day. Your first stop is Glenorchy, a small settlement at the northern end of Lake Wakatipu in the South Island region of Otago. Glenorchy is surrounded by snow-capped mountains and beech forests and has provided the backdrop for many films, including The Hobbit and Lord of the Rings.

A great option is to experience the Dart River Safari, which will truly get you off the beaten track for the adventurous. Or, for a more relaxing day, park yourself at a cafe and soak up the stunning surroundings. On fair weather days, you can spot

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Mount Earnslaw which the famous Steamboat is named after, a towering peak that rises 2,800 metres out of the Southern Alps.

Once you've enjoyed everything this stunning place has to offer, drive back to Queenstown. This evening you may wish to have a drink in one of the many bars as you watch the sunset on the water or over the mountains.

**Overnight: Heritage Hotel**

**Meals included: None**

#### Day 4 Queenstown

You have one last day to experience the beauty of Queenstown today. A popular option is the Onsen Hot pools where you can indulge in a relaxing soak whilst taking in the panoramic views from your tub. Alternatively, you can take a cruise along the lake in the iconic century-old coal fired steamship, the TSS Earnslaw, one of Queenstown's most historic destinations.

Tonight, on your last night in Queenstown, take an evening stroll along the lakefront after dinner and soak up the incredible atmosphere of this small lakeside town.

**Overnight: Heritage Hotel**

**Meals included: None**

#### Day 5 Queenstown to Te Anau

Enjoy one last look at the stunning Remarkables this morning before getting into your car and departing south for Te Anau, the gateway to Fiordland. Skirt around the stunning Lake Wakatipu edge and stop for a photo at the Devil's Staircase. If you're a railway enthusiast, you can stop in the small town of Kingston which was once home to the Kingston Flyer Steam

Train. Unfortunately the train is no longer in operation, but you can still see the old station and a couple of the carriages. Have a coffee or some lunch here before continuing your trip south to Te Anau.

Te Anau is known as the gateway to Fiordland and is home to the largest lake on the South Island. Tonight, this town is yours to explore. Try the famous Venison pies from Miles Better Pies or sample some authentic Fiordland cuisine in one of the local restaurants. Whilst in Te Anau, it's recommended checking out the Te Anau Glowworm Caves. You can take a cruise along Lake Te Anau and through underground caves to see hundreds of glowworms glistening above you serenely.

**Overnight: Distinction Te Anau**

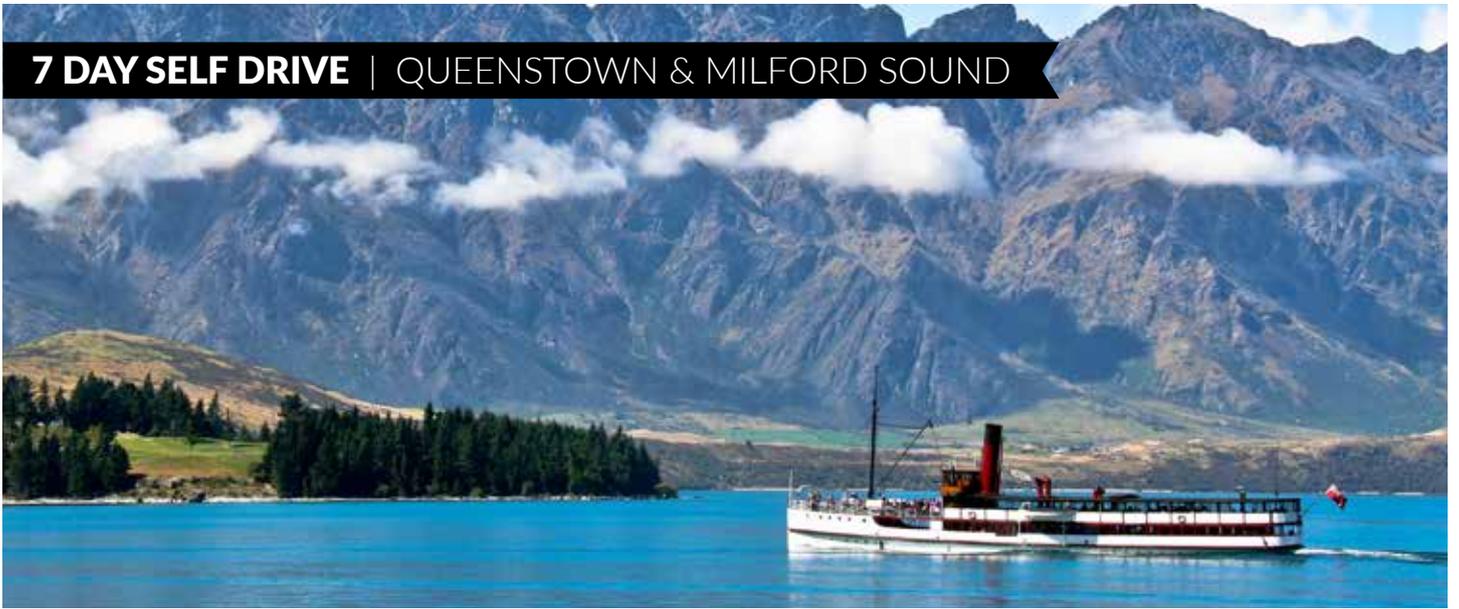
**Meals included: None**

#### Day 6 Te Anau to Milford Sound to Te Anau

Today will be one of the highlights of your trip - the world famous Milford Sound. The drive to Milford Sound is arguably one of the most scenic drives in the world. You'll want to leave plenty of time to stop and see the mesmerising Mirror Lakes. You'll drive through the impressive Homer Tunnel which is 1270 metres long with a gradient of 1 to 10, it used to be the longest gravel road tunnel in the world! Once you're out of the tunnel, if you feel like stretching your legs, we recommend the Chasm Walk. It's a 25 minute return track with spectacular views that are not to be missed.

This afternoon you'll take a Cruise on the World famous Milford Sound. The dramatic scenery of Milford never disappoints, on a clear 'bluebird' day (no clouds in the sky) the impressive peaks and lush rainforest reflect in the pristine waters and provide a truly unforgettable experience. If you happen to be sailing on a wet and windy day, there are many

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Once you've disembarked, it's time to get into the car and take a drive back to Te Anau for a relaxing evening.

**Overnight: Distinction Te Anau**

**Meals included: None**

### Day 7 Te Anau to Queenstown

All good things must come to an end. Enjoy a breakfast at your leisure (not included) before checking out of your hotel in Te Anau. Later, it is time to make your way back to the Airport to return your rental car and make your own onward travel.

**Meals included: None**

## Itinerary 2 - Milford Sound Overnight Cruise Option

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**Meals included: None**

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**Overnight: Heritage Hotel**

**Meals included: None**

### Day 5 Queenstown - Milford Sound

Depart early this morning for a big day of sight-seeing. The drive to Milford Sound is arguably one of the most scenic drives in the world. You want to leave plenty of time to stop and see the mesmerising Mirror Lakes. You'll drive through the impressive Homer Tunnel which is 1270 metres long with a gradient of 1 to 10 - it used to be the longest gravel road tunnel in the world! Once you're out of the tunnel, if you have time and feel like stretching your legs, we recommend the

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After head on through to the world-famous Milford Sound for your overnight Cruise. The Milford Sound's dramatic scenery never disappoints, on a clear 'bluebird' day (no clouds in the sky) the impressive peaks and lush rainforest reflect in the pristine waters and provide a truly unforgettable experience. If you happen to be sailing on a wet and windy day, there are many people that would say you have picked the best weather of all - you'll enjoy thundering waterfalls, a chance to witness penguins and seals and you'll have impressive photos of a misty and dramatic Mitre Peak amidst the low clouds. Whatever day you go to Milford, we assure you that you won't leave disappointed.

Later, once the boat has anchored in a sheltered cove, you have the option to go out on a small boat or even kayak around the stunning sounds. In the evening you'll enjoy a delicious carvery buffet and some stargazing before settling in for a peaceful night's sleep.

**Overnight: Milford Mariner**

**Meals included: Dinner**

#### Day 6 Milford Sound to Te Anau

This morning you will wake up in your cabin and want to head outside as soon as you can to continue this incredible experience. A hearty breakfast is always served aboard this ship and you will have plenty of time for more sightseeing before the boat docks in the afternoon.

Once you have disembarked, it is time to get back into the car and take a drive into your destination for the evening,

**Te Anau.** Te Anau is known as the gateway to Fiordland and is home to the largest lake on the South Island. Tonight, this town is yours to explore. Try the famous Venison pies from Miles Better Pies or sample some authentic Fiordland cuisine in one of the local restaurants.

**Overnight: Distinction Te Anau**

**Meals included: Breakfast**

#### Day 7 Te Anau to Queenstown

All good things must come to an end. Enjoy a breakfast at your leisure (not included) before checking out of your hotel in Te Anau. If you are not in a hurry to drive back to Queenstown, it's recommended checking out the Te Anau Glowworm Caves. You can take a cruise along Lake Te Anau and through underground caves to see hundreds of glowworms glistening above you serenely. Later, it is time to make your way back to the Airport to return your rental car and make your own onward travel.

**Meals included: None**

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## TOUR INCLUSIONS

### ITINERARY 1 WITH MILFORD SOUND DAY CRUISE

#### HIGHLIGHTS

Discover the dramatic landscapes of the South Island ex Queenstown

Travel at your own pace on a self-guided adventure

Soak up the alpine wonders of Queenstown at leisure

Marvel at waterfalls and wildlife on a day cruise of Milford Sound

Witness captivating Lake Te Anau, the largest of the Southern Glacial Lakes

Admire the beauty of Lake Wakatipu, Queenstown's crown jewel

#### CRUISE

Experience a day cruise on Milford Sound

#### ACCOMMODATION

4 nights 4-star accommodation at Heritage Hotel

2 nights 4-star accommodation at Distinction Luxmore Hotel

#### TRANSPORT

7 days rental car hire (Toyota RAV4 2WD or similar)

### ITINERARY 2 WITH MILFORD SOUND OVERNIGHT CRUISE

#### HIGHLIGHTS

Discover the dramatic landscapes of the South Island ex Queenstown

Travel at your own pace on a self-guided adventure

Soak up the alpine wonders of Queenstown at leisure

Enjoy an overnight cruise on the world-famous Milford Sound

Witness captivating Lake Te Anau, the largest of the Southern Glacial Lakes

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#### CRUISE

Experience an overnight cruise on Milford Sound

#### DINING

Enjoy breakfast and dinner on your overnight cruise

#### ACCOMMODATION

4 nights 4-star accommodation at Heritage Hotel

1 night 4-star accommodation at Distinction Luxmore Hotel

1 night overnight cruise aboard the Milford Mariner

#### TRANSPORT

7 days rental car hire (Toyota RAV4 2WD or similar)

# 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.

## CANCELLATION POLICY

### Covid-19 Booking Policy

- TripADeal Tour packages are non-refundable. If your Tour package is affected by Covid-19 related travel restrictions and you are unable to travel, you will receive either a free date change (credit that is specific to your original package and purchase value) or an open credit less any non-recoverable supplier fees to the value of your original purchase for use on any other package available via the TripADeal website.

Please note: Date change credits are subject to availability and not guaranteed until confirmed by TripADeal, not the property you are due to stay with.

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

## OFFER ESSENTIALS

Travel offer is valid for travel on selected dates until the 25th March 2022.

This travel offer is priced for one person

based on twin share.

### Single Traveller Supplement

For solo travellers, a mandatory single supplement applies:

- Itinerary 1: \$1200
- Itinerary 2: \$1600

### Travel Period

1st October 2021 - 25th March 2022

Please note: See checkout for live dates and availability.

### Black-Out Dates

#### Itinerary 1

18th December 2021 - 4th January 2022

#### Itinerary 2

1st October 2021 - 24th October 2021

18th December 2021 - 4th January 2022

### Surcharges

#### Itinerary 1

26 October 2021 - 28 February 2022: \$200 per person

1 March 2022 - 25 March 2022: \$130 per person

## ACCOMMODATION

### Accommodation Used

#### Itinerary 1

4 Star (self-rated)

- Heritage Hotel, Queenstown
- Distinction Luxmore Hotel, Te Anau

#### Itinerary 2

4 Star (self-rated)

- Heritage Hotel, Queenstown
- Distinction Luxmore Hotel, Te Anau

#### Unrated

- Milford Mariner

*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.*

### Maximum Room Capacity

2 people.

### Child Policy

- No child discounts. Full price applies for all children travelling with their parents.

*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

Double or Twin bedding (subject to availability).

### Adjoining / Interconnecting Rooms

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

## GENERAL TOUR INFORMATION

Minimum group size 1, maximum group size 2 per vehicle.

## EXCLUSIONS

- International Flights / Transfers
- Domestic Flights / Transfers
- Visa fees and requirements (A visa is not required if travelling on an Australian passport)
- 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



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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

### September - November

Spring is all over the place in Queenstown. One day can be bright and sunny, and the next can be rainy or cloudy – even snowy. Temperatures are also erratic, ranging from 2 degrees to 18 degrees.

### December - February

The best time to visit Queenstown is the summer when the long, sunny days make outdoor excursions enjoyable. Temperature ranges from 8 degrees to 21 degrees.

### March

Queenstown's Autumn sees fickle weather. You'll need to pack some T-shirts for days when the temps are around 21 degrees, plus thick layers for times when they drop to 7 degrees.

## 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 general level of fitness will be required. If you have any concerns please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.*

## 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 similar activity will be offered in its place (subject to availability).*

## VISAS

### New Zealand

A tourist visa is not required if travelling on an Australian passport.

*Please note: Passengers who are not Australian 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.*

## SCHEDULE OF FEES

### Voluntary Changes

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

- Changes - \$100.00 per booking + any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

### Name Changes Due To Passenger Error

- If the incorrect name has been advised to TripADeal, charges of \$100.00 per booking + any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/accommodation/other travel providers.

### 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.