

“Even torrential rain adds to the atmosphere of this magical place, as an ethereal mist descends, periodically lifting to reveal the waterfalls at their thunderous best.”

ROUGH GUIDE TO NEW ZEALAND

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Welcome to our award-winning experiences, the places we know by heart, the journeys we love to share, the excitement you'll never forget.

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The journey so far...

For over 65 years we've made sure visitors are enthralled and inspired by their time in this incredible part of the world.

In 1954 Real Journeys founders Les and Olive Hutchins began walking people into Doubtful Sound. In these tours they sought to both reveal this unique world and champion its ongoing protection and preservation. It is an ethos that has remained at the heart of our company ever since.

The family owned company now offers journeys to Stewart Island, into both Doubtful Sound and Milford Sound, across Queenstown's Lake Wakatipu and into the Te Anau Glowworm Caves.

Within each journey, we have sought to innovate and elevate the experience for our visitors. Be it rescuing the TSS Earnslaw from being scuttled (and then turning it into a national icon), introducing overnight cruises in Fiordland; or designing unique glass roofed coaches, we have always worked hard to stay at the forefront of the tourism industry.

In addition to being tourism innovators, Les and Olive were also conservation pioneers. They understood the unique value this land has for all New Zealanders and lead the way with the now legendary 'Save Manapouri' campaign.

It is our duty to follow in their footsteps. We do so in a number ways — from recycling initiatives to reforestation programs, wildlife conservation to coastal clean-ups, conservation expeditions to our annual Cruise-for-a-Cause. In doing so we will protect the future of this special place and ensure many wonderful journeys in the years ahead.



Our ambition and purpose is resolutely the same as when we began — to work our hardest to share our love for this place, to provide incredible experiences to its visitors and to conserve it for the generations to come. We look forward to showing you just how remarkable this journey can be.



QUEENSTOWN TSS Earnslaw Vintage Steamship Cruises

It's a journey over
100 years in the making.

 1hr 30mins duration



Legend has it that Lake Wakatipu holds within its depths, a giant's beating heart. Perhaps that's why yours will go a little faster as you journey across it on our vintage steamship.

Known as the 'Lady of the Lake', the TSS Earnslaw was first launched in 1912. Now, over 100 years later, it's believed to be the oldest working coal-fired steamship in the Southern Hemisphere. The 90 minute journey is perfect for exploring the decks, engine room, viewing platform and onboard museum. So get ready to step onboard, step back in time and travel through the interesting history and enthralling scenery.

What's onboard?

- The Fo'c'sle gallery, a mini museum of the boat's colourful past
- Delicious snacks and drinks available for purchase at the Promenade café and bar
- A viewing platform into the engine room below, showcasing steam engines, glowing fireboxes and coal stokers
- Plenty of picture-perfect spots to take in the incredible scenery
- A talented pianist to lead a good old-fashioned sing-along



Schedule (All Year)

| Departs | Returns |
|---------|---------|
| 10am | 11.30am |
| 12pm | 1.30pm |
| 2pm | 3.30pm |
| 4pm | 5.30pm |
| 6pm ■ | 7.30pm |
| 8pm ■ | 10pm |

■ 27 December to February

Please note, the TSS Earnslaw will undergo annual maintenance during early June to early July 2020, during this time cruise only options will not be available but a smaller motorised boat will substitute for Walter Peak experiences.

Guests will not disembark at Walter Peak if they choose this option.



WALTER PEAK
Farm Tours

Discover why the Walter Peak High Country Farm isn't just for show.

 3hrs 30mins duration



This working farm provides a number of authentic experiences perfect for the curious traveller. Founded in 1860, Walter Peak Station is today running approximately 18,000 Merino and Perendale sheep and 800 beef cattle across 25,758 hectares.

You can get a taste of what life's like here during a walking tour of the farmyard, with time to explore the beautiful, sprawling gardens and plenty of opportunities for children of all ages to get up close with the animals. With sheep herding and shearing demonstrations, this is a slice of New Zealand farming like no other.

What's on your journey?   

- Cruise there and back again on the majestic TSS Earnslaw steamship
- An exciting demonstration of sheepdog skills
- An educational sheep shearing show in the ampitheatre
- Presentations from expert farmers (they're outstanding in their field)
- Time to feed the farm animals and meet alpaca, deer and highland cattle
- A delicious morning/afternoon tea



Schedule (All Year)

| Departs | Returns |
|---------|---------|
| 10am | 1.30pm |
| 12pm | 3.30pm |
| 2pm | 5.30pm |
| 4pm ■ | 7.30pm |

■ 22 January to 2 February


Please note, the TSS Earnslaw will undergo annual maintenance during early June early to July 2020, during this time a small motorised boat will substitute.



WALTER PEAK

Gourmet BBQ Dining

A feast for the eyes.
A meal like no other.

 3hrs 30mins – 4hrs duration



This is a trip of many courses. First you'll step on board the TSS Earnslaw, a beautifully restored vintage steamship and set a course across the lake, a journey with plenty of splendour and scenery to stoke the appetite. All your culinary dreams will then be fulfilled at the Colonel's Homestead Restaurant at Walter Peak High Country Farm, where a unique and truly exceptional buffet dining experience awaits.

What's included?   

- Return TSS Earnslaw steamship cruise
- A farmer's demonstration on our working farm before or after your meal
- Gourmet BBQ lunch or dinner, buffet style
- The chance to wander through the homestead's colonial architecture and beautiful grounds



Choose your meal

Gourmet BBQ Lunch or Dinner

- Sit back and enjoy the views of Lake Wakatipu as your meal is prepared on the BBQ grill
- Help yourself to the large selection of delicious salads and vegetables, plus a varied selection of the finest meats and seafood* fresh from the grill
- Enjoy antipasti and a selection of breads and cheeses
- Remember to save some room for a range of delectable desserts

***Note: BBQ Lunch does not include seafood**



Lunch Schedule (All Year)

| Departs | Returns |
|---------|---------|
| 10am | 1.30pm |
| 12pm | 3.30pm |

Dinner Schedule (All Year)

| Departs | Returns |
|---|---------|
| 4pm  | 7.30pm |
| 6pm  | 10pm |

Please note, the TSS Earnslaw will undergo annual maintenance during early June to early July 2020, during this time a small motorised boat will substitute.

 27 December to March  June and July, minimum numbers apply



WALTER PEAK

Independent Cycling

Grab your own bike or hire one from a local bike shop and explore the serene beauty of the Wakatipu Basin at your own pace.

- Quiet country road through mostly gentle rolling terrain
- A map and snack/drink voucher is included, for redemption on the TSS Earnslaw
- Return TSS Earnslaw steamship cruise

Queenstown to Walter Peak Schedule

| Departs | Arrives |
|---------|---------|
| 10am | 10.45am |
| 12pm | 12.45pm |
| 2pm | 2.45pm |

November to April

Walter Peak to Queenstown Schedule

| Departs | Arrives |
|---------|---------|
| 12.45pm | 1.30pm |
| 2.45pm | 3.30pm |
| 4.45pm | 5.30pm |

Check in with your bike 30mins prior to departure at the Real Journeys Visitor Centre, Steamer Wharf. Suitable for experienced cyclists. Note: Bike transport is not available while the TSS Earnslaw undergoes annual maintenance during early June to early July 2020.



WALTER PEAK

Horse Treks

Within such a dramatic and captivating landscape why settle for the view from ground level?

3hrs 30mins duration

Your journey begins with a steam-powered trip across Lake Wakatipu on board the historic TSS Earnslaw. After disembarking at Walter Peak you'll meet your guide and your equine friend for the day. What follows is 40 minutes of comfortable walking-pace riding across the rolling terraces to a spectacular lookout. Suitable for even first-time riders, the hardest part of the experience will be saying goodbye to your horse before boarding the boat back again.

What's on your journey?

- Return cruise aboard the historic TSS Earnslaw
- Experienced tour guides for your small group (maximum six per guide)
- The chance to really relax and horse around
- Safety helmets and wet weather clothing are provided
- Delicious morning or afternoon tea

Schedule (October – April)

| Departs | Returns |
|---------|---------|
| 10am | 1.30pm |
| 12pm | 3.30pm |
| 2pm | 5.30pm |

Optional upgrade available to include the Walter Peak BBQ Lunch. Please note, this options adds two hours to return time.

Check in 20 minutes prior to departure. Departures weather dependent. Minimum age 7 years and 120cm tall. Maximum weight 100kg.

Upgrade to include the
WALTER PEAK BBQ LUNCH
for an awesome all day adventure!





MILFORD SOUND

Nature Cruises

It’s been called the ‘eighth wonder of the world’ for good reason.

 2hrs – 2hrs 15mins duration

This place is truly awe-inspiring in its immense scale and natural beauty. In just a couple of hours here you can pack a lot of special memories in.

You'll travel from beneath the majestic Mitre Peak towards the Tasman Sea, possibly meet some of our local wildlife and nudge up close for an exhilarating view of some of New Zealand's most incredible waterfalls. This is an experience everybody should be lucky enough to do at least once in their lifetime.


What's on your journey?





- A specialist Nature Guide with informative English only commentary
- Great viewing from both the outdoor decks and indoor lounge
- Complimentary tea and coffee
- Delicious lunch options available for purchase (must be pre-ordered)
- Licensed cash bar with drinks and snacks
- State of the art fleet, including traditional style scows




Travel options

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By Coach
Travel in our stylish glass roofed coaches, from Queenstown or Te Anau
Ask about our premium seating options
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By Plane
Flight options from Queenstown, choose a round trip or a fly-back option
- 

By Heli
Fly-back options available
Includes snow landing (weather permitting)
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By Car
Free parking options are available at Milford Sound for self-driving guests

All flights are weather permitting.
Complimentary transfers from most Te Anau and Queenstown accommodation with our travel options.

Summer Schedule (October – April)

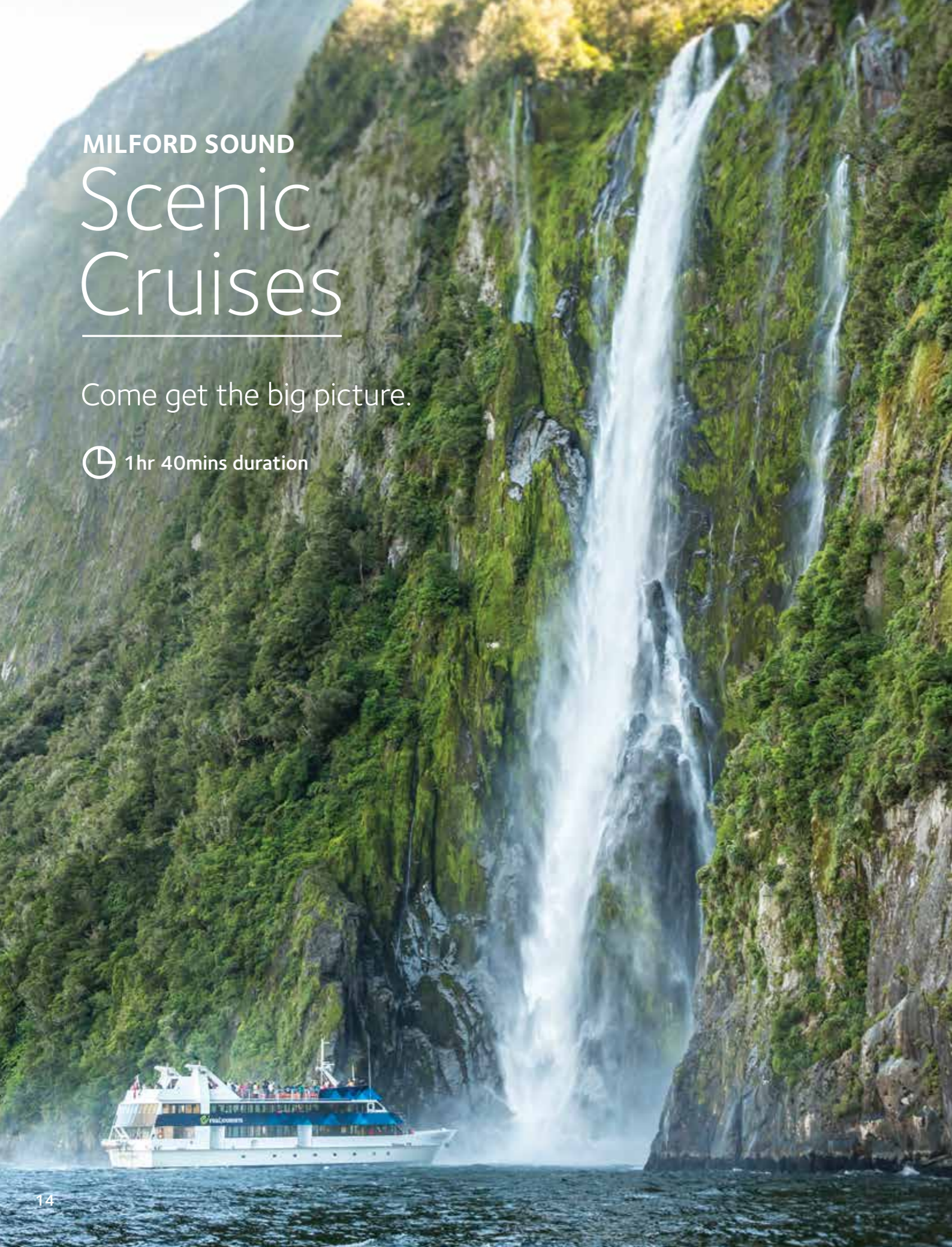
| | Departs | Returns |
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| From Milford – Cruise only | 10.30am ■ | 12.45pm |
| | 11am ■ | 1.15pm |
| | 1.35pm | 3.50pm |
| | 4.15pm ■ | 6.30pm |
| From Te Anau – Coach & Cruise | 7.30am | 4.30pm |
| | 10.20am | 5.45pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach & Cruise | 7.15am | 8pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach, Cruise & Flight | 7.15am | 5.10pm |
| From Queenstown – Return Flight & Cruise | 12.30pm ■ | 5.10pm |

Winter Schedule (May – September)

| | Departs | Returns |
|--|-----------|---------|
| From Milford – Cruise only | 10.30am ■ | 12.30pm |
| | 12.55pm ■ | 2.55pm |
| | 1.35pm ■ | 3.50pm |
| From Te Anau – Coach & Cruise | 9.50am | 5.10pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach & Cruise | 6.55am | 7.45pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach, Cruise & Flight | 6.55am | 4.10pm |
| From Queenstown – Return Flight & Cruise | 9am ■ | 1.40pm |
| From Queenstown – Return Flight & Cruise | 12pm ■ | 4.10pm |

■ Underwater Observatory add-on option available ■ November to April
■ November to March ■ September only ■ Includes a free picnic lunch






MILFORD SOUND

Scenic Cruises

Come get the big picture.

 1hr 40mins duration

For a 'big picture' landscape Milford Sound is certainly filled with some fantastic small details. You won't miss any thanks to the purpose built observation lounges and large decks on our spacious boats and the insightful commentary from our expert team. Delicious food, fascinating wildlife, incredible sights and life-long memories — it's time to come and get it all.

What's on your journey?



- Large decks and an observation lounge made for every viewing angle
- Mandarin, Cantonese, Japanese and Korean commentaries (for selected departures)
- Complimentary tea and coffee
- Licensed cash bar with drinks and snacks
- International buffet, Indian, Obento and Picnic Lunches available for purchase (must be pre-ordered)

Travel options



By Coach
Travel in our stylish glass roofed coaches, from Queenstown or Te Anau
Ask about our premium seating options



By Plane
Flight options from Queenstown, choose a round trip or a fly-back option



By Heli
Fly-back options available
Includes snow landing (weather permitting)










By Car
Free parking options are available at Milford Sound for self-driving guests




*All flights are weather permitting.
Complimentary transfers from most Te Anau and Queenstown accommodation with our travel options.*









Summer Schedule (October – April)

| | Departs | Returns |
|--|--|---------|
| From Milford – Cruise only | 8.45am  | 10.45am |
| | 11am  | 12.40pm |
| | 12pm  | 1.30pm |
| | 1pm | 2.40pm |
| | 1.45pm  | 3.25pm |
| From Te Anau – Coach & Cruise | 3pm | 4.40pm |
| | 7.30am | 4.30pm |
| | 9.50am | 5.25pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach & Cruise | 10.20am | 5.45pm |
| | 6.55am | 7.45pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach, Cruise & Flight | 7.15am | 8pm |
| | 6.55am | 3.40pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach, Cruise & Flight | 7.15am | 5.10pm |
| From Queenstown – Return Flight & Cruise | 8am  | 11.40am |
| From Queenstown – Return Flight & Cruise | 10am  | 1.40pm |
| From Queenstown – Return Flight & Cruise | 2pm  | 5.40pm |

Winter Schedule (May – September)

| | Departs | Returns |
|--|--|---------|
| From Milford – Cruise only | 11am  | 12.40pm |
| | 1pm | 2.40pm |
| | 3pm  | 4.40pm |
| From Te Anau – Coach & Cruise | 9.50am | 5.10pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach & Cruise | 6.55am | 7.45pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach, Cruise & Flight | 6.55am | 3.40pm |
| From Queenstown – Return Flight & Cruise | 12pm  | 3.40pm |

 Includes breakfast  Underwater Observatory add-on option available  September only
 Shorter cruise 1hr 30min duration  October to 15 April  Includes a free picnic lunch



MILFORD SOUND Overnight Cruises

Take in the sights.
Wake in the splendour.

 1 night duration

Waking at dawn to the sounds of birdlife and the gentle lapping water within the sheltered cove of a UNESCO World Heritage area is a morning you'll remember forever.

There's something uniquely relaxing being onboard our overnight Milford Sound cruises. It's time to take a deep breath and become truly entranced by this incredible place. There's still plenty of exploring, eating and entertainment to be had before you drift off to sleep. Inspiring, exhilarating, restful and rewarding, it's an experience that ultimately changes you for the better.

What's onboard?

- A specialist Nature Guide offering entertaining, insightful knowledge
- An expert chef making a sumptuous three course dinner, cooked and continental breakfast
- Licensed bar (cash only) and complimentary tea and coffee
- Bedding and towels provided
- Bountiful servings of 'oh-wow' scenery and inspiration

Vessel options

Milford Mariner



- Private cabins with ensuite bathrooms (sleeps 64)
- Two quad-share bunk style compartments
- Spacious observation lounge
- Explore the shoreline by kayak or by small boat with a Nature Guide

Milford Wanderer

- Cosy private cabins with shared bathroom facilities (sleeps 36)
- Two quad-share bunk-style compartments
- Exclusive Milford Track short walk or a guided small boat journey



Mariner Schedule (September – 23 May)

| | Departs | Returns |
|----------------------------------|--|---------|
| From Milford – Cruise only | 4.30pm  | 9.15am |
| | 3.30pm  | 9.15am |
| From Te Anau – Coach & Cruise | 12.45pm | 12.30pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach & Cruise | 9am | 3.30pm |

Wanderer Schedule (November – March)

| | Departs | Returns |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| From Milford – Cruise only | 4.30pm | 9.15am |
| From Te Anau – Coach & Cruise | 12.45pm | 12.30pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach & Cruise | 9am | 3.30pm |

 October to April  September and 1 to 23 May

Travel options



By Coach
Travel in our stylish coaches, from Queenstown or Te Anau



By Plane
Fly-back options available from Milford to Queenstown



By Car
Free parking options are available at Milford Sound for self-driving guests

*All flights are weather permitting.
Complimentary transfers from most Te Anau and Queenstown accommodation with our travel options.*



GETTING TO Milford Sound

We believe wholeheartedly that the journey should be as exciting as the destination. With such incredible experiences waiting for our guests, we therefore work hard to make each connecting trip just as memorable.

By Coach

Our premium coaches have been purpose-built for travelling the Milford Road with maximum comfort, safety and viewing experience. The seats are tiered and angled towards the windows to maximise your views, and the expansive glass roof* provides breathtaking sights above and around.

Our experienced and knowledgeable drivers know where all the best photo opportunities are along the way, ensuring you make the most of your journey.

Ask about our premium seating options

*Free WiFi available on all coaches.
Coaches depart daily from Queenstown and Te Anau.
Courtesy pick ups from most accommodation.*

**Not always available on our overnight coach departures.*



By Plane

There are many hidden gems to be discovered flying between Queenstown and Milford, from spectacular glacial lakes to lush valleys, dramatic waterfalls and cloud piercing summits. You'll see it all during a trip that is, quite simply, breathtaking.

*Available return from Queenstown, one-way from Milford Sound or flyover options available.
Complimentary picnic lunch with Fly-Cruise-Fly packages.
All flights are weather dependent.*

By Heli

Take the trip of a lifetime onboard a helicopter as it soars above the majestic Southern Alps deep into the heart of Fiordland National Park. It is a stunning landscape, one that, weather permitting, you'll get up close to with an incredible glacier landing.

Available for day cruises only. Minimum numbers apply. Free shuttle bus between Milford airport and harbour with all flight options.

By Car

Free parking options are available at Milford Sound for self-driving guests.

Points of interest on the Milford Road

TE ANAU DOWNS

Departure point for the Milford Track

MIRROR LAKES

Famous for their mountain reflections

THE DIVIDE

Pass across the Southern Alps (531m)

MONKEY CREEK

Stop to fill your water bottle from this pristine creek

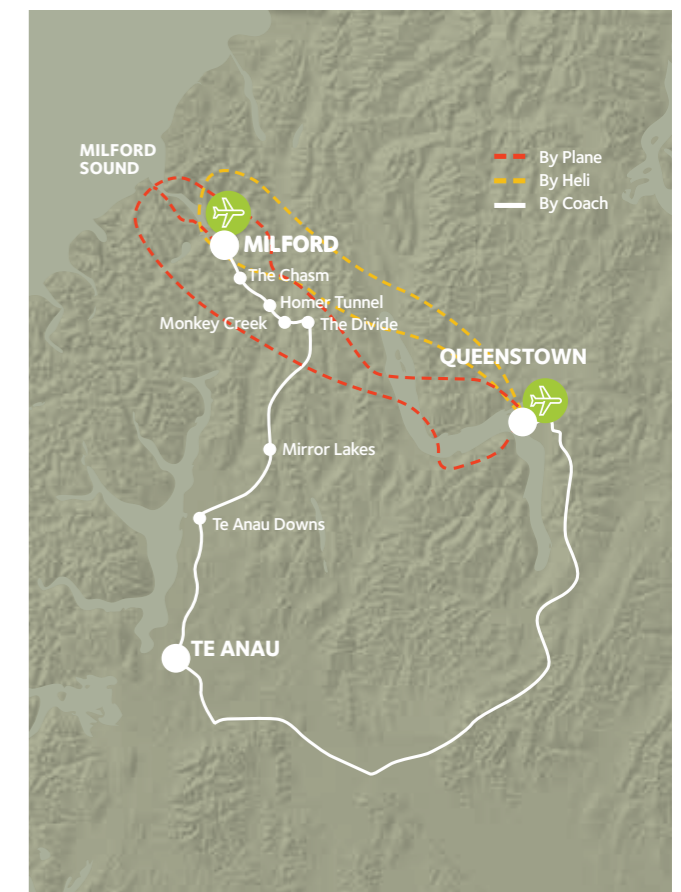
HOMER TUNNEL

1219m long with a 1 in 10 gradient

THE CHASM

Powerful waterfalls and sculpted rock


These are just a few of the potential stops along the Milford Road. Our drivers will choose the best ones for you depending on the season and weather — each day is different.



DOUBTFUL SOUND

Wilderness Cruises

Unchanged, untouched and absolutely unforgettable.

 6hrs 30mins – 7hrs 15mins duration

Doubtful Sound is part of the UNESCO World Heritage area within Fiordland National Park. A day trip into this vast and remote wilderness will take your breath away. When the captain turns off the engines, all you'll hear is the distant thundering of the waterfalls, the enchanting birdsong and, as excited as you'll be, quite possibly the beating of your heart.

It's just one peak in a journey filled with them, from the awe-inspiring splendour of the trip across Wilmot Pass to the delight you'll feel when meeting the local wildlife.

Your journey includes    

- A cruise across Lake Manapouri to West Arm
- An enthralling coach trip over Wilmot Pass through Fiordland's lush rainforest
- An incredible 3 hour cruise, including the 'Sound of Silence' experience
- Expert knowledge of the local flora and fauna from our Nature Guide
- Potentially meeting fur seals, a resident pod of Bottlenose dolphins and the rare Fiordland Crested penguins and Little Blue penguins
- Delicious Picnic or Noodle-style lunchbox available for purchase (must be pre-ordered)
- Complimentary tea and coffee
- Licensed cash bar with drinks and snacks
- Towering waterfalls, lush forests, possible native animals sightings and inspiring memories

"Amazing and unique experience! Wow this was one of those experiences you'll never get anywhere else. On our trip we saw a family of dolphins, seals, penguin and a few different types of birds. The scenery is to die for. This was such a unique experience and I highly recommend it to anyone!"

TRIPADVISOR



Summer Schedule (October – April)

| | Departs | Returns |
|----------------------------------|----------|---------|
| From Manapouri – Cruise only | 8am ■ | 2.30pm |
| | 10.30am | 5.45pm |
| | 1.30pm ■ | 8pm |
| From Te Anau – Coach & Cruise | 7am ■ | 3.30pm |
| | 9.30am | 6.30pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach & Cruise | 7.30am | 8.15pm |


Winter Schedule (May – September)

| | Departs | Returns |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| From Manapouri – Cruise only | 10.30am | 5pm |
| From Te Anau – Coach & Cruise | 9.30am | 6pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach & Cruise | 7.30am | 8.15pm |

■ November to April ■ 27 December to February

DOUBTFUL SOUND Overnight Cruises

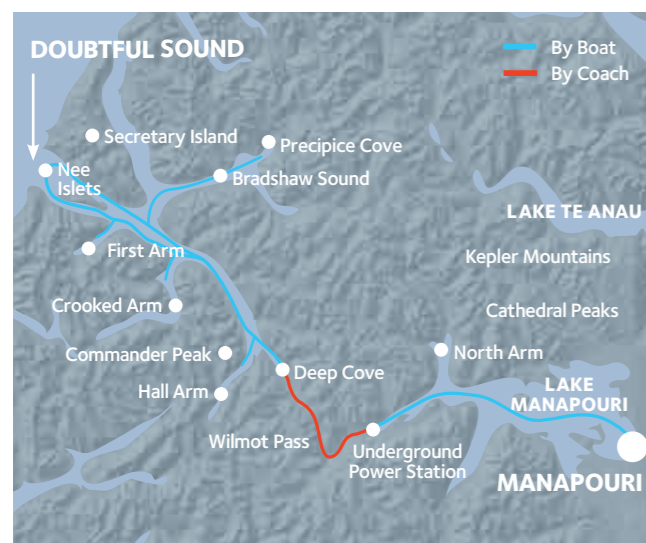
A timeless landscape.
An unforgettable time.

 1 night duration



Travelling deep into one of New Zealand's most pristine and isolated places is an experience you'll never forget. This is your chance to travel beyond the 'everyday' quite literally.

First you'll travel across Lake Manapouri before a coach trip up and over the stunning Wilmot Pass brings you to the Fiordland Navigator and the trip out into the Sound. By day you can explore further via kayak then, under the vast night sky, above the mesmerising waters, you'll find good company and great food.



What's onboard?

- Three course buffet dinner, cooked and continental breakfast prepared on board
- Kayaking or exploring by small boat through Patea, the 'place of silence'
- The chance to meet fur seals, Bottlenose dolphins and rare local penguins
- Insightful commentary from your Coach Drivers and Nature Guides
- Licensed cash bar with drinks and snacks
- Complimentary tea and coffee
- Bedding and towels provided
- An experience you'll share with anyone who'll listen for years to come

Your vessel: Fiordland Navigator

- Purpose-built for exploring beautiful places
- Offers private cabins (with ensuite) and quad-share bunk rooms (shared bathrooms)
- Sleeps 72
- Spacious viewing decks

Summer Schedule (October – March)

| | Departs | Returns |
|---|---------|---------|
| From Manapouri – Cruise only | 12.30pm | 11.45am |
| From Te Anau – Coach & Cruise | 11.30am | 12.45pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach & Cruise | 9am | 3.30pm |


Shoulder Schedule (April – 23 May & September)

| | Departs | Returns |
|---|---------|---------|
| From Manapouri – Cruise only | 12pm | 11.45am |
| From Te Anau – Coach & Cruise | 11am | 12.45pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach & Cruise | 9am | 3.30pm |



TE ANAU Glowworm Caves

For an incredibly
enlightening experience.

 2hrs 15mins duration

After travelling across Lake Te Anau you'll step into a magical world of churning waterfalls, polished limestone, tranquil streams and shimmering enchantment.

Our expert Nature Guide will lead you by path and small boat into and through the twisting network of limestone passages within the 12,000 year old cave system to meet the famous locals.

Your journey includes

- 30 minute return catamaran cruise across Lake Te Anau
- Exploration of a cave system only known by legends until rediscovery in 1948
- Voyage into the glowworm grotto deep underground
- A specialist Nature Guide for your small group (maximum 14 per guide)
- Complimentary tea, coffee and lifelong memories
- An optional self-guided nature walk through the native forest



Summer Schedule (October – April)

| | Departs | Returns |
|--------------|----------|---------|
| From Te Anau | 7.45am ■ | 10am |
| | 9am ■ | 11.15am |
| | 10.15am | 12.30pm |
| | 2pm | 4.15pm |
| | 4.30pm | 6.45pm |
| | 5.45pm | 8pm |
| | 7pm | 9.15pm |
| | 8.15pm | 10.30pm |
| | 9.30pm ■ | 11.45pm |

Winter Schedule (May – September)

| | Departs | Returns |
|--------------|---------|---------|
| From Te Anau | 10.15am | 12.30pm |
| | 2pm | 4.15pm |
| | 7pm | 9.15pm |

■ November to April ■ 27 December to February
Coach transport available from Queenstown.

*Some bending is required at the entrance and steps are involved.
Suitable for everyone five years and over. Photography or video
is not permitted in the caves.*

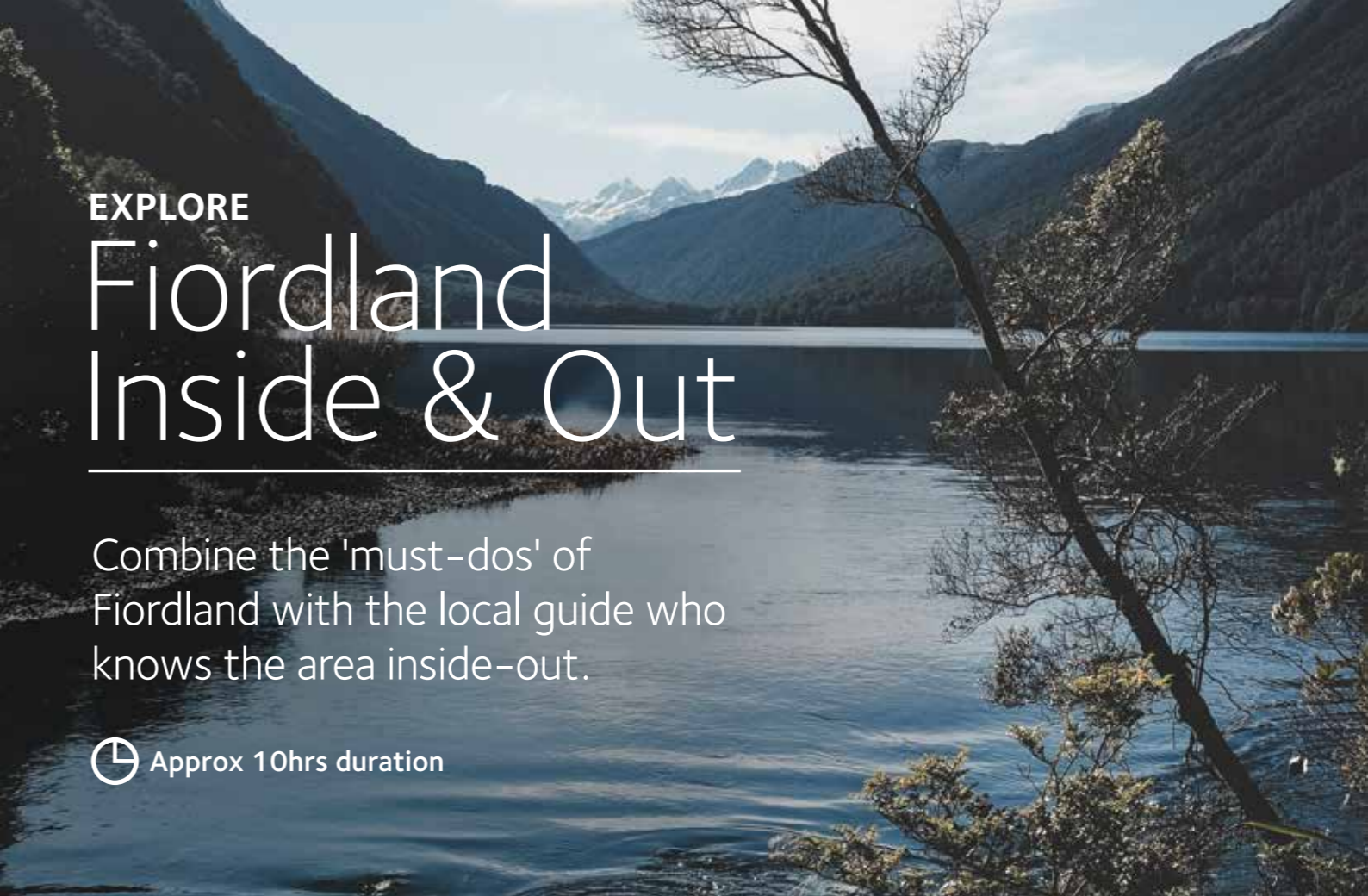




MILFORD TRACK Day Walk

Across the lake.
Through ancient forest.
Beyond every expectation.

8hrs 30mins duration



EXPLORE Fiordland Inside & Out

Combine the 'must-dos' of
Fiordland with the local guide who
knows the area inside-out.

Approx 10hrs duration

The Milford Track is known around the world for its breathtaking natural beauty. There's a good reason why so many have this extraordinary walk on their 'bucket list'. Now is your chance.

You'll experience some major track highlights on a guided adventure into this world for the day. After joining your guide in Te Anau, a short coach trip and lake cruise takes you to the start of the track. Then there's a gentle stroll via the Glade Burn to the historic Glade House for lunch, your dedicated guide explaining historical and natural sights along the way.

What follows is a scenic swing bridge crossing, beautiful grassy flats, ancient beech forest and, always inspiring and utterly unforgettable natural beauty.

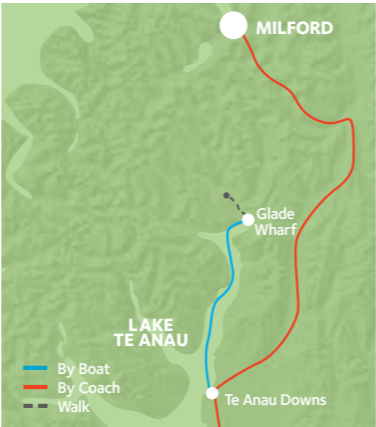
Your journey includes

- One-hour return Lake Te Anau cruise
- A relaxing 4–5 hour (approx 11 km) journey on a comfortable walking track
- A specialist Nature Guide, with all the local knowledge
- Delicious lunch and hot drinks for sustained energy
- The good company of a small group (maximum of 12 per guide)

Schedule (November – 18 April)

| | Departs | Returns |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|
| From Te Anau – Coach & Walk | 9.30am | 6pm |
| From Queenstown – Coach & Walk | 6.55am | 8pm |

*Suitable for everyone 10 years and over.
Track transport for independent walkers also available.*



Delve deep inside Te Anau Glowworm Caves and discover an underground world of rushing waters and twinkling lights. Next, cruise over Lake Te Anau to meet your driver and start your journey along the famous Milford Road.

Enjoy all of the best stops along the way, including a unique guided walk through pristine beech forest. Spot native birds flitting through thick canopies of moss-covered trees as you amble along the easily accessible 45-minute loop track.

End your day with a cruise through the fiord, surrounded by sheer cliffs wrapped in lush forests and tumbling waterfalls — and keep a sharp eye out for native birds, fur seals, dolphins and the rare Fiordland crested penguins.



What's on your journey

- Te Anau Glowworm caves
- Guided Lake Gunn Nature Walk
- Milford Sound Scenic Cruise
- Dedicated Nature Guide
- Small coach transport
- Lunch

Schedule (November – April)

| | Departs | Returns |
|--------------|---------|---------|
| From Te Anau | 7.45am | 5.45pm |



Getting to Stewart Island

 1hr one way by ferry



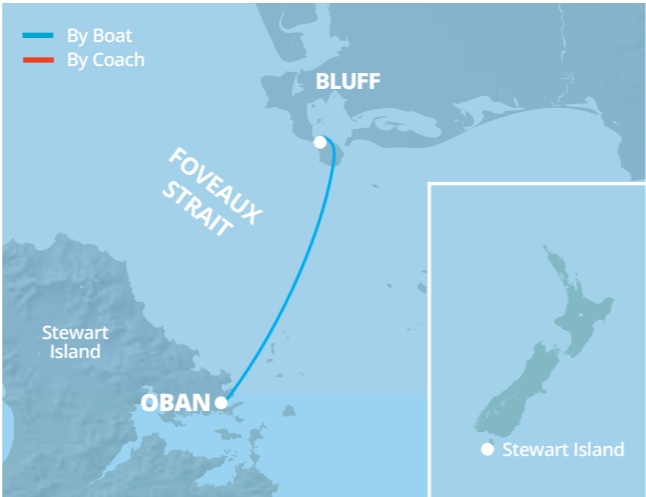
Stewart Island may be just an hour by ferry from the mainland but it's a world away from anything else you've experienced in New Zealand.

Known also as Rakiura, Māori for 'glowing skies', this is an island at the southern edge of our country steeped with dramatic history and raw beauty. As an eco-tourism destination it has been lauded internationally for good reason. Most of the island's forests and coastline are protected within the Rakiura National Park, making the island an ideal refuge for marine and birdlife and a haven for nature lovers.

While worth every minute of a day trip, Stewart Island ultimately rewards those who stay longer to linger among the inimitable sights and sounds here.

How to get there

Our daily ferry service runs all year out of Bluff, with coach transport from Invercargill available too. On our comfortable catamarans you'll make your way across the Foveaux Strait between Bluff and Stewart Island, with a complimentary tea or coffee, as you listen to the on-board commentary of all the trip's highlights. Be sure to keep an eye out for the wildlife too — particularly seabirds such as the mollymawk and tītī.



Summer Schedule Ferry (October – April)

| | Departs | Arrives |
|-------------------------|----------|---------|
| Bluff to Stewart Island | 8am ■ | 9am |
| | 9.45am | 10.45am |
| | 11am | 12pm |
| | 1.30pm ■ | 2.30pm |
| | 5.15pm | 6.15pm |
| Stewart Island to Bluff | 8am | 9am |
| | 9.30am ■ | 10.30am |
| | 12pm ■ | 1pm |
| | 3.30pm | 4.30pm |
| | 5pm | 6pm |

■ 26 December to 7 January ■ December to February

Winter Schedule Ferry (May – September)

| | Departs | Arrives |
|-------------------------|---------|---------|
| Bluff to Stewart Island | 9.45am | 10.45am |
| | 4.30pm | 5.30pm |
| Stewart Island to Bluff | 8am | 9am |
| | 3pm | 4pm |

Note: Luggage limits apply

Coach & Ferry (November – April)

| | Departs | Arrives |
|------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Queenstown to Stewart Island | 6.55am | 12pm |
| Stewart Island to Queenstown | 8am | 2pm |
| Te Anau to Stewart Island | 7.05am | 12pm |
| Stewart Island to Te Anau | 8am | 1.20pm |



Rental Services

Taking the time to explore Stewart Island's secluded beaches and bush walks on your own is a rewarding experience. With less than 30 kilometres of sealed roads on the entire island, there's minimal traffic and it's difficult to get lost.

Available for hire

-  Small cars
-  Motor scooter
-  E-bikes

Collect from the Red Shed Visitor Centre and talk to our local staff for some great suggestions about the best places to visit.

Stewart Island Village & Bays Tours

*All of the sights.
A lot of the stories.*

🕒 1hr 30mins duration



Stewart Island Ulva Island Explorer

*An iconic island sanctuary.
A captivating cruise.*

🕒 2hrs 30mins – 2hrs 45mins duration



Unspoiled, incredibly beautiful and filled with entertaining stories, Stewart Island is not a place you can simply experience with a quick walk around. We've created the perfect introductory tour to help you take it all in.

On this tour you'll first explore Oban village before heading out on the road to visit a number of picturesque locations, including Lee Bay and the stunning views of Paterson Inlet from Observation Rock. With a local guide you'll enjoy a personal introduction to this beautiful place and, over an hour and a half, learn of the fascinating history and environment here.

Your journey includes

- A visit to Lee Bay, the gateway to Rakiura National Park
- Great photo opportunities at Observation Rock
- Learning about Māori and early settler history
- Plenty of time to get off the bus for photo stops and short walks

Schedule (All Year)

| Departs | Returns |
|---------|---------|
| 11am | 12.30pm |
| 1pm | 2.30pm |
| 3pm | 4.30pm |

■ October to April



There are two great ways to enjoy the incredible raw beauty of Paterson Inlet and the Ulva Island Bird Sanctuary — by boat and by foot. This unique journey gives you the best of both worlds.

On a leisurely cruise of beautiful Paterson Inlet you'll discover stunning scenery, hidden coves and unspoilt beaches, with the occasional encounter with local fur seals and penguins possible too. From there you'll disembark at Ulva Island for a guided walk through the famed bird sanctuary.

The island is home to weka, Stewart Island robins, rare saddlebacks and yellowheads and is also a protected habitat for some of our most rare plant species. This is a journey through a very special part of New Zealand as nature intended.



What's on your journey?

- Plenty of time to enjoy the view from our purpose-built vessel
- An Ulva Island bush walk with a local guide providing all the interesting and captivating stories
- The chance to see a huge range of rare and precious birdlife
- Delicious picnic lunches available for purchase (please pre-order prior to travel)

Summer Schedule (October – April)

| Departs | Returns |
|---------|---------|
| 12.45pm | 3.15pm |

Winter Schedule (May & September)

| Departs | Returns |
|---------|---------|
| 12pm | 2.45pm |



Stewart Island Wild Kiwi Encounter

*The quintessential
New Zealand experience.*

 Approx 4hrs duration



Stewart
Island Lodge

*Glowing skies.
Glowing reviews too.*



The Rakiura Tokoeka (Stewart Island kiwi) averages 40cm tall, with a beak half that size. It's an incredibly distinctive New Zealand icon and at Little Glory Cove, can be found scampering through the grasses and over the beaches.

With the location in one of only five Dark Sky Sanctuaries in the world, this tour is extra special for many visitors. Your journey starts at dusk with a relaxing Paterson Inlet cruise. From here your guide will lead you through spectacular coastal forest to a secluded sandy beach where, by torchlight, you'll have one of the best chances to spot our national bird searching for dinner. It's a fascinating and wondrous experience that's not to be missed.

Your journey includes

- Evening cruise across Paterson Inlet
- Two hour guided bush walk
- Learn about birdlife, flora and fauna from our experienced guide
- Small groups (eight per guide, max of 16 per trip)
- Complimentary tea and coffee on board

Schedule (October – May)

| Season | Departs | Returns |
|-----------|---------|---------|
| Dec – Feb | 8.30pm | 12.30am |
| Apr | 5pm | 9pm |
| May | 4.30pm | 8.30pm |
| Oct | 7pm | 11pm |
| Nov & Mar | 7.30pm | 11.30pm |

*Departures weather dependent. Minimum age 15 years.
Departure/return times may vary depending on sunset, weather
and kiwi behaviour. A moderate level of fitness is required.*



Stewart Island contains a huge range of memorable experiences. Book in a night or two at our lodge and give yourself the chance to really make the most of it all.

Just five minutes walk from the village centre, the private, secluded lodge offers stunning views across Halfmoon Bay, the Foveaux Strait and the beautiful sky at twilight. With a relaxing guest lounge and outdoor terrace there's plenty of space to stretch out, and the extensive grounds are home to many native birds, including the kaka, a native parrot. Our guests love staying here — you will too.



At the lodge

- King or twin bedrooms, all with an ensuite
- Communal guest lounge and shared outdoor terrace with expansive views
- Continental breakfast served each morning
- Small kitchen with cooking facilities available
- Complimentary pick up from ferry or flight depot
- All rooms have TVs, free WiFi and tea/coffee making facilities

Accessible by ferry from Bluff (one hour) and small plane from Invercargill. Both options have several departures daily.

Open September – May

Check in 12pm, check out 10am



Discovery Expeditions



PRESERVATION INLET,
DUSKY SOUND OR
STEWART ISLAND



A multi-day Discovery Expedition takes you on an exploration of Fiordland or Stewart Island, delving into the rich natural and human histories of the regions. You get to reach out and touch the stunning landscapes with opportunities to disembark and explore relics of settlements long past.

All Discovery Expeditions have onboard specialist Nature Guides, who are experts on southern New Zealand, providing an informative commentary, spotting wildlife and taking guided walks and activities.

Passenger numbers are limited to 32 creating a friendly and relaxed atmosphere on board the purpose built Milford Wanderer. With sumptuous meals and an attentive crew, all your needs are looked after against an awe-inspiring backdrop.

An average level of fitness is recommended along with a love of the outdoors and a sense of adventure.

PRESERVATION INLET
SIX NIGHTS / SEVEN DAYS
Departs from Manapouri in Apr, May, Jul, Aug & Sep

DUSKY SOUND
FOUR NIGHTS / FIVE DAYS
Departs from Manapouri in Oct

STEWART ISLAND
FIVE NIGHTS / SIX DAYS
Departs from Bluff in Jul

Coach transport from Queenstown, Te Anau and Invercargill to departure locations are available.

DISCOVER FIORDLAND

DUSKY SOUND

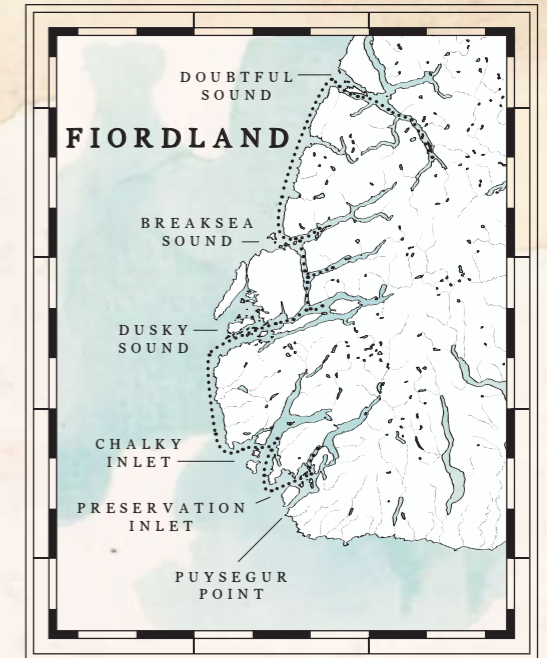
Four night cruise with helicopter transfer

With more than 350 islands, Dusky and Breaksea Sounds offer many idyllic spots for mooring, kayaking and trips ashore. This cruise will also take you to Doubtful Sound, well known for its wildlife, including fur seals and a resident pod of bottlenose dolphins.

PRESERVATION INLET

Six night cruise with helicopter transfer

Preservation and Chalky Inlets are New Zealand's southernmost and seldom visited fiords. The windswept coastlines and broad beaches allow excellent opportunities for landing and exploration. These cruises encompass the highlights of the Dusky Sound trip and can include Breaksea and Doubtful Sounds.



DISCOVER STEWART ISLAND

Five night cruise

New Zealand's third and southernmost island is a wonderful destination for people who value nature and wild places. Most of Stewart Island is part of the Rakiura National Park with settlement mainly confined to Oban, the only township. The island's densely forested hills, tiny population and untouched coastline of rocky outcrops and creamy golden sand beaches make it a natural refuge for marine and bird life and an ideal destination to explore by boat.

Your journey starts with a cruise across Foveaux Strait from Bluff to Stewart Island's eastern shoreline. There you'll board the Milford Wanderer and spend the next several days cruising some of the most magical waters in New Zealand. Venture ashore regularly for guided walks — including the renowned Ulva Island bird sanctuary — and visit historic sites such as the old Norwegian whaling station at Prices Inlet.



MILFORD WANDERER

Specialist Nature Guides / Kayaks and small boats available
Open bridge policy / Sleeps 32 / Warm, comfortable cabins (twin share)
Duvets, sheets and towels provided / Modern shared bathroom facilities with hot showers / Cosy dining saloon / Hearty meals prepared by your onboard chef

Visit discoveryexpeditions.co.nz for full cruise routes and departure dates.



Conservation

"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 New Zealand's modern environmental movement can be traced back to one key event in the 1960s: the Save Manapouri Campaign. Real Journeys founders — Sir Les and Olive, Lady Hutchins were key figures in the fight against the Government's plans to raise the lake level. Their efforts inspired a nationwide change of attitude in how we protect and conserve the environment. We are dedicated to continuing their pioneering work.

The Leslie Hutchins Conservation Foundation was established in 1994 and every year we contribute a percentage of our Doubtful Sound 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, including removing predators on Cooper Island and coastal clean-up programmes in Fiordland and Stewart Island. We are also committed to operating sustainably and minimising our footprint. From recycling initiatives, to investing in leadingedge technology we always aim to go above and beyond to protect our pristine environment.

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.



Recent fundraising initiatives include:

- \$54,000 raised from the annual Birds of a Feather Conservation Ball for the Cardrona Kārearea Conservation Project
- \$53,000 from Cruise-for-a-Cause for Wanaka SAR and KidsCan
- \$106,000 from Discovery Expeditions and Conservation Expeditions for the Cooper Island Restoration Project





Family Packages

We're making travel more affordable for families. Family Packages available on selected experiences and departures.

WALTER PEAK EXPERIENCES – MILFORD SOUND CRUISES
TE ANAU GLOWWORM CAVES – STEWART ISLAND FERRY

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KIDS GO FREE

Kids travel free on selected Real Journeys adventures during the school holidays

T&Cs apply.
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20% multi saver

Save 20% off all lower full priced experiences when you buy two or more different tours at the same time

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Events & Functions

Make one of our stunning locations the backdrop for your next event or function.

Let us tailor an event or function for you against a backdrop of some of the world's most stunning locations — Queenstown, Milford Sound, Doubtful Sound and Stewart Island.

Recommendations

- Four-course dinner in Doubtful Sound and star gazing in the heart of Fiordland National Park
- Drinks and dancing on a vintage steamship in Queenstown
- Wildlife viewing in Milford Sound — cruise or sea kayak
- Get away from it all in Stewart Island

Most importantly we're flexible. We have our own vessels, coaches and aircraft so we can cater for almost anything you need.

To find out more about what we can do for you

Contact our Events Team

Phone +64 3 442 4945 Email events@realjourneys.co.nz

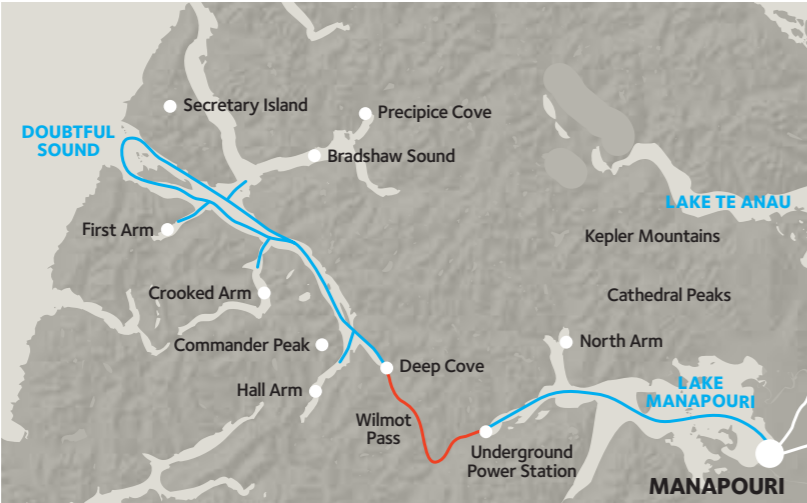


Journey Maps

Milford Sound



Doubtful Sound



Te Anau



Queenstown



Stewart Island



Walking track By Boat By Coach Road Airport

Routes are indicative only.

Suggested Itineraries

FROM QUEENSTOWN

2 Days

- Day 1** Milford Sound Day Cruise (coach or self-drive) or Doubtful Sound Day Cruise (coach or self-drive)
Day 2 TSS Earnslaw Cruise / Walter Peak Farm Tour / Walter Peak Gourmet BBQ Lunch or Dinner

- Day 1** Doubtful Sound Day Cruise (coach or self-drive) Te Anau Glowworm Caves Overnight in Te Anau
Day 2 Milford Sound Day Cruise (self-drive or coach with fly out option)

- (Summer only)*
Day 1 Milford Sound or Doubtful Sound Overnight Cruise
Day 2 Return from Overnight Cruise (coach or self-drive; Milford Sound fly out option) TSS Earnslaw Cruise / Walter Peak Gourmet BBQ Dinner

3 Days *(Summer only)*

- Day 1** Doubtful Sound or Milford Sound Overnight Cruise
Day 2 Return from Overnight Cruise (coach or self-drive; Milford Sound fly out option) TSS Earnslaw Cruise / Walter Peak Farm Tour, Horse Trek, Gourmet BBQ Lunch or Dinner

- Day 1** Doubtful Sound Overnight Cruise
Day 2 Return from Overnight Cruise (coach or self-drive) Te Anau Glowworm Caves Overnight in Te Anau
Day 3 Milford Sound Cruise (coach, self-drive or fly out)

- Day 1** Milford Sound Overnight Cruise (coach or self-drive)
Day 2 Return from Overnight Cruise Te Anau Glowworm Caves Overnight in Te Anau
Day 3 Doubtful Sound Cruise (coach or self-drive)

FROM TE ANAU

2 Days

- Day 1** Milford Sound Day Cruise Te Anau Glowworm Caves
Day 2 Doubtful Sound Cruise (coach or self-drive)

- (Summer only)*
Day 1 Milford Sound or Doubtful Sound Overnight Cruise (coach or self-drive) Return from Overnight Cruise Te Anau Glowworm Caves
Day 2 Return from Overnight Cruise Te Anau Glowworm Caves

3 Days *(Summer only)*

- Day 1** Doubtful Sound Cruise or Milford Track Day Walk
Day 2 Milford Sound Overnight Cruise
Day 3 Return from Overnight Cruise (coach or self-drive) Te Anau Glowworm Caves

- Day 1** Fiordland Inside & Out
Day 2 Doubtful Sound Overnight Cruise
Day 3 Return from Overnight Cruise Self-drive to Queenstown for Walter Peak Gourmet BBQ Dinner

FROM BLUFF

1 Day

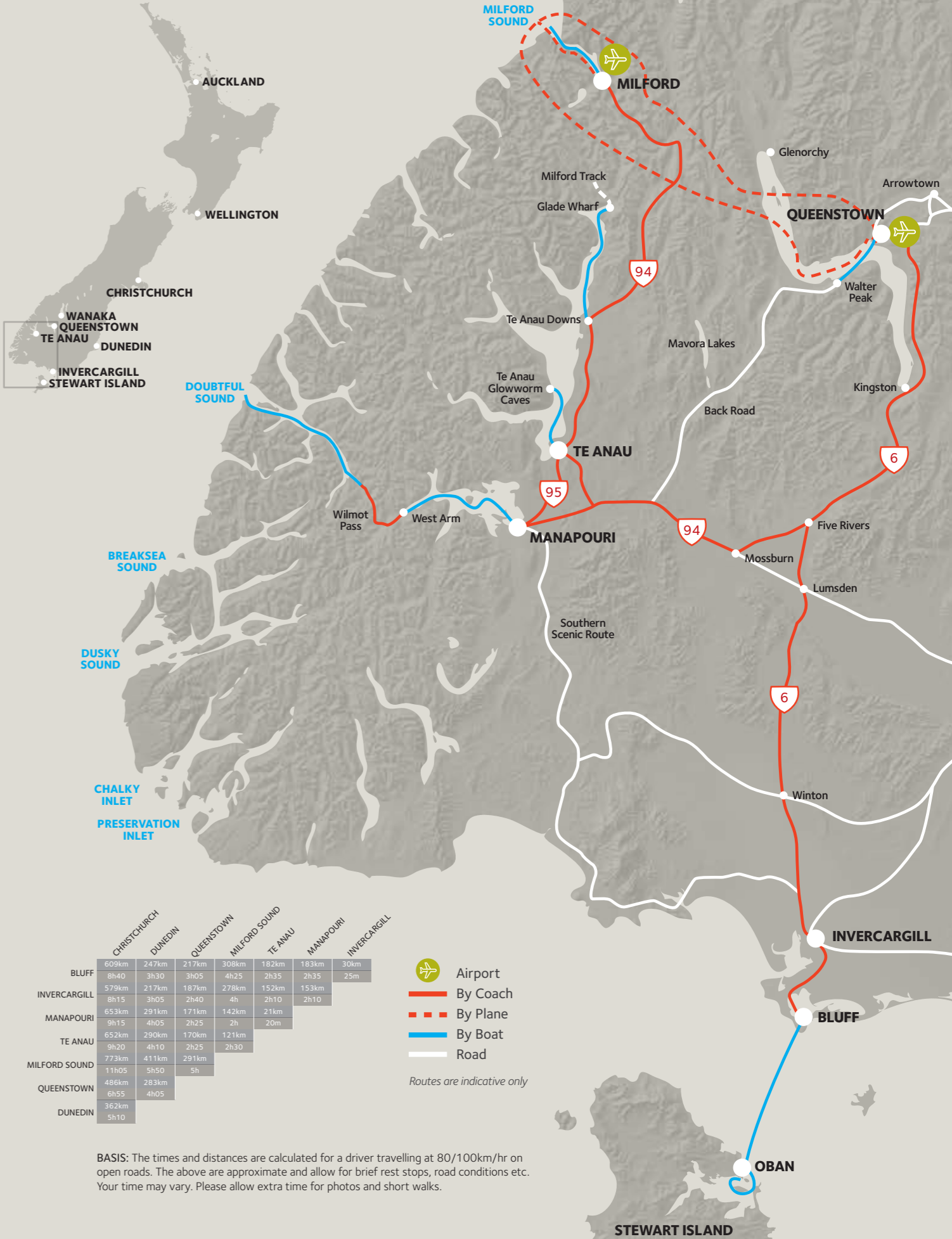
- Day 1** Stewart Island Ferry Crossing Village and Bays Tour, Ulva Island Explorer or Stewart Island Rental Services (hire) Return on Stewart Island Ferry

2 Days *(Summer only)*

- Day 1** Stewart Island Ferry Crossing Village and Bays Tour Wild Kiwi Encounter Overnight at Stewart Island Lodge
Day 2 Ulva Island Explorer, return on Stewart Island Ferry

3 Days *(Summer only)*

- Day 1** Stewart Island Ferry Crossing Village and Bays Tour Overnight at Stewart Island Lodge both nights
Day 2 Ulva Island Explorer Wild Kiwi Encounter
Day 3 Stewart Island Rental Services (hire), return on Stewart Island Ferry



BASIS: The times and distances are calculated for a driver travelling at 80/100km/hr on open roads. The above are approximate and allow for brief rest stops, road conditions etc. Your time may vary. Please allow extra time for photos and short walks.