



# RealNZ Events Guide





Keeping it real since 1954, it's been almost 70 years since founders Les & Olive Hutchins first began sharing the spectacular wilderness of Ata Whenua Fiordland with the world. A legacy we are proud to continue through our unforgettable experiences in Ata Whenua Fiordland, Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown, Rakiura Stewart Island, Wānaka, and Ōtautahi Christchurch.



# Welcome to RealNZ

Based in the stunning South Island of Aotearoa New Zealand, the RealNZ whānau offer some of the most iconic New Zealand experiences.

With a wide range of products to choose from and customise, we have options to create unforgettable experiences for every client. So whether it's cruising in stunning remote fiords, adrenaline-filled activities, unique conference settings or cocktail and dinner venues that surprise and delight – we've got what you're looking for.

The dedicated RealNZ Events Team has many years of MICE experience under their belt and provide an easy 'one-stop shop' when it comes to organising your next event.

By working across all the RealNZ locations, our Events Team creates unique, seamless and extraordinary experiences that you won't find anywhere else in the world.

## WHY BOOK WITH US?

- Dedicated Events Team
- Tailor-made quotes and proposals
- Proven experience in hosting a range of events
- Trusted family owned company with over 60 years' experience
- Local expert knowledge of southern Aotearoa New Zealand
- A wide range of products in multiple locations
- Seamless transitions between locations
- Dedicated, knowledgeable and passionate employees
- High quality equipment and experiences
- Strong commitment to conservation and operating in an environmentally sustainable way



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# Testimonials

The team at Arinex love working with RealNZ! There is so much variety in their products so something for everyone from relaxed to high end. The RealNZ team are always happy to tailor experiences for our incentive groups so each group is special. It is a one stop shop which makes our job really easy. The staff onsite are helpful and friendly and our groups always love the different experiences they have from RealNZ.

RealNZ is such a great partner for IDNZ. To be able to come to them for several of our incentive needs as a "one stop shop" makes the planning and operating process extremely streamlined. Always reliable and a pleasure to work with, it's great to be able to continually depend on RealNZ for so many aspects of our programs.





# Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown

TSS Earnslaw / Walter Peak /  
Queenstown Rafting / Queenstown Jet /  
Queenstown Water Taxis





# TSS Earnslaw & Walter Peak High Country Farm

LOCATION	SEASON	MAX CAPACITY
Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown	All year	250 - 300

The TSS Earnslaw and Colonel’s Homestead Restaurant at Walter Peak High Country Farm combine to create a completely unique experience that can not be missed.

Our iconic century-old vintage steamship, the TSS Earnslaw, is a unique venue for any special event. Whether you are planning an informal breakfast or a sophisticated cocktail evening, a cruise on the TSS Earnslaw is a special way to experience Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown’s beautiful alpine scenery.

The TSS Earnslaw provides the only coal-fired passenger carrying vessel operating in the Southern Hemisphere. It is a fabulous stand-alone option, or can be combined with the stunning Colonel’s Homestead Restaurant at Walter Peak High Country Farm.

On the western shores of Lake Whakatipu, the historic homestead has the charm and style of a bygone era. Offering a variety of private rooms and exclusive hire options, guests can dine by candlelight in the ballroom, bask in the sun on the terrace overlooking the lake, or relax in front of the roaring fire in the library.

Walter Peak High Country Farm is easily accessed from Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown via the TSS Earnslaw, charter vessels, helicopter or a fixed-wing scenic flight.

EVENT SUGGESTIONS

- Exclusive charter cruise
- Incentive programmes
- Team building activities
- Wedding receptions, birthday parties and family celebrations
- High country breakfast/brunch
- Gala dinners

Entertainers such as live bands, solo musicians, speakers, comedians, dancers and magicians are all welcome and our events team can make recommendations of wonderful local talent.



TSS EARNSLAW AND COLONEL'S HOMESTEAD RESTAURANT



TSS EARNSLAW & WALTER PEAK

## Food & Beverage

The TSS Earnslaw & Colonel's Homestead Restaurant are both fully licensed, with on-site catering providing ultimate flexibility.

For lunch or dinner, our resident chefs create an exquisite gourmet BBQ. Choose from an expansive array of Aotearoa New Zealand and local produce; from succulent meats cooked on the open BBQ, to a selection of fresh and seasonal vegetables and salads. Finish your meal with a selection of our irresistible desserts, New Zealand cheeses and freshly brewed tea & coffee.

If you want to elevate your event further, our Shared Platter Menu can be tailored to your needs and is a smorgasbord of incredible food delivered straight to your table.

### WE ALSO OFFER OPTIONS FOR

- Breakfast/brunch
- Morning and afternoon tea
- Canapés, finger food and platter options

An extensive wine list featuring many Aotearoa New Zealand and local wines along with a variety of beers, soft drinks, juices and espresso coffees is available, as are tailored beverage packages.



AMPHITHEATER AT WALTER PEAK HIGH COUNTRY FARM

TSS EARNSLAW & WALTER PEAK

## Walter Peak High Country Farm

Situated alongside the Colonel's Homestead, Walter Peak High Country Farm has extensive grounds and lends itself perfectly to a variety of group activities, team building exercises, and awards shows.

Available in conjunction with the homestead or as a stand-alone venue, Walter Peak High Country Farm is easily accessible from Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown by a variety of transport options including the TSS Earnslaw, small charter vessels, helicopters and fixed-wing planes. Groups are welcome to join our scheduled tours, or private tours can be arranged for a tailor-made experience.

### TAILOR-MADE TEAM BUILDING

Tailor make your team building session with rural games such as horseshoe throwing and whip cracking. Choose to be more adventurous with challenges such as archery combat, clay target shooting, human foosball and human whack a mole!



# Queenstown Rafting

LOCATION	SEASON	MAX CAPACITY
Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown	All year	Up to 180 max per day

Whitewater rafting is a must-do, adrenaline inducing experience in the adventure capital of Aotearoa New Zealand, and we intend to keep it that way. You will embark on a man versus nature battle of willpower in one of the most scenic environments in the world.



Raft where the jet boats fear to go and prepare to take on incredible rapids as you hold on during this four hour paddle experience. Don't just take photos of the river, take on the river. With two rivers to choose from we have the rafting experience for you:

**SHOTOVER RIVER – GRADE 3-5 RAPIDS**

The mighty Shotover River in the historic Skippers Canyon is famous for its exciting cliff edges and gold mining history, which makes the drive in an experience on its own! Encounter adrenaline pumping whitewater action and finish by rafting through a 170

metre tunnel! You can even up the ante for your guests and have a helicopter take them into the canyon.

**KAWARAU RIVER – GRADE 2-3 RAPIDS**

Paddle through middle earth, as it was the Kawarau River that starred as the river Anduin in Lord of the Rings. Raft under the world's first bungy operation and enjoy Aotearoa New Zealand's longest commercially rafted rapid! With plenty of whitewater action, a chance to swim a rapid and take part in the cliff jumping section, the Kawarau is an experience you won't forget.



SHOTOVER RIVER RAFTING



# Queenstown Jet

LOCATION	SEASON	MAX CAPACITY
Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown	All year	70

Discover Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown as you race across Lake Whakatipu and down the Kawarau River at speeds of up to 90km/h, packing in plenty of those famous 360 degree spins and exploring further than ever before.



A perfect team experience starting right in the heart of Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown Bay or at many of the waterfront hotels. Surprise your guests with an epic transfer between locations or an arrival experience

to set the tone for their Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown adventure. Exceed expectations with this iconic New Zealand experience, one that shouldn't be missed.



JET BOAT



# Queenstown Water Taxis

LOCATION	SEASON	MAX CAPACITY
Whakatipu Waimāori Queenstown	All year	75

Queenstown Water Taxis offers exclusive water transport to any location or experience on Lake Whakatipu. Why take a coach along busy roads when you can ‘Take the Lake’ and travel the scenic way.



QUEENSTOWN WATER TAXI



# Ata Whenua Fiordland

Piopiotahi Milford Sound /  
Patea Doubtful Sound / Te Anau





# Piopiotahi Milford Sound

CRUISES	LOCATION	SEASON	MAX CAPACITY
Overnight cruise / Day cruise	Piopiotahi Milford Sound	All year	300

No matter how many photos you’ve seen of Piopiotahi Milford Sound, nothing can prepare you for the incredible feeling of actually being there. It is one of the world’s most beautiful, majestic and untouched places, and getting there is definitely part of the experience.



RealNZ offer a range of cruise vessels to suit any group and can customise your experience to suit your clients needs. From taking one of our coaches along the spectacular Milford Road, before joining a leisurely day-cruise on the fiord, to chartering



one of our overnight vessels for a night of unique entertainment. Really up the ante and choose to take a fixed wing plane or helicopter directly to or from your cruise to have an experience of a lifetime.



MILFORD HAVEN



MILFORD MARINER



# Patea Doubtful Sound

CRUISES	LOCATION	SEASON	MAX CAPACITY
Overnight cruise / Day cruise	Patea Doubtful Sound	All year	135

Patea Doubtful Sound is a place of towering peaks and bush-clad islands, of twisting hidden arms and sheltered coves.



It remains an unspoilt wilderness where bottlenose dolphins are frequently seen alongside our vessels, fur seals bask on rocky outcrops and, at times, rare penguins can be viewed. As the second largest fiord in the Ata Whenua Fiordland National Park, getting to Patea Doubtful Sound is an adventure

in itself. With a cruise across the stunning Lake Manapouri, past the Manapouri Power Station and a spectacular drive over the Wilmot Pass, your clients will be overwhelmed with the beauty of the area before they even arrive!





# Te Anau

## Glowworm Caves

LOCATION	SEASON	MAX CAPACITY
Te Anau	All year	78

Lying beneath the mountains on Lake Te Anau’s western shores, the Glowworm Caves are a subterranean network lit by thousands of glowworms.



This underground world is astonishingly beautiful. By geological standards the caves are very young (12,000 years) and are still being carved out by the force of the river that flows through them. The result is twisting limestone passages filled with sculpted rock, whirlpools and a roaring underground waterfall.

Deep inside the caves, beyond the noise of the water, thousands of glowworms inhabit a silent hidden grotto. They produce a glittering display that is truly extraordinary. Drift in silence below the shimmering creatures in a small vessel steered in complete darkness by our expert guides.



GLOWWORM GROTTO



# Rakiura Stewart Island

LOCATION	SEASON
Rakiura Stewart Island	All year

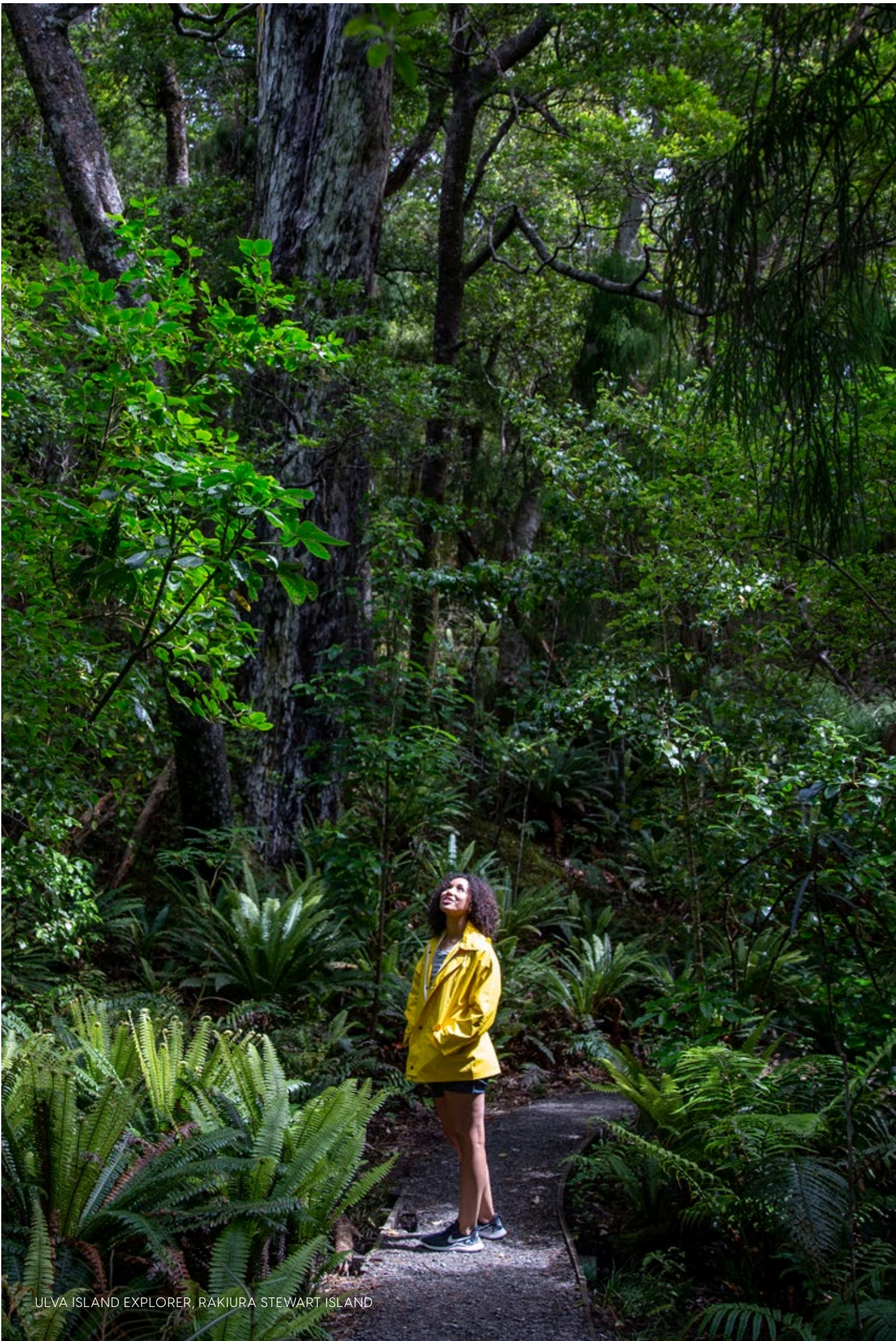
Whether visiting for a day, or staying longer, we can provide your guests with a complete island itinerary to experience the best Rakiura Stewart Island has to offer.



Located at the southern tip of Aotearoa New Zealand, a one hour ferry ride from Bluff, Rakiura Stewart Island is Aotearoa New Zealand's ultimate eco-tourism destination. Picturesque Rakiura Stewart Island is well off the beaten track, but just 30 kilometres from the southern tip of Aotearoa New Zealand's South Island. Most of the island's lush forest, rocky coastlines and creamy golden sand beaches are protected within the Rakiura

National Park. Settlement is mainly confined to Oban, the only township on the island.

The daily ferry service allows you to zip across Foveaux Strait between Bluff and Rakiura Stewart Island aboard our comfortable catamarans. During the trip, keep an eye out for wildlife, particularly seabirds such as the mollymawk and titi.



ULVA ISLAND EXPLORER, RAKIURA STEWART ISLAND



RAKIURA STEWART ISLAND  
EXPERIENCE

## Wild Kiwi Encounter

At dusk, depart Halfmoon Bay by catamaran for a scenic cruise across Paterson Inlet to Little Glory Cove.



During the cruise pass Ulva Island (a predator-free sanctuary) and learn about Rakiura Stewart Island's rich history. Once at Little Glory Cove, follow the Nature Guide through the coastal forest to a secluded sandy beach. See the stars above and listen for the surrounding forest sounds. Here in the darkness keep an eye out for the Rakiura Stewart Island kiwi (Rakiura tokoeka) often found searching for food.

RAKIURA STEWART ISLAND  
EXPERIENCE

## Ulva Island Explorer

Enjoy a leisurely cruise of beautiful Paterson Inlet, viewing unspoiled beaches, hidden coves, sea life and exploring the 'not-to-be-missed' Ulva Island Birdlife Sanctuary.

Once on the island, enjoy a 45min guided walk through the forest that is home to weka (native woodhen), bush robins, rare saddlebacks and yellowheads amongst other rare

and endangered species. It is also a protected habitat for some of Aotearoa New Zealand's rarest plant species.



RAKIURA STEWART ISLAND  
EXPERIENCE

## Village & Bays Tour

Explore Oban Village and its surrounding bays with a local guide. This is the best introduction to Rakiura Stewart Island.

Unspoiled, incredibly beautiful and steeped in stories, Rakiura Stewart Island is well worth this informative introduction. You will have plenty of time to get off the bus for photo stops and short walks along the way. Discover the whaling history of the island and the integration of European, Māori and American cultures and stand atop Observation Rock with its stunning views of Golden Bay, Paterson Inlet and Ulva Island. Your local guide will also provide an insight into unique island life.



RAKIURA STEWART ISLAND  
EXPERIENCE

## Stewart Island Lodge

Located atop the hill, just five minutes walk from the village centre, the Lodge is private and secluded, commanding the best views across Halfmoon Bay and Foveaux Strait.

With six king or twin bedrooms, all with ensuites, the Lodge can comfortably accommodate up to 12 guests.

Key features include continental breakfast, complimentary transfers and a communal guest lounge; ideal for group socialising.





# Wānaka Mountains

## Cardrona / Treble Cone

Whilst being Aotearoa New Zealand's most popular ski area, there's more to Cardrona Alpine Resort than meets the eye.

Founded in 1980, Cardrona is now open for both winter skiing and snowboarding, as well as summer conferences with accomodation and activities.

Conference in the Mountains /  
Winter / Summer





# Conference in the Mountains

LOCATION	SEASON	MAX CAPACITY
Cardrona	All year	70

Escape the everyday and hold your event in an extraordinary alpine location. Incorporate our epic summer activities, accomodation and inspiring menus into your event, and treat your guests to an unforgettable conference experience.



With apartment accommodation and mouth-watering food options, not to mention a host of outdoor activities from sedate to action filled, let our team create a bespoke



experience to remember. Conference spaces are available in a variety of options and can accommodate up to 70 attendees.



NOODLE BAR CONFERENCE ROOM



# Winter

LOCATION	SEASON
Cardrona	June - October

Founded in 1980, Cardrona Alpine Resort is Aotearoa New Zealand’s most popular ski area, where everyone’s a VIP – from beginners & families, to Olympic and X Games athletes.



Cardrona’s three vast basins are home to Aotearoa New Zealand’s first cabin-style lift – the McDougall’s Express Chondola, and the Southern Hemisphere’s most extensive terrain parks and pipes. Wide, open trails offer some of Aotearoa New Zealand’s best

snow conditions, thanks to high altitude and an innovative snow management system. Come be welcomed with genuine kiwi hospitality after an easy drive from Queenstown/Wānaka or take advantage of our transportation options available.



SUNRISE POWDER TURNS OFF THE SUMMIT



# Summer

LOCATION	SEASON
Cardrona Treble Cone	December - March

Once mother nature strips back the snow you see it reveals two idyllic locations surrounded by the stunning landscapes of the Southen Alps, Cardrona Alpine Resort and Treble Cone provides a spectacular backdrop that will elevate any event.



Catch a lift to the top of the Southern Alps and take a wander through alpine meadows or dial up the excitement and tear down the hill on a vast network of mountain bike and carting trails. Watch the night sky come alive as the sun dips behind alpine peaks

and experience the wonder of the cosmos with an eye opening stargazing experience. With alpine apartments and an extensive list of craft beers and wines to go with mouth-watering cuisine in The Lounge & Mezz, you might never want to leave...



MOUNTAIN CARTING



CARDRONA BIKE PARK



# Ōtautahi Christchurch

International  
Antarctic Centre

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Located next to Christchurch International Airport,  
the International Antarctic Centre is a unique  
venue with a difference.

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International Antarctic Centre /  
Meetings and Events





# International Antarctic Centre

LOCATION	SEASON	MAX CAPACITY
Ōtautahi Christchurch	All year	600

The International Antarctic Centre transports a slice of the world’s most remote continent to Ōtautahi Christchurch, with a range of immersive experiences that allow visitors to see, touch, feel and fall in love with Antarctica.



Through passion, innovation and imagination, our centre transports this incredible continent to Ōtautahi Christchurch, giving the everyday explorer a unique chance to experience it for themselves. Brave an Antarctic storm, go off-road in a Hägglund, befriend a husky,

mingle with the penguins, experience Antarctica from all four dimensions and leave with a head full of knowledge, a heart full of love and the inspiration to take action. Just like the explorers before you.





# Meetings and Events

LOCATION	SEASON	MAX CAPACITY
Ōtautahi Christchurch	All year	450

Conveniently located right next to Christchurch International Airport our International Antarctic Centre is a meeting and event planner’s dream.



Host an event that will leave a lasting impression on your guests and a positive effect on Antarctica. Our venue provides a unique space for social and business gatherings of all shapes and sizes. Areas include two meeting and conference rooms,



4D theatre, an HD theatre and two larger function spaces. With bespoke catering, ice bars, theming, and our highly experienced event team guiding you along the way, the International Antarctic Centre looks forward to welcoming you for your next meeting or event.





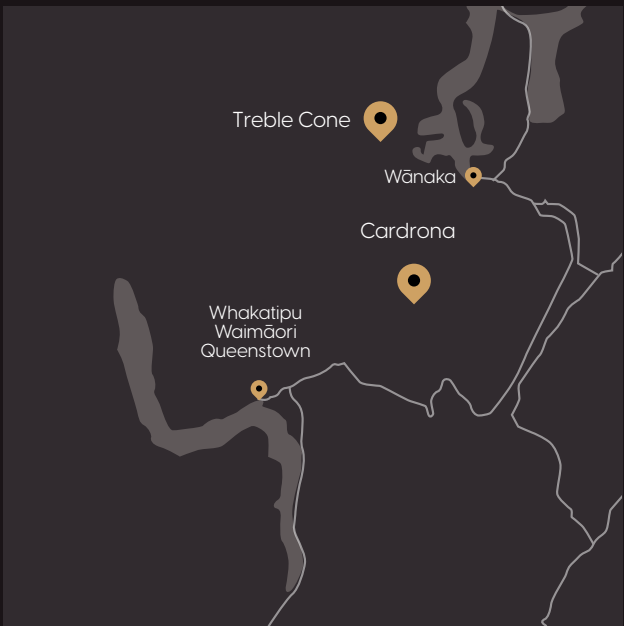
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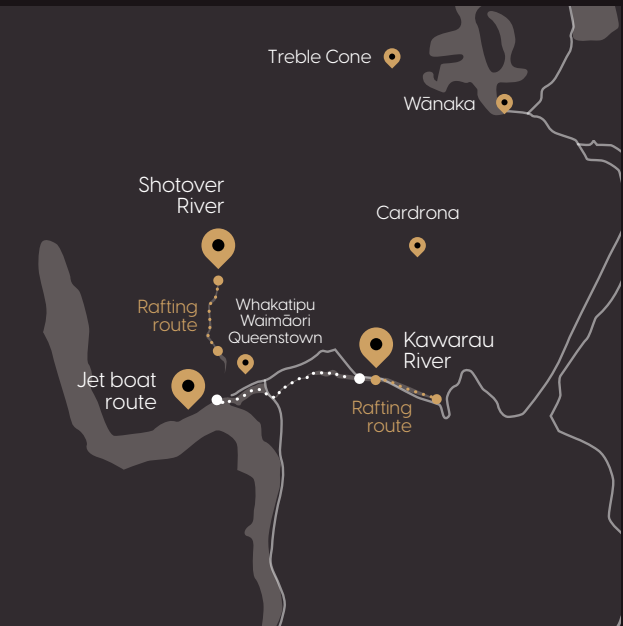
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WHAKATIPU WAIMĀORI QUEENSTOWN & WALTER PEAK



CARDRONA ALPINE RESORT & TREBLE CONE



KAWARAU, SHOTOVER RIVER RAFTING & JET BOATING

BY COACH ———  
BY PLANE - - -  
BY BOAT .....  
RAFTING .....



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

Routes are indicative only.



