

WALKING HOLIDAYS IN NEW ZEALAND

2020 / 21

MILFORD SOUND TRACK, ROUTEBURN TRACK OR GRAND TRAVERSE





With many hundreds of kilometres of well-maintained walking trails to choose from, comfortable lodges and a high level of support from professional walking guides and track staff, New Zealand's Milford Sound Track is one of the world's most popular walks. The Fiordland National Park is the cornerstone of the Te Wahipounamu Southwest New Zealand World Heritage Area. Walkers on the track to Milford Sound can enjoy close encounters with the native wildlife; experience Fiordland at its most spectacular with its deep lakes; fiords and sheer canyons carved out of imposing granite: maiestic waterfalls and luxuriant temperate rainforests.

From 17th December 2020 – 5th April 2021 Season:

MILFORD SOUND TRACK GUIDED WALK - 5-DAYS / 4-NIGHTS

Departs Queenstown: Daily, except Tuesday and Wednesdays

The Milford Track Guided Walk is an all-inclusive guided walk through the heart of Fiordland National Park to Milford Sound. Walks include transport to and from the walk, expert walking guides, wilderness lodge accommodation, meals, snacks, backpacks, raincoats and a scenic cruise on the majestic Milford Sound.

Costs (per person): Multi-share Rooms - Adult \$2210

> Child 10 - 15-years \$1665

> Twin Room with ensuite \$2705

> Single Room with ensuite \$3235

THE CLASSIC GUIDED WALK - MILFORD & ROUTEBURN 8-DAYS / 7-NIGHTS

Walk the Milford Track (with a night in Te Anau) and then join the Routeburn Track walk. Departs Queenstown: Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday

The Classic Guided Walk includes transport to and from the track; track accommodation; accommodation in Te Anau in between the Milford and Routeburn Walks; most breakfasts, lunches, dinners; snacks; backpacks and raincoats. Accommodation is provided in our comfortable wilderness lodges with expert walking guides.

Costs (per person): Multi-share Rooms - Adult \$3650

> Child 10 - 15-years \$2765

> Twin Room with ensuite \$4585

> Single Room with ensuite \$5535

^{*} These are indicative Australian dollar costs subject to change ask for current costs when making a booking.

ROUTEBURN TRACK GUIDED WALK – 3-DAYS / 2-NIGHTS

Departs Queenstown: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday

The Routeburn Track Guided Walk is an all-inclusive guided walk exploring New Zealand's Southern Alps including all transport, expert walking guides, comfortable lodge accommodation, meals, snacks, backpacks and raincoats.

Costs (per person): Multi-share Rooms - Adult \$1460

Child 10 - 15-years \$1095

Twin Room with ensuite \$1885

Single Room with ensuite \$2305

GRAND TRAVERSE GUIDED WALK – 6-DAYS / 5-NIGHTS

Combine the Routeburn Walk and the Greenstone Valley Walk with a free day at Lake Mckellar.

Departs Queenstown: 27th February, 6th March, 13th March, 20th March, 27th March, 3rd April, 2021 The *Grand Traverse* includes all transport, expert walking guides, comfortable lodge accommodation, meals, snacks, backpacks and raincoats.

Costs (per person): Multi-share Rooms - Adult \$1895

Child 10 - 15-years \$1425

Twin Room with ensuite (on Routeburn only) *

Adult \$2265 Child 10 - 15-years \$2155

Single Room with ensuite (on Routeburn only) *

Adult or Child (10 – 15 years) \$2685

Indicative costs, subject to exchange rate – please ask for a current cost when you make your booking.











^{*} Private rooms with own bathroom are available on the Routeburn Track section of the Grand Traverse only, on the Greenstone Valley Walk the Lodge rooms are 4-bed bunks-style with share bathrooms.

MILFORD SOUND TRACK GUIDED WALK - SUGGESTED ITINERARY

Pre track briefing (The day before your walk begins)

Please check in to our office in central Queenstown for your **essential** pre-walk briefing at **4:45pm** on the day prior to your departure. No accommodation is provided on this night.

Day 1 Depart Queenstown, coach/boat transfer, walk to Glade House

walking 1.6km

Depart Queenstown and transfer by coach to Te Anau, arriving in time for lunch. After lunch depart Te Anau by boat and cruise to the northern end of Lake Te Anau. Then take a short walk to Glade House.

Day 2 Glade House to Pompolona Lodge

walking 16km

Start by crossing the Clinton River, then follow the river up the valley to the Hirere Falls lunch shelter. After lunch the beech forest becomes denser as you go, until it comes out onto the Prairie, a meadow from which you get an appreciation of the ice-carved Clinton Canyon. End the day with a short climb to Pompolona Lodge.

Day 3 Pompolona Lodge over the Mackinnon Pass to Quintin Lodge

walking 15km

Today walk over the Mackinnon Pass. The track leads up to Lake Mintaro at the head of the Clinton Valley, before climbing the Mackinnon Pass in a series of zig-zags. Take your time and enjoy the views. The top of the Pass can offer a spectacular panorama and lunch in Pass Hut, before a steep descent into the Arthur Valley and down to Quintin Lodge. There is an optional 90-minute round trip to the Sutherland Falls, which at 580m is one of the highest in the world.

Day 4 Quintin Lodge to Milford Sound

walking 21km

The final day is the longest, with 21km of flat track. Walk down the Arthur Valley to the historic Boatshed. After a short break continue on past MacKay Falls through beech forest to the lunch spot at Giants Gate waterfall. The final stretch of the track follows tranquil Lake Ada to Sandfly Point. From Sandfly Point take a short boat trip to Mitre Peak Lodge at Milford Sound. The lodge offers a view of Mitre Peak, the pinnacle that rises almost sheer from the Sound to a height of 1692m. Tonight enjoy a celebratory dinner.

Day 5 Milford Sound, Milford Sound Cruise, coach transfer back to Queenstown

no walking

Take a morning cruise on Milford Sound. If the waterfalls are in full flow, you'll have seen Fiordland at its best! Then, take the coach through the Homer Tunnel to Te Anau, for a short break before the last leg of the journey. Lunch will be eaten along the way. The coach drops you off at the office in central Queenstown at around 4.00pm. There is no accommodation provided on this night.





The reservations team at **Outdoor Travel** are experienced walkers with an extensive knowledge of New Zealand, they can help plan your walk with extra nights of accommodation and the best value flights as a <u>complete walking holiday package</u>. We also offer the Hollyford Valley walk, Abel Tasman walk, Queen Charlotte Sound walk and Akaroa and the Bank's Peninsula walk in New Zealand.

We also offer many other guided or self-guided walks in Europe, China, Japan, East Africa, Australia or North America including England C2C, the Camino de Santiago or Great Ocean walk.

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