

WALKING HOLIDAYS IN NEW ZEALAND

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; majestic waterfalls and luxuriant temperate rainforests.

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

Departs Queenstown: Daily, except Tuesday and Wednesdays, December to early April 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) from: Multi-share Rooms - Adult \$2210

Twin Room with ensuite \$2705 Single Room with ensuite \$3235

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

Departs Queenstown: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December to early April 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) from: Multi-share Rooms - Adult \$1460

Twin Room with ensuite \$1885 Single Room with ensuite \$2305

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, December to early April

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) from: Multi-share Rooms - Adult \$3650

Twin Room with ensuite \$4585 Single Room with ensuite \$5535

Call OUTDOOR TRAVEL on 1800 331 582 for details or reservations

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

Departs Queenstown: Combine the Routeburn Walk and Greenstone Valley Walk

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

Twin Room with ensuite (on Routeburn only) \$2265 Single Room with ensuite (on Routeburn only) \$2685

* 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.

Indicative Australian dollar costs, subject to exchange rate – ask for a current cost when booking.







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.

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