



WEIR BROS

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THE GREAT FIORDLANDS EXPERIENCE

26TH NOVEMBER 2022 –
4TH DECEMBER 2022



Day 1 – Saturday 26th November 2022 (L,D) New Plymouth to Te Anau.

This morning we board our coach for a leisurely journey to Wellington Airport to catch our flight to Queenstown. After we have collected our luggage we are then transferred by coach to Te Anau, the gateway to Fiordland National Park. Our great central accommodation is the perfect place to wander the town or head down to the lake before meeting for our first group dinner. Your guide will talk to you to run over what to expect for the week ahead before retreating for the evening.

Accommodation: Distinction Luxmore, Te Anau

Day 2 – Sunday 27th November 2022 (B,L,D) Manapouri to Breaksea Sounds

This Morning we will have a relaxed start to the day with breakfast in the Hotel Restaurant before being collected from the hotel to begin our journey which will see us cruise across the Lake Manapouri, coach over stunning Wilmot Pass to Deep Cove, Doubtful Sound. Once in Doubtful sound we board our vessel the Milford Wanderer where you will be met and introduced to our friendly crew who will talk about the vessel. As we cruise out of Doubtful sound, we have approximately a three-hour sea passage to Breaksea Sound to conclude our day.

Accommodation: The Milford Wanderer





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Day 3 – Monday 28th November 2022 (B,L,D) Breaksea Sound to Dusky Sound

Today we cruise through Acheron Passage into Dusky Sound, here we will visit Shag Island & Sportsman Cove. In the afternoon we visit Luncheon Cove, the site of New Zealand's first European and sealers settlement. Today we also have an optional guided walk (2.5km) over predator free Anchor Island.

Accommodation: The Milford Wanderer



Day 4 – Tuesday 29th November 2022 (B,L,D) Explore Dusky Sound

Today we start the day with a visit to early conservationist Richard Henry's house site on Pigeon Island. Cruise Facile Harbour, site of New Zealand's first known European shipwreck. Cruise through Earshell Cove and the narrow channels of Resolution Island to the Basin for a walk of some kayaking.

Accommodation: The Milford Wanderer

Day 5 – Wednesday 30th November 2022 (B,L,D) Dusky Sound to Chalky Inlet

Today we visit Pickersgill Harbour and Astronomer's Point – named and used by Cook during his five weeks stay in 1773. We then have an approximately three-hour sea passage into Chalky Inlet. Once arrived we have a walk along the Beach at South Port visiting the old sawmill site. Anchor at North Point near the rusting hulk of the 1800's government steamship "Stella"

Accommodation: The Milford Wanderer

Day 6 – Thursday 1st December 2022 (B,L,D) Chalky Inlet to Preservation Inlet

After Breakfast the exploring will start as we visit the town site of Cromarty and the mining relics of Te Oneroa with the option of a 5km return walk to Puysegur Point Lighthouse in the afternoon.

Accommodation: The Milford Wanderer

Day 7 – Friday 2nd December 2022 (B,L,D) Preservation Inlet

Today's adventures take us to visit Taraweras Smelter's reclining brick chimney and site of New Zealand's first operational whaling station at Cuttle Cove. Take in the Golden beaches of Spit Island. Here we also enjoy our final night onboard.

Accommodation: The Milford Wanderer

Day 8 – Saturday 3rd December 2022 (B,L,D) Preservation Inlet to Manapouri

This morning we say goodbye to our crew as we catch the helicopter from Weka Island Barge to West Arm of Manapouri, Flights commencing at 11am. Cruise across lake Manapouri where we will complete our Journey and our coach will be waiting to transport our group back to Queenstown for the night. Once at the hotel take some time to have a wander around central Queenstown and enjoy some of the sights before all meeting for our final dinner on tour.

Accommodation: The Novotel Queenstown.

Day 9 – Sunday 4th December 2022 (B) Queenstown– Home

Today we say goodbye to the Queenstown and make way for home, flying back to Wellington where on arrival we will be met by our driver and coach for the journey back to Taranaki.





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About the Cruise.....

An ultimate voyage of discovery, an exploration of five of New Zealand's southernmost and seldom visited fiords; Chalky and Preservation Inlets as well as the stunning Doubtful, Dusky & Breaksea Sounds. From aboard the purpose-built vessel you will trace the route Captain Cook took during his historic 1773 voyage to seek out the Hypothetical Terra Australis. During your cruise you will land on beautiful beaches and spend time exploring the coastline via tender craft and Kayak if you wish to do so. View the island sanctuaries set aside by New Zealand's first conservationist Richard Henry and enjoy the rich wildlife you will encounter on the cruise.

Crew & Activities.....

Your Skipper, Crew and Nature Guides are all trained professionals with intimate knowledge of southern New Zealand and of the Milford Wanderer. The crew on board don't just sail the vessel, they will do everything to ensure you have the best cruise experience possible

Food, Drink and Entertainment whilst on board.....

Discovery expeditions are famous for their delicious and plentiful home cooked meals, so you certainly won't go hungry.

- All meals are catered, including all morning and afternoon teas.
- Complementary tea and coffee available at any time.
- Well stocked licensed bar
- Nature, history and wildlife books
- Playing cards
- Range of board games are available to use

Tour Costs Include

- 8 nights' accommodation, twin/double rooms (Single rooms available with surcharge)
- Tour Admissions as per Itinerary
- Breakfast (B), Lunch (L) and dinners (D) where indicated on the itinerary.

Tour payments per person

Twin/Double share **\$6595.00 Per Person**

If traveling as a single there will be an additional cost to the price.

Deposit due at time of booking \$2000.00

Balance of tour payment due 1st September 2022

Please Note..... Due to the Layout of the Milford Wanderer, this tour is not suitable for Wheelchairs, Walkers or those with limited mobility.





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Terms & Conditions:

Acceptance Of Terms & Conditions

If you have booked a tour with us and pay your deposit you are deemed to have accepted these terms. We may ask you to sign a copy of these terms when you join a tour to provide a record that you have accepted these terms

Itineraries

The Itinerary for your tour package was correct at the time of date and printing however it is subject to change without notice. Your itinerary could change due to road or weather conditions, changes imposed by other tour operators or a range of other factors beyond our control. You agree that we have no liability to you for changes to your itinerary.

Price Amendments

Prices were correct at the time and date of printing; however, Weir Bros Tours reserves the right to amend the price subject to any changes in price imposed by other tour operators and carriers included in the itinerary or increases in government or other levies.

Health & Fitness

Passengers should be in good health and be able to walk moderate distances to fully participate and experience the sightseeing opportunities in the itinerary provided. All passengers are required to acknowledge they are of reasonable health and are fit to travel and are not traveling contrary to any medical advice.

Health & Safety Information including COVID-19

At Weir Bros our priority is your safety and enjoyment while you are travelling with us.

While we have always maintained a high standard of cleaning on our coaches, due to Covid 19 we have increased the frequency of which we do this when we are traveling on tours to ensure your safety.

Hand sanitiser will be provided and we ask that you maintain government standards in terms of hygiene practices, this includes washing or sanitising hands frequently and sneezing or coughing into your elbow. If you are unwell at the time of travel, we ask that you communicate with us, this may unfortunately mean you are unable to travel.

We will ensure we keep up and follow any Ministry of Health guidelines going forward as well.

Thank you for your understanding, your safety and that of our other passengers is of paramount concern to us.

Payments, cancellations & Refunds

A deposit is required due on the date specified at the time of booking to confirm your seat. All Balance payments must be received by Weir Bros prior to or on the date specified for final payment. Payments are available to be made by Cash, or Direct Debit via the account number supplied on the payment form. Weir Bros reserve the right to amend or reschedule the tour due to the result of circumstances outside the company's control. Weir Bros also reserves the right to cancel the tour due to insufficient numbers and in this instance a substitute date may be offered, or a full refund will be made available. Tour Prices exclude drinks, travel insurance or items of personal nature.

Travel Insurance

Weir Bros **strongly advises** all passengers to purchase a travel insurance policy when booking a tour. A comprehensive policy gives peace of mind for unexpected issues or emergencies that may arise prior to or during the tour.

Cancellation Policy

If after you're booking has been made and you wished to cancel:

25-30 Days prior to tour commencement you will forfeit your deposit

14-25 Days Prior to tour commencement you will forfeit 60% of the tour price (40% refund) plus any applicable supplier cancellation fees.

0-14 Days prior to tour commencement you will forfeit 100% of your tour price (No Refund)

Covid-19 Cancellation and refund policy

Covid has created uncertainty for us all, therefore cancellations directly related to COVID-19, where we have negotiated special terms with certain suppliers, this would override normal cancellation terms as outlined above. If New Zealand Government imposes travel restrictions that would impact our ability to deliver your travel package prior to commencing travel, we would endeavor to ensure all passengers will receive a full refund. If travel restrictions are imposed while on tour, we will seek credits on any unused portions of the itinerary from all suppliers.