



## Explore Queenstown Package

Begin with 6 nights in the centrally located Blue Peaks Lodge and add activities that suit you for your very own Queenstown adventure.

Starts in: Queenstown  
 Finishes in: Queenstown  
 Length: 7days / 6nights  
 Accommodation: Motels  
 Can be customised: Yes

This itinerary can be customised to suit you perfectly. We can add more days, remove days, change accommodations, mix it up, add activities to suit your interests or simply design and create something from scratch. Call us today to get your custom New Zealand itinerary underway.



### Inclusions:

Includes: Late model rental cars  
 Includes: Fully inclusive rental car insurance (excess may apply)  
 Includes: Unlimited kms  
 Includes: GPS navigation  
 Includes: Airport & ferry terminal rental car fees  
 Includes: Additional drivers  
 Includes: Comprehensive tour pack (detailed itinerary, driving instructions, map/guidebooks, brochures)  
 Includes: 24/7 support while touring New Zealand  
 Included activity: 2 Day Lift Superpass with NZ Ski  
 Included activity: Shotover Jet Canyon Jet Boat Ride

## Day 1



### Collect your rental car

This tour can be priced with any of the rental cars available in our fantastic range, from economy hatchbacks to prestige saloons and SUV's.

### Arrive to Queenstown and collect your NZSki MyPass from the Snow Centre

Welcome to Queenstown for your winter ski or snowboarding holiday. It's not just the skiing that makes Queenstown a fantastic winter destination, there's also the spectacular scenery, amazing adventures and endless activities to keep you entertained when you're not on the slopes. After each action-packed day, you'll also find a superb variety of cafes and restaurants to relax and refuel at.

Today we recommend you visit the Snow Centre located on the ground floor of the Station Building at 9 Duke St and collect your MyPass card. This will save you heaps of time tomorrow as you'll avoid the morning queues and can head straight to the mountain with more time to ski and ride. When you visit the Snow Centre please take your Ski New Zealand itinerary with you as the Snow Centre staff will need the reference number for this. You will need to pay \$5 for each MyPass card and each person in your group receives their own card. All your lift passes, rental equipment, lessons, shuttle transfers etc will be loaded onto your card.

### SUGGESTED ACTIVITY - Queenstown Ice Bar - suggestion

We recommend a visit to one of Queenstown's 'must-do' tourist attractions, the Ice Bars. Queenstown has two bars to choose from, Minus 5°C Ice Bar or Below Zero and these are a bucket list item for many visitors.

A variety of drinks are available and you will be wrapped up toasty and warm whilst enjoying the sculpted ice walls, bar, furniture, sculptures and even the glasses.

### Your accommodation: Bella Vista Queenstown

Bella Vista Motel Queenstown is an easy 3-minute walk to Queenstown centre. Offering mountain views and great facilities for visitors to the alpine resort town.



## Day 2



### Driving Instructions from Queenstown to The Remarkables Ski Field

From Queenstown it's a 40 minute drive to the Remarkables Ski Area. From the centre of town drive towards the airport, then continue over the Kawarau River and continue on the main road until you see the well signposted entry for the Remarkables Ski Area Access Road. The road to the ski field is a sealed 14 km alpine road, snow chains must be carried.

### 2 Day Lift Superpass with NZ Ski

The New Zealand Superpass is the most flexible lift pass in New Zealand, giving you access to ski and ride Queenstown's closest mountains – Coronet Peak and The Remarkables. Get more choice, more fun and more snow time with your New Zealand Superpass and make the most of your New Zealand holiday!

With 2 days of New Zealand Superpasses, you've got lift access to New Zealand's premier ski areas plus the fun and excitement of a range of off-mountain attractions in and around Queenstown. You can mix it up a little and ski a day at the Remarkables and a day at Coronet Peak, or maybe you've got your eye on a run that you want to conquer over 2 days. And remember if the weather doesn't play ball on one of your days you can always exchange one of your Superpass days for an exciting off-mountain activity or towards a feast at your favourite Queenstown and restaurant or cafe.

Want to ski a little longer, don't own your own gear or snow clothing, or not sure if your skills are up to scratch?

No worries, chat to us about adding additional days, rentals, or lessons.

## The Remarkables Ski Field

The Remarkables offers a laid-back atmosphere which is fantastic for families and those new to skiing or snowboarding. Located just 45 minutes from Queenstown, the Remarkables features a fantastic network of trails with wide, gentle slopes for beginners of all ages and big mountain runs for the experts in the family. With 30% beginners, 40% intermediate and 30% advanced, the Remarkables offers challenges for all levels and for those wanting to progress quickly, the friendly team of instructors can be with you every step of the way. While you're up there don't forget to check out the purpose-built snow tubing lanes before you round off with a steaming hot chocolate or drink at Remarkables cafe. With regular shuttles from Queenstown, lessons for 4yrs+ and complete gear hire on the mountain, this is a fun and easy day out for visitors to the South Island.

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## Day 3



### Explore Queenstown

Well-known as New Zealand's 'adventure capital', Queenstown is home to a range of adventures, from the world's first and most famous bungy jumps to jet boat thrills, white-water rafting, and skydiving. However, Queenstown offers far more than a fast-paced, action-packed holiday. Settled on the shores of beautiful Lake Wakatipu beneath a soaring panorama of the Remarkables Mountain Range, this alpine town is surrounded by a plethora of historic, gastronomic, and scenic wonders. Take a stroll through the beautiful lakefront parks and gardens, browse through market stalls on weekends, dine in wonderful al-fresco restaurants, or ride on the 100-year-old historic Steamship - TSS Earnslaw to Walter Peak Station. Take the Queenstown Gondola up to Bob's Peak and soak up the panoramic views of the magnificent lake and mountain ranges. And after all of that, if you do want the adrenaline rush, Queenstown is known for taking your pick from the Shotover Jet, Canyon Swing, Zipline, Luge, or Heli-ski.

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### SUGGESTED ACTIVITY - Shotover Canyon Swing

The Shotover Canyon Swing is the world's highest cliff jump. Located in the heart of the adventure capital of the world, Queenstown, the Shotover Canyon Swing is 109 metres (360 feet) high above the Shotover River and the most adventurous thing you can do in this adrenaline-filled place!

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### SUGGESTED ACTIVITY - The Ledge Bungy Jump with AJ Hackett

Queenstown is where bungy jumping was pioneered by AJ Hackett and the first commercial jump started in 1988 at the Kawarau Bridge (on the main road into Queenstown from the east). Take The Ledge Bungy - located 400 metres above Queenstown the Ledge operates from the Skyline Gondola Complex. A unique location for a unique experience. (47m jump).

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### SUGGESTED ACTIVITY - Dinner at Botswana Butchery

Located in Queenstown's historic Archer's Cottage with spectacular lake views and signature roaring log fires inside and out, Botswana Butchery is one of Queenstown's most stylish restaurants.

The ambience is warm and welcoming all year-round, with its roaring log fires, luxurious dining environment and private dining suites to accommodate from two to 30 people. The restaurant prides itself on exemplary levels of service and attention to detail at every stage of its wine and service delivery, by knowledgeable staff. It offers a sumptuous menu full of flavour and is consistently rated as one of the resort town's most popular restaurants, since opening in August 2008.

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### Shotover Canyon River Jet Boat Adventure

Riding the iconic 'Big Red' Jet Boat through the narrow Shotover Canyon is an exhilarating experience not to be missed. Your skilled jet boat driver pushes the boat to 85 kph, skimming across shallow water and past towering canyon walls. This 25 minute white water ride includes 360 degree spins and maximum thrills.



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## Day 4



### Driving Instructions from Queenstown to Coronet Peak Ski Field

From Queenstown, it's a 20-minute drive to Coronet Peak Ski Area. From the centre of town it's well sign-posted to Coronet Peak, approximately 13km out of town. The road to the ski field is a sealed alpine road, snow chains must be carried.

### Coronet Peak Ski Field

Want to challenge yourself on exciting terrain in some of the best conditions in the Southern Hemisphere? Then Coronet Peak should be top of your list. This theme park created by mother nature offers gripping trails and extensive snowmaking facilities, making for complete snow coverage on multiple trails. Coronet is also home to night skiing for a different take on these roller coaster trails try it under lights. For those just getting to know the snow the dedicated learner and novice areas make finding your snow feet easy and all gear can be hired on the mountain. With 25% beginners, 45% intermediate, and 30% advanced, Coronet Peak has the trail for you. For a break from the snow, enjoy live music at the base building, or wet your whistle with a hot chocolate or cold beverage at Heidi's Hut. The pizza and pasta meals are great for warming you up and giving you an energy boost for the afternoon. There are regular shuttles to and from Queenstown, which is only a 20-minute drive away.

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### SUGGESTED ACTIVITY - Twilight Wine & Craft Beer Tour with Altitude Tours

Visit three unique locations around Queenstown and Gibbston with a minimum of 12 tastings of some of the finest drops in the region. If beer is more your thing then bounce from vines to hops and taste some local craft beers instead. Better yet, it departs at 3.45pm meaning you can still go out paddle-boarding or bungee jumping in the morning, or even fly in from out of town. Shared antipasto platters are also included at the final stop, a perfect starter for once you finish the tour and head into town for a meal (or more wine).

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## Day 5



## Enjoy a Free Day in Queenstown and surrounds

With such an abundance of activities on offer, one day in Queenstown is never enough! Today, you'll have some spare time for those things you didn't get to do yesterday. For more thrills, you can choose from jet boating, luging, bungee jumping, or a canyon swing. If golf is your game, the exceptional Millbrook Golf Course is the place for you. If you prefer wine, head down the Gibbston wine trail to sample some of the region's best Pinot, or explore a little further afield - the nearby historic gold mining township of Arrowtown is a popular destination and features many original buildings and features. At the head of Lake Wakatipu sits Glenorchy. The scenic drive here is worth the trip alone; however, upon arriving in this peaceful township, you could easily rest the day away. Nearby is the start of the Routeburn Track, one of New Zealand's Great walks. You can enjoy a section of this track as a day walk. Alternatively, head over the Crown Range to the beautiful lake town of Wanaka, famous for its iconic tree in the lake. To appreciate the natural beauty that surrounds this area, a scenic flight or skydive will take your breath away.

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### SUGGESTED ACTIVITY - Milford Sound Cruise and coach tour from Queenstown

Return luxury coach transport from Queenstown to Milford Sound, with a 1 hour 40 minute Cruise along the full length of the fiord. On boarding a Real Journeys luxury glass-roofed coach in Queenstown or Te Anau, you will enjoy a relaxing trip along the shores of Lake Wakatipu and through the rolling countryside to Te Anau. The coach driver provides an informative commentary. After a morning tea break in Te Anau, where you have the option of purchasing refreshments, the coach continues along the spectacular Milford Road. There is time for photo stops and short walks along the way. On reaching Milford Sound, you board the modern, spacious vessel for a leisurely cruise in the fiord. The cruise provides excellent viewing opportunities and plenty of time is available to enjoy waterfalls, rainforest, mountains and the wildlife. During the cruise your friendly crew provide commentaries in several languages and point out the sights such as Mitre Peak and the Pembroke Glacier.

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### SUGGESTED ACTIVITY - Million Dollar Lake Cruise

Cruise to the end of Lake Wakatipu in Queenstown and see more scenery, more mountains and more sights. You'll enjoy fascinating commentary including intriguing stories and the history of the area. You'll journey on a luxury heated launch and there's a bar on site for refreshments.

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### SUGGESTED ACTIVITY - Kiwi Park Entry

Explore the 5-acre oasis at the Kiwi Park. A family-owned and operated wildlife center in the heart of Queenstown, dedicated to saving New Zealand's endangered wildlife species. The Kiwi Park has over 20 species of native wildlife on display, including New Zealand's national icon, the Kiwi, and the living fossil, the Tuatara.

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## Day 6



### Gibbston

To the east of Queenstown, tucked inside the Kawarau Gorge is the Gibbston. Stretching to Lake Hayes in Arrowtown, Gibbston is known for its wineries.

Bordering the road on both sides the land is extensively planted with grapes, and there are many opportunities to taste the pinot noir, a variety the region is famous for. Some of its notable wineries include Peregrine, Chard Farm, Gibbston Valley and Two Paddocks.

An ideal spot for lunch is Amisfield Winery and Bistro (a must for any foodie) located at Lake Hayes, just a 10 minute drive from central Queenstown, or, for a more family-friendly option there is the Fume restaurant at Gibbston Valley Wines.

The Gibbston isn't just about wine, opposite Chard Farm is the Kawarau Suspension Bridge built in 1880 to provide access to the goldfields in the region. 108 years later it became the location of the world's first commercial bungee jumping operation and you can still take the 43 metre leap today.

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### SUGGESTED ACTIVITY - Appellation Boutique Wine Tour

Experience a tasting journey through three of Central Otago's incredibly scenic and varying wine sub-regions; Gibbston, Bannockburn and Cromwell. Visit three boutique vineyards, tasting their unique cool climate wines and discover why the Central Otago region has become world-renowned in its own right.

Indulge at a fourth vineyard restaurant for a platter-style lunch, savouring the finest and freshest produce, accompanied with a wine flight. There will also be an opportunity to retrace history when you stroll through the charming historical settlement of Old Cromwell.

## SUGGESTED ACTIVITY - Harris Mountains Heli-Ski - Intro 3 Run Day

The mountains surrounding the world-renowned resort towns of Queenstown and Wanaka feature thrilling backcountry terrain and dramatic scenery. Enjoy an unforgettable day with 3 runs of heli-ski or heli-board bliss. Runs vary between 1500 to 2500 vertical feet of treeless skiing in sheltered basins, bowls and wide rolling mountain flanks. This 3 run experience is a day focused on taking your time to enjoy the alpine playground.

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## Day 7



### Explore Arrowtown

One of the most picturesque settlements in New Zealand, Arrowtown sits alongside the gold-bearing Arrow River. Established in 1862 during the height of the Otago gold rush, the settlement grew quickly as pioneers constructed cottages, shops, hotels and churches, more than 60 of which can still be seen today. A special highlight is the Chinese settlement at the edge of the river. Built by Chinese miners from 1868, this area of restored shelters and buildings paints a picture of earlier times. It is a living historic settlement with many stories to tell. Wander the tree-lined streets of restored cottages and explore gold mining sites. In April and May Arrowtown ignites with colour as deciduous trees prepare for winter and a festival held in the last week of April celebrates the town's seasonal beauty and glittering history.

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### Your final morning in Queenstown before driving to the airport and catching your next flight

Depending on when your flight departs you might have time for one last Queenstown adventure before dropping your car off at the airport and catching your flight.

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## Tour details

Departures:	Daily
Tour type:	South Island Self Drive
Starts:	Queenstown
Finishes:	Queenstown
Tour length:	7
Accommodation:	Motels
Car/transport type:	

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## Included activities

Includes	2 days Superpass skiing or snowboarding at Queenstown ski fields
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## Accommodation summary

Day 1	Bella Vista Queenstown
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