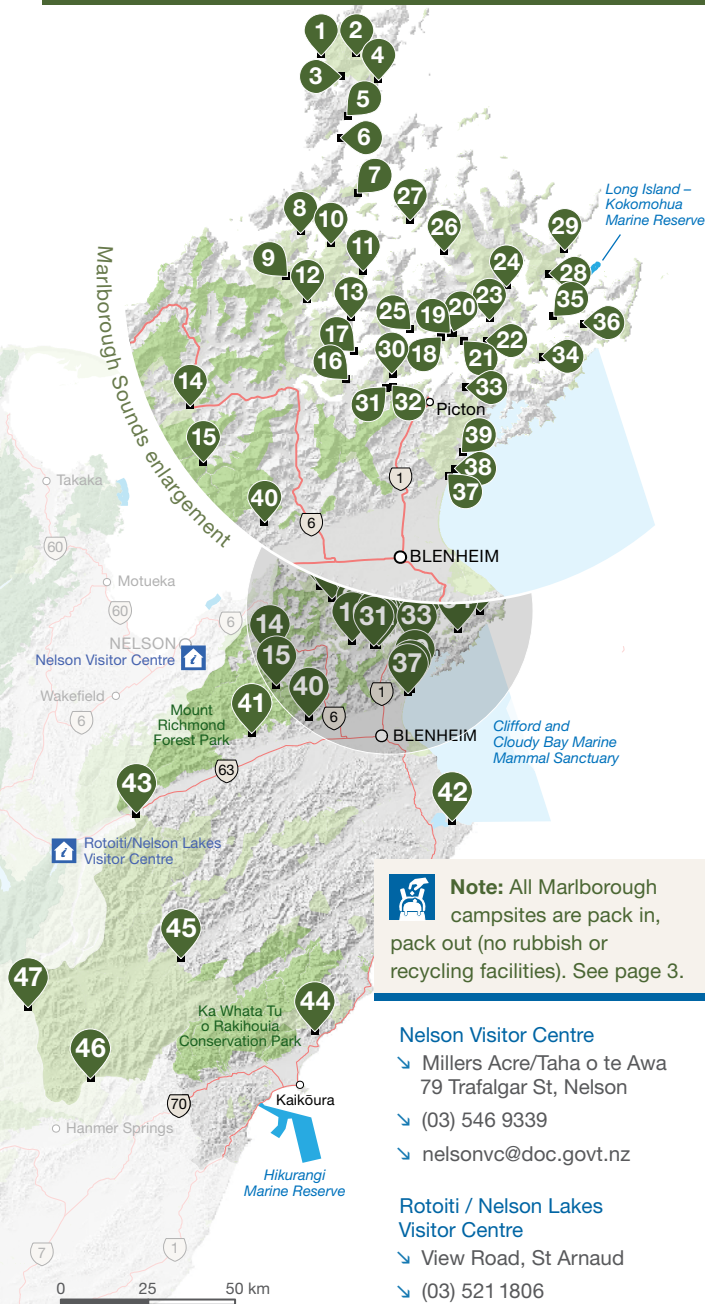



MARLBOROUGH



 **Note:** All Marlborough campsites are pack in, pack out (no rubbish or recycling facilities). See page 3.

Nelson Visitor Centre

- Millers Acre/Taha o te Awa
79 Trafalgar St, Nelson
- (03) 546 9339
- nelsonvc@doc.govt.nz

Rotoiti / Nelson Lakes Visitor Centre

- View Road, St Arnaud
- (03) 521 1806
- nelsonlakesvc@doc.govt.nz



Marlborough Sounds road access: Due to serious slips following a major storm in August 2022, there is no access or limited road access to some DOC campsites in the Marlborough Sounds. Check the district council website at www.marlborough.govt.nz for the latest information.

1 Moawhitu

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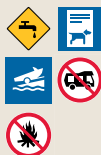
Moawhitu campsite is accessible only by boat or by air (landing fee applies).

Stunning, remote campsite adjacent to a surf beach with good fishing, hunting, tramping and mountain biking nearby.

Directions: In Greville Harbour/Wharariki, Rangitoto ki te Tonga/D'Urville Island. **Access:** Boat only, or barge from French Pass to Kapowai then a 27-km 4WD drive to Moawhitu. Airstrip (landing fee applies) for small private aircraft; 20-min walk from airstrip to campsite. **Note:** Moawhitu is exposed to high winds and rough seas – take care on the water. Dog permit required, dogs on lead at all times; ph (03) 520 3002.

LATITUDE: -40.80562 LONGITUDE: 173.81549

BASIC



2 South Arm

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Dramatic, remote, sheltered campsite at the head of South Arm. Great base for boating and hunting.

Directions: At Port Hardy, Rangitoto ki te Tonga/D'Urville Island. **Access:** Boat only.

LATITUDE: -40.80811 LONGITUDE: 173.86656

BASIC



3 Mill Arm

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Picturesque, remote campsite near the head of Mill Arm with well-formed flat sites and views.

Directions: Greville Harbour/Wharariki, Rangitoto ki te Tonga/D'Urville Island. **Access:** Boat only.

Note: Stream is prone to flooding, so take care in high rainfall.

LATITUDE: -40.84054 LONGITUDE: 173.84096

BASIC



4 Penguin Bay

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Small campsite with a picturesque stream and stunning views to the mainland. Catherine Cove Resort is nearby.

Directions: On the east coast of Rangitoto ki te Tonga/D'Urville Island. **Access:** Boat only.

LATITUDE: -40.84456 LONGITUDE: 173.90837

BASIC



5 Lucky Bay

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Small, scenic campsite with great views, popular with sea kayakers and boaties.

Directions: On the east coast of Rangitoto ki te Tonga/D'Urville Island. **Access:** Boat only.

LATITUDE: -40.89076 LONGITUDE: 173.86078


BASIC


Photo: Shellie Evans

6 French Pass

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Road access to French Pass may be restricted. See the alert on page 10.

Gateway to Rangitoto ki te Tonga/D'Urville Island; watch the waters moving through Te Aumiti/French Pass, go fishing and boating, or just relax.

Directions: Turn off SH6 north of Rai Valley into Ronga Road which becomes Croiselles–French Pass Road and follow 60km to the end.

Access: Sealed and gravel, narrow winding road; or boat access. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -40.92601 LONGITUDE: 173.84247


STANDARD


Photo: Pete Brady

7 Waiona Bay

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In striking surroundings, campground mainly used by kayakers. Hunting, boating and walking.

Directions: At Apuau Reach, Pelorus Sound/Te Hoiere. **Access:** Boat only.

LATITUDE: -41.00259 LONGITUDE: 173.87387


BASIC



Photo: Shellie Evans

8 Elaine Bay

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The road to Elaine Bay is under repair – take care. See the alert on page 10.



Good base for exploring Pelorus Sound by boat, and walking or mountain biking nearby tracks.

Directions: Turn off SH6 north of Rai Valley into Ronga Road which becomes Croiselles–French Pass Road. Continue through Ōkiwi Bay and after approx 10km turn into Elaine Bay Road to the end.

Access: Sealed, narrow, winding road.

LATITUDE: -41.05527 LONGITUDE: 173.76967



9 Harvey Bay

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The road to Harvey Bay is under repair – take care. See the alert on page 10.



A large, flat, sheltered camping area that makes a great base for exploring Tennyson Inlet.

Directions: Turn off SH6 north of Rai Valley into Ronga Road, right into Opouri Road/Tennyson Inlet Road, follow this for 27 km over Ōpōuri Saddle to the campsite. **Access:** Sealed, steep, winding, narrow road. Not suitable for light towing vehicles.

LATITUDE: -41.11878 LONGITUDE: 173.74322



10 Tawa Bay

 4

Scenic campsite suitable for kayaks and boats.

Directions: Tennyson Inlet, Pelorus Sound/Te Hoiere.

Access: Boat only.

LATITUDE: -41.0714

LONGITUDE: 173.8248




11 Jacobs Bay

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Enjoy short walks at this campsite, sheltered from the prevailing northwest winds.

Directions: Inner Pelorus Sound/Te Hoiere.

Access: Boat only.

LATITUDE: -41.10968

LONGITUDE: 173.88482




12 Nydia Bay

8



The roads to Duncan and Kaiuma Bays are under repair. See the alert on page 10.



Sheltered, scenic bay with opportunities for walking, biking and boating.

Directions: Nydia Bay in Pelorus Sound/Te Hoiere.

Access: Walk or mountain bike from the Nydia Track, or by boat. **Note:** Dog permit required, dogs on lead at all times; ph (03) 520 3002.

LATITUDE: -41.15005 LONGITUDE: 173.78171

BACKCOUNTRY

13 Pipi Beach

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Scenic campsite, great for water-based activities and picnicking. Exposed to northerly winds.

Directions: Hikapu Reach, inner Pelorus Sound/Te Hoiere. **Access:** Boat only.

LATITUDE: -41.17501 LONGITUDE: 173.86306

BACKCOUNTRY



14 Pelorus Bridge

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Camp, surrounded by giant trees, in one of Marlborough's last river-flat forests bordering the Pelorus River. Swim, walk, kayak and relax.

Directions: On SH6 54 km from Nelson, 60 km from Blenheim. Open for powered and limited non-powered sites. **Access:** Short, unsealed, well-formed narrow road from café on SH6 to campsite.

Booking: Required.



Warning: The camp floods during periods of high rainfall—a flood warning system is in place.



LATITUDE: -41.29807 LONGITUDE: 173.56972

SERVICED

15 Butchers Flat

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Road under repair, not suitable for long vehicles. See the alert on page 10.



This grassy, flat camping area was a gold mining area and is great for picnicking or swimming.

Directions: Turn off SH6 into Wakamarina Road at Canvastown and follow 15 km to end. **Access:** Narrow, winding gravel road with two fords to cross. **Note:** Dog permit required, dogs on lead at all times; ph (03) 520 3002. There are high, unfenced cliffs at this campsite – children must be supervised.

LATITUDE: -41.3763 LONGITUDE: 173.5943

STANDARD



Photo: Margot Ferrier

16 Moetapu Bay

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Road access to Moetapu Bay is closed.
Access by boat only.



A scenic spot for boating, fishing and swimming.

Directions: Turn off Queen Charlotte Drive into Kenepuru Road, then turn into Moetapu Bay Road and walk the last 200m down a steep hill to the campsite. **Access:** By boat or a short walk from the road. **Note:** Dog permit required, dogs on lead at all times; ph (03) 520 3002.



Warning: Flooding possible during king tides.

LATITUDE: -41.2603

LONGITUDE: 173.85462

STANDARD

17 Putanui Point

4

Popular with kayakers; camp on terraces amongst the bush and enjoy short walks nearby.

Directions: Inner Pelorus/Kenepuru Sound.

Access: Boat only.

LATITUDE: -41.22147

LONGITUDE: 173.86843

BACKCOUNTRY



18 Cowshed Bay

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Road access to Cowshed Bay is closed.
Access by boat only.

This popular campsite close to the Queen Charlotte Track has coastal and bush camping options within walking distance of Portage.

Directions: Turn off Queen Charlotte Drive at Linkwater into Kenepuru Road; and follow for 28 km.

Access: Narrow, winding road, by walking or mountain biking from the Queen Charlotte Track or by boat.

LATITUDE: -41.20147

LONGITUDE: 174.02783

STANDARD



19 Picnic Bay

▲ 4



Road access to Picnic Bay is closed.
Access by boat only.



This is a scenic area with walking, sea kayaking, motor boating, fishing and birdwatching.

Directions: Turn off Queen Charlotte Drive at Linkwater into Kenepuru Road and follow 2 km past Portage. **Access:** Narrow, winding road or by boat. **Note:** Dog permit required, dogs on lead at all times; ph (03) 520 3002.

LATITUDE: -41.19527 LONGITUDE: 174.04645

STANDARD



Photo: Margot Ferrier

20 Nikau Cove

▲ 6



Road access to Nikau Cove is closed.
Access by boat only.



This flat campsite is in a sheltered bay and offers a good base for exploring by sea or by land.

Directions: Turn off Queen Charlotte Drive into Kenepuru Road and follow 3 km past Portage. **Access:** Narrow, winding road or by boat. **Note:** Dog permit required, dogs on lead at all times; ph (03) 520 3002.

LATITUDE: -41.1953 LONGITUDE: 174.04948

STANDARD

21 Kumutoto Bay

▲ 4

A sheltered east-facing bay with a short walk, boating, water skiing and fishing close by.

Directions: In the inner Queen Charlotte Sound/ Tōtaranui. **Access:** Boat only.

LATITUDE: -41.20537 LONGITUDE: 174.06974

BACKCOUNTRY



22 Ratimera Bay

▲ 12

A popular site with a long sandy beach for fishing, boating and picnicking.

Directions: Ratimera Bay, Queen Charlotte Sound/ Tōtaranui. **Access:** Boat only.

LATITUDE: -41.20458 LONGITUDE: 174.11259

STANDARD





Photo: Margot Ferrier

23 Kenepuru Head

▲ 19



Road access to Kenepuru Head is closed.
Access by boat only.

A great base for a range of activities including boating, fishing, walking and mountain biking.

Directions: Turn off Queen Charlotte Drive at Linkwater into Kenepuru Road and follow for 40 km.

Booking: Required. **Access:** Narrow, winding road.

Note: Dog permit required, dogs on a lead at all times; ph (03) 520 3002.

LATITUDE: -41.17382 LONGITUDE: 174.11808

STANDARD



24 Camp Bay

▲ 20



Road access to Camp Bay is closed.
Access by boat only.

Walk or mountain bike the Queen Charlotte Track from this camp or go fishing and boating. There is a lodge with a bar, small shop and restaurant nearby.

Directions: Endeavour Inlet, Queen Charlotte Sound/Tōtaranui. **Access:** Mountain bike or 30 min walk from Kenepuru Saddle on the Queen Charlotte Track, or by boat.

LATITUDE: -41.12766 LONGITUDE: 174.14734

STANDARD



Photo: DOC

25 Ferndale

▲ 4

Camp beside a sandy beach (rare in the Sounds) that is sheltered from the norwesterly wind.

Directions: Kenepuru Sound. **Access:** Boat only.

Note: Dog permit required, dogs on a lead at all times; ph (03) 520 3002.

LATITUDE: -41.19005 LONGITUDE: 173.97182

BACKCOUNTRY



26 Waimaru

▲ 30



Road access to Waimaru is closed.
Access by boat only.



Isolated campsite in a rural area, ideal for those wanting a remote experience.

Directions: Turn off Queen Charlotte Drive at Linkwater into Kenepuru Road, after 42 km turn left to stay on Kenepuru Road, turn into Manaroa Road, then follow Clova Bay Road to the end.

Note: Restrictions on Kenepuru Road. Check www.marlborough.govt.nz before your trip.

Access: Gravel, narrow and winding road.

LATITUDE: -41.08065 LONGITUDE: 174.03187

STANDARD

27 Kauauroa Bay

▲ 2

Campsite for boaters and sea kayakers in a peaceful setting.

Directions: Kauauroa Bay, Tawhitinui Reach, outer Pelorus Sound/Te Hoiere. **Access:** Boat only.

LATITUDE: -41.03875 LONGITUDE: 173.9695



BASIC



Photo: Margot Ferrier

28 Schoolhouse Bay

▲ 15

Walk or mountain bike the Queen Charlotte Track or go boating and fishing from this sheltered campsite.

Directions: Resolution Bay, Queen Charlotte Sound/Tōtaranui. **Access:** Mountain bike or walk from the Queen Charlotte Track or by boat.

LATITUDE: -41.11135 LONGITUDE: 174.22488



BACKCOUNTRY

29 Cannibal Cove

▲ 3

A remote campsite with hunting and water-based activities near by.

Directions: Outer Queen Charlotte Sound/Tōtaranui. **Access:** Boat only.

LATITUDE: -41.07628 LONGITUDE: 174.25193



BACKCOUNTRY

33 Whatamango Bay

▲ 50



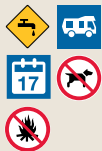
The road to Whatamango Bay is under repair – take care. See the alert on page 10.

Camp beside the sea, fish or go kayaking from this roomy campsite close to Picton and the Cook Strait ferries.

Directions: From Picton head east past Waikawa on Port Underwood Rd for 10 km. A 20-min drive to/from the ferries. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -41.27033 LONGITUDE: 174.07538

STANDARD

**34** Ngaruru Bay

▲ 4

An isolated campsite with water-based activities for those who want to get away from it all.

Directions: Southern side of Arapawa Island in the Tory Channel. **Access:** Boat only.

LATITUDE: -41.22737 LONGITUDE: 174.21443

BACKCOUNTRY



Photo: J. Stephens

35 Blumine Island

! CHECK YOU ARE PEST FREE

▲ 6

Be amazed by the birdsong at this seafront site on a picturesque predator-free island with historic WWII gun emplacements.

Directions: Outer Queen Charlotte Sound. **Access:** Boat only. **Note:** Check your gear for stowaways to help keep the island predator free – see page 4.

LATITUDE: -41.16952 LONGITUDE: 174.23363

BACKCOUNTRY

**36** Wharehunga Bay

▲ 10

North-facing site; great for water-based activities in the outer Queen Charlotte Sound/Tōtaranui.

Directions: Northern side of Arapawa Island. **Access:** Boat only.

LATITUDE: -41.1797 LONGITUDE: 174.29104

BACKCOUNTRY



37 Rarangi

▲ 55

Camp next to the beach and enjoy the sound of the surf at this dog-friendly campsite.

Directions: 8 km north of Blenheim turn off SH1 at Tuamarina into Hunter Road, left into Pembers Road/Rarangi Road, and follow left into Rarangi Beach Road until you reach the campsite. **Access:** Sealed.

Note: Dog permit required, dogs on a lead at all times; contact renwick@doc.govt.nz.

LATITUDE: -41.39289

LONGITUDE: 174.047

STANDARD

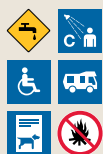


Photo: Herb Christophers

38 Whites Bay

▲ 67

This camp has lovely scenery and is situated at a safe swimming beach.

Directions: 8 km north of Blenheim turn off SH1 at Tuamarina into Hunter Road, left into Pembers Road/Rarangi Road, and follow left into Rarangi Beach Road. Take sharp left into Port Underwood Road and follow to Whites Bay campsite. **Access:** Sealed, narrow winding road.

LATITUDE: -41.3829

LONGITUDE: 174.05708

STANDARD



39 Robin Hood Bay

▲ 10



The road to Robin Hood Bay is under repair – take care. See the alert on page 10.

Camp next to the beach, with a surf beach nearby and watch for Hector's dolphins.

Directions: 8 km north of Blenheim turn off SH1 at Tuamarina into Hunter Road, left into Pembers Road/Rarangi Road, and follow left into Rarangi Beach Road. Take sharp left into Port Underwood Road and follow to Robin Hood Bay.

Access: Winding and gravel road from Whites Bay.

Note: Dog permit required, dogs on a lead at all times; contact renwick@doc.govt.nz.

LATITUDE: -41.35904

LONGITUDE: 174.07021

BASIC



40 Onamalutu



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The road to Onamalutu is under repair – take care. See the alert on page 10.



This campsite is set in remnant podocarp forest and has a safe swimming hole.

Directions: Turn off SH6 west of Blenheim into Northbank Road for approx 6 km. Turn right into Onamalutu Road and follow for 7 km to the camp.

Access: Sealed.

LATITUDE: -41.45852 LONGITUDE: 173.70636

STANDARD

41 Mill Flat



20

This isolated campsite, accessible by 4WD only, is in a grassy clearing surrounded by beech forest.

Directions: No road access via Northbank Road. Foot access via Pine Valley Road only. **Access:** Last 2 km 4WD only, river crossing required. **Note:** Dog permit required, dogs on a lead at all times; contact renwick@doc.govt.nz.

LATITUDE: -41.50109 LONGITUDE: 173.51087

BASIC



Photo: Shellie Evans

42 Marfells Beach



60

Camp next to the sea and enjoy the stunning wildlife and scenery.

Directions: From SH1 follow Marfells Beach Road to the end. South side of Lake Grassmere/Kapara Te Hau. **Booking:** Required. **Access:** Sealed, some gravel.

LATITUDE: -41.72547 LONGITUDE: 174.20446

STANDARD



43 Kowhai Point 9

Camp next to the Wairau River, with fishing and swimming nearby.

Directions: Adjacent to SH63, Wash Bridge, Wairau River. **Access:** Sealed.

LATITUDE: -41.71137 LONGITUDE: 173.11351

**BASIC****44 Puhi Puhi** 6

This peaceful grassy campsite is near a short scenic native bushwalk.

Directions: Off SH1, 9 km north of Kaikōura, turn inland up Puhi Puhi Road, after Hāpuku River bridge. Camp is 6 km along the road. **Access:** Gravel road.

LATITUDE: -42.27013 LONGITUDE: 173.73765

**STANDARD**

Photo: Paul Mahoney (DOC)

Molesworth Recreation Reserve

The following two campsites are on the Acheron Road which runs through Molesworth. Access conditions apply.

Access: Gravel road. Not suitable for vehicles with trailers, caravans or buses. **Note:** Acheron Road is open from Labour Weekend to Easter or the second Saturday in April, whichever is later. Weather conditions and fire danger can close it at any time. Check online at www.doc.govt.nz/molesworth for current road status.

45 Cob Cottage 20

Camp near the original Cob Cottage built in 1885, close to the Molesworth Station boundary.

Directions: 3 km north of Seddon turn off SH1 into Awatere Valley Road and drive 100 km (approx 2 hr 30 min) to campsite. **Note:** Vehicles over 7 m long are not permitted on Acheron Road.

LATITUDE: -42.08511 LONGITUDE: 173.2702

**STANDARD**



Photo: Bev Bacon

46 Acheron Accommodation House

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Camp by this historic cob building from 1863, once used as an overnight drovers' stop.

Directions: Take the Clarence Valley Road from Hanmer Springs (via Jacks Pass Road), continue right into Tophouse Road and follow the Acheron Road 17 km to campsite. (Or drive 59 km south of Cob Cottage along the Acheron Road.) Acheron Road is open 7 am – 7 pm between October and April.

Note: Vehicles over 7 m long are not permitted on Acheron road.

LATITUDE: -42.39548

LONGITUDE: 172.95638



STANDARD



Photo: James Gilmour

47 Lake Tennyson Scenic Reserve

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This isolated campsite beside Lake Tennyson offers trout fishing, kayaking, boating and walking opportunities.

Directions: From the north, turn off SH63. Follow Wairau-Hanmer Springs Hydro Rd (aka Rainbow Rd). Turn-off to campsite is signposted on right. From Hanmer, drive over Jacks Pass. At the bottom of Jacks Pass turn left into the Clarence Valley/ Rainbow Road. Drive 32 km up this road. Lake Tennyson is signposted to the left. **Access:** Rainbow Road is 4WD only and is a toll road with seasonal access. For access, contact Rainbow Station: email info@rainbowstation.co.nz or visit www.rainbowstation.co.nz. Alternatively, 2WD from Hanmer Springs all year – gravel road.

LATITUDE: -42.21124

LONGITUDE: 172.73963



BASIC