











MAP KEY

Public conservation land	 Campsite
 National park	 DOC Visitor Centre
 Conservation park	 Town/city
 Other public conservation land	 Great Walk
Marine protected areas	 State/provincial highway
 Marine reserve	
 Marine mammal sanctuary	

Abbreviations

SH = State Highway; VC = Visitor Centre; NP = National Park



GPS coordinates

The GPS coordinates in this guide can be entered into your GPS unit or smartphone to find a campsite. For example, to find the Fantail Bay campsite, enter -36.52479, 175.32816. Remember to enter the negative symbol and separate the numbers by a comma.

Water Access

 Water from tap is treated, suitable for drinking	 Wheelchair accessible*
 Water from tap is not treated, boil before use	 Wheelchair accessible with assistance†
 Water from stream	 Campervan accessible
 No water, bring your own	 No campervans






Facilities Animals

 BBQ (wood or gas)	 Dogs allowed. Keep your dog under control at all times.
 Cookers/electric stove	 Dogs with a DOC permit only
 Cooking shelter	 Dogs on a leash only
 Cold shower	 No dogs
 Hot shower	 No horses
 Dump station*	

Booking

 Shop	 Book online at bookings.doc.govt.nz/web
 Café	

Campfires

 Petrol available	 Fires permitted in fireplaces or firepits provided by DOC. No open fires elsewhere.
 Boat launching	 Fires not permitted at any time
 Pack in, pack out – take your rubbish with you	

 Number of campsites	 Number of powered sites
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* For more information on dump stations in your area, visit the local DOC Visitor Centre or i-SITE, or go to www.nzmdc.co.nz/stories/public-dump-stations-in-new-zealand

† Wheelchair accessible facilities may include toilets, water supply, showers, picnic tables, kitchens and pathways.

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At the campsite

Camping care code

- ▶ Be a careful camper and practise 'no trace' camping.
- ▶ Choose your campsite carefully; set up your camp on firm, high or sandy ground. Camp only in designated areas.
- ▶ Be tidy and always leave campsites clean. Take your rubbish with you if bins are not provided.
- ▶ Use a cooker, fireplace or BBQ. Light fires only where allowed, collect dead wood and keep the fire small. Soak the fire with water before you go.
- ▶ Detergents, soap and toothpaste can harm aquatic and marine life. Use biodegradable products and wash in a container well away from water sources.
- ▶ Always use toilets provided.
- ▶ Campgrounds are social places but everyone needs some rest and relaxation. Please respect the rights of others for quiet enjoyment of the outdoors. Limit generator use (where permitted) between 9 pm and 8 am.
- ▶ Pay your fees to help keep campsites available in the future.
- ▶ Always thoroughly clean your equipment before and after trips to minimise the spread of weeds and diseases.
- ▶ Protect native plants and animals.
- ▶ Always dispose of waste from motor caravans at official dump stations.

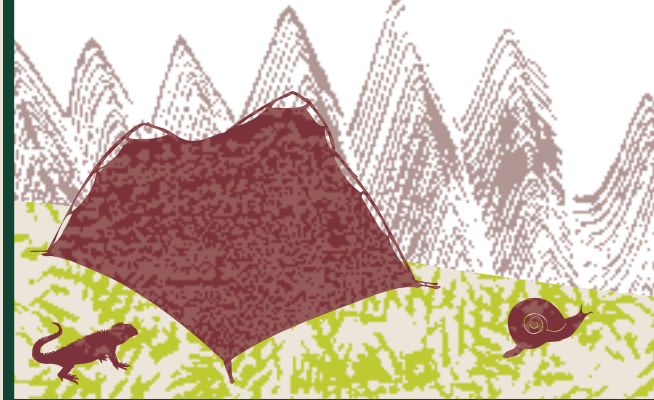
Beware of thieves

Remember to lock your vehicle and take your valuables with you.

*Toitū te whenua
Leave the
land undisturbed*

Gravel roads and insurance

If you are driving a rental vehicle, remember to check whether you are insured when driving on unsealed roads.



TIAKI PROMISE

WHILE TRAVELLING IN NEW ZEALAND I WILL

CARE FOR LAND, SEA AND NATURE,
TREADING LIGHTLY AND LEAVING NO TRACE

TRAVEL SAFELY, SHOWING CARE
AND CONSIDERATION FOR ALL

RESPECT CULTURE, TRAVELLING
WITH AN OPEN HEART AND MIND

HOW TO CARE FOR NEW ZEALAND



BE PREPARED DRIVE CAREFULLY KEEP NZ CLEAN PROTECT NATURE SHOW RESPECT

DOC Campsite Pass

The DOC Campsite Pass offers excellent value for regular campsite users, and can be used at over 200 DOC campsites. Pass durations are one month or one year. Purchase your pass online when booking your next holiday.

Fees collected at Conservation Campsites support conservation work and ongoing maintenance of recreation facilities across New Zealand.

Explore
New Zealand's
environment
and find out what makes
this country unique



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of Conservation

Visitor Centres

DOC Visitor Centres are located nationwide and are staffed by DOC rangers who have first-hand, in-depth local knowledge about conservation places and activities. Visit to plan and prepare your outdoor adventures.

Find out about DOC Visitor Centre opening hours at www.doc.govt.nz/visitorcentres

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Responsible camping

You could get a \$200 instant fine by:

- ▶ freedom camping overnight where there is a 'no camping' sign
- ▶ freedom camping overnight where there is a 'self-contained' sign and you are not using an approved NZ Standard self-contained vehicle
- ▶ depositing waste while freedom camping.

DOC Visitor Centre staff can advise where you can freedom camp safely and responsibly in New Zealand and where local camping restrictions apply. New Zealand's Freedom Camping Act 2011 means visitors who ignore good camping practices and/or camp in the wrong places can receive an instant fine of \$200.

For more information on responsible camping, visit www.doc.govt.nz/freedomcamping

Information correct at the time of printing. Current information is available on the DOC website at doc.govt.nz/campsites. Feedback about this brochure is welcomed, please email marketing@doc.govt.nz

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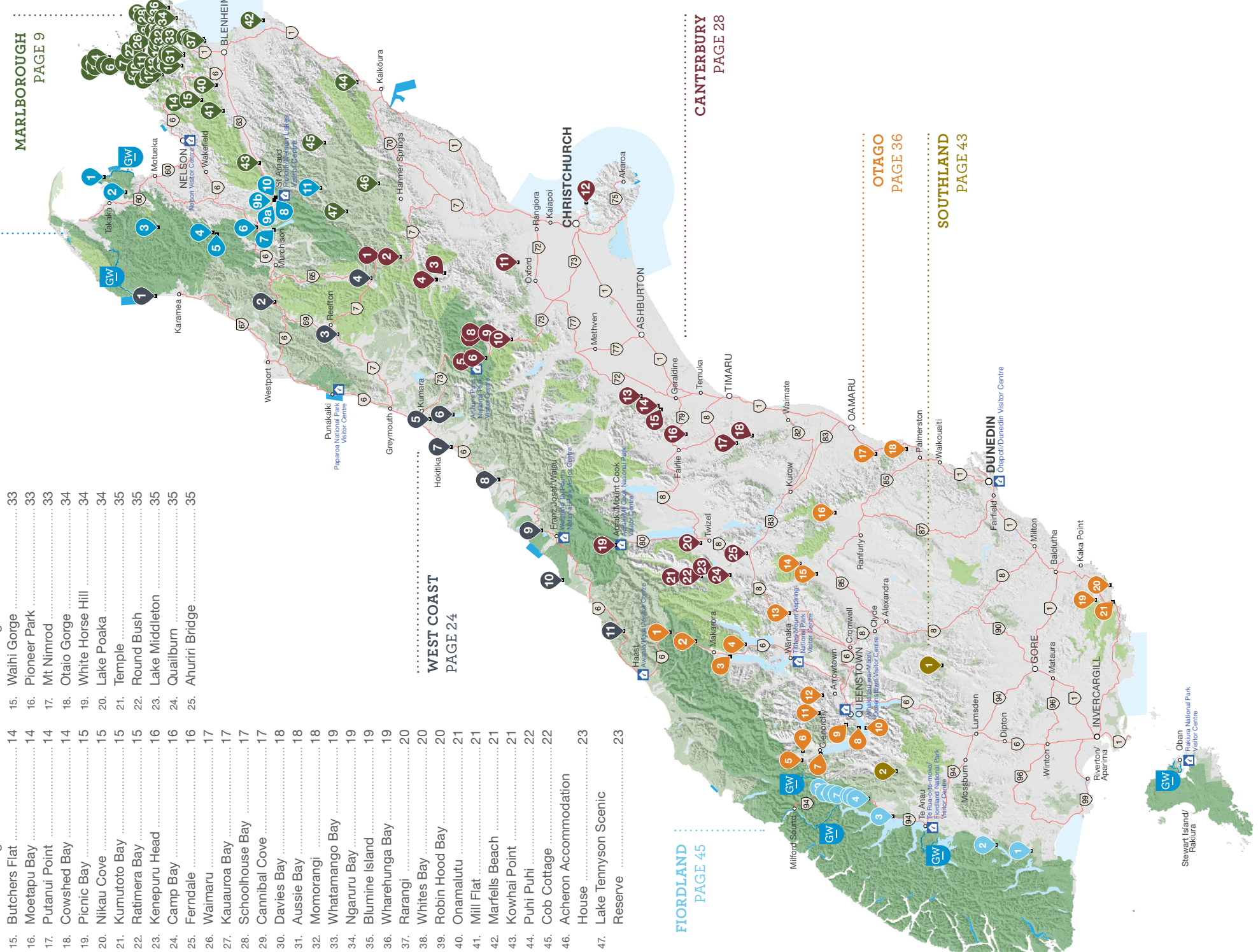
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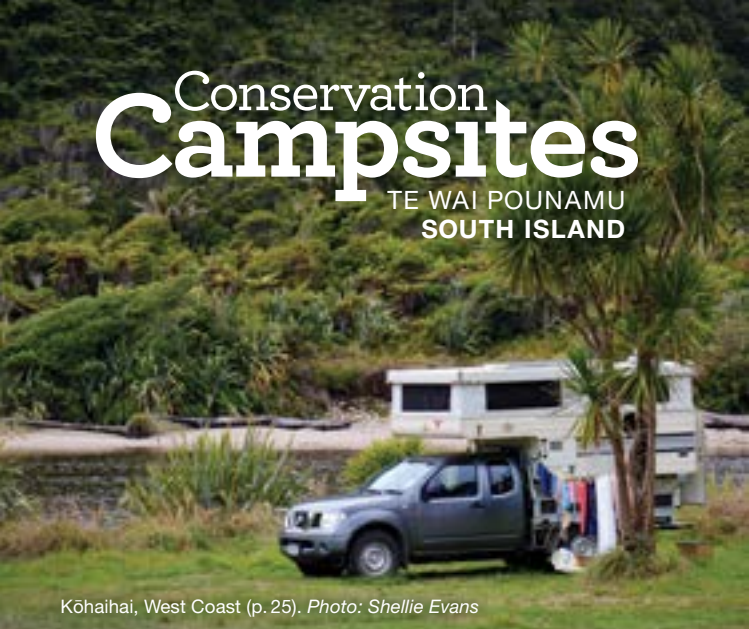
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Conservation Campsites

TE WAI POUNAMU
SOUTH ISLAND



Kōhahai, West Coast (p. 25). Photo: Shellie Evans

Conservation Campsites are places to relax, enjoy and explore the great outdoors. The Department of Conservation (DOC) manages more than 200 campsites throughout New Zealand. Choose from lush forest settings, lakeshores and sandy beaches.

This brochure highlights campsites managed by DOC on conservation land. For more information on individual campsites, check out www.doc.govt.nz/campsites. Enjoy camping with DOC!

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What to expect

Fees will vary at some campsites. For prices at individual campsites, go to www.doc.govt.nz/campsites.

Serviced campsites*

Serviced campsites have a wide range of facilities and services: flush toilets, tap water, kitchen/cooking bench, hot showers, rubbish collection and road access for all types of vehicles. Laundry facilities, BBQs, fireplaces, cookers and picnic tables may be provided.

Standard campsites

These campsites have toilets, water supply (tap, stream, or lake) and vehicle or boat access. Wood BBQs and fireplaces, cold showers, picnic tables, a cooking shelter and rubbish bins may be provided.

Backcountry campsites

Backcountry campsites have toilets and a water supply, which may be from a stream. Picnic tables, cooking shelters and fireplaces may be provided.

Basic campsites

These have very limited facilities so campers need to be fully self-sufficient (eg, bring toilet paper). Basic toilets and water may be from a tank, stream or lake.

Age categories for fees:

Adult:	18+ years
Child:	5–17 years
Infant:	0–4 years, no charge.

Booking and paying fees

Booking is required all year round for many campsites. Book online at bookings.doc.govt.nz/web or contact a DOC Visitor Centre (fees may apply).

Where booking is not required, pay fees via the self-registration system at the campsite or Visitor Centre. These campsites are first come, first served.

Fees are generally per person per night. DOC rangers patrol camping areas and may check that fees have been paid.

Plan and prepare

To have a safe and enjoyable trip, remember to:

- Check your booking details
- Research your trip and know the campsite rules
- Check the weather
- Pack everything you need
- Tell someone your plans.

At the campsite

Campsites and dogs

Dogs are **not permitted** at Conservation Campsites unless the 'dog with permit' or 'dog on a leash' symbol is present.

Where dogs are allowed, it is important to keep your dog under control at all times. Even the most obedient dog has the potential to kill wildlife and most campsites are located in or near protected areas.

Dog owners who take their dogs into dog-prohibited campsites or controlled areas without a permit, or breach the conditions of their permit, are liable to prosecution. Find places where you can take your dog at www.doc.govt.nz/camping.



Take your rubbish with you

DOC operates a pack in, pack out policy at most campsites – there are no rubbish or recycling facilities. Campers should plan to take their rubbish away with them.



No unauthorised drones

A permit is required from DOC to use drones on public conservation land or near marine mammals for any reason – including private use. To apply, visit www.doc.govt.nz/drones.



Fire risk

Always check the fire danger level before you light at checkitsalright.nz. Only light fires in the designated fireplace or firepit provided by DOC. Never light fires during a fire ban.

Protect our wildlife

from disease

Some DOC campsites are in areas where native species are vulnerable to disease. Help prevent disease from spreading by following simple precautions, including cleaning gear before and after entering these areas. Look for notices at the campsites and DOC Visitor Centres for details. Contact the local DOC office for more biosecurity information.'



Didymo is an exotic alga that invades waterways.

This microscopic pest can be spread by a single drop of water. Even if you can't see it, you could be spreading it.

A large number of Conservation Campsites are near rivers and lakes, so always remember to **Check, Clean, Dry** all footwear, bicycles, vehicles, fishing equipment and other items before entering, and when moving between, waterways. For more information and cleaning guidelines, go to www.doc.govt.nz/stopthespread.

Protect our wildlife

from invasive pests

Some special campsites are located on islands free of most of our invasive pest animals and plants. We rely on you to help keep them this way.



**CHECK YOU ARE
PEST FREE**

Inspect and clean your tent and other camping gear thoroughly before leaving home and between

locations. Remove any mud (check the pegs and peg bag), sand, plant material, insects or animals such as mice or rats, Argentine ants and plague (rainbow) skinks – and don't forget to check inside your tent. It's also important to check your clothing and footwear for weed seeds and soil before and after each trip. If you're taking a boat or kayak, check these too.

DOC staff may make biosecurity checks of your footwear and gear when free.

Report sightings of pests on pest-free islands immediately to the DOC HOTline 0800 362 468.

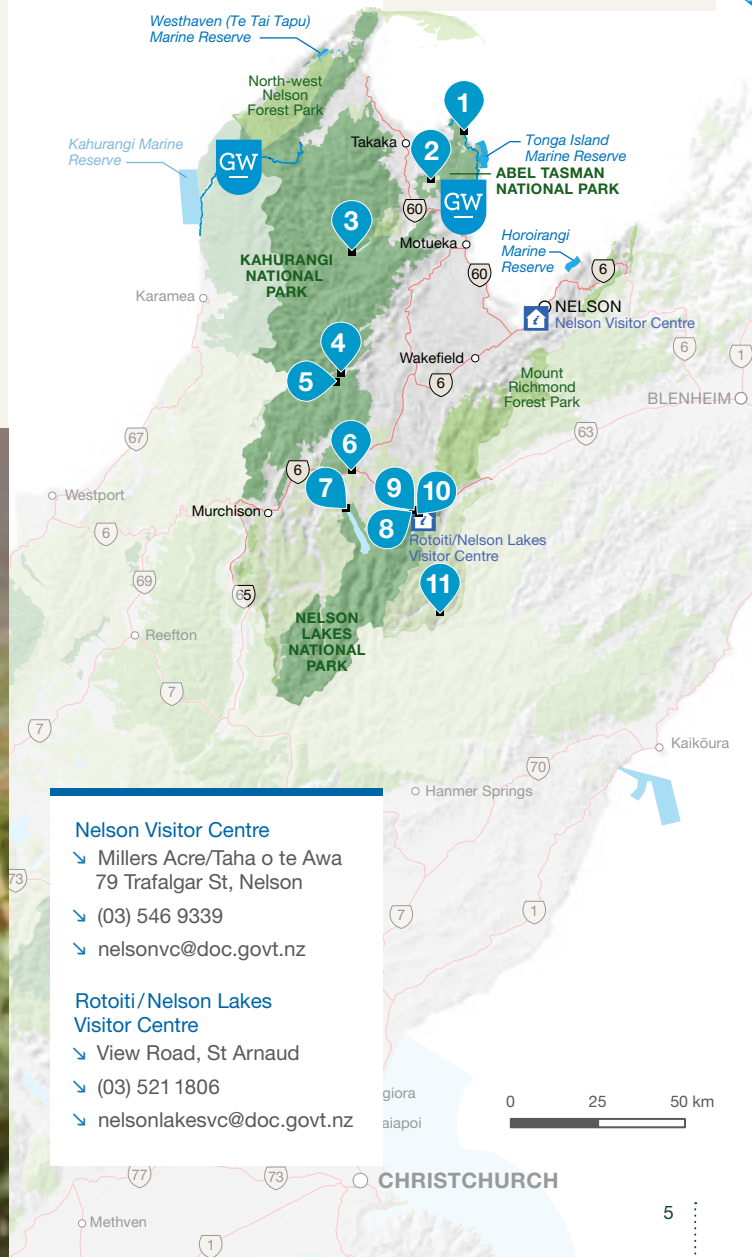
Weka in Simbad Gully, Photo: Sabine Bernert



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Note: Campsites 1–8 and 11 are pack in, pack out (no rubbish or recycling facilities). See page 3.



1 Tōtaranui

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This large and popular campsite is a great base for activities and is a gateway to the Abel Tasman Coast Track.

Directions: 32 km east of Takaka. Take Abel Tasman Drive, turn into Tōtaranui Road and follow to end.

Access: 14 km of gravel road, or by boat. Not suitable for large vans or caravans. **Booking:** Required. Spaces book out well in advance. Gates are locked 1 October to 31 March from 8.30 pm to 7.30 am; 1 April to 30 September from 6.30 pm to 7.30 am.

Note: Conditions apply.

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SCENIC

**2 Canaan Downs**

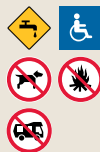
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Located near the entrances to several tracks in Abel Tasman National Park; mountain biking, walking and tramping activities nearby.

Directions: Turn off SH60 on the Takaka Hill Road at Canaan Road and follow 11 km to end. **Access:** Gravel, steep and winding. Icy in winter. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -40.94287 LONGITUDE: 172.89185

STANDARD

**3 Cobb River**

▲ 20

Camp beside the Cobb River, which offers good swimming and fishing.

Directions: Turn off SH60 at Upper Takaka and follow the Cobb Dam Road for 35 km. The campsite is at the southern end of the Cobb Reservoir.

Access: Unsealed, steep and winding; some sections one way. Icy in winter – 4WD recommended.

Note: Take repellent for ferocious sandflies.

LATITUDE: -41.13021 LONGITUDE: 172.62121

BASIC

**4 Siberia Flat**

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Campsite adjoins the Rolling River, popular for fly fishing, at the start of the Wangapeka Track.

Directions: Turn off Motueka Valley Highway at Tapawera into Tadmor Valley Road. Follow to Bushend Road then turn into Wangapeka River Road. **Access:** Gravel road, not suitable for caravans or larger campervans. Dart River ford crossing can be impassible after heavy rain. **Note:** Take repellent for ferocious sandflies.

LATITUDE: -41.44274 LONGITUDE: 172.58371

STANDARD

**5 Courthouse Flat**

▲ 25

Scenic drive to a campsite beside a historical goldfield.

Directions: Turn off Motueka Valley Highway at Tapawera into Tadmor Valley Road. Follow to Bushend Road, turn into Wangapeka River Road and follow to end. **Access:** Gravel road not suitable for caravans or campervans. Dart River ford crossing can be impassible after heavy rain. **Note:** Take repellent for sandflies.

LATITUDE: -41.46789 LONGITUDE: 172.56678

STANDARD

**6 Kawatiri**

▲ 10

Camp at the historical Kawatiri Railway Station site. Explore the old rail bridge, tunnel and station. Walk, fish or picnic.

Directions: Kawatiri Junction, corner of SH63 and SH6, northwest of St Arnaud. **Access:** Sealed.

LATITUDE: -41.69399 LONGITUDE: 172.61756

STANDARD



Photo: Rudy Tetteroo

7 Lake Rotoroa

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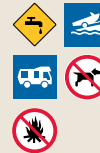
Easily accessible camp in a picturesque setting – enjoy water activities or a stroll in the native bush.

Directions: Off SH6, east of Murchison. Follow Gowan Valley Road to end. **Access:** Sealed.

Note: Take repellent for ferocious sandflies.

LATITUDE: -41.79405 LONGITUDE: 172.59787

STANDARD

**8 Teetotal**

▲ 12

Easy access to the Teetotal Recreation Area with its mountain bike trails. Dogs allowed. Close to St Arnaud and West Bay.

Directions: 2 km west of St Arnaud on SH63.

Access: Gravel. **Note:** Take repellent for sandflies. Taps not available in winter – during winter, water is only available from a stream.

LATITUDE: -41.7928 LONGITUDE: 172.8337

STANDARD



9 West Bay (Buller and Jetty)

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Easily accessible camp in a picturesque setting in the Nelson Lakes National Park.

Directions: Lake Rotoiti, West Bay. Just off SH63 on Mt Robert Road, west of St Arnaud. **Access:** Sealed road. **Booking:** Required. **Note:** Open early December to 30 April.



LATITUDE: -41.79783 LONGITUDE: 172.82739

STANDARD

10 Kerr Bay

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Kerr Bay campsite is adjacent to Lake Rotoiti, surrounded by beech forest, near the St Arnaud township.

Directions: Lake Rotoiti, Kerr Bay just off SH63 on Kerr Bay Road. **Access:** Sealed. **Booking:** Required all year round. Serviced campsite available all year with hot showers and washing facilities. Hot shower tokens available from VC.



LATITUDE: -41.80577 LONGITUDE: 172.84795

SERVICED

11 Coldwater

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Possum control in Upper Wairau – Rainbow area until August 2023. Be aware of the risk of secondary poisoning.



This remote campsite is accessible by 4WD, mountain bike or on foot. Activities include fishing or kayaking in the river and hunting.

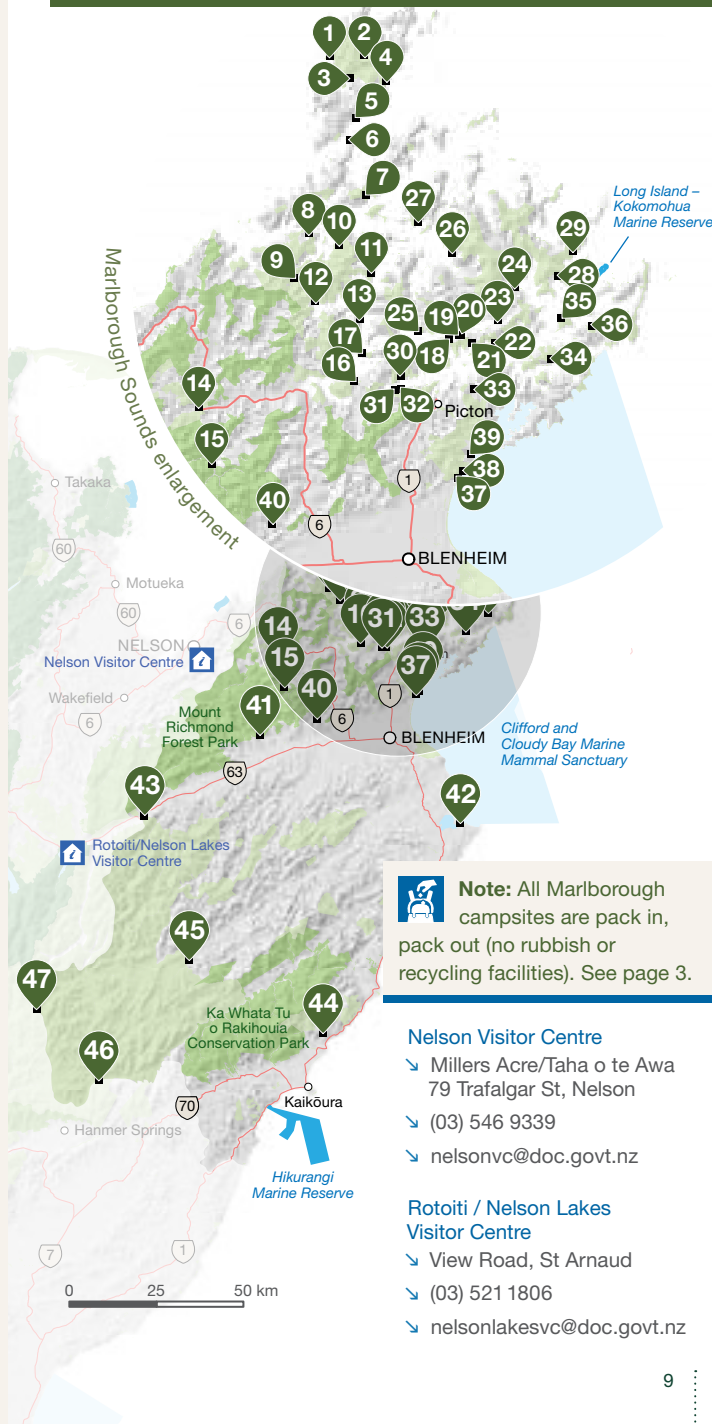
Directions: Turn off SH63 east of St Arnaud at the Rainbow Ski Field turn-off and follow for 37 km to Coldwater Creek. Access is also possible from Hanmer Springs via the Wairau-Hanmer Springs Hydro Road (66 km) – toll road with seasonal access.

Access: Gravel road with stream fords; accessible by 4WD, motorbike, mountain bike or on foot. **Note:** Contact Rainbow Station, www.rainbowstation.co.nz for access details. Mountain bike tracks are only along the Rainbow Road, not in the National Park.

LATITUDE: -42.06192 LONGITUDE: 172.92224

BASIC

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

▲ 11

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

▲ 5

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

▲ 2

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

▲ 2

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 60 km 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

▲ 2

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 10 km turn into Elaine Bay Road to the end.

Access: Sealed, narrow, winding road.

LATITUDE: -41.05527 LONGITUDE: 173.76967

STANDARD

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

STANDARD

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

BACKCOUNTRY

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

BACKCOUNTRY

12 Nydia Bay

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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

▲ 4

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 28km.


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 2km 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

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 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 3km 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

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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

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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

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⚠ 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

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⚠ 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

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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

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

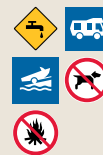
Isolated campsite in a rural area, ideal for those wanting a remote experience.

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

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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

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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

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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

30 Davies Bay

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Large accessible site with boating activities close by. Choose from a waterfront site or a bush clearing.


Directions: A 3km walk or mountain bike from Anakiwa. **Access:** Mountain bike or walk from the Queen Charlotte Track or by boat.

LATITUDE: -41.25231 LONGITUDE: 173.94073

BACKCOUNTRY

**31 Aussie Bay**

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 *Road access to Aussie Bay is under repair – take care. See the alert on page 10.*

A popular waterfront campsite with great views and vehicle access.

Directions: Off Queen Charlotte Drive in the Grove Arm of Queen Charlotte Sound, 15km from Picton.

Access: Steep driveway with tight turn, no vehicles over 6m. Access also via the Link Pathway.

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

LATITUDE: -41.27233 LONGITUDE: 173.92878


STANDARD



Photo: Herb Christophers

32 Momorangi

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 *Road access to Momorangi is under repair – take care. See the alert on page 10.*

A north-facing family camp beside a sheltered bay, popular for swimming, boating and fishing; short walk and glow-worm grotto on site. Two small cabins are also available.


Directions: On Queen Charlotte Drive in the Grove Arm of Queen Charlotte Sound, 13km from Picton or 17km from Havelock along Queen Charlotte Drive. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -41.27033 LONGITUDE: 173.94077

SERVICED

**33 Whatamango Bay**

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 *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 10km. A 20-min drive to/from the ferries. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -41.27033 LONGITUDE: 174.07538

STANDARD

**34 Ngaruru Bay**

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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

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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**

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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

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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

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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**

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 *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**

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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

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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

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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

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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

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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



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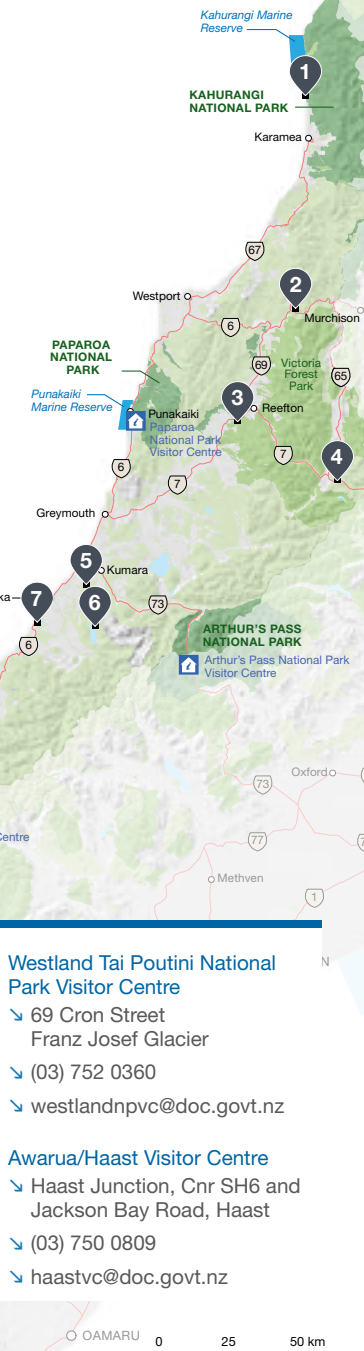
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Arthur's Pass National Park Visitor Centre

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 **Note:** Campsites 1, 2, 8, 10 and 11 are pack in, pack out (no rubbish or recycling facilities). See page 3.



Westland Tai Poutini National Park Visitor Centre

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Franz Josef Glacier
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- westlandpvc@doc.govt.nz

Awarua/Haast Visitor Centre

- Haast Junction, Cnr SH6 and
Jackson Bay Road, Haast
- (03) 750 0809
- haastvc@doc.govt.nz



Photo: Shellie Evans

1 Kōhahai

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This is a sheltered campsite at the mouth of the Kōhahai River, with beautiful nīkau forest nearby.

Directions: North of Karamea at the end of Council Road and the start of the Heaphy Track.

Access: Gravel road for the last 3 km.

Booking: Required.



LATITUDE: -41.10952 LONGITUDE: 172.10254

STANDARD

2 Lyell

 18

The site of the gold-rush town of Lyell, this is a large, grassed campsite with historical gold workings nearby.

Directions: On SH6 in the Upper Buller Gorge, 15 km northeast of Inangahua. **Access:** Sealed.

Booking: Required.



LATITUDE: -41.79697 LONGITUDE: 172.04899

STANDARD



Photo: Ian Wightwick

3 Slab Hut Creek

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Once a gold mining area, this is now a popular camping site in a park-like setting next to a gold-panning stream.

Directions: Off SH7 on Slab Hut Creek Road; 10 km south of Reefton. **Access:** Gravel road.

Booking: Required. **Note:** Be prepared for heavy West Coast rainfall.



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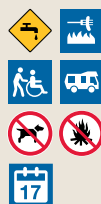
4 Marble Hill

Explore this valley's alpine beauty, native birds and amazing red beech forests. Maruia Hot Springs are nearby.

Directions: Beside SH7, 6.5 km east of Springs Junction. **Access:** Sealed. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -42.3502 LONGITUDE: 172.22319

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STANDARD

5 Goldsborough

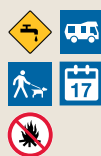
Explore this sheltered campsite, the site of an old gold mining town, and try your luck fossicking in the creek.

Directions: Turn off SH6 at Awatuna, 17 km from Hokitika. Follow Stafford Loop Road to end.

Access: Gravel road. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -42.67586 LONGITUDE: 171.12339

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STANDARD

6 Hans Bay – Lake Kaniere

A large, grassy lake-front campsite beside beautiful Lake Kaniere.

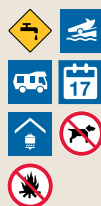
Directions: 19 km southeast of Hokitika. From Kaniere, follow Lake Kaniere Road to end. Take Dorothy Falls Road at fork, follow to Hans Bay.

Note: Boil water from tap for 3 min before use.

Access: Sealed. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -42.80872 LONGITUDE: 171.15481

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STANDARD



Photo: B Dobbie

7 Lake Mahinapua

Camp beside Lake Mahinapua, a popular overnight and day stop, in stunning forest surroundings.

Directions: 10 km south of Hokitika, turn off SH6 into Lake Mahinapua Access Road, opposite the hotel; 300 m to road end. **Access:** Gravel road.

Booking: Required.

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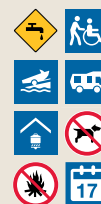
8 Lake Ianthe Matahi

Camp beside one of Westland's forest-lined freshwater lakes, popular for boating, trout fishing and swimming.

Directions: Adjacent to SH6, 15 km north of Harihari. Short driveway off SH6. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -43.0602 LONGITUDE: 170.63395

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STANDARD

9 Otto's/MacDonalds

Boat, fish for trout or swim in the lake at this easily accessible campsite.

Directions: SH6, 13 km north of Franz Josef/Waiiau at the northern end of Lake Mapourika. Short driveway off SH6. **Booking:** Required.

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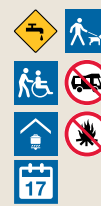
10 Gillespies Beach

Camp near an old gold mining settlement and a seal colony. Short tracks lead to relics from the gold mining days.

Directions: From Fox Glacier township turn onto Cook Flat Road and follow the road to Gillespies Beach. **Access:** Narrow, winding road; not suitable for campervans or caravans. **Booking:** Online, required all year.

LATITUDE: -43.40805 LONGITUDE: 169.82862

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STANDARD



Photo: Frans Dellebeke

11 Lake Paringa

Enjoy boating, fishing and swimming in the lake and walk the Haast to Paringa Cattle Track.

Directions: Beside SH6, 40 km north of Haast.

Access: Short gravel driveway off SH6.

Booking: Required.

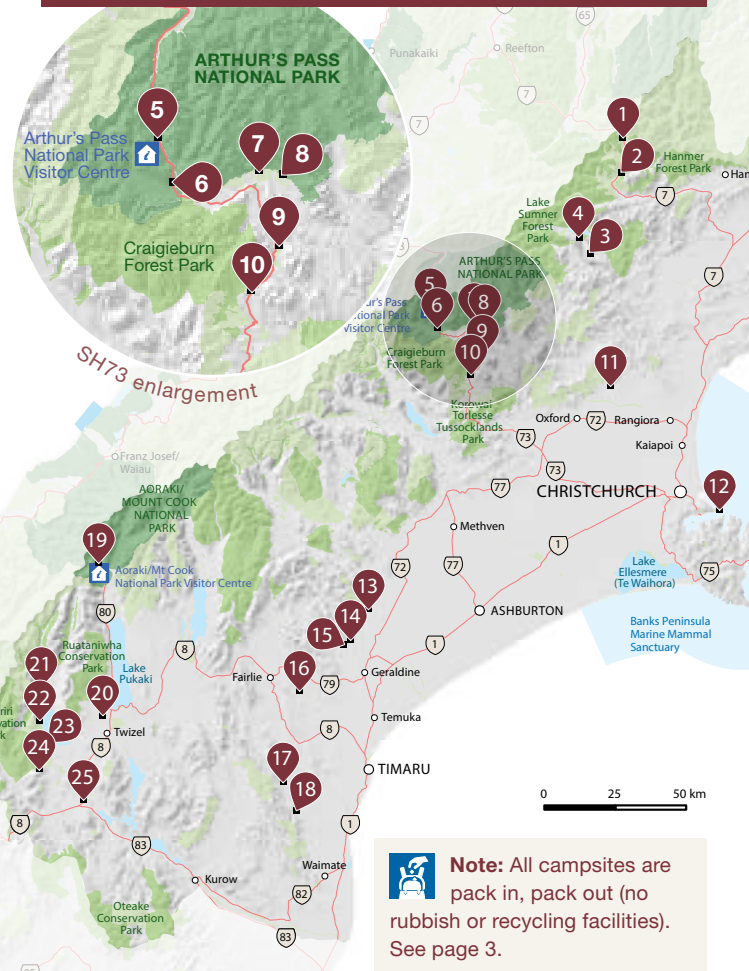
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STANDARD

CANTERBURY



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Arthur's Pass National Park Visitor Centre

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- (03) 318 9211
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Note: All campsites are pack in, pack out (no rubbish or recycling facilities). See page 3.



Warning: Make sure you're well prepared for heavy snow in alpine areas in winter.

Aoraki/Mt Cook National Park Visitor Centre

- 1 Larch Grove, Aoraki/Mt Cook
- (03) 435 1186
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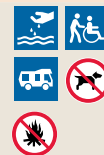
1 Deer Valley

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Camp in beech forest next to the Lewis River. This camp is a short drive to Maruia Springs Thermal Resort.

Directions: Off SH7, 20 km east of Springs Junction.
Access: Gravel road.

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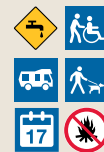
2 Boyle

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Camp among the kānuka forest close to the Boyle River, just off SH7. Boyle Campsite is on the Te Araroa Trail and at the end of the 5-day tramp on the St James Walkway.

Directions: On SH7 between Springs Junction (37 km west of the campsite) and Hanmer Springs turn-off (45 km east of the campsite). **Access:** From SH7, turn off and follow a short gravel road. **Note:** Tent sites are in a separate area with no vehicle access.

LATITUDE: -42.5164 LONGITUDE: 172.3854



STANDARD



Photo: DOC

3 Lake Taylor

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Camp beside the lake and explore this highly scenic area by foot or mountain bike.

Directions: Turn off SH7 at Waikari and follow the road to Hawarden. The road then joins Lake Sumner Road, which leads to Lake Taylor (approx 50 km).
Access: Gravel road, suitable for 2WD vehicles only as far as Lake Taylor. **Booking:** Online.

LATITUDE: -42.77354 LONGITUDE: 172.25385



STANDARD

4 Loch Katrine

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Camp beside the beautiful lake in a grassy area. Walk, mountain bike, or take a dip in the icy waters!

Directions: From Lake Taylor, continue for another 8 km to Loch Katrine on a rough gravel road. High clearance 4WD required.

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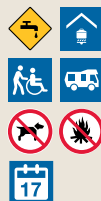
5 Avalanche Creek Shelter

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Explore Arthur's Pass National Park, but be well prepared for quickly changing alpine weather conditions above the bushline.

Directions: On SH73, in Arthur's Pass village. **Access:** Alpine areas may be covered in snow in winter.

Booking: Online.



LATITUDE: -42.94066 LONGITUDE: 171.56259

STANDARD



Photo: Alan Cressler

6 Klondyke Corner

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This large, open campsite is near the junction of the Beale and Waimakariri rivers.

Directions: SH73, 8km south of Arthur's Pass village.

Booking: Online.



LATITUDE: -43.00203 LONGITUDE: 171.58924

STANDARD

7 Hawdon Shelter

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Camp in the lower reaches of the Hawdon valley on the grassy flats in Arthur's Pass National Park.

Directions: Follow SH73 to Mt White Rd, 24 km south of Arthur's Pass village. **Access:** Gravel road.

Booking: Online.



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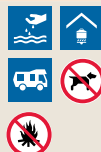
STANDARD

8 Andrews Shelter

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A popular starting point for those undertaking the Casey and Binser saddles track.

Directions: Follow SH73, campsite is 5 km along Mt White Rd. **Access:** Gravel road. **Note:** Camp only in the designated area. Do not camp further up the road on private land. Please use the toilet facilities provided at the campsite.



LATITUDE: -42.99407 LONGITUDE: 171.79292

BASIC



Photo: Shellie Evans

9 Lake Pearson/Moana Rua

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In the Waimakariri basin, camp beside a high-country lake. The camp is a good base for birdwatching.

Directions: On SH73, 35 km south of Arthur's Pass village. **Note:** No powerboats permitted on the lake.

Booking: Online.



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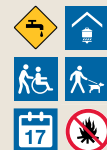
10 Mistletoe Flat

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Set in a landscape of beech forest, tussock and rugged mountains, with mountain biking nearby.

Directions: Turn off SH73 at the signpost, between Castle Hill village and Lake Pearson.

Access: Gravel road. **Booking:** Online.



LATITUDE: -43.15113 LONGITUDE: 171.73091

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Photo: Bev Bacon, DOC

11 Wooded Gully

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Camp beside a stream and near tracks leading to Mt Thomas, about 12 km from Ashley Gorge.

Directions: Access from Rangiora or Oxford to Birch Hill Road. Turn off Birch Hill Road into Hayland Road and follow for 4 km to the campsite.

Access: Gravel road. **Booking:** Online.



LATITUDE: -43.19356 LONGITUDE: 172.3355

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12 Awaroa/Godley Head

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Awaroa/Godley Head Campsite is closed until further notice.

Camp in the middle of a WWII defence battery site with great ocean views and a range of scenic walks. Nearby Taylors Mistake beach is a popular swimming and surfing spot.

Getting there: From Sumner, follow Evans Pass Rd for 3.5 km. Turn left onto Summit Rd and follow the winding, sealed road for 6.5 km. The campsite is about a 50-minute drive from the centre of Christchurch. **Booking:** Required. If booked online, gate codes will be emailed within an hour. Or contact Ōtautahi/Christchurch Visitor Centre, ph (03) 379 4082 during office hours to get the gate code. **Access:** Road is sealed but narrow and high.

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Photo: Matt Searles

13 Peel Forest

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Peel Forest is a remnant of the forest that once covered this area. Four cabins are also available.

Directions: 23 km north of Geraldine. Follow SH79 (Main North Road) for 7 km, turn left after the Orari Bridge onto SH72 (Inland Scenic Route); after 3 km turn left into Peel Forest Road for 13 km.

Access: Sealed. **Booking:** Online.

Note: Serviced camp is closed in winter; standard camping is available at the adjoining Clarke Flat amenity area during winter.

LATITUDE: -43.88998 LONGITUDE: 171.26615

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14 Orari Gorge

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Campsite set within a remnant of podocarp forest. Explore the forest or the old bush tramway.

Directions: From Geraldine, follow Main North Rd to Tripp Settlement Rd, then Yates Rd. 13 km northwest of Geraldine. **Access:** Gravel road for the last 3 km.

Booking: Online.

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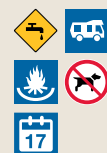


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15 Waihi Gorge

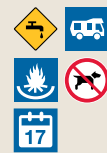
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Located on the banks of the Waihi River, this campsite is a popular spot surrounded by kahikatea, matai and lowland tōtara forest.

Directions: From Geraldine, follow Main North Rd, Woodbury Rd, then turn into Waihi Gorge Rd. 14 km northwest of Geraldine. **Access:** Gravel road for the last 1 km. **Booking:** Online.

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STANDARD



16 Pioneer Park

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Short walks are nearby, and you can visit the remains of the historic Burkes Cottage.

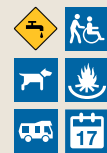
Directions: From Geraldine, follow SH79 for 23 km. Turn into Gudex Rd, then Middle Valley Rd, turn left into Pioneer Park. **Access:** Gravel road for the last 3.7 km.

Note: Flooding may close the access road.

Booking: Online.

LATITUDE: -44.1435 LONGITUDE: 170.95614

STANDARD



17 Mt Nimrod

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A quiet campsite on the eastern flank of the Hunter Hills. Take a 3.5 km forest walk to a forest remnant or hike to the Mt Nimrod summit.

Directions: From Timaru follow SH1 south for 10.5 km, turn right into Pareora River Road. Just after Pareora Huts turn left into Pareora Gorge Road; at Motukaika monument turn into Motukaika Road. At the T-junction turn right into Back Line Road, and after about 2 km, turn left into the scenic reserve. **Access:** Gravel road.

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18 Otaio Gorge

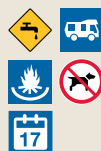
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Camp at a scenic reserve beside forest; swim in the Otaio River.

Directions: From Timaru follow SH1 to St Andrews. Turn right into Blue Cliffs Road and follow for 19.5km. Turn right into Back Line Road.

Access: 5 km gravel road. **Booking:** Online.

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STANDARD



Photo: Colm Keating

19 White Horse Hill

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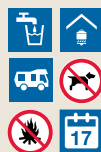
Camp beneath magnificent alpine scenery, including Mount Sefton.

Directions: 2.5km from Aoraki/Mt Cook village at the end of Hooker Valley Road off SH80. **Access:** Sealed.

Note: Hot showers at Public Shelter in village 2.5km from campsite. No showers at campsite.

Booking: Online.

LATITUDE: -43.71964 LONGITUDE: 170.09146



STANDARD

20 Lake Poaka

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Scenic camping by this man-made lake where the Twizel River flows through the hydro canal.

Directions: Just south of Lake Pukaki take the shingle road on the north side of the hydro canal to the campsite. **Note:** Campers are restricted to four nights only. Suitable for larger campervans.

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21 Temple

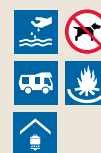
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Camp north of Lake Ōhau, within a beautiful beech forest in a large, flat area. Tramp the North and South Temple Stream tracks.

Directions: 13 km south of Twizel turn off SH8 into Lake Ohau Road. Travel 40 km to Temple valley.

Access: Gravel road.

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22 Round Bush

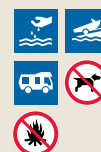
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Beautiful beech forest, hung with mistletoe, grows right up to the lake edge.

Directions: At Clearburn, south of Twizel, turn onto Lake Ohau Road and continue for 25 km.

Note: Campers are restricted to four nights only.

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23 Lake Middleton

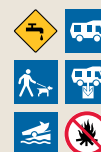
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Camp at Lake Middleton on the Alps to Ocean trail, beside the beautiful Lake Ōhau.

Getting there: Turn onto Lake Ohau Rd, 13 km south of Twizel. Travel 17 km to Lake Middleton.

Note: Standard campsite from 1 October–Easter weekend. Basic campsite at other times.

LATITUDE: -44.2783 LONGITUDE: 169.8517



STANDARD

24 Quailburn

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A quiet spot on the edge of a tree-lined stream, close to an historic shearing shed. The Quailburn bush walk is nearby.

Directions: Turn off the SH8 towards the Clay Cliffs and continue along Quailburn Road to the end.

Note: Campers are restricted to four nights only.

LATITUDE: -44.36256 LONGITUDE: 169.80492



BASIC

25 Ahuriri Bridge

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Camp on the bank of the Ahuriri River under the shade of the willows. Fish, walk or ride from here.

Directions: Adjacent to a bridge on SH8, 3 km north of Omarama. **Access:** Gravel road. **Note:** Flooding can restrict access to the site.

LATITUDE: -44.46749 LONGITUDE: 169.98702



BASIC

OTAGO



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

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Ōtepoti/Dunedin Visitor Centre

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- dunedinvc@doc.govt.nz

1 Pleasant Flat

▲ 22

Take in the magnificent views of Mt Hooker from the campsite and fish in the nearby Haast River.

Directions: Beside SH6, 45 km east of Haast.

Access: Sealed road. **Booking:** Online.

Note: This site has the only mobile phone coverage between Haast and Hāwea, however coverage is intermittent and dependent on solar panels.

LATITUDE: -44.01178

LONGITUDE: 169.381



STANDARD

2 Cameron Flat

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Camp near the Makarora River, with hunting, tramping or fishing available nearby.

Directions: 15 min north of Makarora township, beside SH6. **Booking:** Online.

Access: Sealed road to toilets, gravel beyond.

LATITUDE: -44.16122

LONGITUDE: 169.28729



STANDARD

3 Boundary Creek Reserve

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Boundary Creek Campsite is closed until late April 2023 for a toilet upgrade.

Relax on the shores of Lake Wanaka at this easily accessible campsite.

Directions: Beside SH6 at the head of Lake Wanaka. **Access:** Sealed road. **Booking:** Required, book online. **Note:** Campsite closed for toilet upgrade. Check doc.govt.nz for updates.

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4 Kidds Bush Reserve

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Camp alongside the lake in a large, grassy area with good shade from mountain beech trees.

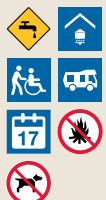
Directions: Off SH6 on Meads Road, 40 min (32 km) north of Wanaka, on the shore of Lake Hāwea.

Access: Gravel road; no DOC sign at the turn-off.

Booking: Required, book online. **Note:** This campsite is very busy between Boxing Day and early February, so book well in advance and have an alternative campsite planned if this one is full.

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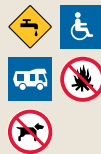
5 Sylvan

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Camp beside the river; walk to Lake Sylvan or day-walk the start of the Routeburn Great Walk.

Directions: From Glenorchy, follow the Glenorchy–Paradise Road. Turn left into Priory Road then right into Kinloch–Routeburn Road. **Access:** Gravel road from Dart River bridge. **Note:** This campsite may flood in heavy rain.

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STANDARD

6 Diamond Lake

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Park up near the shores of Diamond Lake, on the edge of Mt Aspiring National Park. Enjoy the beautiful natural settings. Swim, fish or go kayaking.

Directions: Located 17 km from Glenorchy. Follow the Glenorchy–Paradise Road. **Access:** Gravel road for 9 km from the Rees River Bridge. **Note:** Suitable for campervans and caravans only.

LATITUDE: -44.73172 LONGITUDE: 168.38184



STANDARD



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7 Kinloch

▲ 15

Camp on the shores of Lake Wakatipu and explore the hiking tracks in the area.

Directions: From Glenorchy follow the Glenorchy–Paradise Road, turn left into Priory Road then right into Glenorchy–Routeburn Road. Follow to Kinloch Road. Kinloch campsite is 27 km from Glenorchy. **Access:** Gravel road from Dart River bridge. The road and campsite are prone to flooding and can be inaccessible in heavy rain. **Note:** This campsite is managed for DOC by the nearby Kinloch Lodge, which also runs a restaurant.

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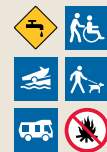
8 Twelve Mile Delta

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Camp on a river delta near the shores of the beautiful Lake Wakatipu.

Directions: Queenstown–Glenorchy Road, 12 km west of Queenstown. **Access:** Road sealed from highway to river delta, narrow gravel roads around campsite. **Note:** This campsite is operated by Twelve Mile Delta Ltd. For inquiries, visit www.queenstowncamping.co.nz.

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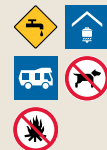
9 Moke Lake

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This is a peaceful place beside a small lake, with boating, swimming, fishing or canoeing.

Directions: Turn off the Glenorchy Road, 6 km west of Queenstown, into Moke Lake Road and follow a further 7 km to the lake. **Access:** 4 km of gravel road. 4WD only in winter. Water is turned off in winter as it freezes.

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STANDARD

10 Beach Point at Walter Peak

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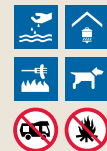
Camp on the shore of Lake Wakatipu. This camp is part of the Round the Mountains Cycle Trail.

Directions: By boat across Lake Wakatipu from Queenstown, or by foot or mountain bike from Walter Peak Station via Mt Nicholas Road.

Access: By boat, foot or mountain bike only.

Note: This campsite is managed for DOC by Real Journeys.

LATITUDE: -45.10341 LONGITUDE: 168.54149



BASIC

11 Skippers

▲ 36

Camp beside the remains of Skippers township, once the largest gold settlement on the Shotover River.

Directions: 28.5 km north of Queenstown, off Skippers Road near Coronet Peak. **Access:** Gravel road – Skippers Road is winding and has steep drop-offs. Rental cars are generally prohibited. **Note:** The historic site is protected – the removal of any material is illegal.

LATITUDE: -44.84264 LONGITUDE: 168.68112



STANDARD

12 Macetown

▲ 36

Camp at the site of an historical goldfield town and visit three remaining buildings. Information panels tell the stories.

Directions: Follow Macetown Road 15 km up the Arrow River from Arrowtown. **Access:** Rough and narrow 4WD road with 23 river crossings and steep drop-offs – at times impassible due to high river levels or winter conditions. Check with the local DOC Visitor Centre before you set out. **Note:** The historic site is protected – the removal of any material is illegal.

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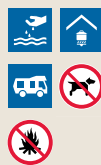
13 Lindis Pass Historic Hotel

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This reserve includes the remarkable historical remains of the Lindis Pass Hotel.

Directions: From SH8 take Old Faithful Road opposite Timburn Road. **Access:** 6 km of gravel road, narrow and steep in places. Not suitable for large campervans. **Note:** No camping permitted within 20 m of hotel ruins; do not remove any historical artefacts. This is a popular campsite, often with limited space from December to April.

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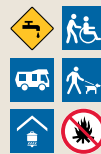
14 Homestead

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This isolated campsite is the ideal base for mountain biking, hunting, fishing and tramping in nearby St Bathans and Hawkdun Ranges.

Directions: From SH85, turn into the Ranfurly end of Loop Road (St Bathans) and follow for 6.5 km. Turn into Hawkdun Runs Road and follow for 15 km to campsite. **Access:** Gravel road, one unbridged ford. 4WD only in winter.

LATITUDE: -44.77556 LONGITUDE: 169.89024



BASIC

15 St Bathans Domain

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Explore St Bathans township or mountain bike the Otago Central Rail Trail.

Directions: From SH85 northeast of Alexandra, turn into Loop Road and then into Fish Pond Road. Access is 200 m along on the right. **Access:** Sealed.

LATITUDE: -44.86720 LONGITUDE: 169.79890



BASIC

16 Danseys Pass

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Camp beside German Creek while exploring Oteake Conservation Park.

Directions: From Naseby, take Danseys Pass Road north for 16 km to Kyeburn Diggings. The campsite is 500 m past the Danseys Pass Coach Inn, in Danseys Pass Recreation Reserve. **Access:** Gravel road from Naseby.

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17 Glencoe

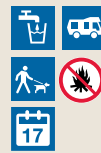
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Camp in a sheltered area surrounded by forest, with the river and walking nearby.

Directions: Off SH1 at Herbert turn onto Ord St, turn left at Monk St, then right into Glencoe Road. **Access:** Gravel road for the last 0.5 km.

Booking: Online.

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STANDARD

18 Trotters Gorge

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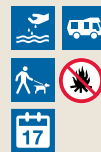
A quiet family campsite in a bush setting. It connects with two riverside tracks and has walking and tramping tracks nearby.

Directions: Approx 3 km south of Moeraki, turn west off SH1 into Horse Range Road, or turn on to Horse Range Road at the north end of Palmerston.

Access: Gravel road. **Note:** Campsite may be closed during winter due to flooding.

Booking: Online.

LATITUDE: -45.40447 LONGITUDE: 170.78875



STANDARD

19 Tawanui

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Camp in a clearing beside the river; walk the Catlins River Track through silver beech forest.

Directions: Turn off SH1 at Balclutha, drive south to Owaka. Follow Papatowai Highway for 7 km, turn right onto Catlins Valley Road, right onto Morris Saddle Road, then left at the cattle stop (sign indicates the campsite).

Access: Narrow, gravel road. **Booking:** Online.

Note: No phone coverage. Fires in designated fireplaces only.

LATITUDE: -46.45836 LONGITUDE: 169.49316

STANDARD



Photo: Cheryl Pullar

20 Purakaunui Bay

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Camp on the coast with Purakaunui Falls, a surf beach and Jacks Blowhole close by.

Directions: Turn off SH1 at Balclutha. Drive south past Owaka until Ratanui turnoff. Follow Purakaunui Falls Road to Long Point Road, then follow Purakaunui Bay Road to end.

Access: Narrow and gravel road. **Booking:** Online.

Note: No phone coverage. Fires in designated fireplaces only. Bring own wood.

LATITUDE: -46.54501 LONGITUDE: 169.61183

STANDARD



Photo: Benhi Dixon, DOC

21 Papatowai

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Campsite on the Catlins coast, nestled in the bush with easy access to the beautiful beach and estuary at Papatowai.

Directions: Turn off SH1 at Balclutha. Drive south past Owaka until you reach the Papatowai township.

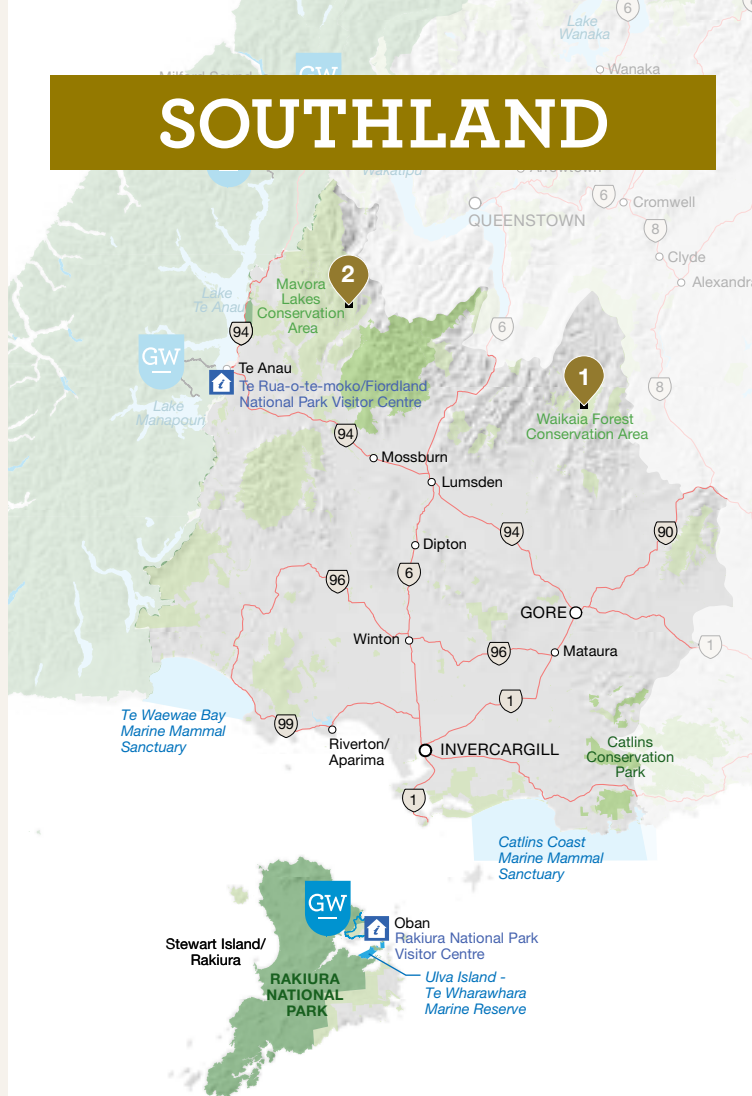
Access: Sealed. **Booking:** Online. **Note:** Limited mobile phone coverage.

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STANDARD



SOUTHLAND



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1 Piano Flat

▲ 50

A riverside campsite in a farmland area; go for walks, hikes or horse rides from here.

Directions: 23km north of Waikaia via Piano Flat Road. **Access:** Gravel road. **Booking:** Online.

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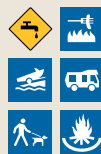
2 Mavora Lakes

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Walk, mountain bike, hike or fish from this campsite, surrounded by mountains, beech forest and grasslands.

Directions: Off SH94, 30km north of Mossburn, at the south end of North Mavora Lake. **Access:** 30 km gravel road. **Note:** No tap water in winter.

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STANDARD



Rakiura Track
Rakiura National Park

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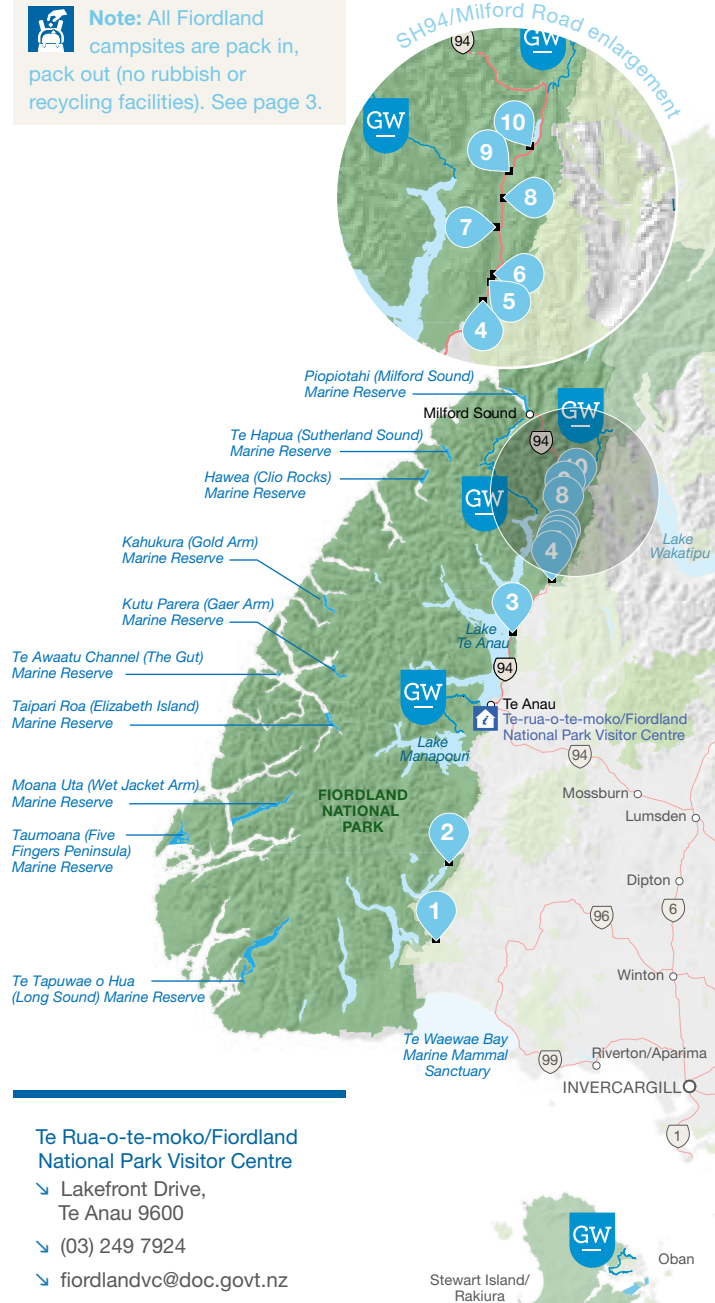
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FIORDLAND

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0 25 50 km

1 Thicket Burn

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Camp on the edge of Fiordland National Park, 6 km from New Zealand's deepest lake, Lake Hauroko.

Directions: Off SH99 at Clifden, north of Tuatapere, follow Lillburn Valley Road for 24 km. Campsite is on the left near the National Park boundary.

Access: Gravel road.

LATITUDE: -46.00779 LONGITUDE: 167.45491

BASIC

**2** Monowai

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Enjoy this peaceful campsite beside Lake Monowai and go fishing or boating.

Directions: North of Clifden via SH99, follow Clifden–Blackmount Road, turn left into Lake Monowai Road and follow to the end.

Access: Gravel road.

LATITUDE: -45.812 LONGITUDE: 167.52153

BASIC



Photo: Miz Watanabe

Milford Road

The following campsites are along Milford Road, gateway to the Milford Sound/Piopiotaahi.

Directions: Follow SH94, Milford Road, from Te Anau to Milford Sounds, a 2 hr, 119 km journey. **Access:** Sealed road.

3 Henry Creek

▲ 40

Camp beside picturesque Lake Te Anau on small private sites in regenerating beech forest.

Directions: 25 km north of Te Anau.

Access: Gravel road. **Booking:** Online.

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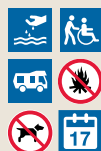


Photo: Shane Gallagher

4 Walker Creek

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A small campsite beside the Eglinton River.

Directions: 49 km north of Te Anau.

Access: Gravel road. **Booking:** Online.

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STANDARD

**5** Tōtara

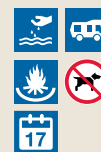
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Camping area suitable for larger vehicles with sites sheltered by lush beech forest.

Directions: 53 km north of Te Anau, south of Mirror Lakes. **Access:** Gravel road. **Booking:** Online. **Note:** Fires in designated fireplace or firepits only.

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STANDARD

**6** Mackay Creek

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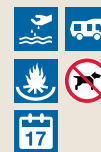
A quiet campsite with views of the Eglinton valley, fly fishing in the river and short walks.

Directions: 53 km north of Te Anau.

Access: Poor traffic visibility off highway. Gravel road. **Booking:** Online. **Note:** Fires in designated fireplace or firepits only.

LATITUDE: -45.06547 LONGITUDE: 167.9908

STANDARD

**7** Deer Flat

▲ 15

A scenic campsite in northern Fiordland. Camp beside the Eglinton River in a grassy area surrounded by pockets of beech forest.

Directions: Milford Road, adjacent to SH94, 62 km north of Te Anau. **Access:** Gravel road.

Note: Campsite floods regularly. Access to sites may be restricted and facilities affected.

Booking: Online.

LATITUDE: -44.99949 LONGITUDE: 168.00793

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8 Kiosk Creek

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A small campsite with spectacular views of glacial moraine deposits.

Directions: Knobs Flat, on the Milford Road, 65 km north of Te Anau. **Access:** Gravel road.

Booking: Online. **Note:** Bring own drinking water. Fires in designated fireplace or firepits only.

LATITUDE: -44.96291 LONGITUDE: 168.01882

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9 Upper Eglinton

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A small camping area near walking and hiking tracks with magnificent valley views.

Directions: On the Milford Road, 71 km north of Te Anau. **Access:** Gravel road, not suitable for large vehicles. **Booking:** Online. **Note:** Fires in designated fireplace or firepits only.

LATITUDE: -44.9275 LONGITUDE: 168.03186

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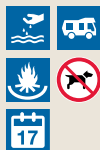


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10 Cascade Creek

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This is a good camp for larger vehicles. It offers river fly fishing and the Lake Gunn nature walk.

Directions: On the Milford Road, at the bottom of Lake Gunn, 76 km north of Te Anau.

Access: Gravel road. **Booking:** Online. **Note:** Fires in designated fireplace or firepits only.

LATITUDE: -44.89420 LONGITUDE: 168.07529

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