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](http://www.doc.govt.nz/campsites).

**Serviced campsites**  $20* adult; $10 child
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.

**Scenic campsites**  $15* adult; $7.50 child
These campsites are in high use locations and have a more limited range of facilities and services than Serviced campsites: 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.

**Standard campsites**  $8* adult; $4 child
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**  fees vary
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**  no charge
These have very limited facilities so campers need to be fully self-sufficient. Basic toilets and water may be from a tank, stream or lake.

* Extra charges apply for powered sites: $3 per adult; $1.50 per child.

**Age categories for fees:**
- Adult: 18+ years
- Child: 5–17 years
- Infant: 0–4 years, no charge.

**Booking and paying fees**
Bookings are required for all Serviced campsites and for some Scenic and Standard campsites in peak season (usually 1 October – 30 April). Most bookings can be made at [booking.doc.govt.nz](http://booking.doc.govt.nz) or at a DOC Visitor Centre.

Where bookings are not required, pay fees via the self-registration system at the campsite, or at a Visitor Centre. These campsites operate on a first come, first served basis.

Fees are generally charged per person per night, and reflect the level of facilities and services provided. DOC rangers patrol camping areas and will check that fees have been paid.
At the campsite

Campsites and dogs
Dogs are not permitted at Conservation Campsites unless the ‘dogs allowed’ or ‘dogs 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
Open fires are not permitted at campsites, unless in a fireplace or firepit provided by DOC.

Protect our wildlife
from disease
Some DOC campsites are in areas where native species are vulnerable to disease. You can prevent disease from spreading by following some simple precautions, including cleaning gear before and after entering these areas. Look for notices at the campsites and local DOC Visitor Centres for details.

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.

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.
NELSON/TASMAN

Note: Campsites 1–8 and 11 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
1. **Totaranui**

This large and very popular campsite is a great base for activities; it’s a good entrance point to the Abel Tasman Coast Track.

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

**Access**: 14 km of gravel road, or by boat. Not suitable for large vans or caravans. **Booking**: Book online. 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.

**Latitude**: -40.8186  **Longitude**: 173.0049

2. **Canaan Downs**

Located near the entrances to a number of 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.

**Latitude**: -40.94287  **Longitude**: 172.89185

3. **Cobb River**

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
4 Siberia Flat
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  

5 Courthouse Flat
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  

6 Kawatiri
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  

7 Lake Rotoroa
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
**Coldwater**

This remote campsite is a great base camp for 4WD and mountain biking activities. Fish for trout or kayak in the river.

**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). **Access:** Gravel with stream fords; high clearance 4WD only. **Note:** Wairau-Hanmer Springs Hydro Road is a toll road and is only open from Boxing Day to Easter. Contact Rainbow Station, www.rainbowstation.co.nz for access details or ph (03) 521 1838 for the farm manager.

**LATITUDE:** -42.06192  **LONGITUDE:** 172.92224

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**West Bay (Buller and Jetty)**

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; book online or phone Rotoiti/Nelson Lakes Visitor Centre (03) 521 1808. **Note:** Open early December to 30 April.

**LATITUDE:** -41.79783  **LONGITUDE:** 172.82739

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**Kerr Bay**

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 from December to 30 April; book online or phone (03) 521 1808. Serviced site Labour weekend through to 30 April; Scenic site from 1 May to Labour weekend. Prices and facilities change; check at www.doc.govt.nz/camping.

**LATITUDE:** -41.80577  **LONGITUDE:** 172.84795

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**Teetotal**

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

**Directions:** 1 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

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

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 1-hour 4WD drive to Moawhitu. Airstrip (landing fee applies) for small private aircraft. **Note:** Dog permit required, ph (03) 520 3002.

**LATITUDE:** -40.81021  **LONGITUDE:** 173.80386

2 South Arm

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

3 Mill Arm

Picturesque, remote campsite near the head of Mill Arm with well-formed flat campsites and stunning 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

4 Penguin Bay

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
### Lucky Bay

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

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

**LATITUDE:** -40.89076  **LONGITUDE:** 173.86078

### French Pass

*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 in peak season and holiday weekends; book online.

**LATITUDE:** -40.92601  **LONGITUDE:** 173.84247

### Waiona Bay

*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
8 Elaine Bay

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

9 Harvey Bay

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

Scenic campsite suitable for kayaks and boats.

Directions: Tennyson Inlet, Pelorus Sound/Te Hoiere.

Access: Boat only.

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<td>Sheltered, scenic bay with opportunities for walking, biking and boating.</td>
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<td>Pelorus Bridge</td>
<td>Camp, surrounded by giant trees, in one of Marlborough’s last river-flat forests bordering the Pelorus River. Swim, walk, kayak and relax.</td>
<td>On SH6 54km from Nelson, 60km from Blenheim.</td>
<td>Short, unsealed, well-formed narrow road from café on SH6 to campsite.</td>
<td>Required in peak season and holiday weekends; book online.</td>
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**Warning:** The camp floods during periods of high rainfall—a flood warning system is in place.
15 Butchers Flat

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; ph (03) 520 3002. There are high, unfenced cliffs at this campsite – children must be supervised.

**LATITUDE:** -41.3763  **LONGITUDE:** 173.5943

16 Moetapu Bay

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 200 m down a steep hill to the campsite. **Access:** By boat or a short walk from the road. **Note:** Dog permit required; ph (03) 520 3002. **Warning:** Flooding possible during king tides.

**LATITUDE:** -41.2603  **LONGITUDE:** 173.85462

17 Putanui Point

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

18 Cowshed Bay

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
19 Picnic Bay

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; ph (03) 520 3002.

LATITUDE: -41.19527    LONGITUDE: 174.04645

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20 Nikau Cove

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; ph (03) 520 3002.

LATITUDE: -41.1953    LONGITUDE: 174.04948

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21 Kumutoto Bay

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

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22 Ratimera Bay

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
23 **Kenepuru Head**

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 40km.

**Booking:** Available online. **Access:** Narrow, winding road. **Note:** Dog permit required; ph (03) 520 3002.

LATITUDE: -41.17382  LONGITUDE: 174.11808

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24 **Camp Bay**

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

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25 **Ferndale**

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; ph (03) 520 3002.

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30 Davies Bay

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

Directions: A 3 km 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

32 Momorangi

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, 13 km from Picton or 17 km from Havelock along Queen Charlotte Drive. Booking: Required in peak season and holiday weekends; book online.

LATITUDE: -41.27033  LONGITUDE: 173.94077

31 Aussie Bay

A popular waterfront campsite with great views and vehicle access.

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

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

Note: Dog permit required; ph (03) 520 3002.

LATITUDE: -41.27233  LONGITUDE: 173.92878
33 **Whatamango Bay**  
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:** Book online.  
LATITUDE: -41.27033  
LONGITUDE: 174.07538  

34 **Ngaruru Bay**  
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  

35 **Blumine Island**  
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  

36 **Wharehunga Bay**  
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
37 Rarangi

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

Directions: 8km north of Blenheim turn off SH1 at Tuamaria into Hunter Road, left into Pembers Road/ Rarangi Road, and follow left into Rarangi Beach Road until you reach the campsite. Access: Sealed. Note: Dogs with a DOC permit only, contact renwick@doc.govt.nz.

LATITUDE: -41.39289  LONGITUDE: 174.047

38 Whites Bay

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

Directions: 8km north of Blenheim turn off SH1 at Tuamaria 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

39 Robin Hood Bay

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

Directions: 8km north of Blenheim turn off SH1 at Tuamaria 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: Dogs with a DOC permit only, contact renwick@doc.govt.nz.

LATITUDE: -41.35904  LONGITUDE: 174.07021
40 Onamalutu

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

41 Mill Flat

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

Directions: Turn off SH6 west of Blenheim into Northbank Road. Follow for 22 km then turn into Pine Valley Road. Access: Last 2 km 4WD only, river crossing required. Note: Dogs with a DOC permit only, contact renwick@doc.govt.nz.

LATITUDE: -41.50109  LONGITUDE: 173.51087

42 Kowhai Point

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


LATITUDE: -41.71137  LONGITUDE: 173.11351

43 Marfells Beach

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. Access: Sealed, some gravel.

LATITUDE: -41.72547  LONGITUDE: 174.20446
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.

### 44 Okiwi Bay

*Okiwi Bay Campsite is closed following the 2016 Kaikōura earthquake. Please check the DOC website for updates, as work is under way to re-open the camp.*

Located in a grassy area across the road from the beach and near Ōkiwi Bay walking tracks.

**Directions:** On SH1, 30km north of Kaikōura, 98km south of Blenheim. **Access:** Sealed. **Note:** Watch out for trains. Dogs with a DOC permit only.

LATITUDE: -42.21672  LONGITUDE: 173.85897

### 45 Puhi Puhi

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

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

LATITUDE: -42.27013  LONGITUDE: 173.73765

### 46 Cob Cottage

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

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

LATITUDE: -42.08511  LONGITUDE: 173.2702
47 Acheron Accommodation House

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

48 Lake Tennyson Scenic Reserve

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. Contact Rainbow Station: ph (03) 522 4413 (7–9 pm, Mon–Thurs only), email info@rainbowstation.co.nz or visit www.rainbowstation.co.nz. Road only open 26 Dec to Easter Monday. Alternatively, 2WD from Hanmer Springs all year – gravel road.

LATITUDE: -42.21124  LONGITUDE: 172.73963
Paparoa National Park Visitor Centre
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- (03) 731 1895
- paparoavc@doc.govt.nz

Arthur’s Pass National Park Visitor Centre
- SH73, Arthur’s Pass Village
- (03) 318 9211
- arthurspassvc@doc.govt.nz

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
- 69 Cron Street Franz Josef Glacier
- (03) 752 0360
- westlandnpvc@doc.govt.nz

Awarua/Haast Visitor Centre
- Haast Junction, Cnr SH6 and Jackson Bay Road, Haast
- (03) 750 0809
- haastvc@doc.govt.nz
1. **Kōhaihai**

   This is a sheltered campsite at the mouth of the Kōhaihai 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.

   **Latitude:** -41.10952  **Longitude:** 172.10254

2. **Lyell**

   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.

   **Latitude:** -41.79697  **Longitude:** 172.04899

3. **Slab Hut Creek**

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

   **Latitude:** -42.15613  **Longitude:** 171.79205
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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, 15km north of Harihari. Short driveway off SH6.

LATITUDE: -43.0602  LONGITUDE: 170.63395

9 Otto’s/MacDonalds
Boat, fish for trout or swim in the lake at this easily accessible campsite.

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

LATITUDE: -43.29861  LONGITUDE: 170.22522

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.

LATITUDE: -43.40805  LONGITUDE: 169.82862

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

**Directions:** Beside SH6, 40km north of Haast. **Access:** Short gravel driveway off SH6. **Booking:** Required, book online.

LATITUDE: -43.74876  LONGITUDE: 169.41056
Note: Campsites 12 and 14–25 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.
1 Deer Valley
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.
LATITUDE: -42.40483  LONGITUDE: 172.3977

2 Boyle
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

3 Lake Taylor
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.
LATITUDE: -42.77354  LONGITUDE: 172.25385

4 Loch Katrine
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.
LATITUDE: -42.72371  LONGITUDE: 172.20628
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.

**LATITUDE:** -42.94066  **LONGITUDE:** 171.56259

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

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

**LATITUDE:** -43.00203  **LONGITUDE:** 171.58924

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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.

**LATITUDE:** -42.98786  **LONGITUDE:** 171.74789

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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
9 Lake Pearson/Moana Rua

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.

**LATITUDE:** -43.08999  **LONGITUDE:** 171.78888

10 Mistletoe Flats

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.

**LATITUDE:** -43.15113  **LONGITUDE:** 171.73091

11 Wooded Gully

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.

**LATITUDE:** -43.19356  **LONGITUDE:** 172.3355
**Peel Forest**

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:** Book 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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**Awaroa/Godley Head**

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 (7 days/week) to get the gate code. **Access:** Road is sealed but narrow and high.

**LATITUDE:** -43.58807  **LONGITUDE:** 172.80398

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Photo: Matt Searles

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Photo: DOC

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Photo: DOC
16 Pioneer Park

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.

**LATITUDE:** -44.1435  **LONGITUDE:** 170.95614  **STANDARD**

17 Mt Nimrod

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.

**LATITUDE:** -44.43248  **LONGITUDE:** 170.87196  **STANDARD**

15 Waihi Gorge

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. **Access:** Gravel road for the last 1 km.

**LATITUDE:** -44.00259  **LONGITUDE:** 171.15469  **STANDARD**

14 Orari Gorge

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.

**LATITUDE:** -44.98776  **LONGITUDE:** 171.18478  **STANDARD**
18 **Otaio Gorge**

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:** 5km gravel road.

LATITUDE: -44.52356    LONGITUDE: 170.92863

**Photo:** Colm Keating

19 **White Horse Hill**

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.

LATITUDE: -43.71964    LONGITUDE: 170.09146

**Photo:** George Iles

20 **Lake Poaka**

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.

LATITUDE: -44.20657    LONGITUDE: 170.09802

**Photo:** George Iles
21 Temple
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.

LATITUDE: -44.1076  LONGITUDE: 169.81773

22 Round Bush
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 25km.
Note: Campers are restricted to four nights only.

LATITUDE: -44.20809  LONGITUDE: 169.81711

23 Lake Middleton
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

24 Quailburn
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

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

Tititea/Mount Aspiring National Park Visitor Centre
ара Ardmore St
ара Wanaka
ара (03) 443 7660
ара mtaspiringvc@doc.govt.nz

Whakatipu-wai-Māori/Queenstown Visitor Centre
ара 50 Stanley Street
ара Queenstown
ара (03) 442 7935
ара queenstownvc@doc.govt.nz

Ōtepoti/Dunedin Visitor Centre
ара Civic Centre, 50 The Octagon, Dunedin
ара (03) 474 3300
ара dunedinvc@doc.govt.nz
1 **Pleasant Flat**

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:** Required, book 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

2 **Cameron Flat**

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

**Directions:** 15 min north of Makarora township, beside SH6. **Booking:** Required, book online.
**Access:** Sealed road.

LATITUDE: -44.16122  LONGITUDE: 169.28729

3 **Boundary Creek Reserve**

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:** This is a popular campsite, often with limited space from December to April.

LATITUDE: -44.35185  LONGITUDE: 169.16894

4 **Kidds Bush Reserve**

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.

LATITUDE: -44.44087  LONGITUDE: 169.26138
5 **Sylvan**

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, particularly in winter.

LATITUDE: -44.73091  LONGITUDE: 168.31035

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6 **Diamond Lake**

Park up near the shores of Diamond Lake, on the edge of Mt Aspiring National Park. Explore the area around Paradise and along the Dart and Rees tramping tracks. 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

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7 **Kinloch**

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. **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. The lodge has a shop and you can pay for meals and showers.

LATITUDE: -44.84371  LONGITUDE: 168.34999
8  **Twelve Mile Delta**
Camp on a river delta near the shores of the beautiful Lake Wakatipu.

**Directions:** Queenstown–Glenorchy Road, 12km 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.

**LATITUDE:** -45.06744  **LONGITUDE:** 168.54651

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

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

**LATITUDE:** -44.99811  **LONGITUDE:** 168.57308

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10  **Beach Point at Walter Peak**
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

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

**Directions:** 28.5km 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
**12 Macetown**

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, gravel, 4WD road with 23 river crossings – at times impassible. Check with the local DOC Visitor Centre before you set out. **Note:** The historic site is protected – the removal of any material is illegal.

LATITUDE: -44.86689  LONGITUDE: 168.82098

**13 Lindis Pass Historic Hotel**

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 the hotel ruins; please do not remove any historical artefacts from the reserve. This is a popular campsite, often with limited space from December to April.

LATITUDE: -44.69963  LONGITUDE: 169.49455

**14 Homestead**

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
15 St Bathans Domain

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

16 Danseys Pass Recreation Reserve

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. **Access:** Gravel road from Naseby.

**LATITUDE:** -44.98498  **LONGITUDE:** 170.28793

17 Glencoe

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.

**LATITUDE:** -45.22728  **LONGITUDE:** 170.75739

18 Trotters Gorge

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.

**LATITUDE:** -45.40447  **LONGITUDE:** 170.78875
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19 Tawanui

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

Directions: Turn off SH1 at Balclutha and drive south to Owaka. Follow Papatowai Highway for approx 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.

LATITUDE: -46.45836   LONGITUDE: 169.49316

20 Purakaunui Bay

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.

LATITUDE: -46.54501   LONGITUDE: 169.61183

21 Papatowai

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.

LATITUDE: -46.56074   LONGITUDE: 169.46994
Note: All Southland campsites are pack in, pack out (no rubbish or recycling facilities). See page 3.
1 Piano Flat

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

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

LATITUDE: -45.56103  LONGITUDE: 169.0156

2 Mavora Lakes

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

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

LATITUDE: -45.26801  LONGITUDE: 168.17499

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Te Rua-o-te-moko/Fiordland National Park Visitor Centre
- Lakefront Drive, Te Anau 9600
- (03) 249 7924
- fiordlandvc@doc.govt.nz
### Thicket Burn

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

### Monowai

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

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**Milford Road**

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

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

### Henry Creek

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

**Directions:** 25 km north of Te Anau.

**Access:** Gravel road.

LATITUDE: -45.2316  
LONGITUDE: 167.81184
4 Walker Creek

A small campsite beside the Eglinton River.

**Directions:** 49 km north of Te Anau.
**Access:** Gravel road.

LATITUDE: -45.10136  LONGITUDE: 167.96608

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5 Tōtara

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.

LATITUDE: -45.07603  LONGITUDE: 167.98481

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6 Mackay Creek

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.

LATITUDE: -45.06547  LONGITUDE: 167.9908

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7 Deer Flat

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

**Directions:** Milford Road, adjacent to SH94, 62 km north of Te Anau. **Access:** Gravel road.
**Note:** This campsite floods regularly. Access to some sites may be restricted and facilities may be affected.

LATITUDE: -44.99949  LONGITUDE: 168.00793

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Photo: Shane Gallagher
8 Kiosk Creek

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.

Note: Bring your own drinking water.

LATITUDE: -44.96291  LONGITUDE: 168.01882

9 Upper Eglinton

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 larger vehicles.

LATITUDE: -44.9275  LONGITUDE: 168.03186

10 Cascade Creek

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.

LATITUDE: -44.89420  LONGITUDE: 168.07529