

ARTHUR'S PASS - THE HEART OF THE ALPS

1. Kiwi – Can you find the Great Spotted Kiwi in the Visitor Centre. How do you think they defend themselves against stoats?
2. Predators – What predators can you find in the Visitor Centre?
3. Moss – As you walk on the Millennium Track towards the Avalanche Creek Waterfall, can you find some moss? What does it feel like?
4. Kea – Kea are parrots only found in the mountain areas of the South Island. How many do you see on your walk through the village? What leg tags did they have on? (Please do not feed them).
5. Waterfall – Go to a place where you can see the Devil's Punchbowl Waterfall. How high do you think it is? This waterfall was formed by a glacier millions of years ago!
6. Clouds – From the first bridge on the Punchbowl walk, look upstream, look downstream, can you spot the difference in the clouds? Why do you think this is?
7. Bealey River – Walk alongside the Bealey River, walk under the Railway bridge to join JC's track. Keep your beady eyes open.....can you find the Guardian Post? Follow JC's Track under Rough Creek bridge back to the Village via the Bealey River.
8. Mistletoe Leaf – As you walk past the Alpine Motel there is a Mistletoe plant hanging over the footpath. If it is flowering, what colour is it? They call these plants "parasitic", do you know why?
9. Steam Train – All aboard! Can you find the old steam train engine near the Recycle Bin? This was used over 100 years ago! What did they burn to power it?



Health and Safety:

The route crosses the main highway so watch for traffic. It also goes beside the river so watch your feet and the water.

Distance:

50 minute loop.
Easy / Moderate short walk.

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