




Rugby World Cup 1 Day Itinerary

	<p>Take time out from your Rugby schedule to visit one of the most dramatic and beautiful parts of New Zealand – Fiordland.</p> <p>The extraordinary scenic beauty has earned this region a reputation as a significant sightseeing and walking destination, and a 'Must See' for anyone travelling to New Zealand.</p> <p>The hub of the Fiordland region is the attractive town of Te Anau. From here it is an easy 2- 2 & 1/2 hours drive to Milford Sound and 20 minutes by coach to Lake Manapouri and the start of a Doubtful Sound excursion. Te Anau has a range of activity options, fine restaurants, seven days a week shopping and can cater for all levels of accommodation.</p>
Day 1	Invercargill – Te Anau
	<p>Southern Scenic Route</p> <p>Depart Invercargill on road to Te Anau via this scenic driving route</p> <p>Website: www.southernscenicroute.co.nz</p>
	<p>Te Hikoi Heritage Museum</p> <p>In Riverton just 25 mins from Invercargill on the Southern Scenic Route</p> <p>'Te Hikoi', featuring authentic displays, adventurous characters and engaging stories. These reveal how our Maori and European ancestors adapted to survive on nature's edge.</p> <p>Gain insight into the seasonal lifestyle of early Maori, the privation of early sealers and the perilous adventures of shore whalers who forged an enduring peace with Maori through intermarriage and enterprise.</p> <p>Website: www.tehikoi.co.nz</p>
	<p>Gemstone Beach</p> <p>Continue on the Southern Scenic Route stopping off at the Gemstone beach in search of a Sapphire or perhaps the colour of your favourite team.</p>
	<p>Jet boat the Wairaurahiri</p> <p>Jet boat across Lake Hauroko – the deepest lake in New Zealand and down the Wairaurahiri River – the steepest (boatable) river in New Zealand. Travel through the untouched world reknown Waitutu Forest to the wild south coast and return.</p> <p>(Duration 4-5 hours)</p> <p>Website: www.humpridgejet.co.nz OR Website: www.wjet.co.nz</p>
Day 2	Doubtful Sound Overnight
	<p>Overnight Cruise – Doubtful Sound</p> <p>For one night and two days explore the stunning scenery of Doubtful Sound.</p> <p>Scenic daytime cruising exploring Doubtful Sound. Onboard activities differ between operators, but can include: fishing, sightseeing, stargazing, swimming and kayaking.</p>



	<p>There is always the possibility of an encounter with wildlife including bottlenose dolphins, seals and penguins, but choose an evening when no matches are planned, as there is no TV in the Fiords!</p> <p>www.doubtful-sound.com www.fiordlandcruises.co.nz www.fiordlandexpeditions.co.nz www.realjourneys.co.nz</p>
Day 3	Te Anau and Manapouri
	<p>Te Anau Glow Worm Caves</p> <p>Your Te Anau Glow worm Cave adventure begins with a scenic cruise across Lake Te Anau to the western side of the lake. Upon arrival at Cavern House, our friendly guides invite you to accompany them underground in small groups.</p> <p>As you explore by path and small boat, your senses will be overwhelmed. Observe how the rushing water sculpts the rock formations, before gliding through silent darkness to the glow worm grotto. The delicate incandescence of thousands of tiny glow worms is a magical sight (Duration 2hrs 30mins).</p> <p>Website: www.realjourneys.co.nz</p>
	<p>Luxmore Jet</p> <p>A pinch of adrenalin and a heap of natural beauty makes this "the best jet boat ride ever". Journey deep into Fiordland National Park, a World Heritage Area where unspoilt scenery and crystal clear water will amaze as you travel down the Upper Waiau River which flows between lake Te Anau and beautiful Lake Manapouri. (Duration 2 hours)</p> <p>Website: www.luxmorejet.co.nz</p>
	<p>Ata Whenua – Fiordland Cinema</p> <p>See the real Fiordland in first class comfort. Fiordland Cinema was specially constructed to house daily screenings of the locally filmed movie "Ata Whenua – Shadow land", filmed by award winning cinematographers, with outstanding original musical composition. Enjoy 32 minutes of breathtaking Fiordland scenery shot on 35mm film across the extremes of season, climate and terrain. Mysterious, evocative, exhilarating and utterly spectacular.</p> <p>Website : www.fiordlandcinema.co.nz</p>
Day 4	Te Anau – Milford Sound
	<p>Milford Sound Coach & Cruise (ex Te Anau)</p> <p>Travel the beautiful Te Anau-Milford Road to Milford Sound - this alpine highway is not only a spectacular route through which to drive but also hides a myriad of nature walks and exciting formations.</p> <p>Selecting a tour that includes transport gives you the opportunity to truly soak up the scenery and learn about the area from a knowledgeable driver/guide. The transfers connect directly with cruise companies (no worrying about timetables), and return you to your accommodation - the complete, hassle free package.</p> <p>Described by Rudyard Kipling as the 'Eighth Wonder of the World', Milford Sound is</p>



	<p>always spectacular. Waterfalls tumble hundreds of meters into massive fiords; ancient rainforest clings impossibly to the mountains; shimmering lakes and granite peaks look the same today as they did thousands of years ago.</p>
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	<p>Night Sky Viewing</p> <p>What better way to top off a spectacular day with scenery that is 'out of this world'.</p> <p>Astronomy Fiordland offers quality night sky experiences with 2 encounters:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) livesky - real night sky viewing through a large telescope and binoculars 2) Stardome - full dome digital planetarium southern sky extravaganza! (live show) <p>Both focus on the unique southern sky from a New Zealand/Maori perspective. Highlights such as the Southern Cross, constellations and deep sky objects are viewed, explored and explained.</p> <p>Website: www.astronomyfiordland.co.nz</p>
<p>Day 5</p>	<p>Te Anau – Queenstown</p>
	<p>Scenic Flight</p> <p>To truly experience the vastness of Fiordland you need to see it from the air, wether it's by a fixed wing aircraft or in a helicopter. A wilderness of spectacular ever-changing isolated scenery, bush covered mountain slopes, alpine lakes, waterfalls, hanging valleys and snow-clad mountain tops.</p> <p>Website: www.airmilford.co.nz Website: www.milfordsoundhelicopters.com Website: www.fiordlandhelicopters.co.nz Website: www.wingsandwater.co.nz Website: www.airfiordland.com Website: www.southernlakeshelicopters.co.nz Website: www.alpinechoppers.co.nz</p>
	<p>Drive to Queenstown (2.5 hrs)</p> <p>This scenic drive takes you through rolling farmland, past the settlements of Kingston, Garston and Athol, north up the side of Lake Wakatipu and on to Queenstown.</p>