

## LAKE WANAKA

A year-round destination set against the pristine alpine backdrop of Mt Aspiring National Park, you can still discover that totally relaxed Kiwi way of life in Lake Wanaka.

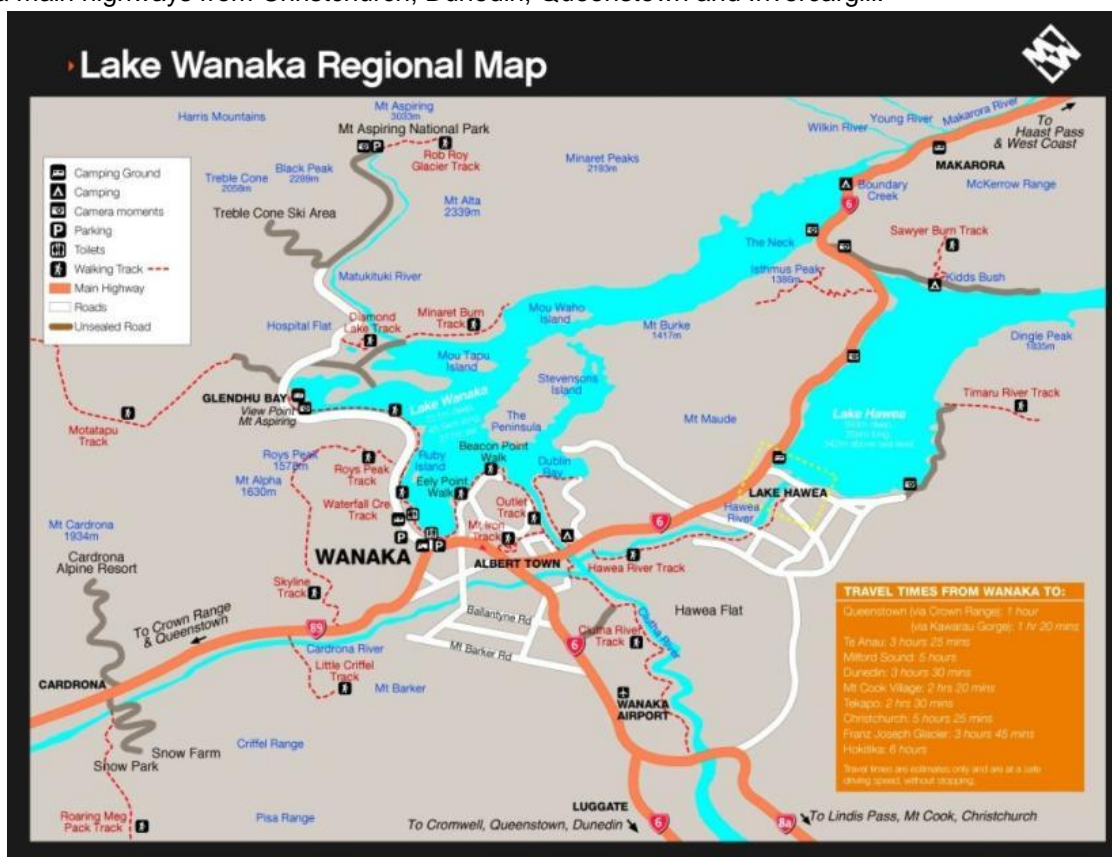
The crystal clear waters of our lakes and rivers, the fresh mountain air, the stunning alpine views around every corner. Lake Wanaka is the perfect setting for an unhurried weekend getaway; an action packed outdoor adventure, a leisurely family holiday and a photographer's dream. There's no shortage of activities for all ages on land, water or in the air.

*We have created a list of suggestions to do for a 1, 3 or 5 day itinerary around Lake Wanaka which would fit perfectly between Rugby World Cup 2011 games.*

Welcome to Lake Wanaka – the world's first lifestyle reserve.

## Getting to Wanaka

Visitors can fly directly to Lake Wanaka from Christchurch or into Queenstown from Christchurch, Auckland or Wellington, all of which are hosting Rugby World Cup games. Lake Wanaka is easily accessible by road via main highways from Christchurch, Dunedin, Queenstown and Invercargill.



## 5 Day Itinerary – Wanaka in Depth

Day 1	
AM	<p>Mountain biking in Sticky Forest or take a leisurely bike ride at one of the many biking trails.</p> <p><b>Mountain Biking</b></p> <p>Renowned for its breathtaking scenery, Lake Wanaka offers some of the most</p>

unforgettable road and mountain biking in New Zealand.

Bring your own or rent a bike from one of the many expert local bike shops and explore a number of family friendly off-road trails by the lakes, rivers or through the woodlands.



For more information visit [www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/wanaka-mountain-biking](http://www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/wanaka-mountain-biking)


Highlights

- Explore the single track in Sticky Forest
- Head out the Lismore Park jump park
- Heli-biking from Mt Pisa
- Hire a bike and cycle to Lake Hawea or Glendhu Bay to Luggate along the lake and river edge.
- Join a guided bike tour to make the most of the region’s bike network.

<p><u>For the leisurely rider</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Eely Point Track</li> <li>▪ Beacon Point Track</li> <li>▪ Outlet Track</li> <li>▪ Waterfall Creek Track</li> </ul> <p><u>For the energetic rider</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sticky Forest</li> <li>▪ Lismore Park Jump Park</li> <li>▪ Helibiking</li> <li>▪ Freeride NZ</li> </ul>	<p><u>Distance</u></p> <p>20 min – 1km          30 min – 1.5km          1 hr – 2.5km          1 hr – 2.5km</p> <p><u>Duration</u></p> <p>2 hours          2 Hour          Half Day          Half or Full Days</p>
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<b>PM</b>	<p>Kayaking on the lake</p> <p><b>Lake and Rivers</b></p> <p>The crystal clear water connects visitors to the breathtaking scenery fed from the glaciers of Mt Aspiring National Park. Lake Wanaka, Lake Hawea, the Matukituki, Clutha and Makrora rivers not only form an integral part of the landscape, they're host to a wealth of recreational pursuits and sporting activities. Kayaking, rafting, lake cruises, jet boating and fishing are some of the activities to indulge in.</p> <p>For more information visit <a href="http://www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/Lakes-and-Rivers">www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/Lakes-and-Rivers</a></p> <p><u>Highlights</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Boat cruise to the islands to visit endangered Buff Wekas</li> <li>▪ Explore the lake by kayak or yacht.</li> <li>▪ Fish for trout or salmon.</li> <li>▪ Take a walk around to the lake edge</li> <li>▪ Lazing on secluded beaches</li> </ul> <table border="1" data-bbox="395 828 1157 1025"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="402 837 833 869"><u>Activity Options</u></th> <th data-bbox="839 837 1150 869"><u>Duration of Trip</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="402 869 833 900">▪ Eco Wanaka Adventures</td> <td data-bbox="839 869 1150 900">4 hours/Full Day</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="402 900 833 931">▪ Lake Wanaka Cruises</td> <td data-bbox="839 900 1150 931">2 ½ hours- 3 ½ hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="402 931 833 963">▪ Clutha River Jets</td> <td data-bbox="839 931 1150 963">1 hour</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="402 963 833 994">▪ Adventure Wanaka</td> <td data-bbox="839 963 1150 994">3-4hours/Full Day</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> 	<u>Activity Options</u>	<u>Duration of Trip</u>	▪ Eco Wanaka Adventures	4 hours/Full Day	▪ Lake Wanaka Cruises	2 ½ hours- 3 ½ hours	▪ Clutha River Jets	1 hour	▪ Adventure Wanaka	3-4hours/Full Day
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<b>EVE</b>	<p>Dinner and movie at Cinema Paradiso</p> 										

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<b>AM</b>	<p>Head out to Cardrona Adventure Park for an adrenaline pumping monster truck drive followed by a visit to Stuart Landborough’s Puzzling World</p> <p><b>Unique Attractions</b></p> <p>Fun, quirky, exciting and always engaging! Created by people with passions to share, Wanaka’s attractions are as unique as the personalities behind them.</p> <p>Experience a multitude of unique attractions from fun and mystery with illusions and holograms at the Stuart Landborough’s Puzzling world to an adrenaline-pumping monster truck drive at the Cardrona Adventure Park.</p> <p>For more information, visit <a href="http://www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/wanaka-unique-attractions">www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/wanaka-unique-attractions</a></p> <p><u>Highlights</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Don’t miss the freshly baked cookies at Cinema Paradiso</li> <li>▪ Check out the illusions and holograms and visit the toilets at Puzzling World</li> <li>▪ See the largest toy and transport collection in the Southern Hemisphere</li> <li>▪ Have a blast at one or more activities at Have a Shot or try your luck in the Golf Jackpot Hole in One Draw.</li> <li>▪ Race each other to the top of the wall at Basecamp’s Clip ‘n Climb.</li> </ul> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; margin-top: 10px;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;"><u>Located in the Wanaka Township</u></th> <th style="text-align: left;"><u>Duration</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>▪ Stuart Landborough’s Puzzling World</td> <td>2 hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ Cinema Paradiso</td> <td>2-3 hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ Cardrona Adventure Park</td> <td>2 hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ Basecamp</td> <td>1 hour</td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ Wanaka Wastebusters</td> <td>20 min</td> </tr> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;"><u>Located at the Wanaka Airport</u></th> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ National Transport and Toy Museum</td> <td>2 hours</td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ New Zealand Fighter’s Pilot Museum</td> <td>1 hour</td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ Wanaka Beerworks</td> <td>30 minute</td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ Have A Shot</td> <td>30 minutes – 1 hour</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>	<u>Located in the Wanaka Township</u>	<u>Duration</u>	▪ Stuart Landborough’s Puzzling World	2 hours	▪ Cinema Paradiso	2-3 hours	▪ Cardrona Adventure Park	2 hours	▪ Basecamp	1 hour	▪ Wanaka Wastebusters	20 min	<u>Located at the Wanaka Airport</u>		▪ National Transport and Toy Museum	2 hours	▪ New Zealand Fighter’s Pilot Museum	1 hour	▪ Wanaka Beerworks	30 minute	▪ Have A Shot	30 minutes – 1 hour
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<b>LUNCH</b>	Lunch at an historic hotel																						

## High Country Heritage

Discover the Lake Wanaka of yesteryear – from early Maori to the gold rush through to the growth of the popular tourism destination Lake Wanaka is today.

For more information, visit [www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/wanaka-high-country-heritage](http://www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/wanaka-high-country-heritage)

### Highlights

- Don't miss the historic Cardona and Luggate Hotels
- Explore the backcountry on a half or full day horse riding adventure and learn some of the local history as your ride.
- Get the most of your visit by going on a personalised tour with one of the local operators

### Activity Options

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| ▪ Ridgeline Adventures           | <i>½ or Full Day</i> |
| ▪ Funny French Cars              | <i>½ or Full Day</i> |
| ▪ Lonely Mountains               | <i>Full Day</i>      |
| ▪ Adventure Wanaka (Trike Tour)  | <i>½ day</i>         |
| ▪ Backcountry Saddle Expeditions | <i>4 hours</i>       |



<b>PM</b>	Walk up Mt Roy
<b>EVE</b>	Clip 'n' Climb at BaseCamp
<b>Day 3</b>	
<b>AM</b>	<p>Take a scenic flight to <b>Mt Aspiring National Park</b></p> <p><b>Mt Aspiring National Park – Te Wahipounamu World Heritage Area</b></p> <p>Mt Aspiring National Park is an area of unrivalled natural beauty with its striking landforms, braided river valleys, natural beech forests and lush alpine meadows.</p> <p>Hike to the majestic Rob Roy Glacier or take a jet boat journey on braided rivers into the edge of Mt Aspiring National park or fly over the mountains looking down on the peaks and valleys below.</p> <p>For more information visit <a href="http://www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/mt-aspiring-national-park">www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/mt-aspiring-national-park</a></p>

Highlights

- Scenic flight around Mt Aspiring
- Rob Roy Glacier Walk
- Take a jet boat ride into the park and learn about Maori Legends
- Back Country Ski Touring
- Walk, flight & jet boat combo

<u>Activity Options</u>	<u>Duration of Trip</u>
▪ Wanaka River Journeys	4-5 hours (half day)
▪ Wilkin River Jets	60 minutes
▪ Eco Wanaka Adventures	Half day, 1 or 2 day treks
▪ Southern Alps Air	20-60minutes
▪ Backcountry Helicopters	20 minutes
Fly- Walk-Jet boat combos*	
▪ Siberia Experience (Fixed Wing)	
▪ Siberia Wilderness Adventure (Heli)	5hours (Full Day)

\*Access is from Makarora on the Haast Pass Highway (SH6) located approximately 50 minutes from Lake Wanaka



<b>LUNCH</b>	Picnic lunch on one of the many bays around the lake.																						
<b>PM</b>	Scenic Trike Tour to Cardrona Historic Hotel/Luggate Hotel/Lake Hawea and Wanaka surrounds																						
<b>EVE</b>	Dine or après ski at one of the many bars and eateries and watch your favourite rugby team																						
<b>Day 4</b>																							
<b>AM</b>	High country horseback riding																						
<b>LUNCH</b>	Fish 'n' chips on the lake shore																						
<b>PM</b>	Enjoy a round of golf																						
<b>EVE</b>	Grab a takeaway meal and dine in-house with a glass of wine or beer																						
<b>Day 5</b>																							
<b>AM</b>	Siberia Experience (Fixed Wing) or Siberia Wilderness Adventure (Heli option)																						
<b>LUNCH</b>	Picnic lunch in Siberia Valley																						
<b>PM</b>	<p>Drive to Lake Hawea and enjoy some local walks</p> <p><b>Walking &amp; Hiking</b> Escape into nature at its best along Lake Wanaka's many walking tracks. Lake Wanaka offers some of the best hiking in New Zealand, from short local walks along the lakes and rivers to multi-day guided adventures in Mt Aspiring National Park</p> <p>For more visit <a href="http://www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/wanaka-walking-and-hiking">www.lakewanaka.co.nz/new-zealand/wanaka-walking-and-hiking</a></p> <p><u>Highlights</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Walk the Rob Roy Glacier walk</li> <li>▪ Enjoy the views as you walk along the lake edge to Rippon Vineyard</li> <li>▪ Take in the breathtaking vistas from the top of Mt Iron, Diamond Track and Roys Peak.</li> <li>▪ Walk the Outlet Track beside the Clutha River</li> <li>▪ Check out the Hawea River Track from Albert Town to Hawea.</li> </ul> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;"><u>Short Tracks (less than 2 hours)</u></th> <th style="text-align: left;"><u>Distance</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>▪ Mount Iron Track</td> <td>1.5hr return – 4.5km</td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ Eely Point Track</td> <td>20 min – 1km</td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ Beacon Point Track</td> <td>30 min – 1.5km</td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ Outlet Track</td> <td>1 hr – 2.5km</td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ Waterfall Creek Track</td> <td>1 hr – 2.5km</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2"> </td> </tr> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;"><u>Half Day Walks or Varying Difficulty</u></th> <th></th> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ Roys Peak Track</td> <td>5.6hr return-11km</td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ Diamond Lake Track</td> <td>3 hrs – 7km</td> </tr> <tr> <td>▪ Rob Roy Glacier Track</td> <td>3-4 hours -10km</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<u>Short Tracks (less than 2 hours)</u>	<u>Distance</u>	▪ Mount Iron Track	1.5hr return – 4.5km	▪ Eely Point Track	20 min – 1km	▪ Beacon Point Track	30 min – 1.5km	▪ Outlet Track	1 hr – 2.5km	▪ Waterfall Creek Track	1 hr – 2.5km	 		<u>Half Day Walks or Varying Difficulty</u>		▪ Roys Peak Track	5.6hr return-11km	▪ Diamond Lake Track	3 hrs – 7km	▪ Rob Roy Glacier Track	3-4 hours -10km
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<b>EVE</b>	Relax in spa pools followed by dinner
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