

From the Ocean to Alps

Two Day Guided Adventure

2015 / 2016 SEASON (Retail)
Valid October 2015 - April 2016



Located in the spectacular Fiordland National Park, the guided Ocean to Alps experience is a short exclusive introduction to one of New Zealand's great valleys.

In only two short days you will helicopter into a remote location, walk amongst seals and through native bush. Alongside this your expert guide will not only bring to life the diversity of landscapes, vegetation and wildlife within this beautiful valley, but will tell captivating stories of the early pioneers. On this all inclusive experience you'll enjoy cuisine prepared and served by our friendly lodge hosts while relaxing in our well appointed and comfortable private lodge, at Martins Bay. To conclude you will jet boat far up the Hollyford Valley and hike through a 'World Heritage Area' alongside towering mountains.

Daily Summary

Day 1 - 7km (4.3miles)

Upon your arrival into Milford, you'll board your helicopter for a scenic flight - flying from the truly spectacular and dramatic Milford Sound along the rugged coast to Martins Bay. Enjoy lunch in a safari style tent, then set off on a walk into a tenacious coastal garden. Thunderous surf on the rugged West Coast is a prelude to a bay of boulders where the rare Fiordland Crested Penguin is a seasonal visitor. A little further on, Long Reef plays host to a rookery of native New Zealand Fur Seals where you'll marvel at their nimble skills whether in the crashing surf or sunning themselves upon the rocky foreshore. You'll return via jet boat to Martins Bay Lodge for a hot shower, before enjoying a gourmet food platter followed by a hot smoked Salmon dinner. Then, sit back and relax with a post dinner drink while reflecting on a great first day.

Day 2 - 18km (11.2miles)

Wake up to a hearty breakfast, then board your jet boat for a captivating scenic ride up Lake McKerrow to the Hollyford river. As you travel up the river the mountains rise dramatically until you reach the Pyke River confluence, where you will depart your jet boat. Here you begin your 18km (11.2miles) walk heading up the Hollyford Valley, over Little Homer Saddle you'll make a brief stop at Hidden Falls, before arriving at your lunch spot. Shadowing the Hollyford River and beneath the gaze of the peaks of the mighty Southern Alps, you'll retrace footsteps of early pioneer explorers, as the track undulates gently through native beech forest and beside tumbling waterfalls. Enjoy interesting interpretation of the forest and bird life on the way to the Hollyford Road End. There you will conclude your Ocean to Alps experience and re-join your tour!

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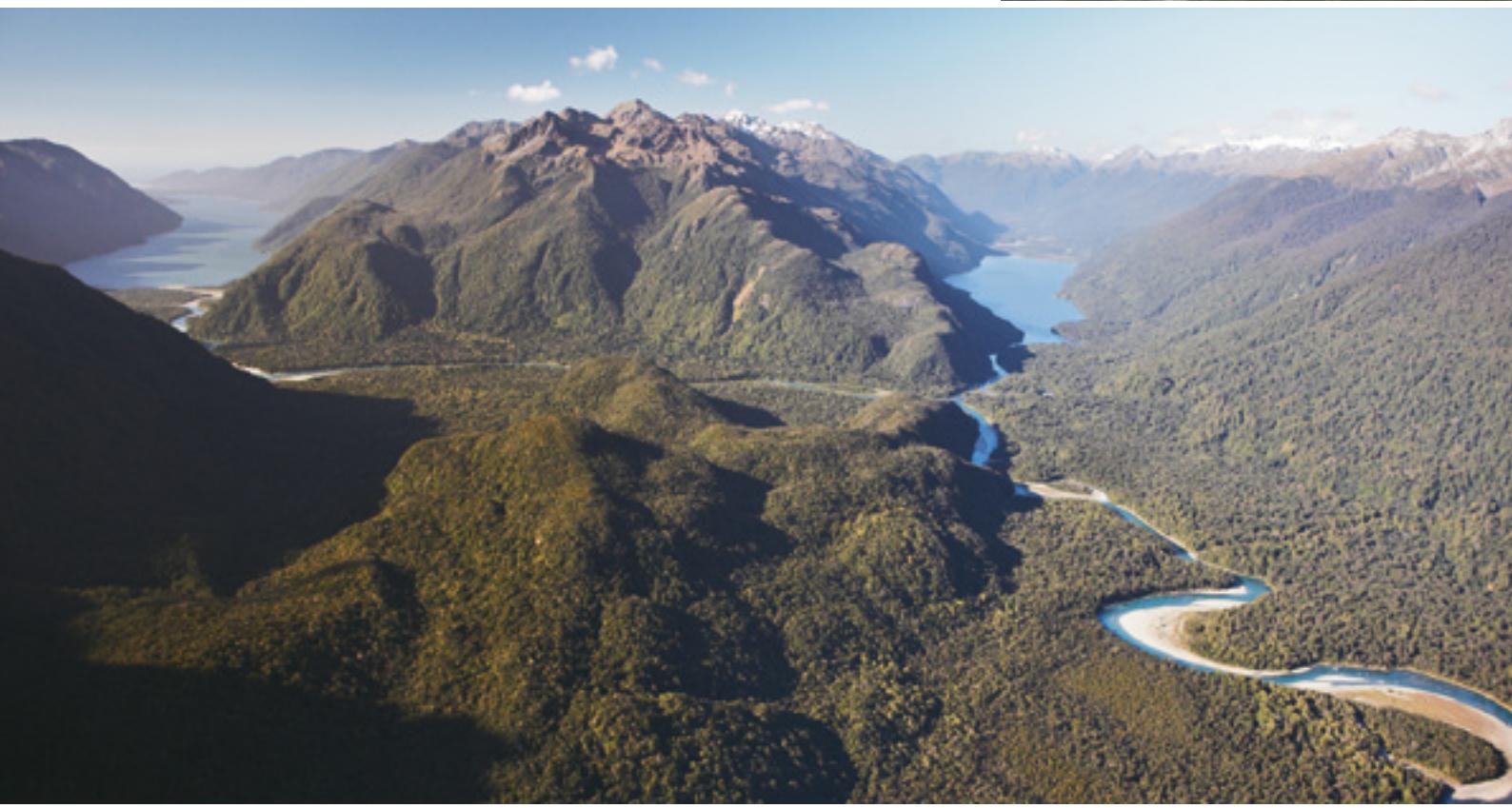


The Ocean to Alps Two Day Guided Adventure Includes:

- Use of back packs (40L), day packs and rain jackets if required
- Exclusive Specialist experienced guide for the complete experience.
- Exclusive use of Martins Bay accommodation in well appointed private lodge with twin share rooms and hot showers.
- All meals on the track (day 1: lunch and dinner / day 2: breakfast and lunch)
- Bedding, towels, shampoo, soap and hairdryers.
- Wilderness jet boat up to Pyke River confluence.
- Scenic helicopter ride into Martins Bay.
- Relocation of your coach/van from Milford Sound to Hollyford Road End (if required).

Please note:

- Departs every second day from 23rd October 2015 to 9th April 2016.
- Minimum 6 / Maximum 16 guests (Martins Bay lodge has 8 twin share rooms)
- Coach transfers are not included. Please feel free to contact the Hollyford Track team if you wish to discuss available transport options pre or post walk.
- Guests will be required to attend a pre departure briefing in either Queenstown (at The Spire Hotel) or Te Anau (at the Fiordland Cinema) - Hollyford Track can organise this to suit your itinerary.
- All group bookings are exclusive.
- Minimum group size of six paying customers. Maximum of Sixteen.
- One tour guide per group travels FOC.
- Extra charges apply if you require a translator. Please enquire.



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