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## Passenger Itinerary

### Passing On Down! via remote passes to Stewart Is.

Fri 13 – Sun 22 April '12

Day	Date	Itinerary
1	Frid 13 April 2012	Greymouth to Tekapo. Pick up in Sheffield for CHCH participants.
2	Sat 14	Tekapo to Naseby
3	Sun 15	Naseby day excursion.
4	Mon 16	Naseby to Bluff and ferry to Stewart Island
5	Tue 17	Morning tour to Ulva Island, rest of day FREE.
6	Wed 18	Full day on Stewart Island
7	Thur 19	Full day on Stewart Island
8	Frid 20	Stewart Is to Manapouri
9	Sat 21	Manapouri to Mavora Lakes to Queenstown and Wanaka
10	Sun 22	Wanaka to Greymouth

#### D1. Frid 13<sup>th</sup> April Greymouth to Tekapo

Depart Greymouth and travel over to Arthurs Pass for morning tea, then on over Porters Pass and Sheffield before taking the Inland Road to Geraldine for lunch and then crossing Burkes Pass and through to Tekapo. This evening a chance to visit the renowned Mt John Observatory is included in your tour, where you can view the magnificent night sky.

**O/N Accommodation Godley Resort Hotel, Tekapo Ph. (03) 680 6848**

#### D2. Sat 14<sup>th</sup> April Tekapo to Naseby

This morning we head over remote Hakataramea Pass and down the long valley to Kurow. Then down the Waitaki Valley to Duntroon before turning south and over the stunning Danseys Pass to Naseby and our character accommodation.

**O/N Accommodation Ancient Briton Hotel, Naseby. Ph. (03) 444 9992**

#### D3. Sun 15<sup>th</sup> April Exploring from Naseby.

This morning we'll take a tour to the historic Hayes Engineering Works at Oturehua, before exploring the Ida Valley area. Late this afternoon, an optional curling challenge awaits us at the local Naseby Indoor curling rink! The lanes are ready and the stones are booked!

**O/N Accommodation Ancient Briton Hotel, Naseby. Ph. (03) 444 9992**

#### D4. Mon 16<sup>th</sup> April Naseby to Stewart Island

We're down the Taieri River to Middlemarch and then past Lake Mahinerangi to Lawrence and the famous Gabriel's Gully goldfield, site of NZ's first large, payable goldfield. Once we've explored there, we travel to Gore, then onto Invercargill and Bluff to arrive in time for our 5pm sailing on the "Foveaux Express", a high-speed catamaran, arriving in Oban at 6pm. Expect an exhilarating ride for the 1 hour crossing! Dinner is included tonight at the South Sea Hotel.

**O/N Accommodation South Sea Hotel, Oban Ph. (03) 219 1059**

#### D5. Tue 17<sup>th</sup> April Full day on Stewart Island

This morning we begin with **Ulva's Guided Walks** tour with Ulva Goodwillie, who's knowledge and stories of the bush and birds are highly acclaimed. We take a short walk to Golden Bay, and then the water taxi to Ulva Island Bird Sanctuary for our morning trip, arriving back to the hotel by midday. The rest of the day is free to enjoy a variety of optional activities. These include:

- Stewart Island Adventures. A variety of cruises, snorkelling and kayaking adventures. Prices vary. Commentary onboard.
- Local Rakiura (Stewart Island) Museum in Oban. 10.00am to 1.30pm daily.
- Kayaks and mountain bikes for hire.
- Variety of guided nature and heritage walks available at no cost.
- 'Village and Bay' scenic tour with commentary available. 1.5hrs. \$45pp
- Helicopter and scenic flights. Stewart Island Flights. Ph.(03) 218 9129

- Seaview Water taxis to Port William or Maori Beach and walk back to Oban. Price depending on how far.  
Personal recommendation. Great walk with beautiful views, coastline and bush scenes.
- Fly - Walk - Cruise. For the keen walkers. Fly to Mason Bay (western shore), land on beach, walk back to Freshwater Hut (4 - 5 hrs), water taxi to Golden Bay, Paterson Inlet, 15 min walk back to hotel. Personal recommendation - did it last time, brilliant!
- Deep sea fishing. Aurora Charters. 4 hr trip.
- Stewart Island Experiences semi-submersible.

#### Dining options:

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| • South Sea Hotel.         | Ph. | (03) 219 1059 | Great bar meals and excellent blue cod meals here.   |
| • Church Hill Café and Bar | Ph. | (03) 219 1323 | Excellent restaurant on the top of the hill. Esp. for muttonbird.  |
| • Just Cafe                | Ph. | (03) 219 1422 | New cafe. Unknown quality or prices.   |
| • Kai Kart                 | Ph. | (03) 219 1225 | On Ayr Street. Excellent cheap feed esp. blue cod and chips.<br>Take your own catch and they'll cook it for you. |

**O/N Accommodation**      **South Sea Hotel**      **Ph.**      **(03) 219 1059**

#### **D6. Wed 18<sup>th</sup> April Full Day on Stewart Island.**

Recommended 'Optional extra' activities while on Stewart Island are listed above.

**O/N Accommodation**      **South Sea Hotel**      **Ph.**      **(03) 219 1059**

#### **D7. Thur 19<sup>th</sup> April Full day on Stewart Island.**

Recommended 'Optional extra' activities while on Stewart Island are listed above.

**O/N Accommodation**      **South Sea Hotel**      **Ph.**      **(03) 219 1059**

#### **D8. Frid 20<sup>th</sup> April Stewart Is to Manapouri**

We board the early morning ferry back to Bluff and then drive out through Riverton, Tuatapere and onto Manapouri. We'll explore a couple of sites as we go but aim to be at Manapouri by mid afternoon, on the shores of this beautiful lake.

**O/N Accommodation**      **Manapouri Lakeview Motor Inn.**      **Ph. (03) 249 6652**

#### **D9. Sat 21<sup>st</sup> April Manapouri to Queenstown and onto Wanaka**

Leaving Manapouri this morning we travel to The Key and then up the Mararoa River to the beautiful Mavora Lakes that were featured in the "*Lord of the Rings*" trilogy. Then we continue through Mt Nicholas Station to arrive at the back of Walter Peak Station, where we board the *TSS Earnslaw*, the "Lady of the Lake", for the short trip to Queenstown. There'll be time for a walk amongst the colourful trees before heading over the Crown Range to Wanaka, in time to enjoy the colours and the scenery.

**O/N Accommodation**      **Aspiring Lodge Motels, Wanaka**      **Ph. (03) 443 7816**

#### **D10. Sun 22 April Wanaka to Greymouth**

It's a full day's travel as we head over the Haast Pass, onto the glaciers and then Hokitika and Greymouth. Drop offs along the way will be made for anyone enroute. ETA back in Greymouth will be approx. 6 pm

#### **Price of \$2,495.00 pp includes:**

- \* All transport in quality, comfortable coach with full air-conditioning, reclining seats etc.
- \* Door to door pick up and drop off service.
- \* 2-course dinner at a local restaurant on first night in Tekapo.
- \* 1 night in Tekapo, breakfast included. (All accommodation on twin-share basis)
- \* Earth and Sky "Star Gazing Night Tour" from the Mt John Observatory
- \* 2 nights at the Ancient Briton Hotel, Naseby (breakfast included), with tour to the famous Hayes Engineering Works.
- \* Visit to Gabriel's Gully, NZ's first payable goldfield
- \* Return ferry crossing to Stewart Island on the "Foveaux Express" fast catamaran
- \* 2-course dinner at the South Sea Hotel restaurant on first night.
- \* 4 nights at the South Sea Hotel, Stewart Is, with breakfast included, in quality motel units
- \* Water taxi to Ulva Island and Guided Tour of this renowned Bird Sanctuary in Paterson Inlet.
- \* 1 night at Manapouri Motels, breakfast included, on the shores of the famous lake.
- \* TSS Earnslaw sailing from Walter Peak across Lake Wakatipu to Queenstown
- \* All sightseeing as specified in the itinerary
- \* Assistance with luggage handling.
- \* The famous Lolly Jar!
- \* Price includes GST.

This price does not include:

- Any evening dining other than the two meals included (1 x Tekapo, 1 x Stewart Is.)
- Any lunches
- Any "Optional Activity" costs.
- Any entrance fees not mentioned in the list above.

Bookings for the above tour are being taken NOW.

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All tours are sold on a Double or TwinShare basis. An additional 'Single Supplement'