

# EXTENSION: ROUTEBURN TRACK / MILFORD SOUND



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## Routeburn Track

The Routeburn Track is a 32 kilometre hike in Mount Aspiring and Fiordland National Parks. From the Routeburn Shelter you gradually climb up through the beech forest to the bushline where the landscape changes to sub-alpine vegetation and exposed rocks. On day 2 of the hike you continue to climb to the Harris Saddle (1255m) above Lake Harris. From the saddle there is a 2 hour return side trip up Conical Hill which rewards you with views back down the track. From there the track drops down and traverses the exposed Hollyford face with views over to the Darran Mountains. You then descend to Lake Mackenzie and the hut, in the shadow of Emily Peak. On the final day a side trip to Key Summit is not to be missed with an alpine wetland and tarns to reflect the surrounding mountains. There are 4 huts on route and it is normal to spend 3 days/2 nights on the track. Huts must be booked in advance and all food must be carried. You complete your trip with an overnight cruise on the Milford Wanderer and head back the next morning to Queenstown, arriving about 3.30pm.

DAY 1	Preparation day, overnight Queenstown
DAY 2	Shuttle to start of track. Routeburn Track Day 1, 8.8km (Routeburn Falls hut)
DAY 3	Routeburn Track Day 2, 11.3km (Lake Mackenzie hut)
DAY 4	End Routeburn Track, 12km, coach to overnight boat trip in Milford Sound
DAY 5	Coach to Queenstown, overnight Queenstown



*Key Summit on Routeburn Track*

**Cost: NZ\$720/£280** (single supp NZ\$165 / £65)

**Exchange rate used £1 = NZ\$2.55 (costs subject to exchange rate changes)**

**Includes:** All transport, 2 nights twin share accomm + breakfast, track costs, overnight boat (Wanderer quad share)

Prices are valid till June 2010.

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The Milford Track is a 53.5 kilometre hike in the heart of Fiordland National Park. You start the Milford Track with a 1½ hour boat ride across Lake Te Anau followed by a short, gentle walk to the hut. The next day the track gradually climbs following the Clinton River through the forest to the hut at the base of Mackinnon Pass. From here you climb up to and over the Pass (1073m), the high point on the track. After descending, there is a well worthwhile side trip to the Sutherland Falls (about 1½ hours return) and then continue onto the hut. The final day gently descends along the Arthur River to Lake Ada, finishing at Sandfly Point where there is a 20 minute boat ride into Milford Sound. There are 3 huts on route and you spend 4 days/3 nights on the track. Huts must be booked in advance and all food must be carried. You complete your trip with an overnight cruise on the Milford Wanderer and head back the next morning to Queenstown, arriving about 3.30pm.

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| DAY 1 | Preparation day, overnight Queenstown  |
| DAY 2 | Coach to Te Anau, boat to start of track, Milford Track Day 1, 5km (Clinton hut)     |
| DAY 3 | Milford Track Day 2, 16.5km (Mintaro hut)  |
| DAY 4 | Milford Track Day 3, 14km (Dumpling hut)   |
| DAY 5 | End Milford Track, 18km, boat to Milford Sound, Overnight boat trip in Milford Sound |
| DAY 6 | Coach to Queenstown, overnight Queenstown  |



*Milford Sound*

**Cost: NZ\$905/£355** (single supp NZ\$165 / £65)

**Exchange rate used £1 = NZ\$2.55 (costs subject to exchange rate changes)**

Includes: All transport, 2 nights twin share accomm + breakfast, track costs, overnight boat (Wanderer, quad share)

**Note: Early booking essential for both tracks but especially the Milford – if you want to walk in February – must book in previous July!!**

**For further information on the Milford Track, check the National Parks NZ website**

[www.doc.govt.nz](http://www.doc.govt.nz)

These extensions have been set up as stand alone packages going from and returning to Queenstown. However, they are just examples of what can be arranged, and other options can also be arranged depending on the rest of the trip and your preferences.

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