

QUEENSTOWN BASIN & CENTRAL OTAGO TRAILS

For your peace of mind, our support vehicle is always available throughout each stage of the cycle tour. This gives us the opportunity to visit other points of interest around the areas on the tour. Or if we have any unfavourable weather conditions, bike hassles or flatties, or you just simply need to rest the legs for a little bit, then we can accommodate accordingly. Please refer to our [FAQs page](#) for more information.

Day 1: Christchurch or Queenstown – Arrowtown

- We kick off the tour with a supremely scenic drive from Christchurch across the plains and through the Mackenzie Basin. Over the Lindis Pass, into Central Otago and through the Kawarau Gorge to our accommodation in picturesque Arrowtown.*
- Come afternoon enjoy a stroll through the town's boutiques, find the beautiful river and discover the historic Chinese gold mining village relics.
- In the evening get acquainted with your new riding companions over a hearty meal at a local restaurant.

**Alternatively there is the option to join the tour in Arrowtown from Queenstown.*

CYCLE DISTANCE: 0KM MEALS: DINNER

Day 2: Arrowtown – Cromwell

- After a fortifying breakfast, we start the day in Arrowtown riding the Arrow River Bridges Trail which follows the serene Arrow River amongst willow and poplar trees.
- We cross over two very impressive suspension bridges and over the historic Kawarau Bridge to the AJ Hackett bungy center. Enjoy a coffee here while watching those brave enough to take a leap at this iconic bridge.

- We continue riding further into the Gibbston Valley on the Gibbston River Trail to a favourite eatery for lunch.
- From here we transfer through the scenic gorge to the western side of Lake Dunstan, for an easy jaunt alongside the stunning Lake Dunstan, through the Pisa Moorings township to Cromwell, finishing up at our accommodation for the next two nights.
- There is opportunity to have a good look around the historic 'Old Town of Cromwell before tucking into a sumptuous dinner.

CYCLE DISTANCE: 38KM **MEALS: BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER**

Day 3: Cromwell

Hawea River Trail | Wanaka Outlet Track

- We start the day by traveling to beautiful and rugged Lake Hawea. Our ride today starts alongside the stunning lake before a coffee in a picturesque coffee stop in Lake Hawea township.
- Then we follow the Hawea River terraces trail (17km) to Albert Town. Here we cross the river and follow the Lake Wanaka outlet around Eely Point and into the township of Wanaka, stopping for a picnic lunch at one of the beachside reserves beside the sparkling lake.
- Take some time to explore the Wanaka township before we travel the short distance back to Cromwell.

CYCLE DISTANCE: 35KM **MEALS: BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER**

Day 4: Cromwell - Clyde

Lake Dunstan Cycle Trail

- Today might just be the jewel in the tour's crown: the stunning new Lake Dunstan Trail. Starting from our accommodation, enjoy riding alongside Lake Dunstan through the historic precinct of Cromwell.
- From Cromwell the trail follows the Kawarau River to Bannockburn and around through the vineyards and olive groves to Cornish Point.
- From here the trail enters the Cromwell Gorge, through a bare landscape of spectacular schist rock, above the deep blue waters of Lake Dunstan. Take your time through this spectacular landscape and enjoy a picnic lunch along the way. Finally, head past the Clyde Dam and impressive power station to quaint Clyde.

- Check into our accommodation for the next two nights. In the afternoon explore the galleries and boutiques in the delightful village of Clyde, or have a walk around the historic precinct to appreciate the gold mining history of the township.

CYCLE DISTANCE: 44KM MEALS: BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER

Day 5: Clyde

Roxburgh Gorge Trail | Clutha Gold Trail

- We start the day (after a hearty breakfast) by traveling the short distance by road to the start of the Roxburgh Gorge Cycle Trail.
- The trail through the Roxburgh Gorge is frankly stunning, and might just take your breath away. We start with a 10km cycle, followed by a scenic jet boat transfer from Doctors Point to Shingle Creek, followed by another 13km cycle to the Roxburgh Dam.
- Here we enjoy lunch before continuing on the Clutha Gold cycle trail to Millers Flat. This section features stone fruit orchards as well as gold mining relics which makes for a very pleasant ride.
- At Millers Flat we load up our bikes, enjoy a cold drink at the local store, then travel back to our accommodation in Clyde and enjoy a well-earned celebratory meal together.

CYCLE DISTANCE: 53KM MEALS: BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER

Day 4: Clyde - Christchurch/ Queenstown

Alexandra River Trail

- Finishing the final piece of the Central Otago Trails tour puzzle today with a stunning 13km ride following the Clutha River from Clyde to Alexandra beneath the willow trees.
- Enjoy a final morning tea beside the mighty Clutha River.
- This is the end of the tour and from here you have the option of getting a shuttle bus back to Queenstown (arriving 2pm approx), or traveling in the PureTrails bus to Christchurch (arriving 5:30pm approx).

CYCLE DISTANCE: 13KM MEALS: BREAKFAST

What's Included:

- 5 nights twin share ensuite accommodation
 - 5 evening meals; 4 lunches; 5 continental breakfasts
 - Home baking, healthy snacks, fruit & morning teas on the trail
 - The services of a tour leader who provides vehicle support & information
 - Cycle repair support
 - Jet boat ride in Roxburgh Gorge
 - All transport from/to Christchurch
 - GST
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What's Not Included:

- Wine; beer; espresso coffees
- Lunch on Days 1 & 6
- Single accommodation supplement (\$545)
- Bike hire (\$200) or e-bike hire (\$565)
- Transfer from Clyde to Queenstown on Day 6 - (\$65 per person)



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