

ALPS 2 OCEAN (EASY)

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 <u>FAQs page</u> for more information.

Day 1: Christchurch - Twizel

- The Alps 2 Ocean Trail cycle tour gets underway as we head south across the Mackenzie Basin plains to Lake Tekapo.
- Here our ride on the Alps 2 Ocean Trail commences, with a very scenic ride through the Mackenzie Basin alongside the Tekapo Canals to Lake Pukaki.
 On a clear day the views of the Southern Alps are second to none.
- Arriving at Lake Pukaki you then cycle on the trail along the Lake Pukaki foreshore that follows the fringe of Lake Pukaki, featuring fantastic views of Aoraki Mount Cook and the snow-capped Southern Alps.
- Enjoy a refreshment break at the Lake Pukaki foreshore before embarking on the next section of trail across the Pukaki Flats to Twizel featuring great views of the immense Mackenzie Basin and the afternoon sun falling across the Benmore Range. Check into our comfortable accommodation.

CYCLE DISTANCE: 51KM MEALS: DINNER

Day 2: Twizel - Omarama

- Ride out of Twizel on the glorious canal roads to Lake Ohau.
- At the lake enjoy views of the Barrier Range over morning tea, before cycling the Alps 2 Ocean bike trail Ohau weir section and on to Lake Ohau Lodge.
- We enjoy lunch here with million dollar alpine views, and then head off to visit the Clay Cliffs before our final bike ride into Omarama.

• There is time this afternoon for a well-deserved soak in the Omarama Hot Tubs (if desired) after checking into our accommodation.

CYCLE DISTANCE: 47KM MEALS: BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER

Day 3: Omarama - Kurow

- Today we first ride the Alps 2 Ocean trail from Omarama to Sailors Cutting, following the lakeside of Lake Benmore.
- Here we load up and travel a short distance to the top of Benmore Dam, and enjoy a
 lovely ride alongside the Aviemore Dam under the cool shade of the willow trees and
 down the Waitaki Valley to Kurow.
- Enjoy exploring this rural township in the afternoon and relaxing at our comfortable accommodation.

CYCLE DISTANCE: 51KM MEALS: BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER

Day 4: Kurow - Oamaru

- The last day of our spectacular Alps to Ocean bike ride: we leave the river valley and head inland through North Otago countryside, home to the unusual limestone 'Elephant Rocks' to Prydes Gully.
- Enjoy cycling the final bike trail section through very attractive looking 'English' countryside, from Windsor via the Botanical Gardens to Oamaru, finishing up by the Pacific Ocean at Friendly Bay. Enjoy a celebratory meal together in the historic Victorian Precinct of Oamaru.

CYCLE DISTANCE: 54KM MEALS: BREAKFAST / LUNCH / DINNER

Day 5: Oamaru - Christchurch

- Enjoy a well-deserved lie in and leisurely breakfast. Spend the morning taking in the sights of the amazing Victorian precinct of Oamaru.
- Finally, we head back to Christchurch arriving at approximately 5:00pm.

• Alternatively catch a travel connection through to Queenstown, arriving at 7:20pm.

CYCLE DISTANCE: 0KM MEALS: NONE

What's Included:

- 4 nights twin share ensuite accommodation
- 4 evening meals; 3 lunches; 3 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
- All transport from/to Christchurch
- GST

What's Not Included:

- Wine; beer; espresso coffees
- Lunch on Days 1 & 5, Breakfast on day 5
- Single accommodation supplement (\$495)
- Bike hire (\$200) or e-bike hire (\$495)
- Omarama Hot Pools
- Queenstown to Tekapo transfer Day 1 (3rd party)
- Oamaru to Queenstown transfer Day 5 (3rd party)



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