

TRENZ 2024

Suggested 2 nights/3 days

Ōtepoti Dunedin Famil Itinerary



Discover Ōtepoti Dunedin the wildlife and heritage capital of New Zealand.

Tick a couple of things off your bucket list - walk up the world's steepest street and visit the only mainland breeding colony of the Northern Royal Albatross. On Muaūpoko Otago Peninsula, there are unrivalled encounters with penguins, sea lions and albatross, best experienced with a guide, whether by boat, off road vehicle or on foot.

A well- preserved Victorian and Edwardian city; visit our castle, museums, and historic home. You will find boutiques, bars and restaurants in revived heritage buildings.

By night you can view penguins returning to their burrows, stargazing with indigenous storytelling and local flavours from craft brewers & distillers.

For more information or to express interest, contact famil@dcc.govt.nz.

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Day One – Arrive in Ōtepoti Dunedin

Check into hotel at your leisure.

Speights Brewery Tour - 6:00pm

Pride of the South since 1876, the Speight's Brewery and the beer it produces are icons of Dunedin. Share the journey by taking the award-winning Speight's Brewery Tour. During the experience you will touch, smell and taste your way through this heritage site. Finish off with a tailored tasting in the tasting room.

speights.co.nz/



Day Two – Muaūpoko Otago Peninsula

Larnach Castle

Larnach Castle, New Zealand's only authentic Castle, was built in 1871 by businessman and politician William Larnach. Discover the castle's exciting, scandalous, and somewhat tragic history while exploring the magnificently carved interiors, the garden of international significance, a collection of New Zealand antiques and breath-taking views from the top of the turret.

larnachcastle.co.nz/



Natures Wonders – Argo Wildlife Tour

Nature's Wonders offers picture perfect spectacular coastal views and amazing wildlife - penguins, seals and sea birds. The Otago Peninsula headland, Muaūpoko, is arguably the most precious wildlife habitat in New Zealand and the farm owned by the Reid family is on the forefront. A tour on the Argo, the 8x8 wheel off-road vehicle takes you up close to the magnificent wildlife in their natural habitat and to views that make you feel like you're at the end of the earth.

natureswonders.co.nz/

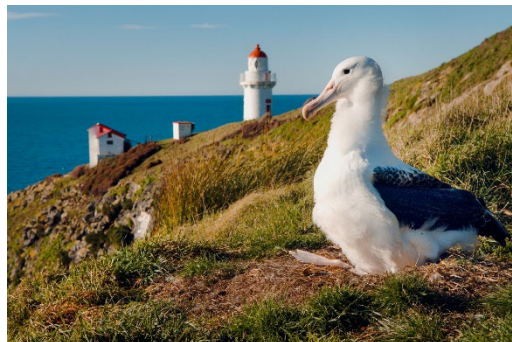


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Royal Albatross Centre – Unique Tour

Nestled at the tip of the beautiful Otago Peninsula Muaūpoko, is the world's only mainland breeding colony of Northern Royal Albatross. Witness the fascinating social life of the breeding colony and have the chance to be awed by the soaring three-metre wingspan of the albatross flying above. History is also a key focus of the Royal Albatross Centre. Visit Fort Tiaroa which features fully restored tunnel systems and the Armstrong Disappearing Gun.

albatross.org.nz/



Monarch Wildlife Cruise

MV Monarch leaves from the wharf at Wellers Rock and offers bird and wildlife viewing on its one hour cruise around Tiaroa Head. The cruise travels out to sea, past dramatic volcanic cliffs, pristine sandy beaches, and a historic lighthouse. Along the way you'll see the huge royal albatross, their nesting sites, and a large fur seal colony. Their tours often spot other animals including rare seabirds and other albatross species, sealions, dolphins and blue penguins.

wildlife.co.nz/



Blue Penguins Pukekura - 5:30pm

At dusk, watch from just a few metres away as the world's smallest penguins, kororā, emerge from the sea. The 90-minute tour includes a walk through the reserve to understand the penguin habitat and biology. Learn about Māori history and hear about intriguing stories that originated here. Then, as the sun sets, head to the observation deck to await the arrival of the little blue penguins. This is a not-to-be-missed wildlife tour with guaranteed sightings of penguins which makes for exceptional viewing.

<https://www.bluepenguins.co.nz/>



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Day Three– City Experience

Enjoy the in-house breakfast at your leisure.

Oveston Historic Home Tour

Oveston Historic Home is New Zealand's finest historic house. Built as the family home of philanthropist David Theomin, the house was gifted to the city complete with all the original contents in 1966. This architectural masterpiece is set within a garden of National Significance and Oveston is a visual, historic, and aesthetic delight with artworks, sculptures and tapestries telling the story of this wealthy merchant family.

olveston.co.nz/



City Sights Tour

A tour that is purely city sights including, Baldwin Street, the world's steepest street, and some other iconic Dunedin spots including Dunedin Railway Station, University of Otago and the heart of the city the Octagon.



Tūhura Otago Museum

This is Dunedin's most visited attraction and includes options that will suit any age or nationality. Experience Tūhura, the fun interactive science centre with 45 exhibits including a three-storey slide, a forest filled with tropical butterflies, and an infinity room. The southernmost planetarium has daily presentations of the Otago night sky as well as a range of other shows on its full dome screen. The galleries contain nationally and internationally significant collections that tell the stories of Otago, New Zealand, and the world throughout time.

otagomuseum.nz/



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Lan Yuan Dunedin Chinese Garden

Lan Yuan Dunedin Chinese Garden is an authentic example of a late Ming early Ching Dynasty scholar's garden and celebrates the Chinese influence on Otago's history and heritage. It is one of only three outside of China, and the only garden in the southern hemisphere. Lan Yuan is a tranquil oasis in the city and visitors can enjoy traditional-style Chinese teas.

<https://www.dunedinchinesegarden.com/>



Depart from Ōtepoti Dunedin – Afternoon

We hope you enjoyed your time in Ōtepoti Dunedin.

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Extra time

If you're planning to stay longer, these experiences will enhance your visit.

Orokonui Ecosanctuary

Orokonui Ecosanctuary is a large predator free cloud forest and home to some of the world's most fascinating and rare forest birds, reptiles, and plants. The walking tracks suit all abilities and make sure you visit the Eucalyptus forest to see the tallest tree in New Zealand.

We recommend joining a tour to learn more from their expert guides, though you can explore on your own. The award-winning sustainably designed visitor centre is complete with informative displays, eco-friendly gift shop, Café and spectacular views across the sanctuary.

olveston.co.nz/



Karitāne Māori Tours

Karitāne Māori Tours is operated by Kāti Huirapa, one of the Māori marae in the wider Dunedin area. There are three tour options available: waka tours on the Waikouaiti River provide insight to the ecology and history of the area; guided walks on Huriawa Peninsula introduce the history of the indigenous people that have lived in the area for 800 years; cycle tours starting at the beautiful Puketeraki Marae pass through unique ecological zones and share traditional knowledge about flora and fauna. Visitors can book one or a combination of the offerings.

<https://www.karitanemaoritours.com/>



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A taste of where to eat and drink

Otago Farmers Market

Saturdays mornings 8.30am - 12.30pm

Voted the best market of its kind in New Zealand, the Otago Farmers Market is for purists. It stays true to its principles by focusing solely on local artisans who grow or make things you can eat and drink.



Cafes

Dunedin City

Buster Greens

The Swan

Catalyst

Precinct

Nova

Maggies

Ebb-Café

Otago Peninsula

The Duck



Restaurants

Dunedin City

Harbourside Grill

Vault 21

No.7 Balmac

Prohibition Smokehouse

Esplanade (St Clair)

Titi (St Clair)

Careys Bay Hotel (Port Chalmers)

Otago Peninsula

Portobello Hotel & Bistro

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Breweries and Distilleries

Dunedin City

Steamer Basin

No8 Distillery

Dunedin Craft Distillers

Noisy Brewing Co.

Emerson's Brewery

Speight's Brewery

Arc Brewing Co. (Waitati)

Otago Peninsula

Sandymount Distillery



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