

Milford Sound Overnight Cruise & Scenic Flight



Milford Sound is a world-renowned natural wonder. Nowhere else in Fiordland do the mountains stand so tall, straight out of the sea. Luxuriant rainforest clings to sheer rock walls and waterfalls tumble hundreds of metres to the sea below. In Maori legend, this landscape was created by Tu Te Raki Whanoa, a godly figure who carved the fiords with a magical adze. Without doubt, Milford Sound (Piopiotahi) is his finest creation. Whatever the fiord's mood – brooding and wet, or tranquil in the sunshine – it will inspire you.

Day One

Departing from Queenstown you will travel via luxury coach to Milford Sound and is one of the finest alpine drives in the world. The scenery is exceptional, ranging from broad grassy flats, dense rainforest, and towering mountains through to glacial lakes and alpine herb fields. No other road in Fiordland offers such a diverse glimpse into New Zealand's alpine zone.

Upon arrival in Milford Sound you will board the Milford Mariner for a leisurely and spectacular exploration of Milford Sound. The atmosphere on board is friendly and relaxed, and you'll quickly get to know your crew and fellow travellers. As you explore the fiord, keep a lookout for wildlife, especially fur seals basking on the rocks.



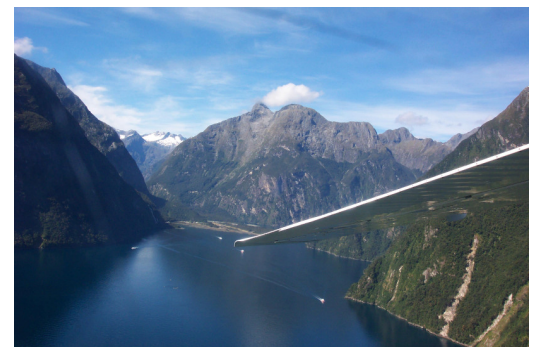
In the late afternoon, the Milford Mariner will moor in a sheltered cove, allowing you to go exploring with a nature guide in the kayaks and tender craft (small boat). As the shadows deepen, the Milford Mariner will return under sail (weather permitting) to Harrison Cove for the night. Enjoy a three-course meal in the cosy saloon and relax in the company of like-minded travellers.

You have plenty of time during the evening to sit out on the top deck and relax and enjoy the peace and quiet. It is something special!

Day Two

The following morning, enjoy a leisurely breakfast prior to returning to Milford Sound Harbour.

Once you have disembarked you will transfer to the airport and then (weather permitting) be treated to a view of the fiord from the air. Fly over the majestic and breath taking mountain tops and see crater lakes.



You will arrive back in Queenstown by around lunch time.

If you prefer not to fly, or if the weather does not permit travel back to Queenstown via coach.

Trip essentials: Comfortable walking shoes/boots, waterproof jacket, change of clothes, woollen sweater/fleece jacket, sunscreen, sunglasses, insect repellent, swimwear (optional), cash for bar and snacks, camera. **Pack an overnight bag only.**

Indicative price per person: NZ\$1200.00 per person, based on 2 people travelling via coach to Milford Sound and then flying back to Queenstown). Accommodation is in modest yet comfortable private cabins – twin share.



Programme Outline			
Day 1		Included	Not Included
8.30am	Depart Queenstown		
4.30pm	Board Milford Mariner		
	Cruise Milford Sound Kayak or tender trips		
7.30pm	Dinner Nature talk optional	Dinner	Beverages
Day 2			
7.00am	Breakfast /cruise	Breakfast	
10.15am	Disembark at Milford Sound		
	Transfer to airport	Transport	
	Fly to Queenstown		
11.40pm	Arrive Queenstown	Included	