

The Mystic and Magic of the West Coast

Day One

Departing from Queenstown after a leisurely breakfast, you will travel over the Crown Range taking in stunning views of the Cardrona Valley on the way to Wanaka. You have time to have an early lunch here and explore this great little town. You will then travel through the Haast Pass. This road follows an ancient trail used by Maori travelling to the West Coast in search of pounamu/greenstone/jade/nephrite. The name for the trail is Tiora-patea, meaning "The way is clear". Travelling along the West Coast, following the coastline you will arrive in Franz Josef, a small town nestled amidst primeval rainforest. Here the lakes, rivers, forests and beaches of an untamed, yet accessible wilderness, are as pure as you will find anywhere.

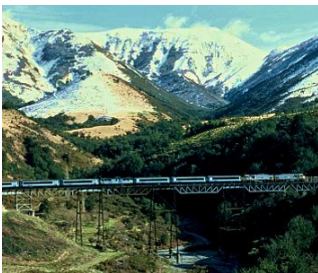
On arrival at Franz Josef there will be the opportunity to take a leisurely walk in the local area before dinner.

Day Two



After an early breakfast experience the essence of the West Coast with the Glacier Valley Walk. This relaxing, interpretive walk to the glacier is the perfect opportunity to learn the role of the Franz Josef Glacier in shaping this remarkable landscape. After a short walk through the regenerating rainforest, the trip continues along the glacier valley with your guide calling stops to explain the unique features of the Franz Josef Glacier and its surroundings. With the emphasis more on geographical information and the glacier's history, you're able to venture beyond the public barriers and right

up to the dramatic terminal face of this advancing glacier with your experienced and knowledgeable guide.



On completion of your activity you will then travel up to Greymouth to catch the TranzAlpine train for your journey to Christchurch. The TranzAlpine train travels from the West Coast of New Zealand to the East. From your carriage you'll see lush beech rain forest, the Southern Alps, the spectacular gorges and river valleys of the Waimakariri River and the fields of the Canterbury Plains and farmland.

On arrival in Christchurch there will be time to settle into your room before dining at a restaurant along the Avon.

Day Three

Depending on your departure time, you may have time to explore the beautiful city of Christchurch. There is so much to do from strolling around the stunning gardens, to punting on the river, shopping or maybe a visit to the Antarctic Centre.

Indicative price per person: \$1628.00 based on 6 people travelling privately.

Day 1			
10.30am	Depart from Queenstown		
11:30am	Arrive in Wanaka		
	Lunch	At own cost	
1:00pm	Depart Wanaka		
6:00pm	Arrive Franz Josef		
7.00pm	Pre dinner drinks	At own cost	
7.30pm	Dinner		Excluding beverages
Day 2			
	Breakfast		
8:00am	Guided Glacier walk		
10:30am	Depart for Greymouth		
12:45pm	Lunch		
1:45pm	Depart Greymouth aboard Tranzalpine		
6:05pm	Arrive Christchurch		
7.30pm	Dinner		Excluding beverages
Day 3			
	Breakfast		
	Day at leisure		

Package includes

- Transport to Franz Josef, Greymouth and Christchurch
- Accommodation in Franz Josef and Christchurch, based on twin share or double
- Breakfast on Day Two and Three
- Lunch on Day Two
- Dinner on Day One and Day Two
- Guided Glacier Walk
- Transport to Christchurch Airport

Package excludes

- Beverages