

10-Day South Island Adventure: Queenstown to Bluff

10 days

3 cities

26 experiences

3 hotels

4 transports

Queenstown → Bluff → Franz Josef

Days 1–5 · Nov 1 – 5

Queenstown

Queenstown is the adventure capital of New Zealand, known for its stunning lake and mountain scenery, thrilling activities like bungee jumping and jet boating, and vibrant nightlife. It's a perfect base for exploring the South Island's natural wonders, including nearby fjords and ski fields. In November, the weather is mild and ideal for outdoor adventures and sightseeing.

Arrive · Nov 1

YWG → ZQN

2 stops

Stay · Days 1–5 · Nov 1 – 5 · 4 nights

Tranquil Modern Studio

Frankton Road 130, Queenstown 9300 · 7.6

Itinerary · Days 1–5

Day 1 · Nov 1 · 2 experiences

Arrival and Relaxing Evening in Queenstown

Lake Wakatipu · Fergburger

Day 2 · Nov 2 · 4 experiences

Adventure and Scenic Views

From Queenstown: Skippers Canyon Jet Boat Ride · Queenstown Gardens · Vudu Cafe & Larder · The Bunker

Day 3 · Nov 3 · 4 experiences

Lake Adventure and Local Flavors

Queenstown: Kayaking or SUP Experience on Moke Lake · Kiwi Park Queenstown · Botswana Butchery · Queenstown Market

Day 4 · Nov 4 · 3 experiences

Mountain Views and Gourmet Experience

Skyline Queenstown · Queenstown: Walter Peak Gourmet BBQ & Lake Whakatipu Cruise · Bardeaux

Day 5 · Nov 5

Departure to Bluff

Days 5–7 · Nov 5 – 7

Bluff

Bluff is a charming town at the southern tip of New Zealand's South Island, famous for its shark experience and stunning coastal views. It's a perfect spot to immerse yourself in marine wildlife adventures and enjoy the local seafood culture. The town offers a unique blend of rugged natural beauty and rich maritime history, making it a must-visit on your South Island itinerary.

Stay · Days 5–7 · Nov 5 – 7 · 2 nights

The Eagle

134 Gore Street, Bluff 9814 · 7.8

Itinerary · Days 5–7

Day 5 · Nov 5 · 1 experiences

Arrival and Relaxation in Bluff

The Oyster Cove Restaurant

Day 6 · Nov 6 · 2 experiences

Shark Experience and Local Exploration

The Coffee Shack · The Bluff Fish Shop

Day 7 · Nov 7 · 1 experiences

Departure and Travel to Franz Josef

The Eagle

Days 7–11 · Nov 7 – 11

Franz Josef

Franz Josef is a stunning destination on New Zealand's South Island, famous for its glacier hiking and breathtaking ice formations. Visitors can explore the Franz Josef Glacier, enjoy scenic helicopter rides, and relax in the nearby hot pools. It's a perfect spot for nature lovers and adventure seekers looking to experience the unique beauty of New Zealand's glaciers.

Stay · Days 7–11 · Nov 7 – 11 · 4 nights

Franz Josef Oasis

Franz Josef Highway 6, Franz Josef 7856 · 8.6

Itinerary · Days 7–11

Day 7 · Nov 7 · 1 experiences

Arrival and Relaxation in Franz Josef

The Landing

Day 8 · Nov 8 · 3 experiences

Helicopter Flight and Alpine Landing

Franz Josef Glacier: Helicopter Flight & Alpine Landing · Alice May · West Coast Wildlife Centre

Day 9 · Nov 9 · 2 experiences

Guided Glacier Walk and Hot Pools

Franz Josef: Franz Josef Glacier Lookout Guided Walk · Snake Bite Brewery

Day 10 · Nov 10 · 3 experiences

Kayak and Kiwi Sanctuary Tour

Franz Josef: Kayak & Walking Tour to Okarito Kiwi Sanctuary · Monsoon Poon · The White Pub

Day 11 · Nov 11

Departure Day

Depart · Day 11

CHC → YWG

2 stops