



9 Day Self Supported Mountain Bike Tour – South Island

Christchurch – Oxford – Hanmer Springs – Reefton – Franz Josef – Queenstown – Clyde – Naseby – Christchurch

Tour Overview

Welcome to your Natural High 9 Day Self Supported Mountain Bike tour of New Zealand's South Island! With your camper, bikes, maps and plenty of energy you're set for a great tour of the scenic South Island, some great riding and fun times.

The route travels in an anti-clockwise direction around the South Island crossing two passes, Lewis and Haast, via the rainforests and glaciers of the West Coast and into the more arid Central Otago area. Visit tourist hotspots of the Southern Lakes of Wanaka and Queenstown before heading up the East Coast to Christchurch.

The mountain biking offers a mixture of high alpine riding, forest single trails, arid back country 4WD tracks and purpose built mountain bike trails. Some trails have historical significance and others built for the pleasure of riding. On a couple of days there is more than one riding option.

- Day 1 Christchurch to Ashley Gorge
- Day 2 Ashley Gorge to Hanmer Springs
- Day 3 Hanmer Springs to Reefton
- Day 4 Reefton to Franz Josef
- Day 5 Franz Josef to Queenstown
- Day 6 Queenstown
- Day 7 Queenstown to Clyde
- Day 8 Clyde to Naseby
- Day 9 Naseby to Christchurch

Tour Includes:

- Bike hire – Cannondale Rush full suspension MTB with computer, multi tool, tyre levers, pump, repair kit, spare tube, lock and key.
- Tour briefing and detailed maps

Tour Excludes:

- Campervan – price depends on the month of hire and size of campervan.

Featured MTB Rides:

- Craigieburn Forest
- Wharfedale Track
- Hanmer Springs Tracks
- Big River
- Wanaka Lakefront
- Moke Circuit / Fernhill
- Carricktown Loop
- Naseby Forest

