

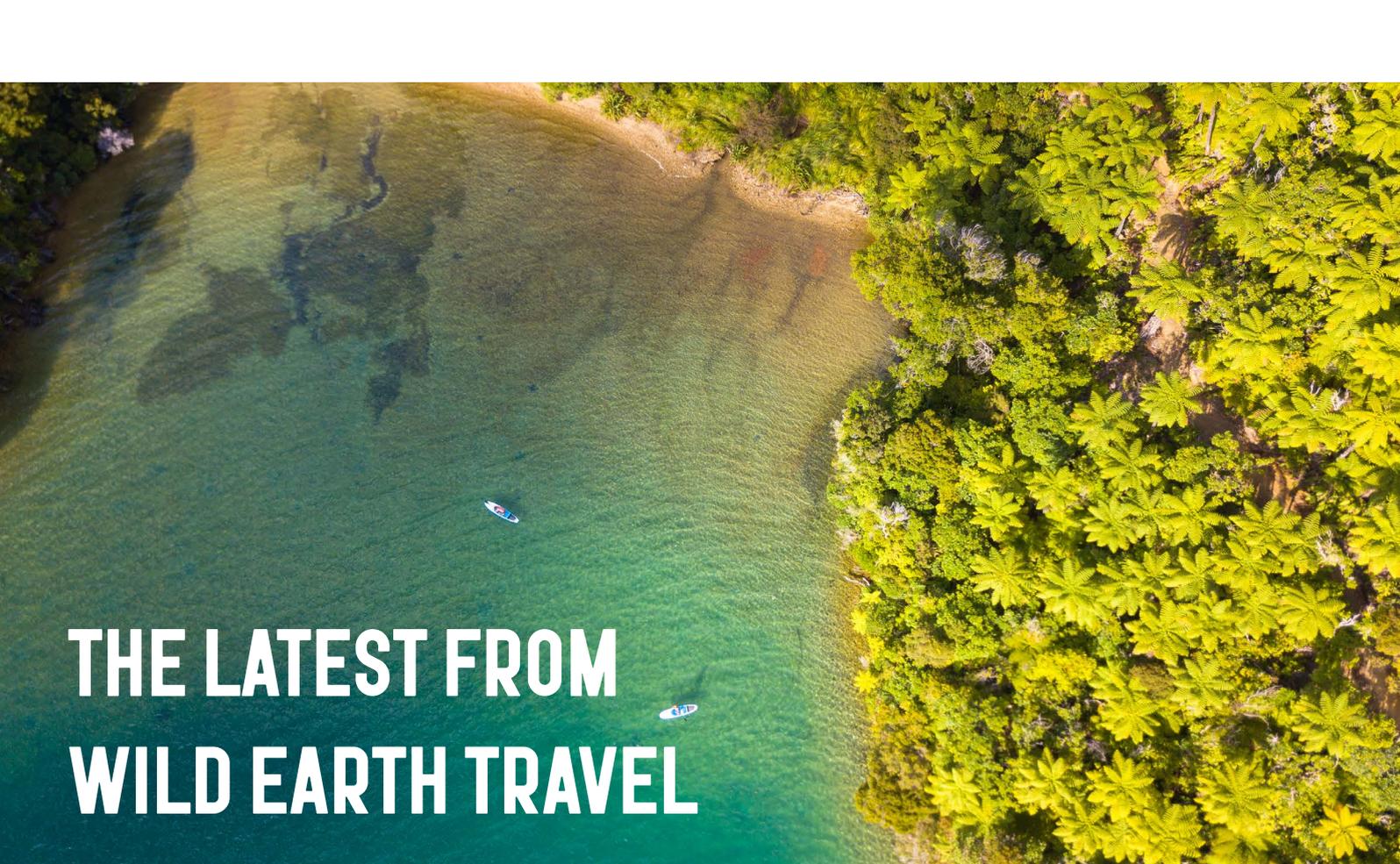


2021/22 **WILD EARTH TRAVEL**

NEW ZEALAND & FURTHER SOUTH

**Unforgettable encounters around New Zealand,
the Subantarctic Islands and Antarctica!**





THE LATEST FROM WILD EARTH TRAVEL



Welcome to this brochure to see the latest in expedition travel from Wild Earth Travel

At Wild Earth Travel we give you the opportunity to discover the destination. Our journeys, whether by sea or land are all about the most important element – where you are going.

We are excited to be constantly adding product to our New Zealand range to prove that holidays in our backyard are endless. In this brochure we are excited to be showcasing two of our new and exciting vessels – MV Strannik and Heritage Explorer.

MV Strannik, designed and captained by Rodney Russ, is a perfect 8 guest yacht that will be sailing throughout the South Island with true adventure travel at the heart.

Heritage Explorer is the latest addition to the Heritage Expedition fleet. With 18 guests aboard and several itineraries throughout New Zealand, she is set to reinvent small ship sailing here in New Zealand.

We hope this brochure will inspire you and bring you new adventures within New Zealand. We hope by sailing with us you discover somewhere new and off the beaten track.

Aaron Russ
General Manager
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Find somewhere you haven't been....



Hauraki Gulf



Tasman



Fiordland



Marlborough Sounds



Chatham Islands



Stewart Island

INTRODUCING STRANNIK

NEW VESSEL &
ITINERARIES



Strannik is a Russian word, sometimes translated as "Wanderer" or "Pilgrim". Strannik is a person travelling in search of knowledge and wisdom. There is no better word nor way to describe this vessel and the objectives for these voyages. It has been born out of a natural curiosity and love of the natural world, history and travel. It is designed, equipped and ready to explore the world and southern New Zealand.

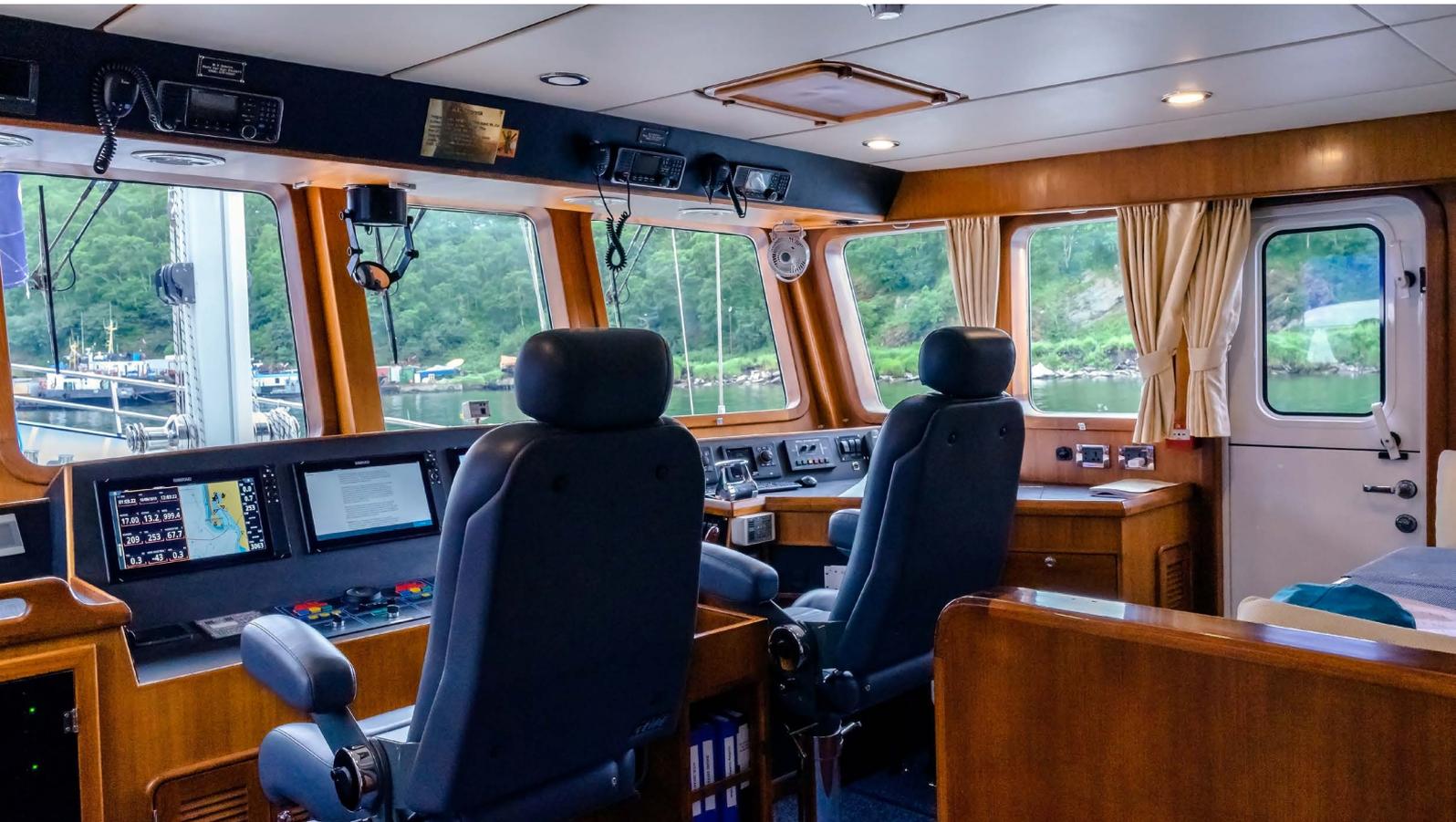
Hosted by Rodney Russ

MV Strannik is owned and skippered by Rodney Russ who is a biologist, historian, author and adventurer. Rodney has been involved in expedition travel since the early 1980's. He is an experienced expedition leader and conservationist throughout Fiordland, Stewart Island and the Sub Antarctic Islands having spent the past 50 years in the region.

Discover the destination

MV Strannik caters for travellers seeking an authentic travel experience with a small group of like-minded travellers. Strannik don't publish a day by day itinerary, instead each of their expeditions will have very clear objectives and goals and you will have the opportunity to contribute to the daily planning of the expedition.

You will linger at the most spectacular locations, and areas of cultural and natural history, anchoring overnight in some of the most spectacular places anywhere in the world.



All inclusive

Journeys on board Strannik are all inclusive. This means that what you read in the itinerary is included in the price, with no hidden extras or nasty surprises. This includes:

- Transfers to and from Strannik. For Stewart Island expedition transfer is from Invercargill, for Fiordland expedition transfer is from Te Anau.
- Two complimentary duffel bags per person
- All meals on board
- Complimentary beer, wine and soft drinks (limited selection available)
- Free WiFi for emails only

On the rare occasions when there is an unlisted cost this will be noted.

LENGTH	78ft, 24 metres
BEAM	20.15ft, 6.3 metres
CRUISE SPEED	8 knots, max speed 10 knots
MAX PASSENGERS	Up to 12 overnight in five cabins*
TENDERS	Naiad 4.8 meter and a Zodiac 4.2-meter
BUILT	2017

Cabins include private facilities with a bathroom including basin, toilet and shower. 8 passengers can comfortably fit within 4 twin/double cabins. Up to 12 passengers can be accommodated by prior agreement.

WHERE CAN STRANNIK TAKE YOU?



FIORDLAND

ALL FIORDS 14 DAYS / 13 NIGHTS

Be overwhelmed by everything that Fiordland has on offer - weather, seascapes, landscapes, wildlife, forests, history (pre European and European), the conservation work and more. The ultimate itinerary if you have the time to explore for a once in a lifetime New Zealand expedition.

MILFORD SOUND TO PRESERVATION INLET

PRICE FROM: NZ\$9,660 per person
DEPARTS: 22 Aug, 23 Oct 2021, 9 Apr, 23 Apr 2022

For more information see:

www.wildearth-travel.com/trip/fiordland-revealed

FIORDLAND SOUTHERN FIORDS 9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS

It is often claimed that the Southern Fiords are the most spectacular, they are certainly the most expansive, with multiple arms or Fiords feeding into them forming a labyrinth of exciting waterways and anchorages.

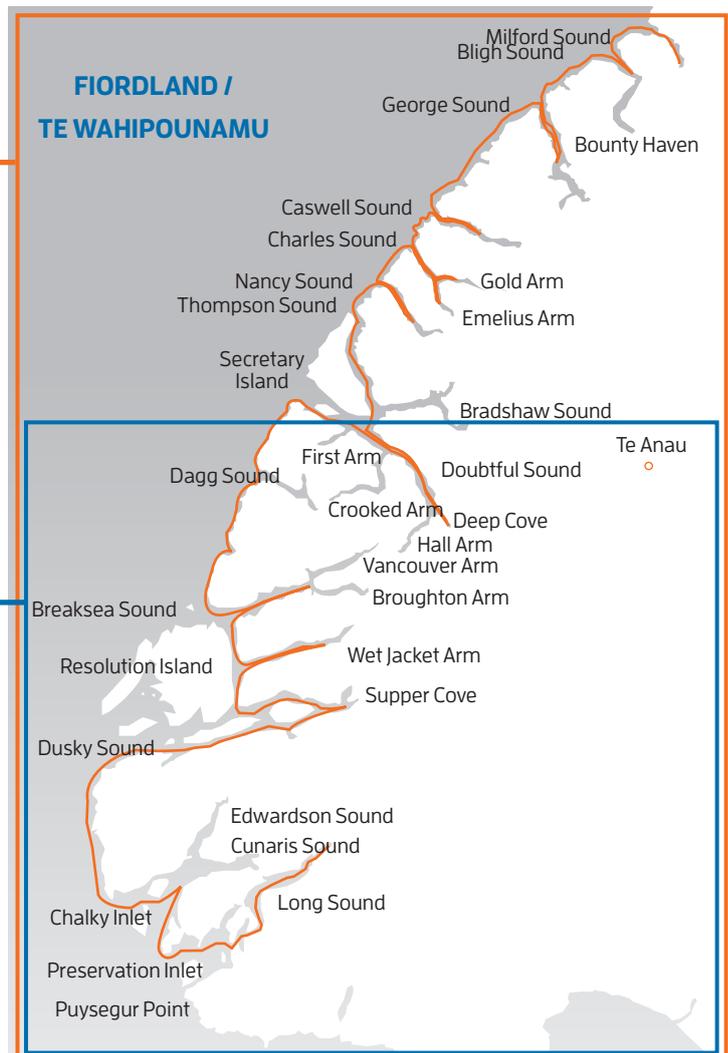
DEEP COVE (DOUBTFUL SOUND) TO LONG SOUND (PRESERVATION INLET)*

PRICE FROM: NZ\$6,290 per person
DEPARTS: 11 Sept 2021, 26 Mar 2022

*Some dates operate in reverse

For more information see:

www.wildearth-travel.com/trip/southern-fiords



WHERE CAN STRANNIK TAKE YOU?



STEWART ISLAND & TOP OF THE SOUTH

TASMAN BAY & MARLBOROUGH SOUNDS 9 DAYS / 8 NIGHTS

Explore the top of the South Island from Tasman Bay to the Marlborough Sounds. Visiting some of New Zealand's most iconic destinations in between including the Abel Tasman National Park, Adele Island, d'Urville Island, Greville Harbour, Pelorus and Kenepuru Sounds.

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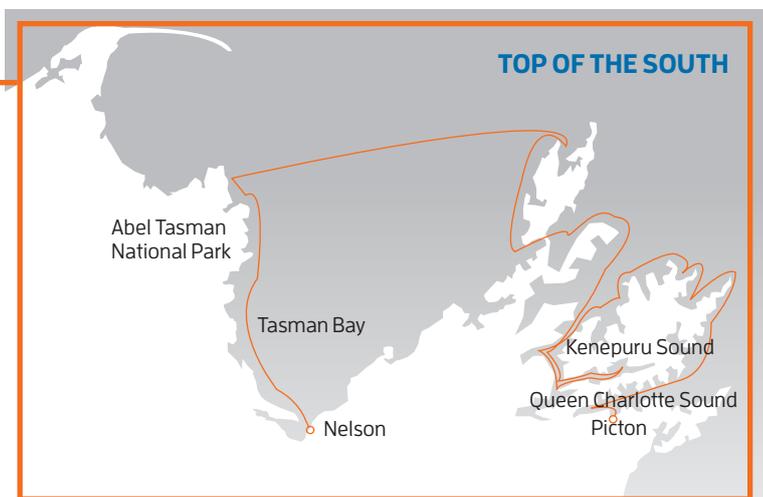
PRICE FROM: NZ\$4,670 per person

DEPARTS: 8 Jan 2022

*Some dates operate in reverse

For more information see:

www.wildearth-travel.com/trip/tasman-bay-durville-island-and-marlborough-sounds/



BOTTOM OF THE SOUTH STEWART ISLAND

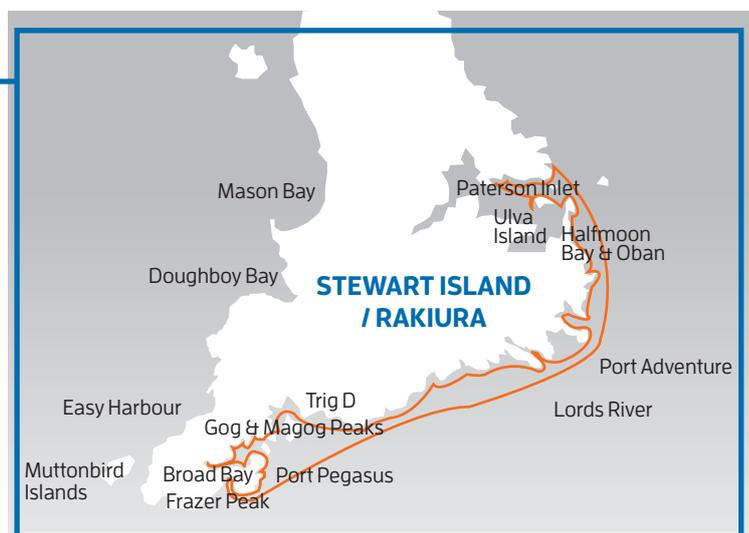
Let the adventure begin: Embark on an expedition aboard MV Strannik. Explore the coast of Stewart Island, anchoring overnight in some of the most spectacular places in the world and enjoy discovering some of New Zealand's most significant natural and cultural sites.

BLUFF RETURN

PRICE FROM: NZ\$5,018 per person

DEPARTS: 12 Mar 2022

*Some dates operate in reverse



INTRODUCING HERITAGE EXPLORER

NEW VESSEL &
ITINERARIES



New Zealand-built expedition yacht Heritage Explorer joins Heritage Expedition's small ship fleet creating new opportunities of discovery around the shores of New Zealand. Setting a new standard for discovery travel in New Zealand, Heritage Explorer combines the ultimate in comfort with unique itineraries and a personalised experience with a maximum of just 18 guests on board.

Heritage Explorer is a 30-metre, 4-deck New Zealand flagged vessel built in 2004 by the renowned wooden boat building family Carey's Boatyard in Picton. Cutting a striking profile in the water, Heritage Explorer boasts a considered design that's both ahead of its time and showcases a clever balance of privacy, comfort, spaciousness and agility allowing her to explore the best of New Zealand's backyard while introducing new levels of bespoke comfort.

Heritage Explorer continues Heritage Expeditions proud history as ambassadors for conservation, pioneers of discovery, and leaders in expedition travel to the world's best-kept secrets. Heritage Expeditions pioneered conservation-driven, authentic small ship expedition cruising in 1984 and has been sharing some of the most wild, least-explored and biologically rich regions on the planet with small numbers of guests ever since.



INTRODUCING HERITAGE EXPLORER



With a maximum of 18 guests and an all-inclusive style you can relax on-board enjoying New Zealand's most spectacular places.

Once onboard everything will have already been paid within your fare. You will enjoy pre-arranged daily excursions that have been designed, selected and tested by our team of experts. Your talented chef will create daily meals that highlight New Zealand's fresh produce. You will have full use of kayaks, stand up paddle boards and fishing equipment, the tenders allow for deeper exploration and the unforgettable wildlife encounters synonymous with all Heritage Expeditions adventures.

Heritage Explorer features state-of-the-art technology to provide a comfortable expedition with high performance dual Scania 653 horsepower engines capable of 10 knots, bow thrusters, fin stabilisers, full air-conditioning, sound attenuated twin generators and a hydraulic aft ramp, while a comprehensive navigation package ensures the ultimate Kiwi adventure awaits all guests.

Technical Specifications:

Vessel Type: Expedition Yacht

Expedition Staff & Crew: 5 Guests: 18

Cabins: 10

Length: 30m | Breadth: 7.8m | Draft: 1.93m

Gross Tonnage: 76.tgt

Engine: 653 horsepower

Cruising Speed: 10 knots

Tenders: 2

WHERE CAN HERITAGE EXPLORER TAKE YOU?



FIORDLAND

ALL THE FIORDS | 10 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS

Join us on the ultimate 10-day exploration of New Zealand's remote ice-carved mountains, verdant forests and winding fiords of Fiordland. This treasured natural wonderland, its wildlife, conservation and history inspired our dream for responsible travel.

TE ANAU RETURN

PRICE FROM: NZ\$7,995 per person
DEPARTS: 21 Jun, 13 Jul, 28 Sept 2022

For more information see: wildearth-travel.com/trip/all-fiords-ultimate-fiordland-experience/

NORTHERN FIORDS EXPLORER | 7 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS

Experience the primordial majesty of Fiordland's Northern Fiords where clouds scud the ragged peaks of glacier-cleaved mountains streaked with waterfalls as we explore Milford Sound and the remote Bligh, George, Caswell, Nancy, George, Breaksea and Doubtful Sounds.

TE ANAU RETURN

PRICE FROM: NZ\$5,295 per person
DEPARTS: 1 Jul, 24 Aug 2022

For more information see: wildearth-travel.com/trip/northern-fiords-explorer-expedition-cruising-fiordlands-northern-fiords/

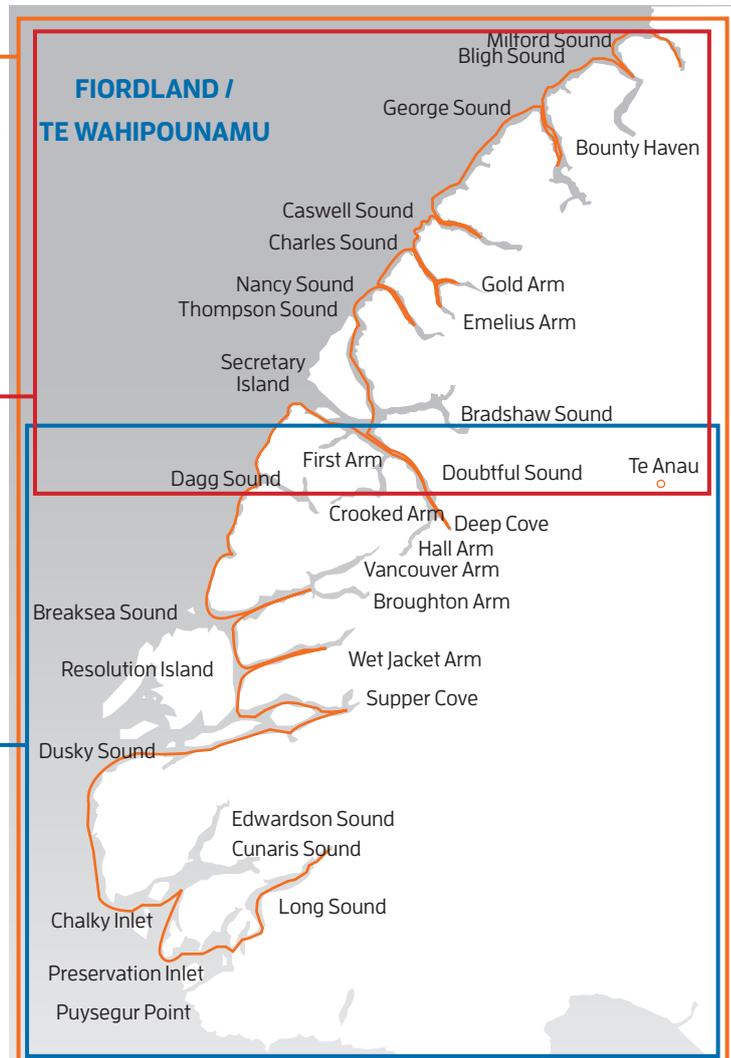
SOUTHERN FIORDS DISCOVERY | 7 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS

Experience the grand scale scenery, untamed wilderness, ice-carved mountains, forests, sounds and unique wildlife of Fiordland's Preservation and Chalky Inlets and Doubtful and Dusky Sounds on this 7-day exploration of the Southern Fiords.

TE ANAU RETURN

PRICE FROM: NZ\$5,495 per person
DEPARTS: 8 Aug, 5 Sept 2022

For more information see: wildearth-travel.com/trip/southern-fiords-discovery-deep-exploration-fiordlands-southern-fiords/



WHERE CAN HERITAGE EXPLORER TAKE YOU?



STEWART ISLAND, HAURAKI GULF & TOP OF THE SOUTH

UNSEEN STEWART ISLAND | 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

Discover the time-forgotten rawness of wildlife-rich Stewart Island/Rakiura and Ulva Island/Te Wharawhara aboard Heritage Explorer on this 8-day voyage. Described by botanist Leonard Cockayne in 1909 as being "an actual piece of primeval world", his comment still rings true today.

INVERCARGILL RETURN

PRICE FROM: NZ\$6,125 per person based on 2021
DEPARTS: 3, 10 Oct 2021, 18, 26 Oct 2022

For more information see: wildearth-travel.com/trip/unseen-stewart-island-pristine-wilderness-and-wildlife-adventure/



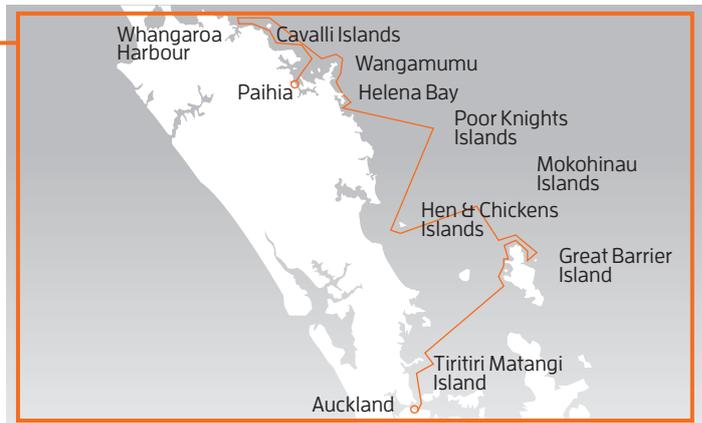
ISLANDS OF THE HAURAKI GULF

Explore the famed islands and coastlines of the Hauraki Gulf Marine park and Bay of Islands as we delve into the region's early New Zealand history, visit island sanctuaries where native wildlife flourishes, and learn about the region's conservation success stories and ongoing efforts on this 8-day expedition of Northland.

AUCKLAND TO PAIHIA (OR REVERSE)

PRICE FROM: NZ\$5,775 per person
DEPARTS: 7, 14 Jan, 12 Mar 2022

For more information see: wildearth-travel.com/trip/islands-hauraki-gulf-expedition-cruising-hauraki-gulf-and-bay-islands/



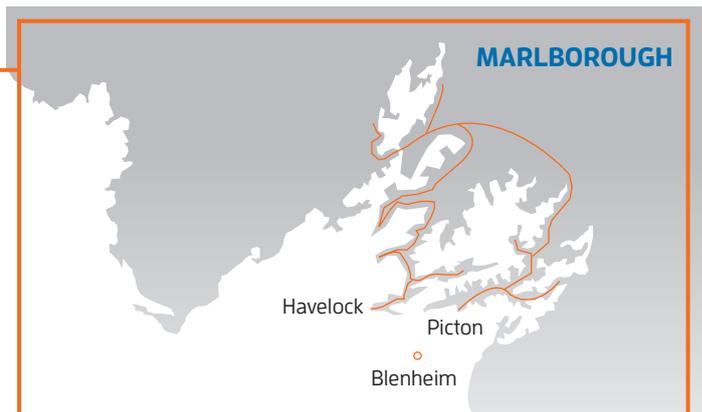
DISCOVER MARLBOROUGH | 7 DAYS / 6 NIGHTS

Discover the tranquil waterways, wildlife and rich history of New Zealand's Marlborough Sounds on an unforgettable 7-day Kiwi adventure exploring Queen Charlotte and Pelorus Sounds, French Pass and d'Urville Island.

BLenheim RETURN

PRICE FROM: NZ\$4,200 per person
DEPARTS: 12, 18 Dec 2021, 13, 26 Apr, 9 May, 26 Nov 2022

For more information see: wildearth-travel.com/trip/discover-marlborough-sounds/



INTRODUCING THE CHATHAM ISLANDS WITH WILD EARTH TRAVEL



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The Chatham Islands are New Zealand's eastern most outpost, and the first place in the world to welcome the new day. These islands are a treasure trove of endemic plants and animals that have evolved in isolation and make the Chatham Islands one of New Zealand's most biologically important regions.

The islands were originally colonized by the Moriori people who created a unique lifestyle on the islands while living in isolation from the outside world, surviving on the abundant natural resources of the sea and land. Later European and Maori arrivals brought their own history and traditions which have melded together to create the culture of the Chatham Islands. Today many locals are descended from Moriori genealogy, a culture that you can discover during your stay.



The Chatham Islands lie at the eastern extremity of the Chatham Rise and were formed by a combination of volcanic activity and uplift of the underlying basement rocks, to create the low lying rolling landscape of the main island, while the outlying smaller islands are the remains of individual volcanic events. The fauna and flora of the Chatham's has strong affinities to the main islands of New Zealand but through isolation many species have evolved to the local climate becoming unique. The oceanic climate ensures a wide diversity of species are able to flourish, while the ocean brings its own unique abundance of sea life.

Our itineraries are designed from our long experience of travelling and working in these remarkable islands to give you the opportunity to experience all the islands have to offer.



EXPERIENCE & EXPERTISE: Meet your Chatham Island Guides

Mike Bell | Ornithologist: Mike Bell has had a lifelong interest in birds and wildlife conservation and has developed this into a career in avian conservation and research, with a BSc in ecology and over twenty years of practical experience he has a widely versatile skill set and a great many stories to share.

Lois Croon | Plants & Culture: Lois Croon has both Maori and Moriori descent and has lived in the Chatham Islands for near on fifty years. Married with four adult children, she considers herself a privileged woman who has all children living on the Island. Plus seven grandchildren that are now on and off the island at boarding school, university and working.

Please note: Guides will vary dependent on trip, Mike Bell and Lois Croon are two of several guides we have for Chatham Island trips and may not be leading your chosen trip.

WHAT WILL YOU DISCOVER ON THE CHATHAM ISLANDS?



CHATHAM ISLANDS



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:

- > Enjoy the history, culture, geology, flora and fauna of the island. Visiting various locations that showcase the best of the island.
- > Learn about the unique Chatham Islands flora and fauna
- > Explore the basalt columns of Ohira Bay
- > Visit Pitt Island, exploring the islands nature reserves
- > Learn about the Moriori people and visit the Moriori Kopinga Marae
- > Visit the stone cottage at Maunganui Bay
- > Be amongst the first in the world to see the sun

THE BEST OF 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

This itinerary will showcase the best of the island visiting the northern, eastern, southern and western corners plus a day trip to Pitt Island. Listen to the locals sharing their stories, learn about the islands history and discover unique flora and fauna. This itinerary will give you a taste of everything the island has to offer.

PRICE FROM: NZ\$5,575 PP

TRIP DATES:

EX Wellington: 5 - 12 November, 2021

EX Christchurch: 8 - 15 February, 15 - 22 February 2022

For more information see:

wildearth-travel.com/trip/best-chatham-islands/



WHAT WILL YOU DISCOVER ON THE CHATHAM ISLANDS?



CHATHAM ISLANDS

PEOPLE & PLANTS 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

Discover the Chatham Islands, the unique botanical nature and meet the locals who call these islands their home. Visit the Henga Scenic Reserve and Nursery, walk through regenerative coastal forest, learn about the sand dune vegetation and explore a Nikau Reserve that conserves a broadleaf forest and fine stand of endemic Nikau Palms.

PRICE FROM: NZ\$5,575 PP

TRIP DATES:

EX Christchurch: 26 October - 2 November, 2021

For more information see:

wildearth-travel.com/trip/chatham-islands-people-plants/



THE WILD SIDE 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

This is one of our most comprehensive Chatham Island itineraries, go to the remote corners to discover the unique birdlife that calls the Chatham Islands home. Enjoy a boat trip to watch the birdlife that spends its time at sea, and sail close by SE Island and Mangere Island. Also stay a night at the Taiko Camp watching the Chatham Island Taiko.

DURATION: 8 Days | 7 Nights

PRICE FROM: NZ\$7,175 PP

TRIP DATES:

EX Christchurch: 4 - 11 January, 2022

EX Wellington: 14 - 21 January, 2022

For more information see:

wildearth-travel.com/trip/chatham-islands-wild-side/

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The Snares



Auckland Islands



Macquarie Island



Campbell Island

**Go Further South!
The Subantarctic Islands
& Antarctica...**



Antarctica



INTRODUCING SPIRIT OF ENDERBY & AKADEMIK SHOKALSKIY



The Spirit of Enderby (Professor Khromov) and Akademik Shokalskiy are fully ice-strengthened expedition vessels, built in 1984 for polar and oceanographic research and are perfect for Expedition Travel.

They carry just 50 passengers and provide comfortable accommodation in twin share cabins approximately half of which have private facilities. All cabins have outside windows or portholes and ample storage space.

On board there is a combined bar/library lounge area and a dedicated lecture room. The cuisine is excellent and is prepared by top NZ and Australian chefs.

The real focus and emphasis of every expedition is getting you ashore as often as possible, for as long as possible with maximum safety and comfort. The Expeditions are accompanied by some of the most experienced naturalists and guides, who have devoted a lifetime to field research in the areas that we visit. The ship is crewed by a very enthusiastic and most experienced Russian Captain and crew.

The name Spirit of Enderby honours the work and the vision of the Enderby Brothers of London. The Enderby Captains were at the forefront of Antarctic exploration for almost 40 years in the early 1800s. It also celebrates Enderby Island, arguably the greatest Subantarctic Island in the world.

WHERE CAN SPIRIT OF ENDERBY & AKADEMIK SHOKALSKIY TAKE YOU?



THE CHATHAM ISLANDS & SUBANTARTIC ISLANDS

CHATHAM ISLANDS - A LAND APART 10 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS

Discover amazing endemic wildlife, meet the locals and experience conservation in action as we journey through the incredibly-diverse archipelagos of the Chatham, Antipodes and Bounty Islands.

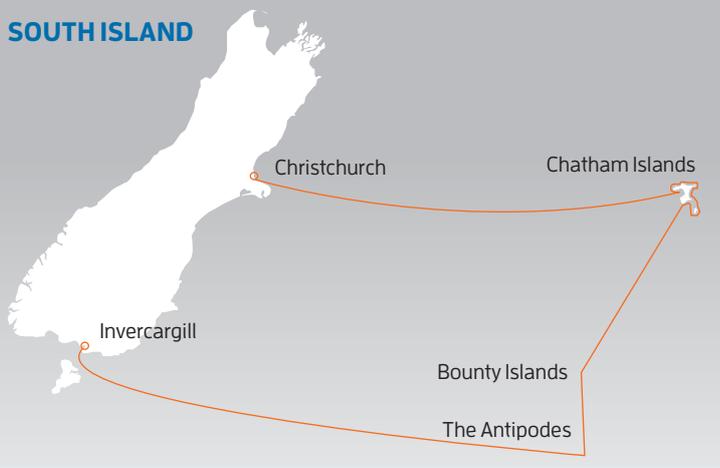
INVERCARGILL TO CHRISTCHURCH

PRICE FROM: US\$5,350 PP in a main deck triple
DEPARTS: 12 Mar 2022
ABOARD: Akademik Shokalskiy

For more information see:

www.wildearth-travel.com/trip/chatham-islands-aboard-akademik-shokalskiy-land-apart/

SOUTH ISLAND



BEYOND FIORDLAND: NEW ZEALAND'S WILDEST ISLANDS | 11 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS

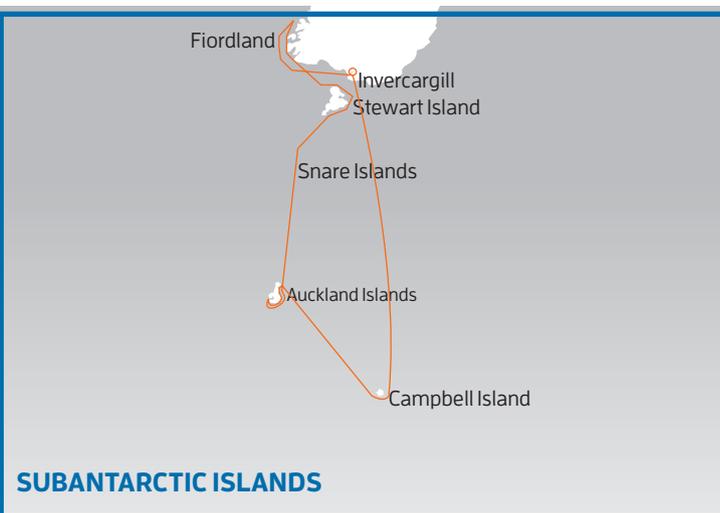
Discover the remote ice-carved mountains, verdant forests and winding fiords of Fiordland, explore Stewart Island including Ulva island, free of introduced pests and home to a range birdlife and go south towards the Sub Antarctic Islands including the Snares, Auckland islands and Campbell island.

INVERCARGILL RETURN

PRICE FROM: US\$5,995 PP in a main deck triple
DEPARTS: 31 Dec 2021
ABOARD: Spirit of Enderby

For more information see:

www.wildearth-travel.com/trip/beyond-fiordland-new-zealands-wildest-islands/



WHERE CAN SPIRIT OF ENDERBY & AKADEMIK SHOKALSKIY TAKE YOU?



SUBANTARCTIC ISLANDS & ANTARCTICA

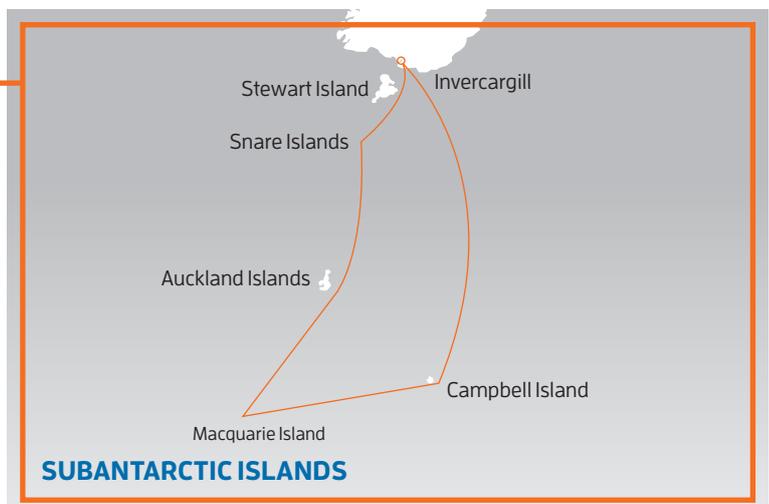
THE GALAPAGOS OF THE SOUTHERN OCEAN 13 DAYS / 12 NIGHTS

This is without doubt one of the most informative and inspirational expeditions into the Southern Ocean ecosystem. Long recognised for their rich biodiversity, the Subantarctic Islands lying to the south of New Zealand are UNESCO World Heritage sites.

INVERCARGILL RETURN

PRICE FROM: US\$7,750 PP in a main deck triple
DEPARTS: 21 Nov, 30 Nov, 22 Dec 2021
ABOARD: Spirit of Enderby | Akademik Shokalskiy

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE: www.wildearth-travel.com/trip/galapagos-southern-ocean-expedition/



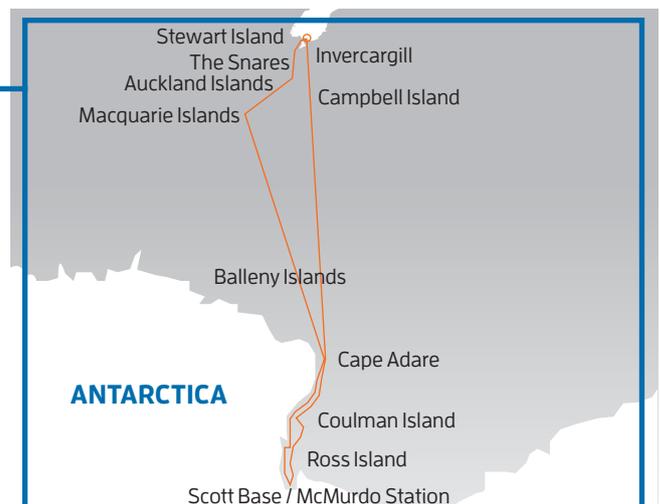
IN THE WAKE OF SCOTT & SHACKLETON: ROSS SEA ANTARCTICA 30 DAYS / 29 NIGHTS

The Ross Sea region of Antarctica is one of the most remote places on Planet Earth and one of the most fascinating places in the continent's human history. With shipping restricted by impenetrable pack ice to just two brief months each austral summer, few people have ever visited this strange and beautiful territory.

INVERCARGILL RETURN

PRICE FROM: US\$23,000 PP in a main deck triple
DEPARTS: 10 Jan, 8 Feb, 10 Feb 2022
ABOARD: Spirit of Enderby | Akademik Shokalskiy

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE: www.wildearth-travel.com/trip/ross-sea-wake-scott-and-shackleton/



INTRODUCING LE SOLEAL



Designed and built in 2013, Le Soléal is the third ship in the PONANT Sisterships series. It conveys the French art of living to all the oceans of the world.

Like Le Boréal and L'Austral, the two sister ships that preceded it, Le Soléal further reaffirms PONANT's signature approach: to take passengers to the farthest reaches of the planet on board five-star ships offering top-of-the-range services.

An elegant appearance and refined interior design combine with cutting-edge technology to offer a new type of cruising: adventure in a luxury setting.

- Up to 264 guests
- 132 Staterooms and Suites
- 140 Crew Members
- Includes a day spa
- 2 restaurants
- Zodiac Expedition Experiences

WHERE CAN LE SOLEAL TAKE YOU?



COASTAL NEW ZEALAND & ANTARCTICA

NEW ZEALAND MOSAIC 8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS

On this cruise discover New Zealand, a unique destination with a multitude of natural treasures.

DUNEDIN TO AUCKLAND

PRICE FROM: AU\$4,690 PP in a Superior Stateroom

DEPARTS: 24 February 2022

ABOARD: Le Soleal

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE: www.wildearth-travel.com/trip/new-zealand-mosaic-ponant

NEW ZEALAND



SCOTT & SHACKLETON'S ANTARCTICA - ROSS SEA EXPEDITION | 22 DAYS / 21 NIGHTS

Embark on an extraordinary adventure to the seldom visited Ross Sea from New Zealand, and walk in the footsteps of legendary polar explorers on this exciting expedition.

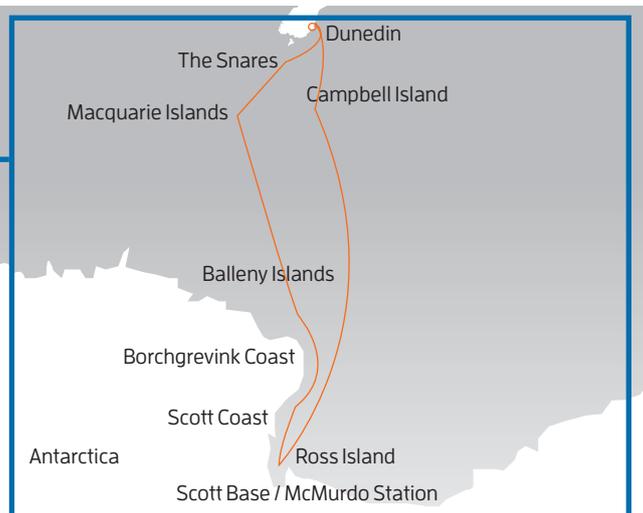
DUNEDIN RETURN

PRICE FROM: AU\$27,370 PP in a Superior Stateroom

DEPARTS: 13 Jan, 3 Feb 2022

ABOARD: Le Soleal

FOR MORE INFORMATION SEE: www.wildearth-travel.com/trip/cruise-scott-shackletons-antarctic-ross-sea-expedition/





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