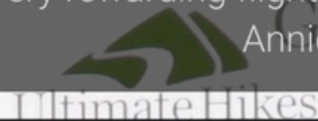




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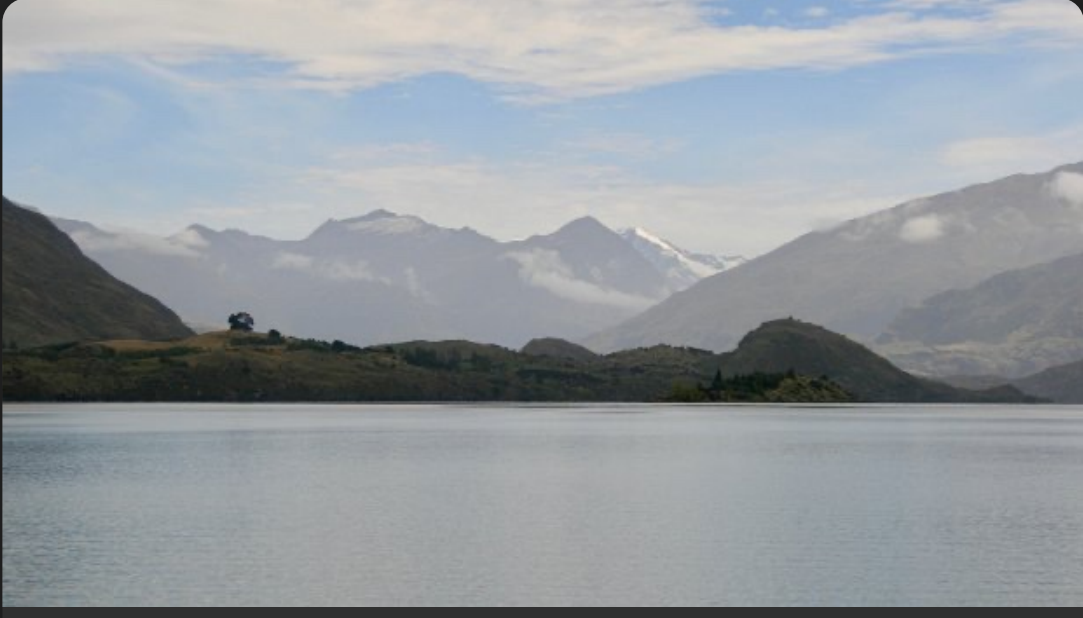
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Trek Map

Grand Traverse (Greenstone and Routeburn)

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Anne visits her friends Jenny and Richard near Wellington

A good time was had by all as Jenny enjoyed her 'real' birthday having been born on the last day of February in a leap year ! Jenny and Anne first met on the farm where Anne and her parents were working hard trying to succeed at farming mainly with dairy cattle - Jenny was a student on farm experience at the time. Few opportunities for meeting up again meant that they were very happy to finally have some time together after so many years.



Jenny's 68th birthday party



Jenny and Richard at Jenny's 68th birthday party



Jenny and Richard at work in the garden



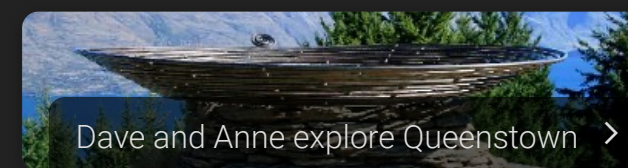
Part of Jenny and Richard's garden



Jenny's horse with the vet plus Jenny, Richard and dog



Jenny's horse with the vet



Dave and Anne explore Queenstown >

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We spent a couple of days in Queenstown exploring the town and surroundings. We climbed up Queenstown Hill (just to the east of the city) on top of which we saw the beautiful Basket of Dreams sculpture and enjoyed a surreal experience as well. We also went up to the Gondola by cablecar to enjoy spectacular views of Queenstown, Lake Wakatipu and mountain scenery. We walked back down through the trees to Queenstown and packed for our trek.



Towards the east - Queenstown's airport and The Remarkables



Queenstown with The Remarkables in the background



Gondola cablecar and the Ledge Bungy and Swing



Paragliders heading down towards Queenstown



The Basket of Dreams and Lake Wakatipu to the west



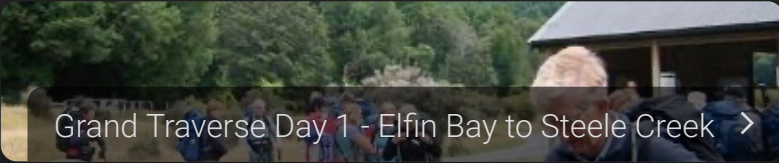
The Basket of Dreams with Lake Wakatipu and mountains behind



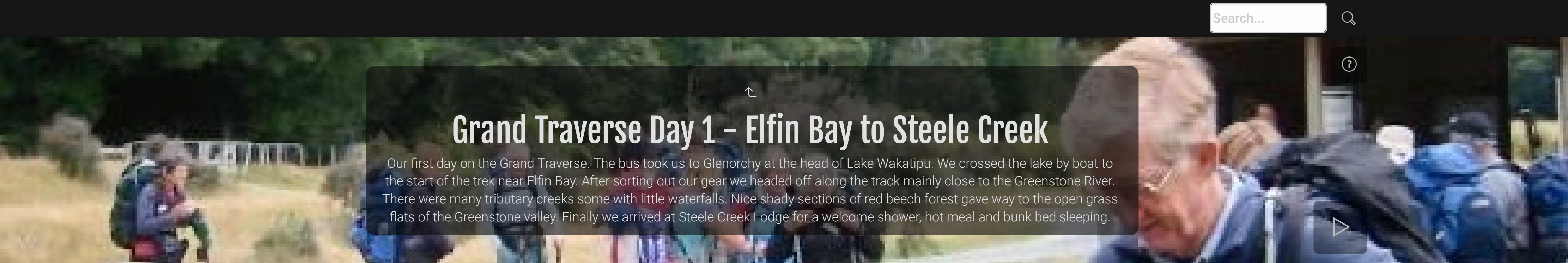
Lake Wakatipu looking towards Elfin Bay - the Greenstone Track start



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Our first day on the Grand Traverse. The bus took us to Glenorchy at the head of Lake Wakatipu. We crossed the lake by boat to the start of the trek near Elfin Bay. After sorting out our gear we headed off along the track mainly close to the Greenstone River. There were many tributary creeks some with little waterfalls. Nice shady sections of red beech forest gave way to the open grass flats of the Greenstone valley. Finally we arrived at Steele Creek Lodge for a welcome shower, hot meal and bunk bed sleeping.



Day 1 Grand Traverse
Ultimate Hikes



Getting ready to start the trek near Elfin Bay



Dave perusing the scenery on the Greenstone track



Some rocks on the Greenstone track



Greenstone river flats



Steep valey sides with vegetation and waterfalls



Double waterfall



Beach forest section of the track



Dave at bridge across a tributary creek



Waterfalls on a tributary creek



Tributary with mossy boulders and lichen covered trees



Waterfalls on a tributary creek



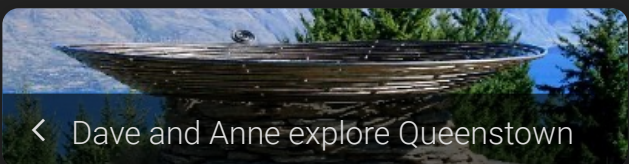
A carpet of bracken on a dry tributary valley



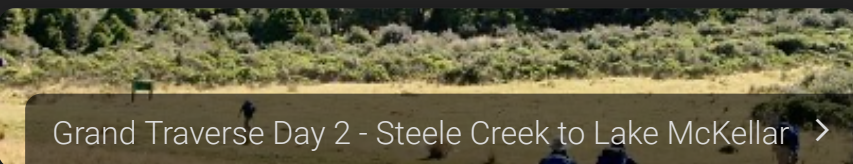
Glimpses of the higher mountains above the tree line



Greenstone river flats - where is the hut?



← Dave and Anne explore Queenstown



Grand Traverse Day 2 - Steele Creek to Lake McKellar →

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Grand Traverse Day 2 – Steele Creek to Lake McKellar

After a hearty breakfast, we continue through a sea of red tussock grass on the Greenstone River flats. Ancient pines and cottonwoods cling to the sheer mountain sides, on which we see plenty of waterfalls. Spectacular views of the Ailsa and Livingstone Ranges greeted us on our approach to Lake McKellar and our lodge.



Day 2 Grand Traverse
Ultimate Hikes



Valley flats and shrubby slopes along the track



Trees and steep valley sides



Tall grass along the track



Steep tree-covered valley sides



Crossing a boulder field from an old watercourse



Steep tree-covered valley sides



Tributary creek with mossy boulders



Valley flats and shrubby slopes along the track



Lunch spot near a dry boulder tributary



Valley flats along the track



Track crossing grassy flat and entering trees



Dave and other walkers looking at the next section of track



One of several areas of cattle grazing along the river



Anne - the intrepid treker



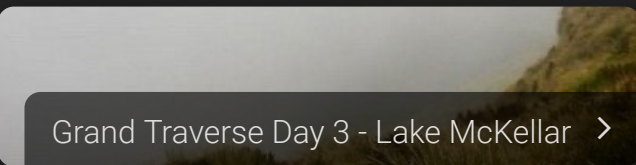
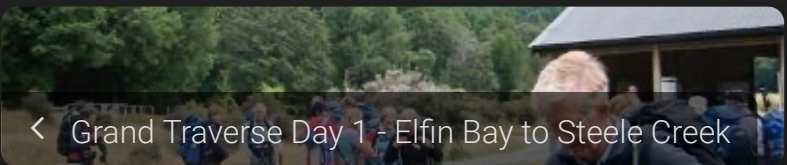
Mossy vegetation by the track



Lichen, mosses and trees by the track



More grassy flats





Grand Traverse Day 3 – Lake McKellar

Day 3 was supposed to be our rest day. The weather was not very nice but we all decided to hike up to the lookout up the steep slope through dense vegetation of shrubs, trees and smaller plants. We were hoping that the top would be above the cloud but instead we saw a view of nothing at all !!



Day 3 Grand Traverse

Ultimate Hikes



Track to lookout passes through dense trees and shrubs

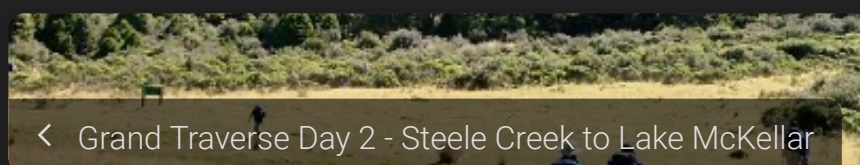


Dave and Anne at the lookout where we didn't see any views

[Guide photo]



The view from the lookout !!



< Grand Traverse Day 2 - Steele Creek to Lake McKellar



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Grand Traverse Day 4 – Lake McKellar to Lake Mackenzie

The track follows the sides of Lake McKellar and Lake Howden where we had a welcome hot drink and lunch at the Lake Howden DOC Hut. The weather prevented us from going up to Key Summit. After lunch we crossed over the valley at the head of Lake Howden and then gradually ascended to the spectacular 174 m high Earland Falls. Crossing through the falls was quite tricky as it was very wet, slippery and noisy. The track gradually descends (mainly) down to our lodge at Lake Mackenzie. A good day in spite of the weather.



Day 4 Grand Traverse
Ultimate Hikes



Some of our group along the track near to Lake McKellar



Lake McKellar view



Glimpses of the mopuntains when the cloud cleared



Glimpses of the mopuntains when the cloud cleared



Lake Howden



Lake Howden hut where we had hot drinks and lunch



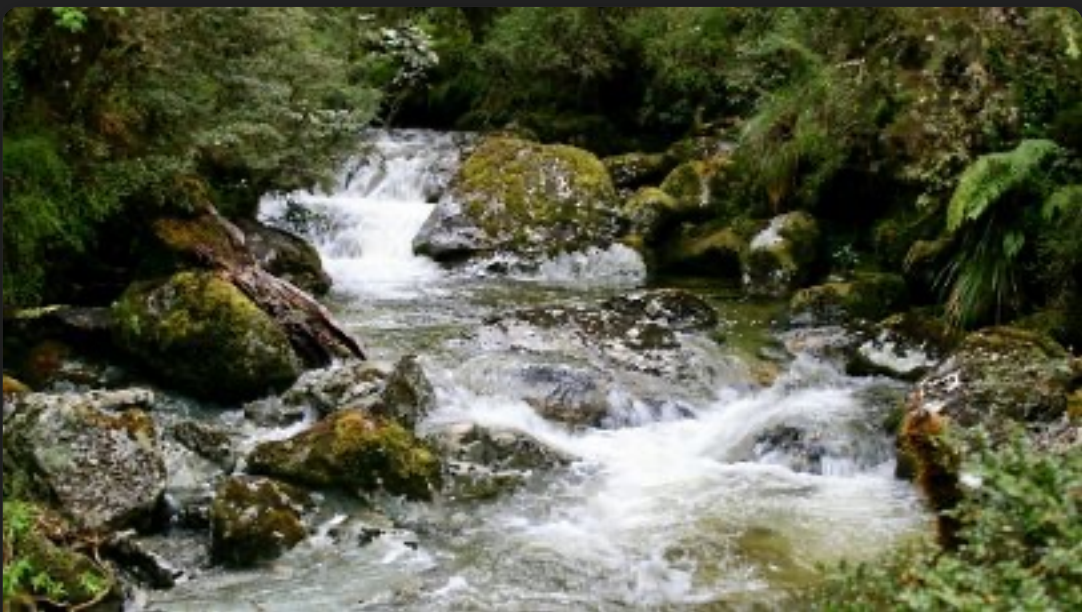
Lake Howden hut where we had hot drinks and lunch



Misty trees



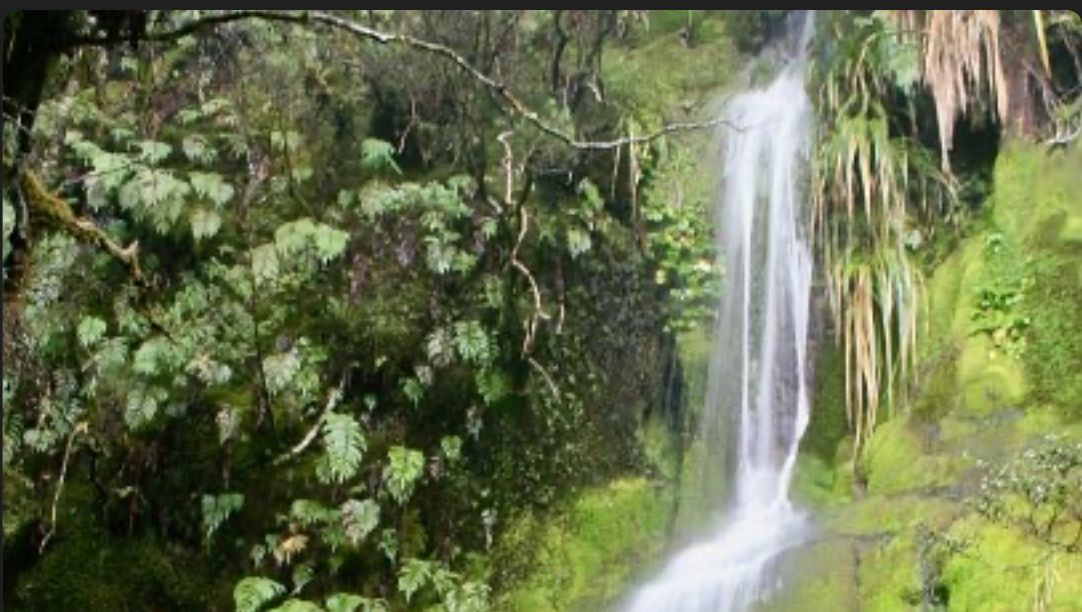
Lake Howden again



Fast flowing stream with little waterfalls



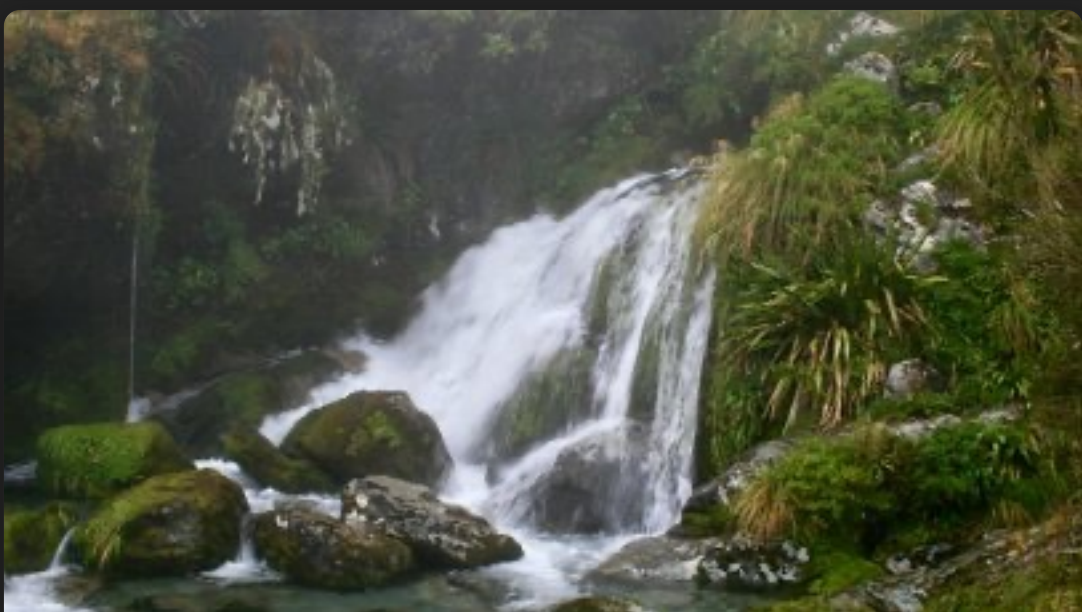
The track passes through an area of large trees



Waterfalls abound



We had just crossed under (through) 174 m high Earland Falls very noisy and wet



Turtle Rock Falls (? on Roaring Creek) near Lake Mackenzie



Anne and Dave at Turtle Rock Falls near Lake Mackenzie
[Guide photo]

Grand Traverse Day 5 – Lake Mackenzie to Routeburn Falls

We started by climbing up from the Lake Mackenzie valley and with improving weather we were able to enjoy spectacular views of the Darren Mountains and the Hollyford Valley (including Lake McKerrow and Martin's Bay). We reached Harris Saddle (the highest point of the track) where Dave went up Conical Hill - with wonderful views! Meanwhile Anne went down the track and saw a helicopter carrying Dave's body - thankfully not the case. Dave followed shortly after and we met up again at the Lodge for a special evening.



Day 5 Grand Traverse

Ultimate Hikes



Lake Mackenzie Lodge



Setting out near Lake Mackenzie Lodge



View of Lake Mackenzie



A very patient guide



Mountains above the head of Lake Mackenzie



View of Lake Mackenzie with DOC's hut and our Lodge further from the lake



Track climbing up the ridge



Anne and guide climbing up the track from Lake Mackenzie



Darren Mountains in clearing weather



Darren Mountains, Hollyford Valley and glimpse of Lake McKerrow in the distance



Hollyford Valley view



View to the southeast



Darren Mountains with snow and clouds



View to south with the road to Milford Sound



Darren Mountains



Darren Mountains (old man's hair)



Darren Mountains with nice U-shaped glacial valley



Dave and Anne at Harris Saddle - the highest point on main track
[Guide photo]



View from Conical Hill



View of lakes below Harris Saddle



View of lake below Harris Saddle



Looking down into the Routeburn Valley



Conical Hill



Eagle Rock on the way up to Conical Hill



Upper and lower parts of the Routeburn Valley



View from Conical Hill of Lake McKerrow and the ocean beach at Martin's Bay



View from Conical Hill



View from Conical Hill of the lower part of the Routeburn Valley and Lake Wakatipu near Glenorchy



Upper part of the Routeburn Valley



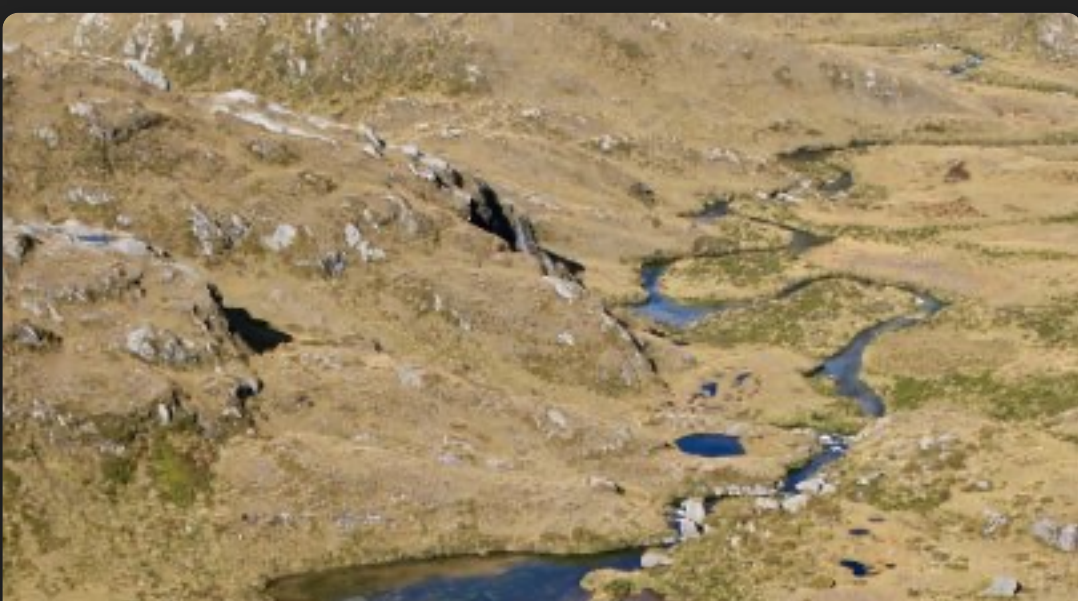
Edelweiss on Conical Hill



Upper part of the Routeburn Valley with helicopter (not carrying Dave's body!)



Waterfalls in upper part of the Routeburn Valley



Looking down into the upper part of the Routeburn Valley



View down into the lower Routeburn Valley and distant mountains



Nearing our Lodge at Routeburn Falls



At the top of the Routeburn Falls with our Lodge and the valley below



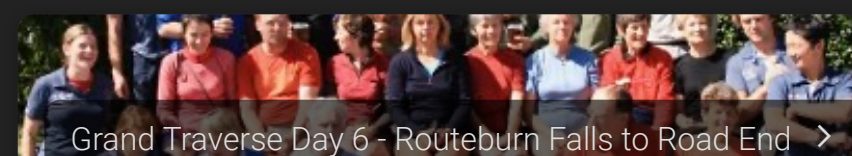
Upper part of the Routeburn Falls



The Routeburn Falls from near the Lodge



Grand Traverse Day 4 - Lake McKellar to Lake Mackenzie



Grand Traverse Day 6 - Routeburn Falls to Road End



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The last day was on a well-made track down to the Routeburn River valley flats. After a morning cuppa we continued on a more gentle track. Our lunch spot beside the river was on an area of pebbles and small boulders. After lunch we continued with the river becoming very steep and rocky. An easy stroll through the beech forest took us to the last of many footbridges where our bus was waiting to take us to the Glenorchy Hotel. A great trip was had by all - many thanks to Ultimate Hikes and our fellow travellers.



Day 6 Grand Traverse

Ultimate Hikes



Routeburn Lodge for our last breakfast of the trek



Gaffer tape repair on delaminating boots



Anne almost ready to set off on the last day of the trek



Top part of the track down to the trail's end



View from the track



View from the track up the North Branch of the Routeburn River



Routeburn River valley flats with sun flare "rainbow"



Routeburn River valley flats with steep wooded sides



Morning tea on the Routeburn River valley flats (near the DOC's hut)



Dave's pack with an inquisitive bird



Track down to the trail's end



View from the valley flats towards the Routeburn Falls



View from the valley flats



Birds on the valley flats



View from the valley flats towards the Routeburn Falls



Flood debris in the river and footbridge in the background



One of many footbridges across the river



Lunch spot beside the Routeburn River



Lunch spot beside the Routeburn River



Lunch spot beside the Routeburn River



River scene



Tributary river scene



Anne with guide on lower part of track



Dave and Anne cross the last footbridge of the trek

[Guide photo]



View from the last footbridge of the trek



Our wonderful Japanese chief guide



Group photo at Glenorchy with some of us looking at the camera



Relaxing at Glenorchy



Relaxing at Glenorchy



I made it !!



Doubtful Sound bus and boat tour

We took a bus and boat tour from Queenstown to Doubtful Sound. The bus trip to Lake Manapouri is long and not very interesting. We crossed the Lake on a ferry and joined another bus to take us across the Willmot Pass to Doubtful Sound. We boarded our large boat for the exploration of Doubtful Sound. The weather wasn't great and there had not been very much rain for the waterfalls. The cruise around the many arms of the sound seemed to go on for ever as the cruise tries to show off most of the large fjord system. On the way back we were shown over the Lake Manapouri hydro-electric power station in which New Zealanders take great pride. The return bus trip to Queenstown was very quiet as most people were asleep. A good but very long day.



Queenstown to Doubtful Sound bus and boat tour Map
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Moss Gardens at Doubtful Sound Lookout



View of Doubtful Sound from the Lookout



Doubtful Sound view



Doubtful Sound side valley



Doubtful Sound waterfall



Doubtful Sound waterfall



Doubtful Sound U-shaped glacial valley



Doubtful Sound view



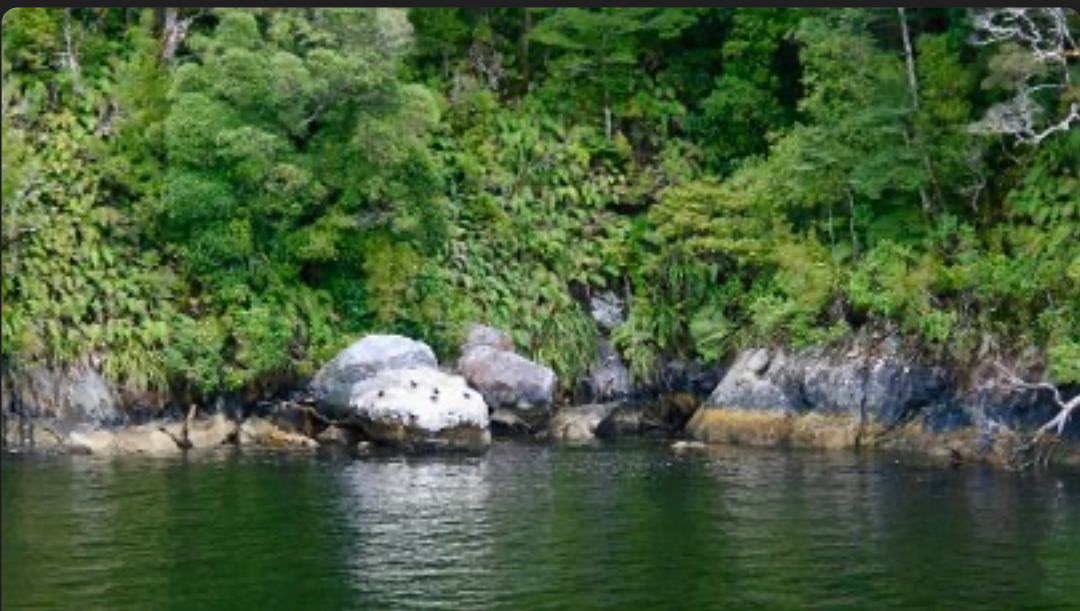
Nee Islets at entrance to Doubtful Sound



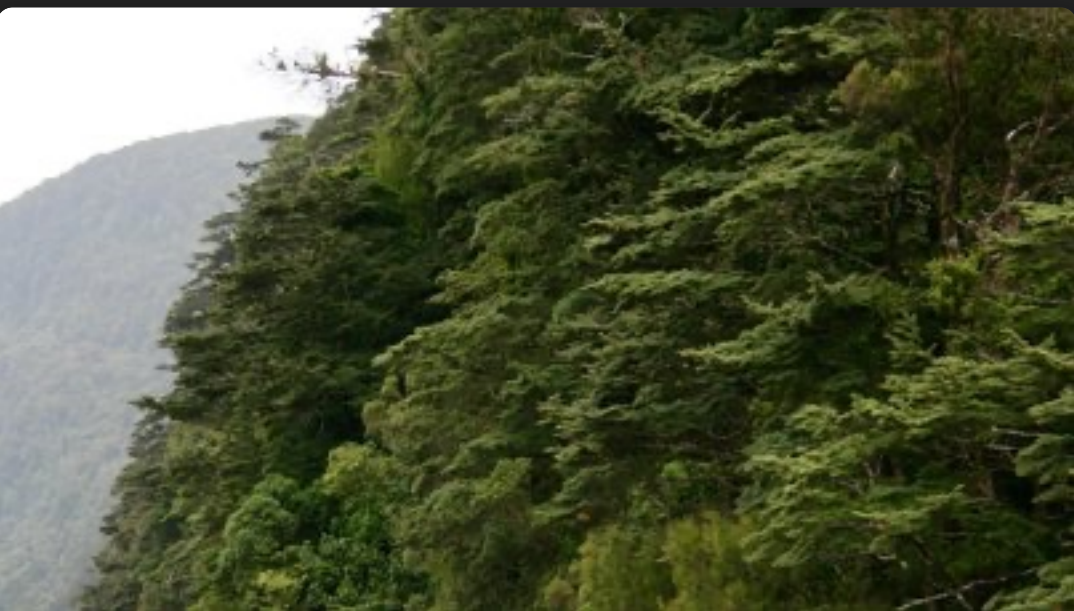
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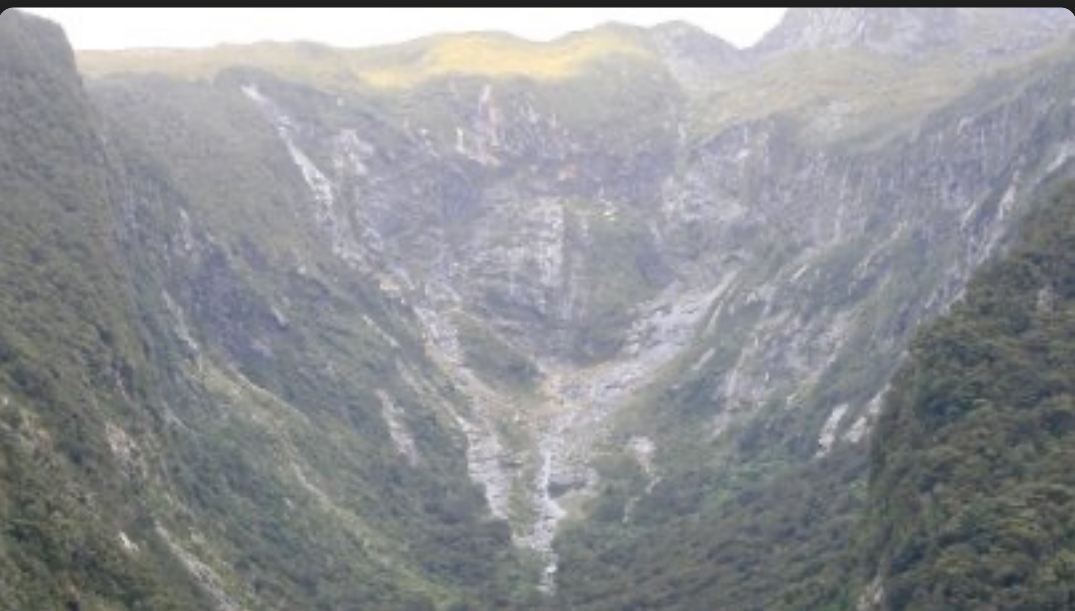
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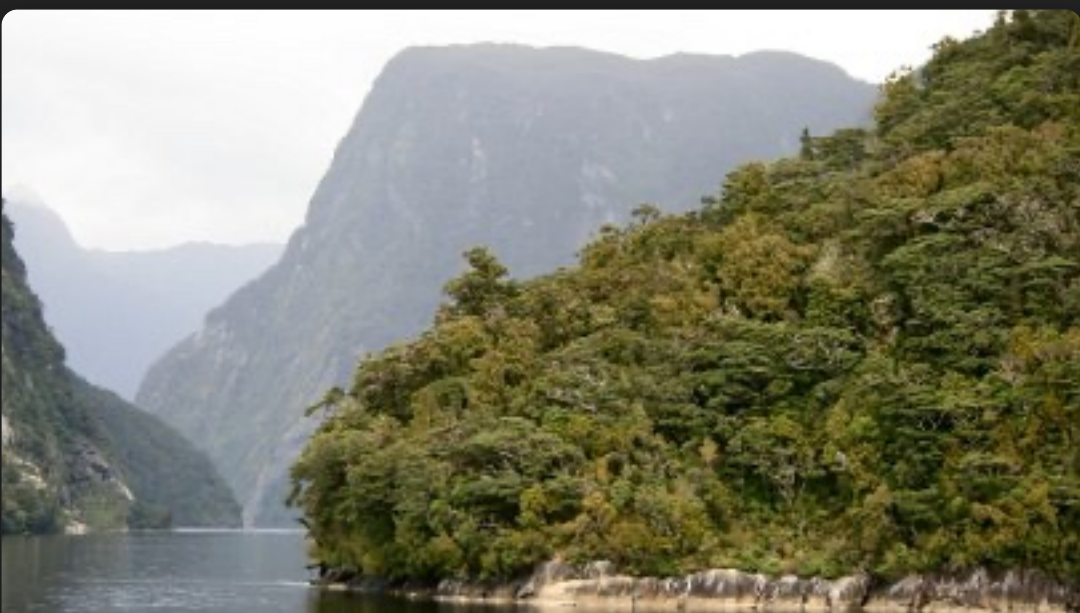
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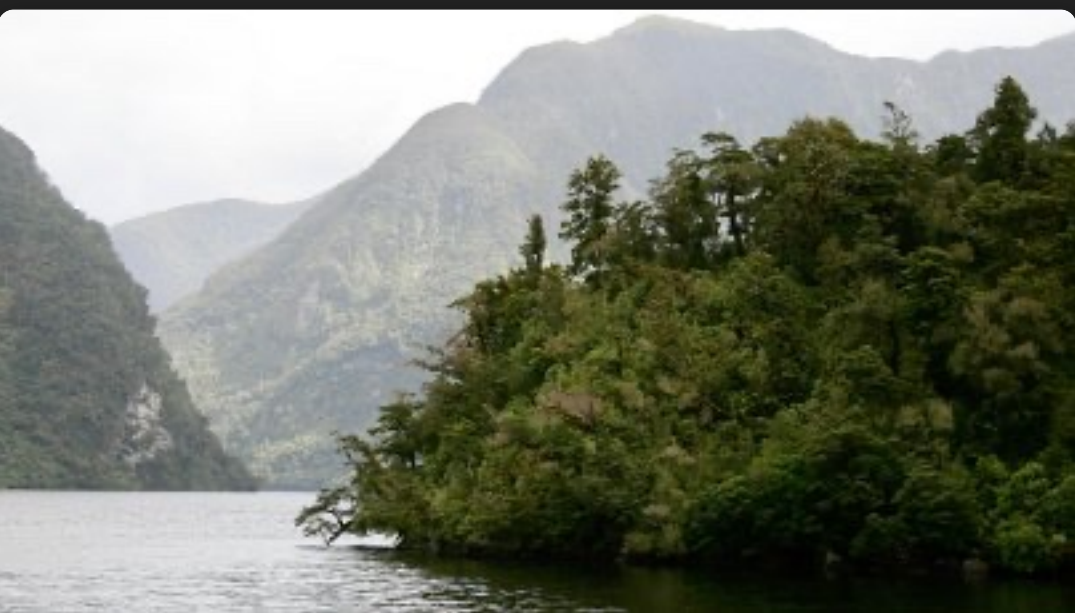
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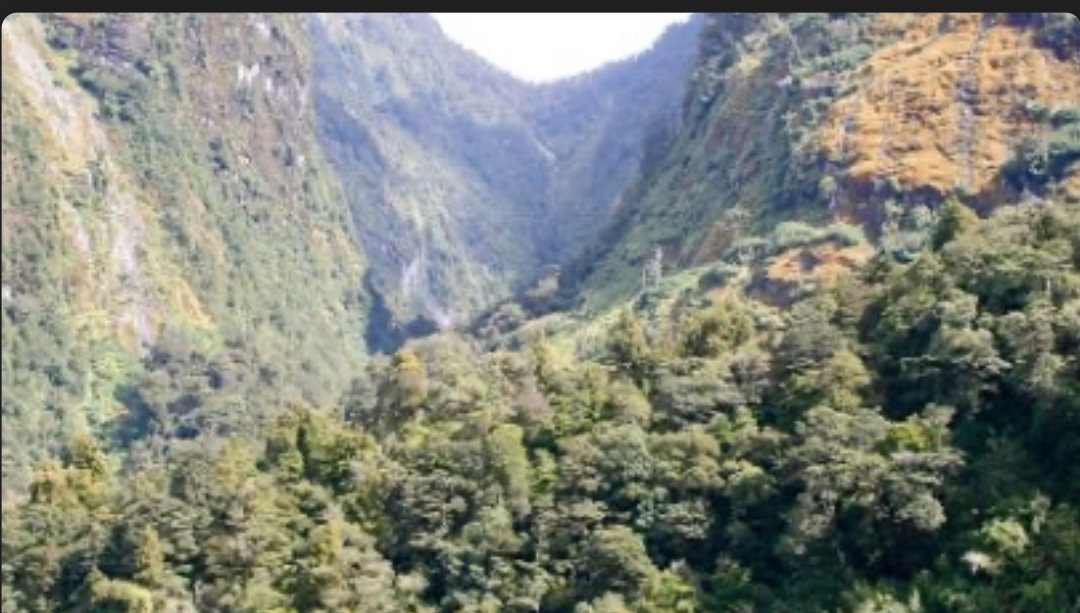
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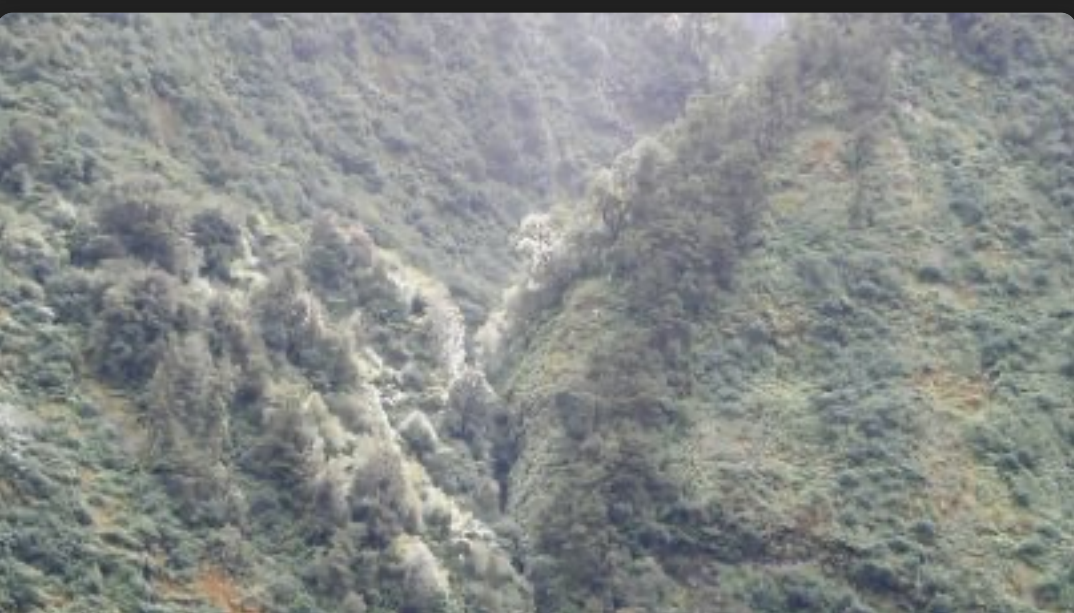
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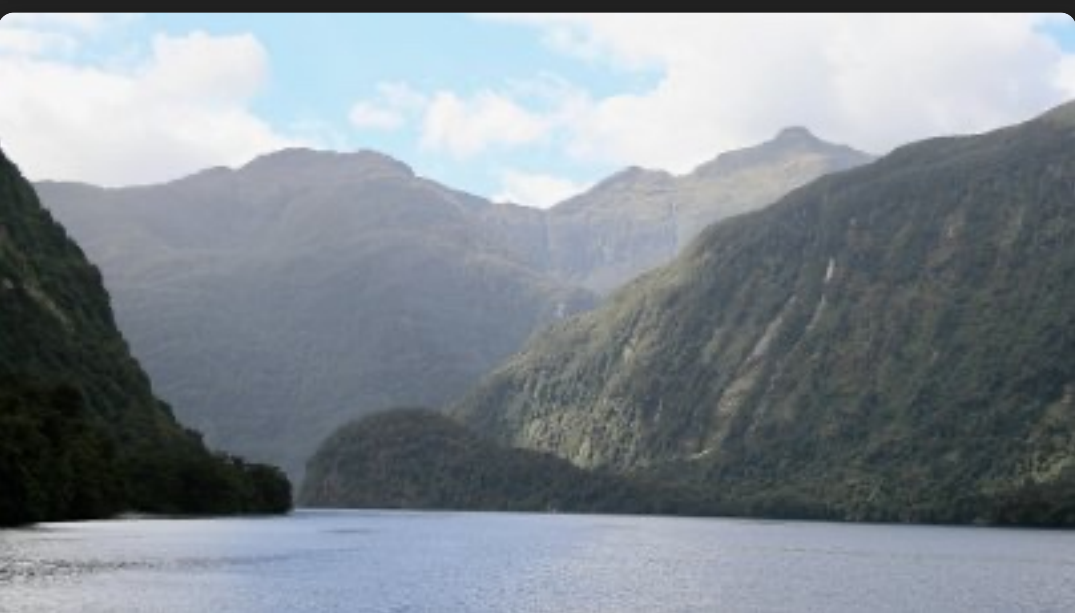
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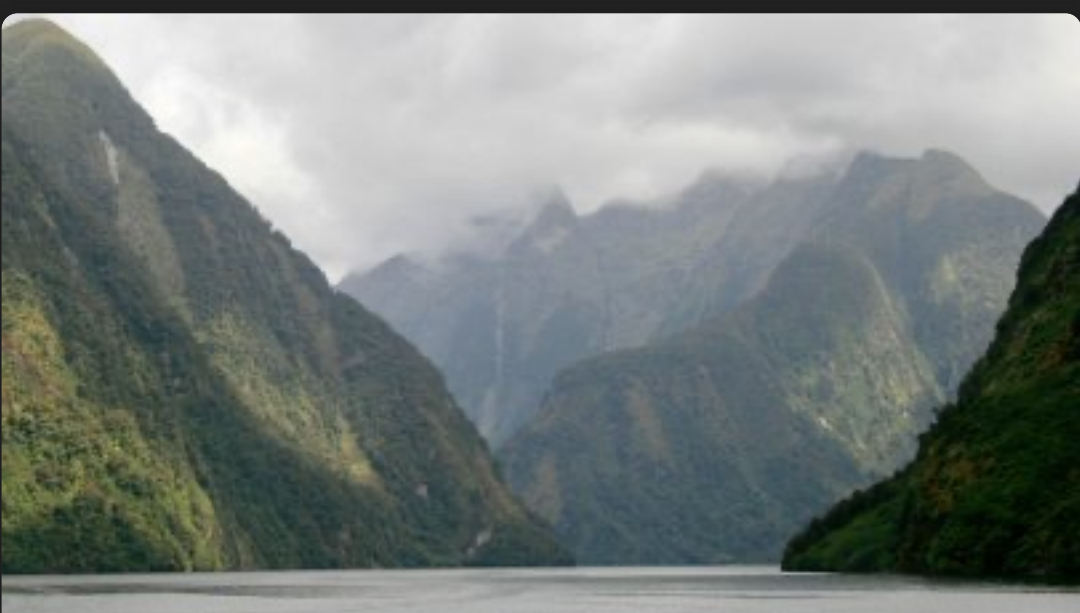
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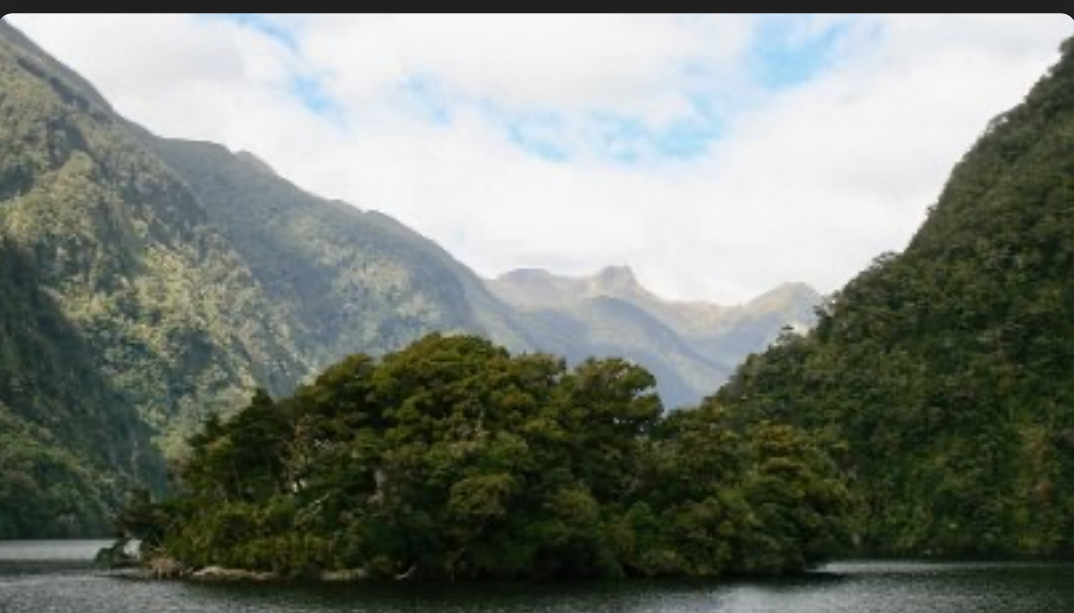
Doubtful Sound waterfall from side valley



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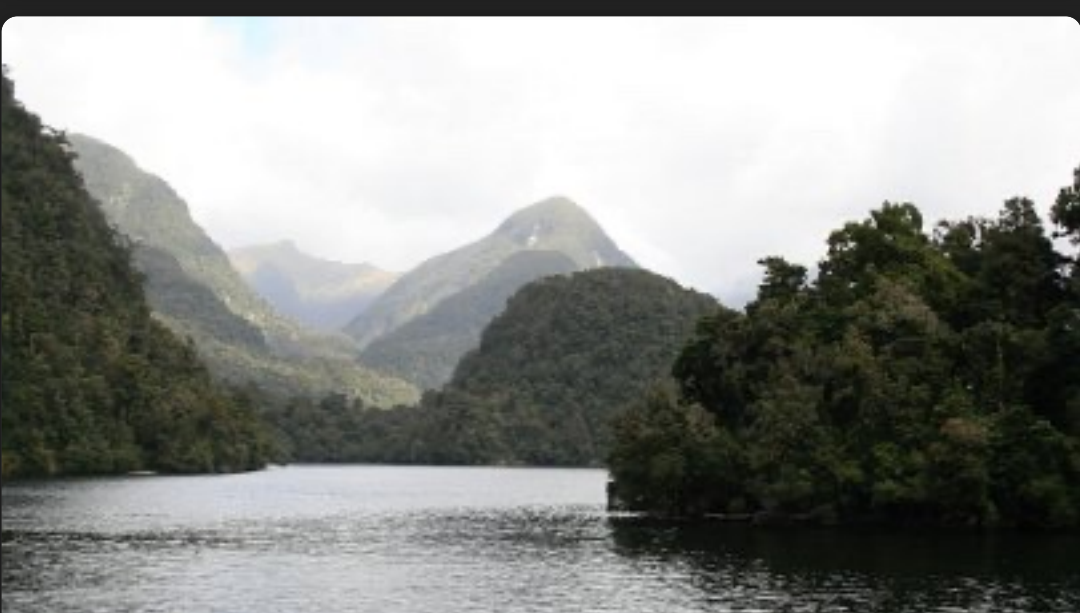
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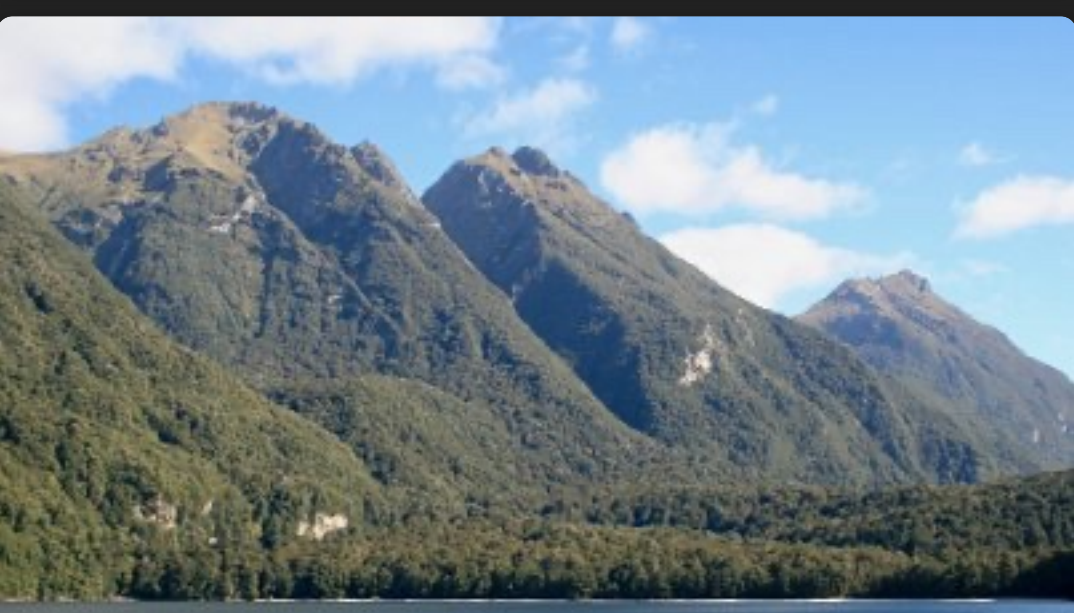
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Hunter Mountains from Lake Manapouri



Grand Traverse Day 6 - Routeburn Falls to Road End



Queenstown via Wanaka to Haast





Queenstown via Wanaka to Haast

We hired a car to take us back to Christchurch. Our first stop was at the old settlement of Arrowtown - very pretty and full of tourists. We then proceeded northwards over the hills along the Carona Highway to Wanaka - a very pretty place at the southern end of beautiful Lake Wanaka. After lunch we continued north via Lake Hawea and then back over The Neck to Lake Wanaka. North again through Makarora up to the Haast Pass. The Gates of Haast waterfall was flowing well and many other waterfalls and wonderful river scenes were enjoyed. We ended our day in the little coastal town of Haast and enjoyed the beach very briefly as we were eaten alive by mossies and sandflies. We had another encounter with them later that night after dinner.



Queenstown via Wanaka to Haast Map
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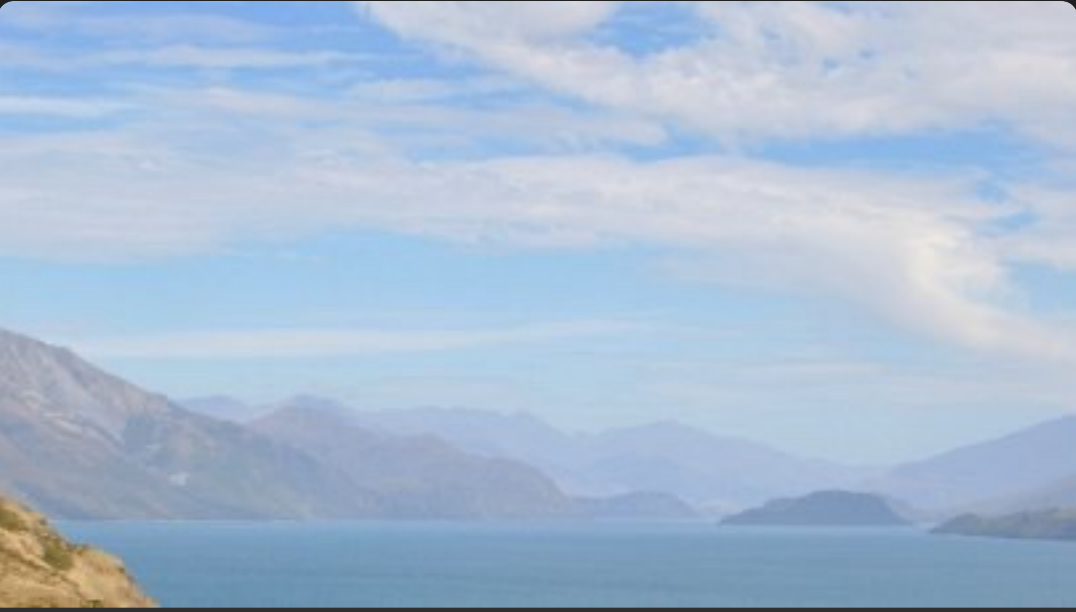
Lake Wanaka from Wanaka at the southern end



Lake Wanaka from Wanaka at the southern end



Lake Hawea southwards from The Neck



Lake Wanaka southwards from The Neck



Lake Wanaka southwards from The Neck



Fantail Falls on Haast River



Anne taking photos of Fantail Falls on Haast River



Haast River just below Fantail Falls



Top of Gates of Haast Falls



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Gates of Haast Falls



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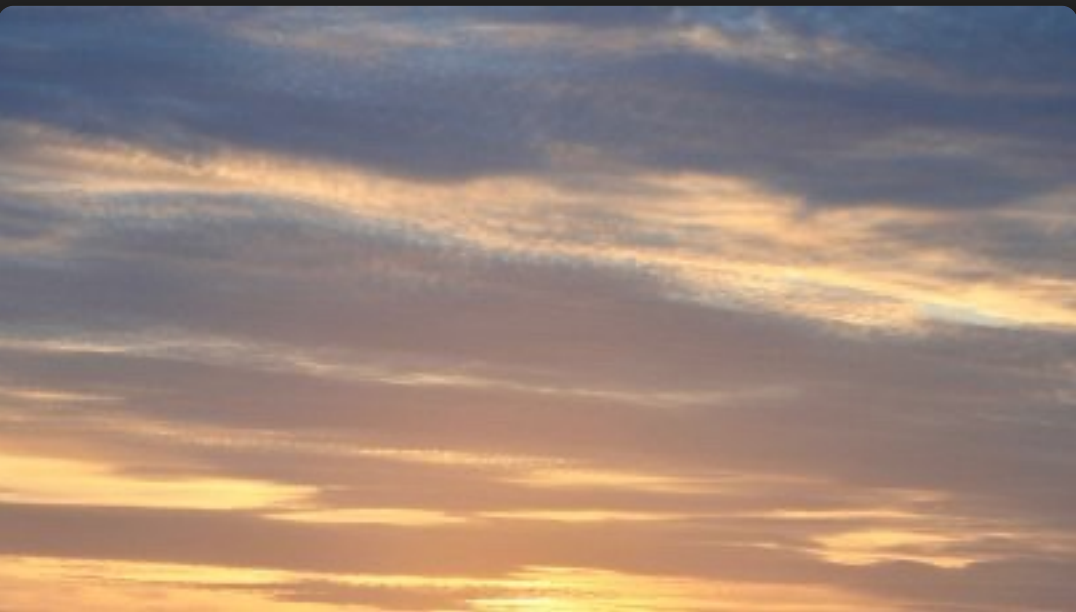
Valley side view near Gates of Haast Falls



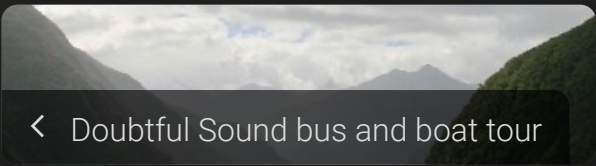
Thunder Creek Falls on Haast River



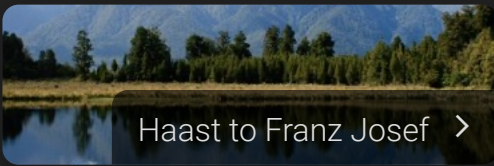
Sunset on the beach at Haast - voracious mossies and sandflies



Sunset on the beach at Haast with Open Bay Islands



< Doubtful Sound bus and boat tour



Haast to Franz Josef >

Haast to Franz Josef

From Haast we drove north along or near to the west coast. Our first stop was at Knight's Point where the lookout provides good views of the Point, offshore rocks and birdlife. The next stop was to view the beach at Bruce Bay where the waves sometimes go over the road. North again away from the coast through forested areas with several river crossings. At the small town of Fox Glacier we visited Lake Matheson famous for it's reflections of the mountains. A small walk through trees to the secluded lake was very worth while. After lunch we drove to the track to the Fox Glacier. The track provides good views of the face of the glacier and of the melt water exiting from the glacier foot - the source of the Fox River. We then drove on to our accommodation at the town of Franz Joseph where we organised the next day's adventure.



Haast to Franz Joseph Map
[Map produced using Google Earth Pro]



Knight's Point from the lookout



Rocks at Knight's Point



Rocks at Knight's Point



Rocks at Knight's Point



The beach at Bruce Bay



Mt Cook and other peaks from near Fox Glacier town



Mt Cook and other peaks from near Fox Glacier town



Reflections on Lake Matheson near Fox Glacier town



Reflections on Lake Matheson near Fox Glacier town



Dave inspecting the vegetation on the path to Lake Matheson near Fox Glacier town



Mt Cook and other peaks from near Fox Glacier town



Foot of Fox Glacier



Foot of Fox Glacier with meltwater exit cave



Foot of Fox Glacier



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Foot of Fox Glacier with meltwater exit cave



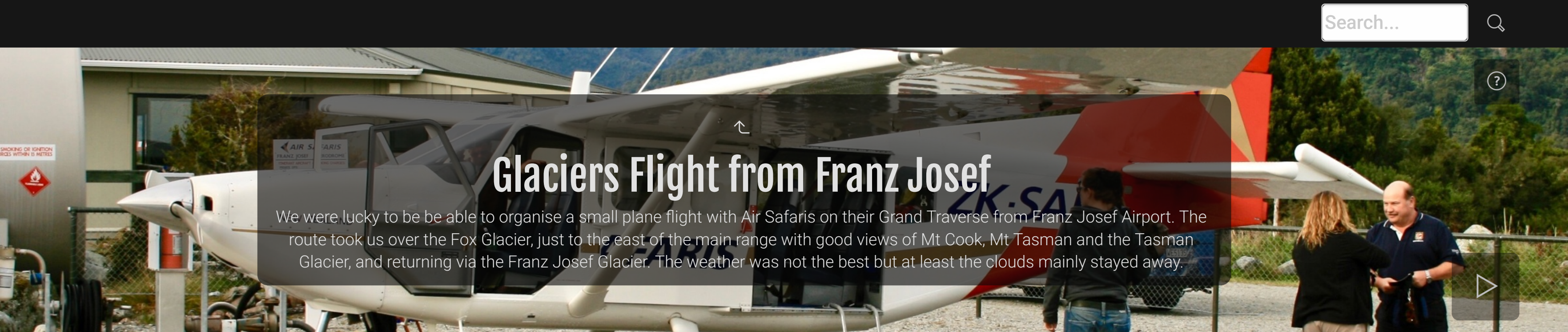
Vertical strata in Fox Glacier valley rocks



View of Fox Glacier from the track



Snowy peaks near Fox Glacier head



Franz Josef Air Safaris Grand Traverse Brochure



Franz Joseph Glaciers Flight Map
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Just after taking off from Franz Josef Airport lower reaches of Waiho River



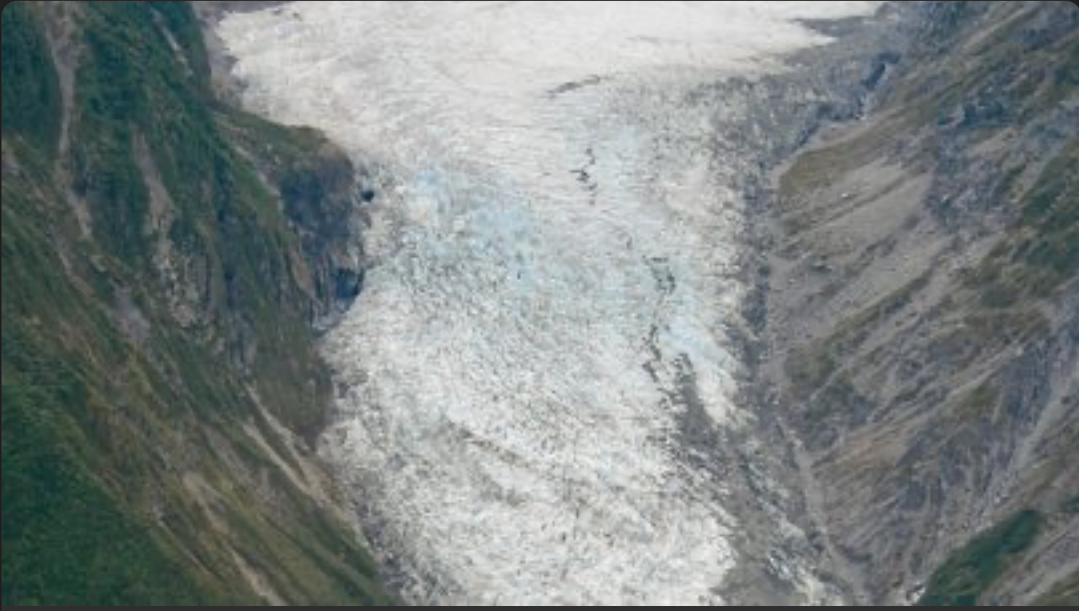
Franz Josef and Waiho River valley and Main Range with Mt Cook



Fox Glacier



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West side of Fritz Range



Top of Fox Glacier



Fox Glacier patterns



Looking down Fox Glacier



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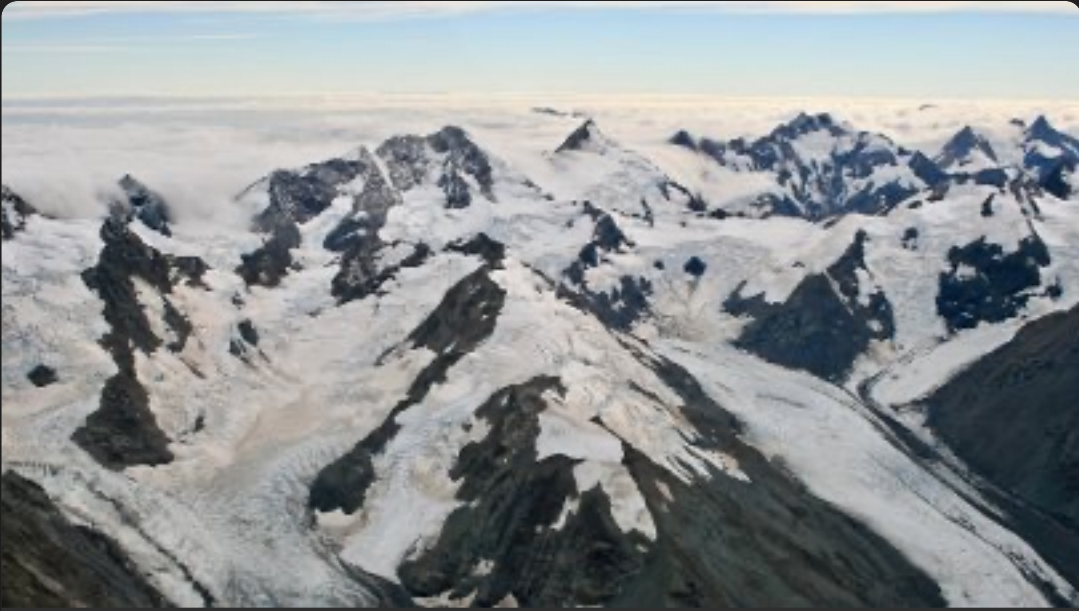
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Tasman Glacier and Minarets



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Glaciers from Mt Tasman



Mt Cook and Tasman Glacier



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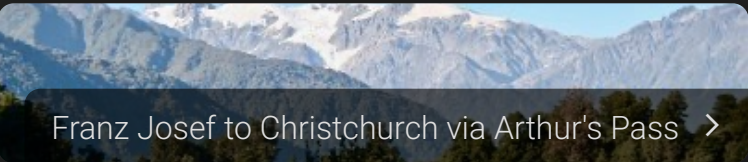
Franz Josef Glacier



Our plane for the Glaciers Flight



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Franz Josef to Christchurch via Arthur's Pass

Travelling north along the Franz Josef and Harikari Highways we made our way up the west coast to Greymouth. There was a long delay on the Arthur's Pass road due to a truck accident but we finally made it over to Christchurch in time for our lovely meal at Annie's Bar. We finished our trip together exploring Christchurch before heading our separate ways back home.

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Franz Joseph to Christchurch via Arthur's Pass Map
[Map produced using Google Earth Pro]



Mountain views from Franz Josef (from near our accommodation)



Mountain views from Franz Josef



Lake Mapourika on Franz Josef Highway



Mountain views from Franz Josef Highway near Whataroa



Coastal views from Franz Josef Highway near Whataroa



Beach scene near Greymouth



Beach scene near Greymouth



Beach scene near Greymouth



Arthurs Pass scenery



Arthurs Pass scenery



Arthurs Pass scenery with avalanche shelters



Christchurch Art Gallery



Christchurch Art Gallery





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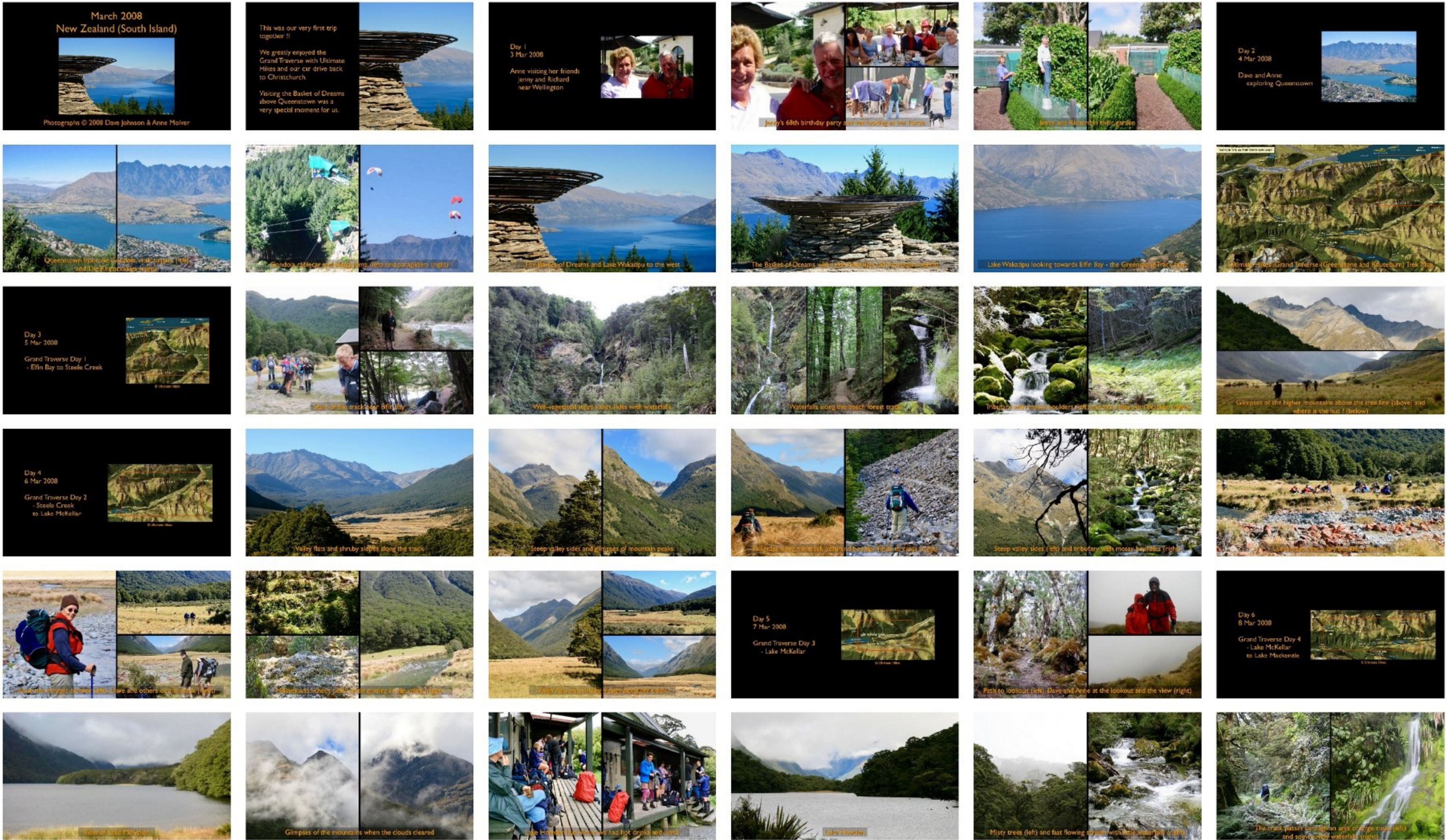
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We crossed under (through) the 174m high Carbonate Falls - very noisy and very wet.



Anne and Dave at Little Rock Falls near Lake Mackenzie.



Day 7
9 Mar 2008

Grand Traverse Day 5
- Lake Mackenzie
to Routeburn Falls



Lake Mackenzie Lodge, setting off and view of the lake from above.



Lake Mackenzie with DOC's hut and our Lodge further from the lake.



Two trail guides (left) and Anne and Dave (right) climbing up from Lake Mackenzie basin.



Darren Mountains



Darren Mountains, Hollyford Valley and glimpse of Lake McKerron right distance.



Hollyford Valley view.



View to the south from Hollyford Valley with snow-capped peaks in the distance.



Darren Mountains with snow and clouds.



Darren Mountains with nice U-shaped glacial valley.



Dave and Anne at Harris Saddle - the highest point of the traverse.



Conical Hill (left) and Eagle Rock craggy up (right).



Views from Conical Hill.



Conical Hill, Conical Hill.



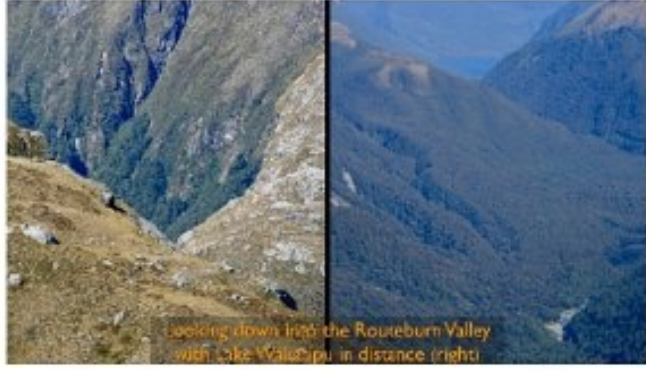
View from Conical Hill with Lake McKerron and the ocean beach at Marbo's Bay.



View of the Conical Hill from the Saddle with Marbo's Bay in the distance.



Looking towards the Routeburn Lodge from the Conical Hill.



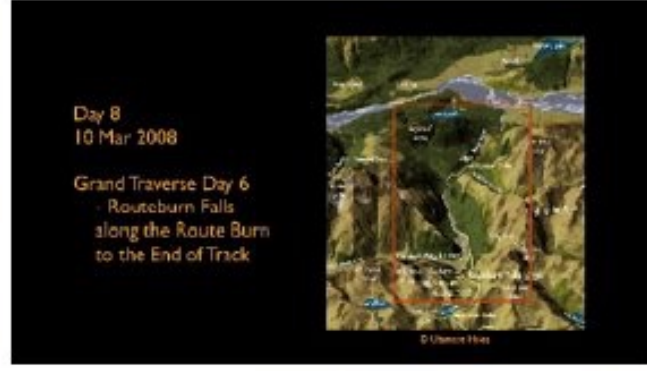
Looking down into the Routeburn Valley with Lake McKerron in distance (right).



View down into the Routeburn Valley and distant mountains.



The Routeburn Lodge and Falls.



Day 8
10 Mar 2008

Grand Traverse Day 6
- Routeburn Falls
along the Route Burn
to the End of Track



Routeburn Lodge for our last breakfast of the trek.



Anne and Dave at Harris Saddle - the highest point of the traverse.



Anne and Dave ready to set off on the last day of the trek (left) and good rain down (left) the Lake McKerron.



View from the back with Lake McKerron North (right) and good rain down (left) the Lake McKerron.



Looking into the Lake McKerron from the back.



Looking into the Lake McKerron from the back.



View from the valley flats back up to the Routeburn Falls.



Birds on the valley flats.



Good rain down (left) and one of the birds.



Good rain down (left) and one of the birds.



Good rain down (left) and one of the birds.



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Waiting for the bus.



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Waiting for the bus.



Day 10
12 Mar 2008

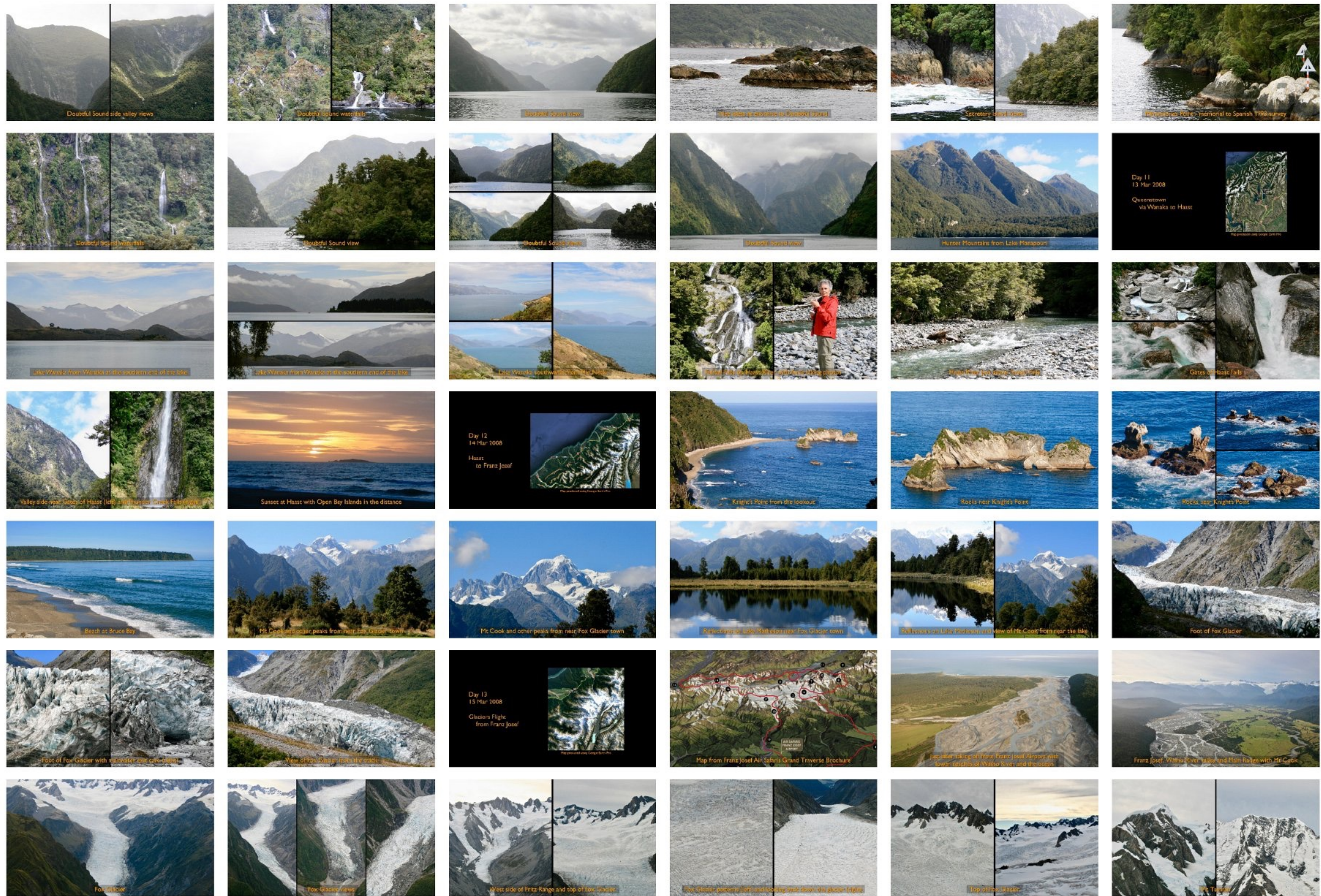
Doubtful Sound
- bus and
boat tour



Waiting for the bus.



Waiting for the bus.





Mt Cook



McKee and glacier (left) and Tasman Glacier and Minarets (right)



Mt Cook



Mt Cook



Mt Tasman



Glacier from Mt Tasman



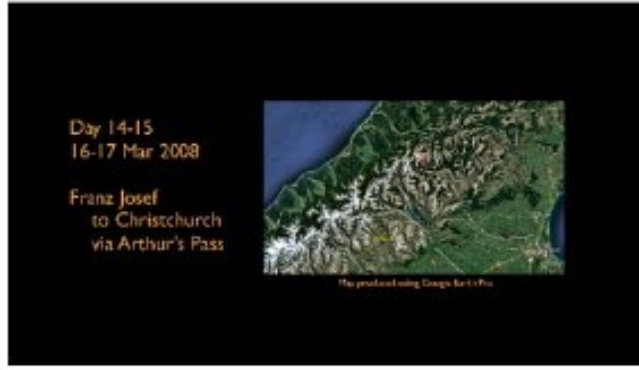
Mt Cook and Franz Josef Glacier (left) and looking down Franz Josef Glacier (right)



Franz Josef Glacier



The plane after our Glaciers flight



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16-17 Mar 2008
Franz Josef
to Christchurch
via Arthur's Pass



The gradient using Google Earth



Mountain views from Franz Josef
(from near our accommodation)



Mountain views from Franz Josef



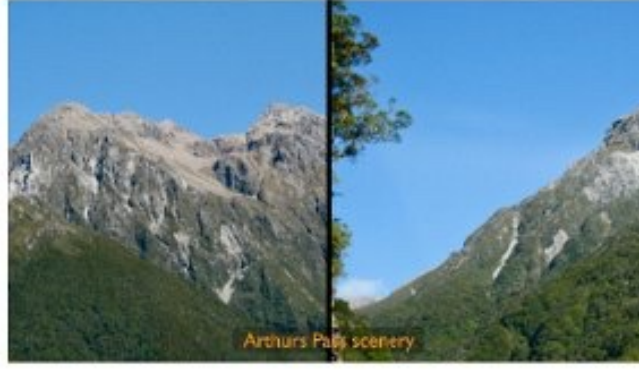
Lake Mapourika on Franz Josef Highway



Houses and coastal views from Franz Josef Highway near Whangarei



Beach scenes near Greymouth



Arthur's Pass scenery



Arthur's Pass scenery with Wallcreeper



Christchurch Art Gallery with Wallcreeper



Christchurch Art Gallery



That's all folks !!
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