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Guided Tours by LSQ encompasses everything we are good at. *Private tours with your own dedicated passionate local guide and luxury vehicle.*

We would say between us we know our backyard better than anyone and we love to share this gorgeous region with our guests. Allow us to take you on an in-depth interactive tour of our favourite places, showcasing the best of what's on offer here in Queenstown and the surrounding regions.

We offer a range of all-inclusive, half or full day private Guided Tours

- **Guided Tours** - 6 interactive tours which combine sightseeing with hands-on activities and experiences.
- **Guided Hikes** – 6 short, guided hikes combined with sightseeing.
- **Wine Tours** – 3 wine tours including wine tastings at vineyards across Gibbston Valley and Bannockburn.

Every LSQ tour promises an exceptional experience with:

- A dedicated, knowledgeable driver-guide offering captivating commentary.
- Your own luxurious vehicle equipped with air conditioning.
- In-vehicle comfort supplies like bottled water, tissues and sunscreen.
- Seamless door-to-door service, including convenient pick-up and drop-offs from your Queenstown area accommodation.

Book a Tour, Make a Difference!

With every tour booked, we'll donate one native tree to "Trees that Count", supporting the restoration of Aotearoa's Unique biodiversity.

Our commitment to sustainability goes further, as all tours include eco-friendly water bottles, made in New Zealand from renewable plant-based materials, helping to reduce plastic waste.

Every journey with us is a step towards a sustainable future.



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HISTORIC ARROWTOWN *featuring*

Join us for a half-day tour to historic Arrowtown. We'll take the scenic route including the dramatic Shotover River gorge, passing Coronet Peak on our way to the historic gold village of Arrowtown.

Your guide will pick you up from your hotel, and in no time, you'll find yourself delving deep into the fascinating past of this region.

Our journey begins with a visit to the Edith Cavell Bridge, where your guide will share stories behind the name of this bridge. Below you, in the swirling waters of the Shotover River, you can witness the exhilarating sight of the iconic red Shotover Jet boats spinning below.

Continuing on the road to Arrowtown, the tour pauses at the Skippers Lookout, where you can soak in the breathtaking views that stretch before you from Queenstown, The Remarkables and Arrowtown.

Upon arrival in Arrowtown, a place born of gold, you'll be greeted by a picturesque setting where the 1870s gold mining heritage still thrives. Your guide will lead you through the Arrowtown Chinese Settlement, a restored tribute to the significant role played by Chinese miners and entrepreneurs in the region's history.

With some free time, you can savor a coffee, leisurely stroll along the shady riverbank of the Arrow River, or explore the historic buildings housing unique boutiques, art galleries, jewellery, and crafts.

There's ample time to discover the beauty of Pounamu, a stone of great significance that drew the Maori to this region, as well as discover the traces of gold that swelled the early population with miners. Make sure to ask your guide to introduce you to Justin at the gold shop, where you can see the impressive big nuggets up close.

As we bid adieu to this charming spot, we'll head to our destination: the Kawarau Bungy Bridge, the birthplace of bungy jumping before returning home via Lake Hayes.



**Edith Cavell Bridge +
Chinese Village**

Optional Additions to your Historic Arrowtown Tour:

Winery lunch – Consider adding a reservation at one of the local winery restaurants and having your guide deliver you there, leaving you to relax and enjoy a sumptuous meal before returning in two hours to return you to your hotel.

Arrowtown guided walking tour (90 mins) – Meet the experts from Arrowtown Museum for a walking tour with many interesting stories along the way. This tour includes the Chinese Settlement, Historic Arrowtown Gaol (jail), St Patrick's Church and Mary MacKillop's cottage, and many interesting stories along the way.

Arrowtown gold panning experience (45 mins) – In this area, gold can still be found. How about spending some time trying your luck to unearth your very own piece in the Arrowtown River to take home, just like the prospectors of old?



ENCOUNTER GLENORCHY *Experience*

Join us for a half day tour to Glenorchy. A spectacular drive alongside Lake Whakatipu to Glenorchy Village. Relax in the peaceful alpine oasis, surrounded by the majestic Southern Alps, with the alpine Dart River on one side and the icy lake on the other.

We'll pause at the finest viewpoints, including an essential photo stop at Bennetts Bluff, before arriving in Glenorchy—an authentic piece of New Zealand paradise nestled at the northern tip of Lake Whakatipu.

Set against a backdrop of unparalleled natural beauty, it's no wonder this location has been a magnetic draw for countless filmmakers. Notably, it has served as a canvas for numerous scenes in the iconic Lord of the Rings trilogy.

There is much to explore in this quaint town and your guide will present you with an array of choices, but allow us to suggest the following gems:

- Immerse yourself in the Glenorchy Jetty, capturing a moment with the renowned red Railway shed.
- Wander along the Glenorchy Boardwalk, offering vistas of majestic Humbolt Mountains and, on tranquil days, mirror-like reflections.
- Indulge in the local charm and hot coffee with a visit to Mrs Woolly's General Store
- Extend your scenic drive to Paradise, seizing the chance to capture a photograph beside New Zealand's most photographed road sign. A delightful introduction to the Mt Aspiring National Park.

Whichever way you choose to savour your moments in Glenorchy, your guide is dedicated to ensuring you fully embrace the wonders of this remarkable destination. As you journey back to Queenstown, recline in comfort, enjoying the scenery.



Red Shed + Jetty in Glenorchy

Optional Addition to your Encounter Glenorchy Experience:

Dart River Wilderness Jet Experience (2 hours) – Jet boat tour, exploring iconic, untouched landscapes inaccessible by other means in the pristine Dart River Valley and the Te Wāhipounamu - South West New Zealand UNESCO World Heritage Area of Mount Aspiring National Park.

Upgrade to a full day of exploration and immerse yourself even deeper in the wonders of this incredible area.



THE LOOP Tour

Embark on a full-day sightseeing tour that takes you on a loop from Queenstown, through Arrowtown, Gibbston Valley, Kawarau Gorge, Cromwell, Wanaka, Cardrona and back to Queenstown. This tour provides a fantastic opportunity to explore the Southern Lakes region and uncover a captivating tapestry of landscapes, history and adventure.

As your guide leads the way, tailoring your day to your preferences, anticipate surprises as the journey unfolds, revealing an array of unique experiences.

Here are some potential highlights for your day:

Indulge your senses with the sweetness of honey, the sophistication of some of the world's finest Pinot wines, or the wholesome goodness of seasonal treats like cherries, peaches and apples.

Step out of your comfort zone with an exciting choice: take a leap into the world of bungee jumping at its birthplace or embark on an exhilarating jetboat sprint at Oxbow.

Be amazed by the remarkable accomplishments of Lake Dunstan, New Zealand's largest hydropower project, and let the reverberating roar of the Kawarau River remind you how its powerful currents have sculpted the very landscape you're about to witness.

Discover an array of high-quality boutique wineries, breweries and distilleries. Be sure to let your guide know your preferences so they can include some must-visit hotspots.

For lunch (additional cost), consider a unique sharing experience of five local dishes, cooked within retired French oak Pinot wine barrels. Alternatively, relish tapas and small plates paired with local wine and craft beer at the historic Bannockburn Hotel, where you'll be surrounded by breathtaking vineyards, landscapes and mountains.

The vibrant town of Wanaka offers an array of choices suitable for everyone. Consider a visit to the Wanaka Lavender Farm, attempt salmon fishing at Hook, indulge in ice cream at Patagonia Chocolates - Ice Creamery & Chocolateries, or simply unwind while strolling along the lakefront, contemplating alpine vistas, and capturing the iconic #ThatWanakaTree photo.

On the way back to Queenstown, ensure you take the opportunity to visit the iconic Cardrona Bra fence. Also, make it a point to explore two renowned must-visit spots: the Cardrona Hotel, known as one of the most photographed historic pubs globally, or indulge in local whisky and gin at the Cardrona Distillery.

As your day comes to a close, take the scenic route home via the Crown Range Road, New Zealand's highest main road, celebrated for its awe-inspiring views.



Wanaka Tree



MAJESTIC MILFORD & Experience

Embark on an extended full day tour from Queenstown to Milford Sound, enjoying the spectacular journey in comfort with your private guide.

Picture yourself surrounded by the awe-inspiring beauty of Fiordland, a UNESCO World Heritage site, as your day begins with an early start.

Kick off the adventure with a scenic drive that winds around the Devil's Staircase, with a refreshing coffee pit stop at the 5 Rivers Cafe.

Venturing into Fiordland National Park and the Eglington Valley, you'll catch a glimpse of the beauty yet to come. There's time for you to enjoy short walks and capture picture perfect holiday memories. Highlights include Mirror Lakes, Lake Gunn, Monkey Creek, and the Hollyford Valley lookout. If luck is on your side, the cheeky Kea parrot might make an appearance.

The road ahead unveils the Homer Tunnel – an exhilarating 1.2km unlined road tunnel sloping down towards Milford on a 1 in 10 gradient. Emerging from the tunnel, get ready to be enchanted by a short walk to the Chasm, a captivating symphony of water and rock that's bound to leave you in awe.

Upon arriving at Milford Sound, the majestic Mitre Peak dominates the scene, placing you at the heart of the eighth wonder of the world, a place shaped by nature's finest hands.

Immerse yourself in this masterpiece as your guide directs you to your small group cruise. Step aboard your cruise for a once-in-a-lifetime experience through this extraordinary fiord, a place where waterfalls cascade into the depths below. Keep your eyes peeled, in the hope of spotting dolphins, seals, or penguins of penguins that call this paradise home.

After the cruise, relax and enjoy the homeward journey.



Mitre Peak



Optional Additions to your Majestic Milford Experience:

Why not add an optional stop at the [Te Anau Bird Sanctuary](#)? Here, you can encounter Fiordland's treasured avian gems – the elusive and endangered Takahē and captivating Kākā, birds rarely glimpsed in the wild.

Or for an even grander finale, consider an upgrade: [a return flight by fixed wing or helicopter](#), promising a panoramic, awe-inducing perspective of the Southern Alps



FAMILY FUN Adventure

Join us for a full day of fun experiences, creating your own honey and visiting a working New Zealand farm to make cherished memories with your whole family.

Your day begins with a personal driver-guide whisking you away to the Buzzstop Bee and Honey Centre for a delightful start with coffee and hot chocolates. Participate in a honey spinning tour—an engaging, hands-on, and educational experience suitable for all ages. Dive into the fascinating world of bees and beehives before getting your hands sticky with an interactive activity. But the true highlight is the part where you'll uncap, spin, filter, and bottle your very own jar of fresh honey to take home.

After bottling your honey, venture South via the Devil's Staircase to Real Country NZ. Here, you can indulge in a gourmet picnic lunch at Real Country NZ, surrounded by picturesque views and a delightful variety of friendly farm animals.

In the afternoon, immerse yourself in rural New Zealand on a private farm tour. Here, you can learn to crack a whip, witness a sheep dog mustering demonstration, or enjoy a working horse communication and interaction experience. Feel free to ask plenty of questions throughout the day; your farming hosts are passionate about sharing their knowledge with you.

As the day winds down, bid farewell to the animals at Real Country and choose to either return to your accommodation or take a detour via Hanley's Farm. It's a great opportunity to let the kids run off some steam at the spectacular playground.



Real Country NZ + BuzzStop



CREATIVE DISCOVERY OF HONEY, ART + *Discovery*

Join us for a full-day tour filled with immersive experiences including visiting a local honey farm, an artist's home gallery, and the historic town of Arrowtown, born of gold.

Your adventure begins as your local guide picks you up from your accommodation, ready to whisk you away to the Buzzstop Manuka Honey Centre & Café, a local honey bee farm. This destination is a haven for pure honey production.

After a rejuvenating caffeine boost, discover the fascinating world of bees and their hives, and then get your hands delightfully sticky with an interactive honey extraction activity. The highlight? You'll uncap, spin, filter, and bottle your very own jar of fresh honey to savour and take home.

Next, your itinerary introduces you to one of Queenstown's beloved residents, Lee van der Geest. Lee is a local artist renowned for her diverse mediums and creative talents. Her warm welcome invites you into her home, where you will share a gourmet platter.

After lunch, you'll have the option to spend time in Lee's personal art sanctuary, overlooking the stunning Lake Hayes, either crafting your own masterpiece or embarking on a leisurely stroll along the picturesque Lake Hayes track.

With Arrowtown just around the corner, your guide will ensure you have the opportunity to visit this 'must-see' destination. A town steeped in history, originally founded during the gold rush. As you arrive, you'll be greeted by a charming setting that still echoes the gold mining heritage of the 1870s.

With some free time to pursue your own interests, you can enjoy a leisurely coffee, stroll along the serene riverbank of the Arrow River, or explore the historic buildings housing unique boutiques, art galleries, jewellery shops, and craft stores. Don't miss the chance to discover the beauty of Pounamu, a stone of immense significance that once drew the Maori to this region and uncover traces of the gold that fuelled the early miner population.

At the conclusion of your full-day tour brimming with creativity, art, history, and visits to our favourite local hotspots, your guide will escort you back to your accommodation.



Lee van der Geest + BuzzStop



guided WINE TOURS



Chard Farm

Enjoy a private wine tasting tour through Central Otago to our world class wineries in Gibbston Valley, Bannockburn, Bendigo, Wanaka and Cromwell. Choose one of our Wine Tour options, all accompanied by an experienced and knowledgeable local guide. Your friendly driver-guide will pick you up and drop you off at your hotel making this a luxurious day out.

Gibbston Gold

Enjoy a leisurely 6 hours exploring three of the Gibbston Valley's boutique cellar doors with your private, knowledgeable driver-guide.

Our Gibbston Gold Tour weaves together sightseeing in historic Arrowtown, a tour of New Zealand's largest underground wine cave and a platter lunch with a glass of local wine at one of the three premium vineyards on your itinerary.

Wine+Dine

Our Wine + Dine Tour is a full day experience that will satisfy all the senses. Spend the day cellar-door hopping in the southernmost cool climate wine region of New Zealand.

Enjoy three of Central Otago's impressive wine sub regions throughout the day - Bannockburn, Cromwell and Gibbston Valley. Your private driver-guide will chauffeur you to four premium vineyards for tastings and as if that isn't enough they will take you to relax amongst the vines in Bannockburn and enjoy a 2 course gourmet a la carte lunch accompanied by a glass of local wine.

This tour is a must for those wanting to kick up their heels and really immerse themselves in our region's finest wine culture and travel in style and comfort.

Three Vines

Let us whisk you away for 4 hours into the heart of Gibbston Valley to tantalize your taste buds with some of our region's finest wine.

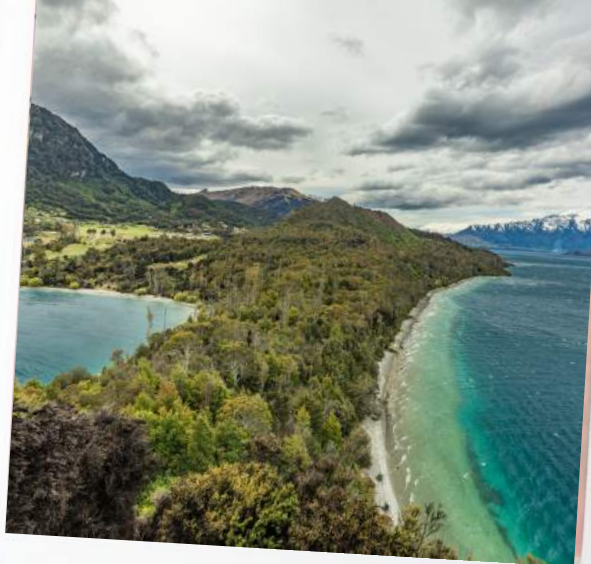
Our Three Vines tour is the perfect appetizer for those wanting a shorter tour to experience some of New Zealand's premium vineyards. Leave the navigation to your exclusive, knowledgeable driver-guide and just enjoy the scenery from the comfort of one of our luxurious Mercedes Benz or BMWs.



Due to availability, wineries may be subject to change from time to time.



guided HIKES



Bob's Cove

Bob's Cove Track & Nature Walk:

Listen for the calls of the bellbird, tui and kereru (wood pigeons) whilst your guide leads you through beech forests and manuka groves, providing interesting information about the native birds and surrounding bush.

Highlights of this tour include a historic lime kiln dating back to the 1800s and a short, steep climb to a spectacular lookout point. At the summit, you'll be rewarded with panoramic views of the lake and mountains. This is an easy hike apart from a short, steep climb to the lookout. The distance is 3kms, and it's expected to take approximately 90 minutes.

Please allow 3 hours for the entire experience, including travel time from your Queenstown accommodation.

Mt Crichton Loop Track including Sam Summers Hut:

Embark on this trail that winds through native beech forests, crosses rivers, and unveils a captivating waterfall, all under the guidance of your private hiking guide. Along the way, enjoy panoramic views of Lake Dispute and Lake Whakatipu, while catching glimpses of Central Otago's rich gold mining history.

Highlights of this journey include exploring an old mining tunnel, once used as a tailrace, and visiting the site of a 1930s Chinese gold miners camp, where you'll discover Sam Summers Hut.

The total distance covered is 6.5 km, and the hike is expected to take approximately 2.5-3 hours. To account for travel time from your Queenstown accommodation, please allow 4 hours for the entire experience.



guided HIKES



Arrowtown

Arrowtown:

Join us to explore the stunning landscape and rich history of Arrowtown through its well-maintained walking and hiking trails. These paths wind alongside rivers, ascend mountains, and meander through alpine forests. As you journey along these trails, you'll encounter remnants of the town's gold mining heritage, all set against the backdrop of breathtaking natural scenery.

With your own private guide, your walking tours can range from leisurely strolls along the serene Arrowtown River Trail to lengthier hikes, such as the Lake Hayes Track. For those seeking more challenging hikes, we offer trails like the Sawpit Gully Trail and Tobin's Track, each offering breathtaking views.

Following your hike, take time to explore the charming town of Arrowtown and savour a refreshing beverage before we return you to Queenstown. Please allocate 6 hours for the entire experience, including travel time from your Queenstown accommodation.

Glenorchy Lagoon Walkway:

Explore nature's splendour with a guided stroll along Glenorchy Lagoon Walkway. This family-friendly adventure offers panoramic views of Mount Earnslaw/Pikirakatahi, Mount Alfred/Ari, and the surrounding ranges.

During spring and late autumn, the snow-capped peaks reflect in the lagoon, perfect for stunning photos. In December, vibrant lupins bloom along the trail.

As you walk through the wetlands, your guide will point out various bird species, including black swans, pied stilt, and grey ducks. Keep an eye on the skies for New Zealand falcons and swamp harriers. Dragonflies and damselflies add to the enchantment.

After your walk, explore charming Glenorchy and enjoy a drink before returning to Queenstown. Please allow 6 hours for the entire experience, including travel time from your Queenstown accommodation.

All hikes include:

- Pick up from your accommodation in Queenstown and return after your hike.
- A knowledgeable hiking guide with vehicle
- Snacks and water
- Specialist safety equipment brought by your guide
- For our 6 hour guided hike in Glenorchy or Arrowtown, a drink at a local cafe or bar is included

Deluxe picnic lunches are available on request, as an optional extra.

Health & Safety

- Guests will be required to bring their own appropriate walking footwear and clothing.
- Guests are advised to dress appropriately for the weather, bearing in mind that weather conditions can change quickly in this region.
- Some hikes may not be suitable for very young children.
- Participants are responsible for ensuring they are in suitable physical condition to participate in the tour.
- Any medical conditions, allergies, or dietary restrictions should be disclosed to us in advance.
- Participants are required to follow safety guidelines and instructions provided by tour guides.
- LSQ reserves the right to amend or cancel any hiking tour based on weather conditions or clients concerns about other safety requirements including clients capabilities.



TERMS + CONDITIONS

Booking and Payment

- Secure your preferred date by booking early.
- A deposit or full payment may be needed to reserve your spot, with payment details provided during booking.

Tour Itinerary

- While we aim to follow the planned itinerary, sometimes adjustments are needed due to unforeseen circumstances.
- We'll always keep you informed about any changes promptly.

Cancellation of Services

- Cancellations more than 7 days before the service: No charge, full refund if payment made.
- Cancellations 2-6 days before the service: 50% charge, 50% refund if payment made.
- Cancellations within 48 hours or no-show: 100% charge, no refund.
- We'll do our best to accommodate date and time changes if needed.

Health & Safety

- Participants are advised to dress appropriately for the weather conditions on the day of the tour. Weather conditions can change quickly in this region. You may need a rain jacket and warm clothing.
- Please share any medical conditions or allergies in advance.
- Participants are required to follow safety guidelines and instructions provided by tour guides.



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