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ACTIVITIES



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WATERSPORTS



Hydro Attack + Thunder Jet Combo

- Watersports Ltd has expanded its offering with new Hydro Attack and Thunder Jet combo packages.
- Additionally from 24 October, Thunder Jet will introduce its new Rise & Ride departure, offering an early-morning jet boating experience on Lake Whakatipu.
- The new departure showcases the lake's spectacular alpine scenery at the start of the day.

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KIWI JOURNEYS



Kiwi Journeys Cycle Tours

- Kiwi Journeys has expanded into Queenstown with new single and multi-day cycle tours.
- Offers cycling experiences throughout the Queenstown region and into Central Otago.
- Features dedicated cycling depots at both ends of the Kawarau Gorge Trail.
- Provides convenient shuttle services and on-site parking for riders.
- Offers flexible ride options departing from Queenstown and Arrowtown

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BACKCOUNTRY HELICOPTERS



Wilkin Wonderland

- Backcountry Helicopters has introduced the new Wilkin Wonderland Explorer experience.
- Combines private helicopter flights, a private jet boat safari, and a guided hike through the Upper Wilkin Valley.
- Departs from Queenstown, Wānaka, or Makarora, providing flexible departure options.
- Can be fully customised to suit individual interests and activity preferences.

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QUEENSTOWN AIR CHARTER



Queenstown Air Charter

- Glenorchy Air has launched Queenstown Air Charter, a new private aviation service.
- Operates with a Tecnam P2012 aircraft designed for premium regional travel. Offers flexible point-to-point air transfers across the South Island and selected North Island destinations.
- Delivers a personalised private charter experience with flexible scheduling and itineraries.

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WANAKA HELICOPTERS



Tailored Horizons

- Wānaka Helicopters has partnered with Best Foot Forward NZ to launch the new Tailored Horizons experience.
- Combines private helicopter access with a fully customised guided hiking adventure.
- Provides exclusive access to remote locations within Mount Aspiring National Park and the West Coast.
- Departs from either Queenstown or Wānaka and can be tailored to individual fitness levels, interests and preferred walking experiences.

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SHADOWLAND EXPEDITIONS



Shadowland Expeditions: Dusky Sound Experiences

- Shadowland Expeditions offers ultra luxury bespoke helicopter and cruise experiences in the remote wilderness of Dusky Sound.
- Available as fully tailored day trips and overnight adventures from Queenstown and Wānaka.
- Includes opportunities for activities such as kayaking, fishing and swimming and feature gourmet dining experiences for couples and small groups.
- Combines scenic flights, wilderness exploration and luxury hospitality in a bespoke Fiordland adventure.

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APPELLATION WINE TOURS



Twilight Stars & Wine Tours

- New evening experience showcases Central Otago's wine, food and night skies.
- Includes wine tasting experiences throughout the evening.
- Features a seasonal dining experience at Gibbston Valley Lodge & Spa.
- Includes a 90-minute stargazing session at Waitiri Creek Wines.
- Guests received a complimentary astrophotography experience.

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AIR MILFORD



Sunset Scenic Flight – “Golden Hour”

- The 40-minute scenic flight operates daily at 4:30pm from 14 June to 31 August.
- Guests can experience three of Queenstown and Wānaka’s ski fields from the air during the golden hour period.
- The flight showcases the region in stunning early evening light.
- Includes informative commentary from experienced local pilots throughout the journey.

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GIBBSTON VALLEY GOLF CLUB



Gibbston Valley Golf Course Has Opened

- The Gibbston Valley Golf Club officially has opened, introducing a new nine-hole, par 32 golf course.
- The course includes a Clubhouse designed by Condon Scott Architects, with a restaurant, gymnasium, heated pool, jacuzzi, and pro shop.
- It is Queenstown Lakes' ninth golf course.

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ALPINE LUXURY TOURS



Te Ao Māori: Tahuna Experience

- Delivered in partnership with Mana Tāhuna and local tangata whenua, the experience includes a traditional welcome, storytelling, native tree planting and a hāngī.
- The experience provides guests with a meaningful connection to the culture, people and landscapes of Tāhuna, Queenstown.

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ALPINE LUXURY TOURS



Ultimate Kiwi Farm Experience at Brightview.

- The experience is an immersive rural day hosted by fourth-generation farmer Chris.
- Guests take part in hands-on farm activities.
- Includes sheep shearing demonstrations and working dog displays.
- Features native tree planting.
- A farmhouse lunch is included.

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ALPINE LUXURY TOURS



Skippers Canyon Explorer

- The experience is a privately guided full-day adventure through dramatic Skippers Canyon landscapes.
- Includes storytelling focused on the region’s gold mining history.
- Features a Skippers Canyon jet boat ride on the Shotover River.
- Guests can take part in traditional gold panning.
- Combines scenery, adrenaline and cultural storytelling into an immersive experience

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SOUTHERN DISCOVERIES



Small group Travel & Discover More Cruise

- Southern Discoveries is launching a small-group travel experience from October using glass-roof Mercedes Sprinters for up to 12 guests.
- The product combines a guided journey with a Milford Sound cruise.
- It includes the company's longest cruise on the fiord (up to 2 hours 15 minutes).Guests will have expert driver-guide commentary and an onboard Nature Guide.
- A picnic lunch is also included.

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SOUTHERN DISCOVERIES



Small group Travel & VIP Cruise

- The experience offers a fully hosted Milford Sound cruise.
- Includes priority boarding for guests.
- Provides exclusive access to the Captain’s VIP Lounge.
- Features a private indoor space with its own outdoor viewing deck.
- Includes dedicated hosting, food and drinks.
- Guests can freely explore the vessel throughout the cruise.

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HELI GLENORCHY



Peaks to Paradise

- Heli Glenorchy has partnered with Dart River Adventures to launch the Peaks to Paradise experience.
- The product combines a private scenic helicopter flight with three exclusive alpine landings.
- Includes a jet boat journey through Mount Aspiring National Park.
- Offers a premium Southern Alps adventure experience.

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NZBIKETRAILS



Kawarau Gorge Trail

- Kawarau Gorge Trail is nearing completion and is expected to open at the start of next season.
- NZbiketrails has been confirmed as the first Official Approved Kawarau Trail Partner, with operations planned from launch in September.
- A contingency plan is in place in case of delays, including guest transfers to alternative experiences or refunds.

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GLACIER SOUTHERN LAKES



Ben Nevis Station

- Ben Nevis Station is a 20,000-acre private retreat in the Nevis Valley, accessible only by helicopter.
- Glacier Southern Lakes Helicopters provides exclusive access to the experience.
- Guests enjoy gourmet dining in a remote alpine setting.
- Activities include clay bird shooting and hot laps with rally champion Hayden Paddon.

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WATERSHED SAUNA



New Zealand’s First Floating Sauna

- New Zealand’s first floating sauna is now anchored on Lake Whakatipu, offering a unique wellness experience on the water.
- The floating facility features two sauna spaces: a six-guest North Sauna and a larger fourteen-guest South Sauna.
- Both saunas can be privately booked, and the entire pontoon is available for groups, events, or premium experiences.

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THE BATHHOUSE SPA



Queenstown's Newest Scandinavian Inspired Spa Experience

- The Bathhouse Queenstown offers a spa experience inspired by classic European bathhouses, featuring hot pools, saunas, and a range of wellness treatments.
- The new centrally located spa provides a relaxing retreat for visitors looking to unwind after a day of adventure.
- It’s focus on warmth, rejuvenation, and traditional bathing practices brings a fresh wellness element to the area.

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ACCOMMODATION



AVANI QUEENSTOWN



Avani Queenstown is now open, marking the brand's debut in Queenstown and its second New Zealand property.

•Formerly Oaks Shores Resort, the lakefront property has been transformed into a full-service lifestyle hotel.

•The hotel features wellness facilities, all-day dining at Six to Midnight, and contemporary accommodation.

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VOCO



Holiday Inn Express & Suites has converted to the premium Voco brand, bringing an upgraded accommodation offering to central Queenstown.

•The property features 227 guest rooms in a central Queenstown location.

•Upgraded facilities include lobby space, meeting spaces, a restaurant, bar and dining areas.

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QT QUEENSTOWN



The Rydges Queenstown has been absorbed by QT Queenstown and has undergone a major refurbishment, transforming the space to be all at QT standard.

- Expanding from 69 rooms to 222 rooms
- Modernised guest rooms
- Upgraded reception, dining and lobby spaces

New rooms available now and continue to open in sections.

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CORONET RIDGE RESORT



Coronet Ridge Resort has officially opened, marking a new chapter for the property formerly known as Nugget Point Hotel.

- Following a full redevelopment, the resort has been transformed into a boutique retreat featuring 41 refurbished guest rooms and a contemporary new restaurant.
- Guests can also enjoy upgraded wellness and leisure facilities, all designed to deliver an elevated and more luxurious experience.

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ROKI COLLECTION



ROKI Collection Queenstown is an ultra-luxury, boutique hotel on the lakefront of downtown Queenstown.

- Central location close to Queenstown iconic landmarks Onsite fine dining restaurant.
- Library Bar, The Terrace and New Zealand's first two-star Michelin restaurant Essence.
- Extensive wellness offerings onsite.
- Offering suites, Deluxe Suites, 1-2-3-4 Bedroom suites.

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HULBERT HOUSE



Hulbert House has expanded its offering to eight rooms with the introduction of the new McFarlane Room.

- Guests can also enjoy an upgraded ‘Palm Lounge’ space where they can enjoy beautiful meals, read book or play a game by the fire.
- Guests continue to enjoy an all-inclusive stay featuring personalised concierge services, complimentary e-bikes, and guest transfers, further elevating the Hulbert House experience in Queenstown.

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EAT AND DRINK



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MOZZARELLA & CO



- Mozzarella & Co has opened within the new Voco Queenstown in the heart of Queenstown.
- The restaurant offers a Mediterranean-inspired dining experience led by Executive Chef Matias Valle.
- Open daily from 6:00am to 9:30pm, serving hotel guests and visitors throughout the day.

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LITTLE STREET KITCHEN



- Little Street Kitchen has recently opened in Wānaka, offering a relaxed dining experience in the town centre.
- The menu showcases seasonal, flavour-packed cuisine with a focus on fresh ingredients and regularly changing dishes.
- Guests can enjoy a selection of share plates, hearty mains and creative cocktails in a casual, welcoming setting.

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ELEVATION BAR & RESTAURANT



- Elevation Bar & Restaurant sits with Coronet Ridge Resort atop a ridgeline with panoramic views of the Wakatipu Basin, Remarkables, and Shotover River.
- The restaurant offers breakfast, brunch, après-ski cocktails, and dinner, all paired with striking alpine scenery.
- Guests can dine on the terrace or enjoy the indoor experience with views of the kitchen and bar in action.

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QUEENSTOWN WHARF BAR



- Wharf Bar opened on 19 December 2025 in Steamer Wharf, Central Queenstown.
- A large venue for both locals and visitors, aimed at families during the day, then becoming a night-time social hub offering cocktails, pizzas, small plates and "curated experiences".
- All to be enjoyed with a breathe taking view over Lake Wakatipu.

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THE LIBRARY BAR BY ROKI COLLECTION



- The Library Bar at ROKI Collection Queenstown provides an intimate space for exploring exceptional wines and cocktails.
- The bar features bespoke cocktails, premium bar snacks, and a distinctive design with brass ceilings and conversation nooks.
- ROKI Queenstown exclusively offers Harlan Estate wines in the region, marking a rare addition to its curated cellar.

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ESSENCE BY ROKI COLLECTION



- Essence is a modern fine dining restaurant located within ROKI Collection, offering a degustation menu and à la carte dining inspired by European culinary artistry.
- The restaurant provides a refined, tranquil setting with bespoke chef-to-diner experiences.
- Led by Director of Culinary Paul Froggatt, Essence offers a curated culinary journey showcasing the finest local and premium produce, an approach that has earned the restaurant New Zealand’s first two Michelin stars.

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THE TERRACE BY ROKI COLLECTION



- The Terrace by ROKI Collection offers relaxed lunch and evening dining with panoramic Queenstown views.
- The menu, created by Director of Culinary Paul Froggatt, is inspired by seafood, nature, and comfort dining.
- Designed for all seasons, The Terrace welcomes in-house guests, visitors, and Queenstown locals.

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CRUMB BAKEHOUSE



- A local Wānaka favourite, Crumb is a celebration of simple pleasures and handcrafted goodness.
- Expect fresh artisanal bread, wholesome sandwiches, and handmade sweets.
- All enjoyed from a tucked-away laneway.

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