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The Alpine Adventure

6 DAYS | CHRISTCHURCH TO QUEENSTOWN | ZCQ6

**View the Church of the Good Shepherd • Stay in Mt. Cook
Walk in the alpine valleys • Visit a Queenstown wine
cave • Lunch & tastings at a winery • Tour Christchurch**

Day 1: Welcome to Christchurch

On arrival at Christchurch Airport you will be transferred to your hotel (flights to arrive prior to 4.00pm). Dinner is at your hotel.

Hotel: Ibis Hotel (R) or Novotel (S), Christchurch, 2 nights. D

Day 2: Christchurch

Board a double decker hop-on hop-off bus for a fun and informative tour of Christchurch.

Learn about Christchurch's fascinating history and how it's recovering from the 2011 devastating earthquake. See some of the areas affected by the earthquake and hear how Christchurch is preserving some of its iconic heritage buildings. Learn about the vision to rebuild the inner city. Buses operate from mid-morning to late-afternoon. **B**

Day 3: Christchurch – Mt. Cook

Travel through lush farmland to Lake Tekapo, to view the iconic Church of the Good Shepherd. Continue into the Southern Alps towards Mt. Cook National Park, home to New Zealand's tallest mountain. You'll arrive at Mount Cook Village to enjoy a 3 course lunch at the famous Hermitage Hotel. You'll have the chance to take a scenic flight over this alpine region (own expense).

Hotel: Hermitage Hotel, Mt. Cook View (R) or Superior Room (S), Mt. Cook. B L D

Day 4: Mt. Cook – Queenstown

You'll have free time to explore Mt. Cook National Park. You could take a leisurely walk in the valley or a scenic flight (own expense). This afternoon travel further south across the Lindis Pass, skirting the shores of Lake Dunstan and the small township of Cromwell, famed for its fruit growing. Your day concludes in Queenstown, adventure-capital of New Zealand. **Hotel: Copthorne Hotel & Resort (R) or Millennium Hotel (S), Queenstown, 2 nights. B**

Day 5: Queenstown

Visit one of New Zealand's fastest growing wine regions. Learn about the history of wine-making and sample tastings at two vineyards. Visit New Zealand's largest underground wine cave for a wine tasting tour then enjoy a local cheese presentation and tasting at the region's only cheesery. Join your fellow travellers for a gourmet lunch at Gibbston Valley Winery Restaurant. **B L**

Day 6: Farewell from Queenstown

Your short break concludes this morning after breakfast. You'll be transferred to Queenstown Airport for your onward flight (flights anytime). **B**

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