Ōtepoti Dunedin Famil Itinerary

Suggested 2 nights/ 3 days



Discover Ōtepoti Dunedin the wildlife and heritage capital of New Zealand.

Tick a couple of things off your bucket list – walk up the world's steepest street and visit the only mainland breeding colony of the Northern Royal Albatross. On Muaūpoko Otago Peninsula, there are unrivalled encounters with penguins, sea lions and albatross, best experienced with a guide, whether by boat, off road vehicle or on foot.

A well- preserved Victorian and Edwardian city; visit our castle, museums, and historic home. You will find boutiques, bars and restaurants in revived heritage buildings.

By night you can view penguins returning to their burrows, stargazing with indigenous storytelling and local flavours from craft brewers & distillers.

For more information or to express interest, contact trademarketing@dcc.govt.nz

Day One – Arrive in Ōtepoti Dunedin

Check into hotel at your leisure.

15:00am - Tūhura Otago Museum

This is Dunedin's most visited attraction and includes options that will suit any age or nationality. Experience Tūhura, the fun interactive science centre with 45 exhibits including a three-storey slide, a forest filled with tropical butterflies, and an infinity room. The southernmost planetarium has daily presentations of the Otago night sky as well as a range of other shows on its full dome screen. The galleries contain nationally and internationally significant collections that tell the stories of Otago, New Zealand, and the world throughout time.



otagomuseum.nz/

Day Two – Muaūpoko Otago Peninsula

Enjoy the in-house breakfast at your leisure.

9:00am - Larnach Castle

Larnach Castle, New Zealand's only authentic Castle, was built in 1871 by businessman and politician William Larnach. Discover the castle's exciting, scandalous, and somewhat tragic history while exploring the magnificently carved interiors, the garden of international significance, a collection of New Zealand antiques and breath-taking views from the top of the turret.

larnachcastle.co.nz/



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11:30am - Royal Albatross Centre – Unique Tour

Nestled at the tip of the beautiful Otago Peninsula Muaūpoko, is the world's only mainland breeding colony of Northern Royal Albatross. Witness the fascinating social life of the breeding colony and have the chance to be awed by the soaring threemetre wingspan of the albatross flying above. History is also a key focus of the Royal Albatross Centre. Visit Fort Taiaroa which features fully restored tunnel systems and the Armstrong Disappearing Gun.





13:30pm - Clearwater Wildlife Tours

Picked up from Royal Albatross Centre

Clearwater Wildlife Tours provide authentic New Zealand experiences, with small group tours on the Clearwater family farm at Cape Saunders on the Otago Peninsula. Experience unrivalled opportunities to view rare yellow-eyed penguins, New Zealand sea lions, fur seals and a variety of sea and wading birds within their private conservation reserves.

<u>clearwaterwildlifetours.co.nz/</u>

18:30pm - Emersons Brewery Dinner

Richard Emerson started brewing beer in his student flat. These days Emerson's Brewery churns out up to 15,000 litres of premium craft beer five days a week at their swanky premises just a stone's throw from Forsyth Barr Stadium. With a fabulous restaurant on site, and guided tastings and brewery tours available, a visit to Emerson's is a must-do for beer lovers.

emersons.co.nz/





Day Three– City Experience

Enjoy the in-house breakfast at your leisure.

09:00am - City Sights Tour

A tour that is purely city sights including, Baldwin Street, the world's steepest street, and some other iconic Dunedin spots including Dunedin Railway Station, University of Otago and the heart of the city the Octagon.



10:00am - Monarch Wildlife Cruise

MV Monarch leaves from the wharf at Wellers Rock and offers bird and wildlife viewing on its one hour cruise around Taiaroa Head. The cruise travels out to sea, past dramatic volcanic cliffs, pristine sandy beaches, and a historic lighthouse. Along the way you'll see the huge royal albatross, their nesting sites, and a large fur seal colony. Their tours often spot other animals including rare seabirds and other albatross species, sealions, dolphins and blue penguins.



wildlife.co.nz/

13:00pm - Careys Bay Historic Hotel

A landmark 1874 bluestone pub and seafood restaurant on the banks of the Otago Harbour.

<u>careysbayhotel.co.nz/</u>



14:30pm - Olveston Historic Home Tour

Olveston Historic Home is New Zealand's finest historic house. Built as the family home of philanthropist David Theomin, the house was gifted to the city complete with all the original contents in 1966. This architectural masterpiece is set within a garden of National Significance and Olveston is a visual, historic, and aesthetic delight with artworks, sculptures and tapestries telling the story of this wealthy merchant family.

olveston.co.nz/

16:00pm - Speights Brewery Tour

Pride of the South since 1876, the Speight's Brewery and the beer it produces are icons of Dunedin. Share the journey by taking the award-winning Speight's Brewery Tour. During the experience you will touch, smell and taste your way through this heritage site. Finish off with a tailored tasting in the tasting room.

speights.co.nz/

17:30pm - Speights Ale House

Brewing in Dunedin since 1876 and fed by a natural spring beneath the site, Speight's is one of the few gravity-fed breweries left in the world. Take in a brewery tour and then pop next door to the Alehouse restaurant for a Tasting Tray, expertly matched with the menu, should you fancy a bite. Fresh spring water is available from the Speight's tap outside too, join the queue and fill your bottle.

thealehouse.co.nz/







Day Four - Depart from Ötepoti Dunedin – Afternoon

We hope you enjoyed your time in \bar{O} tepoti Dunedin.

Cafes

Dunedin City

<u>Buster Greens</u> <u>The Swan</u> <u>Catalyst</u> <u>Maggies</u> <u>Ebb-Kitchen</u>



Restaurants

Dunedin City

Harbourside Grill Vault 21 No.7 Balmac Prohibition Smokehouse Esplanade (St Clair) Titi (St Clair)



Breweries and Distilleries

Dunedin City

<u>Steamer Basin</u> <u>No8 Distillery</u> <u>Dunedin Craft Distillers</u> <u>Noisy Brewing Co.</u> <u>Emerson's Brewery</u> <u>Speight's Brewery</u> <u>Arc Brewing Co. (Waitati)</u>

