

# the best day-walks in **MARVELLOUS MARLBOROUGH**

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Picturesque Picton, the gateway to the Sounds and to the south.
- The stunning seascapes and walkways of the Marlborough Sounds
- The unrivalled juxtaposition of mountains and valleys in Nelson Lakes
- The magnificent tussock and tarns of Rainbow Station
- The relaxing hot springs and gentle forest walks of a true spa town (Hanmer)
- The grandeur of the Kaikoura mountain ranges plunging down to the coast

DATES		5-11 February 2023 / 2-8 February 2025	
DATE REGISTRATIONS CLOSE		5 December 2022 / 2 December 2024	
STARTING POINT		Picton	8.00 a.m.
FINISHING POINT		Picton	8.00 p.m.
COST		6pax\$1100,5pax\$1200,4pax\$1300,3pax\$1400	
DAY	POSSIBLE WALKS	OVERNIGHT	
<p>Walks that are highly recommended are printed in <b>red</b>.</p> <p>All times given are for a return (out and back) walk, a loop walk, or a linear walk with transport to/from each end.</p>			
<b>Day 1</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Picton Area</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Longer Option:</i> Waikakaho Track to Cullensville (5h)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Shorter Options:</i> Bill's Lookout (5m), Picton Foreshore (10m), Bob's Bay Loop (1h), Harbour View Track (45m), Picton-Waikawa (1h), Scout Track (40m), Queen Charlotte View (1h20m), The Snout (2h30m), Tirohanga Track (1h30m), Esson Valley Tracks (1h or 1h30m), Karaka Point Historic Reserve (20m), Humphries Dam Walk (1h20m).</p>	Picton	
<b>Day 2</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Marlborough Sounds</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Longer Options:</i> <b>Tennyson Inlet: Penzance Bay to Elaine Bay (3h)</b> <b>(can be linked to Piwakawaka Track below)</b> Mount Stokes (4-5h)</p> <p><i>Queen Charlotte Walkway:</i> Te Mahia Saddle to Anakiwa (4h) or Torea Saddle to Te Mahia Saddle (3-4h).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Shorter Options:</i> Cullen Point (lookout 20m, +base walk 45m), Motuweka Pathway (Havelock, 40m), Waterfall Track (Havelock, 1h), Piwakawaka Track (1h30m), <i>Pelorus Bridge Scenic Reserve:</i> Tawa Path (30m), Totara Path (30m), Circle Walk (30m), Elvy Falls (1h30m).</p>	Havelock or Blenheim	
<b>Day 3</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mt. Richmond Forest Park and Northbank</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Walks selected from:</i> Doom Creek Walkway (2h)</p> <p><i>Pine Valley Road Walks:</i> Carpark to Mill Flat (20m, Nature Walk (15m), Mill Flat to Pine Valley Hut (15m).</p> <p><i>Top Valley Walks:</i> Riverside (2h30m), Forks Walk (1h30m). <b>Lake Chalice Hut (2h)</b> and optional loop of lake (2h30m)</p>	St Arnaud	

	<b>Red Hills and Hut (3-4h)</b>	
<b>Day 4</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Nelson Lakes National Park</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Longer Options:</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Mount Robert and Bushline Hut Loop (4-5h)</b>  Lake Rotoiti Loop (7-8h)  St Arnaud Range and Pinnacle Lookout (3-4h)  <b>Speargrass Hut (4h)</b>  Whisky Falls (4-5h)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Shorter Options:</i></p> <p>Brunner Peninsula (1h30m-2h30m), Mainland Island Loop (1h30m), Bellbird Walk (10m), Honeydew Walk (30m), Loop Track (1h30m), Black Valley (30m), Black Hill (1h30m), Moraine Walk (1h30m), Angler's Walk (2h).</p>	St Arnaud
<b>Day 5</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Somewhere Over The Rainbow</b></p> <p>We travel to Hanmer Springs through the magnificent Rainbow Station</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Walks selected from:</i></p> <p>Waterfall Track (2h30m), Dog Stream/Tarndale Reserve (1h), Camp Track (45m), Majuba Walk (1h), Upper Dog Stream (1h), Conical Hill and Woodland Walk (1h30m), Forest Journey (1h30m), Forest Walk (1h), Forest Amble (30m), Joliffe Saddle (1h), Jacks Pass to Mt. Isobel (3-4h), Chatterton River Track (2h30m).</p>	Hanmer Springs
<b>Day 6</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>South Kaikoura Coast and Kaikoura</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Longer Options:</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mount Fyffe Hut (4-5h),  Mount Fyffe summit (6-7h)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Shorter Options:</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Cathedral Cliffs (Gore Bay,5m), Manuka Bay Track (1h30m),</b> St. Annes Lagoon (30m), Lookout Point (10m), Whalers Baty Lookout (45m), South Bay Lookout (1h15m), South Bay (1h45m), Omihi Lookout Track (45m)  <b>Kaikoura Peninsula Walkway (2h30m-3h)</b>  <b>Mount Fyffe Lookout (2h)</b></p>	Kaikoura
<b>Day 7</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Between Kaikoura and Picton</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Longer Option:</i></p> <p>Marfells Beach &amp; Cape Campbell (3h30m, if tides allow)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Shorter Options:</i></p> <p>Wairau Lagoons (2-3h), Ohau Stream and Waterfall (20m), <b>Sawcut Gorge (3h – if open)</b>, Ward Beach to Chancel Rocks (1h30m)</p> <p><i>Whites Bay Reserve and Port Underwood:</i> Port Underwood Lookout (1h), Monkey Bay (10m or 50m), White's Bay-Rarangi Track (1h), Puketea Loop (25m), Black Jack Loop (1h15m)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Travel to Picton. Farewell Dinner. Trip concludes.</b></p>	

