

the best day-walks in NEATEST NELSON (with GOB-SMACKING GOLDEN BAY)

HIGHLIGHTS

- The geographical centre of New Zealand and unique boulder bank (Nelson)
- The pristine golden sands and sparkling waters of Abel Tasman National Park
- An intriguing story of romance and isolation in the backcountry (Asbestos Cottage)
- NZ's clearest and most beautiful natural spring (Te Waikoropupu)
- Spectacular cliffs, arches, caves, pillars, stacks and spits in Golden Bay
- The ingenious rock shelters of the Flora Valley and Mount Arthur
- The Tolkien-like scenery of weathered marble on the Mount Owen massif

DATES		12-18 February 2023 / 9-16 February 2025	
DATE REGISTRATIONS CLOSE		12 December 2022 / 9 December 2024	
STARTING POINT		Nelson	8.00 a.m.
FINISHING POINT		Nelson	8.00 p.m.
COST		6pax\$1100,5pax\$1200,4pax\$1300,3pax\$1400	
DAY	POSSIBLE WALKS	OVERNIGHT	
Walks that are highly recommended are printed in red . All times given are for a return (out and back) walk, a loop walk, or a linear walk with transport to/from each end.			
Day 1	Meet and greet. Initial briefing. Geographical Centre of NZ (1h) Grampians Viewpoint (1h30m) Dun Mountain Historic Railway Lower Walkway (2-3h) Cable Bay to The Glen Walkway(3h) The Boulder Bank (30m to 6h)	Nelson or Motueka	
Day 2	Abel Tasman National Park <i>Walks selected from:</i> Tinline, Coquille and Apple Tree Bay (3h) Coquille Bay (2h) Split Apple Rock (30m) Mt. Richards (1h30m) Canaan Downs, Harwoods Hole and Gorge Creek Lookout (1h30m)	Takaka	
Day 3	Kahurangi National Park: Cobb Valley <i>Walks selected from:</i> Asbestos Cottage (2-3h), Chaffeys Hut (2h30m) Lake Sylvester (4h), Lake Peel (4h30m) Cobb Ridge (2-3h) Myttons Nature Walk (45m)	Takaka	
Day 4	Abel Tasman National Park <i>Longer Options:</i> Totaranui to Separation Point and return same way (4-5h) Totaranui-Separation Point-Whariwharangi-Wainui (5-6h) Totaranui-Whariwharangi-Gibbs Hill Loop (5-6h)	Takaka	

	<p>Wainui to Whariwharangi Hut and return (4h) Totaranui to Awaroa Bay (3h) <i>Shorter Options:</i> Grove Scenic Reserve (30m), Puketea Walk (30m), Headlands Track (1h), Anapai Bay (1h45m), Lookout Rock (Pigeon Saddle, 1h), Skinners Point (30m), Goat Bay (45m), Waiharakeke Bay (2h), Takapou Bay to Taupo Point (2h30m-3h), Wainui Falls (1h), Waiharakeke Track (1-2h).</p>		
Day 5	<p>A Spring In Your Step (a.m.) Te Waikoropupu Springs 30m to the springs 40m for the loop walk Hydro Walkway (2h)</p>	<p>Puponga Farm Park (p.m.) <i>Walks selected from:</i> Carpark-Wharariki Beach- Hilltop Track-Pillar Point (3h30m) Wharariki Beach direct (1h) Wharariki-Dune Lake (2-3h) Green Hills Track (2-3h) Pillar Point Lighthouse (1h) Puponga Point (30m) Fossil Point direct (1h) Farewell Spit Loop (1h30m) Knuckle Hill (1h20m)</p>	Takaka
Day 6	<p>Kahurangi National Park: Mount Arthur Tablelands <i>Longer Options:</i> Mt. Arthur and the Tableland (5-7h) Flora Hut-Gridiron and Growler Shelters (4h30m) Lodestone Round trip (4h) <i>Shorter Options:</i> Flora Hut (1h30m), Hawke's Lookout (15m), Riwaka Resurgence (30m), Mt. Arthur Hut Loop (2h30m).</p>	Motueka	
Day 7	<p>Kahurangi National Park: Mount Owen Massif <i>Longer Options:</i> Cecil Kings Historic Hut (Wangapeka Track) (5h) Billies Knob (5-6h) <i>Shorter Options:</i> Mini Mountain (15m), Lutine pool (30m), Nuggety Creek 1h30m), Blue Creek (1h30m), Granity Creek (2h) Return to Nelson. Farewell Dinner. Trip concludes.</p>		



Waikoropupu Springs