



STONEFLY LODGE



Activities & Tours

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*You can mix and match any of our experiences,
just contact info@stoneflylodge.co.nz
and let us tailor a suitable itinerary for you.*

Disclaimer:

All prices are in New Zealand dollars and include GST, unless otherwise stated.
Prices are indicative only, dependent on the operator and season,
and subject to change.



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On the Farm

Part of our 150 acre property is dedicated to our hobby farm.

Kate's animals are her pride and joy, and guests are encouraged to visit and help feed the Alpacas, goats, sheep, ducks and chickens that make up our collective pets. Guests are also encouraged to visit our produce garden to pick some fresh fruit, vegetables, or herbs for the kitchen.

Archery

Try your luck at this ancient sport and see why so many people find it both challenging and enjoyable.

Our outdoor archery range is located off the helipad and we also have a river walk archery course where different targets are placed at various distances, positions and heights as you walk to each target.

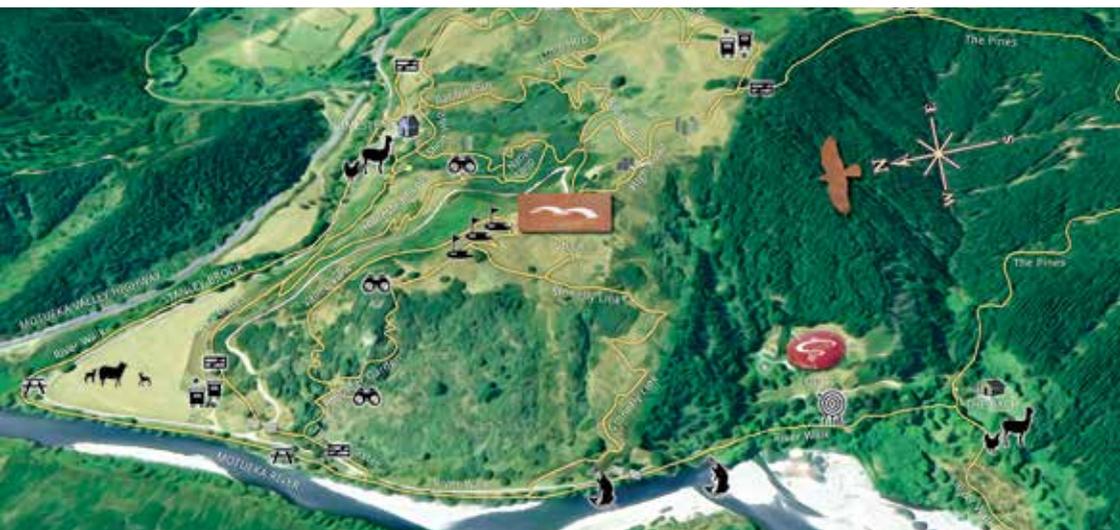
Two archers can shoot at the same time, and the following bows are made available: Re-curve 20 and 24lbs bows; Recurve left hand 20lbs; Compound 15-30lbs.

Archery must be conducted with a staff member present and pre-arranged 24hrs in advance. All levels of experience are invited. Children under 12yrs are not catered for.

Walks

We have many interesting walks on the property, as outlined on an easy to follow map. There are many pointers on the tracks that will lead you back to your accommodation.

Whether you want a good workout with hill climbs, an easy stroll, a bird watching experience, visiting the farm animals, finding a lovely spot for a picnic or solitude to practice Tai Chi, its here for you to enjoy.





Fly Fishing from the Lodge

While we offer guided fly fishing experiences at various locations in the region, you also have the luxury of being able to fish in the Motueka River just below the lodge. We stock a wide variety of top quality SIMMS waders and boots, and SAGE fly rod and reels, which are available to guests complimentary.

Private Cooking Classes

Due to popular demand we have introduced prearranged private cooking classes at Stonefly Lodge and Villa.

These classes are tailor made to suit the special interest of the client, whether it be an instruction on basic cooking techniques, a favorite recipe, or helping the chef prepare a sumptuous lunch. The setting is in the open plan kitchen adjacent to the dining area.

NZ\$220 per person | min. 2 people | 10am to 12pm ~ By appointment only

House Massage

After an adventurous day exploring the wonders of this spectacular region, you may wish to spoil yourself with a massage from our experienced and qualified massage and beauty therapist. Enjoy this relaxing massage in the privacy of your own room. From a short neck massage to full body massage and facials, take the stress out of the day!

NZ\$120.00 per person | 45-minute massage





Abel Tasman National Park (Coastal)

Arguably the most beautiful park in New Zealand, Abel Tasman National Park is predominantly a coastal park and is admired for its golden sandy beaches, tranquil lagoons, fascinating rocky outcrops and beautiful, unmodified estuaries. There are several coastal walking tracks which wander through the forest and along the edge of the sea.

Activities on offer as a day tour from the lodge are:
Guided nature walks along the coastal tracks, and a boat cruise.

Kahurangi National Park (Wilderness)

One of New Zealand's newest National Parks and the second largest, Kahurangi covers most of the northwestern corner of the South Island and has diverse virgin forests, alpine flora, wild rivers and a wide array of landforms. It is home to over half of New Zealand's 2400 native plant species.

Activities on offer as a day tour from the lodge are:
Guided and unguided walks.

Nelson Lakes National Park (Alpine)

This alpine park comprises 101,753 hectares of beech forest, valleys, isolated glacial lakes and craggy peaks and clear streams and is home to native Bellbirds and Kaka among many others. There are networks of short tracks exploring the forest, lakeshore and glacial features of both lakes.

Activities on offer as a day tour from the lodge are:
Guided nature walks along the lake edge, and a boat cruise.





Guided Fly Fishing

The Nelson/Tasman region repeatedly records the most sunshine hours of all of New Zealand. Combined with the crystal clear waters and dozens of rivers and streams to choose from, the guided fly fishing experience offered from Stonefly Fishing Lodge can be most memorable. Average catch size of brown trout in this region is approx. 4lb-5lb, with catches of 8lb plus quite common and the chance of a trophy 10lb brown trout, may only be a cast away.

The wide variety of rivers accessible from Stonefly Fishing Lodge enables guests to experience a choice of relatively gentle-flowing easy-access rivers to more adventurous backcountry streams requiring more accurate casting and a suitable level of fitness. The location also allows a wide selection of rivers from different catchment systems enabling the fly fishing guides to pick the most appropriate fly fishing destination according to the various flow rates at a particular time of year.

All our guides are very experienced and members of the New Zealand Professional Guide Association. The lodge provides all fly fishing gear required and lunch for this full-day excursion.

NZ\$795.00 per day ~ excluding fishing licences | Max. two anglers per guide





Heli Fishing

Stonefly Lodge is situated on the boundary of Kahurangi National Park – New Zealand’s 2nd largest park of 1 million acres of pristine wilderness forest, mountains and dozens of backcountry streams and rivers holding large wild brown trout. Expect to fish in crystal clear waters, sight casting to visible trout with the average size in the 6–8lb range. The chopper will depart Stonefly Lodge around 9am and will drop the anglers off with their guide for an all-day excursion. Around 5pm the helicopter will enter the park again, locate the anglers and return to the lodge around 5:30pm.

We enter areas with the chopper that take others 4 days to walk in, there are no roads in this spectacular wilderness park. It is an experience of a lifetime!

POA (depends on river destination and number of passengers)





Private Guided Wine & Art Tours

There are 24 boutique wineries and a similar number of boutique art studios within an hour's drive of Stonefly Lodge. Tailor-made full-day excursion visiting a selection of award-winning wineries and local art and craft studios. This tour introduces visitors to the actual creators of world-class wine and reveals the cultural essence of the region with studio and gallery visits with some of New Zealand's highly acclaimed artists. Depending on the interests of the group, each tour is tailor-made to suit their needs.

Full day NZ\$1,200.00 | Half day NZ\$720.00 | 1- 3 people

Moutere Wineries & Artisans ~ Guided Biking Tour

Visit the most scenic winery in Nelson, as well as several other boutique wineries offering award-winning wines. New Zealand's oldest pub, artisan's studios, historical places of interest and stunning scenery all within a 20 – 30 km route. Wine tasting included (in moderation). This adds up to a unique cycling experience.

Inclusions: Bike, helmet, hi vis vest, route maps, water bottle, vehicle support, lunch

Ride time: 1- 3hrs

Ride distance: 10-25 Km

NZ\$475.00 per person | Min. 2 riders with one guide

NZ\$600.00 per person | Min. 2 riders with one guide and support vehicle



Neudorf Vineyard



Photo: George Guille Media



Abel Tasman ~ Water, Walk, Fly

Depart from the helipad at Stonefly Lodge mid-morning and fly northwards over the Kahurangi National Park, land on top of Hoary Head (5,000ft) to take in the enormity of the park with 360-degree views.

Take off towards the spectacular Abel Tasman National Park flying over the golden sand beaches and lush native forest to land at Awaroa beach on the northern side of the park.

You now have the option of an easy 2 or 4-hour walk through pristine native forest on a well-signposted track to reach some of the golden sandy beaches this park is noted for.

Enjoy a picnic lunch on the beach while you wait for your boat transfer along the Abel Tasman eastern coastline back to Kaiteriteri. Your host will be waiting to transfer you back to Stonefly lodge.

NZ\$2,200.00 per couple



Photo: Reid Helicopters



Photo: Tamzin Henderson



Heli Fish / Scenic Flight Combo

Your helicopter and fishing guide will arrive at the Lodge at approx 9am and fly you to the Aorere River in the Kahurangi National Park. The Scenic views of the Kahurangi on the way are absolutely stunning as you fly over Mt Arthur. The helicopter will then descend from the mountains to land in a remote wilderness stream where the angler and guide will be dropped off for a day's brown trout fishing.

We will then take off with the non-angler for a short flight to land upon Mt Olympus, a famous film site used during the filming of "The Lord of The Rings". Morning tea will be presented while you enjoy a freshly brewed coffee and stunning views all the way to the Ocean and Farewell Spit. We then head for the wild north-west coast. We land the helicopter on a remote beach for a short stroll and to take in the windswept beauty of this rugged coastline, where seals are frequently seen sunning themselves. Now onto the Abel Tasman National Park for a late lunch & swim at Awaroa Bay. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon on the beach before we pick up the fishermen and return to Stonefly Lodge.

NZ\$4,000.00 per couple ~ excluding fishing guide cost

Price is based on a R44 helicopter (weight limited)

POA for a larger aircraft

Photo: Sam Genas





Lord of the Rings Heli Tour

Distraught at the loss of Gandalf, the remaining members of the Fellowship escape the mines and throw themselves to the ground in their grief. Filming was undertaken here for 10 days and the results are one of the most moving moments in the film.

Mt Owen Showcases some of the oldest rock in New Zealand and has priceless geological properties. As you fly toward Mt Owen, a landscape of glaciated marble karst is exposed and you appreciate the size of these giant rocks. The surface is split with crevasses and sinkholes where water has left its mark. The area also claims New Zealand's largest underground caving system. Mt Owen is situated at the Southern end of the Kahurangi National Park ideally located to access from the helipad at Stonefly Lodge situated on the boundary of the park.

\$2,200.00 per couple | 3 hours | Includes a pack lunch on top of Mt Owen





Heli Hikes

While Stonefly Lodge is adjacent to Kahurangi National Park, it is within one hour's drive of Nelson Lakes and Abel Tasman National Parks. These pristine hiker's destinations can also be accessed by helicopter within 20-minutes from Stonefly Lodge. The lodge is an excellent base for day walks into these areas with helicopter access to spectacular destinations that are generally not visited.

Walks can be tailor-made for your level of fitness and expertise. You will be accompanied by an experienced guide and provided with a gourmet lunch.

Mt Owen Heli Hike

This hike starts with a spectacular helicopter flight from Stonefly Lodge into the heart of Mt Owen's limestone landscape, over and past spectacular cliffs and canyons. We will land in the tussock basin below Mt Owen where numerous options are available from a leisurely exploration of the basin, to a climb to the top of Mt Owen for a sensational view of the surrounding countryside. A comfortable Department of Conservation hut is nestled in the valley below where we can brew up some tea or coffee and await the return of the helicopter to fly us home to the lodge.

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POA (Flights are tailor-made to the individual, and their experience)





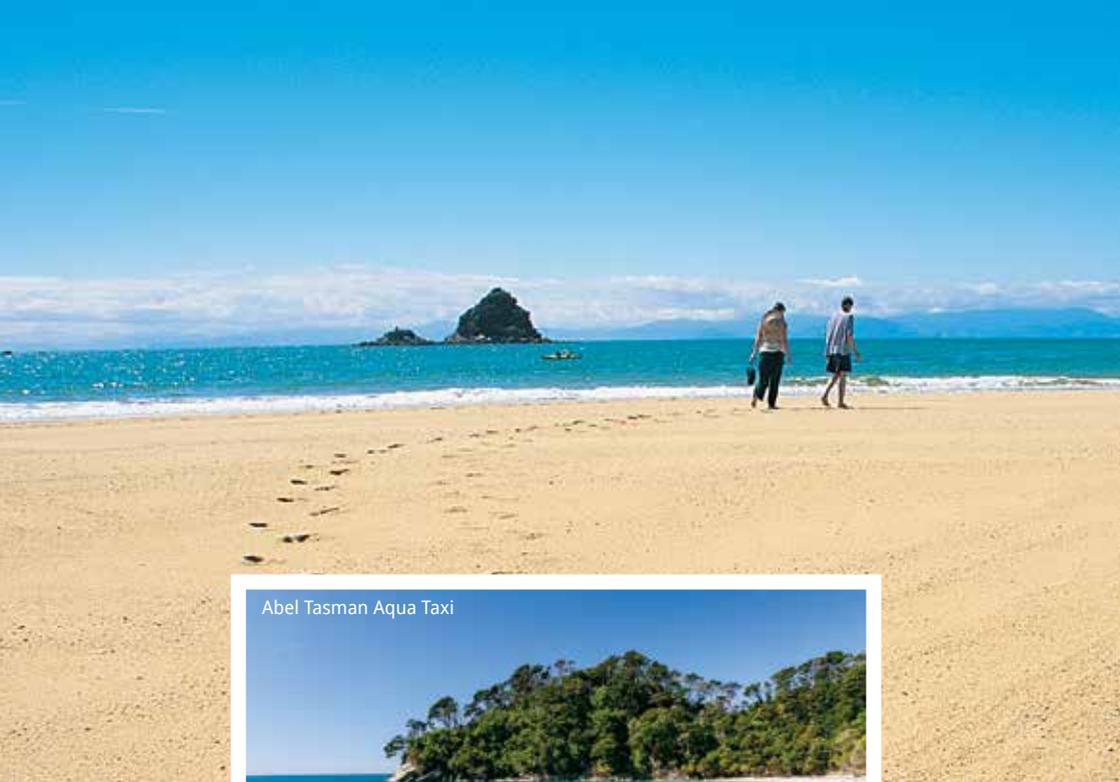
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Spend a day with your own guide exploring this park, including courtesy transfers from the lodge, and lunch.

The Abel Tasman walk starts with a boat transfer and incorporates a section of the park suitable for a 4 hour walk, and is tailor made to the clients needs.

NZ\$420.00 per person ~ minimum 2 people



Abel Tasman Aqua Taxi





Kahurangi National Park ~ Mount Arthur Guided Wilderness Hike

Kahurangi is New Zealand's second largest National Park, created in 1996. It is an untouched wilderness area and includes the world-renowned Heaphy, Wangapeka, and Mt Arthur tracks. It is home to many endemic plant species with the largest range of flora of any of the New Zealand National Parks.

A fully guided hiking tour taking you to one of the higher peaks in Kahurangi National Park with spectacular views over Nelson and the Abel Tasman Bay. Starting out at 9:30am from the Lodge, you'll have lunch on the mountain and return around 4pm. The walking time and route taken can be varied easily to suit the fitness and experience of the hikers.

The guides are experienced, know the area well and have a passion for nature. They are keen to share its wildlife and natural history as well as the stories of the original inhabitants, the Maori people.

Full Day - NZ\$400.00 per person | Half day - NZ\$295.00 per person





Nelson Lakes National Park ~ Guided Alpine Hike

The Nelson Lakes National Park comprises 101,753 hectares of beech forest, valleys, isolated glacial lakes and craggy peaks, clear streams and is home to native Bellbirds and Kaka among many others. This stunning hike to Mt Robert offers exquisite views and vistas of the surrounding mountain ranges and many valleys.

Your guide will pick you up from Stonefly Lodge in the morning. A short drive later and you will leave the vehicle at the car park, half way up the mountain - A great way to start the day with wonderful views before the hike even begins! Enjoy a gourmet lunch at Bushline hut and a few hours later you'll be back at the Lodge.

This walk on a good day is hard to beat. Wonderful 360 degree views of the Southern Alps stretching away to the south, and the valleys which lie at the feet of these mighty mountains, it's almost hard to capture the feeling in a photograph.

NZ\$400.00 per person ~ minimum 2 people



Photo: Tamzin Henderson



Mt Arthur Bird Watching ~ Guided Tour

Your tour begins at 9am when you are driven to the Flora car park at 945 metres above sea level. From here we walk up to the Mt Arthur hut at the bush line, one and a half to two hours on a well-graded track.

Above the bushline, you are rewarded with magnificent views over Tasman Bay and the interior of Kahurangi. On the way, you will be shown the 'Friends of Flora' conservation trapping programme, to save the endangered Whio ~ Blue Duck (top).

Some of the birds that may be seen on the day are Kea (bottom left), Kaka, Fantail, South Island Robin, Bellbird (bottom right), Rifleman, Tomtit, Weka, and Kakariki amongst many others.

NZ\$720.00 for 2 people | NZ\$570.00 single rate | 9:00am-4.00pm



Whio



Kea



Bellbird



Abel Tasman National Park ~ Private Charter Boat Cruising

After breakfast at Stonefly Lodge, enjoy the beauty of Abel Tasman National Park and the Tonga Island marine reserve aboard the Taranui, our private charter catamaran. Boarding at Stevens Bay at the south end of Abel Tasman National Park, we take a leisurely cruise around the headland to Split Apple Rock. There will be plenty of time to enjoy the scenery and take photos. So if you see dolphins riding the bow wave or New Zealand fur seals fishing, we'll take a closer look. If there's a particular bay or park feature you want to see, let the skipper know, and he'll try to accommodate your wishes.

After visiting the seals, we find a sheltered bay for a light lunch. Swim, sea kayak, go ashore for a bushwalk or relax on board while we prepare your lunch, a delicious platter style lunch with fresh local ingredients. We have plenty of snorkelling equipment and kayaks if you are keen to work up an appetite.

We provide towels, lunch, sunscreen, sea kayaks, snorkelling gear and lifejackets. Please bring your own camera, hat, sunglasses, warm jacket (just in case), swimming gear, and hiking shoes. Opportunities for a short hike are available if required.

Your charter boat returns to Stevens Bay at around 4pm where you will be taken back to Stonefly Lodge.

NZ\$2,380.00 (1-8 people) exclusive use | or NZ\$297.50 per seat on boat
Excluding transfers



Photo: Abel Tasman Charters



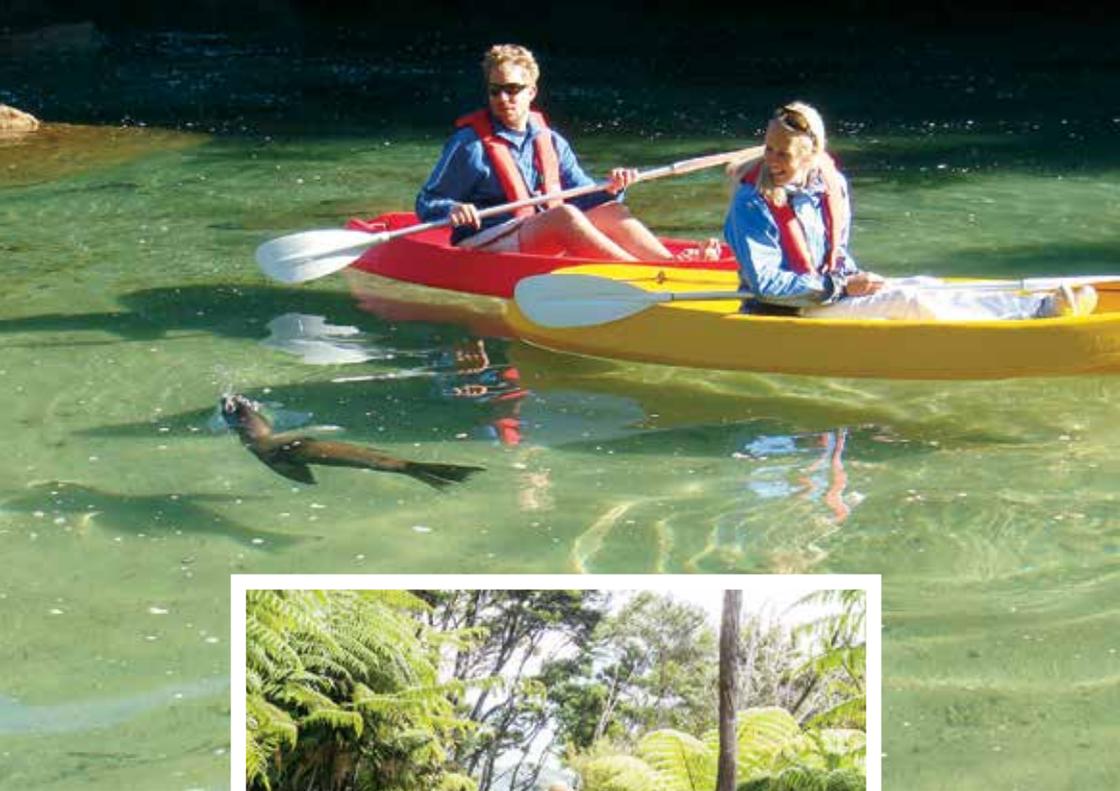
Abel Tasman ~ Sea Kayaking

Transfer from Stonefly Lodge to meet the 9.20am boat transfer north to the golden expanse of Torrent Bay. Explore some of the best kayaking territory in the Park. Tranquil lagoons, secluded beaches, forested headlands, fur seals and possible kayak sailing. Enjoy the antics of the NZ fur seals and watch the sea birds forage. Paddle south with the breeze, exploring sculptured granite headlands and golden sandy beaches. Finish with a nice lunch on the beach.

An optional choice of walks available from 1-2 hours before returning to Kaiteriteri by water taxi where your transport will be waiting to take you back to Stonefly Lodge.

Return time 5.15pm if kayaking only, or 7pm with the extended walk.

NZ\$200.00 per person | Transfers if required \$300.00 (up to 4 people)



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Abel Tasman Kayaks



Guided Biking

The Nelson Region is the Heart of Biking in New Zealand. It's home to two Great Rides; the family-friendly Tasman's Great Taste Trail and the exhilarating and historically rich Dun Mountain Trail. The region also boasts some of the very best mountain biking in the world, from the fun and easily accessed Codgers and Kaiteriteri Mountain Bike Parks to the backcountry splendour and isolation of the renowned Heaphy, Rameka and Rainbow trails. Heli-biking from Stonefly Lodge opens up limitless opportunities in our spectacular remote backcountry trails.

Stonefly Lodge is located on the "Great Taste Trail", and when the final stage is complete, we will be halfway along the full 150km trail, linking Nelson, Mapua, Motueka, Abel Tasman National Park, Tapawera, and Wakefield giving access to a myriad of wineries, craft studios, and eateries.

All ages and fitness levels can be catered for. All tours are guided and flexible to suit required riding times.

Bicycle Hire Only

Bikes delivered to Stonefly Lodge, professionally maintained, helmets and suggested routes with maps.

NZ\$150.00 per person, per day

Photo: Grant Stirling Images



Photo: George Guille Media





Mapua Magic ~ Guided Biking

Guided cycle tour with lunch at the Jellyfish Cafe in Mapua.

Guests will be picked up from Stonefly Lodge and driven to Mapua, a small seaside village full of art and craft shops, for a ride along parts of the Great Taste Trail.

Start the day with a coffee at an award-winning café on the wharf before you catch the ferry to Rabbit Island where you can cycle along forest trails, beside the expansive Rabbit Island Beach and winding around the estuary.

Return to Mapua and explore the village and the Ruby Bay coastline. Stop off at galleries, studios or sample local produce in the many eateries around Mapua. Guests are delivered back to Stonefly Lodge late afternoon.

Inclusions: Bike, helmet, hi-viz vest and route maps, water bottle, ferry ticket & transfers, lunch.

Ride time: 2-4hrs

Ride distance: 10-30 km

NZ\$500.00 per person ~ Min. 2 riders with a guide

NZ\$650.00 per person ~ Min. 2 riders with a guide, plus support vehicle





Great Taste Trail & Backroad Adventure ~ Guided Biking

Follow the majestic Motueka River valley, with a stunning mountain backdrop of Kahurangi National Park and coastline beside the glistening waters of the Tasman Bay.

Stop off at wineries, artisan's studios, award-winning restaurants and places of historical interest. Ride along sections of the Great Taste Trail on the West Bank of the Motueka River to Riwaka and on to Motueka.

Pickup and drop-off at Stonefly Lodge.

Inclusions: Bike, helmet, hi-vis vest, route maps, water bottle, vehicle support, lunch

Ride Time: 2-6hrs

Ride distance: 20-60 km

NZ\$650.00 per person ~ minimum 2 riders with a guide and support vehicle
NZ\$500.00 per person ~ minimum 2 riders with a guide





Coppermine ~ Heli Mountain Bike

We'll collect you from Stonefly Lodge and drive you about 25 minutes to the helicopter base for the 15-minute flight to Coppermine Saddle 3000ft on the Dun Mountain Trail.

Now part of the National Cycle Trail network, this old trail was formerly the bed of New Zealand's first horse-drawn railway created to mine the mountains behind Nelson City. Now an intermediate to advanced downhill mountain bike ride with a 23-mile loop, it rises from sea level at Nelson City to its full height at Coppermine Saddle.

The view across the mountains at the top is spectacular, before the 15 kilometre downhill back to Nelson City on a metre to two-metre wide track through open mountain tussock, then native beech forest.

After landing on the mountain with your Giant full-suspension bikes, you have a choice to go down either side of the loop from Coppermine, with advanced single track one way or intermediate the other.

We provide a delightful lunch.

2 people ~ NZ\$2,685.00 per person | 3 people ~ NZ\$2,890.00 per person
4 people ~ NZ\$3,200.00 per person

Photos: Virginia Woolf Photography



Photos: Grant Stirling Images





Guided Horse Trekking

Is riding down a golden sandy beach on your bucket list?

Have you ever dreamed of riding through gently lapping waves with a sea breeze playing in your hair?

Don't wait any longer...

Join Abel Tasman Horse Trekking for a ride that will realise your dream.

They provide quality horse trekking experiences right on the doorstep of the famous Abel Tasman National Park. Access involves a 45min scenic drive from Stonefly Lodge along the Motueka River and into the Abel Tasman National Park. For ages 12 and over they offer two-hour guided rides on the Marahau Beach, including a lesson in our sandy arena.

Please note they currently have a 80kg rider weight limit, due to some of their stronger horses not riding at the moment. For younger children they offer half-hour paddock rides. They have quality gear, experienced, first-aid trained guides and friendly horses.

The rides are on spectacular sandy beaches, and as such the timing of the rides each day will be determined by the tide to allow the best access to the beach.

NZ\$690.00 per person, for 2 hours ~ includes helmets and chaps

Price on application for longer rides

Transfers if required: NZ\$300.00 per couple





Guided Horse Trekking ~ Fly & Ride

A spectacular day of adventure! Fly by helicopter to Wharariki Beach on the remote NW coastline of the South Island where your horses will be waiting for a horse trail that only a few can experience.

This is a great beach to ride—with its white sand and West Coast surf, it has it all. Ride through the caves and watch the seals and their pups play in the rock pools left after the tide has receded.

For the more adventurous, a canter down the beach is thrilling—the sound of your horse’s hooves as they hit the sand, and the sea breeze in your face is an awesome feeling!

A fabulous trek, it takes you climbing above the beach and crossing over the lush green hills of the Puhanga Farm Park. It offers great views from the beach from many different angles and of the Kahurangi National Park.

Ride time approx. 3 hours with heli transfers taking approximately 30 minutes each way.

NZ\$6,500.00 per couple | R44 Helicopter





Whitewater Rafting

Exhilarating whitewater and rugged West Coast scenery make rafting the Buller Gorge an adventure not to be missed. An hour's drive from Stonefly Lodge, travelling to the river gives you more time to experience the spectacular granite canyons and deep gorges, for what is undoubtedly the Buller River's best rafting trip. The fun is fast and furious through the rapids as the river surges through the confines of the granite gorges. With relaxing pools in between rapids, this allows you to view the lush beech forest on the banks. This exhilarating run thrills both first-timers and experienced rafters alike ~ An adventure not to be missed.

Tour time: 9:30am to 1:30pm

River grade: 3-4

\$150.00 per person ~ Transfers additional

Family Rafting Adventure ~ For All Ages

A stunning stretch of river meanders through amazing bush and mountain scenery. You will have a taste of riding the rapids, then drifting through crystal clear pools to take in the breath-taking backdrop of your very own family adventure. There is also the opportunity for the kids to have a swim and jump from the rocks, in a placid section of the river.

Catering for children five years and above, gives even the youngest travelers an opportunity to experience river travel in a safe and enjoyable manner.

River grade: 2

Price on application





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