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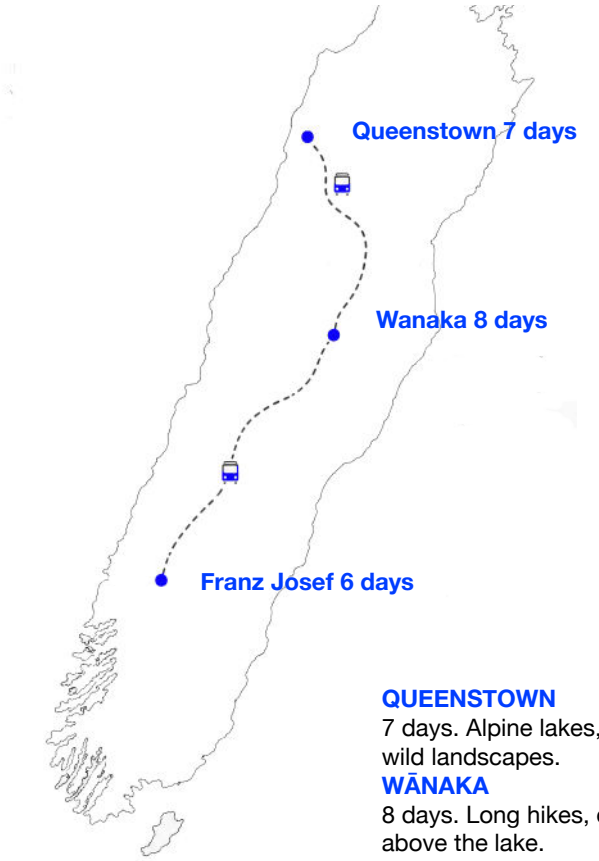


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ROUTE

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QUEENSTOWN
7 days. Alpine lakes, mountain trails, and wild landscapes.

WĀNAKA
8 days. Long hikes, quiet water, and peaks above the lake.

FRANZ JOSEF
6 days. Glaciers, rainforest, and the wild West Coast.



WHAT TO EXPECT

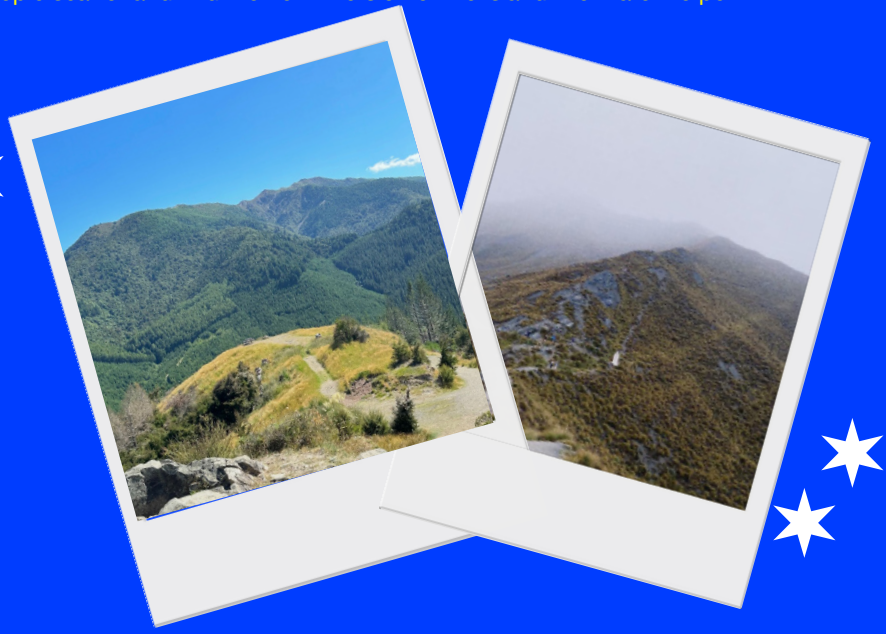
Wayfinder trips are built around a simple idea: someone else handles the logistics, so you can actually be somewhere instead of managing it. You'll travel with a small group, usually around six people, so the pace stays personal rather than turning into a tour bus.

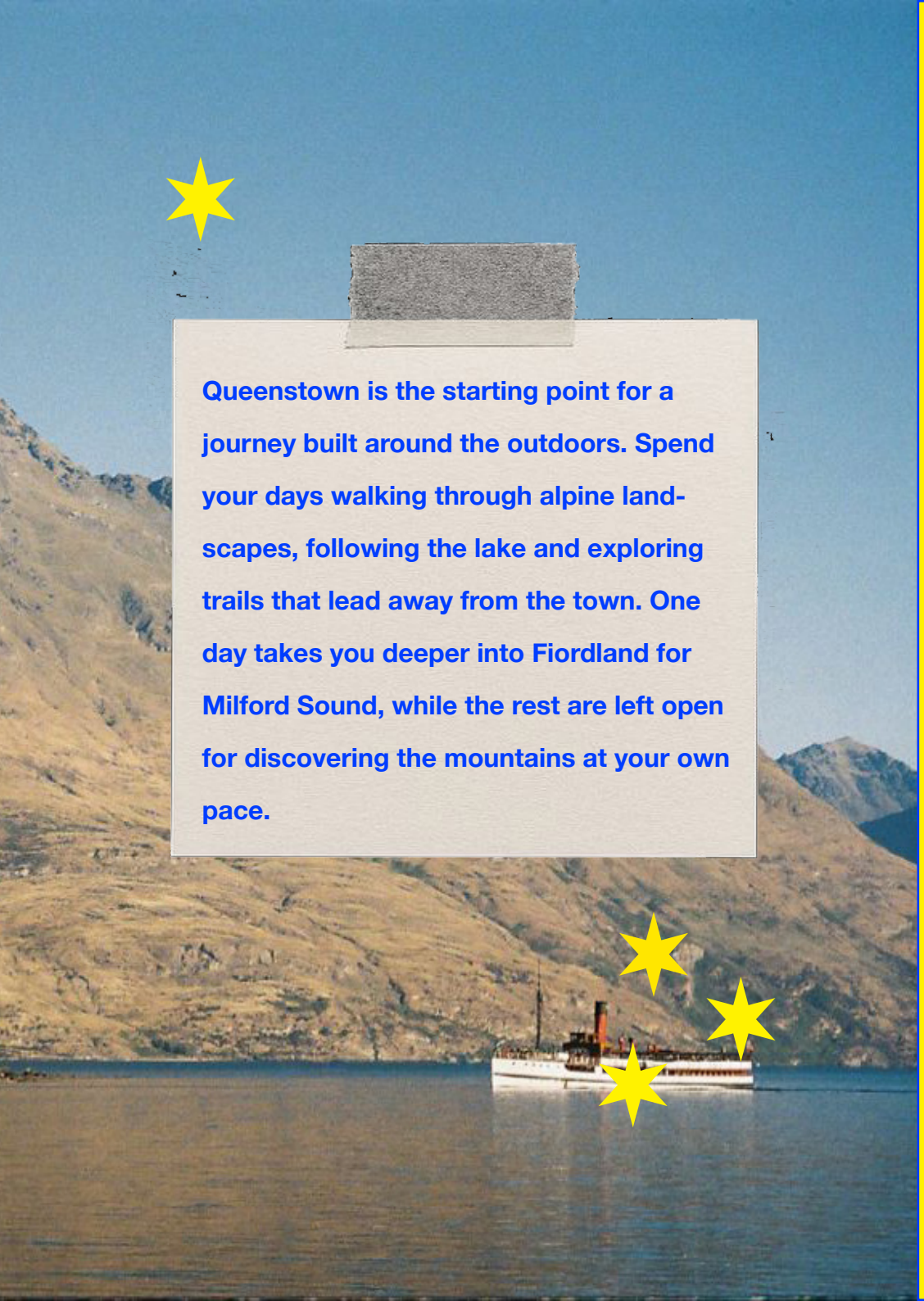
YOUR WAYFINDER LEADER

Every trip travels with one Wayfinder leader, someone who knows the destinations well and stays with the group from the airport pickup through to the final night. They handle the ferries, the bookings, and the local knowledge, point you toward the right cove or the right taverna, and step back when you'd rather explore on your own.

HOW THE DAYS WORK

Each stop has a handful of included highlights woven through it, the ones worth building a day around. Everything else is left open. Some days the group moves together, some days people scatter and find their own version of the island. Both are the point.





Queenstown is the starting point for a journey built around the outdoors. Spend your days walking through alpine land-scapes, following the lake and exploring trails that lead away from the town. One day takes you deeper into Fiordland for Milford Sound, while the rest are left open for discovering the mountains at your own pace.

QUEENSTOWN ITINERARY

DAY 1 ARRIVE & SETTLE IN
Arrive in Queenstown and take a gentle evening walk along Lake Wakatipu.

DAY 2 LAKE WAKATIPU
Follow the lakeside trails and spend the afternoon exploring Queenstown at your own pace.

DAY 3 BEN LOMOND
Take on a full-day hike into the moun-tains, with views stretching across Queenstown and the surrounding peaks.

DAY 4 MILFORD SOUND
Travel through Fiordland National Park to Milford Sound. Cruise between towering cliffs and waterfalls before returning to Queenstown.

DAY 5 THE REMARKABLES
Head into the mountains for a day of alpine trails and wide-open views.

DAY 6 YOUR QUEENSTOWN
Keep the day open for another walk, kay-aking, swimming or simply slowing down beside the lake.

DAY 7 SLOW MORNING
Enjoy one final morning in Queenstown before continuing to Wānaka.





WANKA ITINERARY

Wānaka is where the pace slows and the hiking takes centre stage. Surrounded by mountains and centred around a vast alpine lake, it is a place for long days outside and quiet evenings back in town. Spend the week climbing above the lake, walking through native landscapes and exploring the trails around Mount Aspiring National Park, with plenty of time to simply stay awhile.

"THE VIEWS, THE PEOPLE, THE NATURE. WHAT MORE IS BETTER THAN THIS "
- Layla 2023

DAY 1 ARRIVE & LAKE WĀNAKA
Settle in and spend the afternoon walking along the lakefront.

DAY 2 MOUNT IRON
Take an easier hike through the surrounding landscape before a relaxed afternoon in town.

DAY 3 ROYS PEAK
Spend the day hiking above Lake Wānaka, with panoramic views across the Southern Alps.

DAY 4 SLOW DAY
Take the morning slowly after the hike. Swim, wander or find somewhere beside the lake to settle in.

DAY 5 ROB ROY GLACIER
Follow the trail through native forest and into the alpine landscape towards Rob Roy Glacier.

DAY 6 LAKE & COUNTRYSIDE
Cycle or walk through the quieter countryside surrounding Wānaka.

DAY 7 YOUR WĀNAKA
Leave the day open for another trail, kayaking, swimming or simply enjoying the view.

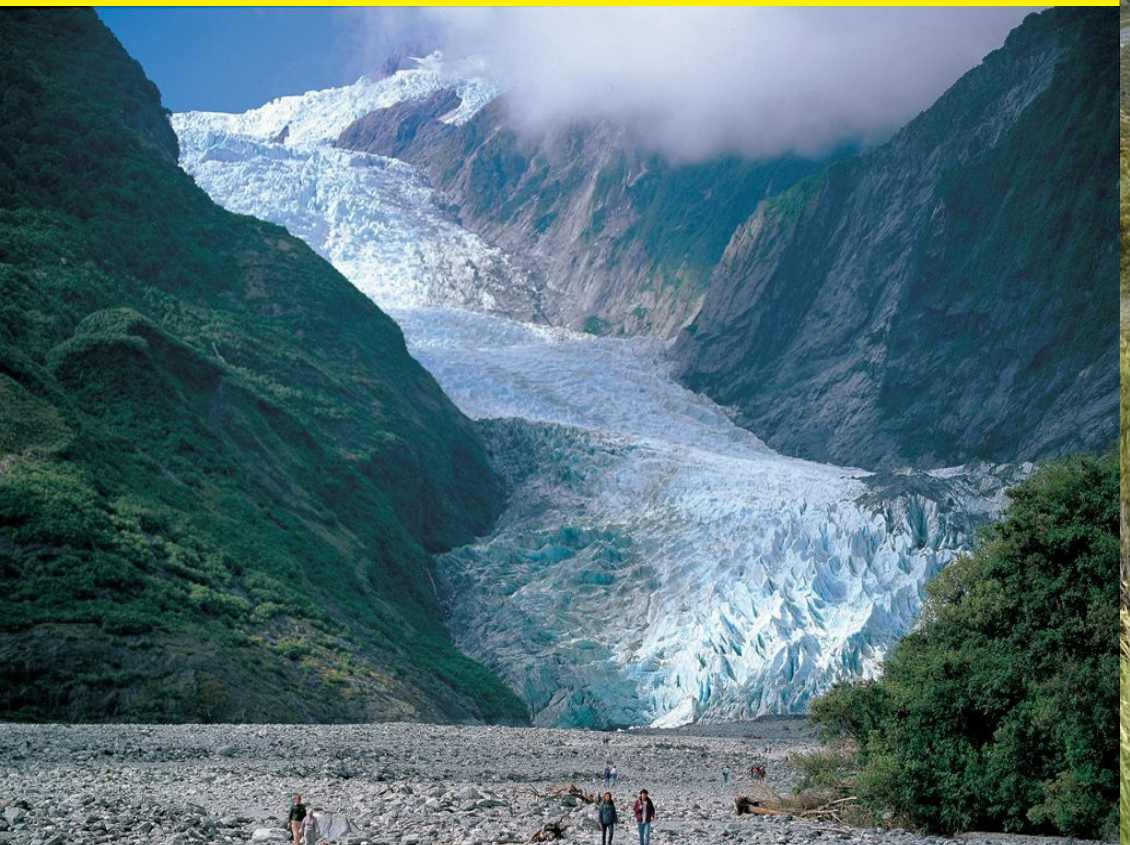
DAY 8 LAST LIGHT
Take one final walk beside the lake before continuing towards the West Coast.

TAKE THE LONG WAY UP

"The nature is amazing, this trip is a highlight of my life"
- Zen 2026

The journey ends on the West Coast, where rainforest, mountains and glaciers meet. Franz Josef feels different from the places before it wetter, wilder and quieter.

Spend your final days walking through ancient forest, following the glacier valley and exploring the coast, with time to slow down and take in the landscape before the journey comes to an end.



FRANZ JOSEF ITINERARY

DAY 1 ARRIVE ON THE WEST COAST
Arrive in Franz Josef and take a gentle walk through the surrounding rainforest.

DAY 2 FRANZ JOSEF GLACIER
Follow the valley trail through rainforest towards views of the glacier and surrounding peaks.

DAY 3 LAKE MATHESON
Walk through native forest around Lake Matheson and take in the reflections of the Southern Alps.

DAY 4 INTO THE GLACIER LANDSCAPE
Spend the day on a guided glacier experience and get closer to the landscape.

DAY 5 ŌKĀRITO & THE COAST
Head towards the coast and explore wetlands, forest and the wild West Coast landscape.

DAY 6 THE LAST WALK
Take one final walk through the rainforest or along the coast before beginning the journey home.


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