

WANAKA 7 DAY SKI AND SNOWBOARD PACKAGE

ITINERARY

Please note: We want to ensure you get the most out of your ski/board days and for this reason our guides will monitor the weather to see what mountain is most appropriate. Please use this itinerary as a guide only.

Day 1 – Saturday

Arrival Day - Your guide will pick you up from Queenstown Airport (60 minutes to Wanaka)

Arrive into Queenstown airport at a time that suits you, and your guide will be there to pick you up. They will drive you to your home for the next week, the pictureques ski town of Wanaka (1hr from Queenstown airport). You can settle into you accommodation and then depending on your arrival time, you may like to sneak in one of the many activites Wanaka has to offer (Jet boating, wine tours, horse riding, perhaps even clay bird shooting!).

Day 2 – Sunday

Please be waiting in the lobby at 7.30am – Cardrona Ski Resort (35 minutes)

Your guide will pick you up this morning and can't wait to show you the slopes, but firstly we need to pick up rental equipment for those who need it (skis, boots, clothing and anything else needed). Once we are on the road, we head to Cardrona a 35 minute drive away.

Cardrona is a fun mountain! There are 3 main bowls, which offer terrain to suit every ability. They are known for perfectly groomed trails, and nothing is better than being first to ride the chalky cordaroy snow. If you are looking for off-piste (non-groomed) there is plenty of those trails too, just ask your guide and they will show you the sweet spots. Your guide is there to make sure your day runs smoothly and everyone see all the best slopes on the mountain – they also have a clever ability to make sure you avoid crowds, epscially at lunch time!

Day 3 – Monday

*Please be waiting in the lobby at 8.00am
– Treble Cone Ski Resort (35 minutes)*

Your guide will pick you up this morning and drive you safely to Treble Cone, which is a 35 minute drive away. The drive itself to Treble Cone is beautiful and the views once you arrive are just stunning. Treble Cone has slopes to suit everyone, or it might be an idea to take a lesson and brush up on those skills. Make sure you ask your guide to point out some Lord of Rings filming spots too!

Day 4 – Tuesday

Day off snow

It's a good day to stop and rest those legs. Your guide gets you sorted no matter what you choose to do, scenic jet boats, micro brewy tour, bungee jump or perhaps you want experience a heli-ski, whatever it is just consider it taken care of. You are of course welcome to go your own way, which is cool too. There are many sites, activities, shops and cafes to keep you busy all day in Wanaka. A nice restful idea is taking a walk along the crystal clear Lake Wanaka and taking in the magnificent scenery including the snow capped mountain back drop. You may even like to grab a hot drink to accompany you, and don't forget your camera.

Day 5 – Wednesday

*Please be waiting in the lobby at 8.00am
– Cardrona Ski Resort (35 minutes)*

Today we head back to Cardrona and it's perfectly groomed rolling terrain. If the weather permits we will stop in at the Cardrona Hotel for some après ski. The hotel is one of New Zealand's oldest and most iconic hotels. It offers a great selection of beer and food, and has a great place to sit and debrief about the ski day. They serve the famous Cardrona Ale, which is locally brewed at a micro brewery in town. Whether you choose to try a beer or stick with just a coke, they can both be enjoyed by the outdoor fire, perhaps with some hot chips!

Day 6 – Thursday

*Please be waiting in the lobby at 7.30am
– Ohau Ski Field (2 hours)*

Today we head to Ohau Ski Field, you are going to just love this place. Tucked away in the Alps north of Wanaka, this is a classic family run ski area, with a huge amount to offer. There are trails to suit everyone, but for those more adventurous there are endless places to traverse and hike too. No matter what your ability, a short hike to the summit is well worth it – you will have to have a pretty good excuse for your guide if you say no. The views are 360° taking in Lake Ohau, the magnificent Southern Alps and on a good day you might even catch a glimpse of the mighty Mt Cook.

Day 7 – Friday

*Please be waiting in the lobby at 8.00am
– Cardrona or Treble Cone Ski Resort*

Your final day on snow will be at the crowd's favourite either Treble Cone or Cardrona, and the guide will of course help by letting you know the current weather situation. At the end of the day celebrate a fantastic snow holiday, with a stop on the way home to enjoy some après ski at one of the local's secret spots your guide knows. This is a great way to finish the holiday and talk about how fantastic the week, and maybe start planning again for next year!

Day 8 – Saturday

*Departure day – Your guide will bid you
farewell at Queenstown Airport*

NZ Snow Tours hopes you have had an awesome time in the snow with us, as today you depart from Queenstown and head home. It is never goodbye though, it is always "See you next time!"