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CEDAR LODGE
NEW ZEALAND

Sample Summer Itinerary

SIX DAYS / FIVE NIGHTS
(4 Days of Fishing)

This sample itinerary includes both complimentary experiences and optional activities available for an additional fee. See our full inclusions **here**.

DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6	ACTIVITIES

Day 1

Arrival & Orientation

Cedar Lodge presents clear-water New Zealand trout fishing at its best. Heli-access remote streams, pools and braided rivers where you learn to spot and stalk wily, trophy rainbows and browns. Evenings back at the lodge are laid-back and inviting—true Kiwi hospitality in a setting that feels like home.

Afternoon

- Arrive and explore the property
- Review your itinerary with the Lodge Manager
- Get fitted for gear and attend your helicopter briefing
- Warm up on the nine-hole casting course
- Enjoy South Island cuisine crafted by our lodge chef



Day 2

Heli-Fish Low Valley River Braids

Morning

- Fuel up for the day's outings at breakfast
- Helicopter to your guide's handpicked river system
- Hone short-range casting and master natural drifts across shallow, clear channels

Afternoon

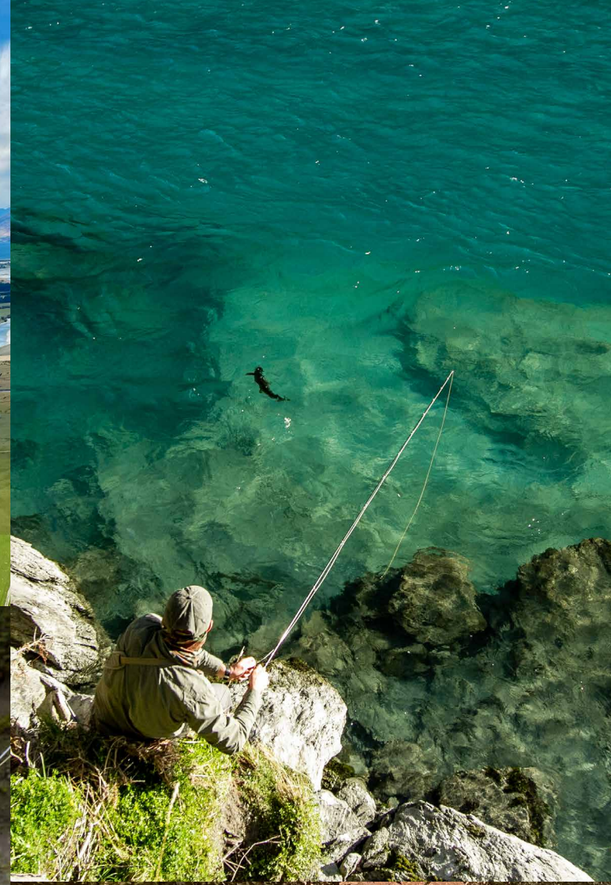
- Enjoy an in-field lunch with sweeping alpine views
- Return to the river

Evening

- Test your accuracy with large terrestrial patterns on dry land
- Relax in the lounge or have a custom casting lesson
- Dine on New Zealand specialties—like Green-lipped Mussels, fresh lamb, and expertly paired wine









Day 3

Fish and Explore the Headwaters

Morning

- Kick off the day with a house-made breakfast on the patio
- Fly out to a remote location—stalk, cast, and watch as fish rise to your fly in real-time

Afternoon

- Savour lunch in the alpine backcountry of Mt. Aspiring National Park
- Trek alongside your guide to explore a fresh set of high-country pools
- See how stillness and timing can turn a slow approach into a solid hook-up

Evening

- Soothe sore muscles with a post-fishing massage in-room
- Indulge in our chef's seasonal creations
- Gather around the firepit to swap tales from the river







Day 4

Choose Your Heli Adventure

Morning

- Enjoy a relaxed breakfast at the lodge
- Embark on a privately guided heli adventure tailored to your interest—options include hiking, biking, horseback riding, jet boating, or canyoneering

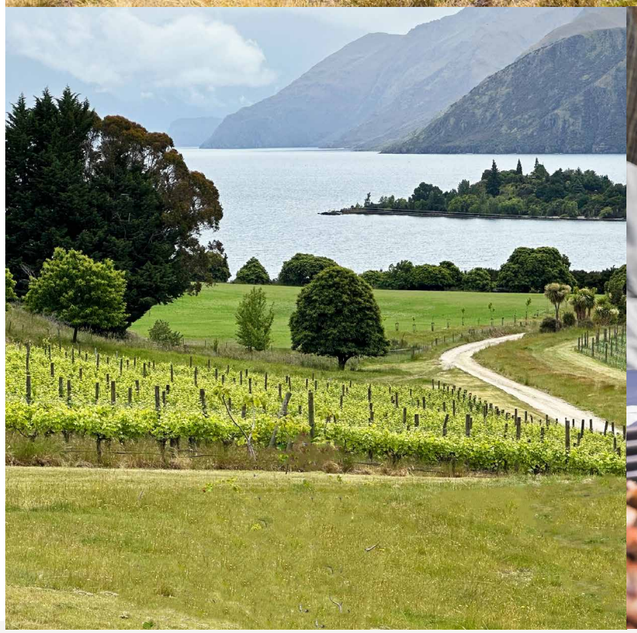
Afternoon

- Savour a chef-packed picnic lunch in the field
- Wind down with a visit to a winery
- Arrive back at the lodge with time to relax before dinner

Evening

- Enjoy a seasonally inspired tasting menu
- Share stories from the day over a glass of local pinot by the fire







Day 5

Heli-Fish the West Coast

Morning

- Start the day with house-made breakfast at the communal dining table
- Gear up with industry-leading fly rods, reels and custom flies
- Helicopter to a secluded small creek for walk-and-wade, sight-based fishing

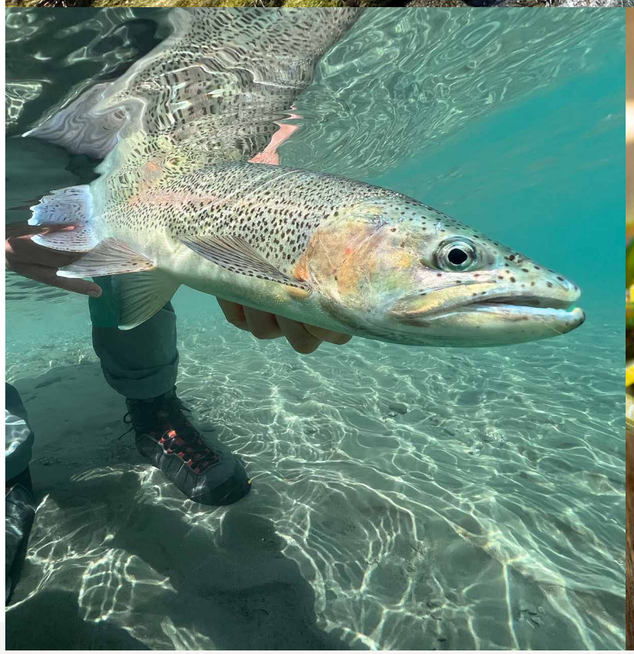
Afternoon

- Enjoy an in-field lunch beside the creek
- Refine your casting technique and approach with your guide's insight

Evening

- Relive the day's adventures during après on the deck
- Soak in river views from the hot tub
- Savor New Zealand's culinary specialties, thoughtfully prepared by our lodge chef







Day 6

Unwind & Depart

Morning

- Sleep in and enjoy a late breakfast
- Take one last walk around the property or relax with coffee on the deck
- Reflect on the week and map out your next Eleven fly fishing adventure over breakfast



Available Activities

Cedar Lodge offers a multitude of guided adventures in addition to our fly fishing program. Our team will arrange your activities entirely to your preferences.

Fly Fishing

Cedar Lodge's helicopter concession affords anglers total mobility to access remote water in Mt. Aspiring National Park and the surrounding areas, including the West Coast. Our seasoned guides will coach you on the most effective sight fishing techniques.

Hiking

Experience the most remote peaks and rivers of New Zealand with a variety of private hiking and heli-hiking excursions. In these hard-to-reach landscapes, your guides will tailor the route to suit your fitness level.

Mountain Biking

With a variety of local and helicopter-accessed options, you can heli to trails further away, or opt for a nearby half-day ride and chairlift-served downhill tracks in Wanaka. You'll be led by expert guides who tailor each ride to your experience level.

Horseback Riding

Explore the high country on horses to soak up the best views of the Central Otago region and the Southern Alps. Suitable for all experience levels, these rides can include anything from winding mountain trails to high-elevation meadows. This activity is included in your stay.

Jet Boating

Get out on the water and zip up shallow rivers on a high-speed jet boat. This high-energy excursion is an exciting way to diversify the way you experience the outdoors.

Canyoning

Explore the depths of the rainforest's rock passages and emerald pools with expert guides who will show you the ropes. This adventurous activity involves swimming, jumping, abseiling, helicopters, and jet boats. This activity is included in your stay.

Golf

Play a quick nine holes on our on-property target course, or take a short ride to some of the best-rated courses in the region, conveniently located in Pinot Noir country for those in need of a post-game refreshment.

Wine Tours

Welcome to Pinot Noir country. The winery and vineyards near Cedar Lodge are world-renowned, and there are countless options for tastings. Our favorites? Rippon, Maude and any spots in the Gibbston Valley.

West Coast Adventures

Take a beautiful drive through the Southern Alps over Haast Pass. On your way to the rugged West Coast, you'll stop to explore short trails and waterfalls that give you a great glimpse into the variety of the South Island's many landscapes. **Heli-options available for an additional fee.*

Lake Wanaka Activities

Head to Lake Wanaka to go kayaking and stand-up paddleboarding. Enjoy a day outside on the crystal-clear waters with the Southern Alps as your backdrop.

Museums and Cultural Tours

In a country rich with history and natural beauty, there's a sprawling cultural scene to experience. Spend an afternoon wandering a museum, browsing local goods at a lavender farm, or admiring historic architecture from the town's gin distillery

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