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TSS Earnslaw Vintage Steamship & Walter Peak High Country Farm Options

- TSS Earnslaw Steamship Cruises
  Scenic cruise across to Walter Peak on board the TSS Earnslaw (passengers do not disembark at Walter Peak with this option).

- Walter Peak Farm Excursions
  TSS Earnslaw cruise, farmyard tour, animal viewing and farming demonstrations, plus morning or afternoon tea.

- Walter Peak Heritage Excursions
  TSS Earnslaw cruise, guided tour of vessel, Colonel’s Homestead and gardens, plus wine tasting and antipasto selection.

- Walter Peak Horse Treks
  TSS Earnslaw cruise, horse trek (40mins) and morning or afternoon tea.

- Walter Peak Farm and Barbecue Excursions
  TSS Earnslaw cruise, farmyard tour, animal viewing and farming demonstrations, plus barbecue lunch.

- Walter Peak Evening Dining
  TSS Earnslaw cruise, carvery buffet or homestead roast evening dining, plus farming demonstration.

- Walter Peak Guided Cycling
  TSS Earnslaw cruise, small group cycling adventure and picnic lunch.
TSS EARNSLAW Steamship Cruises

STEAMSHIP CRUISES
ReLive the elegance of turn-of-the-century travel with a scenic cruise on Queenstown’s iconic vintage steamship. The TSS Earnslaw is believed to be the oldest working coal-fired steamship in the southern hemisphere.

Cruising on the “Lady of the Lake” is like stepping back in time. Below deck, the steam engines hiss and thud as the stokers shovel coal into the glowing fireboxes.

Relax on board and view the stunning alpine scenery while enjoying food and a drink from the Promenade Café. There’s plenty of time to explore the decks and bridge, view the engine room or join a sing-along with the on board pianist. In the fo’c’sle gallery, a collection of historic photos offer a glimpse into the vessel’s colourful past.

The TSS Earnslaw makes several trips across beautiful Lake Wakatipu to Walter Peak High Country Farm. On arrival, stay on board, or disembark to experience high country farming life.

Suitable for all ages

Timetable
- TSS EARNSLAW STEAMSHIP CRUISES
- Depart Queenstown
  - All year* 12.00noon, 2.00pm & 4.00pm daily
  - Mid Oct - mid Apr 10.00am, 6.00pm & 8.00pm daily
  - Duration 1hr 30mins except 8.00pm (2hrs)
  - *The TSS Earnslaw will be on survey late May - early July 2011
  - Check in 20mins prior to departure

What to bring
- Shoes / boots (non-slip)
- Warm clothing / jacket
- Sunscreen / sunglasses
- Camera

“A voyage aboard the TSS Earnslaw is both a delightful passage back in time and one of the best ways to experience the beauty of Lake Wakatipu and the surrounding terrain, aptly named the Remarkables Mountains.”
- Nautical World Magazine
WALTER PEAK Farm Excursions

Disembark from your TSS Earnslaw cruise and experience New Zealand’s high country farming lifestyle. Walter Peak High Country Farm is beautifully sited on Lake Wakatipu’s south-western shores with a stately homestead and extensive lakeside gardens.

Join our rural host for a walking tour of Walter Peak’s farmyard. You’ll get the opportunity to help feed the sheep and get close to the deer and Scottish Highland cattle. Children especially love the smaller farm animals. Watch the dogs bringing in the sheep from the surrounding hills, see the farmer shear a sheep and try your hand at spinning wool. Then stroll through the lakeside gardens to the Colonel’s Homestead for a traditional morning or afternoon tea. A delicious barbecue lunch option is also available if pre-booked.

• Suitable for all ages

WALTER PEAK FARM EXCURSIONS
- Depart Queenstown
  All year* 12.00noon & 2.00pm daily
  Mid Oct - mid Apr 10.00am daily
  Duration 3hrs 30mins
- Check in 20mins prior to departure
- *The TSS Earnslaw will be on survey late May - early July 2011; during this period a launch will substitute as required

What to bring
- Shoes / boots (non-slip)
- Warm clothing / jacket
- Sunscreen / sunglasses
- Camera

FARM EXCURSIONS

“Complement your excursion with a barbecue lunch on the lakeside terrace”

“‘We recently visited the Walter Peak Farm and were guided by a gentleman named Lindsay. He had an absolutely wicked sense of humour and had my wife and I in stitches… it was such a fun-filled day.’”
- Visitors from the United Kingdom

“A great way to get an insight into the workings of a New Zealand farm with sheep dog and sheep shearing demonstrations. The scones and pikelets served at morning and afternoon tea are delicious.”
- NZ i-Tag Guide Book
WALTER PEAK Heritage Excursions

HERITAGE EXCURSIONS
Learn about Queenstown’s rich pioneering history with this option. Cruise across Lake Wakatipu on the TSS Earnslaw accompanied by our on board historian. Then disembark at Walter Peak High Country Farm for a guided tour of the Colonel’s Homestead and beautiful gardens. Enjoy a wine tasting and an antipasto platter before viewing early photographs, memorabilia and a slideshow. Then relax on the lakeside terrace until its time to return to Queenstown.

• Minimum age 18 years

Timetable
WALTER PEAK HERITAGE EXCURSIONS
Depart Queenstown
Mid Oct - mid Apr 4:00pm daily
Duration 3hrs 30mins
Check in 20mins prior to departure

What to bring
Shoes / boots (non-slip)
Warm clothing / jacket
Sunscreen / sunglasses
Camera

WALTER PEAK Horse Treks

HORSE TREKS
For added adventure following your TSS Earnslaw cruise, join us on a guided horse trek (40mins).

Our experienced guides take you across rolling high country farmland to an outlook offering spectacular views of Lake Wakatipu and the surrounding mountains.

On your return to the stables, enjoy morning or afternoon tea at the Colonel’s Homestead.

• Suitable for riders of all ability levels, including first-time riders; minimum age 8 years; maximum weight 100kgs

Timetable
WALTER PEAK HORSE TREKS
(weather permitting)
Depart Queenstown
Oct - mid Apr 12:00noon & 2:00pm daily
Mid Oct - mid Apr 10:00am daily
Duration 3hrs 30mins (Horse Trek 40mins)
Check in 20mins prior to departure

What to bring
Shoes / boots (non-slip)
Warm clothing / jacket
Long trousers recommended
Sunscreen / sunglasses
Camera

We provide
Safety helmet and wet weather gear

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WALTER PEAK Colonel’s Homestead

Barbeque Lunches
Relax in the garden setting and enjoy a barbecue lunch at the Colonel’s Homestead. Sit back on the lakeside terrace and savour the enticing aroma from the barbecue. Choose from a selection of lamb chops, beef patties and fresh fish sizzling on the grill, complemented by crisp salad greens, baked potatoes, crusty bread and fruit salad. After your meal, join a farmyard tour or explore the gardens.

Evening Dining
An evening at the Colonel’s Homestead at Walter Peak is the perfect end to an action-packed day. We offer two evening dining options.

Carvery Buffet - Sample an expansive array of New Zealand’s traditional cuisine including; soup, fresh seafood, succulent roast meats, salads and steamed and roast vegetables. Then finish your meal with our homemade desserts, a cheeseboard and tea or coffee.

Homestead Roast - Enjoy served to your table, soup and your choice of roast beef or lamb with garden fresh vegetables. Dessert and freshly brewed coffee or tea complete your meal.

After dinner, an entertaining farming demonstration provides a glimpse into rural high country life. Then it is time to board the TSS Earnslaw. Cruising back across Lake Wakatipu with the lights of Queenstown drawing nearer is a magical sight.

• Suitable for all ages

Timetable
WALTER PEAK FARM AND BARBEQUE EXCURSIONS
Depart Queenstown
Sep - May* 12.00noon daily
Mid Oct - mid Apr 10.00am daily
Duration 3hrs 30mins

WALTER PEAK EVENING DINING - CARVERY BUFFET / HOMESTEAD ROAST
Depart Queenstown
Oct - May* 6.00pm daily
Aug - Sep departures as locally advertised
Duration 4hrs

Check in 20mins prior to departure
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Note: Vegetarian dining options available

What to bring
Shoes / boots (non-slip)
Warm clothing / jacket
Sunscreen / sunglasses
Camera

The Colonel’s Homestead at Walter Peak High Country Farm is the perfect place to spend a relaxing few hours. Its colonial architecture and sweeping grounds evoke the elegance of a bygone era.
**WALTER PEAK Guided Cycling**

Join our small group cycling adventure on the southwestern shores of Lake Wakatipu.

Your day commences with a cruise on board the TSS Earnslaw Steamship to Walter Peak where an experienced guide will be waiting to drive you to Mavora Lakes.

Then cycle along a quiet country road through beech forest and open tussock grasslands. Along the way enjoy stunning views of the Von River, surrounding mountains and snow-covered Mount Earnslaw at the head of Lake Wakatipu.

Lunch at a traditional musterers’ hut and other cycling breaks provide great photo opportunities.

- **Small group**: 9 per guide
- **Moderate fitness required**: 3-4 hours leisurely cycling (15-35kms) with van travel option
- **Picnic lunch, hot drinks (during cycling) and afternoon tea included**
- **Suitable for children 10 years and older**

**Timetable**

- **WALTER PEAK GUIDED CYCLING**
  - Depart Queenstown
  - Nov - mid Apr 10.00am daily
  - Duration 7hrs 30mins
  - Check in 1hr prior to departure

- **What to bring**
  - Daypack
  - Drinks / snacks
  - Shoes / boots (non-slip)
  - Waterproof jacket
  - Warm sweater / fleece jacket
  - Sunscreen / sunglasses / sunhat
  - Insect repellent
  - Camera

- **We provide**
  - Mountain bikes and safety helmets (guided cycling only)

**WALTER PEAK INDEPENDENT CYCLING**

With this non-guided option, cyclists cruise across Lake Wakatipu on board the TSS Earnslaw and then explore the Back Road using their own (or independently hired) mountain bikes. Upon completion of their ride cyclists cruise back to Queenstown.

- **Quiet country road** through mostly gentle rolling terrain
- **On check in a map and a snack / drink voucher is provided for exchange on either the TSS Earnslaw Steamship or at the Colonel’s Homestead, Walter Peak**
- **Safety helmets must be worn and cyclists need to be well equipped and fully self-sufficient with food / drink**
- **Cyclists need to ensure they make their return cruise as there is no accommodation at Walter Peak**
- **Suitable for experienced cyclists only**
- **All year various departures. Please phone or visit our website for the latest timetable**

Walter Peak Guided Cycling is operated jointly by Real Journeys Ltd and Around the Mountain Cycle Tours Ltd.

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QUEENSTOWN’S HERITAGE

The TSS Earnslaw Vintage Steamship and Walter Peak High Country Farm are a much-loved part of Queenstown’s history.

Walter Peak High Country Farm, on the western shores of Lake Wakatipu, is steeped in history. Its sheltered bays were used as camping sites by Maori travelling to the Mararoa and Oreti Rivers on moa hunting and pounamu (greenstone) gathering expeditions.

European settlement commenced in the 1860s with initial farming attempts by Von Tunzelman. Stock deaths, snowstorms and lack of money eventually forced him off the land.

Following a quick succession of owners, Walter Peak Station was taken over in the late 1880s by the Mackenzies.

This family is credited with developing many of the principles of successful high country farming during their 80 years working the property.

At its peak, the station was one of New Zealand’s most famous with 170,000 acres, 40,000 sheep and up to 50 full-time employees. The original homestead block of Walter Peak Station is now known as Walter Peak High Country Farm.

Over time various permanent homes were established and these included the Colonel’s Homestead with its beautiful lakeside gardens. Originally built in 1902, it was carefully reconstructed in 1977 following an accidental fire.

Today, the TSS Earnslaw Vintage Steamship and Walter Peak High Country Farm welcome visitors from around the world.

TSS Earnslaw Vintage Steamship

Launched by New Zealand Rail in 1912, the TSS Earnslaw is the last surviving and the grandest steamship to have ever graced Lake Wakatipu. Named after Mount Earnslaw (the highest peak in the region), she is 168 feet in length, 24 feet across the beam and weighs 330 tonnes.

Originally built by J McGregor & Co in Dunedin at a cost of £20,850, the TSS Earnslaw was dismantled and transported by rail to Kingston at the lake’s southern tip for reassembly and launching. The TSS Earnslaw has since served the remote farming communities around Lake Wakatipu, including the original Walter Peak Station. Her working roles have included cargo ship, livestock carrier, passenger transporter and pleasure steamer.
The TSS Earnslaw provided an essential link to the outside world for the stations around Lake Wakatipu including Walter Peak.

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- Suitable for experienced cyclists

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  - Check in 1hr prior to departure

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