7-DAY SMALL GROUP EXPEDITIONS

STEWART ISLAND / RAKIURA

PATERSON INLET, PORT ADVENTURE, PORT PEGASUS

SCENIC, HISTORY & NATURE EXPEDITIONS

Our seven-day Scenic Expeditions are designed for individuals, couples or small groups of family or friends who wish to book a cabin or cabins to join others to experience and explore the inlets, bays and rivers of Stewart Island in a kayak, or in the Fiordland Jewel's tender boat, if the weather permits there is a chance that we can circumnavigate the island and discover remote areas of Rakiura National Park, which comprises 85% of the island's 1,570 square kilometers.

On most days there will be the opportunity to head to shore, with the chance to stretch your legs. Bush, island and beach walks include the Ulva Island bird sanctuary, historic Norwegian whaling station in Prices Inlet and Little Glory Bay.

Experience Stewart Island's abundant marine and bird life.

All nine luxury cabins have sea views and a private ensuite and are fully air-conditioned and heated.

A maximum of 18 passengers

Operates March and October, 2021.

Available for private charter - can include fishing, hunting and diving

INCLUDES:

- · Return transport Bluff-Oban by ferry
- All meals prepared by our on board chef in our commercial kitchen - all dietary requirements are catered for. Our crew dive for seafood/kaimoana
- · Some fishing to catch a feed if you wish to do so
- · Complimentary tea & coffee
- Use of our kayaks and top-deck hot tub (weather dependent)
- In each cabin: Toiletries, body wash & shampoo/ conditioner (Evolu), hairdryer, linen and bath towels

Fiordland Discovery recommends guests should always have private travel insurance.



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ABOUT THE BOAT

The Fiordland Jewel was designed and built by Fiordland Discovery owner and skipper Rob Swale

CABIN INFORMATION

- 1 x Governor Cabin. At the top of the boat all by itself with its own full width forward window and large side windows. Super-King double bed, the ensuite has a separate shower and toilet.
- 4 x Captain Cook Cabins. All on the main deck all with sea views. Super-King double bed, each ensuite has a separate shower and toilet.
- 2 x Endeavour Cabins. Both on the main deck both with sea views. King single beds, each ensuite has a separate shower and toilet.
- 2 x Resolution Cabins. Both on the main deck both with sea views. 2 single bunks single beds, each ensuite has a combined shower and toilet.
- View boat specifications and images of cabins on our website - https://www.fiordlanddiscovery. co.nz/the-jewel/.

ROV

Remote Operating Vehicle (ROV): The Fiordland
Jewel hosts Fiordland's first and only remoteoperated vehicle, which provides high resolution
live underwater footage. Guests can view the
enchanting sea life beneath the surface in real
time from the comfort of the boat lounge.

DEPOSIT & PAYMENT

 To confirm, we usually require a 20% nonrefundable deposit to secure a charter with the full payment due at 12 weeks prior to the cruise.

PRE & POST ACCOMMODATION AND ADD-ON QUEENSTOWN TRANSFERS

 It is recommended to stay in Invercargill or Bluff the night before and after the charter, we have the option to arrange a transfer from Queenstown the day prior in our two 11 seater vans to Bluffi at the additional charge of \$200 per person, round trip.

BEVERAGE INFORMATION

 There is a licensed cash bar onboard and alcohol is available to purchase. We have a selection of wine, beer & soft drinks (no spirits). Please note: Do not bring alcohol on board with you, as this will breach our liquor license.



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SAMPLE ITINERARY

Please note there are variations are subject to the weather. This is a sample itinerary of a Stewart Island expedition.

Plan A is to travel the distance around Stewart Island - approx. 130 to 160 kms.

Plan B is to do as much as we can given the Skipper's judgement and weather conditions whilst you are on board. In addition to below there is also lots of cruising, fishing and kayaking or walking where time allows.

Day 1

Board the Fiordland Jewel in Halfmoon Bay, Oban late morning, and then return 7 days later to Halfmoon Bay, Oban. Explore Paterson Inlet/ Whaka a Te Wera, a 8,900-hectare inlet with 188 kilometres of coastline, formed by post-glaciation flooding 12,000 to 16,000 years ago. The Rakeahua River flows into its South West Arm and the Freshwater River near North Arm.

Day 2

Spend the morning exploring the largest island in Paterson Inlet/Whaka a Te Wera the Ulva Island bird sanctuary. In the afternoon visit the historic Norwegian whaling station in Prices Inlet and/or kayak Kaipipi Bay. Cruise to Port Adventure, a bay 10 kilometres south along the coast from The Neck the long peninsula at the mouth of Paterson Inlet, popular for fishing, diving and hunting. It was the site of a settlement of 36 Maori who arrived from The Neck in 1843.

Day 3

Port Adventure to Port Pegasus
Cruise along the coast which is largely rocky
with occasional beaches. South of Lords River/
Tutaekawetoweto it is exposed and mostly cliffs.
Subsidence has created drowned river valleys such
as Tikotatahi Bay, Tutaepawhati Bay and Big Kurii
Bay. On arrival in Port Pegasus there may be time
for kayaking and/or a short walk before dinner.

Day 4 & 5

Port Pegasus/ Pikihatiti

Explore this large sheltered harbour on the southeast coast. Its inlets, coves and bays cover some 40 square kilometres, with many safe and sheltered anchorages. Four major passages provide access to the sea. The passages in turn open out into two main arms – North Arm and South Arm.

It was first charted by William Stewart in 1809. A colonisation enterprise in the 1820s was not successful.

Activities around Port Pegasus can include walks and kayaking.

Day 6

Commence the journey back to Oban along the west or east coast.

Day 7

Depart the Fiordland Jewel early morning in Oban, and catch the ferry back to Bluff.

This cruise around Stewart Island, may include (weather permitting) activities such as:

- Kayaking
- · Tender boat excursions
- Walking
- Launching the ROV to view underwater marine life
- Some fishing
- · Bluff Oyster dredging