

Beyond plus backcountry day tour



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season
mid-Jul to early-Oct

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2009 price
from NZ\$285 per person

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access
chair, hike, heli

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guide ratio
1:3 minimum
1:4 maximum

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Bonus
1 day weather
contingency
avalanche transceiver
and lunch provided

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Experience a unique day beyond the ski area boundary with your guide, improving your confidence with ski touring or boarding backcountry terrain.

We use wide skis with ski-touring bindings that have an "uphill" tractor mode which are comfortable with our ski boots. Snowboarders use snowshoes and ski poles (or split board) for uphill travel. In addition to maximizing efficient equipment use (transition from uphill to downhill), learn about backcountry awareness (terrain assessment, transceiver searches).

Ideal for those who want to learn the basics of backcountry touring or those who just want a great day in solitude away from the crowds.

Great options available in the area:

- backcountry at Treble Cone or Cardrona \$285 p.p.
- backcountry at the Remarkables in Queenstown \$345 p.p.
- backcountry at the Pisa range between Queenstown and Wanaka \$285 p.p.
- Fly to the summit of **Black Peak**, and tour to the Treble Cone ski area laying tracks in bowls and ridges on the way (approx 6 hours) \$

you will come away with

- ▲ an awareness of avalanche hazards
- ▲ terrain analysis
- ▲ practice using avalanche transceivers
- ▲ techniques using updated touring gear
- ▲ improved transition time - downhill to uphill

logistics

duration	1 day
price	NZ\$285 per person includes lunch, access, guide NZ\$345 per person includes lunch, access, guide (Remarks) NZ\$465 per person includes helicopter, lunch, access, guide
access	Either ski lift or hiking, skin up, or helicopter ride !
season	mid-July onwards

guide-client ratio minimum 1:3 or maximum 1:4

prerequisites good fitness

bonus

- ▲ Personal avalanche transceiver and lunch included
- ▲ We will meet you at 5pm the evening before your tour if possible

what do I bring?

- Your personal avalanche receiver is included
 - Boots (ski or boarding)
 - Skiers: Touring skis and skins, poles
 - Snowboarders: snowboard, snowshoes and poles
 - Small daypack
 - Snowboarders day pack (boarders need a special pack with attachments to hold a snowboard) this can be rented from Aspiring Guides for \$15
 - Water
 - Sunblock
 - Warm hat, gloves, wind shell, warm top
 - Rental equipment is available from Mainly Tramping in Wanaka (<http://www.climbwanaka.co.nz/>) and Goodsports (<http://www.good-sports.co.nz/>)
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The course price includes: qualified guide fee, one ride ski lift pass if required, personal avalanche beacon, lunch. Today will be spent in the backcountry areas of one of our local ski resorts or ski touring from Black Peak to Treble Cone (photos on our website).

weather

If the ski field is closed, we will "roll" the tour to the following day. If we are waiting for a clearance to "go backcountry", we will use some of the ski area for basic skills, then move out of the ski area boundary once conditions improve.

Snacks and lunch

Energy snacks and a nutritious lunch are an essential ingredient in helping you perform to your highest standard. We cater for any specific dietary requirements.

fitness & health

To make the most of your learning experience it is advisable to be fit enough to partake in the activities with enough stamina to get the most participation and enjoyment. We have two editorials on our website (Online Magazine) on how to prepare for mountaineering. Your guide places special focus on fitness levels and will regulate the pace accordingly.

how to book

To register for a trip, you can book online through our excellent website. Your payment may be paid by Visa or Mastercard or American Express, or bank transfer, bank cheque. The forms required can be found on our website. Full payment is due upon booking. Should you cancel your booking the following applies: you will receive a refund less a cancellation fee : more than 48 hours – full refund less NZ\$200 per person, less than 48 hours or during tour, no refund will be given.

We will send an appointment email approximately 4 weeks before your trip is due to commence or immediately if your booking is less than 4 weeks in advance. We will provide final information and ask for more information from you, e.g. dietary requirement, trip objectives and/or concerns, height and weight, fitness and any equipment rental required.

We look forward to sharing your aspirations...
and the opportunity of climbing with you in the future

the team @ aspiring guides

