

Haere mai – welcome

**The Catlins offers nature, wildlife and uncrowded freedom.
Enjoy these riches and help us protect them.**

Wildlife

- Penguins are shy and easily stressed – stay out of sight
- Sealions and seals need space - stay at least 10 metres away
- Protect nature – do not remove plants, animals or fossils
- Control dogs – they can kill penguins and threaten seals
- Best viewing sites: The Nuggets, Surat Bay, Curio Bay and Waipapa Point

Camping

- Use designated camping grounds as they have toilets and waste disposal
- Observe “No Camping” signs and leave areas as you found them
- No roadside camping. There are designated camping areas for self contained camping. Please visit www.camping.org.nz for more information.
- No camping or parking on private land without permission
- Fires can destroy our bush – light no fires without a permit

Driving

- For the enjoyment and safety of others limit vehicle use on beaches
- Sheep and cattle on the roads – drive slowly through the mob, and stay in your vehicle
- Keep left, respect others, pass stationary school buses at 20km/h
- Reduce speed when driving on unsealed roads

Waste Disposal

- Avoid polluting our environment - main settlements have toilets
- Campervan waste disposal at The Catlins Inn Owaka, Thomas’s Lodge Owaka, Kaka Point, Tokanui, McLean Falls Holiday Park and Pounaweia Holiday Parks.
- Rubbish is a hazard to health and wildlife – take it away.
- Rubbish disposal at Papatowai and recycling at Tokanui.

**For fire or accident emergency phone 111
For conservation or wildlife emergency
phone 0800 362 468**

Note: There is minimal cell phone coverage
in much of The Catlins.

Public phones are located at Owaka,
Papatowai and Tokanui.