Kia Ora and welcome to The Catlins, a major highlight of the Southern Scenic Route. Situated off the beaten track, The Catlins encompasses the area between Fortrose and Kaka Point and inland to Mokoreta. You will journey through rural heartland and podocarp forest, past rugged coastlines, hidden lakes and stunning waterfalls. The natural landscapes are enthralling and the wildlife is extraordinary.

The Catlins southern location bestows upon us long summer days perfect for exploring. Vivid sunsets and long twilight evenings lead on to ideal star gazing opportunities. Rainy days bring fresh growth to pastures and forest while strong winds shape the forests and raise impressive waves along the coast. Come prepared to enjoy dynamic weather conditions.

Remember The Catlins is another special part of New Zealand/Aotearoa that has steep topography and quite large distances from main cities; this means cell phone coverage is not always accessible. Plan your days, keep water on hand for long drives and always take note of fuel stops as they are sometimes few and far between.

The Catlins has many wonderful experiences to share. Accept our invitation and stay a few days. Meet the local people and relax on ‘Catlins time’.

Tatu te Whenua
Please leave the land undisturbed.

Be sure to visit the local information centres at Owaka, Waikawa, Tokanui, Curio Bay Tumu Toka Curioscape and Fortrose for helpful tips and local knowledge about The Catlins area.
**Origins and our Past**

The region’s namesake was a ship’s captain who regularly carried exports to Australia. Edward Cattlin purchased a huge tract of land from local Māori in 1840. However, authorities later reduced his claim and did not formally transfer title until 1873. This was a bit late for Captain Cattlin who had died in Sydney, 17 years earlier. Still, his name has stayed with us, albeit with a slight modification to the spelling.

Early Māori were the first people to live and travel extensively in the region, attracted by the abundance of seafood in coastal waters and prolific birdlife in the forest, including the large Moa bird (now extinct). Māori legends reverberate with colourful escapades of great chiefs like Tuhawaiki and large hairy monsters of the forest known as ‘Maeroero’.

The first European communities centred around short-lived whaling stations during the 1830s. Sawmilling then became the sustaining industry. The prosperity of these early settlements relied on shipping and good port access.

Dense forest meant an isolated existence and volatile seas caused many shipwrecks along The Catlins coast. Among them New Zealand’s worst civilian maritime disaster – the SS Tararua at Waipapa Point in 1881 with 131 lives lost.

Nevertheless, the early towns thrived. Fortrose exported wool, grain and timber. Waikawa was a bustling port town with a succession of industries including whaling, sawmilling, gold mining, stone quarrying, flax milling, sheep and dairy farming. Owaka in the north was settled later during the 1860s and, again, sawmilling and timber exports became big business.

By the 1920s the railway had arrived, Waikawa harbour had silted up and coastal shipping reduced. The boom times were over. Today farming, fishing and eco-tourism are the main industries.
Wildlife

Yellow-Eyed Penguins
The Yellow-Eyed Penguin Hoiho is an endangered and unique species. Distinguished by its distinct yellow eyes and headband, the Yellow-Eyed Penguin is native to New Zealand. Hoiho, its Māori name, imitates its shrill call and translates to ‘the noise shouter’. Penguins are best viewed at dawn or dusk and observed at a minimum of 50 metres. A special hide at Roaring Bay provides discreet viewing. Never approach a penguin as they are shy and easily frightened. Please keep your distance and stay concealed if possible. Dogs are strictly prohibited from penguin colonies.

Seals & Sea Lions
New Zealand Fur Seals Kekeno, New Zealand Sea Lions Whakahao and the odd formidable Elephant Seal can be found sunning themselves on various Catlins beaches (especially Waipapa Point and Surat Bay). The only place on mainland New Zealand where all three co-exist is at Nugget Point. Please keep your distance (at least 20 metres) at all times as these animals can be aggressive and chase people when feeling threatened. Keep dogs well away.

Birdlife
The Catlins boasts a variety of sea and forest birds. Shags roost in trees on the coast and river edges while Gulls and Terns are seen close to shore. Further out, the likes of Muttonbirds Tītī, Gannets Takapu and Mollymawks dive for fish. Herons Kotuku, Pied Stilts, Bar Tailed Godwits Kuaka and Oystercatchers Toreapango wade in the estuaries. Fernbirds Kōtātā/Mātātā and Bitterns Kaoriki hide amongst the rushes and Kingfishers Kotare survey the rivers. Forest songsters include Bellbirds Korimako/Makomako and Mohua. Fantails Piwakawaka/Tiwhakawaka/Piwaivaka and Tomtits Miromiro are often seen near walking tracks, while the Tui and the New Zealand Pigeon Kererū are amongst those in the canopy overhead.
Walks and Natural Attractions

Endless sightseeing choices await you inland and along the coast. Our native forests are home to mighty podocarp trees including Rimu, Totara, Matai, Kahikatea and Miro. Other trees to be found include Silver Beech, Tawhai and Flowering Kamahi and Rata. Perching plants, orchids, vines and 28 species of fern fill in the gaps, creating a perfect habitat for native birds and insects. Most tracks are maintained by our Department of Conservation; remember it is always safer to keep to formed tracks and only leave footprints.

The cliffs at Fortrose command spectacular views of the southern coastline and the Fortrose Estuary. At Waipapa Point, walk to the historic lighthouse and Tararua Acre, the cemetery of many of the victims of the 1881 shipping disaster.

Slope Point, the southernmost point of the South Island, has windswept trees and a magnificent view over the southern ocean.

Waipohatu is a tranquil picnic area offering a short 20 minute wheelchair track and a longer 3 hour wilderness track through native bush.

At Curio Bay/Tumu Toka you will find an ancient geological phenomenon of international significance – the Petrified Forest. Fossilised trees similar to Kauri and Matai lie embedded on coastal bedrock, remnants of a 170 million year old Jurassic era forest. Please do not damage or remove any fossils. Also at Curio Bay/Tumu Toka is the Living Forest walk; this is a direct descendant of the Petrified Forest.

Koropuku Falls This charming 10 mtr high waterfall is one of the Catlins least known waterfalls. The track may be muddy and slippery. (40 minutes return).

Cathedral Caves resonate with the sound of the sea. Rising more than 30 metres in places, they are all at once imposing, grand and truly cathedral-like. The caves’ private access is opened only at low tide with a small road fee (cash only). The caves’ opening is subject to safe sea conditions and can be closed at short notice (1 hour return). Closed June to end of October.

Lake Wilkie is reflective and peaceful. There is a
clear succession of naturally
establishing forest here. During
summer the red brilliance of
flowering Rata is stunning
(30 minutes return).

View the sweeping Tautuku
Beach and Bay from Florence
Hill. To the east is the rugged
Papatowai coastline where
surfers from New Zealand and
elsewhere come to surf the big
waves of the southern ocean. At
Papatowai is the Shanks Bush
Nature Trail with a 20 minute walk
to enjoy many different natural
habitats with activities for young
people, and the Old Coach Road.

Tautuku Estuary – journey
through time on this historic trail.
There is an easy track leading
through podocarp forest and
out onto a boardwalk above the
estuary flats. Enjoy the raucous
morning birdsong and look
out for the rare Fernbird (30
minutes return). Picnic Point is
reached via native bush and a
sandy coastline with interesting
rock pools (30 minutes return).
The LENZ Reserve Nature Trail
is a 15-20 minute informative
history and forest walk.

Purakaunui Falls is a picture
of beauty. Surrounded by bush,
this magnificent waterfall
cascades 20 metres over three
distinct tiers (20 minutes return).
Other enjoyable waterfalls
are McLean Falls (40 minutes
return) and Matai Falls
(30 minutes return). Also at
Matai Falls, the Matai Rail Trail
(1 hour return).

The Catlins River Walk and
Wisp Loop Track provide one
or two days walking through
native beech and planted
forest. The routes feature swing
bridges, high altitude views and
opportunities to see the rare
Mohua bird.

Walk to a spectacular blowhole
with exploding waves and
roaring sound effects when at
high tide. Jacks Blowhole is 100
metres inland from the sea. It
has been known historically for
its ability to dramatically spout
water. Tunnel damage means
that ideal sea conditions are
required for this effect to occur (1
hour return).

Getting to the lighthouse
at Nugget Point/Tokatā is an
exhilarating experience. The
roar of the sea rushes to fill your
ears, and the visual drama of
vast skies, endless ocean and
sheer cliffs to the left and right is
gripping. Its name is derived from
the sea-worn rocks that resemble
gold nuggets (20 minutes return).
Where can you camp?

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www.camping.org.nz

Take only photos
leave only footprints

THE CATLINS OFFICIAL WEBSITE: www.catlins.org.nz
**Curio Bay Christian Fellowship**

- Come and share the love of Jesus at a church with an ocean view
- Services each Sunday 10.30am
- Lunch to follow
- Warm welcome to all
- Pastor Paul & Celia Watson

**CONTACT**
Curio Bay Christian Community Centre
41 Mair Road, Curio Bay, South Catlins
Ph/Fax 03 246 8431
Email paulwat1942@hotmail.com

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**ACTIVITIES**

**The Gateway Experience**

The people of Tumu Toka Curio Bay welcome you to a world-class interactive centre sharing unique stories of this amazing place on the edge of time. From ancient geological beginnings, nature and people have transformed life on the coast many times.

- Admission – Adults $15, Children $2
- Guided Tours also available
- The Great Kiwi Experience Tours available this summer

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
590 Waikawa-Curio Bay Rd
Curio Bay 9884
Phone 03 246 8897
Email caferestaurant@curioscape.co.nz

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**The Catlins Official Website**

www.catlins.org.nz

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**Thickthorne Llamas**

- Visit our Fibre Producers: Llamas, Guanacos and Gotland sheep
- Specialising in fine fibres for spinning, knitting and felting; plus Llama, Guanaco and Gotland knitting yarn
- Spinning/weaving tuition
- Exclusive clothing label ‘The Valley Beyond’; plus accessories, handmade and crocheted throws, and other novelties
- Small cover charge, unless purchasing from Gallery.

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
Janette Buckingham
63 Waikawa Valley Road, 1RD Tokanui 9884
Phone 03 246 8499
Email thickthorne@xtra.co.nz

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**Tokanui Multi-Play Park**

Tokanui Multi-Play Park is conveniently situated on McEwan Street, Tokanui, opposite the playground. It features:

- State-of-the-art skate ramps
- A tar-sealed scooter track
- A small BMX bike track

**ADDRESS**
Tokanui Multi-Play Park
McEwan Street, RD1 Tokanui

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**Waikawa Museum & Information**

Based in the old school building, the Museum contains artifacts and history of the colonial settlers and information on local shipping, goldmining, sawmilling and farming in the area. Also a good collection of photographs.

- Research undertaken
- Information, brochures, accommodation bookings, telephone, stamps, postbox, newspapers, WiFi
- Open daily

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
Waikawa Museum & Information Centre
Phone 03 246 8464
604 Niagara-Waikawa Highway
Email waikawamuseum@farmside.co.nz

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**Catlins Info Centre & Owaka Museum**

Information on The Catlins and Clutha – activities, attractions and accommodation

www.cluthanz.com

**CONTACT & ENQUIRIES**
10 Campbell Street, Owaka, The Catlins
Phone Catlins Information Centre 03 415 8371
Email catlinsinfo@cluthadc.govt.nz
Phone Owaka Museum 03 415 8323
Hours: M–F 9.30am–4.30pm, Weekends: 10–4
Email owakamuseum@outlook.com

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**Owaka Museum**

Wahi Kahuika, The Meeting Place – a rest on your journey captures the essence of The Catlins. Visit this popular visitor hub with its informative exhibitions to discover the exciting history that made this region what it is today.

www.owakamuseum.org.nz

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**Bellbird (Korimako/Makomako) (photo: Fergus Sutherland). See page 7 for more information on the local birdlife.”**
**Catlins Brewery**

Ask for the Catlins Brewery local brew when in The Catlins. We use all NZ ingredients to produce a fine drop of beer and cider.

Available at:
- The Point Café and Bar
- The Lumberjack Restaurant
- Fortrose Café
- Also from the Catlins Brewery at Kaka Point – visits and sales by appointment, or online.

[www.catlinsbrewery.co.nz](http://www.catlinsbrewery.co.nz)

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**The Point Café & Bar**

- The Point Café & Bar is in the heart of the small township of Kaka Point – a small walk from any accommodation
- Sit back and relax with panoramic views of the ocean while dining or playing a game of pool
- Open 7 days a week
- Breakfast
- Lunch
- Dinner
- Best Seafood Chowder and Blue Cod in South Otago

[www.thepointcafe.co.nz](http://www.thepointcafe.co.nz)

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**Catlins Inn & Caravan Park**

The Catlins Inn offers a friendly community sports bar with outside decks and a relaxing café
- T.A.B.
- Pool table
- 4 gaming machines
- Ryley’s Café, country style menu
- Function room, groups up to 45, own bar, kitchen, 50” TV
- Accommodation available:
  - 3 modern serviced guest rooms with bathrooms and TVs and a 3 bedroom apartment
  - Caravan Park with powered and non-powered sites

[www.catlinsinn.co.nz](http://www.catlinsinn.co.nz)

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**BakeHouse Takeaways**

Located in the heart of The Catlins is Bakehouse Takeaways. This retro food caravan is a must visit when in Owaka. Outdoor covered seating or takeaway available. The best burgers and fish 'n' chips in The Catlins.

- Fish 'n' Chips
- Burgers, Pizzas
- Sushi, Japanese Curry
- Vegetarian options available

Find us on Facebook

**Niagara Falls Café/Restaurant**

Our refurbished old school has a casual, warm atmosphere.
- Award winning, gourmet casual dining
- Quality accommodation and camping
- Central to Catlins Attractions
- Wifi available when you stay
- Advance bookings recommended
- Daily Happy Hour and outdoor Pool Table

“Best Craft Beer Selection” in Southland

[www.niagarafallscafe.co.nz](http://www.niagarafallscafe.co.nz)

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**Papatowai Country Store & Motels**

- 2 minute walk to beach
- Groceries, beer, wine, 24 hour fuel, motels
- Pies, muffins, ice cream, sodas, snacks
- Camping, automotive and fishing supplies
- 3x self-contained motel units
- WiFi available

[www.papatowaistore.com](http://www.papatowaistore.com)

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**The Whistling Frog, Eat & Stay**

- Award winning, gourmet casual dining
- Quality accommodation and camping
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- Advance bookings recommended
- Daily Happy Hour and outdoor Pool Table
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[www.whistlingfrogresort.com](http://www.whistlingfrogresort.com)

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**Whistling Frog Restaurant & Resort**

- 2 minute walk to beach
- Groceries, beer, wine, 24 hour fuel, motels
- Pies, muffins, ice cream, sodas, snacks
- Camping, automotive and fishing supplies
- 3x self-contained motel units
- WiFi available

The best stop in the Catlins by Cuisine Restaurant Guide

Voted best coffee between Invercargill and Dunedin

All day homemade menu

Slices, cakes, desserts, made here

Gallery with local art and crafts

Advance bookings recommended

Daily Happy Hour and outdoor Pool Table

“Best Craft Beer Selection” in Southland

[www.whistlingfrogresort.com](http://www.whistlingfrogresort.com)
Tumu Toka Curioscape Café/Restaurant

Tumu Toka Curioscape Café and Restaurant is an excellent place to stop in for a snack or a meal. Serving Kiwi classics, scrumptious seafood, sweet treats and barista coffee all with an enviable view of the coastline.

- Open 7 days a week
- Warm, inviting atmosphere
- Friendly staff
- Fully licensed
- Gluten free, dairy-free and vegetarian options available

www.curioscape.co.nz

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES
590 Waikawa-Curio Bay Rd
Curio Bay 9884
Phone 03 246 8897
Email caferestaurant@curioscape.co.nz

Tokanui Food Centre & Post Shop

Tokanui Food Centre is a convenience store and local information centre, situated within the Tokanui township, on the Southern Scenic Route.

- Open all year, 7 days
- Fish and chips, burgers
- Top Taste Chicken
- Rolls, sandwiches, cakes
- Tea, coffee, icecream
- Meals
- Groceries
- Fresh fruit and vegetables
- Farmlands suppliers

www.southlanddc.govt.nz

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES
Jan & Kev
RD1 Tokanui
Phone 03 246 8876  Fax 03 246 8523
Email tokanuifoodcentre@xtra.co.nz

Tokanui Recycle Centre

- Save your glass, cardboard, cans and plastic bottles for our hungry recycling bins located at 23 McEwan Street in Tokanui
- Open to the travelling public 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Help us keep The Catlins tidy!

www.southlanddc.govt.nz

CONTACT & ENQUIRIES
For further information contact the Southland District Council

Fortrose Cafe

Licensed cafe & restaurant on the waterfront with splendid views of native birdlife over Toetoes Estuary.

- Delicious all-day menu, lunches, chowder, cabinet food, all made here
- Evenings and private functions by appointment
- Information booth
- 24 hour Petrol & Diesel
- Delicious L’Affaire coffee
- Find us on Facebook

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES
Emily Butters
5 Moray Terrace, Fortrose
Phone/Fax 03 246 9888
Email fortrosecafe@outlook.com

Cardno’s Accommodation

Kaka Point is an ideal base to access the spectacular scenery and wildlife of The Catlins.

- Magnificent views of sea, beach, Nugget Point lighthouse
- 1 minute walk to beach, restaurant/shop/café/bar
- Local native bushwalk
- Self-contained apartment with cooking facilities
- Studio unit with fridge, microwave & breakfast facilities
- Free WiFi

www.cardnosaccommodation.co.nz

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES
Laura & Chris Irwin
8 Marine Terrace, Kaka Point, RD1 Balclutha
Phone 03 412 8181  Fax 03 412 8101
Email info@cardnos.co.nz

Kaka Point Camping Ground

- Peaceful settings
- Native bush and birds
- Adjacent to bush walk
- 400 metre walk to beach, café and bar
- Sheltered tent and powered sites
- Comfortable cabins
- Great showers and laundry
- Well appointed kitchen and barbecue
- Closest camping site to Nugget Point

www.kakapointcamping.co.nz

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES
Denise Anderson
34 Tarata Street, Kaka Point
Phone 03 412 8801
Email kakapoint@hotmail.com

Nugget Lodge

Enjoy a unique experience staying absolutely on the water’s edge bordering the historic Nuggets Lighthouse and wildlife reserve.

- 2 modern, private, self-contained units
- Heat pumps
- Free wireless Internet
- Online booking with Visa or Mastercard
- Superb ocean and beach views
- Wildlife close by including sea lions and yellow-eyed penguins

www.nuggetlodge.co.nz

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES
Pauline & Willy Simpson
367 The Nuggets Road, Kaka Point
Phone 03 412 8783 Mobile 027 412 8176
Email info@nuggetlodge.co.nz

Kepplestone by the Sea

- 2 self-contained apartments with sea view
- 5 minutes from Surat Bay are local restaurant, museum, information centre & golf course
- Sea lions bask 100 metres away
- Close to Catlins scenic wonders, waterfalls, yellow-eyed penguin, spoonbills, walks, petrified (fossil) forest, native birds
- 45 minutes from Dunedin Airport and 1 hour 45 minutes from Invercargill

www.kepplestonebythesea.iowners.net

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES
Jack & Ester Johnson
9 Surat Bay Road, Newhaven, Owaka 9585
Phone 03 415 8134
Email kepplestone@xtra.co.nz

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**Surat Bay Lodge**

Comfortable holiday accommodation right beside the beach and sea lions
- TV in lounges with fully equipped kitchens
- Centrally heated, double, twin, and shared rooms, all with lovely sea views
- Free WiFi and phone
- Beach walks to False Island and Cannibal Bay
- Family and group bookings welcome by arrangement

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
Jack & Ester Johnson
19 Surat Bay Road, RD1 Newhaven, Owaka 9585
Phone 03 415 8696
Email suratbaylodge@gmx.com

www.suratbay.co.nz

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**Pounawea Grove Motel**

Waterfront Location in the seaside village of Pounawea
- Studio units with en suite and small kitchen
- Double (king) or twin rooms (sleep 2)
- Handy to restaurants and shops
- Free WiFi
- Bookings recommended
- No children under 14 unless by prior arrangement

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
Anne Lyon
5 Ocean Grove, Pounawea
Phone 03 415 8339 Mobile 021 046 8441
Email stay@pounaweagrove.co.nz

www.pounaweagrove.co.nz

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**Pounawea Motor Camp, Owaka**

Nestled amongst native bush with birdsongs of Tuis and Bellbirds. Hear the waves lapping on the waterfront while you watch the sunrise over the Pacific Ocean.
- Lonely Planet’s Catlins pick of the area
- Catlins’ cheapest longest established waterfront motor camp
- Adjacent bush walk
- Modern facilities
- Waterfront cabins
- Dumpsite • Animal friendly

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
Glenn & Lee-Anne, 1 Park Lane, Pounawea, RD1 Owaka. Phone/Fax 03 415 8483
Freephone 0800 1CATLINS (0800 12285467)
Email pounawea.motor.camp@xtra.co.nz

www.catlins-nz.com/pounawea-motor-camp/

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**Skylark Bed and Breakfast**

Stunning 180 degree hillside views of the Catlins Lake, Surat Bay and Pacific Ocean
- Luxurious super-king or twin en-suite unit with private entrance
- 1500 acre Sheep & Beef Farm
- Continental breakfast
- Farm tours complimentary
- 6km to Owaka restaurant/cafés
- Laundry on request

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
Karl & Melanie Burgess
Mobile 027 482 6260
Email lakeedgefarm@gmail.com

www.facebook.com/SkylarkBB

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**Owaka Lodge Motel**

‘Heart of the Catlins’
- 4 modern self-contained units
- Heating, electric blankets, cooking facilities, laundry service, TV etc.
- Free wireless Internet
- An ideal base from which to explore The Catlins, its natural beauty and wonderful wildlife
- Restaurants and shops 50 metres

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
Gaynor & Derrel Barker
Cnr Ryley & Campbell Streets, Owaka
Phone/Fax 03 415 8728
Email owakalodgemotel@xtra.co.nz

www.owakalodgemotel.nz

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**Thomas’s Catlins Lodge & Camp Ground**

A great place to relax or explore The Catlins. Large character lodge with dorms, budget and ensuite rooms.
- 2 bedroom self-contained unit
- Power and non-power sites
- Large guest kitchen, dining room, lounges, laundry
- Free WiFi, DVDs, pool table, BBQ plus more
- Located in Owaka, close to cafés, museum and shop
- Pet friendly

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
Thomas’s Catlins Lodge
8 Clark Street, Owaka, Phone 03 415 8333
Email stay@thomascatlins.co.nz

www.thomascatlins.co.nz

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Tiromoana – Catlins Ocean View

Tiromoana is nestled in a tranquil surrounding of native plantings and farmland, yet open to spectacular views of the Catlins Coast.

- Superior self-contained accommodation
- Sleeps up to 8 guests
- Spacious interior with an ambiance of comfort and relaxation
- Exclusively yours to relax and unwind or for a special occasion

www.catlinsoceanview.co.nz

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES
Tracey & Carey Hancox
66 Ratana Station Road, RD2, Owaka
Phone 027 212 0033 Email tracey_rangi@xtra.co.nz

Hilltop Accommodation Catlins

- In the heart of the Catlins, overlooking Papatowai and the Southern Scenic Route
- Experience stunning ocean and valley views
- Two character homes in a peaceful rural setting
- Double, ensuite and twin rooms in a ‘Share House’
- Exclusive ‘Whole House’ bookings also available
- Free Wi-Fi, linen included, full kitchen facilities

www.hilltopcatlins.co.nz

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES
77 Tahakopa Valley Road, Papatowai
Phone 03 415 8028 Mobile/Text 021 415 802
Email book@hilltopcatlins.co.nz

Southern Secret Motel

- Centrally situated in Papatowai
- 4 sunny modern studio units, all with balconies
- Close to waterfalls, bushwalks, beaches and wildlife
- Each motel unit sleeps 2-4
- Closest motel to Cathedral Caves
- Quiet, peaceful, native birdlife
- Erewhon holiday home, 3 bedrooms, queen/double/single, at Papatowai beach, fully furnished quality throughout
- Lancewood cottage available

www.southernsecretmotel.co.nz

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES
Southern Secret Motel
Main Road, Papatowai, RD2
Phone 03 415 8600 Fax 03 415 8777
Email southernsecret@xtra.co.nz

Luxury bed and breakfast set amongst 7 acres of stunning gardens.

- Excellent central location – 10 minutes from Curio Bay, 20 minutes to Cathedral Caves
- 3 elegant rooms offer total relaxation with private entrances, ensuite bathrooms, with heated tile floors and the finest linens
- Indulgent full breakfast is included

www.catlinscountryretreat.co.nz

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES
Jaclyn & Warren Calder
174 Progress Valley Road, South Catlins
Phone 021 100 8349
Email jac.hunt@gmail.com

Anchorage

Anchorage, set above the Waikawa Harbour, is a substantial 3 bedroom homestead and has 2 studio units downstairs. Enjoy the scenic views from the balcony.

- Units 1, 2 and 4 all fully self-contained
- Unit 3 has tea/coffee, microwave and fridge facilities
- Log burner upstairs, electric heaters studios
- TV all units
- 5 minute drive to Curio Bay

www.anchorage.co.nz

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES
52 Antrim Street, RD1, Tokanui 9884
Phone 03 246 8585 Cellphone 027 278 9585
Email milkfarm@xtra.co.nz

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ACCOMMODATION

**Waikava Harbour View**

Relax in peaceful native settings overlooking Waikawa harbour
- Spacious 4 bedroom lodge; central heating, full kitchen facilities, BBQ
- Two 1 bedroom cottages; Toi Toi & Harakeke; basic kitchen facilities
- All accommodation is self-contained; limited free WiFi internet, modern amenities, laundry facilities, linen provided
- Instant booking & credit card payment via website

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
Judy Leith
14 Larne Street, Waikawa
Phone Judy 03 246 8866
Email waikawa@southcatlins.co.nz

**Curio Bay Accommodation**

Absolute Beachfront at Curio Bay
*Boutique studios*
- quality s/c studios, super king bed
- spacious, warm, modern, private
- ideal for a romantic getaway
Curio Cottage
- 3 bedroom cottage (sleeps 6), 2x Queen, 1x bunk
- open plan living/kitchen room
- cosy & warm with wood burner
- Lily & Moby (cats) on site
Both places have complimentary BBQ, laundry facilities, linen, towels

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
Nick & Dani
521a Curio Bay Road, South Catlins, Southland
Phone 03 246 8797
Email curiobayaccommodation@gmail.com

**Lazy Dolphin, Curio Bay**

Panoramic views of Porpoise Bay and Curio Bay.
- Split-level budget accommodation
- Double, twin and shared rooms
- Beds made up
- Huge lounge and balcony
- Private beach access
- Only a couple of minutes walk to Petrified Forest and penguin watching
- Friendly helpful host
- Wireless Internet, eftpos and credit card facilities available

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
529 Curio Bay Road
Curio Bay, South Catlins
Phone 03 246 8579
Email lazydolphin@netspeed.net.nz

**Slope Point Accommodation**

- 2 self-contained units
- 1 basic double
- 1 twin single
- 4 dorm beds
- Group bookings available
- Laundry, BBQ and Wi-Fi available
- Sheltered, quiet and relaxed surroundings on our farm
- Hand feed the farm animals

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
Justine & Andrew
164 Slope Point Road, RD1 Tokanui
Phone 03 246 8420
Email info@slopepoint.co.nz

**Slope Point Getaway**

- Affordable, peaceful, self-contained 3 bedroom house
- Sleeps up to 6
- Fully equipped kitchen, BBQ, Freeview TV, washing machine, fireplace, free WiFi, linen provided
- Totally surrounded by farmland with estuary views
- Close to many southern attractions and activities
- Southernmost accommodation in the South Island
- Hand-feed the farm animals

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Justine and Andrew
164 Slope Point Road, RD1 Tokanui
Phone 03 246 8420
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**Andy’s Place**

Fortrose, gateway to The Catlins
- Peaceful, cosy, self-contained 3 bedroom cottage
- 2 queen beds, 1 single
- Fully equipped kitchen with fridge and microwave
- TV with Freeview, DVD player
- Southernmost golf club 2 mins
- Fortrose estuary is great for boating, fishing, beach walks
- Waipapa lighthouse 20 mins
- Curio Bay 3/4 hour
- Invercargill 40 mins

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
Sharon & Russell Crosbie
27 Neva Street, Fortrose, RD5, Invercargill 9875
Phone 03 246 9813, 027 694 7895 or 027 694 8206
Email bamandsharon@yahoo.com

**Tumu Toka Curioscape Campground**

The campground offers a unique coastal environment to take a break on your Catlins journey.
Nestled along the swimming beach of Porpoise Bay, alleys of flax provide the campground with scenic sheltered sites.
- Campervan and caravan sites with power
- Shower, kitchen, laundry
- Shop for essentials
- Chance to spot Hector dolphins which often frequent the area

**BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES**
590 Waikawa-Curio Bay Rd, Curio Bay 9884
Phone 03 246 8897
Email campground@curioscape.co.nz

THE CATLINS OFFICIAL WEBSITE: www.catlins.org.nz
Our aim is to promote The Catlins as a place to live, \(\text{Boating, fishing, golf and campsite.} \)
The Catlins Care Code

HAERE MAI – WELCOME

Please help us to protect the nature and wildlife of The Catlins – Only leave your footprints; only take photographs and memories...

Wildlife and Nature

For more information visit www.doc.govt.nz
- Talk quietly and move slowly when near sea lions or fur seals – do not disturb them, give them space, stay at least 20m away
- Yellow-eyed penguins (hoiho) are shy and easily stressed – do not disturb them, give them space, stay at least 50m away
- Do not remove plants, animals or fossils from the environment – treat New Zealand forest and birds with respect, they are unique and often rare
- Respect our cultural heritage, treat these places with consideration and care
- Dogs can disturb and even kill wildlife, please respect signage regarding dogs
- No drones at Nugget Point (Tokatā), Roaring Bay (Hakaparoa), Curio Bay (Tumu Toka), Slope Point and Waipapa Point.

Camping

For more information visit www.camping.org.nz
- Please use official camping sites as they have toilets and waste disposals
- No Roadside, Lookout or Beachside Camping
- Permission must be obtained for camping, parking or walking on private land
- Please leave areas clean and tidy
- Check it is all right to light. Permits are required. www.fireandemergency.nz

Driving

- Keep left, observe all road signs. Pass school buses at 20k/hr
- Reduce speed when driving on ‘unsealed’ roads
- Limit vehicle use on beaches, respect other beach users, the road rules apply
- Indicate and pull over to the left-hand side of the road to take photographs; read road signs/maps; and to allow vehicles behind you to pass safely

Waste Disposal

- Please take all rubbish away with you, carry out what you carry in – Rubbish disposal points are at Papatowai and Kaka Point and recycling is available at Owaka and Tokanui
- Use public toilets provided, please do not pollute the environment
- Use Campervan waste disposals – Inn Street Owaka, Thomas’s Lodge Owaka, Kaka Point, Tokanui, Whistling Frog Resort and Pounawea Holiday Park

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, Kaka Point and Tokanui.

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