

# New Zealand Great Walks



## Hut and campsite fees



- Protect plants and animals
- Remove rubbish
- Bury toilet waste
- Keep streams and lakes clean
- Take care with fires
- Camp carefully
- Keep to the track
- Consider others
- Respect our cultural heritage

Toitu te whenua  
Leave the land undisturbed

For further information, contact the nearest Department of Conservation visitor centre or office or visit:

[www.doc.govt.nz](http://www.doc.govt.nz)

### General Information

Information is provided here about **Great Walk hut fees**. Bookings are required for many Great Walks in the summer peak season. Great Walk track guide publications provide details about each Great Walk. Department of Conservation (DOC) visitor and information centres nationwide and the DOC website: [www.doc.govt.nz](http://www.doc.govt.nz) have details.

#### Fees

Fees are charged in the form of a Great Walk Pass for the use of huts and associated facilities. Passes should be purchased prior to commencement of a trip. Penalty rates are double the standard fee for passes purchased on the day from hut wardens.

Fees are charged per person per night.

#### Age categories

For fees are:

*Adult*: 17 years and older

*Youth*: School pupil 11 years and older

*Child*: younger than 11 years of age

Where family discounts are available, they apply only to adults with children under 17 years old.

#### Facilities

Great Walk huts have mattresses, water supply, hand washing, toilets and heating with fuel available. They **may** have cooking facilities. Cooking utensils are not provided.

Great Walk campsites near huts have a water supply, sinks, toilets and may have a cooking shelter. Camping is permitted only at designated campsites.

**Note**: Some facilities change seasonally. Off-peak, many huts revert to 'Serviced' hut status. This means that services such as heating, fuel and a hut warden are not provided.

#### Seasons

Unless otherwise stated in the following schedule:

**Summer peak season** is: 1 October to 30 April

**Off-peak season** is: 1 May to 30 September

Season dates may vary according to the conditions at the time (e.g. snow, avalanche).

Please do not overstay your welcome. Maximum:

- Two nights at huts and campsites peak season
- Three nights (huts), five nights (campsites) off-peak.

Hut Tickets and the Backcountry Hut Pass can be used to stay in many huts in the off-peak season.

Fees are the same as other 'Serviced' huts:

Adult: Hut fee \$10.00      Campsite fee \$5.00

Youth: Hut fee \$5.00      Campsite fee \$2.50

The fee for the Backcountry Hut Pass (12-months) is:

Adult: \$90.00

Youth: \$45.00

Children: free

### Be well prepared for your trip!

Make sure you have the right gear, equipment for a safe and comfortable trip. Check the DOC brochure **Planning a trip in the backcountry?** The New Zealand Mountain Safety Council offers a comprehensive gear and equipment check list in their brochure **Going bush?**, available from [www.mountainsafety.org.nz](http://www.mountainsafety.org.nz) or visitor centres nationwide.

**Note**: conditions on most Great Walks can be hazardous during winter. It is recommended that only fit and experienced people attempt winter alpine trips.

**Facilities and conditions change** so always check the latest information at the nearest DOC visitor centre **before your trip**.

### Tongariro Northern Circuit

**Peak season** (Labour Day/ 4th Monday in October to Queens Birthday/ 1st Monday in June)

*Adult*

Hut: \$20.00      Penalty: \$25.00

Campsite: \$15.00      Penalty: \$20.00

*Youth*

Hut: \$10.00      Penalty: \$15.00

Campsite: \$7.50      Penalty: \$12.50

**Off-peak season**: Hut Tickets and the Backcountry Hut Pass can be used.

### Lake Waikaremoana Track

Note: Bookings are required all year Ph: (06) 837 3900. There are **no** cooking facilities in huts, so carry a fuel stove

**All year**

*Adult*

Hut: \$20.00      Penalty: \$40.00

Campsite: \$10.00      Penalty: \$20.00

*Youth (5-17 years old)*

Hut: \$10.00      Penalty: \$20.00

Campsite: \$5.00      Penalty: \$10.00

**Family and school group discount**: 20%.

### Whanganui Journey

**Taumarunui – Whakahoro section**

Adult: \$10.00

Youth: \$5.00

**Journey excluding Tieke Kainga**

Adult: \$35.00      Penalty: \$50.00

Youth: \$17.50      Penalty: \$25.00

**Full Journey**

Adult: \$45.00      Penalty: \$60.00

Youth: \$17.50      Penalty: \$30.00

**Off-peak season**: Hut Tickets and the Backcountry Hut Pass can be used.

## Abel Tasman Coastal Track

Note: There are no cooking facilities in the huts, so carry a fuel stove.

- A camping pass on the Abel Tasman track can be upgraded to a hut pass after 6pm providing space in the hut is available and the additional fee is paid.
- Bookings for huts required in peak season. The booking office is open from 1 July.  
Tel: (03) 528 0005; Fax: (03) 528 6563

### Peak season

#### Adult

Hut:	\$25.00	Penalty:	\$32.00
Campsite:	\$10.00	Penalty:	\$13.00

#### Youth

Hut:	\$12.50	Penalty:	\$16.00
Campsite:	\$5.00	Penalty:	\$7.00

### Off-peak season

Hut:	\$10.00	Campsite:	\$7.00
Youth:	Half adult rate		

## Heaphy Track

Note: A camping pass on the Heaphy Track can be upgraded to a hut pass after 6 p.m. providing space in the hut is available and the additional fee is paid.

### Peak season

#### Adult

Hut:	\$20.00	Penalty:	\$25.00
Campsite:	\$10.00	Penalty:	\$13.00

#### Youth

Hut:	\$10.00	Penalty:	\$13.00
Campsite:	\$5.00	Penalty:	\$7.00

### Off-peak season

Hut:	\$10.00	Campsite:	\$7.00
Youth:	Half adult rate		

## Routeburn Track

Note: The alpine section of the Routeburn Track is not suitable for children younger than 10 years.

- Adult = 15 years and older
- Youth/child = 14 years and younger

### Peak season

- Bookings are required. The booking office is open from 1 July.

Tel: (03) 249 8514; fax: (03) 249 8515

E-mail: [greatwalksbooking@doc.govt.nz](mailto:greatwalksbooking@doc.govt.nz)

#### Adult

Hut:	\$40.00	Penalty:	\$80.00
Campsite:	\$15.00	Penalty:	\$30.00

#### Youth

Hut:	\$20.00	Penalty:	\$40.00
Campsite:	\$7.50	Penalty:	\$15.00

#### 3-night hut discount

50% discount on standard adult or youth fee for one night at either Howden or Routeburn Flats Huts when spending 3 or more nights in huts on the Track.

*Family discount:* 20%

*School and youth groups:* 30%

### Off-peak season

Hut Tickets and the Backcountry Hut Pass can be used.

## Rakiura (Stewart Island) Track

### All year

#### Adult

Hut:	\$10.00	Penalty:	\$15.00
Campsite:	\$6.00	Penalty:	\$9.00

#### Youth

Hut:	\$5.00	Penalty:	\$7.50
Campsite:	\$3.00	Penalty:	\$3.75

## Milford Track

Note: The Milford Track is not suitable for children younger than 10 years.

- Camping is not permitted on the Milford Track.
- Adult = 15 years and older
- Youth/child = aged 14 years and younger

### Peak season

- Bookings are required. The booking office is open from 1 July.

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Adult (3 nights): \$120.00      Penalty: \$240/night

Youth (3 nights): \$60.00      Penalty: \$120/night

*Family discount:* 20%

*School and youth groups:* 30%

### Off-peak season

Hut Tickets and the Backcountry Hut Pass can be used.

## Kepler Track

- The alpine section of the Kepler Track is not suitable for children younger than 10 years.
- Adult = 15 years and older
- Youth/child = aged 14 years and younger

### Peak season

- Bookings are required. The booking office is open from 1 July.

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#### Adult

Hut:	\$30.00	Penalty:	\$60.00
Campsite:	\$15.00	Penalty:	\$30.00

#### Child

Hut:	\$15.00	Penalty:	\$30.00
Campsite:	\$7.50	Penalty:	\$15.00

#### 3-night hut discount

50% discount on standard adult or youth fee for one night at Moturau Hut when spending 3 or more nights in huts on the track.

*Family discount:* 20%

*School and youth group:* 30%

### Off-peak season

Hut Tickets and the Backcountry Hut Pass can be used.

**Note:** Further information about Great Walk tracks and huts is available in track guides. Track guides are available from DOC visitor centres and the DOC website: [www.doc.govt.nz](http://www.doc.govt.nz)