



Southern Lakes PRODUCT GUIDE 2022-23 & 2023-24



Owner and Directors of Southern Lakes Helicopters are Sir Richard and Lady Carol Hayes. Sir Richard (*Hannibal*) Hayes has over 40 years and over 30,000 hours flight experience and is renowned for extraordinary feats of search and rescue in the Southern Alps, the Subantarctic and Southern Ocean. Sir Richard Hayes ensures the company group holds to the same rigorous standards of safety, excellence and professionalism.

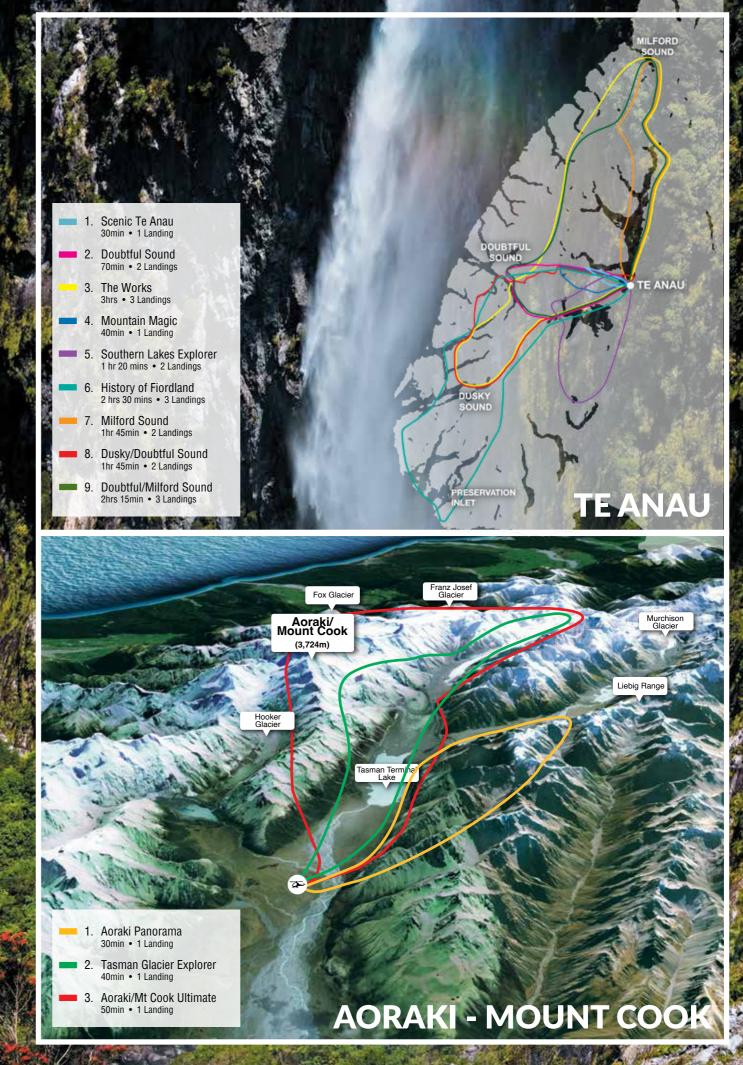
Southern Lakes Helicopters have a modern fleet of aircraft and expert crews, representing an average of 17 years' experience both internationally and within New Zealand. We provide services to search and rescue, filming, tourism and all types of commercial operations and we also hold the contract to provide Heli support for Antarctica New Zealand based at Scott Base.

Safety is the priority above all other considerations. Southern Lakes Helicopters insists on going far beyond the minimum safety standards set by the Civil Aviation Authority.

"In each and every operation safety is paramount. This is not just a slogan, it is our ABSOLUTE commitment."



INTRODUCTION







1. Scenic Te Anau

This flight is a short adventure into the Kepler Mountain Range with great views of alpine lakes and mountain tarns. Sample the grandeur of the Fiordland scenery. We make a landing at a mountain tarn so you can enjoy the vista and ruggedness of the Main Divide and breathe the crisp pure air of Fiordland. See what lies beyond the Te Anau horizon! A Te Anau scenic flight is a 'must do' experience.

Duration: 30 mins Landings: 1

Cost: \$295.00 pp RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$335.00 pp RRP 2023-24

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2. Doubtful Sound

A flight to Doubtful Sound 'The Sound of Silence' will take you into the very heart of Fiordland. We climb over Wilmont Pass into Doubtful Sound and make our first landing at Campbell's Kingdom, a beautiful hanging valley complete with its own lake and waterfall. You will then glimpse Bradshaw Sound as we fly over the main divide of the Southern Alps before our second mountain landing at Mt Kidd.

Duration: 70 mins Landings: 2

Cost: \$845.00 pp RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$965.00 pp RRP 2023-24







3. The Works

Our premier heli-flight experience. This flight takes you on a spectacular journey from sea level to mountain tops, taking in Fiordland's top three destinations. From Dusky Sound, which is New Zealand's largest flord, to Doubtful Sound and iconic Milford Sound including everything in-between. The ultimate Fiordland experience!

Duration: 3 hrs Landings: 3 Cost: \$2,395.00 pp RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$2,775.00 pp RRP 2023-24





4. Mountain Magic

Hidden wonders of Fiordland unfold with this taste of the 'real' remote mountains. Experience the ever-changing scenery of beech forest, mountain slopes, alpine lakes and snow clad mountain tops. A high alpine landing is made on Mt Kidd, a remote picturesque area with dramatic views to experience the Fiordland we know.

Duration: 40 mins Landings: 1 Cost: \$495.00 pp RRP 2022-23

Cost: \$575.00 pp RRP 2023-24



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5. Southern Lakes Explorer

Departing our Te Anau base we fly over the Iris Burn and Lake Manapouri to our first destination Nor West Lakes, a stunning mountain lake with views of Lake Manapouri in the background. From here we fly over the Hunter Mountains and Green Lake to a geological marvel, Mt Titiroa, where we will make our second landing.

Duration: 1 hr 20 mins Landings: 2 Cost: \$995.00 pp RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$1,145.00 pp RRP 2023-24









6. History of Fiordland

This flight will take you into the heart of Fiordland. Starting with the Sound of Silence, Doubtful Sound home to several stunning waterfalls. Followed by the 40km-long Dusky Sound which is dotted with more than 350 small islands. From here the flight path will take you to the bottom of New Zealand's rugged West Coast where a remote wild landscape unveils a unique slice of early Maori and European history Preservation Inlet.

Duration: 2 hrs 30 mins

Landings: 3

Cost: \$1,835.00 pp 2022-23 Cost: \$2,095.00 pp 2023-24



🙀 Add Hike 🍖 Add Picnic





7. Milford Sound

Our scenic flight to Milford Sound will give you breathtaking views of some of the highest and most photographed mountains of Fiordland. Views of Mitre Peak and Milford Sound unfold as we circuit the fiord to follow the Milford Track, flying over the McKinnon Pass before landing at Lake Quill, source of the famous Sutherland Falls. Come and discover the world famous Milford Sound. An excursion with the "X Factor".

Duration: 1hr 45 mins

Landings: 2

Cost: \$1,195.00 pp RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$1,385.00 pp RRP 2023-24





Add Hike 😸 Add Picnic



8. Dusky & Doubtful Sound

Dusky Sound is the largest and most spectacular of the Fiords. A landing is made high above the sound to view this historic area encompassing 365 islands. When airborne again we head north towards Doubtful Sound. Flying up this fiord we detour into a unique hanging valley called Campbell's Kingdom. On the return journey we make a high alpine landing at beautiful Mt Kidd.

Duration: 1 hr 45 mins

Landings: 2

Cost: \$1,195.00 pp RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$1,385.00 pp RRP 2023-24







9. Doubtful & Milford Sound

This is a must for people with little time available during their trip to Fiordland but who want to see the the two most popular destinations. During this 2 hour trip you will not only see the beauty of Doubtful Sound and the spectacular Milford Sound but all the amazing scenery in between. Discover some of the unique hidden gems of Fiordland National Park. This is truly a "must do" before you leave Fiordland!

Duration: 2 hrs 15 mins

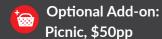
Landings: 3

Cost: \$1,625.00 pp RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$1,865.00 pp RRP 2023-24





OPTIONAL ADD ONS



Extend your flight to include a 30 minute 'Picnic in Paradise' at one of our stunning landing locations. Enjoy a gourmet picnic put together with the finest New Zealand produce and drinks.

Optional Add-on: Heli-Hike, \$50pp

Start: Extend any of our scenic flights to include a drop off at Luxmore Hut. The starting point for your walk on the Kepler Track, one of New Zealand's Great Walks. Duration of helicopter flight: available from 25min – 3hours

Option 1 for hike: The well-formed track winds through native beech forest and is all downhill to Brod Bay, onto the shores of Lake Te Anau.

Duration of hike Option 1: 2.5-3 hours

Option 2 for hike: Ascend to Luxmore Summit. We highly recommend this option so you can soak up the amazing views before descending onto the shores of Lake Te Anau. Duration of hike Option 2: 5-6 hours including additional Summit Track

Finish: Boat cruise across Lake Te Anau back to town centre. Duration of boat trip: 10min

Why heli-hikes are really the best of both worlds.

For years, the popularity of heli-hikes as a bucket list experience has grown and it's pretty obvious why.

New Zealand is one of the most isolated countries on earth and there's no better way to discover the land of the long white cloud than a heli-hike experience. This rings even more true if you make your way to Fiordland – because so much of this remote natural wonderland is not accessible by car or by foot – with some locations challenging even the fittest of the bunch.

Turn a scenic flight into a full day experience.

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Scenic flights are a bucket list must-do for most – the views and vistas are truly unforgettable. But what if you could actually explore that wilderness you see, touch the alpine flowers and feel that mountain breeze against your skin?

Heli-hikes are family friendly to explore and adventure with little people, and are suitable for most ages and fitness levels.

Our heli-hike option takes the uphill climb out of the picture, so you simply land at Luxmore Hut and then enjoy an easy going and downhill descent along a well-formed track. Or if you want more of a challenge, there's an additional option to ascend up to the Summit Track from Luxmore Hut before heading back down. Whichever you option choose, it's a win-win really.







Fiordland Heli Hike

Begin with a scenic flight into the Kepler Mountain Range. We make a landing at a mountain tarn so you can enjoy the views of the Main Divide. Once airborne again it is a short flight back to Luxmore Hut, the starting point of your hike. There are two hike options:

Option 1: The well-formed track winds through native beech forest and is all downhill to Brod Bay, onto the shores of Lake Te Anau. Duration of hike: 2.5-3 hours

Option 2: Ascend to Luxmore Summit. We highly recommend this option so you can soak up the amazing views before descending onto the shores of Lake Te Anau.

Duration of hike: 5-6 hours

Both options finish at Brod Bay for the boat cruise back to Te Anau.

Duration of helicopter: 25 mins; Landings: 2

Cost: \$325.00 pp RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$365.00 pp RRP 2023-24



Twin Lakes Heli-Jet

Soak up this unforgettable experience as you helicopter across the shore of Lake Te Anau to land atop Jackson Peaks, before taking a jet boat ride along the Waiau River with Fiordland Jet. Embark on an exhilarating jet boat ride across Manapouri, and then back up the Waiau River which is lined by ancient beech forest. Stop at some tranquil spots to soak up the amazing surrounds, spot a few trout, and learn about the unique environment and fascinating history before being transferred back to Te Anau by coach.

Duration: 2 hours Landings: 1

Cost: \$555.00 pp RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$610.00 pp RRP 2023-24







Heli Jet Southern Fiordland

This product combines wonderful scenic flying, a jet boat ride and an optional walk. The jet boat is an exhilarating ride down the untamed Wairaurahiri River which falls 200m to sea level. After a fabulous bush BBQ lunch on the coast we fly to Okaka Lodge on the Humpridge Track where you may choose to walk the short sub alpine Loop Track. We make one more landing at the stunning Mount Titiroa before returning to base.

Duration: Approx 5 hours Landings: 4

Cost: \$11,995.00 for 1-6 passengers RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$13,285.00 for 1-6 passengers RRP 2023-24



Explore Hollyford & Big Bay Heli Hike

This is an action packed day out! Including scenic flying over remote parts of Fiordland encompassing the Hollyford Valley, Big Bay & Milford Sound. A guided hike (approx. 3 hours) on the Hollyford Track from Hidden Falls to Lake Alabaster, followed by a gourmet packed lunch. All snacks and drinks are also provided.

Duration: Full day tour Landings: 3

Cost: \$15,150.00 for 1-5 passengers & guide RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$17,100.00 for 1-5 passengers & guide RRP 2023-24



Expedition Fiordland Day Trip ex Queenstown

Departing Queenstown we overfly Lake Wakatipu then over Mavora Lakes and Lake Te Anau to arrive at Luxmore Hut on the Kepler Track to start the all downhill hike to Brod Bay. After lunch you begin one of the more remote scenic drives in NZ by 'back road' with Trips and Tramps to Walter Peak Station where you connect with the Steamship TSS Earnslaw for a 45min leisurely cruise back to Queenstown.

Duration: Full day tour

Landings: 1

Cost: \$10,450.00 for 1-5 passengers & guide RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$11,450.00 for 1-5 passengers & guide RRP 2023-24





Aoraki Panorama

Enjoy a taster of the scenery Aoraki/Mt Cook is so famous for with a short adventure into the remote and untamed Southern Alps. We land on the Liebig Range where you enjoy the stunning panorama of magnificent Mt Cook. Then soar over carved icebergs of the Tasman Terminal Lake before returning to our base. The perfect scenic flight 'sampler' and a great way to get a feel for the grandeur of the Southern Alps.

Trip Duration: 30 Minutes Landings: 1 Alpine landing Cost: \$295.00pp RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$335.00pp RRP 2023-24



Tasman Glacier Explorer

This flight takes you on a journey to discover Aoraki/Mount Cook National Park. Fly the full length of the Tasman Glacier, viewing this incredible Alpine region with amazing views of New Zealand's highest peak before landing on the magnificent Tasman Glacier. Discover some of the many hidden treasures within the National Park. From take off to landing you will enjoy spectacular scenery!

Trip Duration: 40 Minutes Landings: 1 Glacier snow landing Cost: \$465.00pp RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$570.00pp RRP 2023-24





Aoraki / Mount Cook Ultimate

This is truly the ultimate way to view Aoraki/Mount Cook National Park. Fly around the top of Aoraki/ Mount Cook, viewing unbelievable scenery that unfolds from the top of New Zealand's highest peak. This includes Fox and Franz Josef Glaciers and the Tasman Sea. Land on the Tasman Glacier itself to experience the "natural silence" of hanging glaciers and rivers of ice.

Trip Duration: 50 Minutes Landings: 1 Glacier snow landing Cost: \$625.00pp RRP 2022-23 Cost: \$750.00pp RRP 2023-24



Optional Add-on: Gourmet Picnic \$50

Extend your flight to include a 20 minute 'Picnic in Paradise' on the Tasman Glacier. Enjoy a gourmet picnic put together with the finest New Zealand produce and drinks.





Mt Cook Heli-Hike

Hike and explore the 'white ice' of New Zealand's longest glacier with your private guide.

This experience can be combined with any of our scenic flights for an action packed day out!

Cost: P.O.A.



Alps 2 Ocean

From Aoraki/Mount Cook Airport across the Tasman River to Tasman Point.

Cost: P.O.A.

*Experience any of our breathtaking scenic flights as part of your Alps 2 Ocean transfer and enjoy a discounted rate. From take off to landing you will enjoy spectacular scenery!



Heli Ski & Snow Shoeing

In conjunction with local tourism operators, we offer remote wilderness Heliski & Snow Shoeing adventures in the majestic playground of Aoraki/ Mount Cook National Park and beyond to provide a truly unique experience

Cost: P.O.A.



Our highly experienced team of pilots have specialist skills and in-depth knowledge of Aoraki/ Mount Cook national park, allowing us to offer a variety of private charter flights. With excellent knowledge of Aoraki/Mount Cook and the Mackenzie District, our friendly team is able to provide you with plenty of advice, suggest locations for your activity or event and work with local tourism operators to provide a truly unique scenic flight experience.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



For over 30 years we have been flying as explorers of the skies and masters of flight. And over this time, we've had a lot of questions from first time fliers ready to discover our piece of paradise. Here are our top tips for you based on the most frequently asked questions by visitors, so you can spread your wings and enjoy the best scenic flight with us.

Can I select my seat for the flight?

Our knowledgeable pilots will allocate seating depending on passenger weight and balance. We do however always try to rotate passenger seating after each landing.

What if there is bad weather?

The pilots make a weather call each morning. Passengers are welcome to call the office for an update. If we have concerns regarding weather, we usually try and give booked passengers a call the day before to talk through options.

How long is the scenic flight?

This varies and is entirely up to you. With different packages to choose from, you can select the package that works best for you.

What can I bring on the flight?

You can bring your phone, camera, water bottle, sunhat, sunglasses and a small backpack or purse with your personal effects.

Are your flights accessible for people with disabilities?

Yes. We do our best to accommodate everyone so please have a chat with our friendly team in the office for further information about this.

What should I wear on the flight?

Sturdy shoes, pants, and a light jacket. Wearing warm layers is a good idea since it can be a little colder up in the mountains at our landing location but nice and warm inside the helicopter.

I've never been on a helicopter flight before. How is it different from a plane ride?

Helicopters can land almost anywhere. They also give you the chance to experience the solitude, remoteness and epic beauty of Fiordland. Helicopters offer bigger windows for better viewing. We can slow our airspeeds down to give you best views of those magnificent Fiordland waterfalls.

Is there a lot of noise on the flight?

You will receive headphones to help reduce cabin pressure and white noise. The headphones also have a microphone and will allow you to communicate with the pilot and each other.

What do I need to know about safety on my flight?

A comprehensive safety briefing will be done before departure.

Can I take photos during the flight?

Take as many photos as you like but please just make sure your cameras don't touch the windows as they scratch easily.

Is there a minimum age for passengers?

Children under 4 travel for free on parents lap and safety belts are provided. Children over 4 legally require their own seat.

What if I get anxious or feel unwell during the flight?

We have very experienced pilots who will ease your anxiety if you do get air sick. There are also sick bags available on board.

Will there be other passengers on my flight?

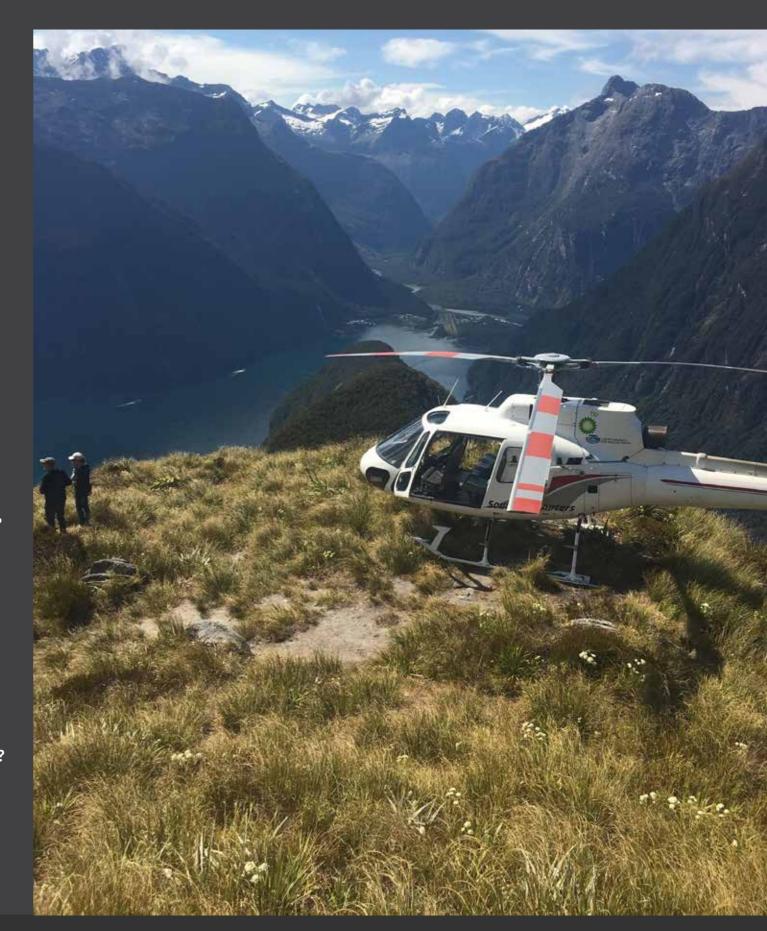
All our flights are share with others. If you would prefer to book an exclusive flight, please let us know at the time of booking and we will confirm the cost with you.

How long do we have for each landing?

We usually land for approximately 10 minutes.

If I'm travelling on my own, can I still get on a flight?

Minimum numbers do apply subject to aircraft availability, but we will always do our best to combine bookings in order to accommodate our customers.



TERMS & CONDITIONS

PRICING & GST

- All prices quoted are valid until 30th September 2024.
- All prices are in New Zealand
 Dollars and inclusive of 15% GST
 (Goods and Service Tax). Your
 card issuer may apply charges
 for converting currency. These
 charges are applied by your
 card issuer, we accept no
 responsibility for these.
- We reserve the right to change our prices. We will not do this without prior notification.

PAYMENT

- We accept EFTPOS, Visa, Mastercard, China UnionPay and cash.
- We retain the right to charge a credit card surcharge on all transactions.

DEPARTURE POINT

 Flights depart from our Te Anau lakeside base or Aoraki/Mount Cook Airport.

CANCELLATION POLICY 1) STANDARD SCENIC FLIGHTS

- if your cancellation is due to unforeseen circumstances and:
- More than 48 hours notice is given, no payment will be taken.
- Less than 48 hours notice is given, a 50% payment will be charged.
- If no notice is given and you do not show up for your flight, 100% payment will be charged.

2) EXCLUSIVE CHARTER/ GROUP BOOKINGS

- we require a 20% deposit to confirm.

- If bookings are cancelled within 7 days of departure the full fare will be billed.
- All deposits are deducted from final payments and are not an additional charge.
- All deposits are NON REFUNDABLE from the time of payment unless a flight is cancelled due to weather conditions on the day.

PASSENGER DETAILS

• For the purpose of aircraft weight and balance and in accordance with the Civil Aviation Authority rules and regulations, we require all passenger weights at the time of booking. Once we have received and reviewed this information we will be able to confirm the booking.

YOUR BOOKING

 All Standard Scenic Flight prices listed are 'share with others' (SWO) rates. Please understand we may consolidate your flight with other guests if we see fit.

TOUR/TRIP TIMES

• Flights depart on demand subject to availability.

MINIMUM NUMBERS

• Minimum numbers do apply subject to aircraft availability.

- Infants under 4 years old are Free of Charge and are required to sit on an adult's knee.
- Children must be accompanied by a full fare paying adult.
- Please enquire at the time of booking regarding any discount we may be able to offer for family groups.

PRIVACY POLICY

 Any personal information supplied to us will only be used to process your booking/order. We do not share your information with any third parties, and protect it through secure systems.

WEATHER

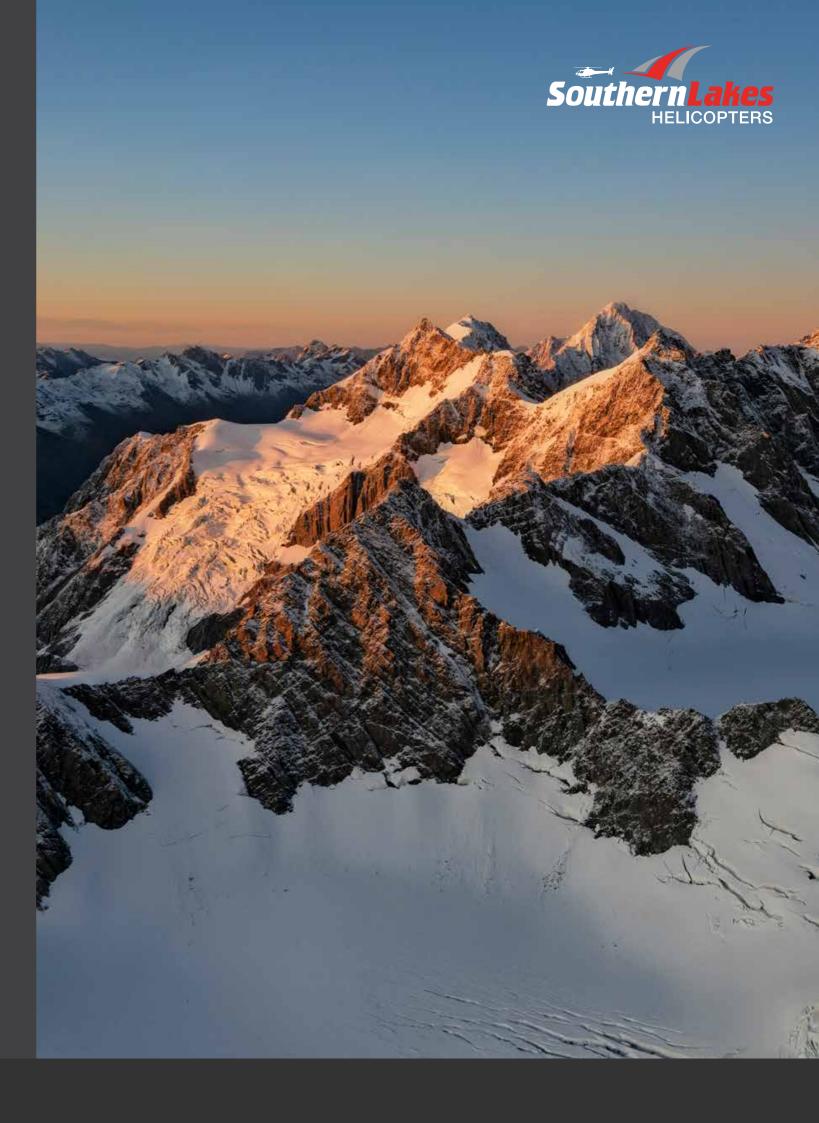
 All flights are subject to weather conditions on the day. If we cannot undertake the flight at the time you booked due to our often unpredictable weather conditions, we will make our best efforts to re-schedule your flight.

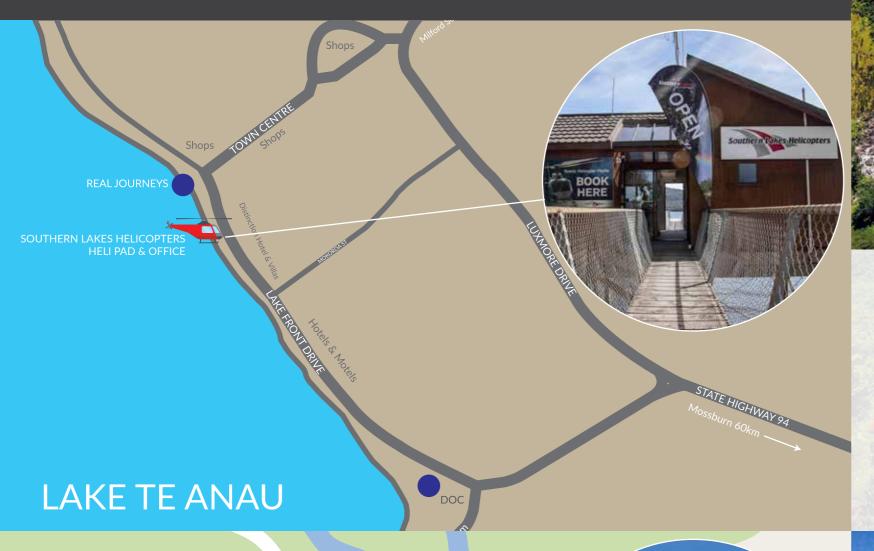
NEW ZEALAND APPLICABLE LAW

 This contract is deemed to be made in New Zealand and the law of New Zealand, and of no other country, will apply to all issues relating to the contract or arising out of the contract.

WHAT TO BRING

 Camera, sunglasses, a warm jacket and sturdy shoes suitable for walking on rocky or uneven surfaces.







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