

# *The Mainlander Train*

**Departs 2 December 2026**

## **Wednesday 2 December**

Your adventure begins today as we meet our fellow travellers and make our morning flight to Christchurch. You will have the afternoon free to explore or relax by the hotel pool.

**ACCOMMODATION:** Garden Hotel (2 nights)

## **Thursday 3 December**

Today enjoy a sightseeing tour of Christchurch.

## **Friday 4 December**

This morning we make our way to the Christchurch Railway Station where we join the **Mainlander Train** for our journey to Dunedin. From the rolling Canterbury Plains to the dramatic Otago coastline The Mainlander offers a front-row seat to the country's most diverse and breath taking scenery. Along the way, enjoy warm southern hospitality, insightful commentary, and the charm of classic rail travel where the journey is every bit as memorable as the destination. Enjoy a boxed lunch delivered to your seat. Upon our arrival we transfer to our hotel for the next 3 nights.

**ACCOMMODATION:** Distinction Leisure Lodge – or similar (3 nights)

## **Saturday 5 December**

Today we experience one of the world's great heritage rail journeys **The Taieri Gorge train** which travels deep into the rugged landscapes of Central Otago, passing through tunnels and across towering viaducts carved by hand more than a century ago. Departing from Dunedin's iconic Railway Station, this scenic adventure reveals parts of the region only accessible by rail. The train climbs and descends through the gorge, each curve reveals new outlooks, the return journey gives you time to unwind, take photos, and appreciate the scale and remoteness of this remarkable landscape.

After a stunning day there is time to relax or explore Dunedin on your own before dinner.

## **Sunday 6 December**

This morning sees us join the **Mainlander Train** for our return journey to the deep south's wide horizons and city of Invercargill, where there is time to explore and find some lunch for 1 ½ hours before re-joining the train back to Dunedin.

## **Monday 7 December**

Farewelling Dunedin we once again board the **Mainlander Train** for our scenic return journey to Christchurch. A chance to enjoy the scenery from a different angle. This nostalgic, scenic journey follows the historic Main South Line from Dunedin to Christchurch and will no doubt bring back many memories. Enjoy the warm southern hospitality and leisurely pace that allows you to take in the diverse coastal and pastoral vistas. Enjoy a boxed lunch delivered to your seat. Upon our arrival in Christchurch we bid our hosts for the last 4 days a fond farewell and transfer to our hotel for the night.

**ACCOMMODATION:** Garden Hotel

## **Tuesday 8 December**

Today we have a group a visit before making our afternoon return flight to New Plymouth after enjoying an eventful few days travelling the rails and enjoying the deep south scenery.

*Thank you for selecting DALROY TOURS, we look forward to seeing you all again soon.*

## **INCLUDES:**

Accommodation on a share twin basis with private facilities,  
6 Dinners, 6 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches  
Flights New Plymouth to Christchurch & return to New Plymouth  
Train tickets Christchurch – Dunedin / Taieri Gorge / Dunedin – Invercargill return /  
Dunedin - Christchurch



# BOOKING CONDITIONS

|              |                       |                   |
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| <b>COST:</b> | Per person Twin Share | <b>\$ 3925.00</b> |
|              | Requested Single Room | <b>\$ 4795.00</b> |

**DEPOSIT:** A deposit of \$1000.00 per person is required at the time of booking and the full payment is due by 2 October 2026.

**CANCELLATION FEES:** If you are forced to cancel your reservation

More than 60 days before departure 100% of the published deposit is forfeited

Less than 60 days prior to departure 100% of the tour price is forfeited

**CREDIT CARDS:** We accept VISA & MasterCard subject to a 1.5% transaction fee

**DIRECT PAYMENTS:** Can be made to Dalroy Tours

**ANZ Bank 01-0707-0305166-46 OR TSB Bank 15-3953-0944207-10**

(please include your Name & Mainlander in the reference)

**REFUNDS:** Please note that no refund of unused ground content will be made for any reason.

**RESPONSIBILITIES:** DALROY TOURS acts only as an agent for the persons or companies providing accommodation transport or other services, (hereinafter called “service providers”) and DALROY TOURS issues all coupons, vouchers, tickets or other documents on the service providers terms and conditions, which are to be read in addition to and not in degradation from these terms.

**LIABILITY:** DALROY TOURS advises you that the services it renders under this agreement are the booking and packaging of services provided by others such as hotels, transport companies and tour operators DALROY TOURS, its employees and agents will not be responsible and exclude liability for loss or damage to the tour member outside their control including but not limited to any act or omission to the tour member or his/her property by air carriers, accommodation providers or any other provider of services to the tour member.

**INSURANCE:** At the time of booking it is strongly recommended that comprehensive travel insurance be taken out.

**CHANGES IN ITINERARY AND HOTELS:** The operator reserves the right to deviate from the itinerary should circumstances so dictate and to substitute hotels with those of an equal standing or tariff.

**SEAT ROTATION:** To provide all passengers with the opportunity of forward and window seating we operate a seat rotation system which will be explained to you by the driver.

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