



- 🌿 Dine at the Famous Catlins "Whistling Frog" Restaurant & Bar
- 🌿 Natural Attractions
Only minutes from your doorstep
- 🌿 Photographers' Paradise
- 🌿 FREE Guest Wifi and DVDs*
- 🌿 Exclusive Guest Happy Hour
- 🌿 Family & Pet Friendly
- 🌿 Barista-made Hot Chocolate & Coffee
- 🌿 Quality Accommodation & Camping
- 🌿 Craft Beers on Tap

THE FAMOUS "WHISTLING FROG" - Award Winning Gourmet Food, Craft Beer and Accommodation available. Eat, Stay & Play all in one location, amongst nature. Seasonal hours of operation, call ahead to reserve your table or room (03) 415 8338. Closed during winter.

ACCOMMODATION AND REFRESHMENT STOP

- 1 **WAIPAPA POINT** - Dramatic coast line with a light house and sea lion colony. Scene of New Zealand's worst civilian shipping disaster, the 'S.S. Tararua', in 1881.
- 2 **SLOPE POINT** - Southern most point of New Zealand's South Island. A short 20 minute walk through farm land to an AA sign, showing the distance to the Equator and the South Pole. Can be very windy with trees growing horizontally with the ground.
- 3 **WAIPOHATU FALLS** - Choose to do either the easy 30 minute forest walk or the 3 hour loop walk.
- 4 **CURIO BAY** - Visit a 180- million year old petrified forest, rare Yellow- Eyed Penguins, Heritage Centre.
- 5 **PORPOISE BAY** - Swim with the Hector's Dolphins or catch a wave at this great surf beach
- 6 **CHASLANDS MISTAKE** - Passenger steam ship "Otago" wrecked in 1876.

- 7 **MCLEAN FALLS** - Travel up Rewcastle Road to the tallest, most spectacular waterfall in the Catlins. 45 minutes return forest and river walk. Glow worm tour! **PUBLIC TOILET AVAILABLE AT CAR PARK**
- 8 **CATHEDRAL CAVES** - One of the largest beach sea caves on Earth, accessible at low tide. Allow at least one hour return, currently \$5 cash per adult. Great Wildlife
- 9 **HISTORICAL LOGGING SITE** - See the remains of the historical Ford Train, used in the logging process. Learn the history with interpretive information signs and see the sites where the settlers lived.
- 10 **TAUTUKU ESTUARY BOARDWALK** - Peaceful 20 minute return forest walk to a boardwalk that meanders out onto the estuary amongst the stunning jointed reeds. See the rare *Fernbird* in it's natural habitat
- 11 **TAUTUKU PENINSULA** - Seen from across Tautuku Bay is the site of the 1839 - 1845 whaling station and former port for timber and flax exports. These are now holiday 'cribs' on private property.
- 12 **MIRROR LAKE WILKIE** - Left behind by the last ice age 13,000 years ago, a short walk will lead you to great reflections of the surrounding mature podocarp forest, which is slowly reclaiming the lake. Great for bird - watching!

- 13 **TAUTUKU BEACH** - located in a spectacular sweeping bay backed by forest, it's a local favourite for surfing, swimming and walking.
- 14 **PAPATOWAI SETTLEMENT** - Lost Gypsy Gizmo Gallery, well worth a look! Closed Wednesdays. Groceries and 24hr fuel pump available at the "Papatowai Country Store".
- 15 **PAPATOWAI ESTUARY** - 40 minute return walk along "The Old Coach Road" to a historic Moa hunter camp at the river mouth. There is also a 2-3 hour return tramp through the reserve.
- 16 **MATAI FALLS, HORSESHOE FALLS & HISTORICAL RAIL TRAIL** - 20 minute forest walk to two 20m waterfalls and an extra 20 minutes to experience the rail trail. Travel the shorter side of the rail trail to see fossils and remains of a rock tunnel, created by dynamite.
- 17 **PURAKANUI FALLS** - Easy 30 minute return forest walk to the iconic wide, tiered waterfall.
- 18 **OWAKA** - A small country town, with galleries, Catlins history museum, teapot land, Four Square general store and pharmacy. 24 hour NZ Credit Card operated petrol and diesel station plus mechanic. Catlins Soap Company, Waka art sculpture and Gevadi Gifts is well worth a look. Pounaweia is a 10 minute drive from Owaka.
- 19 **JACK'S BLOWHOLE** - A more advanced walk, 60 minute return walk through farm land along the coast, to the deep blow hole, 200m inland from the sea. Named after the Maori chief Tuhawaki (Bloody Jack)
- 20 **POUNAWEA** - Bird watching and estuary walks
- 21 **TUNNEL HILL** - Short 30 minute return walk to a tunnel excavated by hand 1893- 1895 for Balclutha to Tahakopa Railway. Flashlight recommended!
- 22 **HAYWARD POINT** - Pilot station commanded by Captain Hayward 1872 - 1887 when the Catlins river was a busy timber port
- 23 **SURAT BAY** - A long, sandy beach, named after the sailing vessel 'Surat', wrecked in 1874. Sealions.
- 24 **CANNIBAL BAY** - A great place to see sea lions, named by geologist Dr. James Hector, after human bones were discovered in the sand dunes.
- 25 **NUGGET POINT** - See Yellow- eyed penguins come in at sunrise and sunset from the Roaring Bay penguin hide. Sea lions, elephant seals and birdlife can also be seen. One hour return walk to the light house, which looks over the 'Nuggets'.
- 26 **KAKA POINT** - A small sea side village, with dining at "The Point", beach and scenic coastal route between Balclutha and Owaka.
- 27 **BALCLUTHA** - New World Grocery store, petrol and diesel stations, mechanic, general shopping stores. Great trout and salmon fishing in the Clutha River.