Lake Roxburgh

Clutha Gold Trail Cycling Experience Self-Guided Three Nights — Two Day Ride

Trip Highlights

- Experience up-close the beauty of New Zealand's mightiest river Clutha Mata-Au
- Immerse yourself in a tapestry of diverse landscapes
- Enjoy the rural environment and learn about the area's rich gold mining history
- Experience the delights of the seasons
- Explore our friendly southern communities where locals still have time for a chat

The package includes:

- A bike to meet your comfort with helmet, repair puncture kit
- E-bikes available on request for additional charge
- Transport from Millers Flat on day one back to Lodge
- Transport to Millers Flat and back to Lodge from Lawrence on day two
- Accommodation: Three nights at Lake Roxburgh Lodge in a standard studio room
- Meals: Includes three evening dinners, three breakfasts and a package lunch for your cycle journey each day
- You will also get a maintenance tag which supports the volunteers who have built and maintained the Clutha Gold Trail

Why Stay at Lake Roxburgh Lodge?

Lake Roxburgh Lodge is situated at the end of the Roxburgh Gorge Trail and the start of the Clutha Gold Trail. It is a perfect location to base yourself to enjoy either trail. The Lodge provides high-quality, comfortable accommodation in a relaxing environment. Enjoy our expansive, restful gardens. Staying with us means you'll be well-rested before you start your amazing Clutha Gold cycling journey. Your hosts Anna and Max will do their best to ensure that your stay is memorable.



Spring on the Clutha Gold Trail

Trip Duration:

Day One: 29 km

Day Two: 44 km

Grade: 1 Easiest

Activity: Cycling

Distance: 73km



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Roxburgh Dam

Price:

Standard Studio

\$1,000.5 single / \$1,471 per couple

Deluxe Studio

\$1,150.5 single / \$1,621 per couple

Standard Studio (Low Season)

\$961 single / \$1,437 per couple

Deluxe Studio (Low Season)

\$1,096 single / \$1,572 per couple

Upgrade to E-Bike per person: \$150

Prices are valid until 30 September 2020.

Low season is from 1 September to 30 September 2020.

Itinerary

Day One: Your day begins with a substantial, nourishing breakfast. You cycle from the Lodge across the Roxburgh Dam meeting the Clutha Gold Trail on the other side of the Clutha Mata-au river. The ride from the start of the trail to Roxburgh follows this mighty river with its distinctive turquoise water. With views of orchards on both sides of the valley there is plenty of colour no matter what the season. In spring you can enjoy the blossom, or the stunning colours in autumn, while in summer there is the beauty of trees laden with fruit. Take time to stop in Roxburgh for a cuppa and explore this lovely town before venturing on to Millers Flat. The track continues to meander along the Clutha Mata-au river. Stop at Pinders Pond and enjoy a break and even a swim - before cycling through pastoral farm land toward the small settlement of Millers Flat. Your transport will meet you at Millers Flat and return you to the Lodge.

Day Two: After a relaxing breakfast your transport takes you to Millers Flat where the day's cycling begins. The trail to Beaumont continues to follow the river. Make sure you stop off and visit the historic Horseshoe Bend suspension bridge and the site of the lonely graves. There are also plenty of other photo stops along the way. From Beaumont the trail climbs to its highest point and through the Big Hill Tunnel – a torch is a great idea! It then descends gently into farmland. Along the way, there are several historic sites including ancient Chinese gold mining sites and places where flax fibre was milled for rope making. There's time to explore Lawrence before returning to Lake Roxburgh Lodge.

Pre-trip briefing

The night before your ride you'll be briefed on the departure time and equipped with a bike that suits you for comfort and fit.

What you need to be prepared:

- Water bottle take plenty of water with you
- Clothing layers of clothing are important as the climate can change quickly. Make sure that you include a rain jacket
- Central Otago is known for its sunny days bring your sunscreen
- Camera and a torch for the tunnel



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Dietary Requirements

Provided we are advised in advance of your stay we can cater for vegetarian diets and can assist with medically recommended diets which include allergies and intolerances. Please discuss your requirements with Anna.

What is the maintenance tag?

Your package includes a maintenance tag – this is an opportunity to give back to the community and the environment. The Clutha Gold Trail has been created with the generous support of landowners, volunteers and tangata whenua. These trails are part-funded by local and central government, and managed and maintained by a not-for-profit trail company — the Central Otago Clutha Trail Company Ltd.

Maintaining the trail surface and structures for the benefits of safety and longevity is a key focus and high priority for this volunteer group and its contractors. The tag is a way of supporting the Trail Company and ensuring that the Clutha Gold experience will be enjoyed for generations to come. All funds generated are used for trail maintenance.



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Trip Availability

If this trip seems right for you then we encourage you to call us now to check availability. We always need to ensure other services, like transport are also available before we can confirm your place on this experience.

Book Now

Book your package online, or email us at stay@lakeroxburghlodge.co.nz, or phone us on 03 446 8220.

Accommodation Pre and Post Tour Package

If you wish to arrive a day or two before your package dates or stay on afterwards let us know and we will discuss our options with you.

*Please note that cell phone coverage is limited on the Clutha Gold Trail.

