

Dunedin is New Zealand's wildlife and heritage capital – and one of its most walkable and delegate friendly small cities. The city is home to New Zealand's oldest university, the University of Otago, providing easy access to academic leaders and research institutions to enhance business events. The city offers unspoiled heritage architecture, while some of the world's rarest wildlife inhabits the nearby Otago Peninsula

ACCESS

Dunedin International Airport is 30km from the city centre. International visitors can easily arrange connecting flights from New Zealand's international gateway cities of Auckland and Christchurch. Domestic flights to and from many New Zealand destinations are available through Air New Zealand and Jetstar. The 30-minute drive into the city can be taken by taxi, shuttle or rental car.

VENUES

The Dunedin Centre is the city's leading conference venue, offering old-world style and modern convenience in the heart of the city. The Dunedin Town Hall is the largest of its facilities, seating more than 2,000 people or up to 550 for a formal dinner, while the Glenroy Auditorium seats over 400. Located in the Octagon, the city's entertainment precinct, the venue is literally steps away from accommodation, restaurants, bars, shopping and a number of iconic city attractions.

Forsyth Barr Stadium caters for large-scale concerts and sporting events and is an excellent venue for team building, large exhibitions including heavy vehicles or machinery, and conferencing.

A superb variety of venues is available for smaller conferences and for social events. Host a cocktail party in New Zealand's finest historic home, Olveston; dine in the ballroom at Larnach Castle, or in New Zealand's first public art gallery while watching a local artist at work. For a more relaxed event delegates can step into a tropical forest surrounded by butterflies or let their hair down with karaoke in the planetarium at Tūhura Otago Museum.

ACCOMMODATION

Dunedin offers a range of quality accommodation ideal for business events. There are more than 600 rooms in 4-star and 5-star hotels within a 5 to 10-minute walk of the Dunedin Centre plus an excellent array of motels, apartments, and boutique lodges. In summer, the University of Otago's accommodation is available to conference delegates, providing quality, affordable accommodation within easy walking distance of the university campus and just a 10–15-minute walk to the Dunedin Centre.

GETTING AROUND

Dunedin is a very walkable city for business events visitors, and for those seeking to explore a little further out of town there's an excellent public bus service, taxis and ubers, e-bike and e-scooter hire and an array of tour options on foot, by bus or by boat. Dunedin's new harbour cycleway is one of the most picturesque in the country, and relatively flat; the more adventurous can cycle the whole loop by taking a ferry between Port Chalmers and Portobello.



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MEMORABLE INCENTIVE OPTIONS

TASTE local delicacies such as the cheese roll, do a Master Chefstyle challenge with a local chef using the best of local ingredients from the Otago Farmers Market, or enjoy tours and tastings at some of Dunedin's famous breweries or distilleries.

EXPERIENCE the royal treatment at majestic Larnach Castle. Groups can dine like royalty in the castle's elegant ballroom and enjoy summer nights in one of New Zealand's internationally renowned gardens.

ENCOUNTER amazing wildlife on the Otago Peninsula. It is one of the best places in the country to see two species of penguins including the endangered Hoiho; to see the only mainland breeding colony of the Northern Royal Albatross; and to watch New Zealand sealions and fur seals lazing on beaches or swimming in the harbour. You can explore by argo 8-wheel all-terrain vehicle, by boat or on foot.

FIND inspiration and enlightenment among Dunedin's many museums and art galleries, follow the Street Art Trail, or do hot yoga in the tropical forest at Tūhura Otago Museum.

DISCOVER Dunedin's history and beautiful heritage buildings. Visit Toitū Otago Settlers Museum for a behind the scenes tour or wow your guests with a private dinner and tour at Olveston Historic Home, which gives an insight into the lives of the Theomin family who lived there for 60 years before gifting it to the city.

CHALLENGE yourself to cycle the loop of the picturesque harbour cycle way. You'll see local wildlife and stunning scenery along the way and there are plenty of places to stop for a tasty treat or to rehydrate, including the historic Carey's Bay Historic Hotel.

PRE AND POST TOURING OPTIONS

WALK the world's steepest street, Baldwin Street, which you can find just a few kilometres from the centre of Dunedin.

RIDE the picturesque Dunedin Harbour Cycleway or one of Central Otago's cycle trails. The Otago Rail Trail takes cyclists through historic gold mining towns and across landscapes dotted with rivers and fruit orchards, and the Lake Dunstan Trail features a floating coffee truck and burger bar.

DISCOVER the secrets of the huge Moeraki Boulders, sunk into the sand on Koekohe Beach. According to Māori legend, these mysterious spherical stones are the remains of calabashes, kumara and eel baskets that washed up when a legendary canoe was wrecked on a nearby shore.

JOURNEY through a landscape of rugged coastline, hidden lakes, and ancient forests in the Catlins, south of Dunedin. See dolphins, sea lions and Hoiho penguins or visit fascinating Curio Bay, where you can see the fossilised remains of trees that grew during the time of the dinosaurs.

VISIT historic Oamaru's Victorian Precinct, where you will find shops, galleries, and traditional crafts within some of the Southern Hemisphere's most complete Victorian streetscapes and 19th century architecture.

SAIL Milford Sound, described by Rudyard Kipling as the 'eighth wonder of the world'. Enjoy a day trip on the fiord, explore the area by scenic flight or stay overnight on a chartered luxury vessel.

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