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Dates: Available on demand
July to March

Duration: 2 days

Departure: ex Wanaka, New Zealand

Price: From NZ\$1,150 per person



▲ The overnight experience of a lifetime. Photo: Geoff Marks

Treat your family to the overnight alpine experience of a lifetime with Adventure Consultants Family Alpine Experience. Helicopter into our exclusive Geo Domes Camp for a day and night of family fun and adventure. Whether you're new to the outdoors and looking to try something a little different or have a family of seasoned hikers this overnight trip is sure to be a winner among kids of all ages.

Childhood is about creating memories and this trip is jam-packed full of them—from the helicopter ride up into the McKerrow Range, exploring and hiking around the nearby peaks or playing in the snow, through to the epic starlit skies, this is an experience like no other!

TRIP OVERVIEW

Helicopter into and out of our comfortable mountainside Geo Domes Camp in the remote McKerrow Range high above Lakes Hawea and Wanaka. You'll be accompanied by a friendly and experienced guide, who will spend the day ensuring you and your family get the most out of this unique alpine wonderland. Our guides are parents too, they know what it takes to create lasting memories for you and your family!

In summer you can hike to nearby tarns (alpine lakes), or high above the camp to the ridgeline for spectacular views across the lake to Mount Aspiring in the distance. In winter, try your hand at snowshoeing or simply enjoy the terrain around the domes as your children play and build snowmen!

Families with fit and experienced teenage skiers can choose our add-on ski touring option. Trips include exclusive use of our Geo Domes Camp and we'll tailor a package that suits your family.

OUR GUIDES

Adventure Consultants trekking guides are NZMGA or NZOIA qualified guides. They are truly professional and operate to the highest industry standards.

You will find your guide friendly, approachable and focused on providing a safe and enjoyable trip in line with your objectives and comfort level.

EQUIPMENT

We will provide you with a comprehensive equipment list upon registration for this trip. We will provide safety equipment including snowshoes during winter, but you will need to come prepared with your personal clothing, sleeping bag, sunscreen and water bottle.

During the winter months your regular ski clothing, bulked up with some extra warm layers will normally suffice against the cold. Families bringing young children should anticipate needing extra layers of dry warm clothing should they become wet playing in the snow.

A range of rental clothing and equipment including sleeping bags is available through our office.

TRAVEL

We commence our Family Alpine Experience trips at 9am from our office at 20 Brownston Street, Wanaka.

Air New Zealand and Qantas/Jetstar provide daily services to Queenstown from Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch airports. There are also direct flights from most major Australian cities.

A shuttle service operates several times daily between Queenstown and Wanaka (approximately one hour driving time and at a cost from NZ\$35 each way), check <https://www.ritchies.co.nz/wanaka> for details.

Bus services operate daily between Christchurch and Wanaka (approximately 6 hours travel time).

We are happy to assist with booking your travel or accommodation requirements.

FOOD & ACCOMMODATION

Our Geo Domes are 7m/23ft diameter steel-framed domes. They're sturdy against the wind and covered in durable PVC with a wooden floor and an insulated liner to retain warmth. There is a built-in kitchen area and a small log burner to ensure you are well-fed and toasty warm at night.

We will provide nutritious and hearty food throughout the trip. All meals will be provided whilst in the mountains. We can cater for special diets such as vegan and gluten/dairy free—please advise us at the time of registration.



▲ Helicopter straight to the Dome door! Photo: Dean Staples



▲ Introduce your little ones to the great outdoors. Photo: Megan Sedon



▲ Explore a range of terrain from the comfortable camp. Photo: Thomas Vialetet



▲ Hike to nearby alpine tarns in summer. Photo: Megan Sedon

FITNESS & HEALTH

This trip is open to all levels of fitness. Our registration form requests that you advise us of any medical problems you may have and of any medications you are taking. Any information you supply will be treated as confidential.

PRICE

The trip fees are detailed below, prices are per person and in New Zealand dollars:

NUMBER OF PEOPLE	WINTER 2 DAYS/1 NIGHT	SUMMER 2 DAYS/1 NIGHT
2	NZ\$2,050	NZ\$3,500
3	NZ\$1,450	NZ\$2,500
4	NZ\$1,150	NZ\$1,980

NOTE: All prices are subject to change without notice.

The price of your trip includes the following:

- Guide and permit fees
- Helicopter flights in and out
- Return transport from Wanaka office to staging area
- Exclusive use of Geo Domes Camp
- Meals while in the mountains
- 15% NZ Goods and Services Tax

The price of your trip **does not** include:

- Personal equipment (clothing, day pack, sunblock etc.)
- Alcoholic drinks (BYO)

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT DETAILS

Book your Family Alpine Experience trip online and forward your trip payment at <https://www.adventureconsultants.com/treks/new-zealand-treks/family-alpine-experience/book-now>.

All payments should be made by bank transfer to the following bank and account:

Bank: Bank of New Zealand
For the Account of: Adventure Consultants Limited
Account Number: 02 0673 0043443 00
Account Type: NZ Dollars

We also accept your deposit and balance payment by credit card (Visa, Mastercard and Amex) plus a 3% card charge.

PAYMENT

To confirm place on this trip, we require a completed registration form with a deposit of NZ\$500 per person. The balance payment of is due 60 days prior to the trip start date.

CANCELLATION & REFUND POLICY

A trip member may then cancel their participation on the following basis:

- Cancellations outside of 60 days incur a NZ\$250 cancellation fee.
- For cancellations made within 60 days of the trip commencement date, we reserve the right to retain 50% of the full fee.
- For cancellations made within 30 days of the trip commencement date, we reserve the right to retain 75% of the full fee.
- For cancellations within 15 days of the departure date a cancellation fee of 100% of the full fee applies.

We recommend you take out trip cancellation insurance via your travel agent if you wish to be covered against cancellation due to medical or personal reasons.

If you require more information, please contact us at:

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Adventure Consultants perform to IFMGA/UIAGM standards and are world leaders in high altitude guiding.

