

*Where the ordinary  
is extraordinary*



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**A surprisingly diverse region of stunning natural landscapes, inspiring arts and artisans, and delectable local cuisine.**

# Nelson Tasman

Stunning natural landscapes, inspiring arts and delectable artisan produce await you in extraordinary Nelson Tasman. Three national parks within 90 minutes of our city and main towns provide plenty of opportunities to enjoy our year-round sunny weather.

Cycling, kayaking, skydiving, canyoning, and hiking are just some of the great outdoor activities on offer all year round. Take a trip via helicopter, plane, boat, kayak, or on foot into the Abel Tasman National Park or cycle on Tasman's Great Taste Trail. Skydive with a view of our mountains and sea – it's a truly epic experience.

Award-winning wineries, craft breweries and cider makers can be found all around our region. Our clever and talented artisan producers are happy to share their passion with you so set some time aside to enjoy their cellar door experience.

Our artists and artisans have a wealth of creative work on display in their studios and in galleries. Check out our popular Nelson Saturday Market and Motueka Sunday Market for a snapshot of the wonderful produce and artisan products for which we're known both nationally and internationally.

It could be easy to get a bit complacent living somewhere like Nelson Tasman but we're grateful for what we have and very keen to share it with visitors. Let us show you what makes Nelson Tasman extraordinary.



## Nelson Tasman is highly connected

### Get here by air:

With up to 600 flights in and out per week, it is easy to fly to Nelson.

Auckland – Nelson 75 minutes  
Wellington – Nelson 30 minutes  
Christchurch – Nelson 55 minutes

### Get here by road:

The journey is all part of the fun when travelling in NZ. Allow plenty of time to stop and take photos of the every-changing vistas. Take the ferry from Wellington and drive from Picton over the Whangamoa Hills, or drive the state highways from either Christchurch or Westport.

Drive times	Distance	Driving Time
Picton to Nelson	114km	2hrs
Kaikoura to Nelson	248km	3hrs 20mins
Westport to Nelson	223km	3hrs
Christchurch to Nelson	Varies	5 – 6hrs

## Must do in Nelson Tasman:

- ✓ **Discover Abel Tasman National Park** – hike, cruise, sea kayak, swim or just relax in this pristine environment with crystal clear waters, golden beaches and lush green bush. Stay over-night in a luxury lodge, a simple DOC hut or even a tent.
- ✓ **Explore the many art galleries and museums** including Suter Art Gallery, Nelson Provincial Museum, Founders Heritage Park, National WOW Museum and Nelson Classic Car Collection.
- ✓ **Stroll around the famous Nelson Saturday Market**, filled with art, craft, fashion, jewellery, artisan food and fresh local produce.
- ✓ **Cycle the region's great rides** – the family friendly Tasman's Great Taste Trail or the historically rich Dun Mountain Trail. Try out the fantastic mountain bike trails too.
- ✓ **Sample a craft beer, cider or local wine** at one of the regions 11 craft breweries or an award-winning wine at any of the 28 cellar doors. Enjoy fresh seafood at a waterfront restaurant.
- ✓ **Soak up the sun at one of the local beaches** – Tahunanui, Rabbit Island or head out to Cable Bay.
- ✓ **Unwind at Mapua Wharf**, where the best of kiwi culture meets sophisticated cafes, galleries, specialty stores and a brewery.
- ✓ **See some of the world's clearest water** at Te Waikoropupu Springs in Golden Bay and take a guided nature and bird tour along the unique Farewell Spit or walk over farmland to the dramatic Wharariki Beach.



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Wharariki	157km	3H
Collingswood	130km	2H 20mins
Takaka	103km	2H
Marahau	64km	1H 10mins
Kaiteriteri	60km	1H 05mins
Motueka	48km	50mins
Mapua	32km	35mins
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