

Trail Journeys

Clyde, Dunedin, Queenstown

Otago Rail Trail & Bike Tours



The Central Otago Rail Trail is an iconic multi-day bike ride along a disused railway line amongst historic gold mining villages and tiny rural settlements. It has grown to be the best known of New Zealand's Great Rides. Ride over historic viaducts, through dark (but not too long) tunnels and stop along the way at small country hotels for scones or a beer, enjoy comfort in the evening at a mixture of Victorian cottages, farm houses or boutique lodges. The full trail runs between Clyde and Middlemarch for 152 kilometres but you can also opt for shorter 1 or 2 day rides. Trail Journeys will assist you with full itinerary planning for a New Zealand biking holiday, guided or independent and supported. Generally riders start from either Clyde or Middlemarch.

Trail Journeys is a family owned and operated business providing all the services associated with bike touring including bike hire, transport, luggage transfer, accommodation bookings and friendly knowledgeable guides. Their hire bikes are specifically designed with Avanti for reliability and comfort on the Trail. With depots at both ends of the trail, a large fleet of vans and buses and experienced drivers and guides they can provide personal service for all group sizes and trips.



TASTE THE TRAIL

This 1-day cycle tour has you cycling through one of the most spectacular gorges on the Otago Central Rail Trail. The trail is vehicle-free, has an easy gradient and takes you through amazing scenery, over viaducts and through tunnels. Our driver will transport you from either Queenstown, Clyde or Dunedin, highlighting points of interest along the way, to your start when you can enjoy a mainly downhill ride back to Clyde or Middlemarch. We'll drive you back to Queenstown or if finishing in Middlemarch there is the option of transport through to Dunedin on the historic Taieri Gorge Railway.

Available ex Dunedin or Clyde or Queenstown

Departs 9.30am from Clyde | Duration 8 hours

Earlier departure from Queenstown or Dunedin

Additional Information

Inclusions:

- Morning Tea
- Transport
- Side trips where relevant

Minimum group size of 2 people.

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Directions

The Otago Central Rail Trail runs between Clyde and Middlemarch. The township of Clyde is located 1 hour's drive from Queenstown and Middlemarch is located 1 hour's drive from Dunedin.

The Taieri Gorge Train operates most days from Dunedin to Middlemarch or Pukerangi (just outside of Middlemarch) and return and is a great way to relax and reflect on your trip once you have finished cycling in Middlemarch.

Terms

CHILD POLICY Family Friendly.

CANCELLATION see website for full conditions | cancellation by Trail Journeys due to weather or other reasons Full Refund

SEASON Open year round

CHRISTMAS Closed Christmas Day

Recommendations

Trail Journeys also offers a [4 day/3 Night Luxury Independent Tour](#)

Accommodation in this area

- [Arrowtown House](#)
- [Fletcher Lodge](#)
- [The Dairy](#)
- [Olivers](#)
- [Gibbston Valley Lodge & Spa](#)
- [Pitches Store](#)