

4WDSOUTH Explorers Club

Guided South Island convoy tours



Join Mark Wilson as he retraces some of the best routes from his 4WD guidebook

- **Nelson & West Coast tour:** From Blenheim, camp in remote Leatham Valley, then head to Reefton to explore the area's network of bush tracks and mining sites.
- **South Canterbury & Otago tour:** Tracks include Old Man Range, Nevis Valley and the road to Macetown.
- Tours run consecutively, north to south, so you can join for one week or two.
- Department of Conservation concession holder.
- Approved Adventure Activity Operator – safety first.
- Family-friendly schedules and distances.
- Novices welcome – learn what your vehicle can do.
- Convoy limited to 7 vehicles (plus lead and tail-end).
- Cost is per vehicle, not per person, so ideal for families.
- You look after the food and accommodation; after that, just follow your well-experienced leader.

SEE NEXT PAGE FOR MORE DETAILS

For further details, prices and bookings, email mark@4wdsouth.co.nz

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ITINERARY FOR 2018/19 SEASON

Nelson & West Coast trips – Oct 22-26; Jan 14-18; Feb 11-15; March 11-15
South Canterbury & Otago – Oct 29-Nov 2; Jan 21-25; Feb 18-22; Mar 18-22

More details on the planned tracks (in **bold** below) can be found in 4WD South: 115 Off Road Adventures in NZ's South Island. Daily itineraries may change but overnight stops will not.

Nelson & West Coast

- Trip begins in Blenheim on the Monday morning. From there we will drive up the Wairau Valley and turn off up the **Leatham Valley**. We will follow the DOC 4WD track up the valley and spend the night in or camping next to one of the area's huts.
- Next day we will drive **Porika Track** to Lake Rotoroa, then **Braeburn Track** and **Maruia Saddle Road**, before returning to tarseal for the drive to Reefton, where we will stay for three nights, exploring tracks in the surrounding area. Weather permitting these will include **Big River**, the Pylon Track from **Buller to the Coast**, and **Napoleon Hill**.
- Trip ends in Reefton on the Friday afternoon.

South Canterbury & Otago

- Trip begins in Fairlie on the Monday morning. From there we will drive **Mackenzie Pass**, **Hakataramea Pass** and **Old Kaiwarua Road** to Omarama for the first night.
- Next day we will explore Oteake Conservation Park, driving down the Manuherikia Valley to St Bathans and on to Alexandra, where we stay for three nights, exploring tracks in the surrounding area. Weather permitting these will include **Old Man Range**, **Nevis Valley** and **Macetown**.
- Trip ends in Arrowtown on the Friday afternoon.

Accommodation

- **Nelson & West Coast** – After camping or staying in a DOC hut the first night in the Leatham Valley, you can choose your level of comfort from the various options available in Reefton, from tent site to motel to boutique B&B. We will be there Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday night.
- **South Canterbury & Otago** – You will need accommodation in Omarama on the Monday night and then we will stay 3 nights in Alexandra. Again, take your pick of comfort level and cost.

Cost

- \$900 per vehicle per week. Secure your place with a 50% non-refundable deposit, remainder payable on eve of trip start. Contact Mark on 027 448 0258 or mark@4wdsouth.co.nz