



Recommendations

Here is what we recommend for 5 days in Queenstown.

Day 1 - Explore



Brunch @ Yonder

Start your day off in the centre of town at one of our faves. There is plenty of outside seating on a sunny day or enjoy the dining room's aesthetics (aka a plant lover's dream) inside. With its diverse and fresh menu, it is the perfect place for a cool conversation and to plan for the days to come. Our favorite vibes in town by far!

[Check out their menu here.](#)

Skyline Gondola and Luge

Located at the top of town, Skyline has something for everyone. Ride up the gondola, have a drink or entree at the observation deck and check out its stunning views of the town and landscapes. Compete in a gravity-fueled luge ride afterwards- enjoyable for kids and adults. We recommend buying the three multi-ride luge pass - once is never enough!

Health tip: You can walk the Tiki Trail from the bottom of Skyline to the top (Bob's Peak) if you are wanting a bit more movement on your first day. Then take the gondola down and enjoy the view.



Pub On Wharf

Pub on Wharf is right in the heart of Queenstown, offering indoor and outdoor dining options, no matter the season. We overlook Steamer Wharf with gorgeous views of the Remarkables and Queenstown Bay. You can find us on Beach Street, next to Earnslaw Park. We'd love to see you!

[Check out their menu here.](#)

Day 2 - Adventure



Hike Queenstown Hill

You took the easy way up on the gondola last night. Now it is time to work (a little) for some of the most picturesque views in Queenstown. This hike is less than an hour to the top, through a forest terrain trail until you hit the clearing. You know you have reached the “first top” when you see the basket. Keep going a little further for the best panoramic views of Lake Wakatipu and The Remarkables - you will not regret the extra climb! Local’s *Tip: Start from the car park on Belfast terrace.*

Vudu for Breakfast

Fantastic food and such a great atmosphere- one of our favorite hipster vibes in town. Best cabinet food and will leave you feeling fresh and healthy for your active day. It is usually crowded, the space is small, but if you’re looking to get into one of the most well-liked cafés in town – the queue is worth the wait.



Jet Boating/AJ Hackett Bungy

You can’t come to the adventure capital of the world without trying one of these. Feel incredibly satisfied and take the plunge at AJ Hackett Bungy, the birthplace of the first jump. Or go for the group thrilling jet boat ride, with its famous 360-degree spins while accelerating at 90kmph. Whichever adrenaline-fueled adventure you choose, you’ll gain the courage points of a lifetime.



The Cow for Dinner

A great hidden spot for a wind-down from your outgoing day! Located in the alley of Cow Lane, this restaurant resembles a stone cottage & is usually lit with a cozy fire. The inside is dark and rustic, the perfect setting for a glass of Central Otago Pinot Noir and spaghetti Bolognese (or amazing pizza). Treat yourself and get the garlic bread for a starter - it’s absolutely to die for!

Day 3 - Experience



Odd Saint

We are here to be your new neighbourhood local on the corner. With a warm welcome and a sense of community, it will feel like home. Gather with friends, family and strangers alike from all walks of life, over a cup of coffee, cocktails, a great meal and everything in between.

[Menu.](#)

Golf @ Jack's Point

If you're a golfer, it's a must for you to play a round at this championship course on the edge of Lake Wakatipu (closed in winter). Hidden away from Queenstown, this course puts you up close and personal with The Remarkables. There's a few loop tracks you can also walk through on the course if you're just wanting to check out the stunning views! Checkout Millbrook or Arrowtown courses in the winter.



Wine Not?

Central Otago is a well-known wine region in New Zealand. Check out some of our favorites below!

Wet Jacket: Historic wool shed, umbrellas, bean bags, Taco Medic food truck (summer)

Kinross: Orchard station, great space for a larger group, outdoor fire pizza

Cargo Brewery: Old church, family friendly, yard games, & epic fries

Mora: Quaint cottage, cozy garden area, & shareable style lunch



Attiqua & Sundeck

After a long day of indulging, try this Mediterranean-inspired, tapas style, for a late-night meal. Or head straight up to the roof top for some sensational cocktails while you stay warm by the fire pits. There's usually a low-key DJ playing at the top- a great place to settle in for the night!

Day 4 - Excursion

Milford Sound

Whether you rent a car or take a bus tour, you can't come all the way to Queenstown without taking a day trip to see this spectacular natural attraction. Book the 2-hour boat cruise to get out on the water and experience the stunning cliffs surrounding you. If you don't feel like driving the 9-hour return, treat yourself to a scenic helicopter tour to experience all of Fiordland National Park. [*Check out Book Me for the best deals!](#)



Arrowtown

If you decide not to take the long haul to Milford, Arrowtown is just a short 20-minute drive from Queenstown. This historic gold mining town is well known for its autumn colors and charming shops. We never leave without indulging on a Patagonia ice cream or having a coffee outside in Provisions' garden. *Free shuttle service from Queenstown (Thursday-Saturday).



TSS Earnslaw Cruise

Take the 1.5-hour cruise across Lake Wakatipu in Queenstown's most notable steamship. There are snacks and a bar available on board. If you decide to skip out on Milford, the Earnslaw also offers a stop at Walter Peak for a farm tour and BBQ lunch (subject to change on availability).

[Book here!](#)

Perky's Floating Bar

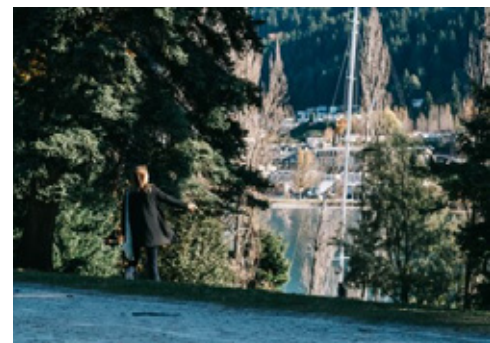
Situated in the heart of Queenstown, Perky's is the perfect place for local tap brews and Central Otago wines. What we love most about it? You can bring your favourite snacks or takeaways on board! If you don't get food beforehand, you can order Devil Burger from the bar staff and get it delivered to the boat while you enjoy a drink.



Day 5 - Relax

Disc Golf in the Gardens

Let's face it, Queenstown is not the most affordable city in New Zealand. Which is why we love this cheap activity right in town! The course starts and ends in the Queenstown Gardens. You do need to purchase your own disc, which you can get from one of the snow/surf shops in town. On the way: Grab a kiwi-classic pie at Ferg Bakery & a takeaway coffee from Mackenzies around the corner.



Onsen Hot Pools

Even a holiday can be hard on the body- it's time to relax & soak in your last day in this spectacular place! Overlooking the Shotover River, enjoy this one-hour private hot tub experience for yourself or a group up to four. A complimentary snack and drink are included with your soak. *If you're looking for a longer day at the spa, we also recommend Nugget Point.



Cargo Brewery at Gantley's

With its four regular brews, this taproom and beer garden is the perfect family-friendly experience. Try a beer flight, nibble on some pub food, and listen to some local weekend entertainment. Perfect place for a larger group or a casual (no-fuss) drink before your last dinner.



Kamana for Dinner

Cheers to your last night at this favorite hideaway spot of ours! Located in Fernhill, just a five minutes' drive from town, Kamana Lakehouse is the ultimate spot for elegant comfort. Their restaurant and bar, The Nest, features floor to ceiling windows of stunning views of the Remarkables and Lake Wakatipu. We could stay here for hours snuggled up to their modern fireplaces on the spacious couches or sit down for a Mediterranean shared-style menu in the restaurant.



Thank you.

Please come stay with us again.

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