

Fat Tyre Adventures ©2016

'Classic' 3 day Dirty Weekend Fact Sheet

Fat Tyre Adventures is about mountain biking first.

We'll take you to our mountains and high country to experience some of New Zealand's scenic wonders from the seat of your mountain bike, while you enjoy phenomenal riding along the way.

Our tours are designed to give you the most awesome mountain biking holiday. All of our trips have a high degree of flexibility, so we change our itinerary to suit you and the weather.

The trails and what to expect.

- Three Heli bike days.
- The Double descent
- Advance Peak
- and either- Nevis, Mt Dunstan or Mt Pisa.

All our trails are 'Back country' with a real mix of trails type from rough farm tracks, long rock gardens, sheep tracks and high country 4x4 access tracks or no track at all and historic gold mining pack tracks, all great riding. A lot of back country descending and always a few climbs- it is not DH riding as the trails are natural, not short man made trails. We call it mountain biking for mountain bikers of all abilities.

Fitness

You don't have to be a super athlete to come on a Fat Tyre Adventures tour but you would enjoy the rides more if you can ride a mountain bike off-road. Being reasonably fit will enhance your enjoyment of experience. Expect to ride 3-5 hours per day.

Our customers

Are generally aged between 20-60yrs (some younger and older) who actively participate in mountain biking as their recreation.

The Guides

Our guides are local New Zealanders (kiwis) with a passion for mountain biking, but more than that, they can fix you and your bike on the trail, we all have wilderness emergency care first aid training, and a great bike mechanics, just in case the unexpected happens. We have been active in setting up and training other guides to meet the NZMTB mountain bike leader certificate, we are setting the standard so we give you the best riding we can.

Group size

We have a maximum of 5 riders and a minimum of 2 riders for the Dirty weekend. If there are only a one or more than 5 of you please contact us and we will see what we can make happen for you.

What Bike

The ideal bike for the type of trails that we ride is a good 'Enduro' trail bike style with 120-160mm travel full suspension, a XC bike can work but a DH rig is not suited to the Back country trails. Our current fleet are the GT Sensor full sus. – An excellent bike well suited to the trails we ride. If you are hiring a bike from Fat Tyre Adventures then please let us know at the time of booking. Let us know the make, model and size of the bike you usually ride so that we can do our best to set the hire bike up to your liking.

Bringing your own bike.

It is very easy to bring your bike with you but do check with the airline you will travel with for baggage handling and weight restrictions. Also note that biosecurity on entering New Zealand ports is very strict, so your bike and shoes should shine like new to avoid delays with customs. If you bring your own bike we highly recommend you have your bike serviced before coming on tour, as you will be responsible for all the bits that might break.

If bringing your own bike you will also need to bring:

- A bike tool and chain breaker
- Spare tube- many as we get lots of flats with spare grass
- Tyre repair kit,
- We recommend tubeless tyre set up - Derailleur hanger
- Chain fixing link.

The weather condition

Depending of the time of the year you can expect anything from nearly 40c to a low at the start of a Heli bike trip of negative 2-5c. New Zealand is a bit changeable, bring a few layers. Arm and leg warmers are a good idea if you are used to a tropical climate. Most of us in NZ wear baggy riding shorts cycling top (probably wool) and vest.

Gear requirements

Being prepared for all seasons is a must – a lot of the areas we ride are high alpine starting at 1300-2000m above sea level and the weather can be very changeable. Good quality riding clothing is a must.

You should bring;

- Your normal riding clothes
- light wind breaker top/shell
- thermal top and bottom - we recommend light weight woollen clothing (such as the Ice Breaker brand),
- Camelbak/hydration system, 2litre water with space to carry spares and trail snacks
- pump (only if you have your own bike)

Don't forget your riding shoes and pedals if hiring from us!

Where you sleep and eat.

We will stay in Arrowtown, a short drive from Queenstown. It's a very chilled historic gold mining town. The big advantage for staying here is that we are walking distance to the Arrowtown bars and eateries and some great cafes. We will drive from there to the heli pad and return to the same accommodation.

Rooms will be on a twin share basis. If you require a single room to yourself then we will charge a \$200 single supplement.

Meals will be up to you – Arrowtown is a hub of great places to eat and drink and the accommodation is a short walk to everything. Fat Tyre will supply trail snacks.

We take trail snacks then have can lunches at a pub of café at the end of the trails.

Payment

Classic 3 Day Dirty Weekend – nz\$1999.00pp

Refund, cancellation policy.

For the Dirty weekend there will be no refund 30 days from the beginning of the tour.

If Fat Tyre cancels for any reason Fat tyre will give you a full refund.

Included while on tour:

3 Heli bike days

Accommodation 3 nights (let us know if you want another couple of nights. (Twin share), Guide, transport, mountain bike, helmet, gloves, land access and logistics.

Not included while on tour:

Bottled water, optional tours extra snack food, any insurances (medical or travel). Any food and drinks.

All participants will be required to fill out a medical questionnaire so we know if there are any medical condition we should know about, this is confidential between you and the guide. You will also be required to fill out and sign an 'Acknowledgement of Risk' form.

Fat Tyre Adventures is a member of Cycle Tour Operators of New Zealand, Tourism industry of New Zealand and is 'Out Doors Mark' safety certified.

Please book well in advance using the Fat Tyre Adventure's secure booking page.

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