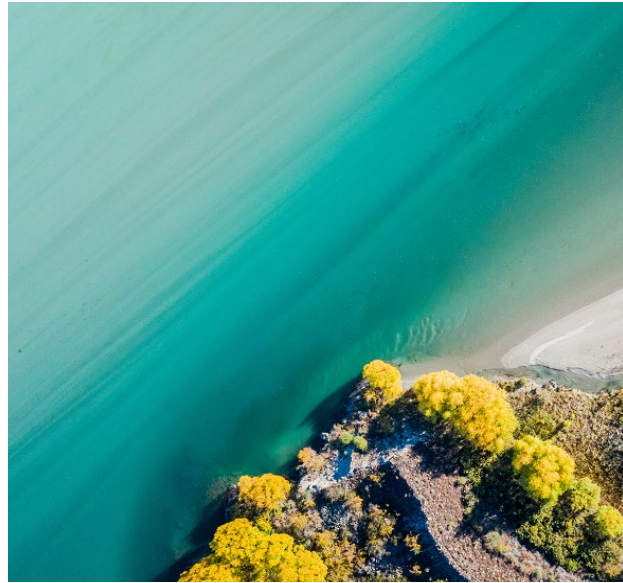


Selling Central Otago



Nature

If you seek lakes, rivers, mountains, valleys, sunrises, sunsets, starry nights, four seasons, nature's confectionary (aka fruit), open spaces, it's all here for you to discover by road, bike, boat or foot - get your camera ready



Trails

We're humbled to have four (4) of NZ's Great Cycle Rides in Central Otago. Wellbeing is the cornerstone of our community. Join us in pedalling your way through our fantastic landscapes - lycra optional

Glorious Galleries

There's an art to exploring our studios and galleries; more than likely you will meet artists in residence. Creativity and craftsmanship flourish here as our region inspires artists who come on holiday and are now locals



Export Quality Wine

The home of Central Otago's vineyards; numerous are organic and biodynamic, with more than 50 cellar doors to visit. Spend quality time with your taste buds by booking a winery lunch, platter or tour

History

Unearth stories of Māori, goldminers and colonials. Visit, dine or stay in heritage-rich townships where Merchant Stores are now fine dining restaurants or boutique lodges. Visit country pubs for delicious food and a legend or two from friendly locals



Locally Grown Produce

Table for two? Picnic by the lake? Farmers and orchardists grow export quality produce for our chefs to prepare for you to savour. Pick your own fruit or stop off at a roadside stall to stock up and nourish yourself and your family with nature's confectionary



Big Sky Country

It's automatic - everyone looks up in Central Otago. Our sky seems larger and more blue here, with many spending a moment to voice the lack of clouds or sometimes the amazing cloud formations. Of course, stepping outside at night rewards with a blanket of stars



Take a hike

So you can take in the spectacular vistas. There are hidden stories in Central Otago, incredible engineering from a past era, scenic and ecological wonders. We recommend taking a camera, an extra layer of clothing and water – it can be hot or cold and mostly dry

Rocks, Stones, Pebbles

Wind-sculpted rocky tors (natural rock formations) become the photographers muse. Skim a pebble across the smooth surface of a river or lake. Or “throw a stone” of the curling kind on the indoor curling rink open all year with everything included – suitable for all ages and abilities



Seasonal Fare

Our hot dry climate injects an abundance of flavour into our crops. Join the festivals and events celebrating Food & Wine, Spring & Blossom, Cherries & Grape Harvest plus NZ fashion. Full calendar here; centralotagonz.com/events

Power Up

Unwind at a different pace by taking the wheel or a passenger seat at Highlands. Explore the interactive family friendly museum and choose fast or slow track experiences or enjoy jetboating on the Kawarau River. Clyde Dam is the true powerhouse



Enjoy your roadie

We understand. No-one wants to drive when the scenery is pure magic. Our landscapes have made it easy for the driver with long straight roads, a small population offering low traffic volumes. Be warned though, you may encounter a sheep-jam