

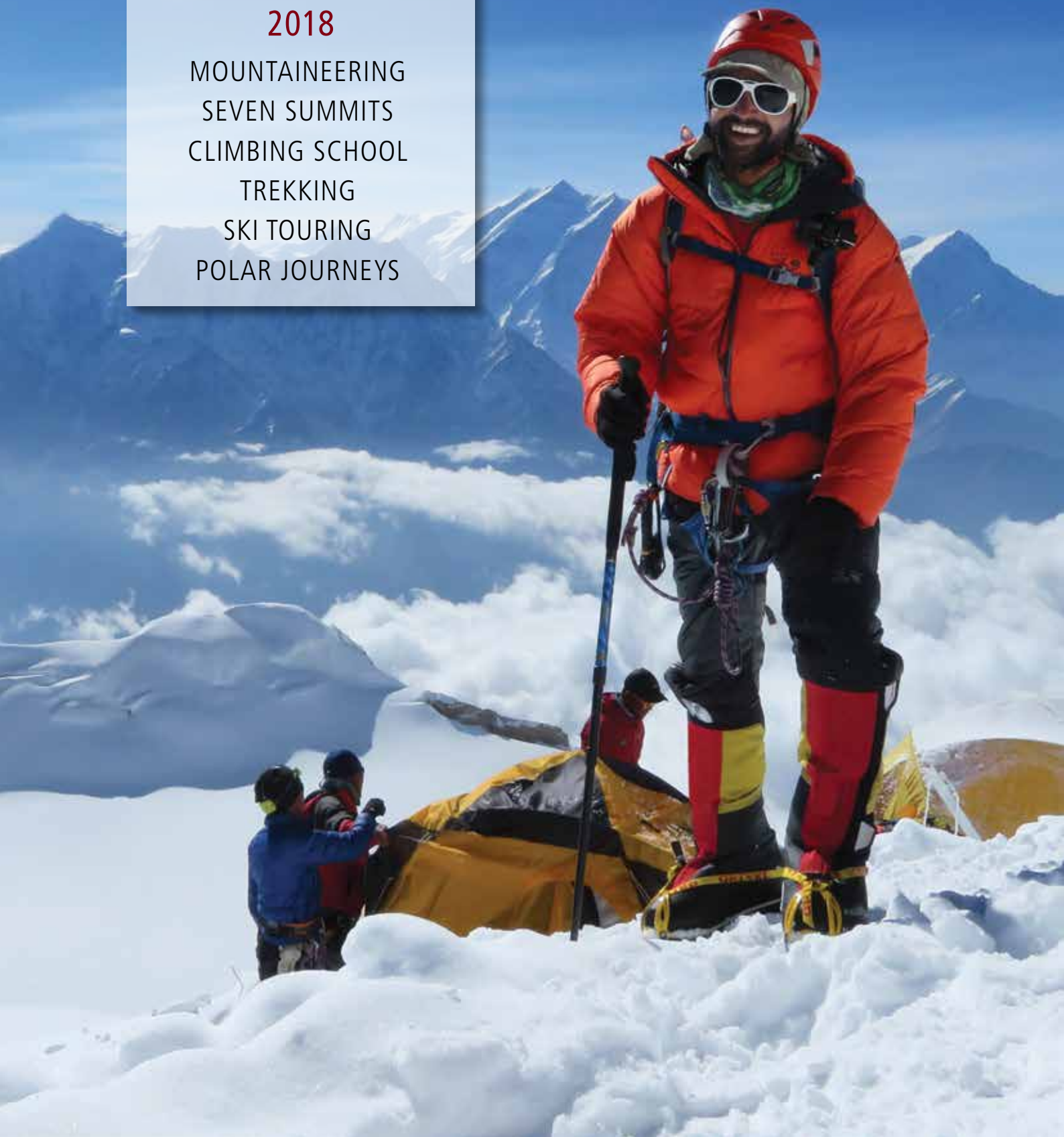


ADVENTURE CONSULTANTS

HIGH ALTITUDE EXPEDITIONS

WORLD WIDE EXPEDITIONS 2018

MOUNTAINEERING
SEVEN SUMMITS
CLIMBING SCHOOL
TREKKING
SKI TOURING
POLAR JOURNEYS





Guy Cotter in Antarctica.

It is with great joy that we present this brochure to you to showcase our expeditions, treks, climbing schools, polar journeys and exciting adventures.

An expedition is an experience of a lifetime that includes adversity commensurate to reward. By partaking in the process of committing ourselves completely to the objective, we define ourselves through expeditions as a reflection of how we respond to the challenges we face in life. If we do that right, we are stronger and better prepared to contribute to the world we inhabit and to those with whom we share it.

Being at the forefront of high-level adventure for as long as we have is primarily due to our unrelenting passion for what we do and because we are still unashamedly captivated by the magical environments that we have the privilege to share with others.

The selections of adventures we offer are the result of an evolution of refinement over thousands of adventures and expeditions that have been crafted and improved upon over time.

Our underlying philosophy has always been to plan and prepare meticulously because expeditions are activities where one must be ready for the unexpected as it is this 'not-knowing-the-outcome-at-the-outset' that defines adventure.

Adventure Consultants expeditions and journeys regularly feature the return of many of our past expedition teammates so each trip is sometimes more like a reunion than a first-time meeting. We relish these opportunities to re-group and participate in further adventures together as much as we do in welcoming new members to our teams.

The Adventure Consultants administration and guiding staff are consummate professionals who strive to provide you with expeditions and adventures that are exceptional in every way. Our expeditions are operated by employing intelligent tactics and applying the appropriate level of comfort to encourage success while still maintaining authenticity.

Please enjoy this brochure on behalf of the Adventure Consultants family and we look forward to welcoming you onto one of our adventures soon.

Guy Cotter

Guy Cotter
CEO of Adventure Consultants
IFMGA/UIAGM Mountain and Ski Guide

"Adventure Consultants are simply fantastic! 100% professional and supportive from start to finish, I always felt confident that I would learn and grow without being pushed too far. I cannot recommend you all highly enough team!"

Brydie Ockwell, from New Zealand

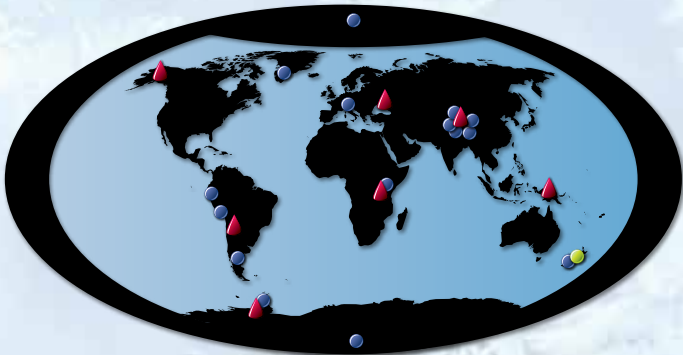


OUR SPECIALITIES

- Pioneers of guided expeditions to Mount Everest and the Seven Summits
- Inspiring range of Himalayan and international expeditions
- European and New Zealand ascents and courses
- Customised private expeditions for groups or individuals
- Polar journeys
- Backcountry skiing adventures
- Superb trekking options, from adventurous to luxury
- Small groups, quality first

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES

- A quality experience through every level of our operation
- World-class internationally qualified mountain guides
- Small groups to lessen impacts and increase personal satisfaction
- Proven tactics and a consistently high success rate
- Highest standards of training, backup, support and resources
- Excellent catering and equipment
- Advanced logistics and administration systems
- A 'can do' attitude with an emphasis on your safety, enjoyment and satisfaction



● NEW ZEALAND HEAD OFFICE ● EXPEDITIONS / COURSES ▲ 7 SUMMITS

Cover: Leaving Camp 2 on Dhaulagiri. Photo Jean Baptiste Chandesis
Above: Sunset over the Fox Glacier. Photo Andrew Peacock/footloosephotography.com



The Linda Glacier on Aoraki/Mt Cook. Photo Ian Brown/Hedgehoghouse



Approaching the summit rocks on Aoraki/Mt Cook. Photo Mark Watson/Highluxphoto



Mt Aspiring from Colin Todd hut. Photo Andy Cole



Mount Aspiring from Mt Bevan. Photo Olivier Baron

“Adventure Consultants has a unique story associated with legendary NZ climbers and it was nice to be a small part of that story.”

Richard, pharmacist from New Zealand

ADVENTURE CONSULTANTS NEW ZEALAND

The Southern Alps of New Zealand are wild and pristine with varied and diverse climbing challenges - sufficient to provide any climber with countless years of worthy objectives. Adventure Consultants is based in the small alpine town of Wanaka, nestled beneath these rugged mountains. We have close access to many different mountain areas that enable us to optimise the climbing opportunities around the weather systems and conditions.

The mountain environment here is often demanding. We are faced with challenging weather conditions, heavily glaciated mountains and steep alpine faces. Yet it is from this setting that great climbers are forged and where our internationally recognised guiding operation has its roots. At Adventure Consultants we relish these mountains and this is reflected in the innovative and passionate way that we operate our personalised climbing and instructional programmes.

Aoraki / Mt Cook 12,316ft / 3,754m

- Technically challenging ascent on ice, snow and rock
- Long and varied climb on New Zealand’s highest mountain

The highest peak in New Zealand, Aoraki/Mt Cook is a popular objective and we ascend via the classic Linda Glacier route. The climbing is strenuous and of moderate technical difficulty; the summit is one of the most satisfying and exhilarating in Australasia. Aoraki is truly Himalayan in size, protruding 3,000m from the valley floor. We fly into the new Plateau Hut, and base ourselves here for our summit attempt. The climb takes 16 to 22 hours and to get the best of the conditions we schedule our departure for around midnight. We follow the Linda Glacier which steepens to moderately challenging ice-climbing, followed by a couple of pitches of steeper rock and mixed climbing through the summit rocks. The angle then eases a little as we focus on the summit ice cap for the final push to the highest point in New Zealand! When weather and time permit we may elect to climb over two days, with a bivouac halfway up the route to give ourselves a good start for the following morning and time to soak up the high-alpine ambience.

Dates: November to April Duration: 6 days
Departure: ex Wanaka, New Zealand Ratio: 1:1 only
Price: NZ\$6,300



Mt Aspiring / Tititea 9,950ft / 3,033m

- Most aesthetic mountain in the Southern Alps
- Variety of quality routes to climb, from moderate to hard

Mt Aspiring was named Tititea (‘glittering peak’) by the New Zealand Maori and is often referred to as the ‘Matterhorn of the South’. This beautiful mountain offers various routes of high quality, from the grand but attainable North West Ridge, to the divine arête of the South West Ridge. We ascend the North West Ridge either via the ‘Ramp’ or alternatively by the full NW Ridge. Climbing the Ramp involves moderate-angled snow climbing that requires the use of two ice tools on the steeper sections.

The route meets the NW Ridge about halfway up and is technically straightforward climbing for the last 300m to the summit. Great views abound as we look into the deep and glaciated valleys to the west and beyond to the Tasman Sea.

The full North West Ridge is a classic route that we generally climb later in the season once it is free of snow. This route follows the long NW Ridge requiring exciting traverses around rock towers with fabulous exposure!

The more demanding South West Ridge is a climb to suit those with previous snow and ice experience. The route ascends a gradually steepening arête culminating in several steep ice pitches to the summit. It is one of New Zealand’s premier alpine routes.

Dates: November to April Duration: 5 days
Departure: ex Wanaka, New Zealand Ratio: 1:1 only Price: NZ\$5,250



Our special introductory mountaineering instruction programme, the **Mount Aspiring Course and Ascent**, includes mountaineering instruction followed by an ascent of Mt Aspiring. Details on page 9.

Duration: 7 days Price: NZ\$6,450

Mt Tasman/Horo Koau 11,476ft / 3,498m

- Classic ascent of long snow and ice route
- New Zealand’s second highest mountain

Mt Tasman is considered by many to be the most beautiful peak within the Mt Cook region and the ascent has the technical character to make it truly memorable. The routes are predominantly snow and ice with classic ridges and steep alpine faces. New Zealand’s second highest peak, it is a major ascent and with its proximity to Aoraki/Mt Cook the views are unforgettable! Bivouacs are often required to complete an ascent of this mountain.

The usual route is via the North Shoulder, which requires an initial ascent of Mt Lendenfeld, followed by a traverse of Engineer Col, before climbing the steep and exposed North Shoulder, then traversing the airy ridge from here to the summit. A big day out on the mountaineer’s mountain!

Dates: November to February Duration: 6 days
Departure: ex Wanaka, New Zealand Ratio: 1:1 only Price: NZ\$6,300



Mitre Peak / Rahotu 5,520ft / 1,683m

- Iconic New Zealand peak
- Alpine rock climbing and scrambling in Fiordland

Some mountains are so beautiful they just have to be climbed and surely New Zealand’s Mitre Peak holds a place near the top of that list! The sharp soaring peak appears like a standing wave over the pristine waters of Milford Sound and we climb a route that follows the skyline ridge that is never hard, but it is exposed, from the deep blue waters of the fiords to the summit itself. Prior to making the ascent of Mitre Peak, we warm up on some of the excellent alpine rock routes in the Darran mountains of Fiordland before we snatch a fine day for the ascent of this stunning mountain.

Dates: January to April Duration: 5 days
Departure: ex Wanaka, New Zealand Ratio: 1:1 only Price: NZ\$6,300



Ascents Week

- Climb peaks at your level all week
- Choose a variety of objectives or one main objective

The Ascents Week appeals to those who have a hankering to climb peaks with the benefits of a personalised guiding service. Whether you want an easy traverse across the glacial peaks or to work on a steep technical climb, the 1:1 guide ratio provides ultimate flexibility to match your schedule.

Traditionally the Ascents Week has provided an opportunity for climbers to focus primarily on their favourite discipline, including New Zealand’s steep ice and/or rock routes or an assortment of the best classic climbing we have to offer. You may choose to bring along a friend and both enjoy the professional services of your guide on the less technical routes, or benefit from the dedicated leadership of your guide for something big and spicy!

Dates: November to April Departure: ex Wanaka, New Zealand Ratio: 1:1 or 1:2
Duration: 7 days (duration can be extended to cater to your preferred timeframe)
Price: 1:1 guiding NZ\$7,850, 1:2 guiding NZ\$4,350 each



Alpine Adventure

- Ideal first-time mountain experience
- Climb your first mountain and learn foundation climbing skills

Experience the mountains for the first time on this incredible journey into the alpine wonderland. This exciting trip features travelling on glaciers, staying in mountain huts and climbing your first mountain!

The journey begins when we fly by helicopter into one of the mountain huts in the heart of the Southern Alps, where your guide will introduce you to primary mountaineering techniques before exploring some of the nearby wide open and low angled glacial terrain. We then trace a route that takes you to the edge of the Main Divide of the Southern Alps, and experience just a little bit of exposure to climb your first summit, all the while soaking in spectacular views. Overall this is a fantastic opportunity to get a taste for the high hills without an extended time commitment and is suitable for folks with good pack-fitness.

Dates: November to April Duration: 4 days Departure: ex Wanaka, New Zealand
Price: 1:1 guiding NZ\$4,100, 1:2 guiding NZ\$2,350 each
1:3 guiding NZ\$1,950 each, 1:4 guiding NZ\$1,650 each



Mount Tasman, challenging alpine ascent. Photo Dean Staples



Mitre Peak from Milford Sound. Photo Mark Watson/Highluxphoto



“The overall operation and guides were simply excellent, very professional and dependable. I would recommend AC and their guides to my friends.”
Mousumi, sales and marketing executive from Singapore

Climb great peaks at your level during the Ascents Week. Photo Andy Cole



Absorb the beautiful mountain scenery. Photo Andy Cole



Develop robust and current climbing techniques with an expedition focus. Photo Andy Cole



The ACC establishes solid alpine skills. Photo Andy Cole



Learn to get around the mountains on the MIC. Photo Andy Cole

Alpine Expedition Course

- Expedition-focused course instructed by veteran Himalayan guides
- Remote terrain with focus towards climber self-sufficiency

This course has been designed to provide you with the skills necessary to prepare yourself for expedition climbing. The AEC is run by some of the world’s leading alpinists and is directed towards fit and motivated people who have their sights set on expedition climbing. It is structured so you develop self-reliance and a mentally robust attitude.

Experience is imperative before tackling major ascents and this course is designed to help you navigate your way towards safe and successful climbing practices so you can embark upon more demanding ascents within New Zealand and take those first steps towards your Himalayan objectives.

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| Dates: | Summer 2017/2018 | Summer 2018/2019 | ⚡⚡⚡⚡ |
| | AEC 1: November 6 - 17 | AEC 1: November 5 - 16 | ⚡⚡⚡⚡ |
| | AEC 2: January 15 - 26 | AEC 2: January 14 - 25 | |
| | AEC 3: February 19 - March 2 | AEC 3: February 18 - March 1 | |
| Departure: | ex Wanaka, New Zealand | Duration: 12 days | |
| Price: | NZ\$4,450 | Ratio: 1:4 | |

Alpine Climbing Course

- New Zealand’s premier alpine climbing course
- Extending climbers to higher levels and consolidating techniques

This is New Zealand’s premier alpine instruction course. It has been developed by New Zealand’s pre-eminent guides for people with a desire to learn the latest and most relevant alpine climbing techniques.

We operate in Aoraki/Mt Cook, Westland and Mt Aspiring National Parks and we will run the course where conditions are best at the time. You will gain experience on a variety of alpine routes, and upon the successful completion of the ACC you will have learnt safe climbing practices and be capable of utilising your skills to attempt ascents of many of the superb peaks within the New Zealand mountains, and further afield.

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| Dates: | Summer 2017/2018 | Summer 2018/2019 | ⚡⚡⚡⚡ |
| | ACC 1: October 23 - November 1 | ACC 1: October 22 - 31 | ⚡⚡⚡⚡ |
| | ACC 2: November 20 - 29 | ACC 2: November 19 - 28 | |
| | ACC 3: December 11 - 20 | ACC 3: December 10 - 19 | |
| | ACC 4: January 4 - 13 | ACC 4: January 4 - 13 | |
| | ACC 5: February 5 - 14 | ACC 5: February 4 - 13 | |
| | ACC 6: March 12 - 21 | ACC 6: March 11 - 20 | |
| Departure: | ex Wanaka, New Zealand | Duration: 10 days | |
| Price: | NZ\$3,850 | Ratio: 1:4 | |

Mountaineering Instruction Course

- Learn contemporary mountaineering skills and glacier travel
- Follow on with a guided ascent or Alpine Climbing Course

This course is designed to navigate your way towards safe and successful climbing practices for the high and glaciated mountains of New Zealand.

We focus on the development of your skills at a pace that suits you and along the way you will consolidate those skills by climbing peaks. You don’t need to have climbed before - all you need is the desire to learn new skills in a truly spectacular environment!

If you want to learn what alpine mountaineering is about whilst you learn the skills that will keep you safe and give your mountaineering career a solid foundation, then the MIC is ideal for you.

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| Dates: | Summer 2017/2018 | Summer 2018/2019 | ⚡⚡⚡⚡ |
| | MIC 1: October 16 - 22 | MIC 1: October 15 - 21 | ⚡⚡⚡⚡ |
| | MIC 2: November 13 - 19 | MIC 2: November 12 - 18 | |
| | MIC 3: December 4 - 10 | MIC 3: December 3 - 9 | |
| | MIC 4: December 28 - January 3 | MIC 4: December 28 - January 3 | |
| | MIC 5: January 29 - February 4 | MIC 5: January 28 - February 3 | |
| | MIC 6: February 12 - 18 | MIC 6: February 11 - 17 | |
| | MIC 7: March 5 - 11 | MIC 7: March 4 - 10 | |
| | MIC 8: March 26 - April 1 | MIC 8: March 25 - 31 | |
| Departure: | ex Wanaka, New Zealand | Duration: 7 days | |
| Price: | NZ\$2,950 | Ratio: 1:4 | |

Private Instruction Course

- Focus specifically on the skills that you require

Take advantage of the opportunity to learn from some of the world’s most qualified and experienced climbers and instructors on our Private Instruction Course programme.

Private Instruction Courses give you the option to advise us of your preferred itinerary and course content, and we will work with you to design an appropriate and stimulating course format.

Whether you aspire to further your skill base through a course in a specific discipline such as ice climbing, or you require individual attention from your guide to develop skills at your own pace, Private Instruction Courses are the best option. These courses are ideal for individuals or groups of two or more, and past course participants have enjoyed dramatic improvements in their climbing standards.

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| Dates: | Year round, four season departure | Departure: | ex Wanaka, New Zealand | ⚡⚡⚡⚡ | TO | ⚡⚡⚡⚡ |
| Price: | No. people | 6 days | 7 days | 8 days | 9 days | 10 days |
| | 1:1 | NZ\$7,150 | NZ\$7,850 | NZ\$8,750 | NZ\$9,650 | NZ\$10,350 |
| | 1:2 | NZ\$3,950 | NZ\$4,350 | NZ\$4,780 | NZ\$5,330 | NZ\$5,730 |
| | 1:3 | NZ\$3,130 | NZ\$3,450 | NZ\$3,800 | NZ\$4,250 | NZ\$4,580 |
| | 1:4 | NZ\$2,630 | NZ\$2,950 | NZ\$3,250 | NZ\$3,580 | NZ\$3,880 |

Mt Aspiring Course and Ascent

- Learn to climb, and climb Mt Aspiring, on the same trip

A sure-fire way to get started as a climber. This programme is for strong outdoor enthusiasts who would like to incorporate a personalised instruction course followed by an ascent of New Zealand’s most alluring mountain; Mt Aspiring. The course begins with a focused instruction programme to help you develop the techniques required for ascents of this nature. This is followed by the ascent of the mountain with your guide by one of the superb alpine routes.

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| Dates: | November to April | Duration: | 7 days | |
| Departure: | ex Wanaka, New Zealand | Ratio: | 1:1 only | Price: NZ\$6,450 |

7 Summits Training Course

- Instructed by seasoned Himalayan guides

Set yourself up with the skills to climb the Seven Summits. This high-quality private instruction course is tailored to suit Seven Summits aspirants.


The course can be geared to introduce you to the art of mountaineering and/or fine tune your existing skills to prepare you for the adventures ahead. Some of the skills you will develop include ascending fixed ropes, snow camping, crampon and ice-axe skills, ladder crossing and general mountain movement. The courses are run by our experienced Himalayan guides on one of New Zealand’s high mountain glaciated areas.

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| Dates: | Year round, four seasons | Duration: | 7 days | Ratio: | 1:1 or 1:2 | ⚡⚡⚡⚡ |
| Departure: | ex Wanaka, New Zealand | Price: | 1:1 guiding NZ\$7,950 or 1:2 guiding NZ\$4,350 each | | | |

Ice Climbing Course

- Expedition camp, right at the ice crags, helicopter flight to base

Learn all the skills you need to climb steep ice on our specialised ice climbing course in the best ice climbing area in the country! This high-octane, five day clinic focuses on developing lead climbing skills and you can expect to learn all the current ice climbing techniques by the end of the course with our specialist ice climbing instructors. The skills you learn will fill in all the gaps and enable you to confidently tackle steep ice on big alpine routes. The fun begins with a helicopter flight into our expedition tent camp where you will be based for the duration of the course. Each day you walk only a few minutes to the ice routes - one of the reasons this is recognised as the premier ice climbing course in New Zealand!

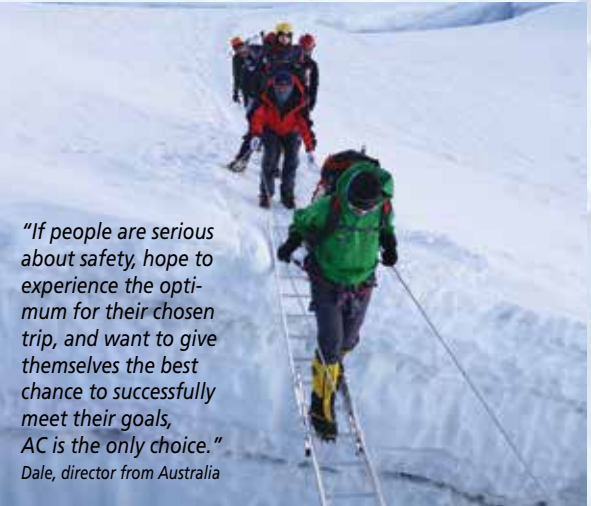
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| Dates: | Winter 2018 | |  | |
| | ICC 1: July 2 - 6 | | ICC 5: July 30 - August 3 | |
| | ICC 2: July 9 - 13 | | ICC 6: August 6 - 10 | |
| | ICC 3: July 16 - 20 | | ICC 7: August 13 - 17 | |
| | ICC 4: July 23 - 27 | | | |
| Ratio: | 1:4 | Departure: | ex Queenstown, New Zealand | Price: NZ\$2,250 |
| Private Guiding option available for shorter or longer itineraries, please enquire. | | | | |



The PIC fast-tracks your learning. Photo Andy Cole



A perfect introduction to climbing followed by an ascent of Mt Aspiring. Photo Guy Cotter



“If people are serious about safety, hope to experience the optimum for their chosen trip, and want to give themselves the best chance to successfully meet their goals, AC is the only choice.” Dale, director from Australia

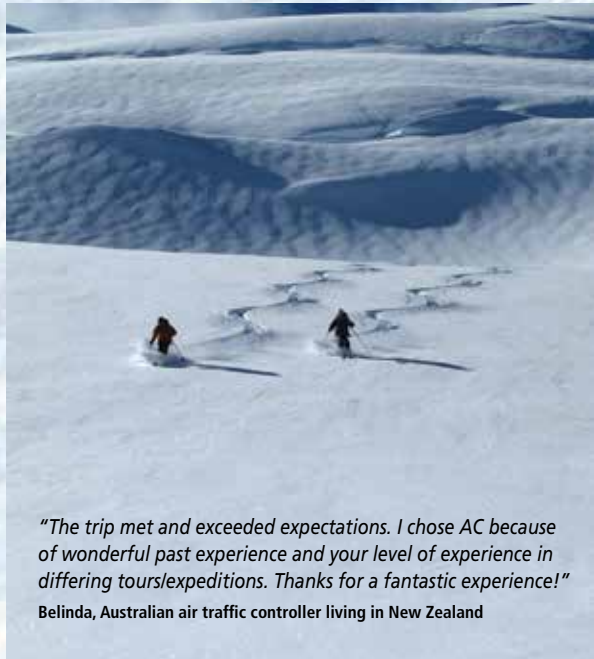
Prepare yourself for the 7 Summits. Photo Guy Cotter



New Zealand’s best ice climbing course based from a heli-accessed expedition camp. Photo Andrew Peacock/footloosephotography.com



Untracked alpine wonderland. Photo Andy Cole



“The trip met and exceeded expectations. I chose AC because of wonderful past experience and your level of experience in differing tours/expeditions. Thanks for a fantastic experience!”
Belinda, Australian air traffic controller living in New Zealand

Learn how to safely enjoy unlimited untracked snow. Photo James Hamilton



Pristine slopes of pow to devour. Photo Guy Cotter

Guided Backcountry Ski-Touring

- Travel into New Zealand’s best mountain terrain with a ski guide
- Ski giant glaciers and alpine peaks

Ski the best lines in New Zealand’s high alpine terrain with our guided backcountry ski/snowboard option. Come by yourself or get a group together, for as many days as you want, to explore some of the best pockets of the backcountry skiing in the Southern Alps. Allow your guide to show you their ‘stash’ of the best skiing and touring on our largest glaciers around our highest mountain regions.

We fly by helicopter into the mountains where we base ourselves from alpine huts with unlimited skiing right out the door!

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| Dates: | July to October | Departure: | ex Wanaka, New Zealand | |
| Price: | No. people | 6 days | 7 days | 8 days |
| | 1:1 | NZ\$7,150 | NZ\$7,850 | NZ\$8,750 |
| | 1:2 | NZ\$3,950 | NZ\$4,350 | NZ\$4,780 |
| | 1:3 | NZ\$3,130 | NZ\$3,450 | NZ\$3,800 |
| | 1:4 | NZ\$2,630 | NZ\$2,950 | NZ\$3,250 |
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Backcountry Skiing Course

- Big mountain course for you to learn to be self-sufficient for touring
- Learn how to stay safe when on big mountain slopes and glaciated terrain
- Avalanche Awareness and Backcountry Avalanche qualification included

This course is designed to provide you with up-to-date techniques and safety skills for travelling in New Zealand’s high mountains. It is directed toward fit and motivated people who have a background in resort-based skiing/snowboarding and wish to extend their skills into touring the glaciated backcountry. Specifically geared to teach you skills for safe glacier travel and how to approach ‘big mountain’ skiing, you will become well versed in reading glacier terrain and how to navigate your way safely through it.

We helicopter into a high alpine hut in our national parks where you will get to ski some of our highest and biggest glaciers while on the course. This course is big on learning and big on experience while skiing big terrain!

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| Dates: | Winter / Spring 2018 | |
| BSC 1: | July 30 - August 3 | BSC 5: September 3 - 7 |
| BSC 2: | August 6 - 10 | BSC 6: September 10 - 16 (7 day course) |
| BSC 3: | August 20 - 24 | BSC 7: Sept 17 - 23 (7 day course) |
| BSC 4: | August 27 - 31 | |

Departure: ex Wanaka, New Zealand

Ratio: 1:4



Duration: 5 or 7 days

Price: NZ\$2,350 for 5 day course or NZ\$2,850 for 7 day course

3 Day Backcountry Ski Tour

- Learn backcountry ski and snowboard touring techniques
- Enjoy the endless terrain right off the back of the ski resort

These 3 day backcountry touring trips are designed to give you a taste of winter ski touring in the outstanding backcountry around Queenstown and Wanaka’s Pisa Range. We tour into a back-country hut, situated in a remote alpine basin, which becomes our base for the adventures ahead!

Initially your guides will introduce you to all the skills you need to get started in ski mountaineering so you become familiar with the equipment and techniques for getting around efficiently. On day one you travel into the backcountry developing knowledge about safe travel techniques and how to become self-sufficient in the mountain environment. Once established in the hut at the end of the first day you will be able to enjoy touring around the surrounding peaks and bowls with vast amounts of untracked snow. The hut provides a cosy atmosphere to enjoy the evening meals and reflect on each days skiing before a well-earned sleep in a comfortable bunk bed. At the end of the three days ‘out back’ we tour out to civilisation - enriched from the new experiences!

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| Dates: | Winter 2018 | |
| BBS 1: | July 20 - 22 | BBS 4: August 10 - 12 |
| BBS 2: | July 27 - 29 | BBS 5: August 17 - 19 |
| BBS 3: | August 3 - 5 | BBS 6: August 24 - 26 |



Departure: ex Wanaka, New Zealand

Duration: 3 days

Ratio: 1:4

Price: NZ\$1,125

Private courses and Private Guided Ski Touring available - enquire for information

Europe Haute Route Ski-Tour

- World’s most classic ski-tour
- Travel from hut to hut in the high Alps

The Haute Route (High Route) is a world class ski-tour through the heart of the Western Alps that begins in Verbier taking us over five days to finish in Zermatt.

The journey connects long alpine ski runs over glaciated terrain with descents from high peaks and cols. We stay each night in Swiss high-mountain huts that are fully catered, leaving us to travel with very light packs so we can relish in the ascents and descents along the route. Generally, the distances are not too great, about six hours hut to hut each day.

This ski-touring trip is suitable for the confident off-piste skier with a reasonable level of fitness. For those who have not yet ventured far from the ski resort, this is a fantastic way to gain experience as you travel with the supervision of your guides, allowing you to learn with confidence while taking in the grandeur of your surroundings.

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| Dates: | Spring 2018 | Routes: | Verbier to Zermatt - ‘The Highlight Tour’ |
| Trip 1: | March 18 - 24 | Duration: | 7 days |
| Trip 2: | April 8 - 14 | Departure: | ex Verbier, Switzerland |
| Trip 3: | April 22 - 28 | | |



Ratio: 1:4

Price: EUR€2,150

Route variations and private departures available, please enquire for more information.

Chamonix Ski-Touring Week

- Hotel based ski touring in Chamonix
- Get the best skiing in the region by combining lifts and touring the extensive backcountry terrain

The best skiing around Chamonix is found off-piste across the huge area of terrain in the region. Our guides are tuned in to where you can find primo snow utilising a combination of lift access and short tours each day throughout your week. There are numerous glaciers to explore and often it is only a short tour that is needed to get you into the untracked snow that makes touring so satisfying!

You can use this week as a way to develop your ski-touring skills with the help of your guide or you may already be a seasoned ski mountaineer who has a specific penchant for certain terrain.

Each night you will return to your hotel in Chamonix to enable you to enjoy the local entertainment, vibrant restaurants and bars of this exciting alpine wonderland that is the undeniable centre of the European alpine world. You decide with your guide on a programme that suits you, that can include as little or as much skiing as you want on the type of terrain that you prefer. This really is the ultimate holiday!

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| Dates: | January to April, on demand | |
| Departure: | ex Chamonix, France | Duration: 5 days / 6 nights |
| Price: | 1 person EUR€3,300 or 2 people EUR€1,990 each or 4 people EUR€1,570 each | |



Grindelwald Ski-Touring Week

- Sublime skiing in some of the world’s most iconic mountains
- Stay in a Grindelwald hotel then head out each day to ski-tour the surrounding terrain

Switzerland sports some of the world’s best winter terrain with an almost endless amount of amazing skiing and infrastructure to support it. You are based for the week in a comfortable chalet located in the centre of the renowned ski-town of Grindelwald, which is nestled below the mighty Eiger. Enjoy the pleasure of waking up each morning with the prospect of skiing numerous runs beneath the spectacular mountains that surround the village – or enjoy that special feeling of blasting powder through perfectly spaced trees.

Your guide will take pleasure in introducing you to their favourite locations enabling you to fully appreciate the beauty and grandeur of the area. You will be able to collaborate with them on what terrain and regions you would like to ski each day to maximise your enjoyment.

We utilise a combination of vernacular trains, ski lifts and ski touring to optimise our skiing time and each night you return to Grindelwald. You may even discover why people here feel like yodelling!

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| Dates: | January to April, on demand | |
| Duration: | 5 days / 6 nights | Departure: ex Grindelwald, Switzerland |
| Price: | 1 person EUR€5,990 | 2 people EUR€3,690 each |
| | 3 people EUR€3,030 each | 4 people EUR€2,650 each |



Passing the Matterhorn on the Haute Route. Photo Paolo Pieroni



Access pristine skiing on daily ski tours from Chamonix. Photo Paolo Pieroni



Explore the secrets of the Swiss Alps in day tours from Grindelwald. Photo Tim Robertson



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