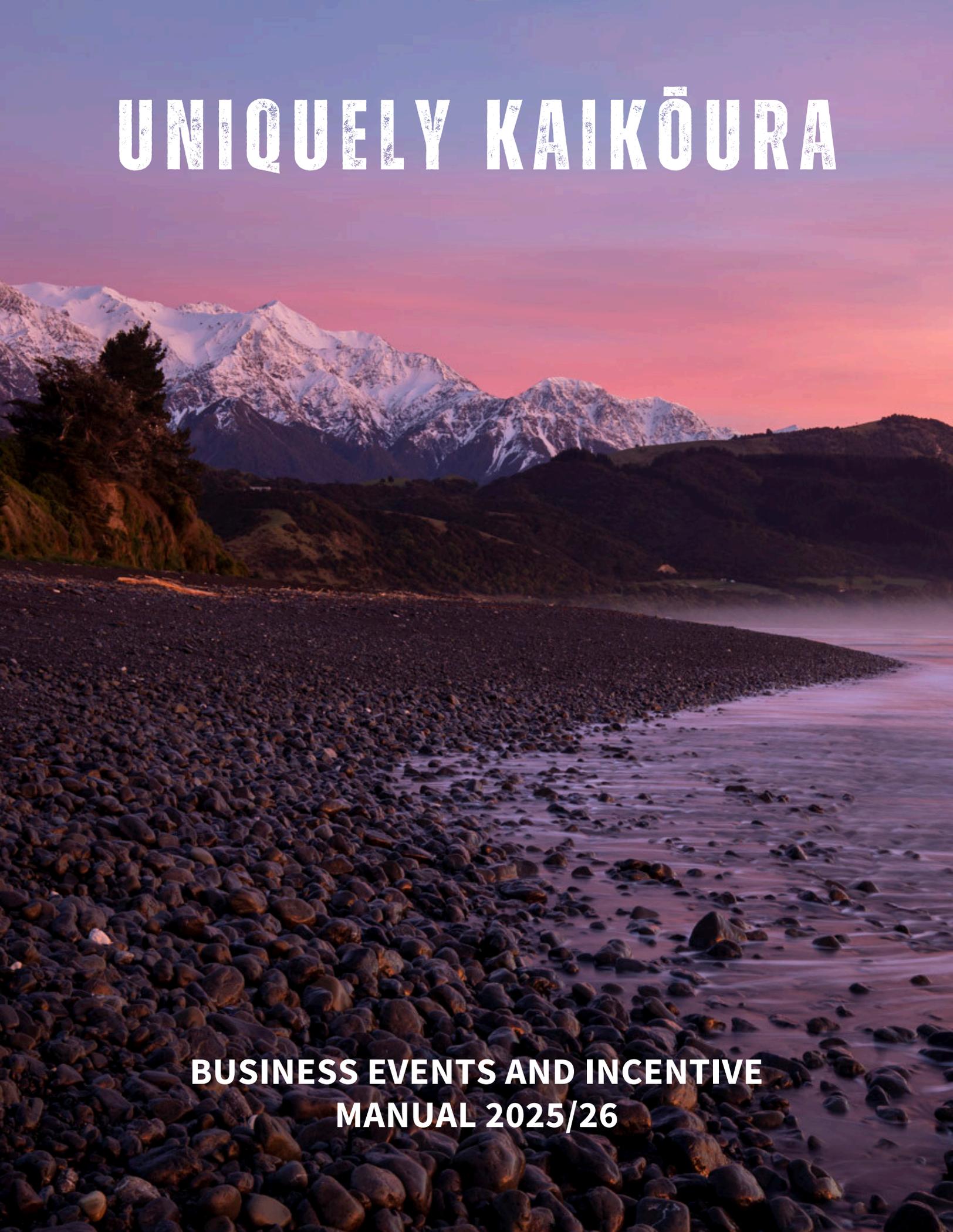


UNIQUELY KAIKŌURA

A scenic landscape featuring a rocky beach in the foreground, rolling green hills in the middle ground, and snow-capped mountains in the background under a sunset sky.

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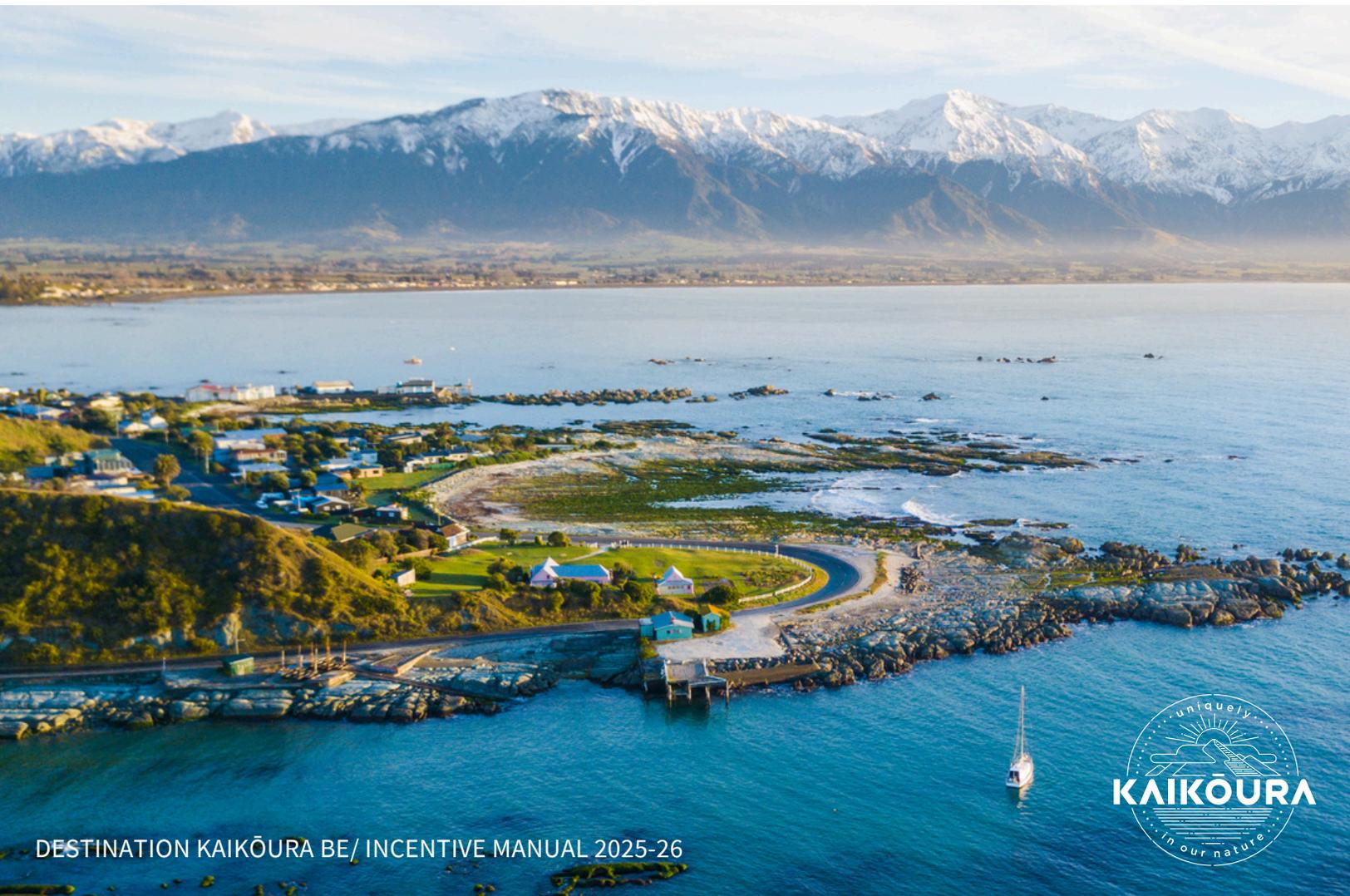
Ko te rangi te korowai o te maunga me te whenua, ko te awa te hononga o te rangi ki te tai, ko te taiao te mauri o Te ahi Kaikōura a Tama ki te Rangi.

Translation: The sky is the cloak that covers the mountains and land, the rivers connect the sky to the ocean, the environment is the life force of Te ahi Kaikōura a Tama ki te Rangi.

Meaning: This tauparapara represents the sky, land and sea which are the key components that makes up our natural environment that sustains the health, development and spirit of all people.

We invite you to discover what makes Kaikōura so unique - a place that's one of its kind;

UNLIKE ANYWHERE ELSE



Kaikōura is centrally located within New Zealand at the top of the South Island on the East Coast and is easily accessed, by land or by air.

Kaikōura is a 2hour 30minute drive from Christchurch through the Waipara wine valley, then along the stunning coastal corridor. From Picton 2 hours and Blenheim 1.5 hours along the State Highway 1 coastal road.

Along the 60km stretch of the Kaikōura coastline is Cultural Artwork Trail that invite community & visitors alike to take a break, enjoy the beautiful views and reflect on our rich local history.

There is an airstrip 5km south of the Kaikōura township for scenic flights and charters.

The nearest international airport is in Christchurch. With the nearest regional airport being in Blenheim.

Travelling between Christchurch and Picton, the Coastal Pacific train isn't just a scenic activity, combined with the Interislander Ferry it is the perfect way to connect between Wellington, Blenheim, Kaikōura and Christchurch.



CULTURAL ARTWORK PACKAGE LOCATIONS

- Okiwi Bay
- Paparoa Point
- Ōhau Point
- Te Ana Pōuri
- Rākahutara

Kaikōura Township

- Toka-Ānau
- Raramai
- Oaro

10 km

Cultural Artwork

Along the 60km beautiful stretch of the Kaikōura coastline is stunning Cultural Artwork that invite community & visitors alike to take a break, enjoy the stunning views and reflect on our rich local history. Each of these stop off areas includes artwork with an interpretation panel providing a brief history of the area & its cultural significance. Included are intricate graphics relating to a corresponding whakataukī (proverb) in te reo Māori. The corten steel design down the side of each panel relates to that area as does the planting with locally sourced native seeds and plants.

The artwork from this important collaboration between Waka Kotahi NZ & Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura has created an incredible legacy, one that encourages more people to investigate the rich history and culture of Kaikōura. Be sure to add time to your journey and explore the story that is Kaikōura.

GREATER REGION

- Wellington
- Nelson
- Picton
- Blenheim
- Kaikōura
- Hanmer Springs
- Christchurch

KAIKŌURA AND SURROUNDING AREA

1 km

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Kaikōura has accommodation offerings for every level of conference attendee, from luxury lodges with stunning ocean views to cozy motels, boutique B&Bs, backpackers and holiday parks. Wake up to the sounds of the sea, enjoy warm hospitality, and experience the best of Kaikōura's coastal charm. View all our [accommodation options](#).



SUDIMA HOTEL

120 rooms (90 superior, 27 superior ocean view, 3 suite ocean view). 1 to 2 conference and event spaces (up to 130 guests)

Contact: Leigh Higgins, leighh@sudimahotels.com
www.sudimahotels.com/en/our-hotels/kaikōura

Sudima Kaikōura is a brand new 4.5-star hotel - Qualmark Gold



HAPUKU LODGE & TREEHOUSES

Five star luxury lodge accommodation. Three 1-bdrm Tree Houses, and two "Family" Tree Houses (each 2- bdrm). Nest 10 metres above the ground in the canopy of a native Manuka grove. Two lodge suites, the Hapuku Suite, a lodge room & the Olive House. Total can accommodate 28 guests (double occupancy)

Contact: Emile, info@hapukulodge.com www.hapukulodge.com
Qualmark Rating: NZ Luxury Lodges



THE WHITE MORPH - HERITAGE COLLECTION

35 rooms (2 small studio's, 12 x 4 star garden studio's, 12 x 5 star premium beachfront studio's, 5 x 4 star deluxe partial beach front studio's, 3 x 4 star 2 bedroom family apartments, 1 x 3 bedroom house. Accommodate up to 96 guests.

Contact: John Arbuckle, info@whitemorph.co.nz , +64 3 319 5042

Qualmark rating: Silver 4 & 5 stars

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ATA RANGI LODGE

Five beautifully appointed rooms with breathtaking views, accommodating 12 guests. Thoughtfully designed spaces invite relaxation and connection. From a home cinema to tennis, hot tubs or unwinding with a glass of wine, Ata Rangi Lodge has been Designed for families, groups or those seeking a luxurious escape.

Location: 465 Inland Road, Kaikōura

Contact: Hayden Clavis, info@atarangilodge.co.nz

www.atarangilodge.co.nz



KAIKOURA LUXURY APARTMENTS

Twelve luxurious apartments just a stone's throw from the water's edge, and yet the closest luxury accommodation to the town centre. These apartments suit a wide range of guests from couples, families, corporate groups, tour groups

78 Esplanade, Kaikōura

Contact: stay@wavesapartmentskaikoura.co.nz



MANAKAU LODGE

Secluded in the quiet privacy of a five-acre rural property, Manakau Lodge offers the discerning traveller the finest in boutique lodge accommodation and a warm, family and pet-friendly environment with a personal touch.

198b Parsons Road, Kaikōura

Contact: Janice, stay@manakaulodge.com

www.manakaulodge.com

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THE FAIRWAYS APARTMENTS

Ten contemporary designed holiday homes, unmatched in style, space & comfort. Each apartment is available to suit a single couple, a family or two couples travelling together.

You'll be right next to Kaikōura Golf Club, just 5 minutes south of the Kaikōura township.

Contact: stay@thefairways.co.nz
www.thefairways.co.nz



THE ANCHOR INN

120 rooms (90 superior, 27 superior ocean view, 3 suite ocean view). 1 to 2 conference and event spaces (up to 130 guests)

Location: Esplanade Kaikōura
Contact: Leigh Higgins, leighh@sudimahotels.com
www.sudimahotels.com/en/our-hotels/kaikōura

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MANGAMAUNU RETREAT

120 rooms (90 superior, 27 superior ocean view, 3 suite ocean view). 1 to 2 conference and event spaces (up to 130 guests)

Location: Esplanade Kaikōura
Contact: Leigh Higgins, leighh@sudimahotels.com
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KAIKOURA QUALITY SUITES

Each of the 20 units are beautifully decorated, include kitchenettes with microwave and open onto either a balcony or courtyard. The extensive balcony and central courtyard areas provide guests with the ability to peacefully relax.

154 Beach Road, Kaikōura

Contact: stay@kaikouraqualitysuites.co.nz

<https://kaikouraqualitysuites.co.nz/>



KAIKOURA GATEWAY MOTOR LODGE

There are 20 self-contained units available from studios to two bedroom units, as well as three wheelchair friendly units. There is also a solar-heated swimming pool, barbecue, a playground is adjacent to the Motor Lodge.

18 Churchill Street, Kaikōura

Contact: stay@kaikouragateway.co.nz

www.kaikouragateway.co.nz



KAIKOURA WATERFRONT APARTMENTS

120 rooms (90 superior, 27 superior ocean view, 3 suite ocean view). 1 to 2 conference and event spaces (up to 130 guests)

Location: Esplanade Kaikōura

Contact: Leigh Higgins, leighh@sudimahotels.com

www.sudimahotels.com/en/our-hotels/kaikoura

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EVENTS VENUES IN KAIKŌURA

Kaikōura offers a range of stunning event venues, from oceanfront hotel to rustic rural retreats. Whether you're planning a wedding, corporate function, or a conference, you'll find breathtaking backdrops, exceptional local cuisine, and warm hospitality. Many venues provide stunning sea or mountain views, creating an unforgettable setting for any occasion.



SUDIMA CONFERENCE ROOM

The hotel feature's well-appointed rooms, restaurant, bar, gym, outdoor heated infinity pool, along with 1 to 2 Conference and Event spaces (up to 130 guests). With its modern fit-out, Sudima Kaikōura is a 4.5 star hotel.

Contact: Leigh Higgins, leighh@sudimahotels.com
www.sudimahotels.com/en/our-hotels/kaikoura/



THE MAYFAIR ARTS & CULTURE CENTRE

The Mayfair boasts two screens in state-of-the-art purpose built auditoriums. Auditorium 1 - 95 seats + 2 wheel chair spaces, Auditorium 2 - for 34 + 1 wheel chair space. Additional breakout space available in the foyer and the J+S Wyatt Exhibition Suite can also be hired for exclusive use.

Contact: John, jandswyatt@xtra.co.nz
www.themayfair.org.nz



KAIKOURA RACE COURSE ROOMS

The Trotting Club hall at the South Bay Racecourse is available to hire for your function. Located at a convenient and safe off-road location and with ample parking, the hall offers plenty of space and facilities for the hosting of your function.

Capacity: Seats up to 150. 250 people standing .

Location: Southbay, Kaikōura
Contact: Julie Howden, bendamerehouse@xtra.co.nz

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HAPUKU LODGE MEETING ROOM

Hapuku Lodge facilitates residential retreats, private corporate events, conferences, board meetings and incentive travel experiences to connect, engage and inspire

Capacity: 8- 20 pax

Contact: Emile events@hapukulodge.com

www.hapukulodge.com



KAIKOURA MUSEUM

Through our impressive collections, exhibitions, events and programmes we bring to life the richness of our unique heritage, inspiring visitors to explore and enjoy Kaikoura's diverse and colourful history.

Capacity: 50 guests in a unique auditorium setting

96 West End, Kaikōura

Contact: Steph kk.museum@xtra.co.nz

www.kaikoura-museum.co.nz



ENCOUNTER KAIKOURA BOARD ROOM

Make your event unforgettable... talk to them about combining your event with our world-class Dolphin and Albatross Tours

Capacity: 20 guests in boardroom configuration and 40 guests theatre style

Westend, Kaikōura

Contact: Lynette, lynette@dolphin.co.nz

www.dolphinencounter.co.nz/watch/gift-shop-and-cafe/

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ATA RANGI LODGE

Ata Rangi Lodge provides an ideal space for corporate retreats, team-building activities, board meetings & incentives. With a range of flexible spaces, indoor and outdoor seating, and high-speed Wi-Fi, you can balance work with wellness.

Our on-site activities as well as local options makes this a truly ideal location.

<https://atarangilodge.co.nz/events/>



DONEGAL HOUSE

The Stone Cottage has an Irish theme in décor and features impressive Macrocarpa tables that will seat 100 people, boardroom style, with room to add extra tables. Depending on the style and size of the conference/event you are looking for, we have two different sizes of tables to use.

Capacity: Up to 100 guests seated, 120 standing

Contact: Kate donegalhouse@xtra.co.nz

<https://www.donegalhouse.co.nz/functions>



THE UPPER ROOM

The Upper Room offers a large, modern conference room; second-story balcony overlooking the sea, a fully equipped sound system and catering facilities. The on-site kitchenette is well-equipped for catering a full reception or serving coffee, tea and refreshments.

Capacity: 150 people standing, 80 seated.

Westend, Kaikōura

Contact: Julie, upperroomkaikoura@gmail.com

EVENTS VENUES IN KAIKŌURA

Kaikōura's natural beauty, unique wildlife experiences, conference facilities, and peaceful environment make it an attractive destination for conferences. Whether for networking, team building, or fostering creativity, Kaikōura provides a refreshing backdrop that combines work and leisure in a memorable way.



LOBSTER INN CONFERENCE ROOM

The purpose-built conference room offers a quiet, convenient environment. From small meetings or learning workshops to conferences.

Capacity: Classroom around 27 pax, boardroom around 25-30, theatre style 40-50.

Contact: stay@lobsterinn.co.nz
www.lobsterinn.co.nz/conference/



FYFFE COUNTRY LODGE

We operates as a 5 star luxury boutique lodge and B&B. It has 6 individually and tastefully decorated rooms with king-size beds and ensuites. Indoor seating caters for 110 guests and outdoor in a marquee for 76 persons. All weddings are tailored to suit each couple's requirements. Our wedding co-ordinator/planner will advise on wine and food matches, with a range of menus to suit all budgets

<https://www.fyffecountrylodgenz.com/wedding-venue-kaikoura>



EXPERIENCE KAIKŌURA

Experience the best of Kaikōura, where adventure awaits both on land and at sea. Get up close with marine wildlife—whales, dolphins, and seals—on unforgettable ocean excursions. Then, explore rugged coastal trails, scenic lookouts, and local culture onshore. Whether you're kayaking alongside seals, hiking the Peninsula Walkway, or savoring fresh seafood, Kaikōura is a destination that blends breathtaking nature with thrilling experiences.



HAPUKU KITCHEN

At its heart, Hapuku Kitchen is focused on reconnecting the kitchen to the land and sea, celebrating the abundant larder nature has to offer - taking inspiration from the wild Kaikōura landscape. Join for one a hands-on, farm-to-table cooking experiences, a private cooking class or a seasonal evening feast at our Supper Club.

Contact: Fiona Read fiona@hapukukitchen.co.nz
www.hapukukitchen.co.nz/

Qualmark Rating: Silver



SOUTH PACIFIC HELICOPTERS

Capture the best of Kaikōura by air, land and sea! Offering premier whale watching and scenic flights or enjoy adventure or a heli-picnic. For an unforgettable and unique adventure, experience nature with us.

Kaikoura Airfield, 5kms south of Kaikōura
Contact: Tania Ross info@spheli.co.nz
www.southpacifichelicopters.co.nz/

Qualmark Rating: Gold



WHALE WATCH KAIKOURA

Sperm Whales are the stars of the show and year-round residents. At times also viewing Dusky Dolphins, the rare and endangered Hector's Dolphin, NZ Fur Seals and a wide variety of sea birds. Capacity 116 per boat (12 pax in upstairs captains cabin)

Contact: Abba Kahu sales@whalewatch.co.nz
www.whalewatch.co.nz

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DOLPHIN ENCOUNTER

The Dolphin Encounter tour is focused on respecting the dolphins in their natural environment all year round. Often described as a life-changing experience; snorkeling with the pod you will take away some magical memories.

Contact: Lynette Buurman lynette@dolphin.co.nz
www.dolphinencounter.co.nz/

Qualmark Rating: Gold



ECOZIP ADVENTURES

Soar through the treetops with EcoZip Kaikōura, an unforgettable ziplining adventure that blends adrenaline with sustainability. Enjoy breathtaking coastal and alpine views as you glide over native bush, all while supporting eco-friendly tourism. Perfect for thrill-seekers and nature lovers alike, EcoZip offers a unique way to experience Kaikōura's stunning landscapes.

Contact: Kate Baxter kate@ecozip.co.nz
www.ecozipadventures.co.nz/kaikoura
Qualmark: Gold



WINGS OVER WHALES

Wings Over Whales provide whale watching flights, scenic air tours and private aircraft charter. Their professional and experienced team deliver a friendly flying experience, where the comfort and safety of each passenger is paramount. 2 planes available.

Kaikoura Airfield, 5 minutes south of Kaikōura
Contact: Tania Ross info@spheli.co.nz
www.whales.co.nz

Qualmark Rating: Gold

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MOANA SKIES

Experience unparalleled stargazing opportunities amidst breathtaking landscapes, where the night sky comes alive with brilliant stars, constellations, and celestial wonders. Join us for an unforgettable journey into the cosmos and embrace the magic of one of the world's premier stargazing destinations here in Kaikōura.

Contact: Brad bradley@moanaskies.co.nz
<https://www.moanaskies.co.nz/>



NZ TRAVEL ADVENTURES - KAI PO

Enjoy the sky with chairs and blankets while our Professional Astrophotographer shares with you the stories of the region and makes photos for you or get involved and bring your camera and make your own night sky photos small groups or private booking

*Enquire for our Lux Stargazing Packages

<https://www.nztraveladventure.com/>



MT FYFFE DISTILLERY - HELI GIN EXPERIENCE WITH SPH

In partnership with South Pacific Helicopters.

Enjoy a 30 minute scenic flight around the Peninsula & Kaikoura before landing on majestic Mt Fyffe.

Take in the stunning views while sipping on award winning Mt Fyffe Distillery Gin, hearing the story behind it all from the distiller herself.

<https://www.southpacifichelicopters.co.nz/experiences/indulgent-experiences/heli-gin/>

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KAIKOURA KAYAKS

Paddle with the marine life, go kayak fishing, hire your own kayak. Kaikoura Kayaks offers it all! Their guided tours offer a safe, enjoyable, interactive experience, with little effort and a whole lot of good fun.

19 Killarney Street, Kaikōura

Contact: Matt Foy paddle@kaikourakayaks.nz

www.kaikourakayaks.nz/

Qualmark Rating: Gold



KAIKOURA HELICOPTERS

Put yourself in the ultimate vantage point and explore Kaikōura and its many natural wonders by Helicopter. Explore the unique and rugged Kaikōura Coastline and fly through the Kaikōura Ranges. Discover your sense of adventure by experiencing a heli-raft or picnic at altitude.

Contact: info@kaikourahelicopters.com

www.kaikourahelicopters.com

Qualmark Rating: Gold



SEAL KAYAK KAIKOURA

This is the first kayak tour of its kind in New Zealand that allows you to either pedal or paddle. People love how easy it is to kayak in and around the beautiful Kaikōura Peninsula having a 100% success rate of viewing the NZ Fur Seal.

Contact: Levi O'Connor levi@sealkayakkaikoura.com

www.sealkayakkaikoura.com/

Qualmark Rating: Silver

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