

DEPARTURES daily

We depart from the main Akaroa wharf every day, suitable weather permitting.

DAY CRUISES

SUMMER 10.15am, 12.45pm, 3.15pm
WINTER 12.45pm and other times by arrangement

CRUISE BONUS (SCHEDULED DEPARTURES)

- Stylish, luxurious, new and stable cruising vessel
- Complimentary wine, beer, juice or soft drinks
- A more personal cruise experience
- Very informative commentary from your hosts
- Fresh home baking
- Binoculars and reference books on board
- A portion of your fare is contributed to scientific research and welfare of Hector's dolphins.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Akaroa Dolphins is a Department of Conservation authorised operator, with a portion of our fares going to dolphin education and research.

PACIFIC OCEAN



Akaroa is around 80 minutes scenic drive from Christchurch on SH75. Daily shuttle services are available - please enquire for details.



Hugh & Pip Waghorn and crew look forward to welcoming you aboard our special tour of historic Akaroa Harbour.

You will be visiting a natural environment where wildlife does not always appear to expectations and you may not always see specific species. All cruises operate subject to suitable weather conditions.

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 THE INTIMATE NATURE EXPERIENCE

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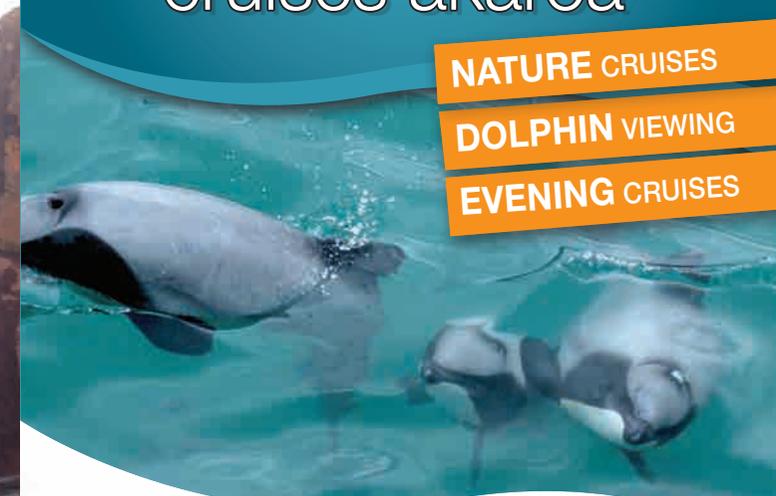
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Millions of YEARS OF HISTORY

Akaroa Harbour is one of two drowned volcanic craters which make up the unique landform of Banks Peninsula. The dramatic rock formations, lava flows and deeply carved coastline provide a glimpse into the cataclysmic events of millions of years ago.

More recently the French arrived at Akaroa on the Compte de Paris in 1840 to establish a French colony, only to find that the British had arrived first and claimed sovereignty. The intriguing Gallic atmosphere of Akaroa is a result of these first French settlers.

Our local family history dates back to 1838 and as your hosts, we will provide you with an amazing personal insight into this region.

personally GUIDED NATURE CRUISES

Our beautifully-appointed vessel, *Into the Blue*, offers guests a more personal cruise experience. The vessel is luxurious, quiet, fast and stable, allowing us to visit the spectacular sea caves, volcanic formations, high cliffs and bird nesting sites both within the harbour and beyond the entrance. A comprehensive commentary on geology, history, ecology and Maori traditions is included. Binoculars and reference books available on board.

• EVENING CRUISES

An evening cruise on Akaroa Harbour is a delight. Watch magical sunsets over mountain peaks, the stars of the southern skies and the lights of Akaroa dancing on the water. Evening cruises are by arrangement.

• PRIVATE CHARTER

Into the Blue is available for groups, weddings, corporate functions and evening cruises by arrangement.



amazing WILDLIFE

Akaroa Harbour is host to amazing bird life and sea mammals, including the world's rarest and smallest dolphins, the friendly Hector's dolphins, which you'll typically experience on our cruises. You are likely to also see fur seals, blue penguins, marine salmon and paua pearl farms and a variety of fascinating sea birds. The rear viewing platform is close to sea level ensuring you can get very close to the playful dolphins.