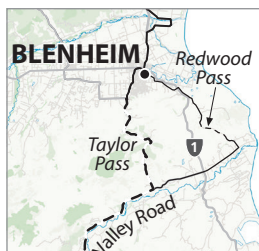


6B Blenheim i-SITE to Awatere Valley via Redwood Pass (on weekdays)

Taylor Pass Road will be intermittently closed for logging from 6am–5pm, Mon to Fri, until mid-2025. This temporary bypass goes over Redwood Pass instead. It is 10.5 km longer, but has 160 m less climbing.

9 km of cycle trail, 4.5 km gravel road, 24.3 sealed road



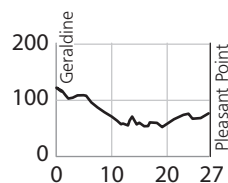
Phone Marlborough Roads on 03 520 8330 for updates.

- 0.0 km From the i-SITE, ride south through the car park, across the railway tracks and down Horton St to Taylor River.
- 0.4 km At the river, turn right and ride under the railway tracks and highway.
- 0.5 km Ride left over the curved bridge across Taylor River, then **turn left** and follow the path down the valley, passing under the highway and railway tracks again.
- 1.2 km Pop out onto Stuart St and ride down to SH1.
- 1.3 km Carefully cross the busy highway and continue south on Stuart St. There is a dairy on the corner.
- 1.7 km Immediately after crossing the railway tracks, turn left and follow the shared path beside the railway line.
- 3.2 km Turn right down Alabama Rd, on the shared path.
- 3.3 km Turn left down School Road.
- 3.8 km Ride off the end of School Road and follow the Whale Trail path beside the railway line again.
- 5.0 km Cross Cob Cottage Rd and continue on the Whale Trail.

- 5.8 km Cross Kendrick Rd, and follow the trail through an industrial area.
- 7.0 km Carefully cross SH1.
- 7.7 km The trail crosses Roadhouse Drive, passing Riverlands RoadHouse Truck Stop (food and accommodation, www.riverlandsroadhouse.co.nz).
- 9.5 km Pop out onto Redwood Pass Road. Turn left, and follow this road all the way to the Awatere Valley. It is signposted as the Whale Trail.
- 22.6 km Turn right to stay on Redwood Pass Road.
- 29.0 km Cross SH1 and head up Awatere Valley Road.
- 37.8 km Rejoin the S25 route at the bottom of Taylor Pass Rd. Continue up Awatere Valley following the instructions for section **6 Blenheim i-SITE to Hodder River** from the **27.3 km mark**.

19 Geraldine to Pleasant Point

21 km sealed road,
5.7 km gravel road,
60 m climbing.



- 0.0 km Ride south from the shops on Talbot Street.
- 1.3 km Turn right onto Kennedy Street.
- 2.1 km Go straight ahead onto SH79.
- 3.2 km Turn left onto Tiplady Road, then 20 m later, right onto Burke Road (gravel).
- 7.0 km Veer right onto Geraldine Flat Road.
- 8.0 km Turn right onto Winchester Hanging Road Rd.
- 9.1 km Turn left onto Earl Road.
- 11.3 km Turn right onto Goodwin Road.
- 12.0 km Veer left onto Seven Sisters Road.
- 19.0 km Turn right onto Waitotahi Temuka Road.
- 20.2 km Turn left onto Waitohi Pleasant Point Road.
- 26.7 km Arrive at Pleasant Point. Cross SH8 to the public toilets and turn right on the shared path to Cave.

Services

Pleasant Point

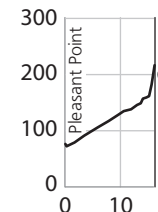
Shops and accommodation; Four Square **supermarket** on the main road. Velvet Blend Cafe (Mon–Sat 7am–3:30pm), ph 027 835 8382. Serenity Motels, www.serenitymotels.nz, ph 03 614 8069. Pleasant Point Hotel, ph 03 614 7605. Magnolia Cottage B&B, www.pleasantpointcottage.co.nz, ph 027 455 2722. Check out Strawberry Divine Real Fruit Ice Creams (open seasonally).

20 Pleasant Point to Cave

16 km of gravel cycle trail, 150 m climbing.

- 0.0 km Ride west out of town on the cycle trail beside SH8.
- 11.9 km Turn right and follow the trail through O'Neils Reserve and on to Cave.

- 16.0 km Stop at the park. There are toilets and a picnic table next to the playground. There's a fresh water tap across the road beside the telephone box. The pub is within sight.



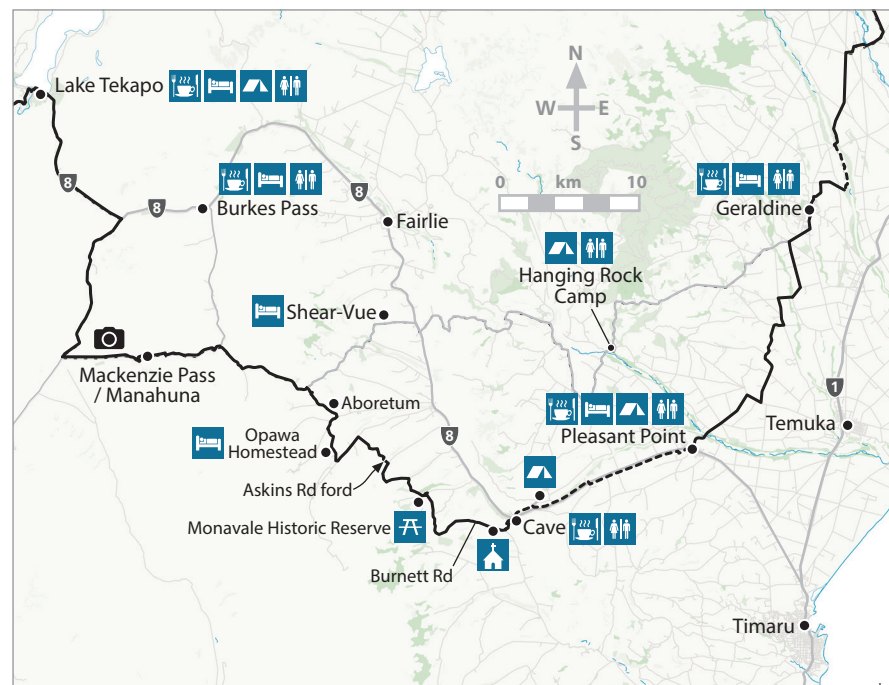
Services

O'Neils Reserve

Campsite is 500 m off route on your right.

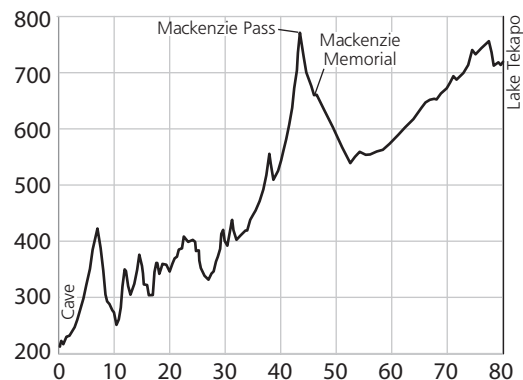
Cave

Pub and public toilet, Cave Arms Tavern (Thu–Sun, noon–10:30pm), ph 03 614 3814.



21 Cave to Lake Tekapo

59 km gravel road, 11 km sealed road, 13 km cycle trail,
1,270 m climbing.



- 0.0 km Continue west on Elizabeth Street
- 0.5 km Turn left onto Cannington Road and climb up the hill.
- 1.55 km Turn right onto Burnett Road and ride past 'the church with no nails'.
- 7.7 km Veer right as the road becomes Greenhill Road.
- 11.3 km Turn sharp left onto Monavale Road.
- 11.6 km Veer right to stay on Monavale Road.
- 11.8 km Veer right onto Rocky Gully Road.
- 13.8 km Swing left to stay on Rocky Gully Road.
- 17.3 km Turn hard left onto Askins Road.
- 17.7 km Ride across the ford and walk for 5–10 minutes up the steep hill.
- 20.9 km At Albury Substation, at a T-intersection, turn left onto Mount Nessing Road.

- 23.4 km Turn right onto Rutherford Road (soon passing Opawa Homesead B&B).
- 26.5 km Turn right onto Chamberlain Road.
- 27.7 km Turn left onto Coal Pit Road (not Fraser Road).
- 28.5 km Arboretum with picnic tables.
- 29.6 km Turn right to stay on Coal Pit Road.
- 31.5 km Go straight ahead onto Waratah Road.
- 37.2 km Veer right to stay on Waratah Rd, ignoring the farm road off to your left.
- 39.7km The junction of MacKenzie Pass Rd and Rollesby Valley Rd. Turn left to go over Mackenzie Pass to Tekapo. It is more bikepackery.
- 39.9 km Veer left.
- 40.1 km Continue straight onto Mackenzie Pass Rd.
- 44.6 km The summit of Mackenzie Pass / Manahuna.



Photo control point 6

Mackenzie Pass / Manahuna summit.

Europeans named the pass after James Mckenzie, a legendary character who, in 1855, was caught red-handed rustling a thousand sheep.

- 47.4 km Mackenzie Memorial.
- 53.8 km Turn right at Haldon Rd.
- 68.3 km At Dog Kennel Corner, turn left just before SH8 and follow the cycle trail beside the highway and past the cool sculpture.
- 73.9 km Picnic table, toilet and shelter on your left.
- 81.6 km Turn right at Hamilton Drive (to avoid the carpark) then left along the SH8 shoulder for 200 metres.

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- 81.8 km Turn right into Pioneer Dr and ride past the Church of the Good Shepherd.
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- 82.6 km Turn right and cross the Tekapo River on the foot bridge.
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- 82.7 km Head left around the carpark, parallel to the river for 100 m.
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- 82.9 km Turn right into Rapuwai Lane, which runs past most of the Lake Tekapo shops. Time for a well-earned meal.
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- 83.3 km Shops opposite Aorangi Cres, where the next section goes. The Four Square is another 100 m further on.
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Services

Rutherford Rd

Opawa Homestead B&B, 24 km from Cave. Must book ahead, ph 03 685 5909, www.opawahomestead.co.nz

Cricklewood (10 km off-route)

Accommodation, Shear-vue Farmstay, ph 027 685 5825, www.shearvuefarmstay.co.nz. Cricklewood Farm huts/bnb, ph Marianne on 027 292 8499, email mtavenier@xtra.co.nz.

Lake Tekapo

Food, including a Four Square, **accommodation** and **holiday park**. **Bike hire**, which may have some tools available.

Lake Tekapo Motels and Holiday Park, ph 03 680 6825.

There are **hot pools** beyond the holiday park.

More more info see www.tekapotourism.co.nz