



Mavora Walkway



Difficulty

Hard

Length

51.6 km

Journey Time

3 days

Regions

[Otago](#), [Southland](#)

Sub-Regions

[Southland District](#), [Queenstown-Lakes District](#)

Part of Collections

[Te Araroa - New Zealand's Trail](#), [Te Araroa - South Island](#)

Te Araroa trail section: Traverse varied landscapes, featuring mountains, lakes, beech forest and tussock country. Some sections are within Te Wahipounamu, the South Westland New Zealand World Heritage Area.

This track starts at the Greenstone Car Park about 40km from Glenorchy, at the end of Greenstone Station Road. It is well marked and initially formed, but the ground trail becomes less defined in mid sections where it follows marker poles.

The track has a relatively easy gradient with its highest point being 728m on the saddle at the southern end of Passburn Valley. This is where the track leaves Otago and enters Southland, Te Araroa's most southern region.

Te Araroa Trail Pass holders receive 20% discount on **Greenstone Hut** (bookings required) Camping is included in Trail Pass (bookings required)

Mid Caples Hut and **McKellar Hut** are DOC Services huts, adult price \$25 (bookings required)

Greenstone Hut to Taipo Hut - 10km / 4-5 hours

The track towards Taipō Hut is sign-posted. It climbs up and around to the Pass Burn Valley. Near the valley head, the track drops to a creek and then climbs back up to the saddle. Descend following marker poles to Taipō Hut (8 bunks), which is near the banks of the Mararoa River.

Taipo Hut to Boundary Hut - 12km / 3-4 hours

From the hut, cross the Mararoa River swingbridge. From here the track stays near the river and follows marker poles through open country. Recross the river on another swingbridge to reach Boundary Hut (8 bunks).

Boundary Hut to Careys Hut - 6km / 2 hours

From Boundary Hut, follow the 4WD track to the junction with the track to Forks Hut. Take the left-hand track down towards North Mavora Lake. Careys Hut (7 bunks) has a wood-fired stove and is near the base of a hill at the north end of the lake.

Careys Hut to Mavora Camping Area - 10km / 2 hours

The 4WD track follows the lake edge around to the Mavora Camping Area at the lake's southern end. There are parking and toilets here. Camping is for a small fee paid via a self-registration system.

The end of the track is at the Mavora Lakes Camping Area. Road access to Mavora Lakes is via 39km of gravelled road from either Centre Hill or Burwood Station. Both access points are signposted from SH94 between Mossburn and Te Anau

Conditions

Potential hazards

- River crossings – never cross flooded rivers
- Small stream crossings
- Track exposed to sun, wind or cold
- Weather extremes

How to get here

Northern Start: Greenstone Station Road carpark

Southern End: Mavora Camping Area, Mavora Lakes Road

Transport

Transport to Glenorchy and/or Kinloch and/or Mavora Walkway

- Glenorchy Journeys offer daily transport options to the Mavora Walkway trailhead or to Glenorchy/Kinloch - and from Glenorchy/Kinloch to the trailhead.
- [Glenorchy Journeys](#) ☑ - 0800 495 687 or 03 409 0800 - office@glenorchyjournneys.co.nz

Accommodation

Trail Pass

 Slip Flat Hut - km 2,745.7 - Included in The Trail Pass

  Greenstone Hut - km 2,749 - 20% discount on hut stay with The Trail Pass. (Bookings required). Camping next to hut included in the Trail Pass (Bookings required)

 Taipo Hut - km 2,758.9 - Included in The Trail Pass

 Boundary Hut - km 2,770.8 - Included in The Trail Pass

 Careys Hut - km 2,776.8 - Included in The Trail Pass

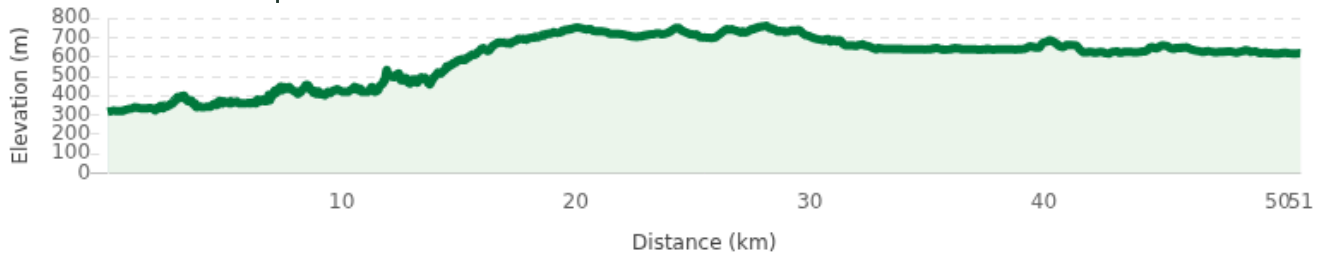
 Mavora Lakes Campsite - km 2,786.2 - Included in The Trail Pass (Bookings required)

En route

- [Greenstone Hut](#) ☑ - 20 bunks
- [Taipō Hut](#) ☑ - 8 bunks
- [Boundary Hut](#) - ☑ 8 bunks
- [Careys Hut](#) ☑ - 7 bunks
- [Mavora Camping Area](#) ☑

Food And Supply

Track Elevation and Map



More information

Before starting Te Araroa either as a through-walker of the whole country or a section walker, [please register on Te Araroa website](#). Please also [visit the website](#) or [download the app](#) for detailed maps, trail alerts and other relevant information.

This track is part of the Herenga ā Nuku Aotearoa track database. Herenga ā Nuku has [maps and advice about public access to the outdoors](#).

We encourage you to continue gaining the skills and knowledge required for a safe trip. The NZ Mountain Safety Council has lots of free resources and information you can use. These can be accessed via www.mountainsafety.org.nz.

We recommend trying these online learning tools:

- [Trip Planning](#)
- [Tramping/field Skills](#)
- [Basic Navigation](#)
- [River Safety](#)

Additionally, check out the range of helpful videos available from the NZ Mountain Safety Council [YouTube channel](#).

