

Encounter Kaikoura

Kaikoura, North Canterbury

Albatross Encounter

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Located on the east coast of the South Island, Kaikoura is one of the most picturesque places in New Zealand. It is famous for the spectacular marine life that inhabits the coastline including whales, dolphins, albatross, penguins, fur seals and orca.

Encounter Kaikoura has been providing boat tours to swim with and watch the dusky dolphins and other wildlife since 1989. The business is owned and operated by 3 local business partners with a passion for the rich environment in which they have lived in all their lives.



Albatross Encounter takes advantage of the epic diversity of albatross species and numerous other pelagic birds all located within 15 minutes of Kaikoura's coastline.

We bring you up close to a diverse array of seabirds including albatross, petrels, shearwaters, shags, terns and gulls. These species all occur naturally within a close proximity of the Kaikoura Peninsula. Kaikoura's marine environment is home to more seabird species in a small area than anywhere else in the New Zealand.

This boat based tour can take you just 15 minutes from the coast before you start to encounter a diverse range of seabirds. Our experienced guides on board are able to assist with identification of the birds and provide an educational and memorable commentary.

Departs 6am*, 9am, 1pm | Duration 2.5 hours *summer only

Additional Information

We require you to call us before 4pm on the day prior to your tour.



Directions

Encounter Kaikoura is located on the beachfront within easy walk of all the central township accommodation.

Terms

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CHILD POLICY Family friendly

CANCELLATION 24 hours 100% | cancellation due to weather or mechanical reasons, full refund

SEASON Open year round

Recommendations

Cafe Encounter

Our fully licensed café is located on the beachfront providing the perfect setting in which to enjoy great coffee and cuisine.

Accommodation in this area

- [The Factory](#)
- [Fyffe Country Lodge](#)