











## Now open, EcoZip Adventures is bringing a brand new adventure and eco-tourism venture to beautiful Kaikōura.

Just 15-minutes south of Kaikōura town lies stunning Rakanui Station. Comprising native-tree covered hills, verdant valleys, braided rivers, cascading waterfalls and rolling farmland, this 3,000 acre working hill farm is blessed with spectacular 360° views.

In a 3.5-hour experience, your clients will be collected from Kaikōura township to enjoy a fully-commentated, scenic journey in one of our airconditioned minivans, to our staging point at Kaikōura's beachfront airfield. Here they'll transfer to a custom-built 4x4 vehicle for a crossing of





the iconic, braided, Kahutara river. Next, they'll meander through

the green valleys of Rakanui station, fording river tributaries and passing grazing livestock, winding upwards to the jumping off point for the next part of their adventure.

Exiting the 4X4, an easy ramble beneath the cooling canopy of native trees follows, leading to a scenic lookout and your clients' first glimpse of the spectacular vistas set out before them. Ahead is the recently crossed Kahutara river, the sweeping arc of South Bay, home to Kaikōura's whale watching fleet,

and the Kaikōura peninsula, where Maui placed his heel to steady himself as he hauled the

North Island from the ocean. The view is set to the backdrop of the towering, snow-capped mountains, blue lakes and the shimmering, inland plains.

Five, epic ziplines, ranging from 250m to 610m in length await. In total, your guests will 'zip' over 2km on a series of ziplines that deliver increasingly spectacular views. Echoing our successful, original Waiheke operation, Rakanui Station zipline features twin lines, allowing your clients to zip side-by-side in pairs, in a wonderful, shared experience.

During their zipline experience our local guides will describe the history of the region, tell the stories of the people and explain how participation in the EcoZip experience is transforming Rakanui Station.

At the end of the fifth zipline, your clients will gain an even deeper understanding of this transformation as they see, and in winter participate in, a programme that is restoring farmland to native forest. As one facet of a broad reaching environmental and conservation programme, EcoZip is committed to planting an eco-sourced native tree for every zipline participant, rehabilitating the land and removing tens of thousands of tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> annually.

Following an easy walk through newly planted natives, your clients will be collected and returned to Kaikōura, leaving with lifelong memories and the knowledge that by visiting they've contributed to the lasting conservation of an important environmental legacy.

## **TOUR OVERVIEW & INCLUSIONS**

- Pick-up and drop-off from West End, Kaikōura.
- Scenic coastal drive to Kaikōura airfield followed by a 4X4 river crossing and farm drive.
- 5 x 250m to 610m giant, dual, flying-fox ziplines.
- Guided, native forest and hill-country exploration, led by expert local guides.
- Commercial Conservation experience, including tree planting opportunities (in season).

PRICING & INFORMATION	
Tour Duration	3.5-hours (subject to change)
Retail Prices: Valid 1/04/24 to 30/9/25	Adults \$189 Children \$129 (15 years and under) Family Pass \$507 (valid for 2 adults & 2 children or 1 adult & 3 children)
<b>Departure Times</b>	Multiple daily departures from 8am to late afternoon
Tour Departure Point	11 West End, Kaikōura 7300
Reservations & Booking	Bookings are essential - Freesale is not permitted No tours on Christmas Day and ANZAC Day morning Contact us for live access to our Rezdy reservation system
Age & Weight Limits	There are no age limits on EcoZip experiences. However, to participate in an EcoZip experience guests must weigh a minimum of 30kg (66lbs) and not more than 125kg (275lbs).
Famil Opportunities	Famils will be available from late September 2024. To register your interest please send an email to sales@ecozip.co.nz
Combo Products	Combos with other Kaikōura operators will be released in 2024 and 2025. To learn more, join our newsletter by emailing sales@ecozip.co.nz



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## Risks Associated with Ziplining – Participant Information

**Description of Activities:** The *EcoZip Adventures* zipline tour provides opportunities for adventure recreation and environmental education. The tour includes ziplines, walking trails and boardwalks and all other related activities that might take place. The ziplines are stand-alone elements accessible by elevated decks and/or stairs. Ziplines are high cable traverses using safety harnesses and associated hardware. Riders 'zip' between decks and are challenged with the difficulties of stepping off a high platform or tower, confronting a fear of heights and the risks of accepting these and other new challenges. Participants wear safety harnesses clipped into twin overhead steel cables with attached safety lanyards on all elements. The zipline element of the tour will be overseen by guides trained to lead participants towards their desired recreational and educational outcomes. All equipment will be fitted and checked by the staff, progress throughout the tour will be closely monitored by the guides and all equipment transfers will be performed by guides.

Participants must be reasonably fit and able, via stairs, to mount and dismount the towers and decks. The tour experience includes short hikes or walks on uneven terrain, the longest being approximately 1.4 kilometres (.86 of a mile) in length at an incline of approximately 10-15% in Waiheke and 430m (0.26 of a mile) in length at a decline of approximately 10% in Kaikōura. Participants must be physically able to complete these hikes.

**Medical Concerns:** Zipline experiences are designed for participants of average mobility, fitness and strength, who are in reasonably good health. Obesity, high blood pressure, cardiac and coronary artery disease, pulmonary problems, pregnancy, arthritis, tendonitis, prior head, neck, or back injuries, asthma, or other joint and muscular-skeletal problems may impair the safety and well-being of participants; as may other medical, physical, psychological and psychiatric problems. All or any of these conditions may increase the inherent risks of the experience and cause the Participant to be a danger to themselves or others.

Participants who suffer from any of the conditions, or any other underlying medical problems, acknowledge that such conditions will put them at greater risk of injury or illness during a zipline experience and must carefully consider those risks before choosing to participate. Participants must fully inform tour staff, on the **Risk Disclosure Form**, prior to the beginning of the tour if they suffer any of the conditions or any other underlying medical conditions. EcoZip Adventures reserves the right to exclude any person from participation, for medical, safety, or other reasons.

Inherent and Other Risks: Serious injuries are uncommon in zipline tours, but the risk of injury or death certainly exists; by reason of falls, contact with other participants and fixed objects, and moving about or being transported on the grounds on which the activities are initiated and conducted. A number of risks are inherent to the activities. These are risks that cannot be eliminated without changing the essential nature and educational and other values of the experience. The emotional risks range from unwelcome or inadvertent touching (related primarily to the need of guides to check and potentially adjust participant harnesses and helmets), hurt feelings, to panic and psychological trauma (initiated through fear of heights). The physical risks range from small scrapes and bruises to bites and stings, broken bones, sprains, neurological damage, head, neck, or back injuries and, in extraordinary cases, even death. The properties on which the tours are located include hilly, rocky and wooded terrain, ravines, valleys, rivers and stream beds. Whilst generally very safe, it should be noted that New Zealand does have species of animals and insects which may bite or sting. Injuries may be a natural consequence of the activity undertaken, as a result of the environmental hazards (including terrain and weather), a result of errors in judgment or other negligence of the staff or participants and may occur in spite of the reasonable efforts of the staff to prevent them. In all cases, these inherent risks, and other risks which may not be inherent, whether or not described above, must be accepted by those who choose to participate.