

Lake Ōhau



Nestled at the feet of the majestic Southern Alps, Lake Ōhau is fed from the crystal-clear waters of the Hopkins and Dobson Rivers. There are many ways to enjoy this glacier-created landscape – by foot, boat, bike or even ski.

Māori rock art at Takiroa & Maerewhenua



Discover these significant landmarks in the traditions of Kāi Tahu Whānui. These limestone overhangs were shelter for early travellers along a seasonal route up the Waitaki Valley.

Learn more Kāi Tahu place names and histories
www.kahurumanu.co.nz/atlas

Elephant Rocks



Explore impressive limestone 'elephants' – remnants of an ancient seafloor where the surrounding softer material has been eroded away. Elephant Rocks provides amazing photo opportunities.

Entry by donation.



Take care

Protection and kaitiakitanga (guardianship) of the land is at the heart of the Geopark philosophy. We ask you to treat all sites with respect and do not remove anything from these sites so they may be preserved for our future generations to enjoy. Some sites are on private land, but accessible to the public. Please respect the privilege of accessing the sites and follow the instructions given by landowners.

Te Kaihinaki / Moeraki Boulders



Walk amongst these striking round rocks which formed in ancient seafloor muds millions of years ago. Kāi Tahu whānui have long treasured these large and spherical boulders as the remains of the baskets, gourds and kumara washed ashore from the wreck of the famous Araiteuru waka (canoe).

Geosites

- 1 Lake Ōhau
- 2 Ahuriri Valley
- 3 Takiroa Māori Rock Art
- 4 Brewery Hole
- 5 Maerewhenua Māori Rock Art
- 6 Waipata / Earthquakes
- 7 Anatini
- 8 Elephant Rocks
- 9 Valley of the Whales
- 10 Devil's Bridge Wetland
- 11 Hutcheson's Quarry
- 12 Ōamaru limestone dikes
- 13 Boatman's Harbour
- 14 Kākaunui/Kakanui River Mouth
- 15 Campbells Bay
- 16 Ōrore / All Day Bay
- 17 Bridge Point
- 18 Te Kaihinaki / Moeraki Boulders
- 19 Kātiki
- 20 Te Kōkōmuka / Trotters Gorge
- 21 Matakaea / Shag Point
- 22 Puketapu
- 23 Golden Point Battery Reserve

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Overlooking the township of Palmerston stands this impressive ancient volcano. Admire this landscape from the town or take the short, but steep climb to the top. You will be rewarded with stunning views! The track is open all year except during lambing season (Sept – Nov).