



Pen-y-bryn Lodge, Oamaru — South Island, New Zealand

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About the Lodge

Pen-y-bryn Lodge is the premier luxury boutique lodge in Oamaru, set atop South Hill with sweeping views over the town and the Pacific Ocean beyond. A category one historic mansion and the largest single-storey wooden dwelling in Australasia (920 m²), Pen-y-bryn features ornate, architecturally significant public spaces — including a handsome billiards room with its original historic table — alongside five beautifully appointed guest rooms.

Our philosophy is *unfussy luxury*: impeccable comfort and warm, personal service without pretension. Guests come for Oamaru's remarkable Victorian heritage and stay for the world-class natural and culinary experiences that surround it.

At a Glance

Location	South Hill, Oamaru, South Island, NZ
Property	Category 1 Historic Mansion, 920 m ²
Rooms	5 guest rooms — see Accommodation below
Star Rating	Qualmark 5-Star Rated
Sustainability	Qualmark Silver Fern
Online	5-Star across all review platforms



The Drawing Room



The Billiards Room

Getting Here & Onward Travel

Oamaru sits on the South Island's scenic east coast, midway between Christchurch and Dunedin — making Pen-y-bryn a natural and rewarding stop on any South Island itinerary. The drive from Christchurch follows State Highway 1 along the coast; from Dunedin it is an easy run north through rolling Otago farmland. The lodge is also well-positioned as a base for day trips to Aoraki/Mount Cook and Lake Tekapo, or as a staging point between the central South Island highlights and Queenstown.

Destination	Distance	Approx. Drive	Notes
Dunedin	115 km	1½ hours	Nearest international airport
Lake Tekapo	177 km	2 hours	Via Fairlie through the Mackenzie Basin
Aoraki / Mount Cook	210 km	2½ hours	Via Lake Pukaki — stunning alpine scenery
Christchurch	249 km	3 hours	Largest South Island city & main airport
Queenstown	286 km	3½ hours	Via the Lindis Pass through Central Otago

Accommodation

Room Type	No. of Rooms	Max Occupancy	Bed Configuration
Standard Room	2	2 guests	Queen or King (non-split)
Superior Room	3	3 guests	King + Single / Triple
Total / Buy-out	5 rooms	13 guests	Exclusive use available

Exclusive lodge buy-out is available — ideal for small groups, retreats and private celebrations.



Standard Room (Elizabeth or Victoria)



Superior Guest Rooms: Garden, Park & Nest

Dining

All stays at Pen-y-bryn include a full breakfast and complimentary drinks and pre-dinner canapés, served at a time of your guests' choosing. For those who prefer to dine in, our chef prepares an outstanding *table d'hôte* dinner from the finest local and seasonal produce.

- **Breakfast** — Included in all bookings, served daily.
- **Welcome drinks & canapés** — Complimentary; served at guests' chosen time before dinner.
- **Table d'hôte dinner** — 4 nights/week Oct–Apr; 7 nights/week May–Sep. Must be booked at least **48 hours in advance**.
- **Flexible dinner timing** — Can be scheduled around the nightly kōrorā return.
- **Dietary requirements** — Must be notified at time of dinner booking.



The Dining Room



Gourmet dinner, a taste of what awaits

Experiences & Local Attractions

At the Lodge

Relax in our grand public rooms, challenge fellow guests in the historic billiards room, wander the gardens, or soak in the panoramic views over Oamaru and the Pacific from South Hill.

Little Blue Penguins

Oamaru is home to a thriving colony of kōrorā — the world’s smallest penguin species. Each evening they return from the sea to their burrows in a spectacle unlike any other. We time dinner around their schedule.

Waitaki Whitestone UNESCO Global Geopark

The only UNESCO Global Geopark in Australasia — Moeraki Boulders, Elephant Rocks, Clay Cliffs, and world-class fossil sites.

Waitaki Valley Wine Trail

Internationally acclaimed Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Pinot Gris from unique limestone-rich soils. A superb half-day excursion.

Whitestone Cheese & NZ Whisky Co.

New Zealand’s leading boutique cheesemaker and one of its finest whisky distilleries — both in Oamaru and open for visits and tastings.

Stargazing & Aurora Australis

Pen-y-bryn’s elevated position and clear South Island skies offer exceptional night-sky viewing. Our host — an experienced astrophotographer — guides guests through the Southern sky using our 10” telescope. Oamaru also enjoys relatively frequent sightings of the aurora australis (Southern Lights) — a genuine bucket-list experience.



kōrorā — Little Blue Penguin



Aurora Australis (Southern Lights) photographed near Oamaru

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Awards & Sustainability

■■■■■	Qualmark	5-Star Rated
■■■■■	Qualmark	Silver Fern Sustainability
■■■■■	TripAdvisor	5-Star Rated
■■■■■	Google	5-Star Rated
■■■■■	Booking.com	5-Star Rated

Rates, Commission & Booking

Current nightly rates and seasonal schedules are distributed each June through **Boutique Hotels and Lodges New Zealand**. Please refer to the most recent rates sheet for pricing, seasonal variations, minimum stay requirements, and commission structure.

INCLUDED IN ALL BOOKINGS	IMPORTANT BOOKING NOTES
<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Full breakfast daily■ Complimentary welcome drinks■ Pre-dinner canapés (at guests' chosen time)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Rates via Boutique Hotels & Lodges NZ each June■ Table d'hôte dinner: book 48 hrs in advance■ All dietary requirements notified at dinner booking■ Exclusive lodge buy-out available — enquire for details

Familiarisation Visits

Pen-y-bryn warmly welcomes famils from accredited travel industry partners. We believe the best way to sell Pen-y-bryn — and the wider Waitaki region — is to experience it first-hand. Please contact James directly to discuss famil availability and eligibility.

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