



Lochmara: once discovered...never forgotten.

We are an eco-lodge and activity provider conveniently located a 15 minute boat-ride from Picton on the tranquil shores of Marlborough Sounds of New Zealand. We offer:

- **Marlborough Sounds Day Excursions**
- **Licensed Cafe/Restaurant**
- **Conferencing and Meeting Facility**
- **Accommodation**

We invite you to visit our website which has further details of our accommodation, environmental policies, history, and an image gallery. A short clip on Lochmara is also available.

Our rates across the board represent excellent value, so for further information, a detailed quote or for general enquiries please contact:

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About Lochmara



Inspired by the outstanding beauty of the Marlborough Sounds and their passion for arts and the environment, Shayne Olsen and Louise Bright have created Lochmara: a unique destination which embodies the spirit of the Marlborough Sounds.

Since its opening in 1997 Lochmara has remained committed to art, conservation and capturing the magic of the Sounds for national and international visitors. In 2010 we won the Department of Conservation 'Conservation in Action' Award at the New Zealand Tourism Awards, recognising our environmental conservation activities and our unique model combining arts and the environment. We were also finalists in Small Attraction/Activity. We are a Qualmark Endorsed Visitor Activity.

Lochmara offers a fantastic choice of day excursions and pre- and post- conference tours. Our versatile facilities can cater for small conferences and meetings up to 50 delegates, with accommodation for up to 28. We have an exciting team development programme with New Zealand adventure sport legend Steve Gurney. We can work cooperatively with a number of local providers to create complete Marlborough experiences for your clients and colleagues.

Special Features

- Focus on sustainability through environmental projects and all aspects of the operation
- **Wildlife Recovery Centre:** mainland island and rehabilitation projects in conjunction with Department of Conservation. Visitor interaction/education with geckos, skinks, native birds, breeding programmes, glow-worms, self-guided nature tours.
- **Arts Centre:** 11 acre sculpture trail, indoor galleries, art shop, artists in residence, workshops
- Extensive on-site activity options and facilities and convenient access to Marlborough Sounds activities, including the Queen Charlotte Track, kayaks, hammocks, beach, bushwalks, adventure games and treasure hunt.
- 'The bath house' day spa

Working with Lochmara

Lochmara is perfect for small conferences, executive meetings, and incentive trips on site, and has an excellent day tour range for larger conferences held in Marlborough. Working with us, you'll get:

- Fast quotes and enquiry response times.
- Open for conferences and events throughout the year with exclusive use options possible.
- Ease of booking through one-stop-shop for activities, accommodation and water transfers.
- Excellent customer service, where every delegate is treated like a private guest.
- A central and location just 15 minutes from Picton with the benefits of boat only access.

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Day excursions and pre- and post- tours



From 2 hours to overnight stays, Lochmara will show your clients the best of the magical Marlborough Sounds. Pristine waters, panoramic views, and art and nature adventures...it's all here.

Lochmara is an outstanding base for activities or day excursions which combine a series of Marlborough Sounds activities with meals included. Suggested activities:

- Outdoor activities at Lochmara Lodge
 - Rope swing, flying fox, hammocks.
 - Treasure hunt
 - Tour and Explore: Native bush trails, conservation projects, art and sculpture trail
 - Nature experiences (including hand-feeding endangered native Kakariki parakeets)
- Queen Charlotte Track
 - Mountain Biking experience
 - Lochmara Lookout Walk with 360° panoramic views (3 hours return)
- Kayaking in the Queen Charlotte Sound
- Art and creativity workshops
 - Photography workshops
 - Flax weaving or carving workshops
 - Creativity discovery workshops
- Swim with the dolphins or Marlborough Sounds nature cruise
- Charter fishing, heritage, or sailing trips

Sample Day Excursion Itinerary:

8.30am	Transfer by Coach to Picton
9am	Morning kayak in the Marlborough Sounds or walk on the Queen Charlotte Track
12noon	Arrive at Lochmara for wine-matched lunch, or casual BBQ lunch
1.30pm	Afternoon activity option, e.g Art Treasure Hunt or Flaxweaving workshop
4pm	Depart Lochmara
4.15pm	Arrive in Picton for coach transfer to Blenheim
5pm	Arrive back in Blenheim

Pre- and Post- and Partner Tours

Meals and accommodation packages can be tailored to meet requirements for pre-, post- and partner tours. Accommodation for up to 28 delegates and all meals inclusive options are available. For family groups our room configuration allows accommodation for a maximum of 48.

meeting facilities



Lochmara Lodge conference and events facilities have been designed with an eye to style, comfort, and versatility. The conferencing and events area consists of a conference room and the adjacent restaurant and outdoor deck. Additional areas can be made available for breakout space.

Conference area

- Theatre – 40
- Boardroom – 25
- Classroom – 25
- Workshop – 25
- Cocktail event - 60 indoor, 115 including outdoor decking (uncovered)
- Exclusive use, seated dining – 60
- Range of outdoor spaces

Catering and Accommodation

- Fully licensed cafe/restaurant with focus on fresh, local, and seasonal ingredients
- 14 rooms at a range of accommodation levels, capacity for up to 28 (48 for family groups)

Equipment

Lochmara Lodge

- Wall mounted projection screen
- Projector
- Sound system
- Cellphone coverage
- Wireless internet access
- Additional equipment can be hired in from local providers.

Location



Located 15 minutes by boat from Picton. Access is also available via floatplane or helicopter. There is no road access to Lochmara. There is access to the Queen Charlotte Track.

Wildlife Recovery and Arts Centre



Nature and Conservation

The Marlborough Sounds Wildlife Recovery Centre is a facility for the protection and enhancement of the native Marlborough Sounds environment. In support of the Department of Conservation we breed and assist with the rehabilitation of native wildlife. Visitors can:

- Follow the bush paths and learn about native flora and fauna on our self-guided nature tour
- Hand feed the native Kakariki parrots
- Visit the bird and gecko enclosures
- Spot native birds on our predator controlled property
- Visit injured wildlife in our Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre
- Conservation and environment talks

Art at Lochmara

Lochmara is a vibrant facility for arts in the Marlborough Sounds. The centre supports artists and provides a unique opportunity to interact with art and find out more about those who create it. Art is intrinsic to the character of Lochmara, including:

- Outdoor sculpture trail interwoven into the native bush
- Permanent collections and changing exhibitions of work for sale
- Live music and arts events
- Residential art workshop series
- Resident art studio
- Great NZ Art Treasure Hunt

At Lochmara

