

What's New in Dunedin

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Cuisine Scene

Arc Brewing Co.

A new destination brewery has set up shop in the shimmering surrounds of Blueskin Bay, just 18 minutes north of Dunedin. Already a massive hit with the locals, Arc is a welcome addition to the blossoming craft beer scene in the city with ultra-fresh brews that sell out on a daily basis. Currently only open on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, the brewery is an awesome spot for a relaxed bevvy accompanied by food truck fare of the day and live music.

<https://www.facebook.com/arcbrewingco>



Noisy Brewing

Also riding the craft beer wave surging through Dunedin, Noisy Brewing is poised to open a taproom at its Kaikorai Valley premises, adding to the diverse landscape of micro-breweries emerging throughout the city.

<https://www.facebook.com/noisybrewco>



New New New – extended opening hours

The clever folks at New New New Corporation brewery have caught onto the fact that their other-worldly brews are highly sought after by the local populace and have pushed the boundaries of space and time to open the taproom five days a week, Wednesday through Sunday, 3pm – 8pm.

<https://www.facebook.com/newnewnewnz/>



Buster Greens Real Food Room

This fabulous new eatery is making a splash for its delicious superfood inspired menu and cool décor. Constantly humming with people, Buster Greens serves up some refreshing new takes on old classics such as the pesto bene and other tasty gems all served with lashings of fresh greens of course.

<https://www.facebook.com/BusterGreensFoodRoom/>



Tart Tin Boutique Bakery

Starting out at the Otago Farmers Market selling heavenly sweet treats from a vintage caravan, the Tart Tin is legendary for its delicious wares which regularly sell out in record time. Proprietor Matt Cross is now setting up shop in the trendy Terminus building within the Warehouse Precinct, so that fans can get their tart fix on weekdays as well.

<https://thetarttin.co.nz/>



Two Fat Stags by the Bay

Craig Youngman and Kaz Ansell opened this new and busy restaurant in May 2019 to share their already successful love of good food. With their signature meals entitled, “beef two ways” and “short shank redemption” you know you’ll discover tasty plates of fresh fare while enjoying views from Macandrew Bay back towards Dunedin city. Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner at the weekends, and for lunch and dinner Wednesday-Friday, this is a great spot to stop while on a trip around Otago Peninsula’s beautiful attractions.



Good Good – for Breakfast!

The current reigning champions in the Dunedin burger stakes – Good Good have branched out into the breakfast bagel game with stunning results. With slightly astounding combinations such as hummus, mojo verde, parmesan, salted popcorn and avocado chilli oil along with other such delights, it’s well worth a stop. 8am - 2pm



Tap n Dough

A beacon of warmth and flavour in the outlying township of Middlemarch, the newly opened Tap ‘n’ Dough has a winning combination of authentic wood-fired pizzas and Emerson’s beer on tap. A new venture by Richard Emerson and his wife Norma, Tap n Dough makes a rewarding stop-in during a day trip around Dunedin or a destination in its own right.

<https://www.facebook.com/tapndough/>



No. 7 Balmac

Rising from the ashes after a fire destroyed the restaurant at the end of 2018, this much-lauded Dunedin eatery is serving its sophisticated bistro cuisine and goodies cooked over applewood in the Texan wood grill from the original Maori Hill venue once again, albeit with snazzy new décor. 7 Balmacewen Rd, Maori Hill.

<https://www.no7balmac.co.nz/>



Distinction Private Dining Vaults

Set within the grand surroundings of the Distinction Dunedin Hotel, which enjoyed a previous life as the city’s Chief Post Office, four luxuriously appointed private dining vaults are now available for reservations. The historic Princes Street vaults are accessed through their original thick steel doors but once inside a lavish secret hideaway is revealed. Seating between 2 and 12 guests per vault, they offer the ultimate personalised experience complete with individually controlled temperature and music. Bespoke menus can be created on request.



Prohibition Smokehouse – the Octagon Edition

Carnivores rejoice, the well-established Prohibition Smokehouse has reinvented itself as an even more sophisticated den of all things delicious in its new and rather sumptuous Octagon location. Open for lunch and dinner, you can feast on a menu of smoky goodness or stop by for a cool drink in the sun.

<http://prohibitionSmokehouse.co.nz/>



The Catacombs

Dunedin hospitality magnate Andre Shi has added his glamorous flair to the former 10Bar in the Octagon transforming it into a Parisian style nightclub with a slightly macabre but very gothic Dunedin touch. The location was once the site of Dunedin's original morgue and in a nod to the underground catacombs of Paris, the décor is complete with skulls. It's not all spooky however, there is a luxurious VIP lounge with private booths overlooking the dance floor for those that want a more exclusive night out.

<https://www.facebook.com/catacombsnightclub/>



Sunset Sams

Another Dunedin bar veteran John Devereux (Carousel Bar) has opened a second venue 'Sunset Sams' near the new Dunedin bus exchange. Cocktails and electronic music are the order of the day for this new inner city den of cool.



Kūkū Coffee Ōtepoti

Bringing some seriously cool credentials to Caversham, Kūkū serves doses of happiness in the form of freshly roasted beans and coffees, all accompanied by a soundtrack of old skool tunes playing on the instore turntables.

<https://www.facebook.com/kukuwhanau/>



Room 118

Housed in the Dunedin Casino, Room 118 is a small and sophisticated new boutique bar, serving expert cocktails and fine New Zealand wines with a strong focus on Otago flavours. A light menu of tapas treats complete the offering, making 118 an excellent choice for a night out with friends or a cosy drink with a significant other.

<https://www.dunedincasino.co.nz/eat/room-118/>



New Ocho Chocolate Factory and Tours

Already renowned for its range of single-origin craft bean-to-bar chocolate and for running a stylish compact café, Ocho Chocolate production has moved to a larger factory space and has just launched artisan chocolate and tasting tours which run twice a day.

<https://ocho.co.nz/>



Bay Road Peanut Butter Factory & Café

What could improve on having a factory making super fresh peanut butter in Dunedin? Having a toast café on the factory site – that's what! This is toast but not as you know it, with all manner of legendary savoury and sweet combos involving the star nut butter ingredients. Try the luscious new dark roast.

<https://www.facebook.com/bayroadnz/>



Stay

Heritage Brand comes to Dunedin

Heritage Hotels officially welcomed the Heritage Dunedin Leisure Lodge to their portfolio of properties in early May. This is the brand's first foray into Dunedin, which is known for its heritage architecture and attractions. The property is located near the Dunedin Botanic Gardens and the University of Otago.



New Boutique Hotel Planned

Another Dunedin heritage building is about to get a makeover with plans to convert the beautiful Allbell Chambers building near the Octagon into a “high tech, boutique” accommodation.

The 24-room hotel would be on the first and second floors of the category two heritage building, which is located within the thriving lower Stuart Street hospitality and retail precinct.



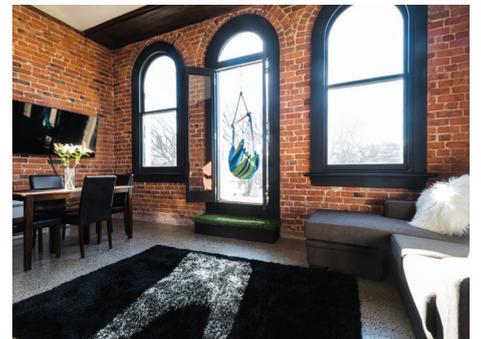
A Night at the Museum

Dunedin's newest and possibly quirkiest accommodation offering is now taking bookings. Spend a night or two sleeping under the same roof as a lifelong collection of curios and artworks created with animal bones, at the fascinating emporium of all things slightly bizarre, the Museum of Natural Mystery.



Terminus Apartments

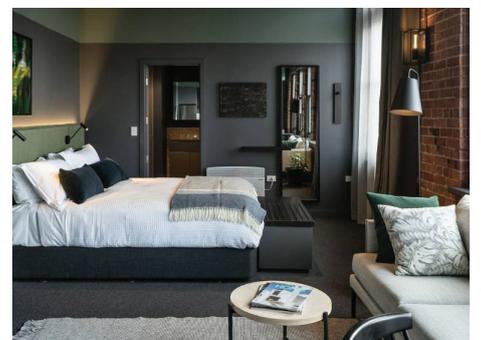
The hottest new digs in town, the Terminus Apartments reflect the colourful heritage of the Warehouse Precinct with an industrial luxe appeal. The six short stay apartments are all about the exposed brick walls and super comfy furnishings. You won't have to go far in search of sustenance, as the ground floor also houses Moiety restaurant, Tart Tin Boutique Bakery and an Urbn Vino winery to boot.



Chamberson Hotel

Set within a beautifully restored heritage building just a stone's throw from the Dunedin Railway Station, the luxuriously appointed Chamberson Hotel opened in early 2019.

Featuring 21 apartment style 1-2 bedroom suites, the hotel is a stunning boutique addition to Dunedin's accommodation offering.



Do & See

Blue Penguins Pukekura – Penguin Kaitiaki Tautoko

Join a penguinologist on their morning rounds caring for little blue penguins for an exclusive behind the scenes experience. Help check the birds for RFID transponders, assist with weighing and microchipping or take part in hands-on habitat work regenerating the penguin reserve.



Forest Bathing

About to launch at Dunedin's Orokonui Eco Sanctuary, this is an experience based on the healing way of Shinrin-yoku which means "taking in the forest atmosphere" or "forest bathing." It was developed in Japan during the 1980s and has become a cornerstone of preventive health care and healing in Japanese medicine. Lush with native forest and birdlife, the sanctuary enjoys stunning views of the Silverpeaks Scenic Reserve and Blueskin Bay, providing a peaceful backdrop to practise forest bathing. No removal of clothing necessary!



Horizon Tours

Another newcomer on the Dunedin tour scene, Horizon Tours specialise in Dunedin's unique wildlife, coastal character, Māori and European history through stories that bring our natural landscapes alive. Their Southern Skies Stargazing Tour makes the most of the renowned dark skies of the Otago Peninsula to share Maori tales of the celestial bodies, complete with comfy chairs, blankets and warm drinks.

<https://www.horizontours.co.nz/>



Museum of Natural Mystery

Spread over three rooms of an old central city villa, the museum contains a collection of skulls, bones, biological curiosities, ethnological art and unusual cultural items which the artist has collected over a life-time. The long-time dream of artist and illustrator Bruce Mahalski, this is a museum and gallery with just the right amount of weird. Rumour has it that an accommodation offering on-site is next on the cards, which will likely capture the imagination of those that seek out more unusual digs.

<https://www.facebook.com/naturalmysterymuseum/>



Karitane Maori Tours

Just north of Dunedin in the picturesque seaside village of Karitane, a new adventure and eco-tourism business has launched offering a unique insight into local Maori culture and history. Karitane Maori Tours provide a fun and fascinating modern waka tour experience along the Waikouaiti River, ecological restoration through native tree-planting and guided tours around the beautiful Huriawa Peninsula.

<https://karitanemaoritours.nz/>



Port to Port

Hop aboard the Sootychaser for an up-close and intimate look at the Otago Harbour and its wild inhabitants. Launched in September 2018, Port to Port have a range of excellent tour options which take in the history and wildlife so prevalent in this area, including albatross and fur seals. For day-trippers and cyclists, the boat also provides a cross harbour ferry service which can take in lesser known spots such as Quarantine Island.

<https://www.porttoport.co.nz/>



Do & See

Waitati Seaside

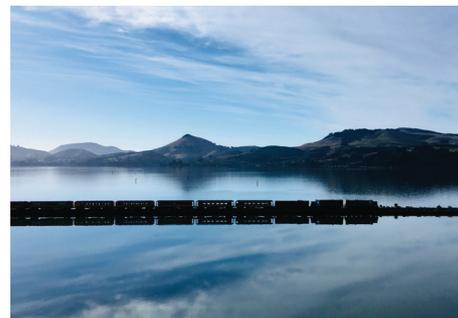
Dunedin Railways rail excursions on the Waitati Seaside run every weekend over the winter with additional trips during the school holidays. This 90 minutes round trip takes in the spectacular coastal scenery along the Otago Harbour and on past the dramatic sea cliffs and hidden lagoons of the north coast.

<https://www.dunedinrailways.co.nz/our-journeys/the-seaside>

South Island Rail Touring

Explore the lower South Island by rail in Spring with Dunedin Railways breathtaking Southern Rail Tour. Departing Christchurch, this seven-day journey takes in the stunning coastal scenery en-route to Invercargill, with a three-day stopover in Dunedin to explore its many fascinating attractions. Inclusive of accommodation, catering and selected activities, this is the ultimate in relaxing, hassle-free travel and the absolute best way to soak up the gorgeous views. There are three South Island routes to choose from and only a few journeys departing each year, so this is an extra-special experience for those lucky enough to secure a spot. Next journey for the Southern Rail Tour itinerary is on the 15 September 2019

<https://www.dunedinrailways.co.nz/our-journeys/rail-touring/southern-rail-tour>



Culture Culture

In Motion: The Moving Parts of Contemporary Art

18 May - 29 September

This exhibition explores ideas of movement, motion and interactivity through artworks by Sara Hughes, Tiffany Singh, Rebecca Baumann, and Haines + Hinterding. This family-friendly, hands on exhibition invites audiences to explore kinetic sculpture, including two recent acquisitions of works by Rebecca Baumann that use movement and automation as a means of experiencing colour, light and space. *Geology* (2015), by Haines + Hinterding, invites viewers to use their body and actions to explore a three-dimensional digital world, while Tiffany Singh's *Make A House A Home Project* (2019) uses art to activate a community exchange, forging connections between individuals throughout our city. Finally, Sara Hughes' *All My Favourite Shapes* (2019) invites gallery visitors to make decisions about composition, form and colour using a series of colourful magnets on the gallery wall.

<http://dunedin.art.museum/exhibitions>

Tony de Lautour: US V THEM

11 May - 6 October 2019

Welcome to the low brow, high art world of Tony de Lautour's paintings, sculptures and ceramics. One of New Zealand's leading painters, de Lautour's early works drew from wide-ranging sources including seedy underground street culture, tattoos, post-punk music and comic books as well as fine English porcelain and antiques. De Lautour was awarded a New Zealand Arts Laureate in 2012, and over the past decade his painting has developed into a unique take on geometric abstraction. *US V THEM* brings together a selection of de Lautour's work produced over the past thirty years.

<http://dunedin.art.museum/home>

dtour App

A recently launched mobile app aims to encourage Dunedin residents and visitors to explore the city's literary culture. Dunedin Unesco City of Literature has teamed up with the University of Otago's department of English and linguistics to create the "dtour" app. The app links remarkable writers and their stories to remarkable sites in Dunedin and the Otago region and provides information about places in the city that writers - both living and deceased - had lived in or visited, even if they were not referred to in their works.

Chills Documentary

Martin Phillips and The Chills, feature documentary for cinema release has premiered internationally at the 2019 SXSW festival in Austin Texas. The New Zealand premiere was held in Dunedin on 1 May and is now screening in cinemas nationwide. The Chills are one of the best-known bands from the Dunedin Sound era.

SIX60 Feature Film

Work is underway on a feature film to tell the tale of Dunedin pop band Six60. The film by Notable Productions, will be directed by Julia Parnell and produced by Nicola Peeperkoorn and is still in the early stages of production.



Event-full Calendar

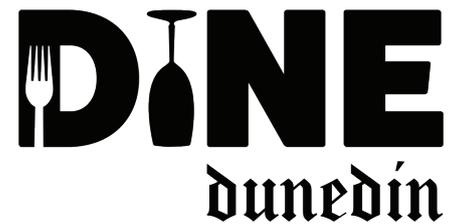
Dine Dunedin

21 June - 7 July

Ōtepoti cuisine and drink take centre stage during the inaugural Dine Dunedin from Friday 21 June until Sunday 7 July 2019. Over 16 days Dunedin chefs, producers and restaurants will celebrate their culinary culture with a series of special dinners, tastings and dining deals.

Local and critically acclaimed favourites; Emerson's Brewery, Moiety, Glenfalloch, Vault 21, Prohibition Smokehouse and New New New Corporation are creating special events, as will students from the Otago Polytechnic School of Culinary Arts. Dunedin food producers Ocho Chocolate and Harraways are also creating exclusive tastings, with Ocho developing a special craft chocolate, wine and whisky tasting class and Harraways organising an Oat Breakfast.

www.dinedunedin.co.nz



Mid Winter Carnival

22 June

Illuminating the night with a little magic, on June 29th the Dunedin Mid-Winter Carnival celebrates the season with a stunning lantern parade around the inner city. A hugely popular event, the carnival features a variety of themed characters and creatures, entertainers, stilt walkers and other dazzling displays with fireworks as the grand finale. This year's theme is the Never Ending Night - an exploration of the beautiful wildlife, mysterious creatures and colourful characters of the world's southernmost continent, Antarctica.

www.facebook.com/midwintercarnival/



Puaka Matariki Festival

25 June - 9 July

Puaka Matariki is a celebration of the Māori New Year, through a diverse citywide programme of community events with a focus on sharing stories, passing on knowledge and learning, remembering the dear departed, and planning for the year ahead. Events include Toi Māori, visual art, literary works, music and dance performance events.

www.matarikidunedin.co.nz



Larnach Castle Winter Ball

19 July at 8:00 p.m.

Soak up the historic atmosphere of Larnach Castle and the stunningly restored ballroom with everyone in Victorian period evening attire dancing the night away.

www.larnachcastle.co.nz/Larnach-Castle-Events/Annual-Winter-Ball



Challenging the Deep

Exploration is in everyone's DNA; we're hardwired to be curious.

This immersive media exhibition will take you on a journey with acclaimed explorer and filmmaker James Cameron, from the deepest parts of the ocean to some of his Oscar-winning feature films.

See his record-breaking dives in the DEEPSEA CHALLENGER submersible and science platform that he designed and built, and experience how his curiosity for understanding and exploring our oceans has shone a light on some of the least known places on earth. The exhibition immerses you in an underwater environment using cinema scale projections, artefacts and specimens from his expeditions.

otagomuseum.nz



Guild Re-opens

GUILD, the popular concept store and gallery space for shoppers keen to support Dunedin designers has recently re-opened after a 6 month absence, in a new fixed central location at 145 Stuart St.

A key project for Dunedin Designed Inc, a unique society of local creatives working towards supporting Dunedin designers, GUILD provides an environment for designers to test, create and experiment, while developing their own brand and business experience. The store is staffed entirely by the designers and boasts everything from handcrafted jewellery and innovative fashion to homewares, furniture, art prints and more



Moa footprints discovered

The Otago Museum has acquired 7 fossilised moa footprints, discovered recently in the Kyeburn River in Central Otago. This monumental find is the first of its kind in the South Island and make a valuable addition to the museum's collections. The footprints will go on temporary display once dried and preserved to ensure they do not deteriorate.



Highest EV ownership

The Dunedin Energy Study, a joint project between the University's Centre for Sustainability and Dunedin City Council, revealed that the city boasts the largest number of pure electric vehicles per head of population with 3.73 EVs for every 1000 people.



PGF Fund – Construction Workforce Modelling Project

The future of work in Otago region is set to benefit from the Provincial Growth Fund allocations announced today. With approximately \$10 billion worth of significant construction projects forecast in the Otago region over the next 15 years, including the new Dunedin Hospital, a Construction Workforce Modelling Project has been initiated to provide essential analysis of the labour demand required.



Further funding for startup ecosystem

The Dunedin City Council's Economic Development Committee (EDC) has approved \$150,000 to support the Startup Dunedin Trust's development of the local startup ecosystem over 2019/20, providing pathways for entrepreneurs to start and grow businesses and support job creation in Dunedin. The funding will support the momentum in startup growth and it reflects continued confidence in the Startup Dunedin Trust, after its positive 2018 and 2019 activities.



Peninsula Connection – Cycle and Walkway

A multi-stage cycle and walkway project to connect Port Chalmers to Portobello and beyond is progressing well with the Broad Bay to Portobello stage recently completed. The Peninsula Connection project serves a dual purpose of widening the road, which is used frequently by residents and visitors alike, and improving safety and access to the Peninsula for walkers and cyclists.



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