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NORTHERN LIGHTS
BUT FURTHER SOUTH.

What's new in Dunedin

June 2020

Eat and drink

tītī

An exciting new offering from one of Dunedin's most influential hospitality couples – Chef Hannes Bareiter and Melanie Hartmann (formerly of Glenfalloch Restaurant), tītī has taken over the Pier 24 beach-side location within Hotel St Clair. Expect a dazzling menu with plenty of seasonal influences and sometimes surprising flavour combinations.

www.titi.co.nz



Harbourside Grill glasshouse dining

Taking dining with a view to the next level, central city waterfront restaurant Harbourside Grill has popped on a pair of stylish glassed-in dining areas for two. A unique experience that's surprisingly cosy, as the heated space comes complete with blankets and table service so you can stay snug inside this glass cocoon. For the best glasshouse dining in Dunedin you need to book asking for G1 or G2.

www.hsgrilldunedin.com



Emerson's Tiny Pub on wheels

Coming soon to a quiet spot near you, Dunedin's Emerson's Brewery is taking its beer to the nation in a wee travelling pub. Emerson's describe the Tiny Pub as a hideaway from the world with everything you need to enjoy the perfect pint, and nothing more. No disco balls, just the time and space to enjoy a brew with good company. It has just enough space for two people. Book a 27-minute time slot to enjoy an Emerson's brew in the cosiest setting ever.

www.tinypub.co.nz



The Press Club

Wains Hotel is opening a luxe new destination eatery, The Press Club. The beautifully decorated ground floor restaurant is a wash of green velvet, muted golds and art deco touches. The menu focuses on local produce celebrated through diverse international influences and is complemented by an excellent drinks list, where whiskey is the hero. This bespoke bar and restaurant pays homage to Dunedin's original haunt for editors and publishers in the 1870s.

www.facebook.com/WainsHotelDunedin



Woof!

Woof! is a new late-night bar located on the corner of Moray Place and Lower Stuart St. It promises to be an eclectic, welcoming and surprising bar experience, accompanied by great service, carefully curated spaces and top-notch music. Scottish author and cocktail writer Damian Barr has had a hand in designing the cocktail menu and musician/culinary genius Stef Animal heads up the kitchen team.

www.facebook.com/Woof-116496169897109/



Mr Fox

An intriguing new subterranean bar has arrived at no. 12 The Octagon. Mr. Fox is a den of cool, cocktails and tapas, tucked away below street level with a hidden courtyard space amongst the heritage buildings. Serving up signature ‘foxtails’ such as the Basil Brush Bramble, the Lost Giraffe and the Midwestern along with delicious titbits from the Bacchus kitchen upstairs, this is a bar worth trying.

mrfoxbar.co.nz

Tokyo Ramen Takeichi – coming soon!

International franchise Tokyo Ramen Takeichi will soon be serving up its signature steaming hot bowls of Japanese ramen in Dunedin. Taking over the former Branson’s Bar site in St Andrew Street, the ramen-ya will be the first Takeichi store in New Zealand and another nod to the growing foodie scene in Dunedin.

Burger Plant

This entirely plant-based burger joint opened its doors in early February and already has legions of loyal customers. The mouth-watering menu doesn't skimp on flavour, with tasty tempters such as the Mexi Burger and Big Boi delivering attitude in pure plant form and equally enticing sides dishes to match.

www.facebook.com/pages/category/Burger-Restaurant/Burger-Plant-109085607249201



Patti's and Cream – Scoop Shop

The very excellent ice cream and burgers from the Patti's and Cream food truck are making a permanent home in the thriving suburb of Mornington. A new foodie hotspot is emerging in the Grid Coffee Roasters building. The adjacent Grid teas and kitchenware shop and the Good Food Co are already in residence and now the delicious handmade taste of Patti's and Cream's superb icy treats are moving in. Until Scoop Shop opens, the chilled-out food truck will be parked up there every Friday from 5-7pm. Watch this space!

www.pattisandcream.co



Mornington Taphouse

A major refurbishment has turned what was the Mornington Tavern into a sparkling, urbane range of options: dining with family and friends in the Mornington Kitchen and Bar; catching up with mates in the Sports Bar; or celebrating special occasions in the versatile Functions Room. With typically Dunedin humour, this social hub has retained the establishment's long-time slogan, 'Maybe the best pub in the world'.

morningtontaphouse.co.nz



Harvey Street Merchant

The latest foodie business to pop up in the stunning Blueskin Bay area, Harvey Street Merchants stock the best artisan goods and fresh produce from Dunedin and surrounds, alongside delicious gourmet ice-cream and hand-cut blooms. Stop in, stock up and soak up the feel-good vibe.

www.facebook.com/harveystreetmerchant



The Swan

The team from Dunedin's iconic Perc eateries have added their brand of magic to a new café and bar venue in Bath Street. With retro-esque fittings, a sun-drenched courtyard and live music at weekends, we're predicting The Swan will soon take the crown for most popular inner city hang-out.

www.facebook.com/The-Swan-Cafe-and-Bar-104063217793193



The Vegan and Vegetarian Vault

Vegan's rejoice, there is yet another Dunedin outlet catering specifically to your tastes. The Vegan and Vegetarian Vault is tucked away down Wharf Street, not far from Bay Rd Peanut Butter and Ocho. With a wide range of fresh produce, hand-made goodies, fresh breads and condiments, it's something of a one-stop shop.

www.facebook.com/veganvault



Beam Me Up Bagels Central

The Dunedin masters of all things bagel have opened a larger central city location. The legendary Beam Me Up Bagels have achieved an almost cult-like following for their amazing selection of fillings and flavours, and now that joy is being spread even further with a spacious new eatery on Great King Street.

www.facebook.com/beammeupbagels



Urbn Vino

Looking for something sophisticated to do of an evening? Dunedin's own Urbn Vino city winery, which specialises in hand-made pinot noir, now offers tours and tastings. Sample a drop direct from the barrels and observe the wine-making process at close range before retiring to the tasting room for a wine and snack pairing in conjunction with Moiety restaurant. Date night sorted. Booking required, minimum four people per tour.

www.urbnvino.nz/tours--tastings.html



Locavore

A fabulous locally sourced food box business has sprung up in Dunedin-Locavore. Think seasonal vegetables and fruit, freshly toasted and ground spices, fresh herbs snipped from the garden, cordials, preserves and more. Delivered to your door along with inspirational recipes each week, the goods are all packed in glass or paper and into a wooden or woven box, which is collected on the next visit. Genius.

locavoreboxes.co.nz

Otis Oat Milk

In an age of increasingly conscious consumers and dietary requirements, sweet relief has arrived in the form of fresh oat milk, grown in New Zealand; which also happens to make a mighty fine coffee. Dunedin-based Otis Oat Milk have quietly been chipping away at creating a more sustainable future, one oat at time. Now available in good cafes throughout the country, supermarkets are next on the list – just as soon as a sustainable packaging solution is found.

otisoatmilk.co.nz

Foodprint app launches in Dunedin

Foodprint, the game-changing app that connects customers to discounted surplus food and helps to combat climate change is coming to Dunedin. Foodprint will start to show Dunedin cafes, restaurants and supermarkets with food ready for consumers to 'rescue' before it is thrown out by purchasing it at 50% the usual price. Consumers order and buy the food via the app and collect their purchase directly from eateries.

foodprint.app

Indish Restaurant & Bar

Located in the heart of Dunedin, Indish Restaurant and Bar promises to delight you with delicious Indian food and excellent service. The warm and cosy ambience makes it the ultimate choice of people of all age groups for any celebration.

www.facebook.com/Indish-Restaurant-Bar-107583720877135/?ref=page_internal

Al Sultan Restaurant and Lounge Bar – coming soon

4 Hanover Street

Brand spanking new, this central Dunedin shisha haven offers a wide range of Middle Eastern Arabic cuisines, BBQ and café-style dining.

www.facebook.com/pages/category/Restaurant/Al-Sultan-restaurant-109074367372040/



Attractions and shopping

French rendez-vous at Larnach Castle

Want to holiday in France, immersed in its culture and language? Play make-believe with Antipodes Travel with their three-day French tour of Dunedin's Otago Peninsula. Spend three nights in the unique *chateau* Larnach Castle, being served with gourmet French food and wine and guided to the best wildlife and photography sites by your own native French guide. Then relax with a French movie in Larnach Castle's private theatre. C'est magnifique.

www.antipodes-travel.com/en/tour/french-rendez-vous-dunedin/



City Walks – OCHO Chocolate Walk

Athol Parks has been offering high quality heritage, architecture and design walking tours in Dunedin central for years. His reopening in June is being celebrated with a tasty new tour added to his repertoire. The OCHO Chocolate Walk begins with a primer on Dunedin's history and architecture followed by a stroll through the Warehouse Precinct to Roberts Street – for a tasting session at Dunedin's craft chocolate factory. Offered from Thursday to Saturday.

www.citywalks.co.nz



Headfirst Travel Brewery Tours – coming soon

From 18 July Headfirst Travel is offering a trio of tours taking in local Dunedin and not-quite-so-local-Dunedin breweries. The 'Dunedin Duo' three-hour tour stars the heavy hitters, Speights and Emerson's Breweries. 'Dunedin Ultimate' gives you six hours of brewery joy, featuring Speights, Emerson's Arc, Noisy and New New New, plus a mystery pub stop. Venturing further afield, the Oamaru Prohibition Brewery Tour takes in Dunedin's Arc and Oamaru's Scott's and Craftwork breweries. Commentary will focus on where the local brewing history fits in to the landscape of Dunedin and New Zealand's respective brewing and community culture. Tastings, nibbles, anecdotes, colourful history and plenty of fun will be on the itinerary every time.

travelheadfirst.com



Iconic Farm Tours

Meet the world's cutest sheep on this 1.5 hour guided tour, which includes short walks around a farm giving you interaction with gorgeous Swizz Valais sheep, sweet miniature cattle, kuni kuni pigs, alpacas, ducks, chickens and friendly farm dogs. A complimentary tea or coffee rounds off the rural hospitality. An addition to the suite of tours offered by the newly renamed Iconic Tours (formerly Arthurs Iconic Tours).

www.iconictours.co.nz/tours-and-services/iconic-farm-tour

Bike the loop – Otago Harbour cycleway website

A new website is highlighting the many attractions of the super smooth and ever-growing Otago Harbour cycleway, by which you can take a loop around some of Dunedin's best activities, sights and businesses. Especially for those on two wheels, www.dunedincycleway.co.nz helps you find Dunedin wildlife, catch the ferry, take a boat tour, eat at some of the best cafés and restaurants, visit gift shops or gather goodies for a picnic to enjoy.

www.dunedincycleway.co.nz



Tex Tone

The aesthetic design and remarkable sound of Tex Tone speakers are the result of years of R&D. Tex Houston is a true music lover, well known in the New Zealand music world. He's a central figure in New Zealand's iconic Dunedin Sound, working and travelling the world with numerous bands on the Flying Nun label. A life-long fascination with making music sound good now includes releasing this beautifully designed product that allows you to really get 'inside' a song and can provide some real emotional moments.

www.textone.co.nz



Fallow and Fox –the Octagon edition

Expanding from their existing store in Mornington, purveyors of fresh flowers, homeware and gifts – Fallow and Fox – have opened a second outlet in the Octagon. Stocking goodies from Stella and Gemma, Moana Road and more, this popular shop provides yet another tempting stop for retail therapy.

www.fallowandfox.co.nz



The Time Keeper

A new Dunedin business, The Time Keeper has come up with the crafty idea of recreating heritage buildings in DIY paper model form, with amazing detail and accuracy. The current range includes the Dunedin Railway Station, Fletcher House and Olveston with more designs in the pipeline soon. A great lightweight souvenir or gift for family and friends overseas and fun to assemble too.

www.thetimekeeper.co.nz



George Street Orchard Tours

Not new, but still cool - George Street Orchard is in the eleventh year of becoming a resilient, diverse and delicious garden, and now offers tours to share its secrets with other budding gardeners. This inner-city oasis has over thirty species of fruiting trees, shrubs and vines – some well-known and proven in this region, others experimental, but all selected for being viable in, if not perfectly suited to our unique climate.

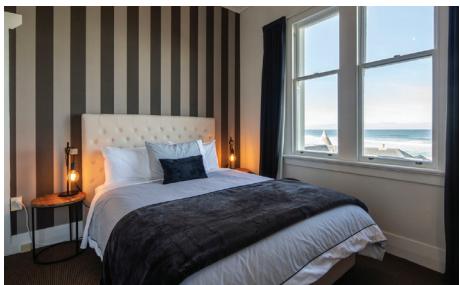
georgestreetorchard.com/tours

Stay

Majestic Mansions

A recognisable landmark on the St Clair horizon, Majestic Mansions is a handsome 1919 heritage-listed building which has been given a new lease on life and full refurbishment to a sophisticated, yet chilled-out beachside accommodation. With direct access to St Clair Esplanade eateries, the beach and the hot salt water pool, it makes a great option for short to medium term stays in the city.

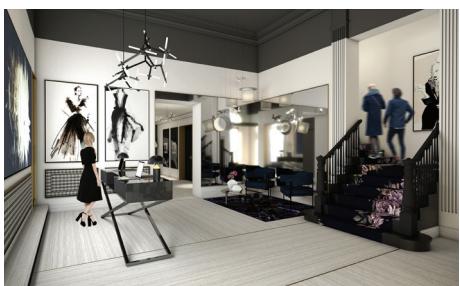
majesticmansions.co.nz



Wains Hotel

Inching ever closer, the Wains Hotel multi-million-dollar refurbishment is due to reopen in July 2020. A rooms and suites have undergone significant transformation to a level of luxury not seen elsewhere in Dunedin. Plans are also afoot to convert the adjacent building into additional guest rooms.

[www.cpghotels.com/wains-hotel-dunedin](http://cpghotels.com/wains-hotel-dunedin)



What's on

Highlanders home games

4 July, 2 August and 15 August

Forsyth Barr Stadium was the site of one of the first post-lockdown professional sporting events in the world when the Highlanders beat the Chiefs in mid-June. The 'Landers will meet rival teams there again; first fellow Southerners the Crusaders, then the Blues, and then the Hurricanes, in top-class meetings of Kiwi rugby talent. Dunedin will, of course, lay on its famed welcome for fans, offering warm hospitality to all before and after each game.

dunedinvnvenues.co.nz/whats-on



New Zealand International Science Festival

3-12 July

The July school holidays brings a host of family-friendly events kicking off with the New Zealand International Science Festival. Enjoy ten straight days of science-inspired edutainment, from the mysterious outer limits of the universe to the marvellous inner workings of robotics, and all the weird, wacky, weighty and wonderful stuff in between. Kids can take part in all manner of activities, from creating marshmallow bazookas to a wild street art walking tour.

www.scifest.org.nz



NANO EDITION

Matariki Festival

13-20 July

Puaka Matariki Festival celebrates Māori New Year through a diverse online programme of events, Toi Māori visual arts, literary works, music and dance performance.

matarikidunedin.co.nz

Dine Dunedin

7-23 August

Ōtepoti cuisine and drink take centre stage during the Dine Dunedin where local chefs, producers and restaurants will celebrate their culinary culture with a series of special dinners, tastings and dining deals. Locals and visitors to Dunedin will be encouraged to get involved too, with a popular vote for their Favourite Dine Dunedin Restaurant Dish, Favourite Dine Dunedin Cafe Dish, Favourite Dine Dunedin Drink and in tribute to a southern classic, their Favourite Dunedin Cheese Roll.

www.dinedunedin.co.nz



BENEÉ

3 October, Dunedin Town Hall

Auckland indie-pop phenomenon and rising global superstar BENEE has announced a run of headline shows for New Zealand in October, including a night in the Dunedin Town Hall, site of past concerts by Lorde. BENEE, singer of *Supalonely*, *Tough Guy* and *Soaked* recently performed on The Tonight Show with Jimmy Fallon and has been on a meteoric rise to stardom.

dunedinvens.co.nz/whats-on/benee/



Dunedin Craft Beer and Food Festival

30-31 October

Once again, this event will showcase some of the finest craft beverages and food in the shelter of Forsyth Barr Stadium. Plenty of hoppy adventures will be had tasting quality brews and imaginative nibbles, supplied with an emphasis on supporting local. Tickets go on sale in batches over a few days from 20 July, pop the date in your diary as they sell out fast.

dunedinbeerfest.co.nz



School Holiday specials

During the school holidays Dunedin is laying on the deals with plenty of great value experiences for families to enjoy for less. Who needs theme parks when Ōtepoti Dunedin has so many amazing activities and attractions for families to explore? A place that truly captures the imagination of young minds, Dunedin is where gothic architecture meets beach-laden coastlines, with wild things, hands-on science fun, a castle, and the world's steepest street.

www.dunedinnz.com/visit/see-and-do/school-holiday-specials



Promotions

'A Pretty Good Plan D' – Dunedin City Promotion

Receiving immediate, plentiful and widespread attention, Dunedin's post-lockdown city promotion launched nationally at the end of March. The campaign offers Dunedin's amazingly varied attractions, scenery and wildlife as a genuine alternative to New Zealanders thwarted overseas travel plans. The wry humour of promotions declaring 'Not Bali', 'It's not exactly Edinburgh', 'Not the Amazon', etc., are accompanied by stunning visuals proving that Dunedin is a happy substitute.

www.dunedinnz.com/plan-D



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