

New Zealand North & South Islands

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New Zealand, a country in the southwestern Pacific Ocean consisting of two main islands, is situated some 1,500 km (900 mi) east of Australia across the Tasman Sea. Aotearoa ("land of the long white cloud") is the Maori name for New Zealand.

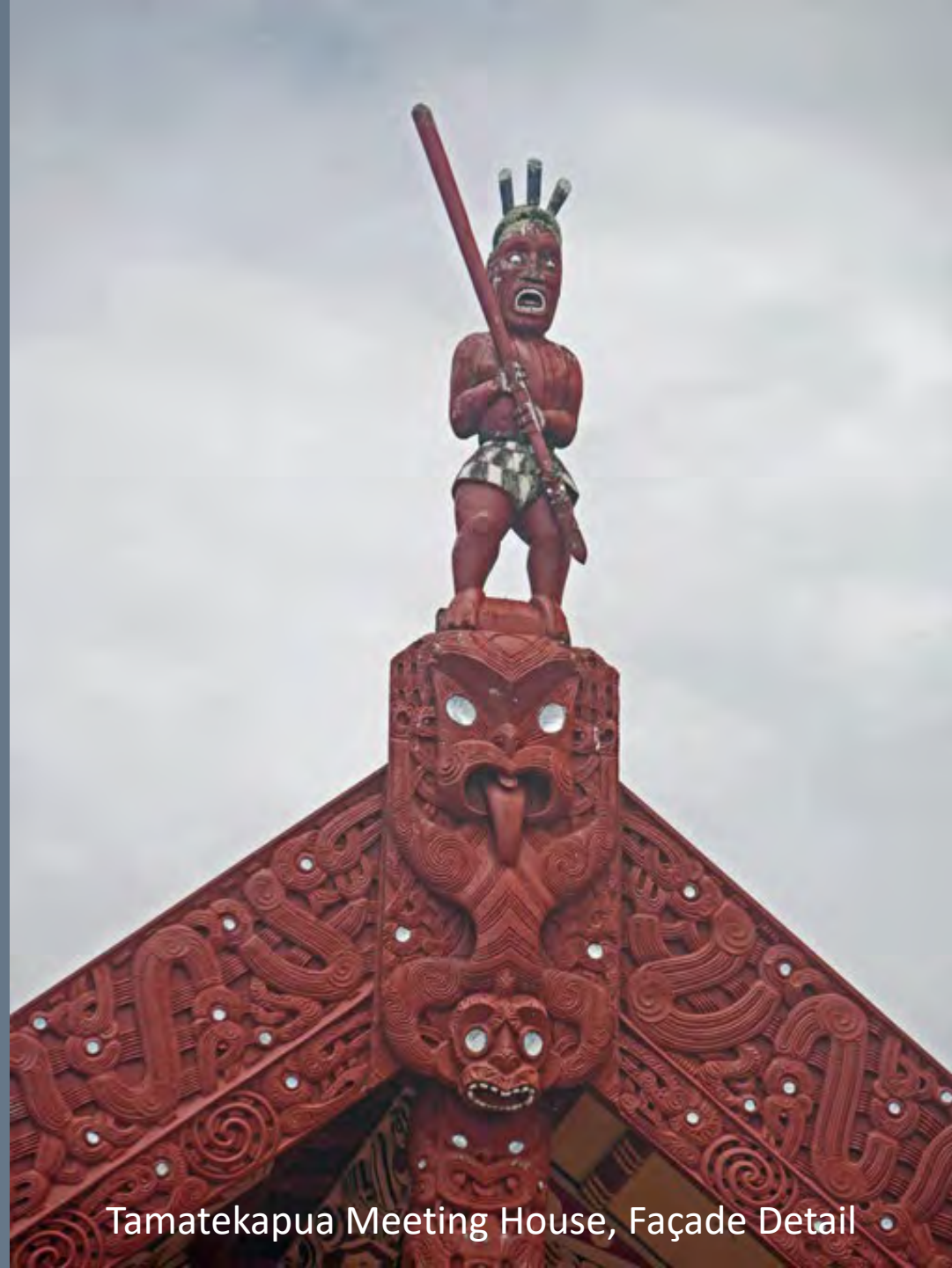
The South Island is the largest landmass of New Zealand and is the 12th largest island in the world. It is divided along its length by the Southern Alps with 18 peaks over 3,000 metres (9,800 ft). The North Island is the 14th largest island in the world and is less mountainous but is marked by volcanism. The highly active Taupo Volcanic Zone has formed a large volcanic plateau that hosts the country's largest lake, Lake Taupo, in the caldera of one of the world's most active super-volcanoes.

The country's diverse scenery and compact size, have encouraged filming movies in New Zealand, including *Avatar*, *The Lord of the Rings*, *The Hobbit*, *The Chronicles of Narnia*, *King Kong* and *The Last Samurai*.



New Zealand
North Island

Rotorua Area



Tamatekapua Meeting House, Façade Detail



Lake Rotorua and Sightseeing Planes



Tamatekapua Meeting House, Rotorua



Rotorua Museum of Art and History



St. Faith's Anglican Church

Mitai Maori Hangi Festival



Mitai Maori Chief



Mitai Maori Warriors in Waka



Mitai Maori Celebration



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Wai-O-Tapu Thermal Wonderland



Wai-O-Tapu Geothermal Area



Wai-O-Tapu Geothermal Area



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Sulfur Cave at Wai-O-Tapu



Devil's Bath, Wai-O-Tapu



Lady Knox Geyser at Wai-O-Tapu



Wai-O-Tapu Geothermal Area



Wai-O-Tapu Champagne Pool

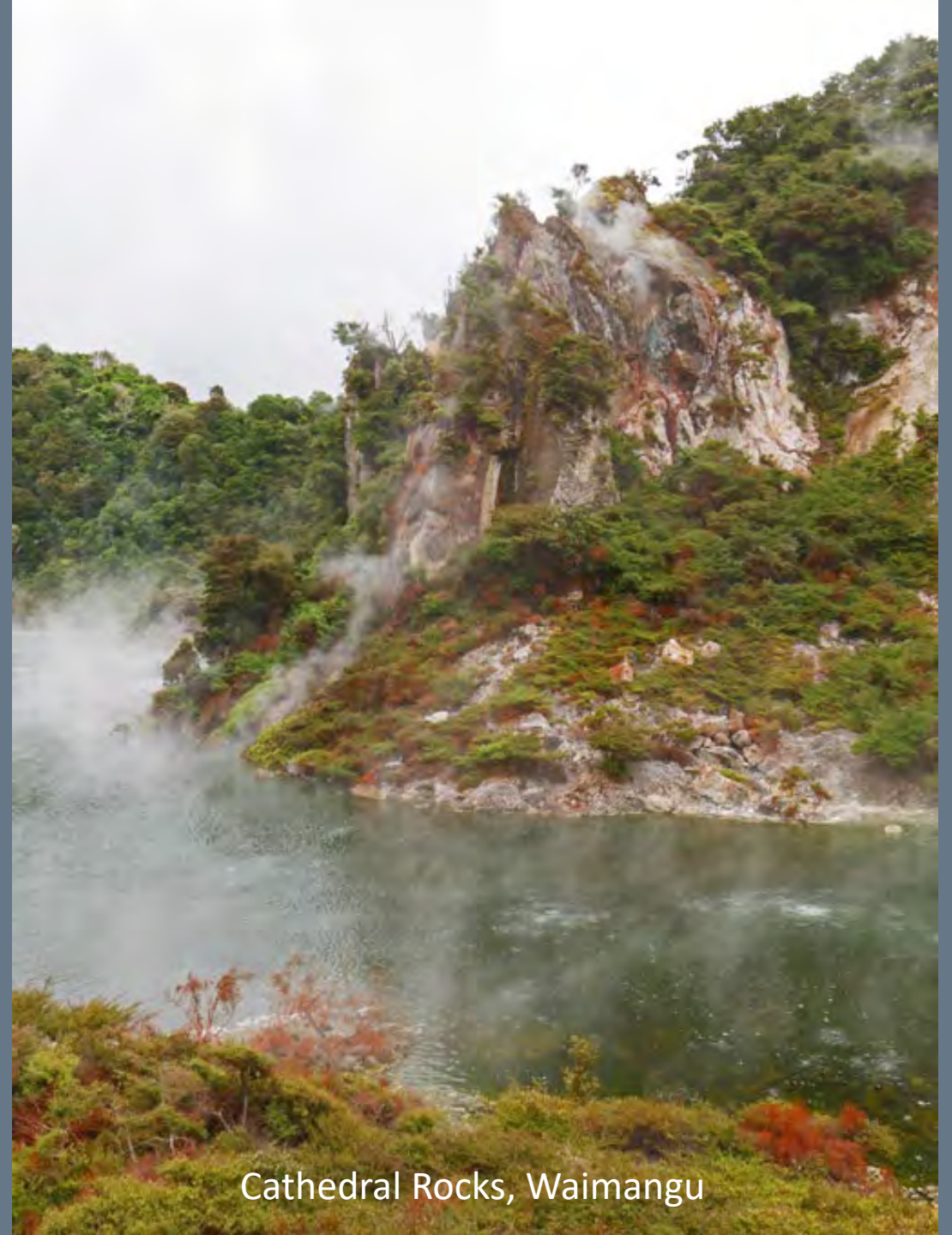


Alum Cliffs at Wai-O-Tapu



Wai-O-Tapu Geothermal Area

Waimangu Volcanic Valley



Cathedral Rocks, Waimangu



Echo Crater and Frying Pan Lake, Waimangu



Waimangu Stream



Iodine Pool Geyser, Waimangu



Waimangu Stream



Waimangu Volcanic Valley



Inferno Crater, Waimangu



Marble Terraces, Waimangu



Warbrick Terraces, Waimangu



Waimangu Volcanic Valley



Mineral Pool, Waimangu



Mineral Pool, Waimangu



Waimangu Stream



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Becky at Hobbiton Entrance



Sheep on the Road to Hobbiton



Sam's House



Hobbit House



Hobbit Houses on Hill in the Shire



Hobbit House



Hobbit Houses



Hobbit Houses on Hill in the Shire



Hobbit House



Becky & Jim Visiting a Hobbit



The Shire



Hobbit Houses on Hill in the Shire



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Hobbit House



Bilbo's House



Becky at Bag End (Bilbo's House)



Hobbit Houses



The Green Dragon Inn



Interior of the Green Dragon Inn



The Hobbiton Mill and Bridge



Becky at the Hobbiton Mill



Hobbit Houses on Hill in the Shire

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Franz Josef Glacier & Heli-Hike



Helicopter Landing Site, Franz Josef Glacier



Helicopter Approaching Franz Josef Glacier



Hiking the Franz Josef Glacier



Becky & Jim Hiking on Franz Josef Glacier



Franz Josef Glacier



Hiking Group on Franz Josef Glacier



Franz Josef Glacier



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Franz Josef Glacier



Franz Josef Glacier



Franz Josef Glacier



Franz Josef Glacier Stairway



Franz Josef Glacier Tour Guide



Franz Josef Glacier Tunnel



Becky Hiking on Franz Josef Glacier



Jim Hiking on Franz Josef Glacier



Becky Entering Franz Josef Glacier Tunnel



Franz Josef Glacier



Franz Josef Glacier



Franz Josef Glacier



Franz Josef Glacier



Trail Towards Base of Franz Josef Glacier



Waterfalls Near Base of Franz Josef Glacier



Lower Section of Franz Josef Glacier

Along the Haast Pass
&
Queenstown



Fox Glacier from Overlook Trail



Fox Glacier from Overlook Trail



View from Knight's Point Overlook, Haast Highway



Mt. Aspiring



Queenstown Waterfront, Lake Wakatipu



Queenstown from Top of Gondola



Lake Wakatipu and the Remarkables, Queenstown



Skyline Chairlift to Luge Track



Skyline Gondola Base, Queenstown

Lord of the Rings Tour



Million Dollar View Along Queenstown-Glenorchy Road



Becky & Jim at Million Dollar View



Million Dollar View Along Queenstown-Glenorchy Road



Scenery Along Queenstown-Glenorchy Road



Scenery at Stop Along Lord of the Rings Tour



Becky the Elvish Warrior, Lord of the Rings Tour



Becky the Elvish Warrior, Lord of the Rings Tour

Routeburn Track Hike



View Along Routeburn Track



View Along Routeburn Track



View from Routeburn Track Trailhead



View from Routeburn Track Trailhead



View from Routeburn Track Trailhead



Routeburn Track Suspension Bridge



New Zealand Rock Wren

Milford Sound and Scenic Stops Along the Road



Adventurer Becky at Scenic Stop



Scenic Stop on Road to Milford Sound



Glenorchy Wharf, Lake Wakatipu



Scenic Stop on Road to Milford Sound



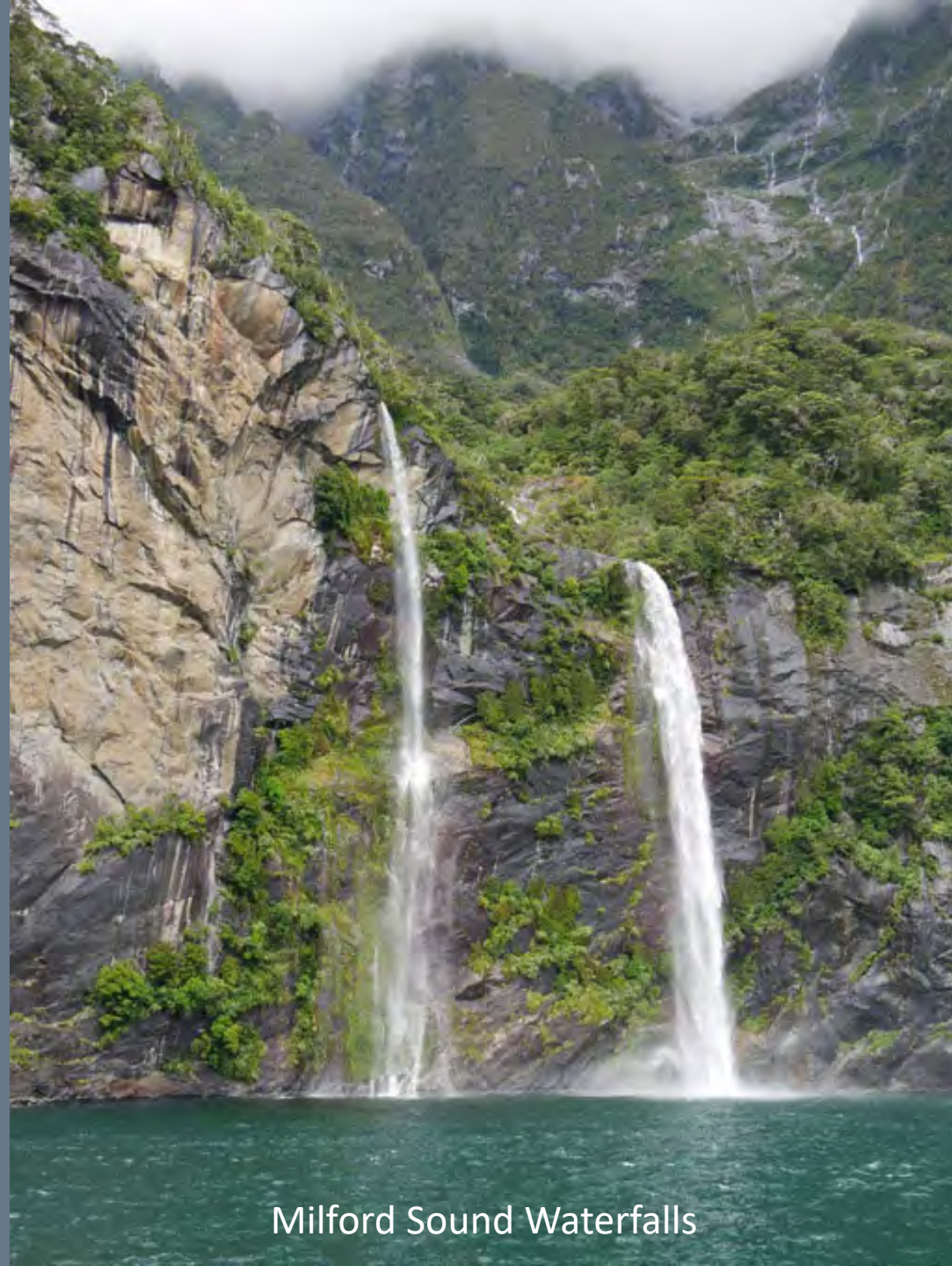
Scenic Stop on Road to Milford Sound



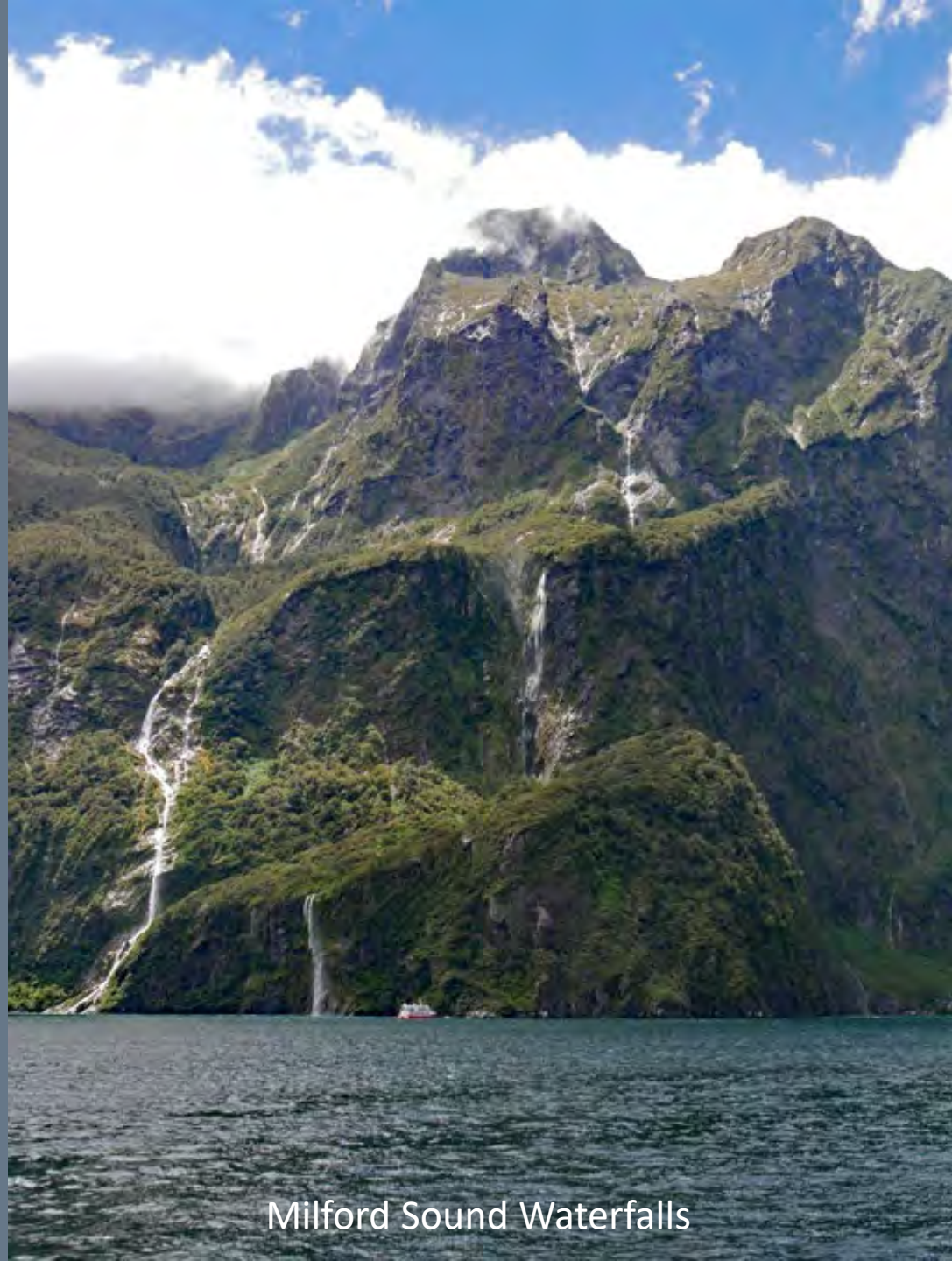
Scenic Stop on Road to Milford Sound



Milford Sound Waterfall



Milford Sound Waterfalls



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Milford Sound Scenery

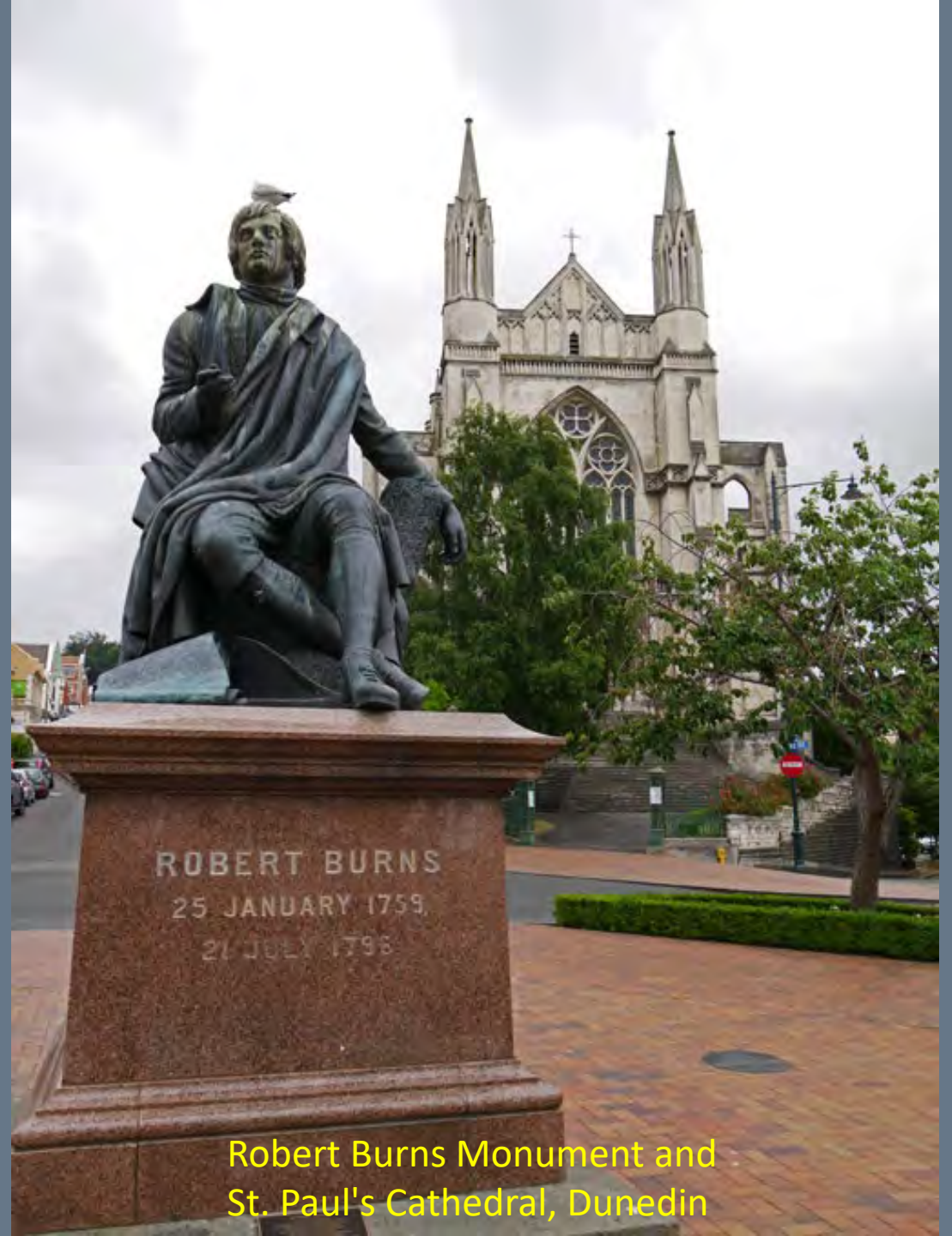


Milford Sound Scenery



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Dunedin and the Otago Peninsula



Robert Burns Monument and
St. Paul's Cathedral, Dunedin



Clock Tower, University of Otago, Dunedin



Clock Tower, Dunedin Railway Station



Celtic Cross Memorial, Dunedin



First Church of Otago, Dunedin



View from Royal Albatross Center, Otago Peninsula



View from Royal Albatross Center, Otago Peninsula



Sea Bird, Albatross Center, Otago Peninsula



View from Royal Albatross Center, Otago Peninsula



Larnach Castle, Dunedin



Larnach Castle and Greenhouse, Dunedin



View from Larnach Castle Gardens



View from Larnach Castle Tower



Path Down to Tunnel Beach



Tunnel Beach, Dunedin



Tunnel Beach, Dunedin



Tunnel Beach Rock Formation



Becky at Tunnel Beach, Dunedin



Tunnel Beach Shoreline, Dunedin



Becky at Tunnel Beach, Dunedin