

Silver River™ Stargazing launches Lake Tekapo's First Official Astrophotography Tours

Lake Tekapo, New Zealand

Lake Tekapo has long been a destination for keen astrophotographers looking to shoot the night sky.

Understanding the increase in popularity and enthusiasm for the gold-rated International Dark Sky Reserve location, Silver River™ Stargazing has created an exciting opportunity to bring astrophotography tours to the region's locals and visiting photographers alike - officially the first of its kind.

World-renowned astrophotographer Fraser Gunn has developed the 3.5-hour experience from beginning to end, giving insight to his 20+ years of research and astrophotography experience.

The location for the astrophotography tours boasts nearly zero light pollution, allowing ultimate shooting conditions. Another treat to those interested in learning how to shoot the night sky; Tours are capped at four people, maximising the learning opportunity for each, regardless of their experience.

Recent tours have captured deep space nebulas, star trails, time-lapses and of course, the infamous Milky Way.

All tours include teachings on how to take the images and then how to process them afterwards to get the best result. These tours are aimed at photographers wanting to try Astrophotography.

Two tours depart nightly. Costs are \$180 per person.

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Photo 1: Milky Way across lake - credit: Fraser Gunn Photography

Photo 2: Horsehead Nebula - credit: Fraser Gunn Photography

Photo 3: Telescope set up for Silver River™ Astrophotography tours - credit: Fraser Gunn Photography

Animation: Time-lapse of Milky Way at Silver River™ Astrophotography tour location - credit
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