



ANTARCTIC HERITAGE TRUST
— INSPIRING EXPLORERS —

INSPIRING EXPLORERS™ EXPEDITION 2021 MAHU WHENUA TURKS TRAVERSE

Eligibility Criteria & Expedition Member Obligations

Expedition Outline

Antarctic Heritage Trust, in partnership with the Mountain Turk Club, is offering five inspiring young New Zealanders the chance to join the official opening of the Mahu Whenua Traverse between Treble Cone and Coronet Peak during the period between July 31 – August 7, 2021. One team will start at Treble Cone and tour south, while the other team will start at Coronet Peak and tour north. The expedition will take five days.

Eligibility Criteria

Beyond technical competency, a key component in selection will be the expedition applicant's desire to inspire others to explore through their participation in this expedition.

Successful applicants will:

1. Be aged between 18-30.
2. Be a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand (applications from New Zealand citizens or permanent residents who intend to return to New Zealand must be able to show they have met or are able to meet all immigration and health requirements).
3. Have cross-country/backcountry skiing experience and be confident skiing black diamond runs.
4. Have the equipment needed for a five-day backcountry skiing expedition.
5. Be in good health with a high standard of fitness, stamina and resilience.
6. Be willing to be part of a small team led by a professional guide.
7. Be willing to be part of a film documenting the expedition and establishment of Turks as backcountry shelter.
8. Possess an adventurous spirit.
9. Have the desire and ability to inspire others.
10. Be excited to share your experience with the public and media.

Successful applicants will need to be approved by Antarctic Heritage Trust.

Highlights of this expedition include:

- An opportunity to be part of the official opening of the Mahu Whenua Turks Traverse between Treble Cone and Coronet Peak;
- An opportunity to learn and develop new skills with expert guides and Antarctic Heritage Trust personnel ;
- An opportunity to experience staying in unique high mountain huts (Turks);
- Learning about the connection of Turks with Antarctica and the legacy the Trust cares for in Antarctica;
- The chance to get out of your comfort zone and experience a world-class alpine traverse.

Obligations on Successful Applicants

- To participate in a one to two day teambuilding trip prior to the expedition. This may be during the two days immediately prior to expedition departure or a separate trip earlier in July;
- To comply with all Health & Safety regulations and requirements;
- To participate in media and profiling activities arranged by Antarctic Heritage Trust;
- To contribute content (for example photographs) before and during the expedition;

- To consent for Antarctic Heritage Trust to use content gathered for promotions (including web and social media channels);
- Act in a responsible manner as a representative of Antarctic Heritage Trust while on the expedition.

Expedition Costs

Antarctic Heritage Trust will meet the costs for the guides, domestic flights to and from Queenstown, accommodation and meals.

Selected Inspiring Explorers will:

- Contribute NZD500 towards the expedition costs, with payment to be made immediately upon acceptance;
- Agree not to have any personal sponsors/gear sponsors for participation in the expedition;
- Be prepared to wear/use sponsor gear supplied by the expedition team, if asked;
- Supply all appropriate personal outdoor equipment and clothing for the trip. A list of required gear will be provided by Antarctic Heritage Trust, in due course;
- Cover costs (if any) for your excess baggage;
- Undertake a medical, if required.

The Trust reserves the right to cancel the expedition or not take a participant(s) for any reason and without recourse. In that unlikely event, the Trust will only be responsible for refunding the expedition contribution (if paid), incurred by a participant(s) at the time of written notification provided by the Trust. If a selected Inspiring Explorer is unable or unwilling for any reason to partake in the expedition the Trust will endeavour to find a replacement but will not guarantee refund of the participant's contribution.

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