

2 DAYS

August 30-31st

Throughout the winter season, a full range of conditions and temperatures can be expected in the New Zealand Mountains. Due to the remote nature of the the terrain we are heading to, clients need to be suitably prepared. Your guide will do a comprehensive gear check at your pre-trip meeting.

This trip is fly in, fly out to Black Peak Hut.

# PERSONAL EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

\*Available for loan as part of trip cost

## BODY

Underwear Base layer (150-190g weight, merino or polypop, no cotton) 🖵 top leggings □ Mid layer top (fleece or windproof) □ Insulating jacket (down or synthetic fill) UWaterproof jacket (eg Gore Tex® or similar) □ Softshell or waterproof ski/snowboard trousers

FFFT Ski or snowboard boots 2 pairs of ski socks

## HEAD/FACE

Ski or climbing helmet 🛾 Sunhat - cap □ Warm hat & neck gaiter (eg Buff®) Sunglasses - glacier rated category 4 □ Snow goggles

#### HANDS

□ 2x Warm waterproof gloves Light gloves

#### SKI or SNOWBOARD EQUIPMENT

#### (Not included with trip cost. Available for hire from MTOutdoors in Wanaka or Small Planet in Queenstown)

□ Ski touring skis and bindings, skins & poles OR

□ Splitboard, skins & collapsible poles Ski or splitboard crampons

#### ACCESSORIES

□ Touring Backpack (30+ liters) - with straps to carry skis or snowboard □ Small bag/duffel for overnight items (30-40 liters, 15kg max) □ Avalanche transceiver/shovel/probe\* Camp cup, plate and bowl, spoon & fork □ Sleeping bag (3 season, -5°C) & liner Sleeping pad U Water bottles - 2 liters capacity Head torch - and spare batteries □ Toiletries - blister kit & personal medication □ Small container of sunblock & lip screen **OPTIONAL - Personal preference Items** Camera

Earplugs for sleeping Lightweight approach/hut shoes (eg Crocs®) Battery bank for charging electronics

Please pack as light as possible because space and weights will be limited in the helicopters. 15kg max weight for overnight bag. Please bring all your equipment to the scheduled pre-trip meeting. If you have any equipment questions prior to your trip, please feel free to contact our team at info@aspiringguides.com



# Information regarding ski/snowboard crampons

## Ski Crampons

Aspiring Guides always recommends that clients bring ski crampons. If clients don't have them, we will still be able to guide you but your guide will have to consider this parameter and potentially limit options for getting to the best skiing. If one person in the group does not have ski crampons then your guide will most likely guide your group as if no one has got crampons. This is because they have to set a skin line for everyone in the group. Note your guide may carry and use their own crampons if it necessary to better protect the whole group even if the guest do not have crampons

# Splitboard Crampons

Due to the softer boots and wider skis (when split-boarding) snowboarders will have to use their split board crampons long before skiers must. Again, if a split boarder is without crampons your guide will have to make conservative route choices for the entire group

Ski and snowboard crampons are specific to the binding. Unfortunately it's not a one size fits all approach. If you are hiring touring equipment you may need to specifically ask for the crampons as part of your boots, skis and skins setup as it's not standard to provide crampons.

