

Lambda Tramps October 2026 to March 2027

Date	Departure	Title	Description	Ride Share	Rating	Leader
Oct 4, 26	8am	Camp Saddle	We park at the gate below the tractor sheds for Broken River Ski field. An old grassy road takes us up through beech forest and out onto the snowgrass. We climb 600m across the subalpine plants to Camp Saddle at 1,490m and continue further from the saddle to enjoy magnificent views all up and down the Craigieburn Range. Then we scramble down a scree slope (WEAR GAITERS) to meet the Craigieburn Valley Track, which enters the bush and sidles east taking us onto the Lyndon Saddle 1.150m. From Lyndon Saddle the Luge Track turns right and sidles until we get back onto the road.	\$20.00	Medium	Di
Oct 18, 26	9am	Mt Richardson	This sometimes challenging hike is situated in the Mount Thomas Conservation Reserve. Starting from the Glen Tui picnic spot, we ascend through beech forest, emerging at over 1000m to breathtaking mountain views	\$15.00	Medium /Hard	Jamie
Nov 1, 26	8am	Mt Hutt Forest & Awa Awa Rata Reserve	We start in the Awa Awa Rata Reserve at the foot of Mt Hutt, where 100's of rhododendrons and azaleas have been planted. After we have had our fill of those, we walk up the Loop Track through Mountain Beech to Scott's Saddle at 1,150m, partway up the Mt Hutt Road. The walk climbs 600m; it is 2.5 hours up and 1 hour 40 down via the Ridge and Adler Track through exotic forest where Larch has been planted	\$20.00	Medium /Hard	Di
Nov 15, 26	9am	Dracophyllm Flats	This track begins near Jacks Pass, on the Broken River ski field road. The track gradually descends to Broken River, which is crossed on a pole bridge. After crossing the river, the track ascends for five minutes (walking) through mountain beech forest. You then come to a sheltered clearing, called Dracophyllum Flat. It is a popular picnic spot.	\$20.00	Medium	Henry
Nov 29, 26	9am	Otira Valley Track	Mt Cook lilies will be flowering in profusion! The track climbs 181m gradually for about an hour through subalpine grass and rocks to the footbridge. After the bridge the track may not be well formed but we may continue for another hour or so depending on our route-finding ability to reach the valley head where the Otira face of Mt Rolleston towers ahead	\$20.00	Medium	Di
Dec 13, 26	9am	Bealey Spur	This magnificent walk goes up a beech forest and sloping tussock land to get to an historic shepherds' hut. A track popular with young backpackers; views all up & down the Waimak valley. Look out for the mistletoe! Climb about 500m.	\$20.00	Medium	Jonno/Alex
Jan 10, 27	9am	Lake Ida	We follow the Ryton Track off Harper Road in the Lake Coleridge region. This is an easy high country walk with spectacular views. One hour into Lake Ida. We then carry on for about an hour, around the lake and route find to the head of the lake and then a short climb to overlook the Upper Wilberforce valley. Come prepared to swim in at the head of Lake Ida	\$20.00	Easy	Di
Jan 24, 27	9am	Mt Herbert from Purau Saddle	From the Purau Saddle car park above Purau Bay, we'll walk through grass and tussock farmland to Mt Herbert. The track is a consistent climb and we will encounter sheep and cows along the way. Spectacular views are to be enjoyed at the summit if the weather is clear. We will have lunch at the summit. This track is considered medium with a gain of 571 m. It takes 4-5 hours to complete the out and back 10.8 km track.	\$15.00	Medium	Darryl
Feb 7, 27	9am	Orton Bradley Camping Weekend	This Waitangi weekend we will be spending Friday and Saturday night in the beautiful surrounds of Orton Bradley's campgrounds. The onsite restaurant/cafe serves authentic Spanish Paella. Booking essential.			Darryl
Feb 21, 27	9am	Peak Hill	The climb to the top of Peak Hill rewards walkers with sweeping views of Lake Coleridge and its surrounds. The walk is extremely exposed to the weather and walkers should be well equipped. Summit is 1,240m and the climb is 622m.	\$20.00	Medium /hard	Jonno/Alex
Mar 7, 27	8am	Avalanche Peak	Avalanche Peak is the only peak in Arthur's Pass that is marked by a poled route to the summit. This challenging climb is steep (1,100 m vertical) from the village and over just 2.5 km horizontal. On a fine day, you will be rewarded with grand views of the surrounding peaks. If the weather is not good on the day, a back-up tramp will be on the cards.	\$20.00	Hard	Jonno/Alex
Mar 21, 27	8am	Pinnacles Hut	We park at the Sharplin Falls road end near Staveley. A steep bush track climbs up Duke's Knob, with great views of Mt Somers, Mt Winterslow and the plains. Then the track descends into Bowyers Stream, and climbs out the other side before rising up valley to Pinnacles Hut. The Hut is on the Mt Somers Walkway circuit, and has a great view of the rock buttresses on the north side of Mt Somers. The hut is at 900m, and 6km each way from the car.	\$20.00	Medium /Hard	Jamie