



Information Guide



KAWARAU JET HAVE BEEN AT THE FOREFRONT OF INNOVATION AND SAFETY SYSTEM'S TO GIVE YOU AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE.

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About Us

It all started in 1953 when Sir William Hamilton invented the world renowned Hamilton Jet. Soon after, in the summer of 1960, Kawarau Jet was born in Queenstown, becoming the world's first commercial Jet boat operation.

For over 40 years we have shown holidaymakers from all around the world how exhilarating Jet boating can be. Kawarau Jet Queenstown is locally owned and operated by Shaun & Sally Kelly, partnered by Southern Discoveries.

With such a successful history it was decided that the same experience could and should be enjoyed by visitors to the North Island's cultural adventure capital Rotorua. The Rotorua operation is owned and operated by Shaun's brother and sister in law Ross & Fiona Kelly.

Kjet Rotorua operates three purpose built jet boats; Kjet3 surveyed for 11 people running a 383 Chev, Kjet4 surveyed for 18 people which is running a experimental turbo powered engine and Kjet5 surveyed for 25 people running twin 350 Chevs. For the last five years Kjet Rotorua has also been using high octane biofuel containing 10% bioethanol. All our boats use the tried and trusted Hamilton 212 jet units.

In 2010 our newest venture Kjet Parasailing was launched. A purpose built 25 foot Parasailing boat, decked out in Kjet yellow accommodates seating for up to 10 passengers, 2 operators and is powered by two 150 HP Yamaha Four Stroke engines.

A NZ standards Qualmark endorsed activity, Kjet Rotorua combines the cultural aspects of the area with the speed and world famous Hamilton Spins. But this is just the beginning. With an endless range of combo's and activities, Kawarau Jet Rotorua and Kjet Parasailing will be a hard act to follow.



Kawarau Jet - Option 1

30min Jet Tour – Lake Rotorua

Book a 30min Jet Tour on Lake Rotorua and experience the excitement and exhilaration of one of the areas most popular adventure activities. Feel the rush and the power as our V8 motors push you through the water at approximately 85 km/hr, while our professional drivers thrill you with speed, spins and adrenalin.

Visit iconic landmarks such as Kawaha Point, Mokoia Island and Sulphur Bay and learn the history of the area, the people and the events that have shaped this special place into the cultural and event capital of New Zealand.

Trip Facts and Terms and Conditions

- Duration - 30 minutes
- Visit Iconic Rotorua Landmarks
- Suitable for All Ages
- Children Under 5 Free
- Child Rates – 5 years to 15 years
- Minimum of 2 People Required For Departure
- Spray Jackets and Life Jackets Provided



Kawarau Jet - Option 2

Mokoia Island - Guided Tour

Located in the middle of Lake Rotorua, Mokoia Island is one of the area's best kept secrets. This beautiful and tranquil Island features heavily in many local stories and historical events. The Island is a wildlife sanctuary and is home to approximately 25 Kiwi, 5 endangered Species, 20 protected species and over 40 common species, which now call it home. The birds flourish in this predator free environment, filling the canopy with their songs.

The island's foreshores are littered with natural, geothermal springs, including the famous Hinemoa's Hot Pool. There are a number of walking tracks around the Island which wind their way up to the summit and a 360 degree unobstructed, breath-taking view of the surrounding area.

50MIN MOKOIA ISLAND EXPERIENCE (includes)

- 30min Jet Tour of Lake Rotorua
- Guided stopover on the island (approx. 20mins)
- Minimum of 2 People Required For Departure

1.5 HOUR EXPERIENCE: GROUP RATES

- Groups Only (includes)
- 30min Jet Tour of Lake Rotorua
- 1 hour guided tour of the Island
- Walk the canopy through the lower tracks
- Min 10 people

2.5 hour and half day experiences also available upon request

Trip Facts and Terms and Conditions

- Suitable For All Ages
- Children Under 5 Free
- Child Rates – 5 years to 15 years
- Spray Jackets and Life Jackets Provided
- Sensible footwear and clothing required



Kawarau Jet - Option 3

Manupirua Hot Springs

The Manupirua Hot Springs is one of New Zealand's most unique destinations. Nestled into the hillside of Lake Rotoiti this unspoiled pocket of paradise is only accessible by boat. For the past eleven years Kawarau Jet has been sharing this hidden gem with Tourists from all over the globe. Leaving from our City lakefront location, enjoy a 45 min blast across Lake Rotorua, through the stunning Ohau Channel and then onto Lake Rotoiti and the Hot Pools.

Once there you can bathe in the soothing waters. Choose from 6 natural mineral pools, of various temperatures, whilst enjoying the picturesque setting. Plunge into the crystal clear lake, down the water slide, or lay on the golden beaches and soak up the sun. This secluded paradise also boasts changing rooms, toilets, a small café, picnic area and benches.

Trip Facts and Terms and Conditions

- Duration – 2.5 Hours
- Only Accessible By Boat
- Suitable for All Ages
- Children Under 5 Free
- Child Rates – 5 years to 15 years
- Minimum of 6 People Required For Departure
- Spray Jackets and Life Jackets Provided



Kawarau Jet - Option 4

Kjet Parasailing

Our latest adventure experience is literally “taking off”. Kjet Parasailing is a truly unique experience where you can sit back, relax and enjoy the exhilaration of free flight up to 400 feet and some of the best views in the world.

Launching from the flight deck of our 26 foot purpose built parasail vessel, equipped with twin 140 Yamaha 4 stroke engines, the trip on the boat lasts about 30 minutes to one hour, with about 10-12 minutes of actual airtime seated in the parasail behind the boat. You will take off and land directly from the boat, so no water contact is necessary. No prior experience is required.

Trip Facts and Terms and Conditions

- 10-12 minutes airtime
- Solo and tandem flights available
- No experience required, altitude and direction controlled by your parasail pilot
- Allow 30 minutes for full duration
- Some of the best views of Rotorua and the surrounds
- Minimum age 10 years and restrictions apply
- Observers permitted for small fee if seats available
- Sensible footwear and clothing required
- Minimum weight 50kg. Maximum weight 180kg
- Parasailing is weather dependent so please check with our team that we are “go for launch” on the day of your Rotorua Kjet Parasailing experience.



Kawarau Jet - Option 5

Sky Jet Combo

Kawarau Jet have combined two of the areas most popular adventure activities to create the ultimate combo - "SkyJet". Experience the excitement and exhilaration of Jet Boating with the thrill of being flown up to 400 ft in the air with K-Jet Parasailing.

Feel the rush and the power as our V8's push you through the water at approximately 85km/hr, while our professional drivers thrill you with speed, spins and adrenalin. Once back at the dock you will be transferred to our Parasailing Team who will fly you up to 400ft in the air to see what the birds see. Launching from the flight deck of our 26 ft purpose built parasail vessel, you will experience unobstructed views of this stunning area. You will take off and land directly from the boat, so no water contact is necessary and No previous experience is required.

Trip Facts and Terms and Conditions

- Duration – 1 Hour
- Min of 2 People
- No Previous Experience Required
- Minimum Age 10 years and Restrictions Apply
- Minimum Weight 50kg per person
- Maximum Weight 180kg
- Parasailing is weather dependant so please check with our team, on the day of your experience, to ensure you are "Go For Launch"
- All Equipment Provided



Kawarau Jet - Option 6

Student Groups

Kawarau Jet Rotorua has been involved in the Education Market for many years, treating school groups, from across the globe, to this iconic NZ adventure activity. With one of the largest carrying capacities in the region, Kawarau Jet can carry up to 50 passengers at one time.

Kawarau Jet is also member of the Rotorua Education Network (REN) - a first-of-its-kind tourism collective solely dedicated to the education industry. All REN members have a curriculum-based educational component to their product or have an added value component to their core service, specifically developed for education groups.

We have a variety of options to choose from including the 30min Jet Tour, Mokoia Island Experience, Parasailing or trip through to the Manupirua Hot Pools, all of which are popular options with visiting student groups. Our professional guides provide a commentary on the local history, formation of the landmarks and interesting facts and figures.

Regardless of your requirements, Kawarau Jet will cater any of our experiences to suit your needs. Please contact us directly to request a quote or discuss the various options.

Trip Facts and Terms and Conditions

- A minimum of 6 students required per trip
- Waterproof spray jackets and lifejackets provided
- Sensible footwear and clothing recommended
- Gloves, woolly hats and scarves for winter
- Contact our office for a quote



FAQ's

How fast does the jet boat go?

The K-Jet jet boat can reach speeds up to 85km an hour, so pretty fast!

Does it get very rough out on the lake?

Lake Rotorua is usually quite calm, but this is New Zealand's most unpredictable lake and we have reported up to 3 metre swells before!

How long before departure should I be there?

10 minutes

How old do you need to be to go on a trip?

Kawarau Jet has no age restrictions and our jet boat rides are quite safe and a lot of fun for young children and adults alike.

Can seniors take part?

Absolutely!

Will I get wet?

Very likely! But it does depend on where you sit in the boat and we do have spray jackets available if you don't want to get wet.

How many people can go on the boat?

Kjet 3 can take 11 people, Kjet 4 can take 18 people and Kjet 5 has room for 25 people.

Can I fall out of the boat?

No, falling out of the boat is very unlikely. The driver will explain what to do and what not to do to prevent falling out.

What should I bring?

Sunglasses are recommended as well as sun block, in the cooler months wrap up warm. Spray and life jackets are provided.

Is transport offered?

Airport transfers are available.



Rotorua Fleet



Kjet 1

A 26-foot, purpose-built parasail vessel, equipped with twin 150 Yamaha 4 stroke engines. Surveyed for 12 passengers and 2 crew, KJet 1 is the unlimited tailor made parasailing boat that offers dry take offs and landings.



Kjet 3

Kjet3 surveyed for 11 people running a 383 Chev.



Kjet 4

KJet.4 is surveyed for 18 people and is currently running an experimental XR6 Turbo motor. Once the Research and Development is complete this boat will be fitted with twin XR6 Turbo engines making it one of the fastest commercial jetboats in the country.



Kjet 5

Kjet5 surveyed for 25 people running twin 350 Chevs. For the last five years Kjet Rotorua has also been using high octane biofuel containing 10% bioethanol. All our boats use the tried and trusted Hamilton 212 jet units.



Kawarau Jet Team

Our drivers go through a rigorous training program to acquire a nationally recognised Commercial Jetboat Drivers License, awarded by Maritime New Zealand. Jetty and office staff members are fluent with every part of the business and are individually capable of handling any situations and enquiries.



Ross Kelly (The Hoff)

Managing Director and Operations Manager
(THE BOSS)

Ross has extensive Jet Boating experience and is the holder of an SRL – Skipper Restricted Limits from Maritime N.Z. Ross is the Parasailing Captain (Pilot), Chief Instructor and is responsible for all maintenance on the fleet. Ross has Jet Boating in his blood and has forgotten more than most Jet Boat Operators have learned.



Fiona Kelly

Managing Director & Key Account Manager
(THE REAL BOSS)

Fiona is the Key Account Manager and looks after all of the Inbound Tour Operators. She is responsible for the smooth running of the business and is one of the first faces to greet you at the KJet Office. She ensures the boys remain focussed and the business meets all of the required safety standards.



Kawarau Jet Rotorua Rates
Valid from 1st April 2016 – 30th September 2017
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Name	Includes	Duration	Retail	Wholesale
Option 1 Speed, Spins and Adrenaline	Take this classic thrill ride in our sleek yellow boat and take in four historical landmarks on the way.	30 minutes	NZD\$85.00 (Adult) NZD\$54.00 (Child)* <small>*Child rates apply for children 15 years and under. Less than 5 years are free. All Prices are inclusive of GST</small>	Contact Kawarau Jet for latest wholesale rates.
Option 2 Mokoia Island Experience	Includes: Option 1: 30min jet tour of Lake Rotorua and a 20min guided tour of Mokoia Island.	50 minutes	NZD\$99.00 (Adult) NZD\$59.00 (Child)	Contact Kawarau Jet for latest wholesale rates.
	Option 1.1: 30min jet tour of Lake Rotorua and a 1 hour guided tour of Mokoia Island.	1.5hrs	NZD\$115.00 (Adult) NZD\$69.00 (Child)	
Option 3 Manupirua Hot Springs Minimum 6 adults before trips depart	Travel at high speed across scenic Lake Rotorua to the Ohau Channel, then onto Lake Rotoiti where we will take you to the beautiful and peaceful Manupirua Hot Pools for a relaxing soak. Only accessible by boat.	2.5 Hours	NZD\$125.00 (Adult) NZD\$89.00 (Child)* <small>*Child rates apply for children 15 years and under. Less than 5 years are free. All Prices are inclusive of GST</small>	Contact Kawarau Jet for latest wholesale rates.
Option 4 Parasailing	Sit back , relax & enjoy the exhilaration of free flight & admire the great scenery. Truly a unique experience finished by gently returning to the flight deck for a smooth landing. Parasailing operates all year round weather permitting. Surveyed for 12 people we operate a 26ft purpose built parasail.	10 minutes	NZD\$85.00pp (Tandem) NZD\$115.00pp (Solo) NZD\$25.00pp(Observers) *Minimum age 10 years	Contact Kawarau Jet for latest wholesale rates.
Option 5 Skyjet	The ultimate combo provides you with 30 minutes of adrenalin pumping action on Lake Rotorua with the spills and thrills of New Zealand Jet Boating and 10-12 minutes of airtime Parasailing.	1 hour	NZD\$153.00 per person *Minimum age 10 years	Contact Kawarau Jet for latest wholesale rates.
Option 6 Student Groups/ Education	We have a variety of options to choose from including the 30min Jet Tour, Mokoia Island Experience, Parasailing or trip through to the Manupirua Hot Pools, all of which are popular options with visiting student groups. Kawarau Jet Rotorua is a member of R.E.N (Rotorua Education Network).	Varies depending upon activity	Please contact the office for a quote.	Contact Kawarau Jet for latest wholesale rates.