

The Only Jet Boat to Ride the Iconic **Shotover River Canyons**

World famous as the ultimate jet boat experience, Shotover Jet has thrilled over 3 million people since 1970, and now it's your turn!

DURATION/TRIP TIMES

- 25 minutes on the water.
- Allow 1 hour 30 minutes Queenstown return including jet boat ride.
- 'Big Red' jet boats depart up to every 15 minutes.
- Complimentary shuttles depart 'The Station' Info Centre (corner Camp and Shotover Streets) up to every 15 minutes.
- Self drive – located 6kms from Queenstown (see map on Shotover Jet brochure).
- 'Big Red' jet boats carry a maximum of 14 passengers: small boats - big thrills!

BE PREPARED

- Life jackets are mandatory and are supplied, along with optional splash coats.
- Eyewear recommended year round.
- Dress warmly in winter – warm clothes, jacket, hat and gloves (although hand rails on the jet boats are heated) are strongly recommended.
- Onsite facilities include parking, retail, cafe, toilets, secure lockers and viewing areas.
- For safety reasons cameras, video cameras and mobile phones are not permitted aboard the jet boats.

HOURS OF OPERATION

- Summer: 7:30am – 7:30pm daily
- Winter: 9:00am – 4:00pm daily
- Operate every day (river and weather conditions permitting) except Christmas Day.

CALL CENTRE

- December to April: 7:00am – 9:00pm
- May to November: 7:30am – 8:00pm

RATES*

- Adult (16+ years) \$129
- Child† (5-15 years) \$69
- Infant† (3-4 years) Free with accompanying fare paying adult.
- Inquire about our Family Pass products.

**Validity to 30 September 2015*

†Minimum child height 1 metre. Dependent on river conditions on the day, Shotover Jet reserves the right to extend to 1.2 metres to ensure maximum passenger safety.

RESERVATIONS ESSENTIAL

Shotover Jet River Base, Gorge Road, Arthurs Point, Queenstown, New Zealand
Agent Free Phone (within NZ only): 0800 802 804
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A SHORT HISTORY OF QUEENSTOWN'S SHOTOVER JET

1960 - 1970

Soon after Kiwi Bill Hamilton invented the 'jet unit', the Melhop brothers started a world first - commercial jet boating on the Shotover River raising money for Christian youth camps. Shotover Jet as we know it began operating in 1970 when Trevor Gamble bought the company - starting one of

Queenstown and New Zealand's first commercial adventure activities. With 'Jet 53' wooden boats carrying 5 passengers, Shotover Jet thrilled 1,480 customers in its first year.



The World's Most
Exciting
Jet Boat Ride

1980 - 1990

Primarily for safety reasons, in 1987 the Shotover River Empowering Act granted Shotover Jet sole operating concession for the river's canyon section, meaning Shotover Jet has exclusive rights and is the only company permitted to operate in the spectacular Shotover River Canyons.



2000 - 2013

Shotover Jet has carried over 3 million passengers and from humble beginnings has developed as a world leader in commercial jet boating with iconic status as one of New Zealand's foremost tourism operators. If you only do one thing in Queenstown - this is it.



COMPANY HISTORY

In 1986, Shotover Jet was purchased by Queenstown owned and operated tourist company Armada Holdings Ltd and in October 1993 it was listed on the New Zealand Stock Exchange as a public company. In mid 1999 Ngai Tahu Holdings became a major shareholder in Shotover Jet and today Shotover Jet is 100% privately New Zealand owned and operated by Ngai Tahu Holdings.

AWARDS

In 1993 Shotover Jet received the New Zealand Tourism Supreme Award and also the Best Visitor Attraction Award. The awards judges said that Shotover Jet had come to "epitomise adventure and action tourism in New Zealand ... today the red Jet Boats are an international icon of tourism in New Zealand."

DEVELOPMENTS

Throughout the organisation's history Shotover Jet has been a company of continual development and innovation and 2002 - 2004 saw a major benchmark in the company's history when significant capital was spent on the development and implementation of a new fleet of twin engine Jet Boats to replace its existing fleet of single engine Jet Boats. At the same time Shotover Jet introduced world class health, safety and maintenance procedures. The progress made by the business has meant that Shotover Jet not only meets Jet Boat industry standards but in many cases exceeds them.

MORE AWARDS

These developments and innovations culminated at the New Zealand Tourism Awards in 2004 and 2005. In 2004 Shotover Jet received two prestigious awards at the annual New Zealand Tourism Awards, winning the Adventure Activities section and also the major category of New Zealand Visitor Activities and Attractions. In 2005 Shotover Jet was awarded New Zealand's top Adventure Activity for the 2nd year in a row. These accolades once again recognised Shotover Jet as a market leader and an iconic New Zealand tourism product.

WORLD FAMOUS

When Shotover Jet began operating in 1970, it was one of Queenstown's first adventure activities and it has gone on to become one of New Zealand's most iconic 'must do' visitor attractions. Receiving many awards and accolades, Shotover Jet is widely regarded as the World leader in commercial jet boating and is very proud of the role it has played over its 40 year history in the New Zealand tourism industry, delivering a quality New Zealand attraction to customers from all around the world.

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