

MURDERER'S BAY - A WELL KEPT KIWI SECRET



There are countless fascinating places to discover in New Zealand. Tourists who are willing to go a little out of their way will be truly overwhelmed by Murderer's Bay. Naturally, it is no longer dangerous, but in fact, is often considered one of the most charming places in the Kiwi wonderland.

New Zealand has always had a special reputation of a land of glowing beauty and natural charm. Recently rediscovered by the immensely popular Lord of the Rings trilogy, the country has been attracting visitors from all over the globe.

Even though this land of wondrous diversity seems to have an endless palette of attractive locations, **many locals agree that what once used to be called Murderer's Bay is one of the best kept secrets of the Kiwis.**

Today, an area called Golden Bay is not exactly swarming with tourists. Named after the discovery of gold in the region in the 1850s the bay was first mentioned by the famous explorer Abel Tasman.

This adventurer reached its shores in 1642 and sent out an expedition which sadly came across a hostile group of Maoris and Tasman left a few days later having lost four of his men. He named the bay accordingly, Murderer's Bay.

Today, the bay is surrounded by the Abel Tasman National Park as well as the Kahurangi National Park, and belongs to the most attractive holiday destinations in the country. The Takaka and Riwaka river valleys feature some amazing sceneries and many visitors long to see the Farewell Spit and Waikoropupu Springs.

The scenic beauty of this area is breathtaking and no matter if one spends the day exploring the mountains and diverse terrain or lingers on the beach, visiting the Golden Bay will become an unforgettable experience.

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