

Wilderness Magazine Wild Trip guidelines

- * Avoid writing in the First Person - Wild Trips are simply descriptions of places to go and how to get there.
- * A Wild Trip should be half a day to three days in duration.
- * Stories should be between 500 and 700 words in length.
- * Story style for Wild Trips is less about the narrative and more about the description – **tell us what the trip is like**, the route, best bits, hard bits, where you turn at track junctions.
- * Mention interesting facts about the area: local history etc. Must also mention why readers should give the track a go.
- * Always write in the present tense – The track IS rocky underfoot, not WAS rocky. The uphill IS steep and tiring, not WAS steep. However: we WERE all tired at the end, not ARE tired.
- * The story must be sufficiently descriptive for us to follow your directions and mark the route you took on our mapping software.
- * A 'Wild File' detailing access, maps, times between huts or to complete the trip, grade: difficult, moderate, easy: including physical difficulty, river crossings, navigation, time taken...), where you finish the trip, any other useful information such as key contact details for DoC, landowners etc.
- * Photos should be hi-res digitals
- * Please provide captions for the photos that detail where the photo was taken and who should be credited for the photo.
- * Stories and hi-res photos should be emailed to editor@lifestylepublishing.co.nz.
- * If you have used a GPS on your trip, please send the GPX file. If you can draw your own GPX file on mapping software, please send the file.

Please format the story as follows:

[Head] Suggested heading

[Standfirst] Name of track/hut, National Park/Forest Park

E.g. Waihohonu Hut, Tongariro National Park

[text]

Text of story goes here. 500-750 wds

[Wild File]

Access

Grade

Time Be specific e.g.: Car park to Hut 1, 3-4hr; Hut 1 to Hut 2, 8-9hr; Hut 2 to car park, 5-6hr

Distance If known

Total ascent If known

Accommodation If any. Include hut name, cost/night for adults and number of bunks

Map Topo50 map sheets

Further information if trip crosses private land include contact details of land owner here

[Photos]

Name of photo: Caption goes here **Credit:** Photographer's name here

Name of photo1: Caption goes here. Etc, etc **Credit:** Photographer's name here