THEMED HIGHWAYS - SOUTH ISLAND

The Alpine Pacific Touring Route: A 4-day itinerary for those who wish to explore the Southern Alps' rugged beauty and outdoor activities. This route includes skiing, snowboarding, and scenic drives. Start in Wanaka, travel to Queenstown, and finish in Aukland. Take in the vistas of Lake Wakatipu, enjoy the thrill of skiing at Cardrona, and explore the history of the region's gold mining towns. This route is perfect for those looking for adventure and a taste of New Zealand's natural beauty.

OTHER SCENIC ROUTES

These routes are not specifically highlighted but are still popular and offer a taste of New Zealand's diverse landscapes.

1. Treasured Pathway: Recommended 2 Days
   - Enjoy a mix of history, hiking, and the birdlife of Kaikoura. Take the scenic drive through the Paparoa National Park, visit the Glasshouse Mountains, and hike to the Waipapa Gorge. This route is perfect for hikers and nature enthusiasts.

2. Southern Heritage Route: Recommended 7 Days
   - Traversing the Aoraki / Mt Cook National Park, this route allows you to explore the mountainous peaks and glacial lakes. Visit the Tekapo Springs, enjoy the views of Lake Pukaki, and explore the historical town of Omarama. This route is perfect for those interested in New Zealand's rich history and geological formations.

3. The Great Alpine Highway: Recommended 4 Days
   - This route connects the coastal drive through Kaikoura to the inland routes that offer views of the Southern Alps. Visit the town of Moeraki, with its unique rock formation known as the Moeraki Boulders, and explore the Dunedin peninsula. This route is perfect for those interested in both coastal and mountainous landscapes.

4. The Great Coast Road: Recommended 5 Days
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