



## PICTURE THIS PHOTOGRAPHY WEEKENDS

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# MOLESWORTH

A Unique Marlborough Back Country Experience



Dates: 13 - 17 April 2023



Middlehurst Station



4 Nights, 3 Days



Group Size: 6 max



Fitness Level: Easy



\$4,250



Our Photography Weekends are more social, more convivial, more interactive and less structured than a traditional workshop. Our Molesworth weekend is suitable for all skill levels. Tuition is available for beginners and intermediate photographers or you can use this trip as a photography weekend with like-minded people and do your own thing! Non-photographing partners are welcome (a supplement applies).

This Marlborough back country experience is like no other. Starting out in the green, fertile Awatere Valley, we will leave the sealed road in our 4x4 vehicles and head towards Molesworth, New Zealand's largest high country station. The scenery along the entire route is spectacular. Based in the heart of the rural wilderness, we will explore Molesworth Station at our leisure and be there for the best light of the days. We'll be based at the remote but very comfortable Middlehurst Station, with its excellent facilities, first class dining, terrific hospitality, and where we will have an exclusive opportunity to photograph a sheep muster and a cattle muster on two consecutive days.

#### ACCOMMODATION:

[Scenic Hotel Blenheim](#) (1 night)

[Middlehurst Station](#) (3 nights)

Accommodation is arranged on a private room/single occupancy basis.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

- a unique 4x4 excursion into the Marlborough back country
- mountains, rivers, big skies, wide valleys, remote rural scenes, vineyards
- outstanding hospitality at Middlehurst Station
- an exclusive opportunity to photograph sheep and cattle musters
- stockmen on horseback, dogs at work
- group dinners and discussions in a relaxed, convivial atmosphere
- advice on getting set up for business, social media
- after the weekend we are happy for you to follow up with questions and to seek advice

#### INCLUSIONS

- 2 leads/tutors
- **Round trip 4x4 transportation from Blenheim**
- field experience incl sheep and cattle musters
- 4 nights' accommodation with breakfast
- dinner in Blenheim
- picnic lunches and fine dining dinners at Middlehurst Station

#### NOT INCLUDED

- insurance
- travel to Blenheim
- drinks and snacks



## COST, DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT

- Cost per person \$4,250
- Deposit \$1,000

Your deposit is due upon booking and will secure your place for the weekend.

BANK DETAILS: **PICTURE THIS 02 0856 0043614 001**  
Please use MOLESWORTH as the credit reference.



We are happy to accept payment by PayPal, however the processing cost of this service incurs a non-refundable surcharge of 3.5%.

## CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS

- If you choose to cancel your booking, your deposit is **non-refundable** unless we can fill your place
- If we have to cancel we will give you a full refund or another set of dates for you to attend another workshop should there be one available.
- We may cancel the weekend in the event that numbers participating are insufficient for it to be viable
- Full payment is due 30 days before the commencement date and is thereafter **non-refundable** in the event of your choosing to cancel, unless we are able to re-fill your place.

**PLEASE NOTE: you are responsible for your own camera equipment. Please ensure you have adequate insurance to cover any travel issues and gear breakages, damage or failures.**

## WHAT TO BRING

- Camera and lenses
- Filters, remote release and other accessories
- Battery charger, spare battery, memory cards
- Tripod
- Head torch
- Laptop with Lightroom Classic installed
- Sturdy walking shoes
- Clothing for all weathers
- Notebook and pen
- Drinks and snacks
- Your phone with WhatsApp installed
- Your camera manual (PDF on phone)



## WHAT NEXT

To secure your place, please email us on [joinus@picturethis.kiwi](mailto:joinus@picturethis.kiwi), and provide us with your name, email address and cell phone number. Your place on the weekend is confirmed upon payment of your deposit.

30 days before the weekend start date, we will request your settlement payment and invite you to join our WhatsApp group for messaging and communications in advance of and during the weekend.

## OUTLINE ITINERARY

Subject to change

THU: From 3pm, check-in to Scenic Hotel Marlborough, Blenheim

Meet-up at 5pm

Overview of weekend

Getting you set up for the weekend

Dinner locally (included)

Discussions, Q & A

FRI: Sunrise shoot

Breakfast (included)

Leave Blenheim for the Awatere Valley

Arrive Middlehurst Station in the afternoon

Sunset shoot

Dinner (included)

SAT: Sunrise shoot

Breakfast (included)

Photographing Molesworth Station

Sheep muster

Sunset shoot

Dinner (included)

SUN: Sunrise shoot

Breakfast (included)

Cattle Muster

Molesworth Station

Sunset shoot

Dinner (included)

MON: Sunrise shoot

Breakfast (included)

Check-out 10.30am

Return to Blenheim through Awatere Valley

Onward travel plans can be made from 4pm today.