



# New Zealand from North to South

## Locations in Middle Earth

**Experience the filming locations of the film legends "The Lord of the Rings" and "The Hobbit".**

New Zealand is one of the most beautiful and diverse countries on earth. It offers everything your heart desires in terms of natural delights. A trip to the film locations of the classic films "The Lord of the Rings" and "The Hobbit" allows you to enjoy this unique variety of landscapes and to recreate the atmosphere of these classic films at the film locations. Starting in the North Island and ending in the South Island, you will be able to share these impressions with a group of tourists that you will chauffeur to the various filming locations. They will applaud you when you manage a soft landing on tricky attachments and they will get on your nerves to the maximum if the G-forces exceed a certain level or if you fall too steeply onto the runway.

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Use ATC if you want to.

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No. of Legs: 8

Total distance: 1088 nm

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## LEGS

### LEG 1: NZMA - NZRU

Departure: Matamata (NZMA)

Destination: Waipoua (NZRU)

Distance: 179,6 nm



### PUKE-Puketutu Road



Distance:	7,1 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	7,1 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	172,4 nm
True Course:	174°
Magnetic Course:	153°

Start from Matamata airfield. Route 27 runs directly west of the airfield in a southerly direction, which you now follow. Fly over the city of Matamata. Shortly after the city, Puketutu Road joins Route 27.



**HOBH-Hobbiton Village**

Distance:	3,7 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	10,8 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	168,7 nm
True Course:	265°
Magnetic Course:	245°

Turn right there and follow Puketutu Road for a short distance, which soon turns left. Don't follow it to the left, but keep your course.

In front of you, you will see a few hills, which you now head for. Look at the left foot of the highest hill. A small lake shows you that you are in Hobbiton. The large building directly on the lake shore is the Green Dragon Inn.

Hobbiton (or Hobbingen) was a village in the western quarter of the Shire. It was located about a mile northwest of the neighboring village of Bywater (or also: Wasserau) on both banks of the River Waters.

On the North Island of New Zealand southeast of Auckland, in the idyllic farmland of the Waikato District, Matamata was the perfect filming location for the Hobbingen in Peter Jackson's film trilogy. A slightly hilly country with grassy hills, which look very similar to the hobbit caves in the novel "The Lord of the Rings".

The owner of the Alexander farm is also the owner of the filming location. The location was left almost identical after the end of filming at the beginning of the year 2000. Only small changes were made, such as the bridge over which Gandalf and the companions came to Hobbingen. A railing was added there for safety reasons.

**MANG-Mangakino**

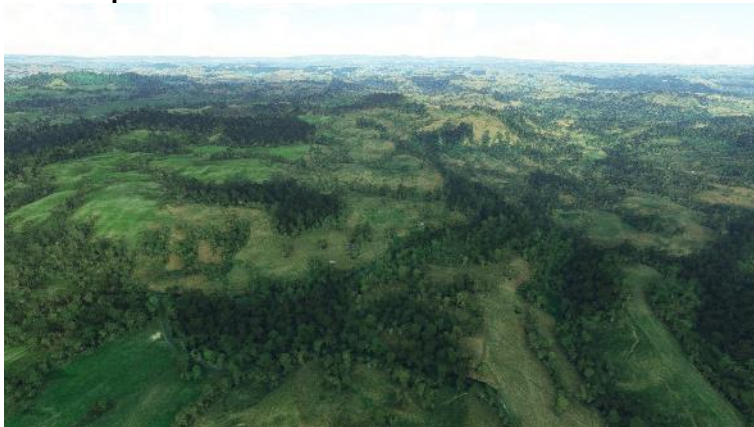
Distance:	32,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	43,1 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	136,5 nm
True Course:	173°
Magnetic Course:	153°

Turn south until you reach the Waikato River. Follow it in a southerly direction until you reach the town of Mangakino. It lies behind a dam and the river loops around the town. Beyond the town, where the Mangakino River joins the Waikato, you can see Highway 30 crossing the river over a bridge.

**KOPA-Kopaki**

Distance:	23,5 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	66,6 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	112,9 nm
True Course:	257°
Magnetic Course:	236°

The road first heads northwest and shortly thereafter joins another road. There, in a 90° bend, turn left and follow Highway 30 to Kopaki.

**KOPR-Kopaki Road**

Distance:	3,5 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	70,2 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	109,4 nm
True Course:	244°
Magnetic Course:	223°

Once you reach Kopaki, leave Route 30, turn left and follow Kopaki Road in a southwesterly direction. This connects to Highway 4 shortly after.

**MAPA-Te Mapara**

Distance:	7,1 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	77,3 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	102,3 nm
True Course:	320°
Magnetic Course:	299°

Turn right and follow Route 4 northwest to Te Mapara, to the junction with Highway 3. Remember the route well, because you will soon fly back the same way again.



**PIOP-Piopio**

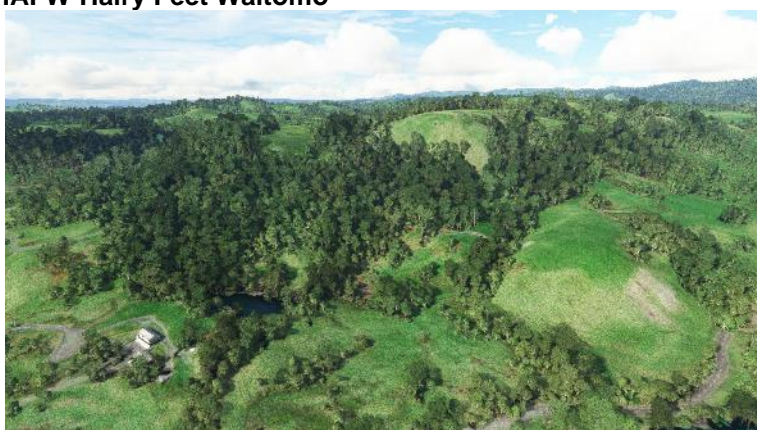
Distance:	5,5 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	82,8 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	96,8 nm
True Course:	234°
Magnetic Course:	213°

Once Highway 4 connects to New Zealand Highway 3, turn left and follow Highway 3 to the town of Piopio.

**MAOT-Mangaotaki River**

Distance:	3,7 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	86,4 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	93,2 nm
True Course:	278°
Magnetic Course:	257°

From Piopio, a secondary road branches off in a westerly direction, bringing you to the Mangaotaki River after a short flight.

**HAFW-Hairy Feet Waitomo**

Distance:	2,6 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	89,0 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	90,5 nm
True Course:	316°
Magnetic Course:	295°

Another short jump along the Mangaotaki River and you'll find yourself at another backdrop where various shots were taken. You can recognize the place by two houses standing close to each other and the rock wall rising behind the forest, to the left of the river.

Hairy Feet Waitomo was the backdrop for the following scenes from "The Lord of the Rings" and also "The Hobbit":



- The Fellowship encounters a ruined farmhouse.
- Radagast meets the Fellowship
- Orcs and wargs attack here
- The exit from the cave where the trolls Tom, Bert and William had taken shelter
- Gandalf gives Bilbo the sword "Sting", which he found in the cave

#### HW4-Highway 4



Distance:	15,2 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	104,3 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	75,3 nm
True Course:	109°
Magnetic Course:	88°

Fly a 180° turn at this point and find your way back to Highway 4, at Te Mapara. Alternatively, you can simply fly east over the hills to Highway 3, just north of which is Te Mapara, where you'll meet up with the Highway 4 connector.

A side tip:

Exact directions and distances are shown directly above this text.

#### HW47-Highway 47



Distance:	41,2 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	145,4 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	34,2 nm
True Course:	167°
Magnetic Course:	146°

Now follow Highway 4 until it meets the Volcanic Loop Highway 47 junction. Take good care of the road, because it often hides under trees and in the shade of hills.

The volcanic mountain Ruapehu is getting closer and closer. Once you reach the barren landscape in front of the mountain, you should soon be able to see the junction of Highway 47, which meets the road from the east.

**TWAH-Twahai Falls**

Distance:	5,2 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	150,7 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	28,9 nm
True Course:	88°
Magnetic Course:	66°

Follow Volcanic Loop Highway 47 just a short distance and soon you will see Highway 48 meet Highway 47 from the southeast. Turn right and look to the left of Highway 48 for a creek that soon meanders along parallel to the road. Where the creek runs north-south is the location of Twahai Falls, Gollum's Pool, or Forbidden Pond.

The name Forbidden Pond derives from the fact that it was punishable by death to come to the pond without permission. This was to protect the secret Ranger base of Henneth Annûn. Frodo saves Gollum from being shot by the archers of Gondor at the pond, while he was about to enjoy a fish meal.

**WHAK-Whakapapa**

Distance:	4,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	154,9 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	24,6 nm
True Course:	151°
Magnetic Course:	130°

You should gain some elevation before continuing on your way to Whakapapa, following the creek. Continue following the road that soon winds up the mountain. Almost at the snow line of the mountain, there are a few houses and a ravine to the left.

Frodo and Sam climb at Emyr Muil here completely abandoned towards Mount Doom. But the mountain you are flying towards is not Mount Doom.

Already on the way there you are surrounded by a wild landscape, by volcanic rocks and bizarre rock formations. These places, between Twahai Falls and Whakapapa, were the setting for several scenes, including the moment when Sauron's finger is cut off in retrospect. Looking backwards, into the valley, you will be surprised by a spectacular view. This is where the Battle for Middle Earth took place.

**MTNG-Mount Ngautuhoe**

Distance:	5,8 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	160,7 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	18,9 nm
True Course:	36°
Magnetic Course:	15°

Now turn north and fly towards the other volcanic mountain, Mount Ngautuhoe, and fly over its summit.

Mount Ngautuhoe is the darkest and gloomiest place in the entire Lord of the Rings trilogy, Mount Mordor. Evil reigns here. Mordor is Sauron's territory, here he gathers, since the year 1000 of the second age, his forces for the struggle for power.

Peter Jackson chose to set the scenes in a parched environment, a backdrop of ash and stone, the Tongariro National Park, in the center of the North Island of New Zealand. This landscape is perfectly suited for this purpose. The park encompasses the mountain massif of the three partly active volcanoes Tongariro, Ngauruhoe and Ruapehu - a parched, dark scenery, as if made for Mordor. The filming locations are spread over several places throughout the national park.

**MTRU-Mount Ruapehu**

Distance:	8,5 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	169,3 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	10,3 nm
True Course:	203°
Magnetic Course:	182°

Make a U-turn and fly back to Mount Ruapehu, where the Erebor shooting took place.

Mount Erebor was the site of a dwarven kingdom founded by Thráin I, the first king under the mountain, after he was forced to flee Khazad-dûm with his people. But soon the kings of Durin's house moved their seat to the Grey Mountains. Thrór, who returned to Erebor in 2590, gained great wealth there, which later attracted the dragon Smaug.



## NZRU-Waiouru



Distance:	10,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	179,6 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	0,0 nm
True Course:	154°
Magnetic Course:	133°
Elevation:	2686 feet
Fuel:	yes

This is your flight captain speaking. Welcome back on board. Our next leg will take us to the capital city of Wellington after experiencing more movie locations. Make yourself comfortable and enjoy the flight with NZ Tours.

Fly over the summit, turn slightly to the left and start descending. At the southeastern glacier of Mount Ruapehu, the Wahianoa River rises. Follow it until you can make out Waiouru Airport, the first stopover of your journey. Your passengers will take a safari through the Tongariro National Park before continuing their journey in the late afternoon.

Roll to one of the parking lots, park the plane there cold and dark and use the free time to relax.



**LEG 2: NZRU - NZWN**

Departure:     Waiouru (NZRU)

Destination:   Wellington Intl (NZWN)

Distance:       174,0 nm

**MANG-Mangaweka**

Distance:	22,8 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	22,8 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	151,2 nm
True Course:	163°
Magnetic Course:	142°

After takeoff, fly toward runway 13. Not far behind the airport is New Zealand State Highway 1. Follow it in a southeasterly direction to reach the small town of Mangaweka.

The gorge of Mangaweka was the filming location for Argonath, the two giant statues on the river that the companions passed by canoe.

They are stone statues of the kings Isildur and Anárion, which were placed on the right and left side of the river Anduin, in a rocky gorge or carved out of the stone. This rocky gorge forms the northern entrance of the lake Nen Hithoel, which in turn lies above the Rauros and the mountains Amon Hen, Amon Lhaw and Tol Brandir.

The Argonath show the two brothers with defensively raised left hand, in the right an axe.

**BULL-Bulls**

Distance:	29,6 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	52,4 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	121,6 nm
True Course:	219°
Magnetic Course:	197°

Now follow the Rangitkei River instead of the highway. Directly before the military airfield Ohakea (NZOH), near the place Bulls, the bridge of the New Zealand State Highway 3 leads over the river.

**SANS-Sanson**

Distance:	2,6 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	55,0 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	119,0 nm
True Course:	140°
Magnetic Course:	118°

Turn left and follow New Zealand State Highway 3 for a short distance to the town of Sanson. There New Zealand State Highway 1 branches off from New Zealand State Highway 3 to the south.

**WAIK-Waikanae**

Distance:	42,6 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	97,7 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	76,4 nm
True Course:	202°
Magnetic Course:	180°

Now follow New Zealand State Highway 1 again, along the coast, to Waikanae. There, look for a road leading southeast into the mountains, along with the Waikanae River.



**UPHU-Upper Hutt**

Distance:	13,5 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	111,2 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	62,8 nm
True Course:	175°
Magnetic Course:	152°

This road is also not easy to recognize in the long run. Follow it and cross a pass to get to the opposite gorge. The road leads you to Upper Hutt. Harcourt Park was the filming location for the still green garden of Isengard.

Isengard is the name of the Númenorian fortress of Angrenost in the Rohan language. It lies in a valley north of the Gate of Rohan and is the seat of the wizard Saruman at the time of the War of the Ring. The fortress is eventually destroyed by the Ents. However, these dark scenes were shot in another location, which you will visit later.

**RIVEN-Rivendell**

Distance:	5,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	116,5 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	57,5 nm
True Course:	59°
Magnetic Course:	36°

Now look to the northeast. In the distance you can see two small artificial lakes. To the left of them flows the Hutt River. Follow the river between the mountains until it branches off from the river Pakuratahi coming from the north.

Rivendell is the elven settlement founded by Elrond and a refuge on the western edge of the Misty Mountains. It played an important role in the future of Middle-earth. It was here that the Council of Elrond was held, where the fate of the "One Ring" was discussed and the nine companions were chosen.

Two years after the destruction of Sauron, most of the Elves (including Elrond) left to sail to Aman. Elrond's sons Elladan and Elrohir remained behind.

**FETH-Featherston**

Distance:	7,1 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	123,5 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	50,5 nm
True Course:	122°
Magnetic Course:	100°

Turn right and follow the river into the valley. In the distance you will see State Highway 2 heading southeast and later east through the mountains. Follow it and cross the pass until you reach Featherston.

**MART-Martinborough**

Distance:	8,4 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	131,9 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	42,1 nm
True Course:	137°
Magnetic Course:	114°

At Featherston, State Highway 2 turns slightly to the left. Maintain your course and now follow Highway 53 to Martinborough.

**CPRO-Cape Palliser Road**

Distance:	15,4 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	147,3 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	26,7 nm
True Course:	234°
Magnetic Course:	211°

In Martinborough, Cape Palliser Road turns southwest. Follow it towards the coast.



**POTD-Path of the dead**

Distance:	5,5 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	152,9 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	21,1 nm
True Course:	144°
Magnetic Course:	121°

In the distance you can make out Lake Onoke, which is only separated from the sea by a narrow strip of land. Cape Palliser Road turns southeast before the lake and soon runs parallel to the coast. To your right is the sea and to your left begins a mountain range. Where the road meets the mountains, turn into the fourth gorge. At the end of the gorge is the filming location for Path of the Dead.

The Path of the Dead was closed to all but the dead who dwelt there and the heir of Isildur.

Above the gate, signs and figures were chiseled into the rock, barely visible but not boding well. The Rohirrim never used the tunnel, because it was said that the sleepless dead guarded it and did not let any living person through.

It was the exile site of former allies of Gondor. Long before the Third Age, men had sworn fealty to Gondor. When it came to war against Sauron and they should have fought, they did not. Isildur then cursed them never to rest until the oath they had once sworn was fulfilled.

The army of the dead for the War of the Ring was awakened here.

**NZWN-Wellington Intl**

Distance:	21,1 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	174,0 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	0,0 nm
True Course:	290°
Magnetic Course:	267°
Elevation:	33 feet
Fuel:	yes

This is your flight captain speaking. Welcome back on board. Our next destination is Kaikoura on the South Island of New Zealand. We will cross the Cook Strait and reach our destination after about one hour of flight time. NZ Tours wish you a pleasant flight.

Turn west and head for the southernmost headland you can see in the distance. Fly around the headland and then along the coast. In the distance you will see a peninsula where Wellington International Airport is located - time to get permission to land. It's worth taking a sightseeing flight there before you land. There are some landmarks there that have been depicted since WU 12. Then finish the second leg of this trip in one of the airport parking lots. Your guests will still be guided through the film studios of Weta, which are also located on the peninsula, and then taken to their hotel. Tomorrow the trip can continue bright and early.

Wellington is home to New Zealand's largest film studios, which is why the city is also called Wellywood. This is where most of the interior shots of the films were produced.

Weta has an excellent reputation for creativity and execution, ensuring good demand from some of the world's leading film studios. Legendary Hollywood director James Cameron was motivated to produce a groundbreaking film and chose Wellington, for the Academy Award winning film "Avatar". Other Hollywood blockbusters that Weta has worked on include "King Kong," "In My Sky," "Marvel's The Avengers," "Prometheus - Dark Signs" and many more.

**LEG 3: NZWN - NZKI**

Departure: Wellington Intl (NZWN)

Destination: Kaikoura (NZKI)

Distance: 142,0 nm

**HW06-Highway 6**

Distance:	45,7 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	45,7 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	96,3 nm
True Course:	258°
Magnetic Course:	235°

After all passengers are on board, get clearance for takeoff, soar into the skies of Middle Earth, and set a southwesterly course to cross Cook Strait, the strait between the North and South Islands. Soon, a few islands will come into view to the northwest, providing orientation. After a few minutes of flight you will be able to see the mainland of the South Island of New Zealand. Mountains loom ahead to the right and left. Stay in the center of the mountains and fly towards the valley and mouth of the Wairau River and follow the river once you reach the mainland. Cross the third road bridge and New Zealand State Highway 6 heads north into the mountains.



### KAIB-Kaikumera Bay



Distance:	12,8 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	58,5 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	83,5 nm
True Course:	348°
Magnetic Course:	325°

Follow the road in a northerly direction until you reach Kaikumera Bay. From the west, the Te Hoire River flows into the bay and Highway 6 accompanies it on its southern bank.

### HOIRE-Te Hoire



Distance:	8,4 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	66,9 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	75,1 nm
True Course:	257°
Magnetic Course:	234°

Turn left and follow the road and the river until a loop where the Rai River flows into Te Hoire. Right after that Highway 6 crosses the river and again after that you will find the filming location where Bilbo and the dwarves, with the help of barrels, escaped from the captivity of the elves.

Of all the scenes in J.R.R. Tolkien's "The Hobbit," Peter Jackson names the escape from the Elves as one of his favorites. In The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug, the director went all out to make Bilbo and the dwarves' wine cask escape from Thranduil's realm an epic seven-minute action sequence.

### WAIP-Waipapa Bay

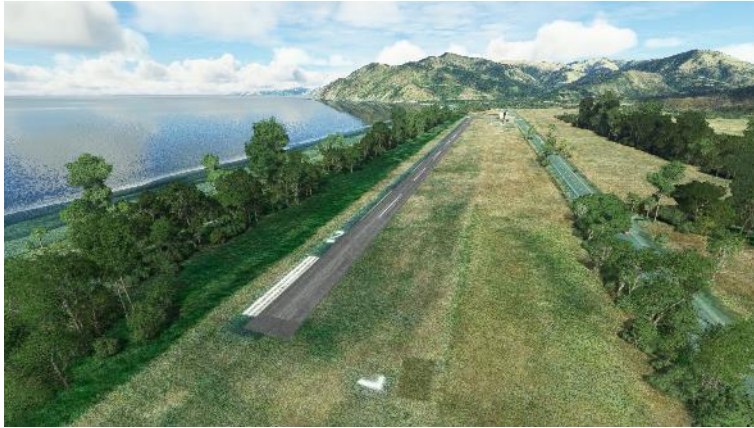


Distance:	54,1 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	121,0 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	21,0 nm
True Course:	163°
Magnetic Course:	141°



Now gain altitude above the river valley, turn southeast and cross the mountains. After a few minutes of flight, you will again reach the valley of the Wairau River, which you will now cross. In the far distance you can see 4 peaks rising, the highest of which, on the left, is that of Mount Tapuae-o-Uenuku, which towers above all the other mountains. The name of the mountain comes from the Māori language and can be translated as "sacred footprints of the Rainbow God". Keep to the left, away from the mountain, until you can see the coast of Waipapa Bay ahead of you, in the Waiau Toa estuary.

#### NZKI-Kaikoura



Distance:	21,0 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	142,0 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	0,0 nm
True Course:	222°
Magnetic Course:	198°
Elevation:	19 feet
Fuel:	yes

Ladies and Gentlemen, this is your flight captain speaking. We are pleased to see that all of you are back on board. We are now flying along the east coast. If you fall asleep, you will be awakened by the noise of the flaps as we approach Rangitata Island Airport. Until then, we wish you a pleasant flight.

Now follow the coast in a southerly direction. After just a few miles you can see the Kaikuora peninsula jutting into the sea. Behind it, framed by two rivers and located directly on the coast, is Kaikoura Airport. Time for a second breakfast. Announce the landing to the traffic and have a safe landing there.

**LEG 4: NZKI - NZRI**

Departure: Kaikoura (NZKI)  
Destination: Rangitata Island Airport (NZRI)  
Distance: 153,1 nm

**BAPE-Banks Peninsula**

Distance: 84,9 nm  
Dist. from Dept.: 84,9 nm  
Dist. to Dest.: 68,3 nm  
True Course: 206°  
Magnetic Course: 183°

Now it will be a long but relaxing flight, along the east coast, without being able to visit another film location. Most of your passengers will take a nap after the sumptuous meal, while you can look at the beautiful coastal landscapes of the South Island of New Zealand. So get your Cessna back on a southerly course and fly along the coast. Cross Pegasus Bay and head for the highest point of the Peninsula.

The Banks Peninsula is a peninsula of volcanic origin that covers more than 1000 square kilometers and stands out from the flat coastal landscape because of its height. The highest point of the peninsula is Mount Herbert, at 919 meters. Also interesting are the many small bays formed by lava flows. In the 19th century, a French colony was established here, which was mainly devoted to whaling. Therefore the two towns Lyttelton, in the northwest, and Akaroa, in the southeast, are also French influenced. For the inhabitants of Christchurch, this is a good opportunity to escape the hustle and bustle of the big city.

After Christchurch and Akaroa, small side trips are worthwhile to marvel at the sights there from the air, such as Christchurch Cathedral or the small harbor and church of Akaroa.

**RMRA-River mouth of the Rangitata**

Distance:	61,1 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	145,9 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	7,2 nm
True Course:	240°
Magnetic Course:	216°

Continue along the coast, crossing the lagoon lake Ellesmere and several estuaries. The third major estuary is that of the Rangitata River. You will recognize it by two small villages, on the left and right of the estuary, right by the sea.

**NZRI-Rangitata Island Airport**

Distance:	7,2 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	153,1 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	0,0 nm
True Course:	327°
Magnetic Course:	302°
Elevation:	281 feet
Fuel:	yes

Ladies and Gentlemen, this is your flight captain speaking. Our next destination is Pukaki. Until we land there, there is a lot to see. So please don't fall asleep now, or you'll miss the best part.

Turn right over the mouth of the river and look to the left of the river for the two grass runways of Rangitata Island airfield, which you should soon discover. Have a happy landing there. Your passengers can stretch their legs and in the meantime you can unpack the lunches you brought with you and offer them to the people who have already gotten hungry again.



**LEG 5: NZRI - NZUK**

Departure: Rangitata Island Airport (NZRI)

Destination: Pukaki (NZUK)

Distance: 100,0 nm

**MSUN-Mount Sunday**

Distance:	39,4 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	39,4 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	60,6 nm
True Course:	325°
Magnetic Course:	300°

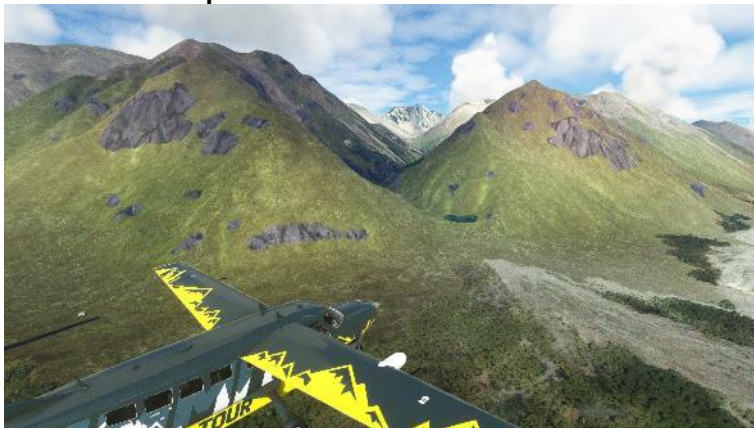
Start and follow the Rangitata River upstream. After passing the Mesopotamia Station Airstrip, on the left side of the river, you will see the Potts River enter on the right. Just 2 miles past the mouth is a large hill that stands out clearly from the surrounding flatlands, Mount Sunday. This was the site of Edoras, the capital of Rohan.

It was founded by its first king Eorl and his son Brego.

Edoras was located on the banks of the Snowbourn, at the foot of the Ered Nimrais. It was protected by an earthen wall and a high stone wall topped with thorns. On the flattened top of the originally green hill was enthroned the Golden Hall Meduseld, the seat of government of the kings of Rohan. In front of the city were the tombs of the kings, where the famous plant Simbelmynë flourished. During the War of the Ring, King Théoden reigned in Edoras. He was succeeded by Éomer, Théoden's nephew.

For the film version of The Lord of the Rings, the Golden Hall and parts of Edoras were recreated in the middle of New Zealand's pristine wilderness. The construction of the set took eleven months. The actual filming only a few days. After shooting, the entire set was torn down again. Today, you can only see a few traces, such as screws in the rock, which indicate that this was one of the most elaborate sets of the film.



**HEDE-Helms deep**

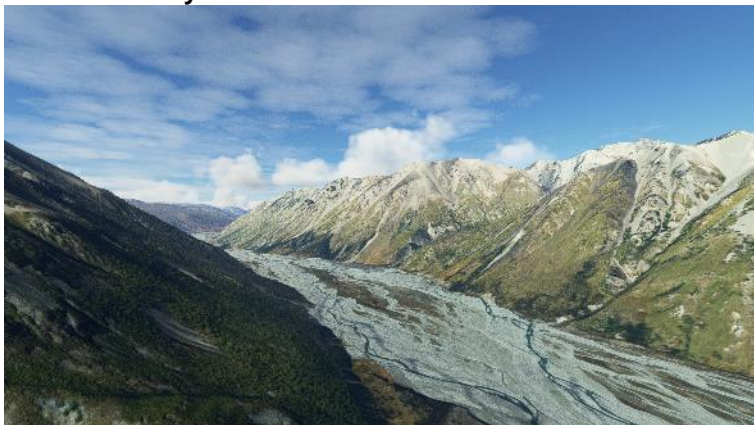
Distance:	3,6 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	43,0 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	57,0 nm
True Course:	282°
Magnetic Course:	258°

Just 3 miles away, to the northwest, the Havelock River flows into the Rangitata. On its western bank, a gorge runs through the Black Mountains. This is where the filming of Helm's Deep took place.

Helm's Deep (or Helm's Gorge) was a fortified gorge in the west of Rohan. It was built by the Dúnedain. It was the largest and strongest fortress in Rohan and the site of the massive battle against Saruman's Uruk-Hai army in the War of the Ring.

Helm's Deep lay at the end of a great valley in the White Mountains, the Gorge Valley. This lay at the feet of Thrihyrne and ended at the entrance to the glittering grottoes of Aglarond, which the people used as a refuge. Through the gorge and then further down the valley flowed the gorge stream.

At the front end of Helm's Gorge (this place is also called Helm's Gate) stood the Hornburg and the long Gorge Wall, which guarded the entrance to the gorge. Further ahead in the valley was Helm's Dike, a defensive structure 6 meters high and 2 kilometers long. The Hornburg stood on the Hornfelsen and from it the rampart stretched across to the other side of the gorge. The Klammbach stream flowed through a small gully in the rampart. In Helm's dam there was a wide breach through which both the road and the river passed. In addition, starting from the valley, there were secret paths that led through the mountains to Dunharg.

**MACA-Macaulay River**

Distance:	9,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	52,4 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	47,6 nm
True Course:	249°
Magnetic Course:	225°

Before you fly through the canyon, you should gain some altitude over the river valley you are currently above. A minimum of 8,000 feet is needed to clear the Black Mountains, referred to as the "White Mountains" in the film.

On the other side of the mountains you will meet the Macaulay River.

**CASS-Cass River**

Distance:	18,0 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	70,4 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	29,6 nm
True Course:	196°
Magnetic Course:	172°

Turn south and fly through the Macaulay River gorge as you lose altitude again. At the confluence of the Macaulay and Goodley Rivers, which will soon flow into Lake Tekapo, you will see a mountain range to your right. At the end of this mountain range, the small Cass River flows into Lake Tekapo.

**PFIO-Plateau Fiordland**

Distance:	10,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	80,7 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	19,3 nm
True Course:	251°
Magnetic Course:	226°

If you like, you can make a short detour from here to the town of Tekapo, which lies at the southern end of the lake. Here you can see the Mount John Observatory, the Church of the Good Shepherd, the Tekapo Power Station and the beautifully landscaped airfield. Then use the GPS to get to the next waypoint.

Otherwise, set a southwesterly course and fly through about the middle of the north shore of Lake Alexandriana and the furthest south mountain spur coming from the north. You will fly over a hilly plateau intersected by many streams. There, where the terrain slopes down to Lake Pukaki, a hunt for Gandalf and the dwarves has taken place.

Somewhere in Fiordland National Park: after Bilbo rejoins the group outside the goblin city, the moment of triumph is cut short when they are ambushed by Azog, Fimbul and his army of hunter-orcs. Thorin then charges at Azog to save the others, but is badly wounded and thrown to the ground. Bilbo defends Thorin from being killed, and Azog and other orcs move in and try to kill the hobbit. Then Fíli, Kíli and Dwalin rush up and attack them, while the others follow them and a fight ensues. After taking refuge in trees on the cliff, before the Warge had uprooted most of them, the last tree is partially uprooted, leaving most of Thorin's friends hanging over the cliff. But this cliff is not here, but in another place that we will visit.

**LPUK-Lake Pukaki**

Distance:	6,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	86,9 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	13,1 nm
True Course:	212°
Magnetic Course:	187°

Maintain your course and fly to the lakeshore of Pukai. A road leads south along the lakeshore. Follow it until the road avoids a bay. This is where the refugee camp of Esgaroth, the city in the lake, was located after Smaug burned down almost the entire city.

During Smaug's attack, Bart held the fort with a band of archers and was able to kill the dragon with his last arrow, a black arrow. After the attack, he sent a messenger to Thranduil to ask for his help, as most of the city had been destroyed. The elves arrived soon after and cared for the now homeless inhabitants on the shores of the lake.

**NZUK-Pukaki**

Distance:	13,1 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	100,0 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	0,0 nm
True Course:	195°
Magnetic Course:	171°
Elevation:	1554 feet
Fuel:	yes

Ladies and gentlemen, this is your flight captain speaking. Please do not worry that our total weight will be exceeded by your sumptuous meals. We will compensate this by the amount of fuel we take on board. We wish you a pleasant flight to our destination today, Alexandra.

Now fly to the southern shore of the lake. There you can see a road that also leads south. Follow it for a short distance and soon you can see the Pukaki airfield, where your passengers can have a little refreshment. Have a safe landing there.



**LEG 6: NZUK - NZLX**

Departure: Pukaki (NZUK)  
Destination: Alexandra (NZLX)  
Distance: 125,3 nm

**LBEN-Lake Benmore**

Distance:	19,9 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	19,9 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	105,3 nm
True Course:	171°
Magnetic Course:	146°

After you and your passengers have fortified yourself, head east after takeoff and reach the Pukaki River. Follow it in a southerly direction to Lake Benmore. Fly over the lake until you reach Benmore Dam.

Again, there are some sights you can show your passengers, which are: Whanau Island, Barabooka Bay, Goose Neck Island, Waitaki Gorge, Sams Bay, Black Jacks Island, Junction Island, Benmore Peninsula or Benmore Dam.

**MAER-Maerewhenua River**

Distance:	27,7 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	47,6 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	77,7 nm
True Course:	129°
Magnetic Course:	104°

Behind the dam flows the river Waitaki, then continue through the lake Aviemore, then through the dam Aviemore, through the lake Waitaki and then continue as the river Waitaki. Continue flying downstream until you reach the village of Duntroon. There the river Maerewhenua joins the Waitaki.

**KYEB-Kyeburn**

Distance:	25,8 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	73,4 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	51,9 nm
True Course:	226°
Magnetic Course:	201°

Turn right, follow the Maerewhenua River and gain 8,000 feet of altitude. Keep roughly in the direction the river indicates. The highest peak, with some snow you can soon make out, is Mount Pisgah. Fly toward it, keeping just to the right of its summit.

Once you have flown over the mountains, switch to descent and look for the Kyeburn River, which flows north-south past the mountains and which you follow south. The next village you can spot from the air is the small town of Kyeburn, with a few scattered homesteads along the fields. Several roads converge here.

**WAPI-Rock And Pillar**

Distance:	15,1 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	88,5 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	36,8 nm
True Course:	190°
Magnetic Course:	165°



The Kyeburn River flows south through the community of Kyeburn, accompanied by Highway 87. Now follow Highway 87, soon to be accompanied by the Taieri River, to Ranch Rock And Pillar. Only a few buildings are visible there in a river bend, between two roads.

#### MANI-Maniototo



Distance:	3,1 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	91,5 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	33,7 nm
True Course:	287°
Magnetic Course:	262°

Turn west and fly up the mountains. A small artificial pond shows you the direction into the mountains. This is where most of the exterior filming for The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug took place.

#### POOR-Poolburum Reservoir



Distance:	17,1 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	108,6 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	16,6 nm
True Course:	285°
Magnetic Course:	260°

Maintain altitude and heading, crossing a valley while keeping to the left of the outcropping rocks toward the grassland. Look for the Poolburum reservoir. You can recognize it by several islands in the lake. Head for it as soon as you can spot it.

#### NZLX-Alexandra



Distance:	16,6 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	125,3 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	0,0 nm
True Course:	290°
Magnetic Course:	265°
Elevation:	750 feet
Fuel:	yes



Turn west, keeping south of the slightly higher mountains you are now flying towards. At a fork in the river, in the next valley, you should soon see the city of Alexandra. The airport is north of the city. Have a safe landing there to complete the 6th leg of this journey.

The barren rocky landscape around Alexandra served as a backdrop for shooting some scenes around Rohan. For example at Poolburn Reservoir, where the Rohan village and the escape of the inhabitants were filmed. The landscape around Ida Valley also served for some of the film's battle scenes, such as when the Wargs attacked the refugee train.

The town was named after Princess Alexandra of Denmark, who married the then Prince of Wales, later King Edward VII, in 1863. The town is devoid of sights worth mentioning, but at least there's a cozy hotel waiting for you and your passengers to spend the night. Alexandra is also a wine-growing region for Pinot Noir and Pinot Gris.

**LEG 7: NZLX - NZMF**

Departure: Alexandra (NZLX)  
Destination: Milford Sound (NZMF)  
Distance: 111,4 nm

**KARA-Kawarau River**

Distance: 23,6 nm  
Dist. from Dept.: 23,6 nm  
Dist. to Dest.: 87,8 nm  
True Course: 300°  
Magnetic Course: 275°

East of the airport, the Clutha River carves a path through the landscape. After you take off, follow the river north into the mountains. After flying over a small dam, you will soon see another dam near the town of Cromwell. Keep left here and now follow the Kawarau River through more canyons, accompanied by Highway 6. After you reach a wide valley, Highway 6 crosses the river.

Just after the bridge, there was more footage of Argonath when the companions were traveling in canoes and being chased by orgs.

**DOUC-Double Cone**

Distance:	4,5 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	28,2 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	83,2 nm
True Course:	226°
Magnetic Course:	201°

If you look southwest from the bridge, the highest elevation is a mountain called Double Cone. Use the valley to gain about 7,000 feet in altitude and fly over the top. This is where the exit from Moria is located.

The Mountains of Moria were those mountains under which the Halls and Mines of Moria were located. The Fellowship of the Ring passed through these halls and was attacked by orcs. Gandalf the Grey was not able to reach this exit because he was pulled down by the last Balrok. Later he meets the Fellowship as Gandalf the White.

**MTCR-Mount Creighton**

Distance:	11,7 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	39,9 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	71,6 nm
True Course:	268°
Magnetic Course:	243°

Turn west from the summit, toward Lake Wakatipu. Switch to descent and look at the north shore. You will see two mountains jutting into the lake. At the second mountain, Mount Creighton, the pictures for Ithilien were taken.

You can also set course again for Queenstown, on the eastern shore of the lake, and show your passengers the town with its sights. You get to the next waypoint by flying along the northern shore of the lake, which is dotted with more sights since World Update New Zealand.

Ithilien lay between Anduin and Ephel Dúath, bordered on the south by Poros, divided into North and South Ithilien. A lovely area of soaring forests and swiftly tumbling streams. Firs, cedars, larches and cypresses grew there, along with a variety of sweet-smelling herbs and shrubs. A troop of soldiers from Gondor fought here against the approaching forces from the East. Frodo and Sam, hidden in bushes, watched the skirmish from a distance. They would have liked to eat some of the rabbit stew before they were discovered.



**SHOT-Shotover River**

Distance:	7,9 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	47,7 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	63,7 nm
True Course:	36°
Magnetic Course:	11°

Now follow the gorge that leads north into the mountains and fly over the lakes Dispute and Moke. Behind them, the gorge turns to the right. Continue to keep to the right until you reach the Shotover River.

It's easy to be tempted to turn into the first gully you see ahead on the left. Turn right there, however, and you'll be able to see the Shotover River coming from the north in a moment.

**SKCA-Skippers Canyon**

Distance:	7,2 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	54,9 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	56,5 nm
True Course:	11°
Magnetic Course:	347°

After flying about 5 miles, you can see a bridge over the river in the distance. About a half mile before the bridge, there is a ford. This has become known in the movie as the ford on the Bruinen River.

After the Nazgûl chase Arwen and Frodo through the lands west of Rivendell, the Elven princess reaches the ford at the River Bruinen. While Arwen makes it across quickly, the Black Riders hesitate in their pursuit, as the river is steeped in elven magic. The Nazgûl leader, facing Arwen across the water, demands, "Hand over the halfling, elven woman!" Arwen responds by drawing her elven sword.

**DART-Dart River**

Distance:	13,1 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	68,0 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	43,4 nm
True Course:	266°
Magnetic Course:	242°

Turn southwest from here. But before that, you should use the river valley to reach at least 7,000 feet of altitude.

The highest elevation is Mount Larkins. Fly toward the mountain and let its peak pass your left wing. After that you should be able to see the valley of the Dart River, which you are flying towards. Now lose some altitude again to be able to see better.

**DARB-Dart River Bridge**

Distance:	5,6 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	73,6 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	37,8 nm
True Course:	337°
Magnetic Course:	312°

Turn to the right. A single mountain, Mount Alfred, rises in the river valley. Keep to the left of the mountain, crossing the Dart River Bridge.

**RBRO-Routeburn Road**

Distance:	1,1 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	74,7 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	36,7 nm
True Course:	341°
Magnetic Course:	317°

Not a mile past the bridge, on the left bank of the River Dart, to the left of Routeburn Road, the filming for Nan Curunír took place.



Nan Curunír was a valley in the southern Misty Mountains. It opened in the south to the gate of Rohan. The river Isen flowed through the valley and to the west of the river Isen in the Wizard Valley lay Isengard.

In former times it was fertile due to the irrigation of the river Isen. At the time of the War of the Ring, however, it was mostly wasteland, except for a small part near Isengard, which was farmed by Saruman's slaves. After the War of the Ring and the destruction of the fortress, the Ents planted new crops and the Watch Forest. They also moved the Isen to its old riverbed. The landscape blossomed and greened now as beautiful as never before.

#### PASM-Paradise Scheelite Mine



Distance:	3,0 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	77,6 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	33,8 nm
True Course:	31°
Magnetic Course:	7°

Now keep to the right and fly towards the northern tip at the foot of the mountain. Near the Paradise Scheelite Mine was the home of Beorn.

Beorn was a skin-changer who could transform into a large, strong bear. Beorn gave lodging to Gandalf, Bilbo Baggins and the thirteen dwarves. As they continued their journey, Beorn gave them provisions and fresh water. He also loaned them horses, which they returned at Beorn's request before entering the Bleak Forest. At the Battle of the Five Armies, he appeared unexpectedly, in bear form, and decided the battle against the orcs and wargs. During the battle, he carried Thorin, who had been hit by many spears, off the battlefield. Afterwards, he grabbed the orc leader Bolg and killed him. On their return journey, in winter, Bilbo and Gandalf again rested at Beorn, where they celebrated Jul. Later, Beorn gathered some people around him, and founded what later became known as the people of Beorning, of which he was the first chieftain.

#### DIAL-Diamond Lake



Distance:	1,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	78,9 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	32,5 nm
True Course:	125°
Magnetic Course:	100°

Turn southeast and fly toward the foot of the mountain on the northeast shore of Lake Diamond. Here there was more filming of the elven kingdom of Lothlórien.



Lothlórien (Sindarin: Dreamflowerland), also known as Lórien for short, was an Elvish realm west of the Anduin, located at the junction of the Celebrant and Anduin rivers, ruled by Celeborn and Galadriel. The Mallorn Woods of Lórien were protected from Sauron by the power of Galadriel, and here alone did Middle Earth preserve the true beauty and timelessness of Eldamar.

While traveling to Mount Doom, the Ring companions stopped for a month in Lórien; this was the first time a dwarf had entered Lórien in many years. There Frodo looked into the mirror of the Galadriels and saw what would happen if he failed.

#### **TURH-Turred Head**



Distance:	3,5 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	82,4 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	29,0 nm
True Course:	11°
Magnetic Course:	346°

Use the valley to climb to 9,000 feet. Then fly into the canyon, heading north, which can be seen between Lake Diamond and the Rees River. In the last quarter of the gorge, below Turred Head, on the left, there is another filming location.

In the movie "The Hobbit", this is the place where Bilbo and the dwarves set out from Rivendell to the High Pass of the Misty Mountains. Bilbo looks back from the pass to the Elven city, where he would have liked to stay for a while, in contrast to the dwarves.

#### **EARN-Mount Earnslaw**



Distance:	1,5 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	84,0 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	27,5 nm
True Course:	23°
Magnetic Course:	359°

When you have gained enough altitude, you can fly a short distance through the Wizard Valley, heading towards the snow-covered summit of Mount Earnslaw.

In the valley, before the summit, the filming of Isengard was done, especially the dark scenes.

**HW94-Highway 94**

Distance:	16,2 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	100,1 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	11,3 nm
True Course:	233°
Magnetic Course:	208°

From now on, you can enjoy the magnificent mountains of the New Zealand Alps to the fullest. Maintain your altitude. Turn west, fly over the valley of the Dart River again, then continue over the mountains to the next wide valley, which is cut by the Hollyford River (Whakatipu Ka Tuka) and accompanied by a road.

Fly south along the valley until you reach the junction with New Zealand State Highway 94. Descend to about 6,000 feet as you do so.

**NZMF-Milford Sound**

Distance:	11,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	111,4 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	0,0 nm
True Course:	316°
Magnetic Course:	292°
Elevation:	69 feet
Fuel:	yes

Ladies and gentlemen, this is your flight captain speaking. I would like to wish all our passengers a good morning and welcome you aboard of NZ Tours. In case you have had a little too much of the good wine and feel unwell on the flight, you will find a bag in the seat in front of you that you can use for personal emergencies. Please keep it in your hand until we reach our next destination, Milford Sound. I wish you a speedy recovery and everyone else an eventful flight.

Ladies and gentlemen, this is your captain speaking. I welcome you to our final leg. In a little less than an hour we will land at our destination Manapouri. Enjoy the beautiful alpine and lake scenery of New Zealand from the air for the last time on this trip. We wish you a pleasant journey.

Highway 94 takes you first west and then northwest, through a canyon. In between, it disappears into a tunnel, but soon comes back into view. Beyond the road tunnel, drop to about 2,000 feet. Follow it to the Milford Sound airfield.

Good luck with the landing. It is a bit tricky.

In Milford Sound, very close to the airfield, there is a restaurant with a sumptuous fish buffet, with everything your heart desires. You'll probably have to wait a little longer for your passengers here....



**LEG 8: NZMF - NZMO**

Departure: Milford Sound (NZMF)

Destination: Manapouri (NZMO)

Distance: 102,3 nm

**SUTH-Sutherland Falls**

Distance:	11,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	11,3 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	91,0 nm
True Course:	226°
Magnetic Course:	202°

No matter which direction you take off, you will have to fly over the runway again, because southwest of the runway is a gorge cut by the Arthur River. Follow it in a southwesterly direction until you reach Sutherland Waterfall. Just a half mile before the waterfall is the Quintin Lodge airfield (T004). The waterfall pours out of Lake Quill. Just a few feet, to the left of the waterfall, is a cliff where the dwarves were stuck in a tree with Gandalf.

In the movie "The Hobbit", the dwarves and Gandalf, who are distressed by Azog and his army, take refuge on a tree, near a cliff. Gandalf uses his staff to set fire to some pine cones, and the dwarves throw them at the orcs. Unfortunately, it doesn't help much. The group is eventually rescued by the eagles, who carry them to safety on the Carrock. Azog then continues his hunt with the rest of his orc army.



**CARR-Carrock**

Distance:	3,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	14,6 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	87,7 nm
True Course:	294°
Magnetic Course:	269°

Turn west and fly over the higher mountain lake. Only 3 miles further, in the next valley, there is a lonely mountain. This is Carrock, where the eagles drop off the rescued dwarves and Gandalf, but which is completely forested in the simulator. It is easily recognizable because it rises between 2 smaller lakes.

**TANA-Lake Te Anau**

Distance:	16,8 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	31,4 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	70,9 nm
True Course:	145°
Magnetic Course:	120°

Now fly a hairpin turn to the left until you have reached a course of about 120°. Enjoy the view of the mountains until you can see Lake Te Anau, which stretches from north to south.

**UPUK-Upukerora River**

Distance:	24,2 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	55,6 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	46,7 nm
True Course:	195°
Magnetic Course:	170°

Sink below 3,000 feet and follow the western shore of the lake until just before the town of Te Anau. There the Upukerora River flows into the lake.

**FANG-Fangorn Forest**

Distance:	7,5 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	63,1 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	39,2 nm
True Course:	67°
Magnetic Course:	42°

Now follow the Upukerora river in northeastern directions. You will fly over fields on the left and right of the river. After only 5 miles you should see, a bit off to the right of the river, a hilly piece of forest, which you should now fly towards. I have not been able to find out the real name of this forest. In the movie "The Lord of the Rings" it was called Fangorn Forest.

The forest got its name from the Ent Treebeard, who was its guardian and protector. Fangorn was the home of most of the remaining Ents and Huorns. Many dark rumors surround the forest. In some of Fangorn's valleys, darkness never left, and the trees there were old and sometimes vicious. It was therefore avoided by the inhabitants of the surrounding areas and travelers, even by the elves of Lothlórien.

**MAVO-Mavora**

Distance:	11,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	74,3 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	28,0 nm
True Course:	85°
Magnetic Course:	61°

Turn a little to the right. The highest elevation you can now make out from a distance is a forested mountain, but its summit is bare. To the left of it is another forested mountain. Fly between the mountains and you will reach the flat, wide valley of the Mararoa River. Just beyond the river you can see a road, Mavora Lakes Road, which you now follow in a northeasterly direction.

About a mile before the road forks, you can see a small patch of forest on the left side of the road, the border of Fangorn Forest.

Merry and Pippin are carried off by orcs and uruk sharks, while the other companions chase after them. But before they can reach them, the Riders of Rohan have tracked down the group and killed them all. But the companions find tracks that indicate Merry and Pippin have saved themselves in Fangorn Forest, and the search continues.



**WHIR-Whitestone River**

Distance:	21,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	95,7 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	6,6 nm
True Course:	235°
Magnetic Course:	210°

Make a complete U-turn here and now follow the Mararoa River in a southwesterly direction until you reach the confluence of the Mararoa and Whitestone Rivers.

**WAIAU-Waiiau River**

Distance:	4,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	100,0 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	2,3 nm
True Course:	303°
Magnetic Course:	278°

Turn slightly to the west and fly towards the mountains between the two lakes, which you can now see in front of you. Directly in front of the mountains, the Waiiau River meanders through the landscape.

This area of the river served as another backdrop when the ring community set out from Lothlórien, with canoes, on the river Anduin, on the way to Mount Doom. For this purpose, the entire route downstream was used from here, until the river turns northeast in front of a mountain.

The Anduin originated from a spring in the far north and then flowed some 1500 miles to its delta in Belfalas Bay. Langquell and Grauquell were the two largest headwaters. They rose in the north of the Misty Mountains, in the Ered Mithrin, the Gray Mountains. The Anduin formed the border to the western lands of Middle Earth.



## NZMO-Manapouri



Distance:	2,3 nm
Dist. from Dept.:	102,3 nm
Dist. to Dest.:	0,0 nm
True Course:	200°
Magnetic Course:	175°
Elevation:	683 feet
Fuel:	yes

Only about two miles south of the river, just off Highway 95, is Manapouri Airfield, the destination of this long journey, from the north to the south of New Zealand, on the trail of a movie legend. Land there as softly as possible, then you can hear the applause of your passengers, who surely enjoyed this trip as much as I did. It was a great experience to be able to recreate the atmosphere of the films "The Lord of the Rings" and "The Hobbit" once again at the original film locations.

Congratulations on the successful completion of this trip. If you enjoyed the trip as much as I did, please leave some stars on the download page. We are always open to constructive criticism as well. All the best for your future endeavors. Nordheim Missions and Koschi.