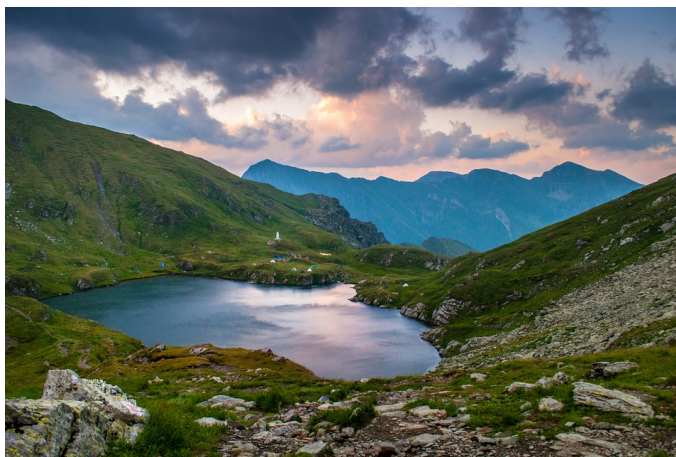


# Adventure Sports in New Zealand

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New Zealand is a great sporting nation, practicing team sports and adventure sports in the middle of wilderness and beautiful scenery. The great outdoors and a healthy lifestyle have enabled New Zealand to cultivate great sporting and adventure opportunities. By motorhome you can easily go from place to place to partake in any sporting activities you want to. Travel in complete freedom and try the extreme sports of your dreams. Anything is possible in New Zealand, a country full of adventure.

Sports that are normally considered hard to access in Europe are completely accessible in **New Zealand**. There are few **regions** and **cities** that do not have a golf course. The vast, open, **nature areas** that cover more than half of the country have ensured that **New Zealanders** are great outdoor enthusiasts. Trout fishing is popular, as is game fishing (marlin) in Auckland Bay.



The country offers a large number of hiking trails for all levels, including some of the most beautiful trails in the world. It is important to inquire beforehand about the physical demands of the trail, as well as the weather forecast. You can leave your motorhome for a few hours or days and go on an adventure in the middle of the wild **Fiordland** forests or the **Tongariro** volcanic plains. Some trails are very famous but highly protected and you will need to book in advance for trails such as **Milford**, **Routeburn** or **Heaphy**. Sailing and surfing are also practiced in **Auckland Bay** and **Christchurch Bay**.



Many adventure and **extreme sports** and **activities** are on offer. Parachuting, paragliding, bungee jumping and aerial acrobatics will offer unique sensations amidst magnificent landscapes. Wind and kyte surfing are other unique activities on offer. You can go **snorkeling** or diving in deeper waters with **black coral** and even a Russian shipwreck!

You can also dive under ice or in underwater caves where the marine fauna and flora are amazing and absolutely unique.



For other thrills try rafting over waterfalls and rocks or tubing down raging torrents into flooded underground tunnels, home to fireflies, stalactites and stalagmites . In New Zealand it's even possible **ski** or **snowboard**. You choose your adventure!