



Sometimes, while planning a New Zealand itinerary, someone will inquire, "I want to be sure to see the spectacular natural beauty of New Zealand." The reply is always, "fishing with the best guides in the right places

will put you in touch with the natural beauty of NZ with your fly rod in hand."



John Landis provided proof of that statement with the following selection of photos from his first New Zealand trip this year. The selection of photos was spectacular enough to warrant this photo essay which we title simply IMAGES OF NEW ZEALAND.

We are fortunate in pursuing our fly fishing passion that the pursuit takes us to the world's most beautiful natural environments. And, if we've planned well enough, and are just a bit lucky, we get to enjoy these amazing, pristine places without the distraction of other human beings. John's itinerary included nine days of guided fishing with some of NZ's top guides.......during those nine days, John did not

encounter another angler anywhere he fished. While that degree of isolation can't be guaranteed, it is not that unusual while fishing with the "right guides." One important note: these photos were shot in places accessed via the guide's four-wheel drive vehicle – none of these locations were accessed or photographed using a helicopter (one photo, on the bottom row, was shot from an airplane). No further words are needed............



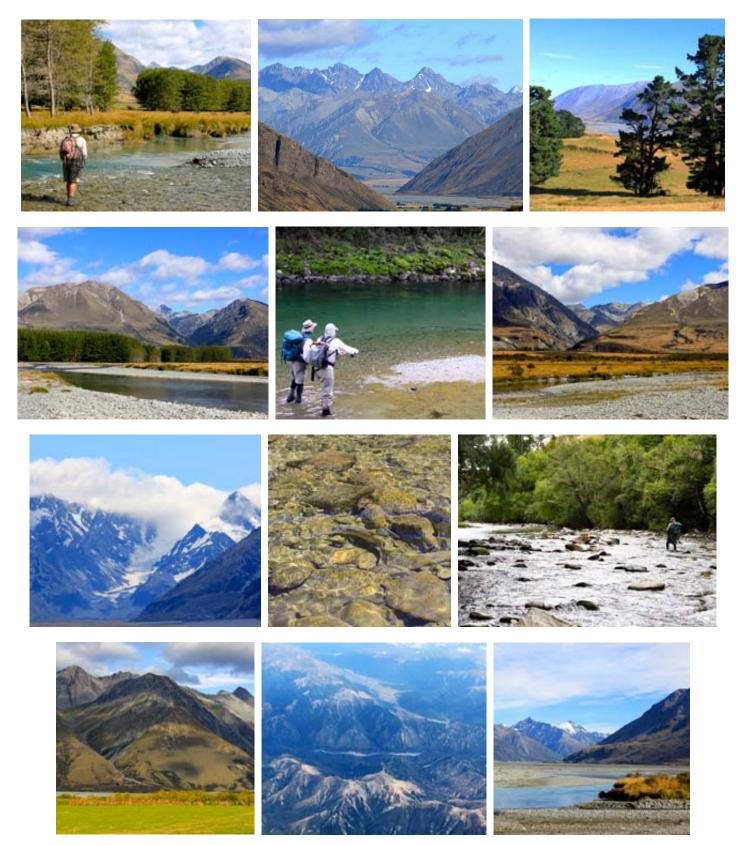












Thanks to John Landis, at right with a nice NZ brown, for this collection of photos. Capturing with a camera the reasons we are passionate about our fly fishing hobby is one way of expanding the overall enjoyment and challenge of the sport. John is relatively new to the photography aspect, just beginning in earnest a few years ago, but he's worked hard at it and the results show!

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