

OTAGO - Fish & Game Region¹²

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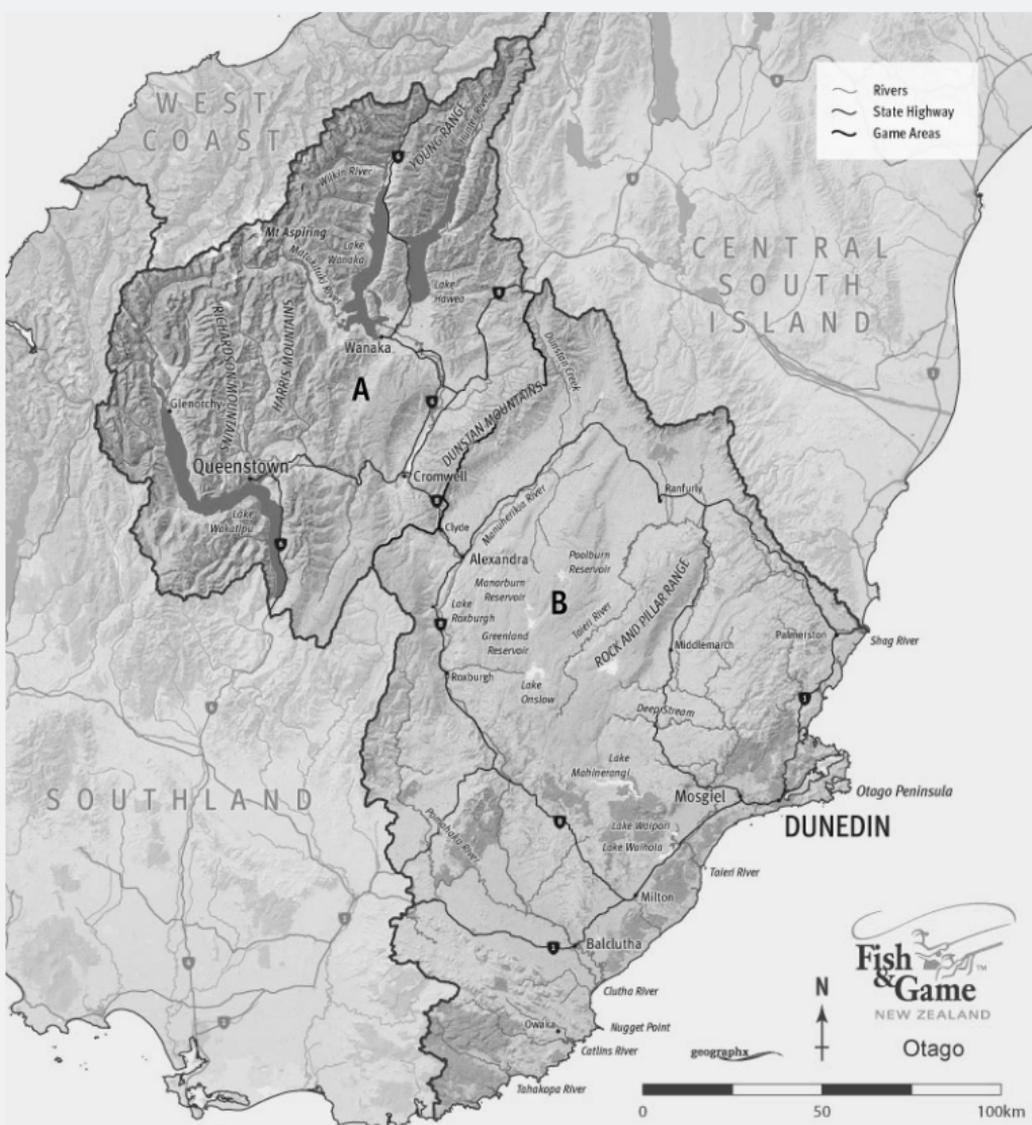
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¹² Otago Fish and Game Region means the area so described in the NZ Gazette 24 May 1990, No.83 at page 1861

1 Game That May Be Hunted or Killed - Duration of 2024/2025 Season

Species	Season Duration (dates inclusive)	Daily Bag Limit	Hunting Area
Grey/mallard duck and any hybrid of those species	4 May to 28 Jul 2024	25	All areas
NZ shoveler duck	4 May to 28 Jul 2024	1 drake	All areas
Paradise shelduck	4 May to 25 Aug 2024	12	All areas
	1 Mar to 9 Mar 2025	5	All areas (refer to clause 5(4) for this Region)
Pūkeko	Closed season	0	All areas
Black swan	Closed season	0	Area A
	4 May to 25 Aug 2024	10	Area B
California quail	1 June to 25 Aug 2024	10	All areas
Chukar	1 June to 25 Aug 2024	2	All areas
Cock pheasant	1 June to 25 Aug 2024	5	All areas
Red-legged partridge	Closed season	0	All areas

2 Definition of Areas

- 2.1 Area A:** The Clutha River catchment upstream from the Clyde Dam.
- 2.2 Area B:** The Clutha River catchment downstream from the Clyde Dam; the Taieri River catchment and all the coastal catchments between Shag Point and The Brothers Point on the east coast of the South Island.

3 Shooting Hours

- 3.1 Area A:** 7.00am to 6.45pm
- 3.2 Area B:** 7.00am to 6.30pm
- 3.3** 5.30am to 10.00pm for the summer paradise shelduck season 1 to 9 March 2025.

4 Decoy Limit

No limit.

5 Special Conditions

- 5.1** No person shall use or cause to be used on any water within the region for the hunting or killing of game, any fixed stand, pontoon, hide, loo or maimai, except within a distance of 10 metres from the water margin in non-tidal waters, or from the low water mark in tidal waters, or from the outside edge of the raupo growth where raupo abounds, without the prior consent of the Otago Fish and Game Council.
- 5.2** No person may leave on the hunting ground the bodies or parts of bodies of black swan or other game shot in the Otago Fish and Game region.
- 5.3** Shooting from a boat is prohibited on the Clutha River from 4 May to 12 May 2024 inclusive (refer to First Schedule clause 6).
- 5.4** The summer paradise shelduck season is open from 1 March to 9 March 2025 inclusive. Hunting is restricted to locations 200 metres or more from open water.
- 5.5** No hen shoveler ducks may be taken.

6 Refuges and Closed Game Areas

The following wetland refuges and closed game areas are closed to hunting:

Refuges	Location
6.1 Lake Hayes	Queenstown/Arrowtown highway
6.2 Hawksbury Lagoon	Waikouaiti – East Otago
6.3 Finegand	Balclutha
Closed Game Areas	Location
6.4 Tomahawk Lagoon	Dunedin
6.6 Kawarau River outlet	From Lake Wakatipu downstream to the Shotover River confluence

HUNTING IN OTAGO

Otago is a game bird hunters' paradise. The region offers hunters a wide variety of different experiences – from decoying mobs of mallards over coastal wetlands, to flushing quail in high country scrubland.

MORE INFORMATION

Visit the Otago pages of the Fish & Game New Zealand website for more information or contact Otago Fish and Game's Dunedin Office (otago@fishandgame.org.nz) for advice, brochures on hunting or wetland creation.

