

# Omaka Aviation Heritage Centre

## Blenheim, Marlborough

### Aviation Museum & Biplane Joyrides



Home to two exhibitions, the original, *Knights of the Sky* is film director, Sir Peter Jackson's own collection of WW1 aircraft and artifacts. The story of aviation in the Great War is brought to life in sensational sets by WingNut Films, some recreating actual incidents and featuring mannequins by Weta Workshop. The rare memorabilia are worthy of any national collection and ranges from beautifully crafted 'trench art' through to personal items belonging to the famous Red Baron himself.

*Dangerous Skies* is a new exhibition featuring aircraft from WW2 including the world's only flyable Avro Anson Mk.1 and a Griffon-powered Spitfire. Women pilots feature more prominently in this exhibition and in a world first (outside of Russia) the Battle of Stalingrad leaps off the pages of history in a truly thought-provoking cinematic experience.

Joy flights are also available in an open cockpit Boeing Stearman or a Yak3 Russian fighter. See our website for details.

Omaka is open daily until 5pm and offers exclusive merchandise and great coffee!



## Knights of the Sky Guided Tour

Omaka Aviation Heritage Centre presents the outstanding *Knights of the Sky* exhibition, featuring Sir Peter Jackson's own collection of WW1 aircraft and artifacts. This story of aviation in the Great War is brought to life in sensational sets created by the internationally acclaimed talent of WingNut Films and Weta Workshop. The theatrical treatment is both innovative and visually stunning. Captivating scenes depict the aircraft in context, sometimes recreating an incident that actually happened in the war. Rare memorabilia is on display, worthy of any national collection and ranges from beautifully crafted 'trench art' through to personal items belonging to the famous Red Baron himself.

Fully guided tours run at 10.30am and 2pm during the summer season or at other times by prior arrangement. You can also explore the exhibition unguided.

Departs 10:30am, 2pm | Duration 45 minutes

## Classic Wings Vintage Aeroplane Rides

We have moved into yet another branch of heritage aviation with the establishment of a vintage joy flights operation at our base at Omaka Airfield, Blenheim. Our Boeing Stearman is configured with three seats so that couples can travel together in the front cockpit and share the wonderful experience of flying over the stunning scenery of New Zealand's premier wine-growing region of Marlborough. We have a range of different flights available covering a broad spectrum of attractive localities around the province. So come on over and fly with us. You'll enjoy a unique vintage aviation experience with Classic Wings!

The cockpit allows for 2 of slim size to sit side-by-side. The seat is approx. 32" (81cm) across, so it's pretty cozy!

Departs flexible | Duration 20 minutes

### Additional Information

Open 7 days, 10am-5pm

Wheelchair access

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## Directions

79 Aerodrome Road is 5 km from the centre of Blenheim off New Renwick Road.

## Terms

**CHILD POLICY** Family friendly

**CANCELLATION** 24 hours 100% | cancellation due to weather or mechanical reasons, full refund

**SEASON** Open year round

**CHRISTMAS** Closed on Christmas Day

## Accommodation in this area

- [The Peppertree](#)
- [McCormick House](#)