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Matakauri Lodge Opens Grand Luxury Villa

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Queenstown's ultimate lakeside hideaway, *Matakauri Lodge* and member of the South Pacific's exclusive collection of luxury accommodations *Navigate Oceania*, announced that it will open the *Matakauri Grand Villa in February 2008*. A four-guestroom twin level luxury villa designed to appeal to families and larger groups offering the ultimate in space and privacy while enjoying sweeping views of Lake Wakatipu and Queenstown's renowned rugged peaks.

Located just metres from the main lodge, the two-level *Matakauri Grand Villa* comprises four guestrooms, with two large "villas" on the upper level, and two suites on the lower level. The *Matakauri Grand Villa* is designed with unequalled flexibility in mind, with discreet configuration options as two two-bedroom villas or as four separate guestrooms. All guestrooms are tastefully-appointed, each with magnificent 180-degree views, underfloor heating, fire places, king/twin beds, separate living areas and private balconies.

"The *Matakauri Grand Villa* offers accommodation options that echo luxury, flexibility and privacy, be it for families enjoying quite city escapes, or friends looking for the ultimate Queenstown adventure hideaway," said Grant Alley, Matakauri Lodge General Manager.

The *Matakauri Grand Villa* officially opens on February 15, 2008 and is now accepting bookings. The tariff starts from NZ\$3690 for the 2-guestroom configuration and NZ\$5906.00 for the entire villa, per night inclusive of GST. Visit Matakauri Lodge's website at www.matakauri.co.nz.

Marketing of Matakauri Lodge is managed by *Navigate Oceania*. For more information or for graphics, contact Director Karine Thomas on ++64 9 307 3633, or email karine@navigateoceania.com or visit www.navigateoceania.com

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Editors Notes:

- **Matakauri Lodge** offers luxury accommodation, fine dining, superb service and stunning panoramic views. Nestled in native bush overlooking Lake Wakatipu, Matakauri Lodge is one of the world's most private and serene vacation retreats. It is a short distance to Queenstown, the alpine wonderland of New Zealand.
- **Matakauri Lodge is a member of Navigate Oceania**, a new collection of 28 inspired destinations and unique experiences from New Zealand and Fiji's best boutique hotels and luxury lodges, an exclusive private island, villas, spa destinations, a luxury expedition-style cruise, and a private motor yacht. Our members are: **New Zealand** Doubtless Bay Villas, Cable Bay; Cavalli Island Retreat and Spa, Cavalli Islands; Paihia Beach Resort and Spa, Bay of Islands; Bay of Island Lodge, Bay of Islands; Oceanic Discoverer; Mission Hills, Bay of Islands; Waipoua Lodge, Waipoua Forest; The Boatshed, Waiheke Island; Stafford Villa, Auckland; Cotter House, Auckland; Seafields, Whitford; Maungatautari Lodge, Cambridge; Hamurana Country Estate, Rotorua; Kawaha Point Lodge, Rotorua; Treetops Lodge & Wilderness Estate, Rotorua; Chalet Eiger, Lake Taupo; Greenhill the Lodge, Hawke's Bay; The Millar Road Family, Hawke's Bay; Wharekauhau Country Estate, Martinborough; The Bolton Hotel, Wellington; Ohtel, Wellington; Claremont Country Estate, Canterbury; Huntley House, Christchurch; Elm Tree House, Christchurch; Wapiti Park Homestead, West Coast; Matakauri, Queenstown; Takaro Spa Retreat, Te Anau; **Fiji** Navutu Stars Resort.
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