

Complete the crossword. Then rearrange the letters in the shaded squares to spell out the hidden solution indicated below the grid.

Hidden Solution:

Possible mountainside terrain (5,6)

Across

- 1. Source of sweet sound in bush, maybe! (8)
- 6. Escape this place to find peace in wilderness (4)
- 8. Search for food in wilderness (6)
- 9. Swerved suddenly on mountain bike (6)
- 10. Pigments obtained from some plants (4)
- 11. Incline gradient of sheer drop (8)
- 13. Less fresh how food becomes if kept over time in backpack (6)
- 15. _____ in brought in and landed game fish (6)
- 16. Had effect on natural environment (8)
- 18. Wander over wide area of wilderness (4)
- 19. Continue tramping after brief break (4,2)
- 21. Having sought shelter of hut, eg (6)
- 22. Equipment needed for wilderness adventure (4)
- 23. _____ Burn Track in Mt Aspiring National Park near Glenorchy (8)

Down

- 2. Biological community with complex interaction between organisms and environment (9)
- 3. Fills backpack with heavy items (5)
- 4. What small lake might do in very cold winter climate (3,4)
- 5. Marine wilderness enthusiast! (5)
- 6. Long narrow fissure in rock can be useful for handhold (7)
- 7. Secure tent guy rope (3)
- 12. Town that is base from which to explore Central Otago walks and biking (9)
- 14. Vegetable or fruit _____ dehydrated food that is handy when tramping (7)
- 15. Having more reddish healthy complexion sign of outdoor life (7)
- 17. Stretch muscles tight (5)
- 18. Upward slopes or hills (5)
- 20. ___ up exhaust food supplies during tramp (3)