

## Grandview Mountain, Hawea

Rising to 1398m above Lake Hawea, Grandview Mountain provides a stunning panorama without the crowds of nearby Roys Peak.

Starting from the car park at the Nook Road end, the track crosses an easement over Lake Hawea Station, following a 4WD track up a pleasant grassy valley, crossing Grandview Creek multiple times. A distinctive unnamed peak stands at the head of the valley, rising sharply with copses of beech and scrub giving way to a steep rock face at its summit.

The track climbs from the valley floor through patches of briar and kanuka scrub. Here it runs adjacent to Grandview Conservation Area.

The trail climbs steadily for another hour, zigzagging into tussock land and speargrass as altitude is gained. Soon it reaches a ridgeline, revealing the first extensive views of Lake Hawea, Wanaka and the Southern Alps.

Once on the ridge, the track steepens, passing below the rocky summit of Grandview 100m above, before doubling back on a more gentle route to reach the top.

The summit is marked with a trigpoint and grand views. On a clear day, the profile of Mt Aspiring/Tititea can be seen in the west, as well as other prominent peaks in the nearby Southern Alps, behind Lake Wanaka. To the north lie peaks at the head of the Ahuriri Valley, while in the north-west, The Neck between the two lakes and the peaks beyond can clearly be seen.

This route can also be turned into an overnight loop to the eight-bunk Pakituhi Hut. From the summit, it's a further 13km to the hut on the Grandview Ridge Track. Sited at 1260m, this offers the best way to make the most of the steep altitude gain. From Pakituhi Hut, it's a steep descent to Lake Hawea via the Breast Hill Track, which is part of the Te Araroa Trail. For a longer ramble, you can also follow the Grandview Ridge Track south 22km to reach the Long Gully car park near Tarras.

### Wild file

**Access** Nook Road car park

**Grade** Moderate

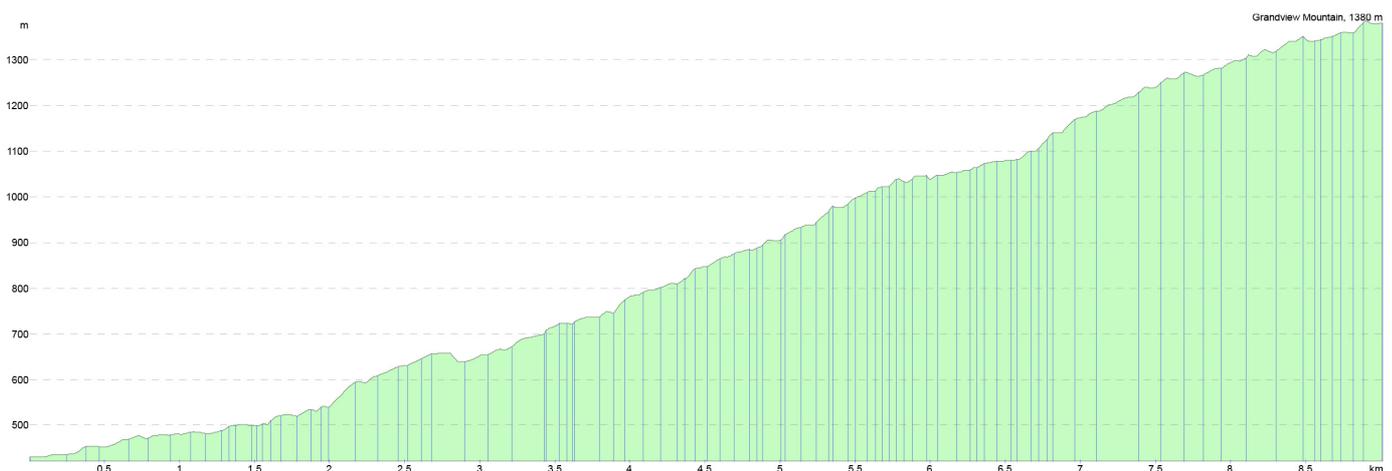
**Time** 4-6hr return

**Distance** 9km

**Total ascent** 1033m

**Map** CA13

### Elevation Profile



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