

Kiwi Stream to Top Hope Hut – 2 hours

Pass through the horse-gate at Kiwi Stream. Immediately turn right (West) and ride about 150 metres to the 4wd track opposite the trampers swing-bridge which spans the Hope River at the wee gorge. Ride through the bush on the 4wd track till you emerge at the magnificent St Jacobs Flat and ride up to the St Jacobs Hut. Riding time 40 minutes.

Keep riding, criss-crossing the riverbed, mainly on the true left bank till you get to Top Hope Hut. There is plenty of grass at both the huts in this magnificent valley and no Te Araroa walkers in this area. Riding time 1 hour 20 minutes from St Jacobs Hut to Top Hope Hut.

St Jacobs Hut

Top Hope Hut