# **Other Antarctic Sites**

Christchurch Airport Memorial Avenue First flight to McMurdo Station left from here in 1955 to support Operation Deep Freeze.

International Antarctic Centre 38 Orchard Road

Home to the New Zealand, American and Italian Antarctic Programmes.

#### Indian Totem Pole (Currently in Transit) Orchard Road

Gifted in appreciation of the hospitality given to Operation Deep Freeze personnel.

Canterbury University Ilam Road Home of research department, Gateway Antarctica Bowen homestead at Middleton Grange School 50 Acacia Avenue, Upper Riccarton

Riccarton Charles Bowen and his wife Georgina Markham hosted Scott, Shackleton and Wilson at

### this house. Air Force Museum

45 Harvard Avenue, Main South Road Display of the original aircraft used during the 1955–1959

Trans Antarctic Expedition. *Te Koraha at Rangi Ruru Girls' School* 59 Hewitts Road, Merivale Robert Falcon Scott stayed at

V Te Koraha, the Rhodes family home, before the Discovery nent, departed.

at Shackleton's Oak School 90 Ensors Road er Oak planted by Ernest Shackleton in 1917 at the wife Christchurch Girls' Training

Hostel.

### Linwood Cemetery

Linwood Avenue Location of the graves of Father John Coleman and Father O'Gorman, priests at the Chapel of the Snows, Antarctica.

#### *Ferrymead Heritage Park* 50 Ferrymead Park Drive

Photographer Herbert Ponting's darkroom and a US Antarctic Program DC3 aeroplane.

*Lyttelton* The port has serviced Antarctic expeditions from the Discovery expedition to present day. Tug 'Lyttelton' Escorted both the Nimrod and the Terra Nova at the start of their voyages south.

### Quail Island

Lyttelton Harbour The dogs, ponies and mules of Scott's and Shackleton's expeditions were quarantined here.

### Akaroa

Home of Frank Worsley, navigator for Shackleton's Imperial Trans Antarctic Expedition 1914–1917. The Akaroa Antarctic Trail pamphlet is available from the Akaroa Information Centre at 80 Rue Lavaud.



**Further information:** For further information on sites mentioned in this brochure, check ou www.christchurch.org.nz/antarctic For things to see and do in Christchurch, check out:



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# Christchurch The Garden City Antarctic Heritage Connections









# Christchurch is an official gateway city to Antarctica

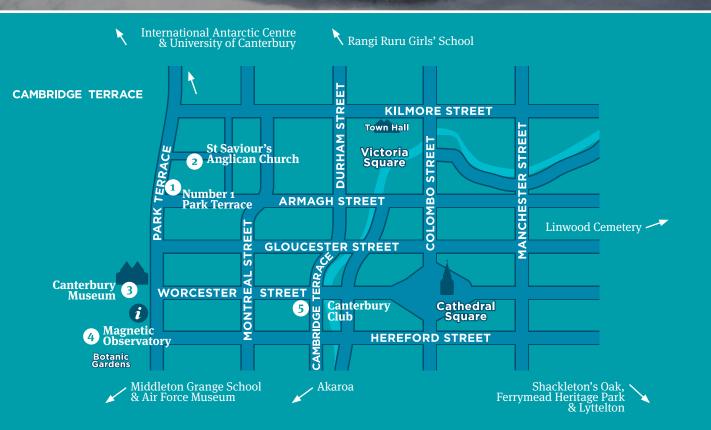
Christchurch has been the stepping-off point for many Antarctic expeditions since the early 1900s and is home to the Antarctic programmes of New Zealand, United States and Italy.

The city offers a rich introduction to the continent and to the many people who, for over three centuries, have been fascinated by that aweinspiring, mysterious, frozen land.

The city's connection with Antarctica enriches the scientific, cultural and economic base of Christchurch. Industry has developed to meet the needs of the scientists, artists, tourists, explorers and support personnel as they prepare for their time on the Ice.

This Antarctic trail, based in central Christchurch, travels past locations with connections to early expeditions, scientific research and community support for Antarctic exploration.

"We must always remember with gratitude and admiration the first sailors who steered their vessels through storms and mists, and increased our knowledge of the lands of ice in the South." — Roald Amundsen



# Number 1 Park Terrace (1)

Kathleen Scott and Oriana Wilson stayed at the house on this site in 1913 and wrote a letter to *The Press* newspaper expressing their gratitude for the sympathy and help given to them after

Wigram collection, Canterbury Museum they learned of the deaths of their husbands, Robert Falcon Scott and Edward Wilson, as they returned from the South Pole.

## St Saviour's Anglican Church (2)

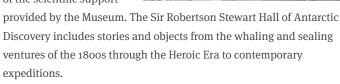
Originally in Lyttelton this church was attended by early Antarctic expedition members. Relocated in 1976, its original altar is in the Chapel of the Snows,

Antarctica. On 16 February 1913 Reverend Chambers led a memorial service to Scott and his companions saying they "had displayed magnificent courage and splendid devotion to duty".

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### Canterbury Museum (3)

The Museum's internationally renowned Antarctic collections began with donations by Scott's *Discovery* expedition in appreciation of the scientific support



## Magnetic Observatory – Botanic Gardens (4)

In 1901 a magnetic observatory was erected in the Botanic gardens to assist Robert Falcon Scott with his magnetic surveys in Antarctica. The instruments



operated for a number of years and were used by scientists to calibrate their instruments before heading to the Antarctic.

# Canterbury Club (5)

The club was established in 1872 and still operates. Officers and scientists including Dr. Edward Wilson from the expedition were guests in the club. Robert Falcon Scott frequently visited the club when he was in



Christchurch and Ernest Shackleton had his last dinner here before he went to Antarctica in 1907.

