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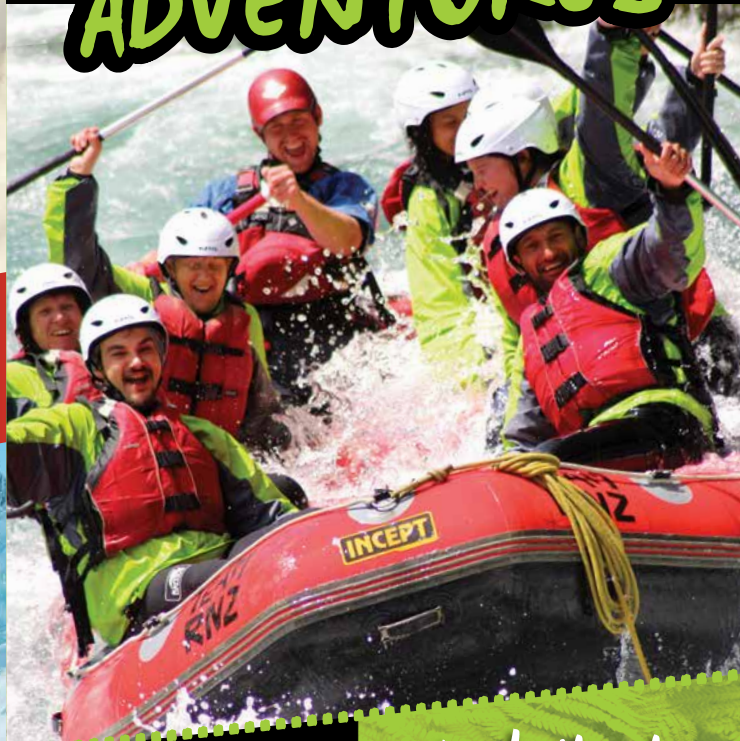
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FOR BOOKINGS AND INFORMATION:

Taupō i-SITE Visitor Centre, Tongariro St, Taupō
0800 LAKE TAUPŌ (0800 525 382)

Turangi i-SITE Visitor Centre, Ngawaka Place, Turangi
0800 2 TURANGI (0800 288 726)

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This Guide represents only a small selection of the activities and businesses in the Great Lake Taupō region and is correct at the time of publication. For a full list and more information please visit www.GreatLakeTaupo.com

GREAT LAKE TAUPO



Groundbreaking. Breathtaking.

Nau mai Haere Mai, Welcome to Great Lake Taupō - Nature's Ultimate Playground

The Great Lake Taupō region is undoubtedly one of the world's most unique and picturesque areas. The region is home to the beautiful and charming townships of Taupō (page 22), Turangi (page 52), Mangakino (page 60) and Tongariro National Park (page 64). Whatever you want to do in the great outdoors you'll find it here in this region of dramatic natural landscapes.

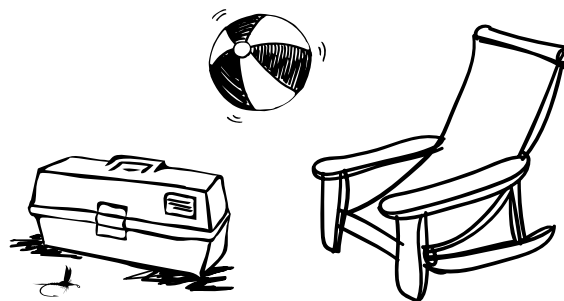


This popular tourist destination is a region of contrasts that boasts ancient forests, thermal water features, volcanoes, the largest freshwater lake in Australasia and the mountains and snowfields of Tongariro National Park, one of the world's oldest national parks and one of the few with dual World Heritage status.

The active volcanic and geothermal region of Great Lake Taupō is a sporting mecca and nature-lover's paradise, especially for boaters and those keen on trout fishing. The landscape lends itself to all kinds of activities, many of them being centered on and around Lake Taupō. From the high adrenaline rush of tandem skydiving and bungee

jumping, world class trout fishing, hiking the Tongariro Alpine Crossing, scenic cruises, skiing on Mt Ruapehu, mountain biking, bush walking, golfing on a championship course, soaking in a thermal hot pool or relaxing with a wine at a waterfront café—the choices are endless.

The region's unique Māori culture and history should not go untold with interwoven legends and stories from a time past. Look to the natural environment as it reveals the historical landmarks of yesterday. These together have combined to form the identity of this remarkable part of New Zealand. There are many things to do in the region that give insight into the history, stories and customs of the Ngāti Tūwharetoa Iwi (tribe) and twenty six hapu (sub-tribe) around Lake Taupō.



GREAT LAKE TAUPŌ

NATURE'S ULTIMATE PLAYGROUND

WHAT'S HOT IN TAUPŌ?

- ✓ Cruises
- ✓ Jet Boating
- ✓ Biking/Cycling
- ✓ Scenic Flights
- ✓ Hot Pools
- ✓ Kayaking
- ✓ Skydiving
- ✓ Trout Fishing
- ✓ Bungy
- ✓ Watersports
- ✓ Golf
- ✓ Geothermal Park
- ✓ Dining & Shopping
- ✓ Walks/Hikes

DRIVING TIMES TO TAUPŌ

From Auckland (SH1): 3.5 hrs From Wellington (SH1): 4.5hrs
 From Rotorua: 1hr From Napier: 2hrs
 From Whakapapa Ski Area: 1hr 15mins

WHAT'S HOT IN TURANGI TONGARIRO?

- ✓ Fly Fishing
- ✓ Climbing Wall
- ✓ Cafe & Art Gallery
- ✓ Mountain Biking
- ✓ Mini-Golf
- ✓ Paintball
- ✓ River Rafting
- ✓ Tongariro National Park
- ✓ Trout Centre
- ✓ Hiking

DRIVING TIMES TO TURANGI

From Taupō (SH1): 45mins From Wellington (SH1): 3hr 45mins
 From Whakapapa Ski Area: 40mins

WHAT'S HOT IN MANGAKINO?

- ✓ Wakeboarding
- ✓ Waterskiing
- ✓ Mountain Biking
- ✓ Camping
- ✓ Hiking
- ✓ Kayaking
- ✓ Golfing
- ✓ Stand Up Paddle Boarding

DRIVING TIMES TO MANGAKINO

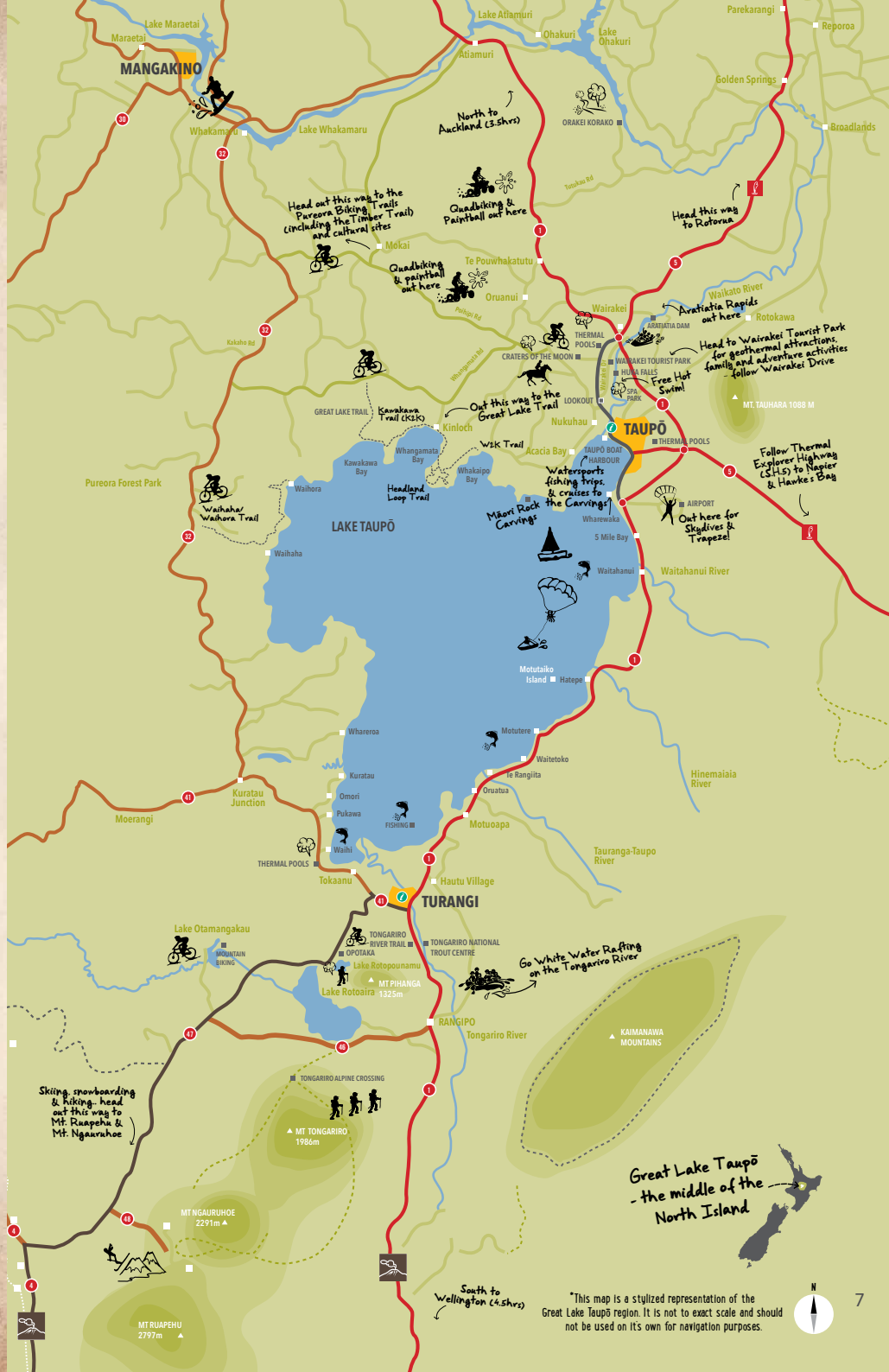
From Taupō: 45mins From Turangi: 1.5hrs
 From Tokoroa: 30mins

WHAT'S HOT IN TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK?

- ✓ Snow Skiing
- ✓ Snowboarding
- ✓ Mountain Biking
- ✓ Tongariro Alpine Crossing
- ✓ Hiking

DRIVING TIMES TO TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK (Whakapapa Ski Area)

From Taupō (SH1 onto SH47): 1hr 15mins
 From Turangi (SH1 onto SH47): 40mins



*This map is a stylized representation of the Great Lake Taupō region. It is not to exact scale and should not be used on its own for navigation purposes.



GREAT LAKE TAUPŌ events



The Events Capital of New Zealand

The Great Lake Taupō region, home to a diverse range of sporting, cultural and artistic events, is heralded as the 'events capital of New Zealand,' and rightly so when you consider our annual calendar of events—there's always something going on!

Our outstanding international events such as the Kellogg's Nutri-Grain IRONMAN New Zealand and the Taupō Summer Concert, which every year attracts around 15,000 people to the Taupō Amphitheatre to hear some of the best rock bands in the world, firmly place Great Lake Taupō on the events map.

Great Lake Taupō is also host to several other iconic events such as the Lake Taupo Cycle Challenge (NZ's benchmark cycling event), Wanderlust Great Lake Taupō (the world's leading yoga and lifestyle festival), and the Run Taupō series (that in 2015 showcased the first marathon in the district). Then there's the Taupo Motorsport Park (that hosts the international Toyota racing series), the National Equestrian Centre (that has the largest show jumping event in the southern hemisphere—the Fiber Fresh Christmas Classic), Thunder on the Great Lake, the annual Sika Show and in 2016 we are looking forward to launching the Taupō Winter Festival. Like Great Lake Taupō in Summer? You'll LOVE it this winter! The Taupō Winter Festival is a celebration of the arts, community, family and a whole lot of fun! Enjoy an action packed schedule with lots of free events on all three days and then relax and enjoy one of the spectacular evening shows. Perfectly placed in the middle of the school holidays so you can maximise your time spent in the magnificent Great Lake Taupō!

Check out overleaf for 2016's highlighted events, but for more information and a full list of regional events visit www.GreatLakeTaupo.com/Events.

Great Lake Taupō EVENTS CALENDAR

☆☆☆☆☆ HIGHLIGHTS

JANUARY

Epic Swim
OPEN WATER SWIM
Taupō Lake Front

JANUARY

Lakeland
Powerboat
Annual Event
POWERBOAT RACING
Lake Maraetai

JANUARY

Taupō Summer
Concert 2016
CONCERT
Taupō Amphitheatre

JANUARY

Thunder
on the Great
Lake Taupō
POWERBOAT RACING
Lake Taupō

FEBRUARY

Wanderlust Great
Lake Taupō
FESTIVAL
Wairakei Resort

FEBRUARY

Sovereign
Tri Series
TRIATHLON
Kinloch

FEBRUARY

Great Lake
Relay
RUN AND WALK
Lake Taupō

FEBRUARY

Lake Taupō
Across the
Lake Swim
OPEN WATER
Lake Taupō

FEBRUARY

Wairakei Estate
Ironkidz 2015
TRIATHLON
Lake Taupō

More events than you
can shake a stick at!





Great Lake Taupō | EVENTS CALENDAR

☆☆☆☆☆ HIGHLIGHTS

MARCH

Kellogg's Nutri-Grain IRONMAN NEW ZEALAND TRIATHLON Taupō

MARCH

Turangi Easter Colours Festival FESTIVAL Turangi

MARCH

Easter Fest FESTIVAL Taupō

SEPTEMBER

Sika Show TAUPO EVENTS CENTRE Taupō

OCTOBER

Graffiato STREET ARTS FESTIVAL Taupō

OCTOBER

Ssangyong Super Series MOTORSPORT Taupō Motorsport Park

APRIL

NZ Truck Racing RACING Taupō Motorsport Park

JULY

Tauhara Offroad Half Marathon RUN TAUPO SERIES Taupō

JULY

Taupō Winter Festival FESTIVAL Taupō

NOVEMBER

The Taniwha MULTISPORT Waikato River Trails

NOVEMBER

Lake Taupo Cycle Challenge CYCLING Taupō

NOVEMBER

Contact Huka Challenge MOUNTAIN BIKING Taupō

JULY

Hobby Expo TAUPO EVENTS CENTRE Taupō

AUGUST

Taupo Offroad Half Marathon RUN TAUPO SERIES Taupō

SEPTEMBER

Kinloch Offroad Half Marathon RUN TAUPO SERIES Taupō

DECEMBER

IRONMAN 70.3 TRIATHLON Taupō

DECEMBER

Fibre Fresh Christmas Classic EQUESTRIAN National Equestrian Centre

DECEMBER

New Years Eve Celebration and Fireworks FIREWORKS Taupō





biking



It's Wheeely Fun

Venture to the Great Lake Taupō region and experience a cycling paradise with world-renowned bike trails and tours. There really is something for everyone from the thrill seeking mountain biker, to a leisurely ride for the family that takes in some of the greatest scenery in the central plateau. Many of the trails follow beautiful bush tracks, with sweeping views of the lake, rivers and mountains.

BIKING HIGHLIGHTS:

- * **Great Lake Trail** – Taupō/Kinloch/Western Bays: One of the 18 'great rides' which make up Nga Haerenga, the New Zealand Cycle Trail network. Offering 74 km of single track with the option to ride the full trail over 2–3 days or opt for one or two individual sections. Ride along the western shores of Lake Taupō and enjoy sweeping views of the mountains and lake vistas.
- * **The Lion's Walk/Great Lake Walkway** – Taupō: An easy, level path that borders the scenic lake edge right in the centre of town. The trail begins at the Taupō Boat Harbour and follows the lakeshore south all the way to Five Mile Bay. Great for the whole family with plenty of stop off points and photo opportunities.
- * **Tongariro River Trail** – Turangi: A gentle ride suitable for anyone wanting to spend a pleasant hour cycling (families and children included). It follows a world famous trout river past rolling farmland, beech forests and fern glades with spectacular views at almost every bend. You'll also be able to stop off at the Tongariro National Trout Centre.

Visit www.GreatLakeTaupo.com/Biking for more information and inspiration on biking in our region.



walks & hikes



Nature's Best

Explore nature's ultimate playground by foot. You're in the right place if walking and hiking is your thing. The Great Lake Taupō region has some of the best walks and hiking trails in the world. With a backdrop of mountains, lakes and forests wrapped in rich cultural history, you can expect some great short and long walks to suit everyone, as well as overnight and multi-day options.

HIKING HIGHLIGHTS:

- * **Spa Thermal Park to Huka Falls** – Taupō: Take a 2 hr, easy return walk along the scenic Waikato River to the mighty Huka Falls, New Zealand's most visited natural attraction. Stop, soak and relax at the riverside Spa Park thermal pools along the way, a must do!
- * **Lake Rotopounamu Walking Track** – Turangi: This is a delightful 2 hr loop through beech forest, nestled on the side of Mt Pihanga. A favorite amongst tree lovers, birdwatchers, walkers and swimmers alike. Plus it's a great place for a picnic!
- * **Whirinaki Te Pua-a-Tane Conservation Park**: Just over an hour's drive east of Taupō, beneath forest giants whose species date back to the Jurassic era are a range of stunning walks, ranging from excursions of a few hours to multi-day adventures. Whirinaki hosts one of the great temperate rainforests remaining in the world today.

Visit www.GreatLakeTaupo.com/Walks or www.doc.govt.nz for more information and inspiration on walks and hikes in our region.

trout
fishing

Fishy Business

Ever since Zane Grey fished the Tongariro River and promoted it in his book "Tales of the Angler's Eldorado" in the 1920s, the Tongariro River has gained a reputation as a world-class river for brown trout and rainbow trout fishing. Nearby to where the Tongariro River meets Lake Taupō is the township of Turangi (40 minutes south of Taupō town), which is known as the 'Trout Fishing Capital of New Zealand' and is a great place to base yourself for a fly fishing holiday.

Fishing on Lake Taupō is also fantastic. You can use light tackle trolling and little experience, or try your hand in the shallows with your fly rod. For a little more sport head to one of the many adjoining streams using a smelt pattern. After some guidance? There are several fishing charters and launches with experienced skippers and guides in the Taupō region, available all year round.

IMPORTANT FISHING INFORMATION:

- * Fishing for trout requires a licence—available through www.doc.govt.nz.
- * There is a 3 fish limit per person per day with a minimum size of 40 cms.
- * Trout cannot be bought or sold commercially within New Zealand, however some local restaurants will happily prepare and serve privately caught trout. Best to arrange this in advance and they will need to sight your licence.
- * Appropriately, Turangi is also home to the Tongariro National Trout Centre and hatchery—a great outing for the whole family.
- * For fishing gear hire see Fly & Gun Hunting & Fishing on pg 51.

Visit www.GreatLakeTaupo.com/Fishing for more information and inspiration on fishing in our region.



golf



Teeing Off

If you're a golf lover then you'll be happy to know that the Great Lake Taupō region punches well above its weight in terms of quality golf courses. In fact, The Kinloch Club was ranked No. 1 in the 2014 New Zealand Golf Course Rankings according to PGA of NZ professionals, tour professionals and industry insiders; and the Wairakei Golf + Sanctuary came in at No. 6!

We invite you to come and enjoy a round of golf in this beautiful geothermal landscape, full of endless forests, rolling hills, mountains and mud pools. Our world renowned fairways have been built in harmony with the natural contours of the central plateau and our free-draining soils mean great golf all year round. And remember... "It's not about the scorecard at the end of the day, it's about sharing a laugh at the 19th hole."

GOLF HOTSPOTS:

- * **Wairakei Golf + Sanctuary:** A beautiful ecological environment for plants, bird life and animals.
- * **The Kinloch Club:** As NZ's only signature Jack Nicklaus golf course, The Kinloch Club has become a must visit, ranking in the top 100 golf courses in the world outside the US.
- * **Turangi Golf Club:** An attractive 18 hole course that is reasonably flat, with great water features.
- * **Taupo Golf Club:** New Zealand's only golf club offering TWO 18 hole golf courses. The two different courses provide an option to suit the type of golfing experience required.
- * Other popular courses include Kinloch Golf Club 10-hole country course, Wairakei Resort's 9-hole and Mangakino Golf Club. If you're short on time practice your swing at the Lake Taupo Hole in One Challenge.

Visit www.GreatLakeTaupo.com/Golf for more information and inspiration on golfing in our region.



backpacking



What's free?

WiFi along the lakefront and in town... Spa Park natural hot pools... taking selfies with a mate at Huka Falls... walking the world famous Tongariro Alpine Crossing... snapping the Aratiatia Rapids... exploring native bush trails... mountain biking with fantastic views...



Backpacking Goodness

IN A NUTSHELL...

The Great Lake Taupō ('tow-pour') region is a mecca of backpackery goodness! Brimming with awesome activities, sweet places to chill and things to do, friendly locals and a MASSIVE lake!

For more info, grab a FREE copy of our handy Backpacker Guide!



(It's full of helpful info and stuff that only locals know...)

NEED A PLACE TO STAY?



7 Tuwharetoa Street, Taupō 0800 BASE NZ or +64 7 377 4464 www.stayatbase.com



130 Heuheu Street, Taupō 07 378 8288 www.bradshawsloodge.com



20 Taniwha Street, Taupō +64 7 378 9292 www.finlayjacks.co.nz



99 Titiraupenga Street, Taupō 0508 724 629 or +64 7 378 5754 www.rainbowlodge.co.nz



65 Heuheu Street, Taupō 0800 872 261 or +64 7 378 6124 www.tur.co.nz



104 Tuwharetoa Street, Taupō 0800 845 456 or +64 7 377 4545 www.tikilodge.co.nz



Erua Road (Off SH4), Tongariro National Park +64 7 892 2894 www.thecrossingbackpackers.co.nz



6469 State Highway 1, Atiamuri +64 7 333 1718 www.thebeezneez.co.nz



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THE BUCKET LIST

While you're here in the Great Lake Taupō region, make sure you tick these off!

TONGARIRO ALPINE CROSSING

This world famous one day hike takes between six and eight hours and treks across active volcanoes, past emerald lakes and back down through stunning native bush.



BUNGY JUMP

Why live on the edge when you can jump off? Our bungee has been throwing people off their ledge since 1991.



SKYDIVE

Taupō has the most skydives per year in the world and it's easy to see why... incredible scenery and the cheapest prices in the country!



THERMAL POOLS

There are awesome paid hot pools all around our region. Short on cash? Soak in the free 'hot spot' on the Waikato River at Spa Park.

GET WET

Take a spin on a jet boat in the Waikato River, or raft your way down the mighty Tongariro River in Turangi!



MĀORI ROCK CARVINGS

These epic ten metre high carvings are hidden from sight around the side of Lake Taupō, and are only accessible by water.

VISIT McDONALDS

Seriously! Taupō's Maccas tops the list as 'the most unique McDonalds in the world.' FREE WiFi too!





māori legend



Ka Mate Haka

Most people have heard of Ka Mate, New Zealand's most famous haka, a traditional Māori war dance that is performed before every rugby game on an international stage by the legendary All Blacks, who recently won the Rugby World Cup in 2015.

What most people don't know though, is how and where the Ka Mate haka transpired. The origins of this haka date back some 200 years to a site called Opotaka on the shores of Lake Rotoaira, in between the town of Turangi and the Tongariro National Park. The original haka was composed by the great warrior Te Rauparaha, a chief of Ngāti Toa Rangatira, who lived in the 1820's. Te Rauparaha had many enemies and found himself fleeing his homeland of Kawhia to find a new place to live. It was on the shores of Lake Rotoaira that Te Rauparaha was given refuge in a kumara (sweet potato) pit by the local chief Te Whareangi to conceal him from his enemies who were in hot pursuit. Te Whareangi asked his wife, Te Rangikoaea, to seat herself over the entrance to the pit to avert the pursuers. It was in this kumara pit that Te Rauparaha performed his haka which contrary to popular belief is a celebration of life over death, faith over despair, rather than a war dance.

For the full story please visit www.GreatLakeTaupo.com/Home-of-the-Haka




Whirinaki Forest

Whirinaki Forest has no parallel of its kind on Earth today. By its antiquity, by its great height and density, but - more than all - by its sheer beauty, it inspires us with reverence and awe. Nestled on the Taupō district's eastern flanks is the Whirinaki Te Pua-a-Tane Conservation Park. A mecca for nature lovers and walkers, this special place offers a diverse range of experiences and adventure excursions, suited to all ages and fitness levels.


“NO WORRIES” HANGI BRO!
 She'll be right **KNACKERED**
 Sweet As★LONG DROP
CUZ **Wop-Wops**
 chocka **KIWI** ★★ ★
 MINT **slang** **MATE**
 TAKEAWAYS **Not even SKINT**
 ow!
 Tu Meke! **Tomato Sauce**
 ★★ ★ **YOU'RE ALL GOOD**
 SKINT **CHUR** “Mean As”

USEFUL INFORMATION

VISITOR INFORMATION

Taupō  **SITE**
30 Tongariro Street,
phone +64 7 376 0027
or 0800 525 382,
Open Daily
taupovc@GreatLakeTaupo.com



Turangi  **SITE**
Ngawaka Place, Turangi,
phone +64 7 386 8999
or 0800 288 726
Open Daily
turangivc@GreatLakeTaupo.com



Department of Conservation Visitor Centre
Whakapapa, Mt Ruapehu, phone +64 7 892 3729
open daily 8am–5pm (winter), 8am–6pm (summer)
email tongarirov@doc.govt.nz

MOUNTAIN WEATHER REPORT

TNP Weather MetPhone, phone 0900 999 15
Mt Ruapehu, Whakapapa snow reports and ski/board
ing facilities information: www.mtruapehu.com

EMERGENCIES

Police, Fire and Ambulance, phone 111
Taupō Police Station is located at 21 Story Place (behind the
Taupō i-SITE), Phone +64 7 378 6060

Turangi Police Station is located at 4 Ohuanga Road.
Phone +64 7 386 7709

Mangakino Police Station is located at Rimu Street.
Phone +64 7 882 9070

ACCIDENT & EMERGENCY MEDICAL & DENTAL CENTRES

Taupō Hospital, (24 hour emergency department),
32 Kotare Street, Phone +64 7 376 1000

BANKS & ATMS

Trading banks in Taupō and Turangi are open Monday–Friday
(except for public holidays), 9am to 4:30pm. ATMs are outside
most banks and several other locations throughout the
region, including Whakamaru (near Mangakino) and National
Park (near Mt Ruapehu).

TAXIS

Great Lake Taxis, Phone +64 7 377 8990
Blue Bubble Taxis, Phone +64 7 378 5100
Taupo's Top Cabs, Phone +64 378 9250

TAUPŌ AIRPORT

Domestic flights depart daily from Taupō Airport. International flights
are just a 3.5 hour drive away at Auckland International Airport.

USEFUL INFORMATION

VEHICLE RENTALS

There are a range of rental cars and campervans available
from several Taupō-based companies. Drivers must be 21
years or over and have a current driver's licence to hire a
rental vehicle.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

NZ Post will convert foreign cash to NZ\$ without any
commission at any PostShop. Banks will also convert
foreign cash.

GOODS & SERVICES TAX (GST)

A GST of 15% is included in the cost of all goods and services
in New Zealand, except for purchases at duty-free shops.

PHONE SERVICES

When phoning Great Lake Taupō numbers from out of town,
dial 07 first. Local calls from a Spark payphone cost \$1.00
for the first 15 minutes, then \$0.20 per minute. It is easy to
pick up a New Zealand SIM card and the main networks are
2degrees, Vodafone NZ, Spark and Skinny.

USEFUL NUMBERS

National directory	018	National tolls	010
International directory	0172	International tolls	0170

POSTAL SERVICES

Taupō PostShop, 46 Horomatangi Street
Phone +64 7 378 9093
Turangi Postshop, 2 Ohuanga Road. Phone +64 7 386 7769

CAR RENTALS, SHUTTLES AND TRANSPORT

Transport

Budget Rent a Car

108 Rifle Range Rd Taupō/Taupō Airport P: +64 7 378 9764 W: www.budget.co.nz

Great Lake Shuttles

P: +64 21 656 424 W: www.greatlakeshuttles.co.nz

The Crossing Backpackers

P: +64 7 892 2894 W: www.thecrossingbackpackers.co.nz

Turangi Alpine Shuttles

P: 0508 4 CROSS (0508 4 27677) W: www.turangirentals.co.nz

Tongariro Expeditions

P: 0800 828 763 W: www.tongariroexpeditions.com

Wahine Toa Luxury Travel

Taupō P: 0800 1 HUMMA (486662)

welcome to
TAUPŌ

Ignite Your Senses

Taupō owes its name to the great chief and explorer—Tia. Tia arrived on the eastern side of the lake at Halletts Bay and noted a cliff formation resembling his heavy feathered cloak (known as a Taupō). He then set up an altar and claimed the place as Taupō-nui-a-tia—the great shoulder cloak of Tia. This was eventually abbreviated to Taupō (pronounced 'tow-pour'). Visit the heritage page on www.GreatLakeTaupo.com/Heritage for the full story.



The beautiful resort town of Taupō is the hub of the central North Island, making it an ideal base for exploring. It is the main township of the Great Lake Taupō region, with a population of 23,000, and is one of those extraordinary places that you'll visit and wish you

lived in. Taupō is an easy commute from the major centers of the North Island, making it the perfect place to gather with friends and family. It also offers the perfect balance of excitement and relaxation. There are top class restaurants and accommodation options abound, numerous art and craft galleries to explore, and endless outdoor adventures. The boutique nature of the shopping area and ongoing calendar of events make this a destination to suit all visitors.

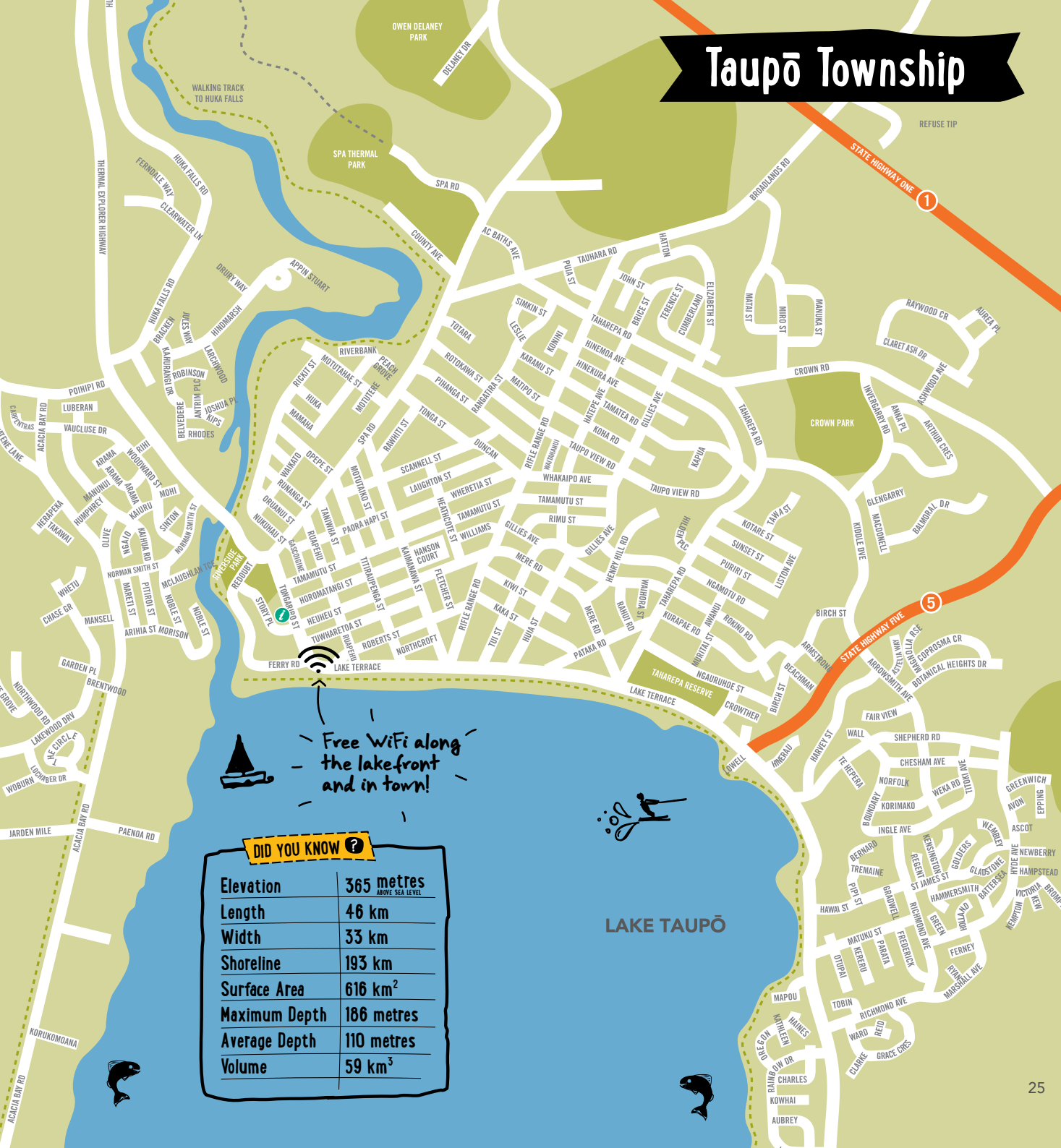
The spiritual and cultural beauty of the Mine Bay Māori Rock carvings is magnificent. The carvings tower above the deep waters of the Great Lake and are possibly the largest of their kind in the world. In 1976 Te Huatahi Susie Gilbert, the grandmother of Matahi Whakataka-Brightwell

(a Tohunga Whakairo) requested that Matahi sculpt a likeness of Ngatoroirangi, a visionary Māori Navigator for the Te Arawa sailing canoe 1350AD, on the cliffs at Mine Bay in the area of Ngāti Rauhoto. The carving process took over four years, and was supported by other artists over the years, including the late Te Miringa Hohaia, the late Jono Randal, Steve Mhyre, Sean Jamieson, Dave Hegglun and Stu Barnett. The work on the carvings started at Labour weekend in 1976, so 2016 will mark the 40 year anniversary of the commencement of the project.

Make sure you catch the iconic and thundering action of the Huka Falls. Here, New Zealand's longest river—the Waikato, churns through a narrow chasm creating New Zealand's most visited natural attraction. Taupō is also known for its adrenalin activities like bungy jumping, skydiving and jet boating, but equally for its fishing, boating, walking and natural attractions such as geothermal hot pools, waterfalls, forests and volcanoes. These qualities make Taupō the perfect holiday destination or weekend getaway location.



Taupō Township



Free WiFi along
the lakefront
and in town!

DID YOU KNOW ?

Elevation	365 metres ABOVE SEA LEVEL
Length	46 km
Width	33 km
Shoreline	193 km
Surface Area	616 km ²
Maximum Depth	186 metres
Average Depth	110 metres
Volume	59 km ³



LAKE TAUPŌ



TAUPŌ – Adrenalin



Rapids Jet



If you want a real ride then “Jet Boat the Rapids” in a 500 h/p V8 jet boat. Shoot the narrowest canyon and the biggest rapids on the Waikato River. Surfing pressure waves, muscling up rapids, jet spins. Fun, Safe and Exhilarating. Locally owned & operated. No.1 Taupō activity on Trip advisor.

Product: Jet Boat Rides **Duration:** 35 Mins **Departures:** Daily, ph for times **Prices:** \$105 Adults \$60 Child 5–15yrs **Restrictions:** Unsuitable for under 5 year olds **We provide:** Spray jacket, life jacket, heated hand rails **What to bring:** Warm jackets, woolly hat & gloves for winter

Nga Awa Purua Road,
off Rapids Road, Aratiatia, Taupō
0800 727 437
info@rapidsjet.com
www.rapidsjet.com



TAUPŌ – Adrenalin



Skydive Taupo



With our expert tandem skydive instructors, you'll jump out of our aircraft from up to 15,000ft and into an incredible free-fall over the worlds most stunning drop zone, surrounded by snow tipped peaks and the fresh blue of Lake Taupō. If you are looking for the ultimate heart-pounding thrill ride, you definitely need to book the amazing Skydive Taupo experience!

Product: Tandem Skydive! Freefall DVD, handcam DVD & Photos all in HD and offered on a unique USB **Transport:** FREE Limo pick-up and drop-off within Taupō. FREE return shuttle from Rotorua **Duration:** Allow 2–3 Hours **Departures:** Everyday, weather permitting **Restrictions:** 100kg weight limit

Anzac Memorial Drive, Taupō Airport
0800 375 057
info@skydivetaupo.co.nz
www.skydivetaupo.co.nz



TAUPŌ – Adrenalin



Taupo Tandem Skydiving



Skydive from 15,000 feet above spectacular Lake Taupō with one minute in freefall, reaching speeds over 200 kilometres per hour! With the largest range of camera options available and multi-lingual staff, your skydive will be unforgettable. Experience the adventure with New Zealand's original tandem skydiving company, operating since 1992. As a Qualmark endorsed activity, your safety is our number one priority. **Free pick ups from Rotorua, and free Hummer pick ups within Taupō!**

Prices: \$249 for 12,000ft, \$339 for 15,000 ft, camera from \$25–\$260
Duration: Allow 2 hours **Departures:** Every day, weather permitting, from Taupō Airport **Restrictions:** 100kg weight limit

Yellow Hangar, Taupō Airport
 0800 826 336
 skydive@tts.net.nz
 www.taupotandemskydiving.com



TAUPŌ – Adrenalin



Taupo Bungy & Cliffhanger

Home of NZ's highest water touch bungy jump and cliff face extreme swing. Located above the crystal clear Waikato River with stunning scenery, what better place to get your adrenalin fix. Spectators welcome. Free Wi-Fi available.

Prices: Bungy \$169 pp, Swing \$119 Adult \$89 Child (10–15); Combo \$238pp
Transport: Free Shuttle within Taupō **Restrictions:** Min Weight 45 kgs (Bungy), 30 kgs (Swing) Min age 10 years **Operating Hours:** 9:30am–4:00pm Winter, 9:30am–5:00pm Summer

202 Spa Road, Taupō
 0800 888 408
 jump@taupobungy.co.nz
 www.taupobungy.co.nz



TAUPŌ – Adventure



Hukafalls Jet

The exhilarating power of the Hukafalls Jet is an experience you will never forget. Get ready for our trademark 360° spins, leaving you with a heart pumping with adrenalin, all the way to the mighty Huka Falls.

Operating Hours: 9am–5pm **Restrictions:** Children must be at least 1 metre tall to ride Hukafalls Jet. **Season:** All year round, except Christmas Day
Price: \$115 per Adult, \$69 per child (up to 15 years) **What to bring:** Small camera, sunglasses & warm clothing if you coming in the cooler months.

200 Karetoto Rd, Wairakei Tourist Park, Taupō
 +64 7 374 8572
 info@hukafallsjet.com
 www.hukafallsjet.com



TAUPŌ – Adventure



New Zealand River Jet

Riverjet “The Squeeze” Scenic ride, wade through hot thermal stream, narrow crevasses, hot swim. Thrill ride on return 2.5–3 hours. **Riverjet Thermal Safari** Scenic jetboat, entrance into Orakei Korako included. Thrill ride on return 2.5–3 hours. **Riverjet Scenic Blast** best value and “longest” short tip in the region, scenic tour, thrill ride. 45–50 minutes.

Product: Riverjet Thermal Safari & Riverjet ‘The Squeeze’ **Departures:** Daily (except Christmas) **Duration:** 2.5–3 hours **Season:** All seasons **Prices:** Adult \$159.00 Child \$89.00 **What to bring:** Swimming costume, towel, sunglasses **What we provide:** Life jacket, spray jacket, winter soup, wet suits (winter), crocs.

Cnr SH5 & Tutukau Road, Repora
+64 7 333 7111
sales@riverjet.co.nz
www.riverjet.co.nz



TAUPŌ – Adventure



Taupo Kayaking & Mt Bike Adventures

Spectacular scenic tours around the Great Lake Taupō region incorporating kayaking, kayak fishing, mountain biking, walking and overnight experiences. Standard tours of guided adventure packages tailored specially for you. Discover our lake, rivers and streams, breathtaking scenery, geothermal activity, natural hotpools, Māori rock carvings rich in cultural history.

Operate: All year round **Departures:** Summer and winter times—normal operating times or tailorised departures available **Tours include:** Refreshments with quality muffins or quiches **Transport:** On request only—within Taupō CBD

Unit 2 876, Acacia Bay Rd, Acacia Bay, Taupō
0800 852 583 or 0274 801 231
info@tka.co.nz www.tka.co.nz



TAUPŌ – Adventure/Family



Rafting New Zealand Adventure Centre

Rafting New Zealand (RNZ) Adventure Centre (Taupō)—Home of the 6D Adventure Cinema, Rafting New Zealand (NZ’s most awarded rafting company) & Taupō’s Best Adventure Activities—we only promote and sell the very best operators, which enables us to organise amazing holiday adventures. RNZ Adventure Centre—“Your Holiday Adventure starts here.”

Product: 6D Adventure Cinema, Rafting Adventures, Friendly Adventure information & bookings, FREE Wi-Fi, Espresso Coffee. **Operating Hours:** Summer Season: 9am–7pm (7 Days) Winter Season: 9am–5pm (7 Days) **Season:** All year **Departures:** Multiple Departures **Prices:** From \$9 pp **Transport:** Pick ups Daily

47 Ruapehu Street, Taupō
+64 7 378 8482 or 0508 Adventure
bookings@raftingnewzealand.com
www.raftingnewzealand.com



TAUPŌ – Adventure/Leisure



INFLITE Charters

INFLITE Charters offer spectacular helicopter scenic flights around Taupō and beyond. Highlights include, Huka Falls, Māori Rock Carvings, Lake Taupō and the majestic volcanoes of Tongariro National Park. Our exclusive alpine landing should not be missed!

Capacity: Flights subject to a minimum of 2 passengers
Operating Hours: Daylight on demand **Price:** from \$99 per person
Duration: from 9 minutes to 90 minutes

Taupō Airport, Taupō
 0800 435 488 or
 +64 7 377 8805 or +64 21 687 907
 taupo@inflitecharters.com
 www.inflitecharters.com



TAUPŌ – Adventure/Leisure



Taupō's Floatplane

Enjoy spectacular scenic flights in a high wing Cessna 206 Floatplane and enjoy unrestricted views looking down on beautiful Lake Taupō and the snow-capped mountains (volcanoes!) of Tongariro National Park. The sensation of taking off from and landing on the water is a memory you will never forget.

Operating hours: 8:30am until sunset, weather permitting
Prices: Start from \$105 per adult **Duration:** From 10mins **Season:** All year round
Departures: On demand **Capacity:** 5 passengers per plane x 2 planes
What to bring: Camera **We provide:** Enthusiastic pilots

Ferry Road, Taupō Boat Harbour, Taupō
 +64 7 378 7500
 info@tauposfloatplane.co.nz
 www.tauposfloatplane.co.nz



TAUPŌ – Biking/Cycling

Great Lake Shuttles

021 656 424
 info@greatlakeshuttles.co.nz
 www.greatlakeshuttles.co.nz



Great Lake Shuttle provides mountain bike transport and shuttle services to all the popular mountain biking tracks and trails in the Taupō region including: Wairakei Forest, Craters Mountain Bike Park, Waikato River trails, the Great Lake Trail. Other trails available on request.

TAUPŌ – Family

AC Baths

Cnr Spa Road and
 AC Baths Avenue, Taupō
 +64 7 376 0350
 info@taupo.govt.nz
 www.taupo.govt.nz/acbaths

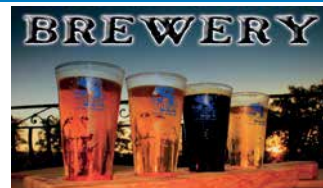


AC Baths is an aquatics and fitness facility complete with hydro slides, tarzan swing, leisure and training pools, sauna, fitness gym and indoor rock climbing wall. Come and check us out for some family fun!

TAUPŌ – Family

Crafty TROUT Brewing Co.

135 Tongariro Street
 (By Roundabout), Taupō
 +64 7 929 8570
 info@craftytrout.co.nz
 www.craftytrout.co.nz



It doesn't get fresher or more local than this! Crafted on-site: Beer, Cider and non-alcoholic gingerbeer. Brewery Tours daily, Liquor outlet, Trout gift shop and Austrian Alpine Bier Kafe serving great food & drinks.

TAUPŌ – Family

Mind Junction

Corner of SH5 and Palmer
 Mill Road, Wairakei, Taupō
 +64 7 377 6555
 trish@mindjunction.co.nz
 www.mindjunction.co.nz



Come and experience Taupō's friendliest attraction. With 7 different activities plus puzzles, food and coffee. The most unique puzzle shop full of exclusive puzzles and games. With activities inside and out there is something to suit all ages. Operating Hours: 10am-4pm daily. Closed Christmas Day and Boxing Day. Heaps to keep everyone entertained in all weathers.

TAUPŌ – Family/Leisure



Taupo DeBretts

Google Taupo DeBretts. Multi Award Winning Holiday Park Resort voted #27 for AA 101 New Zealand must dos. All weather family fun. Interactive water playground, tipping bucket, 3 warm water hydro slides. Stay, soak, soothe, savour.

Product: Natural Geothermal Hot Pools with Hydro Slides and water park.
Operating Hours: Pools open from 8:30am till 9:30pm last entry at 9pm.
 365 days of the year. **Season:** All seasons **Price:** \$11 Children and \$22 Adult
Additional Info: Slides are an additional \$7.00 per person

76 Napier-Taupo Rd, State Highway 5, Taupō
 +64 7 378 8559
 info@taupodebretts.com
 www.taupodebretts.co.nz



TAUPŌ – Family/Leisure



Huka Honey Hive

Visit Huka Honey Hive to understand the vital role that bees play in the health of our planet, while tasting and experiencing the wonderful products their honey produces.

Product: Honey, Honey ice cream, honey skincare and much much more
Price: Free Entry **Season:** All year **Operating Hours:** Oct 1–Easter 9am–5pm
 Winter 10am–5pm

Karetoto Road (Off Huka Falls Road)
 Wairakei Tourist Park
 +64 7 374 8553
 info@hukahoneyhive.com
 www.hukahoneyhive.com



TAUPŌ – Fishing

Central Plateau Fishing

21 Glen Mohr,
 Acacia Bay, Taupō
 +64 27 681 4134
 brett@cpf.net.nz
 www.cpf.net.nz



Central Plateau Fishing specialises in professionally guided fly fishing. Trips range from half to multi-days. Wilderness summer dry fly, quadbike adventure fishing, heli-fishing & boat fishing are only a phone call away. All gear & refreshments supplied.

TAUPŌ – Fishing

Fish Taupo

Berth 1, Taupō Boat Harbour,
 Taupō
 0800 FISHTAUPŌ (347 482)
 M: 027 478 8509
 martystains@xtra.co.nz
 www.fishtaupo.co.nz



Stratus, a Rayglass 850 designed for fishing & cruising in comfort in all weather conditions. Free light refreshments, BYO other stuff! From \$110 per hour for the boat & quality gear (not per person). Go with the local professional who owns the boat and has your interest at heart.

TAUPŌ – Geothermal/Volcanic

Craters of the Moon

Karapiti Road,
 Wairakei, Taupō
 +64 274 965 131
 cratershuka@xtra.co.nz
 www.cratersofthemoon.co.nz



A unique walk through an ever changing geothermal landscape featuring craters of boiling mud and steam vents. Open every day except Christmas, the walk is suited to all ages and fitness levels and is wheelchair accessible.

TAUPŌ – Geothermal/Volcanic

Volcanic Activity Centre

114 Karetoto Rd,
 Wairakei, Taupō
 +64 7 374 8375
 volcaniccentre@xtra.co.nz
 www.volcanoes.co.nz



The hottest place in town...Where the mysteries and wonders of the Taupō Volcanic Zone come to life through interactive displays and audio visual presentations. See how a live geyser works, spectacular DVD films, earthquake simulator. Experience the power of the planet.

TAUPŌ – Geothermal/Volcanic



Orakei Korako Cave & Thermal Park



Situated just 25 minutes north of Taupō “The Hidden Valley” of Orakei Korako Cave & Thermal Park. Wander through a valley of unbelievable colour, of bubbling hot springs, gushing geysers and unimaginable natural beauty. Lonely Planet Travellers Guide writes...“**Orakei Korako is arguably the best thermal area left in New Zealand and one of the finest in the world**” Trip Advisor Winner of Excellence 2011–2015.

Operating hours: Summer 8am–4:30pm; Winter 8am–4pm Open Xmas Day
Departures: Ferry runs on demand every day **Duration:** 1–1.5hrs
Product: Thermal attraction. New Zealand’s Best Geothermal Area. **Season:** Summer: Oct–Apr; Winter: May–Sept **GPS:** Lat 38 deg 28.429 S / Long 176 deg 8.582 E | -38 28.429, 176 8.582 | 38°28'25.7" S 176°08'34.9" E

494 Orakei Korako Road, RD 2, Reporoa. 38kms North of Taupō (25 mins drive) towards Hamilton on SH1.
 +64 7 378 3131
 admin@orakeikorako.co.nz
 www.orakeikorako.co.nz



TAUPŌ – Geothermal/Volcanic



Waimangu Volcanic Valley



The world’s newest geothermal system offering walking tours and boat cruises. Awesome geothermal experiences including ‘Frying Pan Lake’, the worlds largest hot spring; huge ‘Inferno Crater’ following a mysterious rhythmic cycle of filling, overflowing and emptying; fractured ‘Cathedral Rocks’ vent beautiful billows of steam; unique thermal plants. The winner of many ecotourism awards.

Product: Walking tours, boat cruises, café & shopping
Operating hours: Open daily 8:30am; last admission 3:45pm (4:45pm January)
Duration: Valley Walk – allow 1.5–2 hours; Valley Walk with Boat Cruise – allow 2.5–3 hours

587 Waimangu Road, Rotorua
 +64 7 366 6137
 nature@waimangu.co.nz
 www.waimangu.co.nz



TAUPŌ – Golf

Wairakei 9 Hole Golf Course

Wairakei Road, Taupō
+64 7 374 9652
stay@wairakei.co.nz
www.wairakei.co.nz



Wairakei Resort 9-hole public golf course is open 364 days a year. Offering a relaxing golfing experience. Golf club hire available. Golf shop sells golf balls and food and beverage. Car parking at Wairakei Resort.

TAUPŌ – Lake Activities



Ernest Kemp Cruises

WE GET YOU THE CLOSEST: Daily Māori Rock Carving Cruise. Step back in time for a voyage of discovery. View the world famous Māori Rock Carvings, Hot Water Beach, Lake Front and Acacia Bay. Friendly informative commentary about the lake and Māori history. Take a dip in the beautiful Lake Taupō. **10% OFF CRUISE WITH THIS ADVERT.**

WE CRUISE EVERYDAY 10:30am, 2pm (*5pm Oct–April Pre Dinner Cruise enjoy a complimentary glass of wine, beer or non-alcoholic beverage & nibbles). All cruises receive coffee, tea, hot chocolate & cookies. (January Special: 12:30 1.5 hours discounted). **Prices:** Adults \$40, Seniors \$35, Children \$15 under 5 free, Family \$99 2ad–4ch

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+64 7 378 3444 or +64 7 378 9222 or +64 (0)21669 139
adiwalker@reap.org.nz www.earnestkemp.co.nz



TAUPŌ – Lake Activities/Fishing



Barbary and Ranui



SAIL, CRUISE, FISH, RELAX, PLAY aboard either of our two historic boats—Barbary and Ranui. We guarantee you will enjoy and get the most out of your time in Taupō and our TripAdvisor reviews reflect this. Our passion for our unique boats, what we do, the Great Lake we operate on and the awesome town in which we live is second to none—we want to share this passion with you.

Product: Barbary: Sail to the Māori Rock Carvings; Ranui: Fishing and Sightseeing Charters **Departures:** Barbary: Up to 3 times daily; Ranui: On Demand **What we provide:** Fishing gear, ponchos/blankets, free tea & coffee, BYO (Bring Your Own) food & beverage option **Price:** Barbary: From \$35; Ranui: POA

Berths 9 & 10, Taupō Boat Harbour, Taupō
+64 7 378 5879 or +64 7 377 0773
www.sailbarbary.com
www.laketaupodayout.com



KEEPING OUR WATERS CLEAN

OUR PLAYGROUND. OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Coming to jump in our great lakes and rivers? Please make sure you know how to protect the awesome quality of Taupō's lakes and rivers from invasive weeds, algae and pest fish! Follow these simple instructions whenever you move between waterways within this awesome district. and when travelling around our amazing country:

- CHECK:** Your equipment & remove any visible matter such as weed or algae.
- CLEAN:** If your gear has not been dry for at least 48hrs then clean with a 5% detergent solution and soak for at least 1 minute.
- DRY:** An acceptable alternative method, provided that all components are completely dry to the touch, inside and out, and then left dry for at least another 48 hours.



For more information visit www.biosecurity.govt.nz/cleaning

TAUPŌ – Lake Activities



Fearless Scenic Sailing Cruise

Be Fearless! Join our crew for a sail on Fearless, Great Lake Taupō's only ketch offering small groups, of up to 14 people, pure sailing magic. Experience the beauty and thrill of a scenic journey out to the infamous Māori Rock Carvings taking in the popular Te Kopua and Acacia Bays en-route.

Product: Daily scenic sail to the Māori rock carvings **Duration:** 2.5 Hours
We provide: Free hot or cold drink with a stale biscuit. We are BYO now!
Operating Hours: Daily Departures from Taupō Harbour, just look for the Pirate Flag 10:30am, 1:30pm and 4:30pm, summer only trip at 7:00pm

Taupō Boat Marina Berth #31, Taupō
 Mobile: +64 22 189 1847
 sailfearless@hotmail.co.nz
 www.sailfearless.co.nz



TAUPŌ – Lake Activities/Fishing/Biking



Chris Jolly Outdoors

A scenic cruise on our spacious launch Cruise Cat offers a smoother, more comfortable ride and takes you further. Enjoy fabulous views, live commentary and free tea/coffee & hot, homemade muffin provided by our friendly skipper & crew. The 1:30pm sailings are called 'Taste of Taupō' cruise as includes trout fishing demonstration.

Product: Scenic Cruises **Departures:** Daily - Summer: 10:30am, 1:30pm (Taste of Taupō) and 5:00pm. Winter: 10:30am and 1:30pm.
We provide: Free morning/afternoon tea **Prices:** Adult \$44, Child \$16, Family pass \$106 (2 A & up to 4 C)

Berth 4, Ferry Road, Taupō Boat Harbour, Taupō
 +64 7 378 0623 or 0800 252 628
 bookings@chrisjolly.co.nz
 www.chrisjolly.co.nz



TAUPŌ – Leisure



Huka Prawn Park

Enjoy a day of fun and adventure at New Zealand's only Prawn Fishing Park. Over 6 hectares of entertainment; and over 200,000 prawns to be caught! Fun and excitement for the whole family, and a fantastic Riverside Restaurant and Bar.

Operating hours: From 9:30am daily **What we provide:** All equipment provided **Duration:** All day if you like! **Prices:** Family passes from just \$69 for 2 adults and up to 5 Children! **Season:** All year

201 Karetoto Road, Wairakei Park, Taupō
 +64 7 374 84 74
 info@hukaprawnpark.co.nz
 www.hukaprawnpark.co.nz



TAUPŌ – Leisure



Taupō Museum

Taupō Museum has something for everyone. Visual history displays, art galleries, Māori art and culture. Chelsea Flower Show gold medal wining garden, Ora – Garden of Wellbeing and museum shop. A must do visitor experience for everyone.

Operating Hours: Open 7 days – 10am to 4:30pm Closed Good Friday and Christmas Day **Prices:** Adults \$5 Senior Citizens and Students \$3, Taupō residents FREE with ID, Children (School age and under) FREE.

Story Place, Taupō
 +64 7 376 0414
 taupomuseum@taupo.govt.nz
 www.facebook.com/TaupoMuseum





TAUPŌ – River



Huka Falls River Cruise

This is the only way you can stand above the turbulent white water and experience the awesome power of Huka Falls. Great photography and video with so much to see and everything being close. Highlights – Huka Falls, Birdlife, Natural hot springs, Native bush, Geothermal Power, Aratiatia Dam, Trout and more...

Operating Hours: Daily 10:30am, 12:30pm, 2:30pm plus 4:30pm in Summer
Duration: 1.5 hours **Prices:** \$37 Adults, Child \$15, Family package 2A 2C \$89
What to bring: Camera and Jacket **We provide:** Tea and Coffee

Aratiatia Dam Carpark Taupō
 0800 278 336
 info@hukafallscruise.co.nz
 www.hukafallscruise.co.nz



TAUPŌ – Walking & Hiking

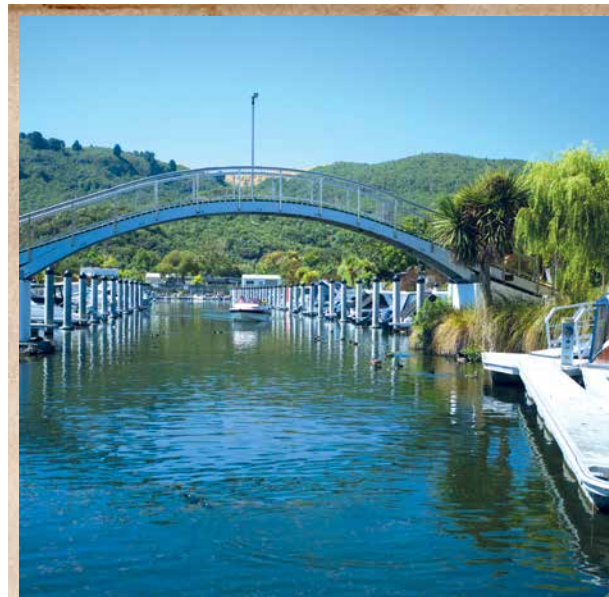


Rainforest Experiences New Zealand

Authentic, informative and entertaining 1-Day eco-cultural walk and 1-Day rainforest privately guided walk experiences in a setting unlike anything else found anywhere in Aotearoa New Zealand. Freedom travellers and small group tours are our specialty.

Product: Fully guided tours with a maximum of 4.5 hours on the track, including a luncheon break and interpretation **Departures:** Tours departing Taupō 9am, returning 5pm–5:30pm (ETA). **Additional Info:** Track is graded easy to moderate, Pre-bookings are essential.

P O Box 1555, Taupō, 3351
 0800 86 9255
 admin@rainforexperiencesnz.com
 www.rainforexperiencesnz.com



HIDDEN TRANQUILITY

Kinloch is a stunning little settlement on the western shores of Lake Taupō, just one of the small towns dotted around Lake Taupō, nestled in Whangamata Bay. Home to 300 residents, it has stunning views of the lake and mountains. Kinloch is a popular holiday hangout for locals and tourists to enjoy. Only a 20 minute drive from the Taupō town centre, this charming community is the perfect picturesque spot for a lakeside picnic lunch, a dip in the fresh lake water, a spot of trout fishing or a meander around the Kinloch Marina. Be sure to grab a coffee and a bite to eat from the popular local café, across from the lake's edge.

History tells us that Kinloch's name comes from the Scottish Gaelic name Ceann Loch meaning 'head of the lake'. Originally a sheep station, Kinloch later developed into a holiday destination with kiwi baches being built next to the lake. The town owes its inception to the 1962 Prime Minister of New Zealand—Keith Holyoake.

Kinloch is the link between the K2K and W2K sections of the Great Lake Trail—one of the 18 great rides which make up Nga Haerenga—the New Zealand Cycle Trail network. If you like to cycle and walk then try out the W2K section, a scenic 13km (one way) trail from Kinloch to Whakaipo Bay (or vice versa) with sweeping views of the lake and surrounding areas. For the avid mountain biker, try the challenging 9km K2K section that heads off from Kinloch in the other direction towards Kawakawa Bay, a picturesque and secluded bay surrounded by bush.

Visit www.GreatLakeTaupo.com/Kinloch for more info



shop, eat, drink
& **TAUPŌ**

Shop 'Til You Drop!

The Great Lake Taupō region is a great place to indulge yourself in some retail therapy, especially in the Taupō town centre. The town centre is a shopper's dream, with free parking, pedestrian-friendly streets and no cluttered malls. Wander the streets, noted for being named after the region's mountains and famous ancestors, while browsing the many art, homeware and gift shops that Taupō has on offer. There are also a great range of boutique fashion stores featuring pieces from leading NZ designers and fashion labels such as Charlo, Kat Sylvester, Lela Jacobs, World and Kitch Ku. Our specialist sporting goods stores, for cycling, fishing, snow sports and water sports, can fit you out for any outdoor adventure. With more than 200 shops there is something for everyone.



Looking for a bite to eat? You'll find kiwi style fish 'n' chips, fine dining, contemporary NZ cuisine or culinary delights from cultures worldwide—you're sure to find a classy or casual dining experience to suit any discernible taste.

Taupō's restaurants, cafes and bars thrive on creating a memorable experience with quality food and impeccable service. Give your taste buds a mouth-watering treat and try the local-farmed organic beef or craft beers on offer—they're taking the town by storm. Enjoy the weekly Riverside Market, with a variety of arts, crafts and local food produce to sample and purchase. We've got it all covered!



Visit www.GreatLakeTaupo.com/Shop-Eat-Drink for more information and inspiration on shopping, eating and drinking in our region.



TAUPŌ – Restaurant

The Bistro

17 Tamamutu Street, Taupō
+64 7 377 3111
info@thebistro.nz
www.thebistro.nz



At The Bistro our menus are created out of an appreciation for the ever changing seasons, we pair our integrity in the kitchen with relaxed, non-pretentious service to provide our guests with moments that last a life time. Keeping it simple but nice.

TAUPŌ – Restaurant

Lazy Trout Fish Shack & Café

100 Lake Terrace, Taupō
+64 7 376 0116
stay@wellesleytaupo.co.nz
www.wellesleyhoteltaupo.co.nz



Stunning lake views with food, drink and service to match. Taupō's iconic restaurant with fresh, flavoursome and expertly prepared cuisine at great prices. We look forward to welcoming you for an outstanding dining experience.

TAUPŌ – Restaurant/Bar

The Mousetrap Bar and Restaurant

14 Northcroft Street, Taupō
+64 7 378 8275
manager@themousetrap.co.nz
www.themousetrap.co.nz



At The Mousetrap, we guarantee good, wholesome, comfort food made the Kiwi way, brought together with great friends. Open daily from 3:00pm. Closed Christmas and Boxing Day.

TAUPŌ – Restaurant/Bar

Vine Eatery

37 Tuwharetoa Street, Taupō
+64 7 378 5704
info@vineeatery.co.nz
www.vineeatery.co.nz



Our venue brings to the neighbourhood an exciting shared plates menu that changes with the seasons, and new sampler platters. Our relaxing bar reflects 25 years of wine expertise and a passion for craft beer and premium cocktails.

TAUPŌ – Fishing, Hunting, Camping Gear

Fly & Gun Hunting & Fishing Taupo

27 Gascoigne Street, Taupō
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www.huntingandfishing.co.nz



One of the largest Hunting & Fishing stores in the country! We also have a huge range of hiking gear, footwear and casual clothing on display. Tramping, fishing, camping, hunting, diving...we have what you need!

TAUPŌ – Health & Beauty/Shopping

Aspiring Health (physio, massage & beauty therapy)

87 Titirapenga St, Taupō P: +64 7 377 339 W: www.aspiringhealthclinic.co.nz

The Linen Room (home and gift shop)

9 Marama Arcade, Taupō P: +64 7 376 5660 W: www.thelinenroom.co.nz

The Woolshed (NZ's clothing and gifts)

Cnr Ruapehu & Paorahapi St, Taupō P: +64 7 378 9513 W: facebook.com/Woolshed-Taupo

TAUPŌ – Restaurants, Bars & Cafés

Bistro Lago Hilton Lake Taupo (restaurant)

80-100 Napier Taupō Highway, Taupō P: +64 7 376 2319 W: www.bistolago.co.nz

Body Fuel Café (café)

67 Tongariro Street, Taupō P: +64 7 378 9555 W: facebook.com/BodyfuelCafe

Crafty Trout Brewing Co. (restaurant and bar)

135 Tongariro St, Taupō P: +64 7 929 8570 W: www.craftytrout.co.nz

Element Bar (bar)

7 Tuwharetoa St, Taupō P: +64 7 3 774 464

Eruption Café (café)

19 Tamamutu St, Taupō P: +64 7 377 1233 W: www.eruptioncafe.co.nz

Huka Prawn Park Riverside Restaurant (restaurant)

Karetoto Rd, Taupō P: +64 7 374 8474 W: www.hukaprawnpark.co.nz

L'Arté Café (café)

255 Marpara Rd, Acacia Bay, Taupō P: +64 7 378 2962 W: www.larte.co.nz

Lazy Trout Fish Shack & Café (restaurant)

100 Lake Terrace, Taupō P: +64 7 376 0116 W: www.wellesleyhoteltaupo.co.nz

Pavillion Restaurant – Wairakei Resort Taupo (restaurant)

640 Wairakei Dr, Wairakei Tourist Park, Taupō P: +64 7 374 9004 W: wairakei.co.nz

Rose on Roberts (restaurant and bar)

92 Roberts St, Taupō P: +64 7 376 8030 W: facebook.com/RoseOnRoberts

The Branry Restaurant (restaurant)

45 Rifle Range Rd, Taupō P: +64 7 378 0484 W: www.thebranry.co.nz

welcome to TURANGI TONGARIRO

Gateway to the Tongariro National Park

Turangi Tongariro takes its names from a Māori leader called Tūrangitukua. This great leader was an important figure in the early history of the southern end of Lake Taupō. After numerous battles Tūrangitukua and his followers came in and occupied the land near the Tongariro River, falling under the protection of their ancestor Mount Tongariro. His name was then adopted for the major hapu (sub-tribe) of the area—Ngāti Tūrangitukua.



Turangi Tongariro is located at the southern end of the lake, on the banks of the mighty Tongariro River. It has been the trout fishing mecca for over 100 years, with purpose built lodges and accommodation situated on or in close proximity to the river for those who love the sport of fly fishing. Many of the locals have lived in the area for generations and their knowledge and experience is invaluable, so be sure to sit and enjoy a

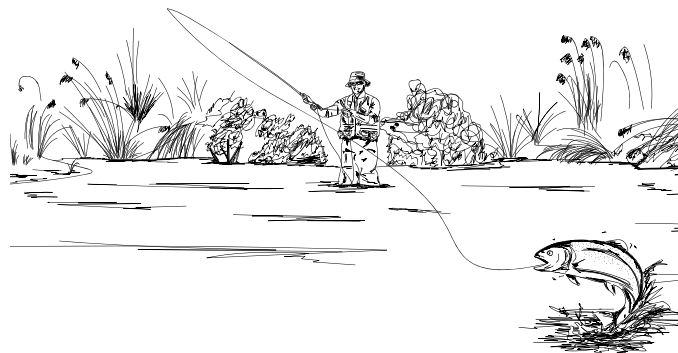
hot cuppa at one of the cafés or restaurants in town while trading heralding fishing stories of ‘the one that got away’.

The Whio (Blue Duck), a rare New Zealand bird, is an indicator of clean, healthy, fast flowing rivers like the Tongariro River. Thanks to local community conservation groups and the ‘Whio Forever’ partnership between the

Department of Conservation and Genesis Energy, who can now be seen and enjoyed by visitors to the area.

Find out more at www.doc.govt.nz

Turangi Tongariro is the gateway to the dual World Heritage Tongariro National Park as well as New Zealand’s largest ski area, Whakapapa, which sits on the slopes of Mt Ruapehu, the North Island’s highest mountain. Aside from this, Turangi Tongariro has a diverse range of activities to cater for all visitors such as white water rafting, kayaking, mountain biking, bush walking, indoor and outdoor rock climbing, golf, culturally guided walks, and thermal pools at Tokaanu for a long and therapeutic soak. There is so much more to this vibrant but tranquil town than meets the eye, and we invite you to come and experience the Turangi Tongariro hospitality.



TURANGI – Adrenalin/Family



Rafting New Zealand

Rafting New Zealand (RNZ)—Experience the BEST Rafting Adventures in NZ with Rafting New Zealand—NZ’s most awarded rafting company. A family run business, established in 1991, RNZ prides itself on its fun, friendly award winning service and impeccable safety record. Rafting daily, with trips suitable for everyone, come and experience the thrill of rafting, with NZ’s best!

Product: Award winning Rafting Adventures & Adventure Information & Bookings, Espresso Coffee, Free Wi-Fi. **What to Bring:** Swim Suit & Towel **What we provide:**

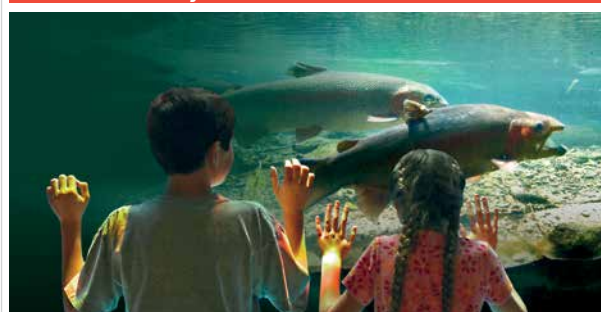
All river apparel **Operating Hours:** Summer Season 8am–6pm Winter Season: 8:30am–4:30pm **Departures:** Multiple Departures **Duration:** From 1.5 Hours

Transport: Complimentary Transport Available **Restrictions:** 3+ Years

41 Ngawaka Place, Turangi 0800 VOLCANO (865 226)
bookings@raftingnewzealand.com
www.raftingnewzealand.com



TURANGI – Family/Leisure



Tongariro National Trout Centre

Discover NZ’s freshwater world at the Genesis Energy Fresh Water Aquarium, Visitor Centre, Museum and historic Trout Hatchery. Enjoy the bird life & native bush walk along the Tongariro River. Picnic by the children’s fishing pond and feed the trout or see wild trout in the stream at the underwater viewing chamber.

Opening Hours: 10am–3pm: 1 May–30 Nov. 10am–4pm 1 Dec–30 Apr. Closed Christmas Day, ANZAC Day & Good Friday **Prices:** Charge for adults but accompanied children are free to enter the Trout Centre and Genesis Energy Aquarium **Additional info:** Children can learn how to catch their first trout

SH1, 4kms south of Turangi
+64 7 386 8085
admin@troutcentre.com
www.troutcentre.com



TURANGI – Adrenalin/Family



Tongariro River Rafting

We are the Tongariro’s most experienced rafting operator—we know this river like the back of our paddles so you couldn’t be in safer hands. Whether you want to go fast with friends, or float with the family, our friendly guides will take you on a white-water journey you won’t soon forget. We also offer mountain biking, raft fishing & adventure kayaking.

Product: White water rafting trips **Departures:** Summer: 9am & 2pm. Winter: 12pm. Trip times are flexible for groups **What to bring:** Swim wear and towel **We provide:** All rafting equipment including wet-suits. Plus a delicious, wholesome meal after your trip! **Transport:** Available

The Rafting Centre, Atirau Road, Turangi
0800 10 10 24 info@trr.co.nz
www.trr.co.nz





TURANGI – Restaurant

Turangi Bridge Motel, Bar and Restaurant

4600 State Highway 1, Turangi
+64 7 386 8804
info@turangibridemotel.co.nz
www.turangibridemotel.co.nz



The Turangi Bridge Motel Bar and Restaurant offers a stylish and welcoming atmosphere for sampling mouth-watering New Zealand cuisine. A Turangi icon since 1931, our restaurant has a genuine history and ambience unlike anywhere else.

TURANGI – Activities

Mountain Air Volcanic Flights (scenic flights)

Whakapapa Village P: +64 7 892 2812 W: www.mountainair.co.nz

Mt Ruapehu Ski Areas (skiing/snowboarding)

Mt Ruapehu/Turoa P: +64 7 892 4000/+64 6 385 8456 W: mtruapehu.com

Tongariro Lodge Fly Fishing Guides (fly fishing guides)

83 Grace Road, Turangi P: +64 7 386 7946 W: www.tongarirolodge.co.nz

Tongariro Mountain Biking (biking/cycling)

The Rafting Centre, Atirau Road P: 0800 10 10 24 W: www.trr.co.nz

Tongariro National Trout Centre (family/leisure)

SH1, Turangi P: +64 7 386 8085 W: www.troutcentre.com

TURANGI – Health & Beauty

Tongariro Medispa (Beauty, Health & Wellbeing)

By the Tongariro River Bridge P: +64 21 633 417 W: tongariromedispa.co.nz

TURANGI – Restaurants

Tongariro Lodge Restaurant (restaurant)

83 Grace Road, Turangi P: +64 7 386 7946 W: www.tongarirolodge.co.nz

HOT SPOTS IN THE AREA

If you're planning on being in the neighbourhood, why not check out our towns near Turangi. With picturesque views weaving around Lake Taupō—you will find small settlements tucked away set in stunning land to lake scenery that only postcards are made of. These settlements hold generational stories of yesterday, filled with lots of enjoyment to have today to create memories for tomorrow.

Pukawa

Just off SH41, is at the western edge of Lake Taupō looking directly back to Taupō and Mount Tauhara. It is a north-facing lakeside settlement of houses and holiday homes nestled amongst beautiful native trees and shrubs. If you're wondering what to do in the area, Pukawa's sandy beach is ideal for picnics and barbeques and the swimming is very safe for children. There are also many stunning bush walks through Pukawa.

Omori & Kuratau

Omori & Kuratau settlements are more spread out. There are no motels in these settlements although some people do rent their homes out as these places are popular in summer for swimming, kayaking, boating and fishing, and in winter for skiing and snowboarding at the nearby Whakapapa Ski Area.

Other great little settlements are Little Waihi, Motutere and Motuoaapa.

Visit www.GreatLakeTaupo.com/Turangi-Surrounds for more info



welcome to
**MANGAKINO
WHAKAMARU**

Heart of the Dam Country

Discover tranquility in Mangakino (meaning 'still waters') beside the beautiful Lake Maraetai. The stunning scenery includes lakes, hydro dams, hiking and biking trails, forests, hidden valleys, secret trout streams and farmland. Mangakino is a wonderful but largely undiscovered holiday destination and suits both those who seek relaxation or people looking for an active escape in the great outdoors.



A variety of travellers, from backpackers touring the country by campervan or families looking for a family-bach style holiday, will find plenty to enjoy in Mangakino. On offer are outdoor pursuits and water activities such as boating and fishing; as well as hiking, biking and camping. If you get tuckered out after a long day or have forgotten to pack the essentials, there's plenty of food and drink on offer at the local cafés and eateries.

Mangakino and Whakamaru offer dramatic scenery as a result of the amazing hydro dams in the area. The lakes are popular for a range of watersports including boating, wakeboarding and waterskiing as well as other water

activities such as kayaking and swimming. Popular events like the Powerboat Championships, Waka Ama, raft races, rowing and fly fishing are aplenty.



Rods and reels are sure to be seen around Maraetai and Whakamaru Lakes as they are home to plenty of Brown and Rainbow Trout. So dust off the fishing rod and go in for the tackle.

Come see a place where bikes follow rivers and a day at the dam ends with dinner at the local. You'll find coffees and kayaks with wildlife and golf greens. Row your boat or jump the wake. This is nature's ultimate playground.



Mangakino Township

Lake Maraetai



ACCOMMODATION, ACTIVITIES & EATING

MANGAKINO – Accommodation

Lake Maraetai Lodge

5-7 Totara Terrace P: 0800 882 282 W: www.lake-maraetai-lodge.co.nz

Mangakino Hotel & Food

54 Rangatira Dr, Mangakino P: +64 7 882 8800

Pureora Timber Trail Accommodation

Highway 30, Bennydale P: +64 7 788 0090 W: timbertrailaccommodation.co.nz

That Dam Lodge

34 Mountview Cl, Whakamaru P: +64 7 882 8292 W: www.thatdamlodge.co.nz

MANGAKINO – Activities

Blue Tui Shuttles

P: +64 7 872 2404 M: +64 27 487 2241 W: www.bluetui.co.nz

Mangakino Golf Club

4 Konini Tc, Mangakino P: +64 7 882 8075 E: mangakino.golf@xtra.co.nz

Pureora Timber Trail Packages

Highway 30, Bennydale P: +64 7 788 0090 W: www.timbertrailbooking.com

The Timber Trail

Pureora W: www.thetimbertrail.com

Waikato River Trails

P: 0800 874 978 M: +64 27 642 9399 W: www.waikatorivertrails.com

MANGAKINO – Restaurants, Bars & Cafés

Hui Hut Bar & Eatery

1/71 Rangatira Drive, Mangakino P: +64 7 882 8866

Restaurant 55

54 Rangatira Dr, Mangakino P: +64 7 882 8800

The Dam Café

115 State Highway 32, Whakamaru P: +64 7 882 8882

Tihoi Tavern

2822 Tihoi Rd P: +64 7 372 8366 W: www.facebook.com/Tihoi.Trading.Post

INFORMATION DESK

Mangakino Civic Centre, Rangatira Drive, Mangakino
Phone +64 882 8191





welcome to
**TONGARIRO
NATIONAL PARK
& MT. RUAPEHU**



World Heritage Area

Being one of a few sites in the world with dual World Heritage status in recognition of both its natural beauty and cultural significance, Tongariro National Park is home to the North Island's great mountains, Tongariro (1968m), Ruapehu (2797m) and Ngauruhoe (2290m). The names are derived from a culture rich in history, where the mountains themselves lived in a time of their own stories of love and war. The local Māori are the keepers to these stories. These mountains are kaitiaki (guardians) of the local Māori, where the elders of the tribe have been known to korero (converse) and look to these magnificent guardians for guidance.



Using Turangi as an accommodation base you can easily access the Tongariro National Park off SH47. This part of the region is just spectacular in its awe inspiring scenery guaranteed

to steal your heart. The Tongariro National Park covers 79,598 hectares with native bush; bustling with bird life, waterfalls, lakes, adventure activities and active volcanoes. You can even get right up close to an active volcano on the famous one day walk—the Tongariro Alpine Crossing. The Tongariro Alpine Crossing is an 18km alpine trek covering some of the most dramatic landscapes you'll ever see. It is often heralded as New Zealand's best one day hike.



Ruapehu is the largest active volcano in New Zealand ('Rua' means 'pit' and 'Pehu' means 'to explode'). It forms the southern tip of the Taupō Volcanic Zone, which stretches from Ruapehu to just past White

Island, off the East Coast of the North Island. You can ski or snowboard New Zealand's largest ski areas on Mt Ruapehu – Whakapapa and Turoa, or in summer you can take a chair lift ride up Mt Ruapehu and hike to the crater or enjoy lunch at the highest café in New Zealand.



TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK



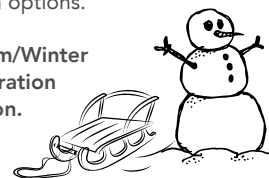
Skiing, Snowboarding & Tobogganing

Mount Ruapehu, the North Island's highest mountain, is home to three different ski areas all within an hour's drive of each other. There is an excellent variety of terrain to suit all levels of skiers and snowboarders, as well as dedicated area for tobogganing and tubing.

Whakapapa Ski Area is the largest of the three areas (in fact it's the largest ski area in the Southern Hemisphere) and offers incredible alpine terrain. Further south, Turoa Ski Area is home to some of the best natural halfpipes, chutes and bowls around. Whakapapa and Turoa have a combined area of 1050 hectares! You can also try Tukino Ski Field, Mount Ruapehu's lesser-known gem, located on the eastern side of the mountain. Tukino is a club field, operated and maintained by club members, offering the rare combination of adventure minus the crowds.

Turangi and Taupō are the perfect places to base yourself if you are planning to ski or snowboard during your holiday. In Turangi you are only a 40 minute drive from Whakapapa or 1 hour 20 minutes from Turoa. In Taupō you are a 1 hour 15 minute drive from Whakapapa or 2 hours from Turoa. Plus, everything you need to have a great day up on the mountain is available in Turangi or Taupō, including ski and snowboard rentals and tuning services; shops for ski clothing and winter weather gear; and ski packages including lessons, transport to the mountain and of course a wide range of accommodation options.

Visit www.GreatLakeTaupo.com/Winter for more information and inspiration on winter activities in our region.





TONGARIRO ALPINE CROSSING

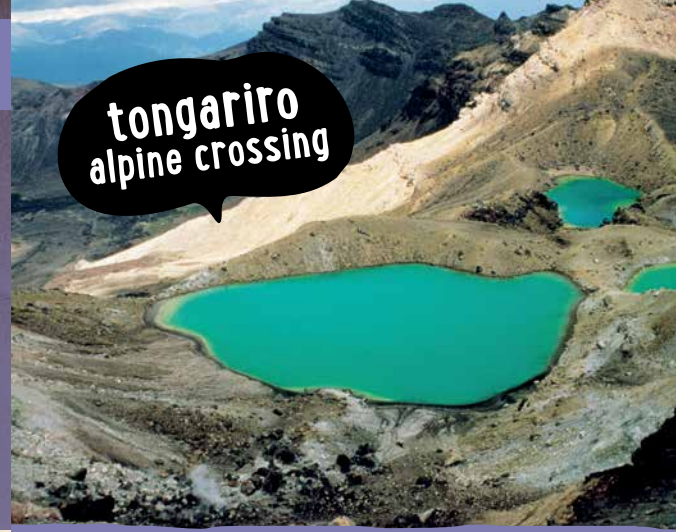
TONGARIRO ALPINE CROSSING

Great Lake Taupō - Nature's Ultimate Playground



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tongariro alpine crossing

Simply Breathtaking

Often described as New Zealand's best one day alpine trek, this 18km tramp is simply breath-taking and covers some of the most dramatic landscapes you'll ever see. Passing over varied and spectacular volcanic terrain, in the presence of active volcanoes, you'll experience some of Tongariro National Park's special gifts. A cold mountain spring, lava flow, an active crater, steam vents, emerald-coloured lakes and magnificent views combine to make this an enjoyable and memorable day experience.

The Tongariro Alpine Crossing is often subject to severe weather conditions that can change very quickly. We strongly advise that you are fully prepared when planning your trip. The region has expert operators who provide transportation to and from the Tongariro Crossing, guides, hire gear and weather information. They know this terrain better than anyone and their information and advice should be treated as gospel.

Visit www.GreatLakeTaupo.com/Crossing for more information and inspiration on hiking the Tongariro Alpine Crossing.



TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK – Transport/Guiding

Tongariro Expeditions

Taupō, Turangi & Ketetahi Carpark
0800 828 763
info@tongariroexpeditions.com
www.tongariroexpeditions.com



Locally owned, setup by hikers. Get to the mountain up to 1.5hrs before the main crowds. Extra time to ascend the summits of Tongariro or Ngauruhoe. Do the difficult climbs before the heat of the day. Early or late bus home. Hire equipment available. Express services.

TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK – Transport

Tongariro Alpine Crossing Base Camp

Cnr S.H 46 & 47, at the Tongariro Holiday Park
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The closest transport base to and from each end of the track, offering secure car parking. Transport to the track with multiple pick up times and information available. Hire equipment on hand.

TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK – Transport



Turangi Alpine Shuttles

Transport to the Tongariro Alpine Crossing and all destinations in the Central Plateau for tramping, skiing, hunting and fishing.

Price: \$45 per person **Departures:** From Turangi and Ketetahi Carpark
Facilities: Eftpos available on shuttle **Operating Hours:** Seven days a week, weather permitting

Turangi, Ketetahi Carpark and Adventure Headquarters
0508 4 CROSS (0508 4 27677)
info@alpineshuttles.co.nz
www.alpineshuttles.co.nz



TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK – Hotel



Chateau Tongariro Hotel

Chateau Tongariro Hotel believes in providing visitors with a timeless elegance and preserving history and tradition. Chateau Tongariro provides accommodation, restaurants, bars, conference facilities and is a popular wedding destination throughout the year.

Type of accommodation: Hotel accommodation **Location:** Tongariro National Park **Room Facilities:** Rooms contain Wi-Fi, fridges, hair dryers and iron/ironing boards **Extra Facilities:** Indoor heated plunge pool, billiards table, cinema **Food and Beverage:** 2 restaurants, High Tea, Sunday roast lunch carvery and 2 bars

State Highway 48, Whakapapa Village, Tongariro National Park
+64 7 892 3809 stay@chateau.co.nz
www.chateau.co.nz



TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK – Motel/Backpackers

The Crossing Backpackers

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Erua, Tongariro National Park
+64 7 892 2894
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TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK – Adventure



Mountain Air Volcanic Flights

Take a scenic flight adventure over the spectacular volcanoes and lakes of the Tongariro National Park and Lake Taupō. Be inspired by these majestic volcanoes and sacred peaks and be impressed with the beauty of New Zealand from the air.

Product: Volcanic scenic flights **Prices:** \$120–\$365 per person
Season: All year **Operating hours:** 8am–5pm winter, 8am–dark summer
Capacity: 2–8 passengers per flight **Duration:** 15–65 minutes

Cnr SH47 & SH48, Mt Ruapehu
+64 7 892 2812
mountain.air@xtra.co.nz
www.mountainair.co.nz

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TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK – Adventure/Leisure



Mt Ruapehu, Whakapapa & Turoa Ski Areas

There's something for everyone: Fantastic learners' facilities, exceptional terrain for skiing and riding, and terrain parks for free-skiers and snowboarders of all abilities. Not on skis? There's a free tobogganing area, great coffee and sightseeing chairlift rides for stunning views across the Central North Island.

Product: Skiing, Snowboarding, Sightseeing & Snowplay.
Season: June–October **What we provide:** Café's, rentals, snowsports centre & childcare facility (Turoa only) available.

Whakapapa Ski Area, Bruce Road, Mt Ruapehu
Turoa Ski Area, Ohakune Mtn Rd, Mt Ruapehu
Whakapapa: +64 7 892 4000 Turoa: + 64 6 385 8456
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ACTIVITIES

TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK – Adventure/Leisure



Whakapapa Summer Magic – Mt Ruapehu

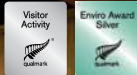
Enjoy stunning vistas of Tongariro National Park on a scenic chairlift ride to NZ's highest café (2,020m above sea level). Explore free short walks or journey to Mt Ruapehu's pristine Crater Lake on a guided hike. Don't miss an easy walk through cinematic history to Meads Wall—LOTR filming site.

Product: Scenic chair lift ride, guided Crater Lake hikes, volcanic walks, lunch at highest café in NZ. **Season:** November – April

Whakapapa Ski Area, Bruce Road, Mt Ruapehu
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www.mtruapehu.com



TONGARIRO NATIONAL PARK – Leisure



National Army Museum

Our people, our history, our legacy. Stories of honour, courage and sacrifice. Discover our history. Facilities include Home Fires Café, Gift Shop, Kids Headquarters & treasure hunts, Conference & Meeting facilities, Research Library and Guided Tours.

Operating hours: Open daily 9am–4:30pm (except Christmas Day)
Duration: Allow 1–2 hours **Prices:** Adults \$15, Child \$5, under 5 free, Student/Senior \$10, Family \$30 (2 adults plus children under 16)

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