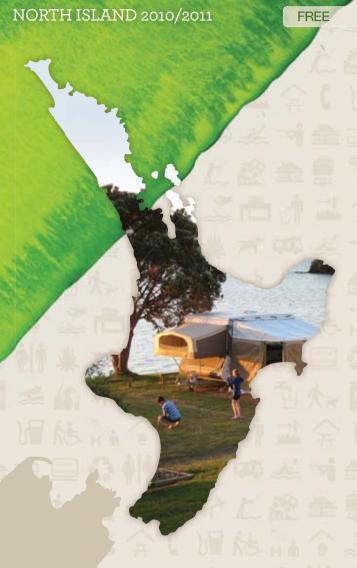
Conservation Campsites



FREE



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North Island map



- DOC Visitor Centre (NP: National Park, VC: Visitor Centre)
- ODC Area Office with some recreation information
- ☑ i-Site Information Centre with DOC information
- National Park (NP)
- Conservation Park (FP: Forest Park, TP: Tussocklands Park, CP: Conservation Park)
- ---- DOC Regional boundary

The Department of Conservation (DOC) manages over 200 vehicle-accessible camping areas on conservation land throughout New Zealand for you to enjoy. Choose from lush forest settings, lake shores, and sandy or pebbled beaches. Conservation Campsites are a place to relax, enjoy and explore the great outdoors.

What to expect

Different sorts of facilities

- Serviced campsites (S) have a wide range of facilities and services. Flush toilets, tap water, kitchen/cooking bench, hot showers, rubbish collection and road access for all types of vehicles. Laundry facilities, BBQs, fireplaces, cookers and picnic tables may be available.
- Standard campsites (ST) have a more limited range of facilities and services. Toilets (usually composting or pit variety), water supply (tap, stream, or lake) and vehicle or boat access. Wood BBQs and fireplaces, showers (cold), picnic tables, a cooking shelter and rubbish bins may be provided.
- Basic campsites (B) have very limited facilities, so you need to be fully self-sufficient. There are basic toilets and water may be from a tank, stream or lake. Access may be by road or boat.

Great Walk campsites

All Great Walk tracks (except Milford) offer backcountry camping nearby. There are nearly 60 Great Walk campsites to choose from, which offer basic facilities including toilets, hand washing sinks and a water supply. Some have picnic tables and cooking shelters. Bookings are usually required; see www.doc.govt.nz, email greatwalksbookings@doc.govt.nz or visit a DOC Visitor Centre. Information about Great Walk campsites can be found in Great Walk brochures and in the Backcountry Campsite List.



Campsite fees

Fees are generally charged per person, per night, and reflect the level of facilities and services provided.

S

Serviced campsites
Adult: \$7–\$19
Youth/Child: 50% adult price

ST

Standard campsites
Adult: \$5–\$16
Youth/Child: 25–50% adult price

B

Basic campsites
Free

Age categories for fees

Adult: 18+ years Youth/Child: 5–17 years Infants: 0–4 years free

Booking and paying fees

Bookings are required for all Serviced campsites and some Standard campsites in peak season. If a booking is required, it is noted in this brochure. Some campsites can be booked online via www.doc.govt.nz.

Where bookings are not required, pay fees via the self-registration system, or to a warden when present. Self-registration campsites operate on a first-come first-served basis. To self-register, deposit the appropriate fee in the envelope provided



Self-registration envelope

and place it in the box at the registration stand. Place the receipt section of the envelope on your vehicle or tent. DOC rangers patrol camping areas and will check that fees have been paid.

Camping Care Code

Be a careful camper and practice 'no trace' camping

- Choose your campsite carefully; set up your camp on firm, high or sandy ground.
 Only camp in designated areas.
- Be tidy and always leave campsites clean.
 Take your rubbish with you if bins are not provided—food scraps attract vermin.
- Use a cooker, fireplace or BBQ. Light fires GARE GODE only where permitted, collect dead wood and keep the fire small. Soak the fire with water before you go.
- Detergents, soap and toothpaste can harm aquatic and marine life. Use biodegradable products and washin a container well away from the water.
- ✓ Always use toilets provided.
- Campgrounds are social places but everyone needs some rest and relaxation. Please respect the rights of others for quiet enjoyment of the outdoors. Limit generator use (where permitted) between 9 pm and 8 am.
- ✓ Pay your fees to help keep campsites available in the future.
- Always thoroughly clean your equipment before and after trips to minimise the spread of weeds and diseases.
- ✓ Protect native plants and animals.

Toitu te whenua/leave the land undisturbed.

Using this brochure

Abbreviations

State Highway = SH, Visitor Centre = VC, National Park = NP. Symbol key



Hot shower



Cold shower



Water from stream



BBQ (wood or gas)



Cookers/electric stove



Shelter for cooking



Picnic table



Recycling

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Rubbish collection



Laundry



Hunting
Permit required from DOC
VCs or offices



Boat launching



Jetty



Shop



Picnic shelter





Toilets. All campsites in this brochure have toilets except Anaura Bay in the East Coast region.



Water from tap. Unless specified, this water is not treated. You may wish to boil or treat it before drinking.



Campfires permitted. Be aware of fire bans and higher fire risk during summer months. Contact the local DOC office or Council for details. Follow the on-site signs.



Fires are not permitted at any time.



Book online via www.doc.govt.nz.



Dogs permitted. Keep your dog under control at all times and clean up after it.



Dogs permitted on a leash at all times.



Motorboating free area. Motorboats are not permitted on some lakes.



Motor-homes welcome.



Dump Station. Be responsible; always use a designated dump station. Obtain a list from visitor centres or www.tourism.govt.nz.



Road not suitable for caravans.



Road not suitable for motor-homes.



Wheelchair accessible, and wheelchair accessible with assistance. Accessible facilities may be toilets, water supply, showers, picnic tables, kitchens and pathways.



Rodent free area. Check your boat/kayak/gear thoroughly for stowaways.



Argentine ant free. Check all gear thoroughly for infestations prior to arrival. Use fly spray on ants.



No seeds. Please ensure your gear and clothing are free of seeds, which may spread weeds.



No fireworks at any time.



Beware of thieves. Remember to lock your vehicle and take your valuables with you.

Campsites and dogs

Dogs are not permitted at Conservation Campsites unless the dog or dog on a leash symbol is present.

With most campsites located in or near protected areas it is important that dogs are not taken into places where they may attack native wildlife. Even the most obedient dog has the potential to kill.

Dog owners who take their dogs into dog-prohibited campsites, controlled areas without a permit, or breach the conditions of their permit are liable to prosecution. Controlling your dog also protects and respects other people's rights to use and enjoy the outdoors.

North Island campsites where dogs are permitted





Note: Dogs are **not permitted** at any campsites in Northland, Auckland, Tongariro/Taupo or Whanganui.

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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

The Outdoor Safety

CODE

Before you go into the outdoors get familiar with New Zealand's Outdoor Safety Code

5 simple rules to help you stay safe:

Plan your trip

Seek local knowledge and plan the route you will take and the amount of time you can reasonably expect it to take.

Tell someone

Tell someone your plans and leave a date for when to raise the alarm if you haven't returned.

Be aware of the weather

New Zealand's weather can be highly unpredictable. Check the forecast and expect weather changes.

- Know your limits
 Challenge yourself within your physical limits and experience.
- Take sufficient supplies

Make sure you have enough food, clothing, equipment and emergency rations for the worst-case scenario. Take an appropriate means of communication.

For more information, visit www.outdoorsafetycode.co.nz

Biosecurity

Didymo and other freshwater pests

With a large portion of Conservation Campsites near rivers and lakes, always remember to Check, Clean, Dry before entering, and when moving between, waterways. Check all footwear, bicycles, vehicles, fishing equipment and other items that have come in contact with water.



BETWEEN WATERWAYS

Stop the spread of didymo and other freshwater pests.

For more information and cleaning guidelines, go to www.biosecurity.govt.nz/didymo or www.doc.govt.nz/stopthespread.

Kauri dieback

Kauri dieback (*Phytophthora* taxon Agathis or PTA) is a disease that attacks kauri trees. Symptoms include yellowing of foliage, loss of leaves, dead branches and lesions that bleed resin. Trees and seedlings of any age can be killed by PTA.

Some Conservation Campsites in Northland, Auckland, Waikato, and the Bay of Plenty regions are located near kauri trees. In all areas, keep to the defined tracks, clean your footwear, tyres and other equipment before and after visiting kauri forest areas, and stay away from kauri tree roots.

For more information, check the kauri dieback website www.kauridieback.co.nz or call 0800 NZ KAURI (0800 695 2874).

Invasive pests

Some special campsites are located on pest-free island sanctuaries, so please do your best to keep them pest-free. If your camping gear is stored in areas where rats, mice, hedgehogs, ants or other pests may live, make sure to check it thoroughly before leaving home. Checking your clothing and footwear for weed seeds and soil before and after each trip is important too.

DOC staff may undertake biosecurity checks of your footwear and gear when you arrive on some islands to catch any stowaways that may be hitching a ride with you.

Always report any sightings of pests on pest-free islands immediately to the DOC HOT line—0800 362 468.



Always remember to Check, Clean, Dry your gear. Claudia Hill.

New Zealand Motor Caravan Association

The New Zealand Motor Caravan
Association (NZMCA) offers a
12-month pass for members (\$155),
which can be used at most vehicle-accessible
Standard campsites. (Note: It may not be used
at Serviced campsites and others where stated in
this brochure). Passes are sold by the NZMCA: www.nzmca.org.nz,
Phone og 298-5466, fax og 298 5646, email: enquiries@nzmca.org.nz.

Freedom camping



Users of both self-contained and nonself-contained vehicles should camp overnight in DOC campsites, holiday parks and other designated camping spaces.

With so many Conservation Campsites available, you don't really need to freedom camp, but if

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you do choose to, make sure to ask at visitor centres for the local government rules that apply in that area. Dispose of all toilet and grey water waste at a dump station (a list is available from visitor centres or www.tourism.govt.nz). When freedom camping, motor-homes or caravans must be self-contained and able to meet the ablutionary and sanitary needs of occupants for 3 days. There are information brochures about freedom camping at www.camping.org.nz.



Activity information

Visit the DOC website www.doc.govt.nz or your nearest DOC Visitor Centre for conservation and recreation information.

Northland



Northland campsites

- 1. Tapotupotu
- 2. Kapowairua (Spirits Bay)
- 3. Rarawa
- 4. Maitai Bay
- 5. Raetea North Side
- 6. Puketi
- 7. Forest Pools

- 8. Urupukapuka Island (x3)
- 9. Puriri Bay
- 10. Waikahoa Bay
- 11. Otamure (Whananaki)
- 12. Uretiti
- 13. Trounson Kauri Park

For Northland campsite information visit www.doc.govt.nz.

1. Tapotupotu, Te Paki Recreation Reserve









Sites: 45 Fee: \$7.60 / \$3.50 Getting there: Far North Rd, 3km south of Cape Reinga Rd. off Tapotupotu Rd.

Access: Gravel, steep sections.

This is the northernmost campsite in New Zealand. Relax on the stunning sandy beaches, swim. snorkel, surf or walk the Cape Reinga Coastal Walkway.

Note: Serviced by DOC rangers daily in peak season. Rubbish collection \$2-3 per bag in peak season. NZMCA pass not valid 23 Dec-1 Feb.

2. Kapowairua (Spirits Bay), Te Paki Recreation Reserve







Fee: \$7.60 / \$3.50 Sites: 200

Getting there: Follow signposts from Waitiki landing, off SH1, for 16 km along Te Hapua Rd and then Spirits Bay Rd.

Access: 16 km of gravel.

Camp in a picturesque setting between the beach (5 min walk) and hills of the Aupouri Peninsula north of Kaitaia. A perfect place for fishing, swimming and walking.

Note: Serviced by DOC rangers daily in peak season. Rubbish collection \$2-3 per bag in peak season.

3. Rarawa, Paxton Point Conservation Area







Fee: \$7.60 / \$3.50 Sites: 65

Getting there: 3 km north of Ngataki along SH1 turn into Rarawa Beach Rd.

Access: 4km of gravel.

Camp among trees behind the white sand beach; surfing and fishing opportunities. The exposed beach break may be treacherous so take care in the water.

Note: Rubbish disposal at the Houhora rubbish station. Serviced by DOC rangers daily in peak season. NZMCA pass not valid 23 Dec-1 Feb.

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4. Maitai Bay, Maitai Bay Recreation Reserve









Sites: 109 Fee: \$8.10/\$4

Getting there: At Karikari Peninsula, midway between Mangonui and Awanui, turn off SH10 into Maitai Bay Rd, 25km northeast of Kaitaia.

Access: 2 km of gravel.

Camp on the outer Karikari Peninsula in sheltered and private campsites. Walk around the coast or relax on the picturesque beach.

Note: No vehicles allowed on beach except for boat launching. Serviced by DOC rangers daily. Rubbish collection \$2-3 per bag. NZMCA pass not valid 23 Dec-1 Feb.

5. Raetea North Side, Raetea Forest







Sites: 20

Getting there: 18 km southeast of Kaitaia along SH1 at Mangataiore. Look for 'Raetea Reserve' sign and follow the gravel drive beyond the stream ford.

Access: Gravel.

This campsite is set in one of the last remaining lowland coastal forests. Look and listen for kūkupa or kererū (wood pigeon), shorttailed bats and parakeets. Kauri snails are present here too.

6. Puketi, Puketi Forest





Sites: 20 Fee: \$7.10 / \$3.50 Getting there: Turn off SH10 at Pungaere Rd, 600 m north of Waipapa and follow signs to the camp.

Access: 16 km of gravel road.

Booking: Required for hut and cabins. Phone DOC Bay of Islands Area Office 09 407 0300 or visit www.doc.govt.nz.

Camp at the eastern edge of the forest, close to kauri trees. Look out for kiwi and short-tailed bats. Mountain bike along the Pirau and Mokau Ridge roads. This is an ideal base for day or overnight tramps.

Note: One 18-bunk tramper's hut and two 3-bunk cabins available. NZMCA pass not valid at campsite.

7. Forest Pools, Puketi Forest





Sites: 12











Getting there: 55 km southeast of Kaitaia, off SH 1 at Forest Rd. Drive to road end or start/end point of the Waipapa River Track.

Access: Car or foot access.

Camp in bush setting by the Waipapa River. Picnic, swim, walk or tramp into the forest. Take your rubbish with you.

Note: Single night camping only. Toilets near Waipapa River Track. Cars are vulnerable to theft.

Northland

Camping on pest-free islands

For Urupukapuka Island

Before you leave, check your gear for stowaway pests:

- All gear must be free of rats, mice and ants—especially camping gear, which has ideal places for pests to hide when stored. Take extra care to clean gear if you have Argentine ants where you live.
- Clean clothing, footwear and camping gear removing soil and seeds before and after each trip.
- Pack food in sealed containers to avoid attracting rodents.
 Open supermarket bags are not sufficient.

Note: On arrival you may be met by rangers to check your gear.

Taking your own boat or kayak?

- Before departing, check your vessel for rats, mice and ants.
 Look for signs of rodents, such as droppings and gnawing.
- ✓ Keep fresh bait and/or set traps on your vessel and in the area
 in which it is stored.

How these pests are bad for the environment:

RATS eat birds, eggs, reptiles and insects.

MICE prey on insects and eat small birds and reptiles.

SOIL can carry plant diseases such as kauri dieback.

WEED SEEDS can become a weed-forest and smother native plants.

Please report any sightings of pests on pest-free islands to the DOC HOT line—0800 362 468.

8. Urupukapuka Island, Bay of Islands

Getting there: Ferries to Otehei Bay leave from Paihia and Russell daily during peak season, water taxis run year round or go by private boat. Phone Paihia i–SITE for information—0800 363 436. Private boats can leave from ramps in the Eastern Bay, including Kaimarama or Te Uenga Bays, 45 min from Russell on Russell, Manawaora and Rawhiti Rds.

Access: Boat only.

Bookings: Required for Urupukapuka Island campsites all year round. Book online via www.doc.govt.nz, phone Bay of Islands Area Office 09 407 0300 or email bayofislandsbookings@doc.govt.nz.



There are three campgrounds on Urupukapuka. The island has significant historic and cultural importance, with well-preserved archaeological remnants of early Māori settlement—it was occupied by Ngare Raumati then Ngāpuhi early in 19th century. Learn more from information panels around the island. This is also a great place for fishing, swimming and all types of water sports.

Note: Water supply is limited and should be boiled, or take your own. Take all your rubbish with you.



Help Urupukapuka Island sing again. Keep your boat, pack and tent rat-free, your shoes clear of weed seeds, leave only footprints and take only photos. Get involved with Project Island Song activities.

For more information, visit: www.boiguardians.co.nz.

Northland

Sunset Bay, Urupukapuka Island













Getting there: From Otehei Bay, turn right at end of wharf and follow archaelogical walk towards the southwest end of island, about 30 min.

Sites: 4 Fee: \$8.10 / \$4 Book online via www.doc.govt.nz or phone 09 407 0300

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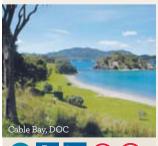




Getting there: From Otehei Bay Wharf, walk 15 min east along marked Otehei Bay track to top of hill. From there you can see the campsite.

Sites: 53 Fee: \$8.10 / \$4 Book online via www.doc.govt.nz or phone 09 407 0300

Cable Bay, Urupukapuka Island









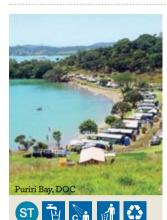




Getting there: From Otehei Bay Wharf end, turn right and follow archaeological walk towards southern end of island, about 30 min. Look for white triangle marker in the bay.

Sites: 50 Fee: \$8.10/\$4 Book online via www.doc.govt.nz or phone 09 407 0300

9. Puriri Bay, Whangaruru North Head



Sites: 90 Fee:

\$10/\$5 (25 Dec-31 Jan) \$8/\$4 (all other times) Getting there: Turn off SH1 into Russell Rd, 15 km north of Whangarei. After about 30 km (north of Ngaiotonga) turn into Whangaruru North Rd.

Access: Sealed.

Booking: Required peak season. Ph 09 433 6160 or email whangareiao@doc.govt.nz.

Overlooking the mouth of Whangaruru Harbour, with sheltered waters, walking, swimming and boating activities.

Note: Vehicle access to campsite is closed 1 July-1 Oct, the wettest months. Camp hosts are on site Labour Weekend (Oct) to Easter. NZMCA pass not valid 23 Dec-1 Feb.

10. Waikahoa Bay, Mimiwhangata



Sites: 35 Fee:

\$10/\$5 (25 Dec-31 Jan) \$8/\$4 (all other times) Getting there: From Whangarei, turn off SH 1 at Whakapara into Russell Rd. At Helena Bay turn right, heading towards Teal Bay, and follow into Webb Rd. Continue until Mimiwhangata Coastal Park turn off.

Access: Not suitable for caravans, campervans and large vehicles. From Teal Bay, the road is gravel, narrow and winding. Camp is a steep 5 min walk from the carpark.

Booking: Required peak season. Ph 09 433 6554.

Camp beside a sandy beach amongst põhutukawa trees. Enjoy kayaking, swimming and relaxing. Walkways go through neighbouring farmland, and rare brown teal/pāteke may be seen.

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11. Otamure, Whananaki





\$10/\$5 (25 Dec-31 Jan) \$8/\$4 (all other times)

Getting there: Go past Hikurangi on SH1. Turn off SH1 at Whananaki North Road Travel 27 km. Campsite is 4 km past Whananaki shop and school.

Access: Sealed.

Camp in a beach-front setting with large põhutukawa trees for shade. Relax on the beach or walk along the coast.

Note: NZMCA pass not valid 23 Dec-1 Feb. Camp hosts are on site Labour weekend (Oct) to Easter. Ph 09 433 8402.

12. Uretiti, Uretiti Recreation Reserve













Sites: approx 300 Fee: \$10/\$5 (25 Dec-31 Jan) \$8/\$4 (all other times)

Getting there: Signposted directly off SH1, approx 5km north of Waipu.

Access: Sealed

Camp behind the sand dunes of Uretiti Beach. Surf, fish or swim at the beautiful sandy surf beach. Walk along the stunning coastal track at Mangawhai Heads, only a 20 min drive south, or explore the nearby Waipu caves.

Note: NZMCA pass not valid 23 Dec-1 Feb. Camp hosts are on site Labour weekend (Oct) to Easter. Ph 09 432 1051.

13. Trounson Kauri Park, Trounson Kauri Park Scenic Reserve

Serviced campsite











Tent sites: 20 Powered sites: 4 Fee: \$10/\$5

Getting there: Turn off SH 12 at Trounson Park Road, 40 km north of Dargaville.

Access: Sealed from south, gravel from north.

Booking: Not required.

The campground is nestled right

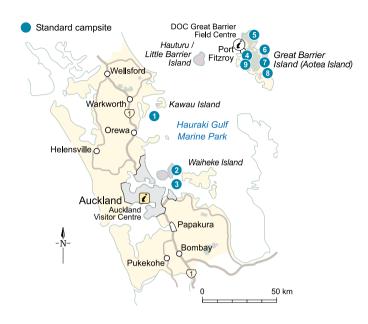
on the edge of the park where you can access an easy 40 minute walk taking you past spectacular kauri trees and clear streams. An adjacent interpretation area explains more about the park and its history.

The camparound has hot showers, flush toilets, four powered sites for campervans and grassy areas for tent sites in amongst native trees.

The mix of podocarp hardwood forest has long been recognised as one of the best examples of its type in New Zealand. During the day kukapa (wood pigeon) are often seen in the campground along with tomtit, fantail and silvereye. The park is a great place to visit at night to observe kiwi, weta, bats, kauri snails and glow-worms. Night time guided walks are available, ph 09 439 0621.

The 450 hectare Trounson Kauri Park was New Zealand's first 'mainland island', an intensively managed area which helps to protect and restore New Zealand's native flora and fauna from introduced pests.





Auckland campsites

- 1. Motuora Island
- 2. Home Bay, Motutapu Island
- 3. Motuihe Island
- 4. Akapoua Bay, Great Barrier Island (Aotea Island) (GBI)
- 5. Whangapoua, GBI
- 6. Harataonga, GBI
- 7. Awana Beach, GBI
- 8. Medlands Beach, GBI
- 9. The Green, GBI

Auckland Visitor Centre at Auckland i-SITE, 137 Quay St, Princess Wharf, Auckland Email: aucklandvc@doc.govt.nz Ph 09 379 6476 Fax 09 307 2614

Camping on pest-free islands

For Motuora, Motutapu and Motuihe Islands

Before you leave, check your gear for stowaway pests:

- All gear must be free of rats, mice and ants—especially camping gear, which has ideal places for pests to hide when stored. Take extra care to clean gear if you have Argentine ants where you live.
- Clean clothing, footwear and camping gear removing soil and seeds before and after each trip.
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Note: On arrival you may be met by rangers to check your gear.

Taking your own boat or kayak?

- Before departing, check your vessel for rats, mice and ants.
 Look for signs of rodents, such as droppings and gnawing.
- ✓ Keep fresh bait and/or set traps on your vessel and in the area
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MICE prey on insects and eat small birds and reptiles.

SOIL can carry plant diseases such as kauri dieback.

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Please report any sighting of pests on pest-free islands to the DOC HOT line—0800 362 468.



All Auckland Conservation Campsites are on islands in the Hauraki Gulf Marine Park established in 2000 to protect the Gulf's unique natural richness,

biodiversity and landscape. Many of the islands are pest free. Pests can easily destroy this paradise. Check for pests before you travel and help protect the Gulf for future generations. Visit www.treasureislands.co.nz.

Auckland

Motuora Island Recreation Reserve



Sites: 25 (75 campers maximum)

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Fee: \$6.10/\$3 A bach is also available at \$51.50 a night Getting there: Hauraki Gulf, 6km east of Mahurangi Harbour, east coast of the island.

Access: Boat only. Also accessible to experienced kayakers. Check www.doc.govt.nz or contact the Auckland Visitor Centre for information on local water taxi operators.

Booking: Required all year. Ph 027 492 8586.

An island sanctuary for native flora and fauna, the camp is near a Māori historic site and early European settlement. Watch for kiwi, grey-faced petrel, New Zealand dotterel and whiteheads. Other activities include walking and all water sports.

Note: No wharf access.

2. Home Bay, Motutapu Island Recreation Reserve



Sites: 152 Fee: \$5.10/\$2.50

Getting there: Hauraki Gulf, east coast of the island.

Access: Boat only. Also accessible to experienced kayakers. Check www.doc.govt.nz or contact the Auckland Visitor Centre for ferry and other transport options.

Booking: Bookings are essential and must be made via www.doc.govt.nz.

By the beach and near the Reid Homestead built in 1901. Explore the island's walkways, stunning coastline, replanted native bush and ever-increasing wildlife. Check out historic relics, including various WWII military remains.

3. Motuihe Island Recreation Reserve













Fee: \$5.10 / \$2.50 Sites: 48

Getting there: Hauraki Gulf, west end of the island.

Access: Boat only, Also accessible to experienced kayakers. Check www.doc.govt.nz or contact the Auckland Visitor Centre for ferry and other transport options.

Booking: Bookings are essential and must be made via www.doc.govt.nz.

Camp on the headland near a sandy, sheltered beach and explore the island by foot. Good boat anchorage. Home to kiwi, kākāriki, saddleback and shore skink.

Note: Private boats may drop off passengers but may not stay.

Camping on Great Barrier Island (Aotea Island)

- · GBI is free of Norway rats, mustelids, hedgehogs and possums, but has ship rats and mice. Argentine ants are also not welcomeplease check your gear/boat/kayak for these pests and destroy any ants you find.
- · Kauri dieback disease is present. Keep to the defined tracks, clean your footwear before and after visiting kauri forest areas, and stay away from kauri tree roots. See www.kauridieback.co.nz.

4. Akapoua Bay, Great Barrier Island (Aotea Island)



Sites: 30

Fee: \$9.20 / \$4.50

Getting there: West coast, Port

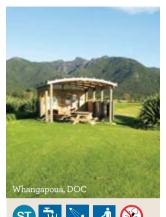
Access: From Auckland via car ferry or air. Narrow gravel road.

Booking: Required via www.doc.govt.nz or Auckland Visitor Centre

In a sheltered bay amongst põhutukawa trees. The DOC Field Centre is next door and a shop is nearby. Day walk to the impressive kauri dam. Good fishing, swimming and kayaking in the harbour.

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5. Whangapoua, Great Barrier Island (Aotea Island)



Sites: 75

Fee: \$9.20/\$4.60

Getting there: Whangapoua Conservation Area, north coast of the island, Okiwi, Whangapoua estuary.

Access: From Auckland via car, ferry or air. Narrow dry-weather track across farmland from a gravel road.

Booking: Required via www.doc.govt.nz or Auckland Visitor Centre.

Set in farmland overlooking the Whangapoua estuary and a popular surf beach. There are stunning views of Mt Hirakimata and Rakitu Island. Rare NZ dotterel nest here during summer so take care not to disturb their open nests on the beach.

6. Harataonga, Great Barrier Island (Aotea Island)



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Sites: 60











Fee: \$9.20/\$4.60

Getting there: Harataonga Recreation Reserve, east coast via Port Fitzroy Rd to Kaitoke.

Access: From Auckland via car, ferry or air. Narrow gravel road. 2.5 km walk from main road. Dry weather access only.

Booking: Required via www.doc.govt.nz or Auckland Visitor Centre.

Camp between two streams overlooking Overton Beach with great views of Rakitu Island. Good shelter under mature trees. Fishing, diving, snorkelling and swimming all at the beach 300 m away.

Note: Do not drive on the beach, as native birds nest there.

7. Awana Beach, Great Barrier Island (Aotea Island)

















Fee: \$9.20 / \$4.60 Sites: 60

Getting there: Awana Recreation Reserve, east coast, Awana,

Access: From Auckland via car. ferry or air. Narrow gravel road to camp with dry-weather access only.

Booking: Required via www.doc.govt.nz or Auckland Visitor Centre.

Grassy campsites next to the Awana estuary. (Take mosquito repellent!) Surf. swim, sea kavak and walk from here. Just 300 m from one of the island's best surf beaches. Explore historic logging and Māori sites. Keep an eye out for brown teal/pāteke and banded rail.

Note: Separate areas for vehicles and tents. Vehicles are not permitted on the beach.

8. Medlands Beach, Great Barrier Island (Aotea Island)





Sites: 70













Getting there: Oruawharo Creek Recreation Reserve, southeast coast, south end of Medlands Beach.

Access: From Auckland via car. ferry or air. Narrow gravel road to campsite off main sealed road.

Booking: Required via www.doc.govt.nz or Auckland Visitor Centre

Surrounded by a mix of farmland and holiday homes, this sheltered campsite overlooks a tidal stream. The estuary is safe for swimming and the beach is popular for surfing.

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9. The Green, Great Barrier Island (Aotea Island)









Sites: 15

Fee: \$9.20/\$4.60

Getting there: Whangaparapara Harbour, 10 min walk from Whangaparapara road end.

Access: From Auckland via car,

ferry or air.

Booking: Required via www.doc.govt.nz or Auckland Visitor Centre



Waikato campsites

- 1. Fantail Bay
- 2. Port Jackson
- 3. Fletcher Bay
- 4. Stony Bay
- 5. Waikawau Bay
- 6. Kauaeranga Valley (x8)

- 7. Broken Hills
- 8. Wentworth
- 9. Landing Road
- 10. Piropiro
- 11. Ngaherenga
- 12. Kakaho

Kauaeranga Visitor Centre

Kauaeranga Valley Road, Kauaeranga Email: <u>kauaerangavc@doc.govt.nz</u> Ph 07 867 9080 Fax 07 867 9095

Waikato

Coromandel Conservation Campsites

From mid 2011 all Coromandel Conservation Campsites (numbers 1-8), will be transferring to the online booking system via www.doc.govt.nz.

1. Fantail Bay, Fantail Bay Recreation Reserve











Fee: \$9.20 / \$2

Getting there: 50 km north of Coromandel, From Coromandel take Colville Rd for 22 km to Whangaahei Junction, then turn left and follow Port Jackson Rd for 28 km

Access: Gravel from Colville.

Camp in peaceful surroundings beneath põhutukawa trees. A track with outstanding views leads to the bush line. Short walks, fishing, diving and swimming.

2. Port Jackson, Port Jackson Recreation Reserve



Fee: \$9.20 / \$2

(as above) and follow road for 8 km. Access: Gravel from Colville. At the northern tip of the

Getting there: 58 km north of Coromandel. Drive to Fantail Bay

Peninsula, this campsite is at the water's edge next to the beach. Māori archaeological sites are nearby, including middens and a wāhi tapu (sacred) site. Explore the area by foot or relax on the beach.

Note: Keep off the fenced dune restoration areas.

3. Fletcher Bay, Fletcher Bay Recreation Reserve





Sites: 130



Fee: \$9.20 / \$2 Sites: 75

Getting there: 64 km north of Coromandel. Drive to Port Jackson (as above), but continue to the end of the road.

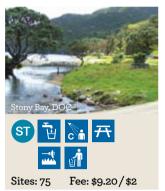
Access: Gravel from Colville.

This is a beach front campsite in a farm setting. Walk along the Coromandel Coastal Walkway to Stony Bay. An ideal location for water sports, including swimming, boating, diving and fishing.

Note: Take all rubbish to the Port Jackson refuse site.

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4. Stony Bay, Stony Bay Recreation Reserve



Getting there: 55 km north of Coromandel. From Coromandel, take the Colville Rd for 22 km to Whangaahei Junction, then turn right into Port Charles Rd to Stony Bay Rd and follow to end.

Access: Gravel from Colville.

This is a spacious (5 ha) campsite beside the coast. Walk to Fletcher Bay along the Coromandel Coastal Walkway. Good fishing and diving nearby.

5. Waikawau Bay, Waikawau Bay Recreation Reserve



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Sites: 350 Fee: \$9.20/\$2

Getting there: 42 km north of Coromandel. From Coromandel, take the Colville Rd for 22 km to Whangaahei Junction, turn right into Port Charles Rd, then right into Waikawau Beach Rd and follow 5 km to camp.

Access: Gravel from Colville.

Booking: Required peak season. Ph o7 866 1106.

Camp in a farm park next to a sweeping sandy beach. Fishing, diving and swimming. North of the campsite, the NZ dotterel and variable oystercatcher breed—please do not drive on beaches.

Note: Campsite reconstruction 2010/11—possible disruption.

6. Kauaeranga Valley, Coromandel Forest Park



Kauaeranga Visitor Centre, DOC

Getting there: Follow the Kauaeranga Vallev Rd from Thames for 14km to the Visitor Centre.

Access: Gravel.

The Kauaeranga Valley has eight campsites beside the Kauaeranga River, Extensive kauri logging took place here and the native forests you now see are regrowth. The valley has plenty of walks,

swimming spots and historic relics from logging days. Other activities include horse trekking, abseiling, rock climbing, fishing, picnicking, hunting and mountain biking.

Note: Please pay camp fees at the Kauaeranga Visitor Centre. Drinking water tap located outside Visitor Centre.

Shag Stream, Kauaeranga Valley



Sites: 15 Fee: \$9.20 / \$2

Getting there: 100 m before the Kauaeranga Visitor Centre.

This riverside campsite is an ideal base for exploring the Valley. A replica kauri dam is a 20 min walk away.

Note: Open from Labour weekend (Oct) until 30 April.

Hotoritori, Kauaeranga Valley











Sites: 30

Fee: \$9.20 / \$2

Getting there: 3km north of the Visitor Centre

Camp adjacent to the river. Mountain biking and horse tracks start at the campsite.

Whangaiterenga, Kauaeranga Valley











Fee: \$9.20 / \$2

Getting there: 5 km north of the Visitor Centre, 2 km north of Hotoritori campsite.

Camp near to where the Whangaiterenga Stream and Kauaeranga River meet. From the campsite there is a 1-hour return walk to a lookout. Flush toilets at campsite.

Note: Open from Labour weekend (Oct) until 30 April.

Booms Flat, Kauaeranga Valley



Sites: 45









Fee: \$9.20 / \$2

Getting there: 6 km north of Visitor Centre. Third campsite on left past Visitor Centre.

Popular and spacious campsite. Historical walk nearby passes through native bush.

Note: Open from Labour weekend (Oct) until 30 April.

Catleys, Kauaeranga Valley











Sites: 30

Fee: \$9.20 / \$2

Getting there: 6.5 km north of Visitor Centre. First camp on the right past Visitor Centre.

Campsite near the river. Short historic walk nearby.

Note: Open from Labour weekend (Oct) until 30 April.

Waikato

Wainora, Kauaeranga Valley











Getting there: 7 km north of Visitor Centre. Fourth campsite on left past Visitor Centre.

Campsite is at the start of the Cookson Kauri Walk, a 2.5-hour return track leading to a view point down to a large kauri tree. You can also continue 15 min further up the track to the two Wainora kauri trees.

Note: Open from Labour Day (Oct) until 30 April.

Totara Flat, Kauaeranga Valley



Getting there: 7.5 km north of Visitor Centre, Second campsite on right past Visitor Centre.

Camp alongside the river or higher up. Walk on a boardwalk through forest.









Sites: 30

Fee: \$9.20 / \$2

Trestle View, Kauaeranga Valley







Fee: \$9.20 / \$2 Sites: 30

Getting there: 9 km north of Visitor Centre. Last campsite past Visitor Centre.

This camp at the end of the valley is closest to the Webb Creek Track up to the Pinnacles and Billigoat Basin Track.

7. Broken Hills, Coromandel Forest Park









Sites: 45

Fee: \$9.20 / \$2

Getting there: Turn off SH25 at Hikuai, opposite Pauanui turnoff. Follow Puketui Valley Rd to end.

Access: Gravel.

Camp beside the Tairua River and explore the old gold mining area. Swimming, canoeing and trout fishing nearby.

8. Wentworth, Wentworth River





Sites: 75









Fee: \$9.20 / \$2 Prior approval from camp manager required for dogs Getting there: Turn off SH25 7km south of Whangamata into Wentworth Valley Rd and follow to the end.

Access: 5 km gravel, small stream ford.

Booking: Required peak season. Phone the camp manager on 07 865 7032.

Once a large gold mining settlement with houses, shops and schools, this is now a remote but comfortable campsite. Walk from the campsite to the Wentworth Falls, Wentworth mines and a waterhole for swimming. Golf course and restaurants in nearby Whangamata.

9. Landing Road, Arohena











Sites: 50 Fee: \$8.10/\$2

Getting there: Turn off SH3 east of Kihikihi via Arapuni Rd, turn into Rotongata Rd and into Waipapa Rd, and then into Pukewhau Rd at Arohena. Follow, then turn left into Mangare Rd and right into Landing Rd. Follow to end at the river.

Access: Winding gravel road for last 1 km. Please note—large motor homes may struggle to negotiate tight corners.

This campsite on the western shores of Waikato River is perfect for swimming, picnicking, fishing and water sports.

10. Piropiro, Pureora Forest Park

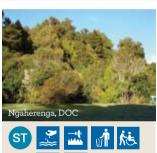


Getting there: Off SH 4, on the Waimiha–Mangapehi Rd. Turn east at Waimiha, follow Ongarue Stream Rd into Kokomiko Rd.

Access: Some gravel road sections. From here, explore forest roads by

From here, explore forest roads by car or mountain bike. Go hunting for red deer. Permits are required for hunting and dogs and are available from the Maniapoto Area Office, phone 07 878 1050.

11. Ngaherenga, Pureora Forest Park



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Sites: 16 Fee: \$8.10/\$2

Getting there: Barryville/ Maraeroa Rds, off SH 30, 20 km east of Bennydale adjacent to Pureora Field Base.

Access: Gravel road. Wheelchair accessible with assistance.

Camp near a stream beside lush forest and look out for native wildlife such as kākā, kōkako, kākāriki and short-tailed bats.

12. Kakaho, Pureora Forest Park



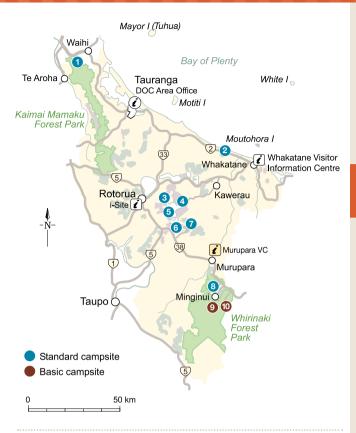
Sites: 25 Fee: \$8.10/\$2

Getting there: As above and follow Link Rd from Pureora Field Base or Kakaho Road from SH32.

Access: Gravel.

Beside Kakaho Stream and dense podocarp forest. Swim in the stream or walk the Rimu Track through thick forest before climbing to a stunning viewpoint.

Bay of Plenty



Bay of Plenty campsites

- 1. Dickey Flat
- 2. Matata
- 3. Okareka
- 4. Lake Tarawera Outlet
- 5. Hot Water Beach

- 6. Rerewhakaaitu, Brett Road
- 7. Rerewhakaaitu, Ash Pit Road
- 8. Mangamate
- 9. Sanctuary
- 10. Okahu Road



Tourism Rotorua i-SITE Information Centre 1167 Fenton St, Rotorua. Email: info@rotoruanz.com Ph 07 348 5179 or 0800 768 678 (NZ only) Fax 07 348 4133

Tauranga Area Office

253 Chadwick Rd, Greerton, Tauranga Email: <u>taurangainfo@doc.govt.nz</u> Ph 07 578 7677 Fax 07 578 1634

Whakatane Visitor Information Centre

Cnr Kakahoroa Dr and Quay St, Whakatane Email: <u>whakataneinfo@whakatane.govt.nz</u> Ph 07 306 2030 or 0800 942 528

Murupara Visitor Centre

Main Road (previously SH38), RD1, Murupara, 3079 Email: <u>muruparave@doc.govt.nz</u> Ph 07 366 1080

Bay of Plenty

1. Dickey Flat, Kaimai-Mamaku Forest Park



Getting there: Approx 10 km southwest of Waihi at the end of Dickey Flat Rd off Kennedy Rd.

Access: Gravel.

Campsite is located beside the Waitawheta River. Walking tracks take you past some great fishing spots and through to the historic Karangahake Gorge, where a large network of tracks allow you to explore the goldmining history.

2. Matata Recreation Reserve

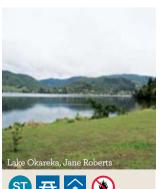


Getting there: Off SH 2 in Matata township, head across causeway to the campground, 200 m.

Access: Gravel.

The Matata campsite offers a coastal setting with excellent fishing and swimming in a family campsite. The camp is adjacent to the Matata wildlife refuge, a haven for wetland bird species, with walking tracks and viewing areas.

3. Lake Okareka Scenic Reserve



Sites: 12

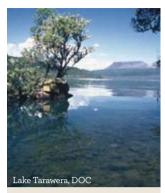
Fee: \$8.10/\$4

Getting there: Off SH 30, turn onto Tarawera Rd. At the Blue Lake turn left onto Okareka Loop Rd. Once at the settlement of Okareka, turn left onto Millar Rd. Follow Millar Rd for approx 2 km. The turn off to the campsite is where the seal ends.

Access: Sealed.

The perfect 'close to town' budget campsite. It gives campers the ability to camp in a safe and secluded setting, while still being just 15 min from Rotorua. Swim or fish in the lake.

4. Lake Tarawera Outlet, Lake Tarawera Scenic Reserve













Sites: 30

Fee: \$7.10/\$2

Getting there: Access to Tarawera Outlet is via private forestry roads from Kawerau township or boat access. Eastern shore of Lake Tarawera

Access: A permit is required for vehicle access via Kawerau.

Camp alongside the lake in a large and attractive campsite. A bridge links the campsite to several tracks. Trout fishing and water sports on the lake are popular in the summer time. Fly fishing season is 1 October - 31 May.

Note: Permit for road access available from Kawerau Information Centre, Plunket St. Kawerau. Cost per permit \$5. Open 9 am-4 pm in winter, 8 am-7 pm in summer. Closed Christmas Dav and Boxing Day. Ph 07 323 6300.

5. Hot Water Beach, Waimangu Conservation Area





Sites: 15











Getting there: Te Rata Bay, southern shores of Lake Tarawera. Near the Waimangu Volcanic Valley.

Access: Boat only (water taxis are available).

Camp in scenic surroundings. Relax in the natural hot springs in the bay. Enjoy water sports or explore the tracks in other areas around the lake.

Note: Extremely popular during the summer months. Limited lakeside mooring posts.

Bay of Plenty

6. Rerewhakaaitu, Brett Rd, Rerewhakaaitu Recreation Reserve



Sites: 14

Fee: \$6.10 / \$2

Getting there: Off SH 38, turn into Rerewhakaaitu Rd and follow for 2.7km. Turn into Brett Rd and follow 4.5km to camp entrance (on right).

Access: Sealed.

Camp on the shores of Lake Rerewhakaaitu. Take binoculars for watching water birds. There is good fishing, swimming and walking nearby.

7. Rerewhakaaitu, Ash Pit Rd, Rerewhakaaitu Recreation Reserve



Sites: 30 Fee: \$6.10 / \$2

Getting there: Off SH 38, turn into Rerewhakaaitu Rd and follow for 2.7km. Turn left into Brett Rd and follow to end. Turn right into Ash Pit Rd and follow 1.7km to camp entrance (on right).

Access: 2 km of gravel.

Camp on the shores of Lake Rerewhakaaitu. Take binoculars for watching water birds. There is good fishing, swimming and walking nearby.

8. Mangamate, Whirinaki Forest Park



Sites: 12

Fee: \$6.10 per site

Getting there: Follow Te Whaiti Rd (formerly SH38) from Murupara for 19 km to Minginui Rd. The turn off to camp is 5 km on right.

Access: 1km gravel off Minginui Rd.

Easily accessible campsite next to the Whirinaki River. The forest includes rimu and tōtara trees. Fish for trout, swim in the river or hunt. There are some wheelchair facilities, including wooden platforms which enable users to get out over the river and assist with fishing.

9. Sanctuary, Minginui Conservation Area



Getting there: From Minginui Rd turn into Sanctuary Rd and follow to the end.

Access: Gravel from Minginui. Small camp next to the Minginui Stream. Walk through podocarp forest.











10. Okahu Road, Whirinaki Forest Park



Sites: 15







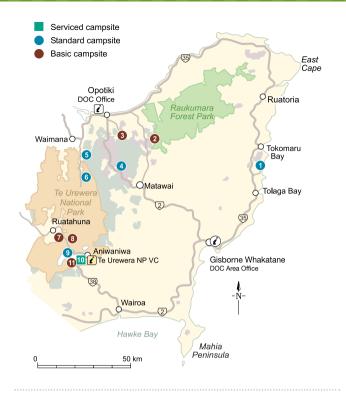


Getting there: Follow Ruatahuna Rd (formerly SH 38) from Murupara and turn down Okahu Rd at Ngaputahi.

Access: Gravel from Te Whaiti.

Camp on grass terraces adjacent to Okahu Stream. The area's kahikatea trees were extensively logged in the past and podocarps are now regenerating. Good picnicking and walking in the forest.

East Coast



East Coast campsites

- 1. Anaura Bay
- 2. Whitikau
- 3. Boulders
- 4. Manganuku
- 5. Te Pakau (Eight Acre)
- 6. Omahuru (Ogilvies)

- 7. Orangihikoia
- 8. Te Taita A Makoro
- 9. Mokau Landing
- 10. Waikaremoana Motor Camp
- 11. Rosie Bay

Te Urewera National Park Visitor Centre

State Highway 38, Aniwaniwa Email: <u>teureweravc@doc.govt.nz</u> Ph 06 837 3803 Fax 06 837 3722

Gisborne Whakatane Area Office

63 Carnavon Street, Gisborne Email: gisborne-ao@doc.govt.nz Ph 06 869 0492 Fax 06 867 8456

Opotiki Office

Cnr Elliot and St John Streets, Opotiki Email: <u>opotiki-ao@doc.govt.nz</u> Ph 07 315 1001 Fax 07 315 1011

1. Anaura Bay, Anaura Bay Recreation Reserve













Fee: \$15.30 per site Dump station provided Dec to Feb only One dog per site only

Getting there: SH 35, 85 km north of Gisborne, between Tolaga Bay and Tokomaru Bav.

Access: 4km gravel road.

Camp next to a beautiful beach and alongside a stream. Site is surrounded by forest and coastal bush. Recreational activities include swimming, most water sports and bush walks. Popular in the summer months.

Note: Open from Labour weekend (Oct) to Easter. Toilets NOT provided. Bring your own chemical toilet. NZMCA pass not valid 23 Dec-1 Feb.

2. Whitikau, Raukumara Forest Park











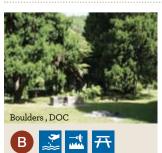
Sites: 16

Getting there: Turn off SH 35 at Omarumutu, east of Opotiki, and follow Old Motu Coach Rd for approx 20 km to Toatoa. Follow Takaputahi Rd to campsite.

Access: Gravel.

A remote campsite at Whitikau entrance to Raukumara Forest Park. Walk, tramp, fly fish, swim, mountain bike or hunt here.

3. Boulders, Urutawa Conservation Area



Getting there: Turn off is on the right after the Te Waiti stream confluence.

Access: Gravel.

Surrounded by nikau palms and tawa forest and next to the Te Waiti Stream, this campsite is very picturesque. It's also popular for swimming and picnicking.

4. Manganuku, Waioeka Gorge Scenic Reserve













Fee: \$7.10 per site

Getting there: Beside SH 2, south of Opotiki and approx 4km south of Wairata, Waioeka Gorge.

Access: Sealed

Camp beside one of the few remaining historic Howe truss bridges. Walks from the campsite include Little Manganuku and the Manganuku Track. Good river fishina.

Te Urewera National Park

Home of the Tuhoe people or the 'Children of the Mist', a remote and rugged land famous for beautiful lakes and forest. Book and walk the Lake Waikaremoana Great Walk, or get a water taxi to create a shorter walk.

5. Te Pakau (Eight Acre), Te Urewera National Park



Sites: 60 Fee: \$7.10 per site

Getting there: Follow Bell Rd off SH2 near Waimana and then onto Matahi Valley Rd. Campsite is 27 km from SH2.

Access: Gravel from Taneatua.

Once a dairy farm, this campsite is in the north of the park by Waimana River. There are numerous walks into the spectacular forest nearby.

6. Omahuru (Ogilvies), Te Urewera National Park



Fee: \$7.10 per site Sites: 40

Getting there: As above, but 18 km from SH₂.

Access: Gravel.

Camp, cycle, swim, fish, walk through the park, or relax beside the river. The Waimana Valley provides access to Otamatuna Core Area. Lots of birds to watch-take your binoculars.

7. Orangihikoia, Te Urewera National Park









Getting there: Adjacent to Waikaremoana Rd (formerly SH38) between Te Whaiti and Lake Waikaramoana.

Access: Gravel, narrow and windina.

Camp in a remote setting north of Te Taita A Makoro campsite, and go hunting, walking or fishing.

8. Te Taita A Makoro, Te Urewera National Park



Getting there: Adjacent to Waikaramoana Rd (formerly SH 38), 4 km north from Lake Waikaremoana.

Access: Gravel, narrow and windina.

Camp by a stream, hunt, walk or relax.







Sites: 10

9. Mokau Landing, Te Urewera National Park











Sites: 40

Fee: \$7.60/\$4

Getting there: From SH 38 at Aniwaniwa, drive west around the lake for approx 10 km.

Access: Gravel, narrow and winding.

Between native bush and the lake, this large grassy site is perfect for a range of activities. 1.5 km from Mokau Falls.

10. Waikaremoana Motorcamp, Te Urewera National Park















Tent sites: 26 Powered sites: 33 Fee: \$15/\$5







Getting there: Lake Waikaremoana, adjacent to SH38, nestled in Opourau, Home Bay.

Access: 57 km from Wairoa on SH 38. Narrow with some gravel sections. Allow about 1 hour drive from Wairoa. Travelling from Rotorua, after Murupara there is about 2 hours drive on narrow winding gravel roads, with some spectacular views.

Booking: Required all year. Ph o6 837 3826.

Camp alongside the lake and enjoy a beautiful view. Explore many walks nearby, visit the 1000-yearold rata tree, the Aniwaniwa and Papakorito Falls, and the Te Urewera National Park Visitor Centre, 2km by road, or by foot along the Black Beech Track. The lake is popular for boating, fishing and kayaking.

Amenities include kitchen and dining room with panoramic views, fully-equipped laundry and a camp store where fishing licences can be purchased, as well as basic supplies. Note: Jet skis, house boats and float

planes are not permitted on the lake. NZMCA pass not valid here.

11. Rosie Bay, Te Urewera National Park













Sites: 6

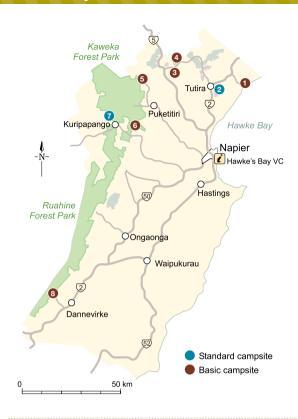
Getting there: Lake

Waikaremoana, SH 38, 10 km south of Te Urewera National Park Visitor Centre.

Access: Gravel, sections narrrow and winding.

Camp at the lake shore in a secluded bay with stunning views. This is a popular campsite and a good base for lake activities.

Hawke's Bay



Hawke's Bay campsites

- 1. Waikare River Mouth
- 2. Lake Tutira
- 3. Glenfalls
- 4. Everetts

- 5. Mangatutu Hot Springs
- 6. Lawrence
- 7. Kuripapango
- 8. Kumeti

Hawke's Bay Visitor Centre, Conservation House

59 Marine Parade, Napier Email: <u>hawkesbayvc@doc.govt.nz</u> Ph 06 834 3111 Fax 06 834 4869

1. Waikare River Mouth, Waikare River













travel 13km to road end. Access: Gravel.

Beside the Waikare River, this grassy campsite is a 10 min walk to the beach for swimming, fishing and boating.

Getting there: From SH 2 at Putorino, turn into Waikare Rd and





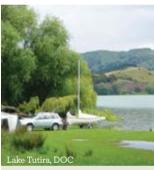






Sites: 4

2. Lake Tutira, Tutira Recreation Reserve





Sites: 30









Fee: Donation

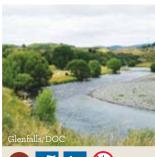
Getting there: Off SH2 at Tutira, 50 min north of Napier.

Access: Sealed, Gravel at campground.

Camp at the southern end of the freshwater lake, and walk to Table Mountain Trig for views of inland Kaweka, Maungaharuru Range and coastal Hawke's Bay. Enjoy fishing, swimming, kayaking and sailing on the lake.

Note: No motor boats on the lake. The lake may be subject to toxic algal blooms. Do not enter the water if signs advise not to.

3. Glenfalls, Glenfalls Recreation Reserve













Sites: 20

Getting there: From SH 5 (Napier-Taupo Rd) turn into Waitara Rd, 2.1 km south of the Mohaka River bridge. Follow Waitara Rd for 8 km. Campsite is approx 1h drive from Napier or Taupo.

Access: 8 km gravel.

Cows keep the grass down at this campsite beside a river. Fish, swim, canoe or raft in the river. Boil water before drinking.

Hawke's Bay

Everetts. Mohaka Conservation Area











Sites: 20

Getting there: Take SH 5 (Napier-Taupo Rd) and turn into Waitara Rd, 2.1 km south of the Mohaka River bridge, Follow Waitara Rd for 16 km then turn into Aurora Rd and travel 5 km to sign. Approx 1h 15 min drive from Napier or Taupo.

Access: 24 km gravel. Stream ford and steep road—suitable for 2WD vehicles. Road subject to slips check with the Hawke's Bay Visitor Centre before trip.

Camp in a big grassy area beside a pine plantation and the Mohaka River. Fish, swim, canoe or try white water rafting.

Note: Boil water before drinking.

5. Mangatutu Hot Springs, Kaweka Forest Park















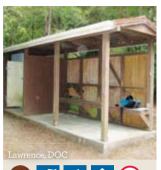
Getting there: From Napier, take Puketitiri Rd then Pakatutu Rd for 9km. Turn into Makahu Rd and travel to road end.

Access: Gravel road, Stream ford on Makahu Rd. 7.5 km from road end.

Camp at the start of the popular Te Puia hot springs track. Relax at the nearby thermal springs or go tramping, fishing, swimming or rafting. Hunt sika and red deer in the park. The river offers rainbow and brown trout.

Note: 5 minute walk to stream for water.

6. Lawrence, Kaweka Forest Park



Sites: 5

Getting there: From Napier-Taihape Rd turn into Lawrence Rd near Kuripapango and travel 7km to road end. Approx 1.5 h west of Napier.

Access: Gravel, Last 500 m unsuitable for 2WD vehicles.

A pleasant setting to camp or picnic in, surrounded by pine trees. There are day and overnight walks from here, as well as fishing and hunting, or canoeing on the Tutaekuri River.



Note: Logging trucks on road—drive slowly and keep left.

7. Kuripapango, Kaweka Forest Park







Sites: 50

Fee: \$5.10

Getting there: Beside Napier-Taihape Rd near Kuripapango. 1km gravel road off main road towards river.

Access: Gravel.

Camp at the edge of the park. Raft down the Ngaruroro River or have a go at fishing.

8. Kumeti. Ruahine Forest Park









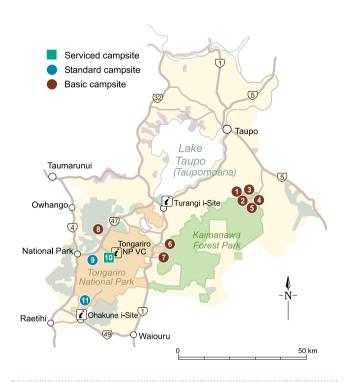
Sites: 15

Getting there: 1 h 45 min south of Napier. From SH 2 west of Dannevirke follow Maharahara Rd, then turn into Kumeti Rd and follow to end.

Access: 1,3 km gravel at road end to parking area adjacent to the campsite.

Camp in a clearing on the edge of the forest near a stream. Day walk (if you plan ahead and are well prepared) over the Ruahine Range.

Tongariro/Taupo



Tongariro/Taupo campsites

- 1. Clements Clearing
- 2. Clements Road end
- 3. Army Road
- 4. Kakapo
- 5. Te Iringa
- 6. Kaimanawa Road

- 7. Urchin
- 8. Pokaka Mill
- 9. Mangahuia
- 10. Whakapapa Motorcamp
- 11. Mangawhero

Tongariro National Park Visitor Centre

Whakapapa Village, Mount Ruapehu Email: <u>whakapapave@doc.govt.nz</u> Ph 07 892 3729 Fax 07 892 3814

Ohakune i-Site

54 Clyde St, Ohakune Email: <u>ruapehu@i-site.org</u> Ph 06 3858 427, Fax 06 3858 527

Kaimanawa Forest Park

The seven campsites in the park are dominated by the Kaimanawa Ranges, an area of diverse terrain and vegetation including tall forest, scrub and tussock. Activities available include hunting, short walks, tramping, fishing and rafting in the river. Watch for kererū, fantail, bellbird, rifleman, robin, grey warbler, tomtit, and kākāriki.

1. Clements Clearing, Kaimanawa Forest Park



Getting there: 27 km east of Taupo, turn right off SH 5 into Taharua Rd and follow for 9.5 km, then turn right into Clements Mill Rd.

Access: Gravel.







Sites: 30

2. Clements Road end, Kaimanawa Forest Park



Getting there: As above, 21 km to end.

Access: Gravel.







Sites: 4

3. Army Road, Kaimanawa Forest Park



Getting there: As above. On Clements and Army Rd, 12.5 km from start of Clements Rd.

Access: Gravel.









Tongariro/Taupo

4. Kakapo, Kaimanawa Forest Park



Getting there: Follow Clements Clearing directions. Campsite is 10 km from start of Clements Road.

Access: Gravel





Sites: 4

5. Te Iringa, Kaimanawa Forest Park



Getting there: Follow Clements Clearing directions. Campsite is 4km from start of Clements Road. Access: Gravel





Sites: 4

6. Kaimanawa Road, Kaimanawa Forest Park



Getting there: 15 km south of Turangi, off SH1 along Kaimanawa Rd.

Access: Gravel.

This campsite is in a lovely setting high above a river. Many forest walks start nearby.







Sites: 10

7. Urchin, Kaimanawa Forest Park









Sites: 10

Getting there: 3 km south of Kaimanawa Rd campsite.

Access: Some gravel.

A quiet, remote campsite. Mountain bike Tree Trunk Gorge or the Pillars of Hercules to Desert Road tracks, Hunt, tramp or 4WD.

Note: Nearest water 2 km up the road.

8. Pokaka Mill, Tongariro Forest Conservation Area



Getting there: Off SH 47 at the end of Pukehinau Rd.

Access: Rough gravel road, 4WD recommended.







Sites: 30

9. Mangahuia, Tongariro National Park



Sites: 17







Fee: \$4/\$2

Getting there: Off SH 47, 6 km south of National Park.

Access: Gravel

A peaceful campsite beside a stream on the edge of the park. Explore the Whakapapaiti Track. Activities nearby are skiing, hunting and mountain biking in Tongariro Forest.

Tongariro/Taupo

10. Whakapapa Motorcamp, Tongariro National Park

Serviced campsite













Tent sites: 8 Powered sites: 44 Fee: \$19/\$11

Getting there: Whakapapa Village opposite Visitor Centre, 6.4km along SH 48, off SH 47.

Access: Sealed.

Booking: Required. Ph 07 892 3897.

Camp in a mountain beech forest, beside a stream, a perfect base for

exploring. In winter, skiing is 6 km away. Enjoy short, easy access walks starting at the campsite entrance. Camp facilities include a drying room.

There are also cabins and a lodge available at the campsite. For fees, booking and further information ph 07 892 3897, email

whakapapaholpark@xtra.co.nz or visit their website

www.whakapapa.net.nz.

Established in 1887, Tongariro National Park was the first national park in New Zealand and the fourth in the world. Major tramps in the park include the Tongariro Northern Circuit (one of DOC's Great Walks), the Round The Mountain Track or the world famous Tongariro Alpine Crossing. Make sure to check in at the Tongariro National Park Visitor Centre before heading out into the alpine environment.

Note: NZMCA pass not valid here.





11. Mangawhero, Tongariro National Park









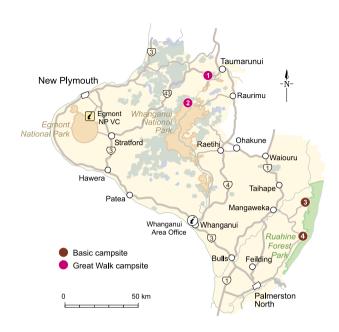
Sites: 20 Fee: \$4/\$2

Getting there: Ohakune Mountain Rd, 2 km from Ohakune.

Access: Some gravel.

Camp in the forest on the flanks of Mt Ruapehu. This is a good base for exploring the park. At the park entrance, there is a nice short walk. Go walking, tramping or venture into the alpine areas—but make sure you're well prepared—alpine weather changes quickly.

Whanganui



Whanganui campsites

- 1. Ohinepane
- 2. Whakahoro
- 3. Kawhatau
- 4. Piripiri

Whanganui Area Office

74 Ingestre St, Whanganui Email: <u>wanganuiconservancy@doc.govt.nz</u> Ph 06 349 2100, Open Mon-Fri only

Egmont National Park Visitor Centre

Egmont Rd, RD6, Inglewood Email: <u>egmontvc@doc.govt.nz</u> Ph 06 756 0990

1. Ohinepane, Ohinepane Recreation Reserve



Getting there: Whanganui River Road, on SH 43, 21 km from Taumarunui.

Access: Road. Alternatively by boat or canoe.

Camp in a remote setting. This is one of four road access points to the Whanganui Journey. Look and listen for kererū, tūi and fantail. Brown kiwi can often be heard at night. The forest is a mix of rātā, rewarewa, rimu, tawa, and kōwhai trees.

Note: Campsite is free for drivein campers. Those camping in connection with the Whanganui Journey need Great Walk hut and camp pass. See www.doc.govt.nz for details.

2. Whakahoro, Whanganui National Park

Fee: See note



Sites: 18











Sites: 70 Fee: See note Getting there: 44 km west of Owhango, off SH 4 at the end of Oio Rd.

Access: Road. Alternatively by boat or canoe.

A large, flat, grassy site beside the river, and a good starting or mid-point stop if undertaking the Whanganui Journey. There is a 10-bunk bunkroom and wheelchair accessible toilet on site, with boat access not far from the campsite.

Note: Campsite is free for drivein campers. Those camping in connection with the Whanganui Journey need Great Walk hut and camp pass. See www.doc.govt.nz for details.

Whanganui

3. Kawhatau, Ruahine Forest Park





Getting there: Turn off SH1 at Mangaweka, follow the road past Lower Kawhatau to Upper Kawhatau River Valley and continue to end

Access: Gravel 15 km. Part of the access road crosses private land. Please sign register book, leave gates as you find them and follow signs. Access between 20 March and 30 April is by prior arrangement only—please call Liz and Alan Rennie on 06 382 5555. It may be required at other times throughout the year, contact the Palmerston North Area Office on 06 350 9700.

Attractive bush setting surrounded by beech and podocarp. Tracks to McKinnon Hut (4 h) or the Colenso Trig Track (3 h) start nearby. Be well equipped for tramping. There is good fishing in the Kawhatau River.

Note: Kawhatau Lodge available.

4. Piripiri, Ruahine Forest Park







Sites: 4

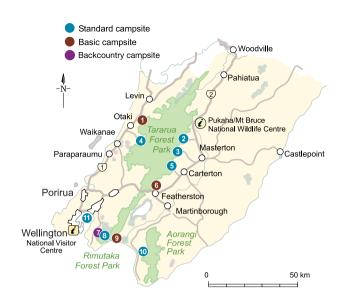
Getting there: Turn off SH 3 at Ashhurst, drive north, turn right across the Pohangina River bridge then follow the Pohangina Valley East Road until reaching the Piripiri Bridge.

Access: Short, steep access track may be slippery when wet.

The campsite is in a small clearing next to the Pohangina River, with good trout fishing and hunting upstream of the campsite and a scenic 4WD opportunity is available on the nearby Takapari Road.

Note: The campsite is in an attractive location but is limited in size. When full, alternative sites can be found at the nearby Totara and Raumai Reserves.

Wellington



Wellington campsites

- 1. Waikawa
- 2. Kiriwhakapapa
- 3. Holdsworth
- 4. Otaki Forks
- 5. Waiohine Gorge
- 6. Bucks Road

- 7. Graces Stream
- 8. Catchpool
- 9. Corner Creek
- 10. Putangirua Pinnacles
- 11. Matiu/Somes Island

Wellington National Visitor Centre

18 Manners St, Wellington Email: <u>wellingtonvc@doc.govt.nz</u> Ph 04 384 7770 Fax 04 384 7773

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1. Waikawa, Tararua Forest Park





Sites: 15

Getting there: Turn east into North Manakau Rd, 9km north of Otaki on SH 1.

Access: Gravel.

Diverse vegetation surrounds the campsite. Watch for fantails, tūi, bellbirds, whiteheads, riflemen and kākāriki. There are short walks, day trips and tramps nearby.

2. Kiriwhakapapa, Tararua Forest Park



Getting there: Turn off SH2 15 km north of Masterton onto Kiriwhakapapa Rd, and follow 7 km to road end.

Access: 5 km gravel.

This is a lovely family campsite beside a creek. Nearby is an old logging and exotic (redwood) forestry trial area. Walk through native forest to Blue Range Hut or Mikimiki, both 2 h one way. Walk the 1-h loop track or the tramline track to the base of the hill (2–3 km one way).

Note: Be aware of fire bans and the higher fire risk during mid-to late summer.

3. Holdsworth, Tararua Forest Park



Sites: 150 Fee: \$6.10/\$2

Getting there: 2 km south of Masterton, turn off SH2 at signpost to Mt Holdsworth, Norfolk Rd. Drive along road into Mount Holdsworth Rd. Campsite 15 km from SH turnoff.

Access: Sealed.

At the eastern park entrance beneath the Tararua Ranges. Enjoy walks, fishing and swimming nearby. Holdsworth Lodge provides accommodation for 28 and can be booked at www.doc.govt.nz.

Note: Be aware of fire bans and a higher fire risk during mid- to late summer.

4. Otaki Forks, Tararua Forest Park













Sites: 150

Fee: \$6.10/\$2 under 5 free

Getting there: 1 km south of Otaki. turn into Otaki Gorge Rd. Campsite is 19 km east of Otaki township.

Access: Gravel and narrow, with one stream ford.

Open river terraces and regenerating bush surround the campsite, reflecting the farming. mining and sawmilling history of the area. There are short walks to pioneering era relics. Some tramping tracks start here. The river offers swimming, white water kayaking and trout fishing.

Note: Bring gas BBQ or cooker. Campground warden on site all vear.

5. Waiohine Gorge, Tararua Forest Park











Sites: 50

Fee: \$6.10 / \$2

Getting there: From Carterton, drive through Matarawa. Follow Moffats Rd, Joseph Rd then Waiohine George Rd to end. 18 km northwest of Greytown.

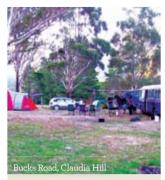
Access: Gravel and stream ford.

This secluded campsite is at the head of two spectacular gorges above the Waiohine River. It's a popular area for rafting, canoeing, swimming, and outdoor education. A 92-m suspension bridge leads to tracks up the valley.

Note: Visitors must contact DOC before using the abseiling site. Be aware of fire bans and a higher fire risk during mid- to late summer.

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6. Bucks Road, Tararua Forest Park









Sites: 25

Getting there: 15 minutes from Featherston, via Wakefield St, Underhill Rd then Bucks Rd to end.

Access: 5 km gravel access.

Enjoy the picturesque campsite above the Tauherenikau River set in regenerating bush. Camp at the road end or walk approx 150 m along the track to a grassy area amongst trees. Walk the Tauherenikau Gorge track or cool off with a swim in the river.

Note: Be aware of fire bans and a higher fire risk during mid- to late summer.

7. Graces Stream, Rimutaka Forest Park





Sites: 10

Getting there: Follow the Coast Rd south of Wainuiomata for 10 km to the main gate (Rimutaka Forest Park entrance).

Access: Short section of gravel and stream ford, and a 15 min walk from the top carpark along the Five Mile Track

800 m from the Catchpool carpark and close to plenty of good walks into the Orongorongo Valley. A 24h emergency phone is at the education centre.

Note: This is a Backcountry Campsite, there is a short walk from the carpark to the site. Gates open summer 8 am – 8 pm; winter 8 am – 6 pm.

8. Catchpool, Rimutaka Forest Park













Fee: \$10.20 / \$5.10

Getting there: Take the Coast Rd, 12 km south of Wainuiomata, off SH2 via Hutt Valley. 45 min from Wellington.

Access: Short section of gravel and stream ford.

Camp beside Catchpool Stream close to walks in the Orongorongo Valley. A 24h emergency phone is at the education centre.

Note: Gates open summer 8am-8pm; winter 8am-6pm. Kiwi live in the park, so keep your dog under control at all times.

9. Corner Creek, Rimutaka Forest Park









Sites: 12

Getting there: 38 km south of Featherston, along Western Lake Rd to Wharekauhau Rd.

Access: Gravel road last 5 km, two stream fords.

Camp is a 5 min walk from Palliser Bay. Go fishing, surfing, walking, hunting and mountain biking. Tie down your tent in a southerly wind.

Note: Be aware of fire bans and a higher fire risk during mid- to late summer.

10. Putangirua Pinnacles, Putangirua Pinnacles Scenic Reserve













Sites: 50

Fee: \$6.10/\$2

Getting there: Halfway between Cape Palliser and Lake Ferry. 58 km south via Martinborough and Lake Ferry Rd.

Access: Sealed.

Sited beside the Putangirua Stream with views of Cook Strait and a pebbly beach across the road. Tie down your tent in a southerly wind. Walk from here to the impressive Putangirua Pinnacles, or drive to the seal colony near Cape Palliser.

Note: Water not always available, so take your own in summer. Be aware of fire bans and a higher fire risk during mid- to late summer.

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Camping on pest-free islands

For Matiu/Somes Island

Before you leave, check your gear for stowaway pests:

- ✓ All gear must be free of rats, mice and ants—especially camping gear, which has ideal places for pests to hide when stored. Take extra care to clean gear if you have Argentine ants where you live.
- ✓ Clean clothing, footwear and camping gear removing soil and seeds before and after each trip.
- ✓ Pack food in sealed containers to avoid attracting rodents. Open supermarket bags are not sufficient.

Note: On arrival you will be met by rangers to check your gear.

Taking your own boat or kayak?

- ✓ Before departing, check your vessel for rats, mice and ants. Look for signs of rodents, such as droppings and gnawing.
- ✓ Keep fresh bait and/or set traps on your vessel and in the area in which it is stored.

11. Matiu/Somes Island, Scientific and Historic Reserve













Maximum of 12 people at camp at one time Fee: \$10.20 / \$5.10

Getting there: Ferry from Queens Wharf, Wellington.

Access: East by West Ferry departing from Queens Wharf (Wellington City) or Days Bay. Visitors may also arrive by kayak or private vessel.

Dinghies or kayaks can be pulled ashore from just north of the closed Northern Wharf to just south of the main wharf. All other boats may briefly unload at this wharf too, but must then move to the mooring buovs or further offshore. No landings are permitted elsewhere on the island.

Bookings: Essential, Book online at www.doc.govt.nz or at the Wellington Visitor Centre, phone 04 384 7770.

Camp in a sheep paddock on this historic island. There is a camp kitchen with a gas stove. Take your own cooking pots and utensils.

Note: During the dry summer months the island can be closed due to extreme fire risk.

NZTM2000 campsite coordinates

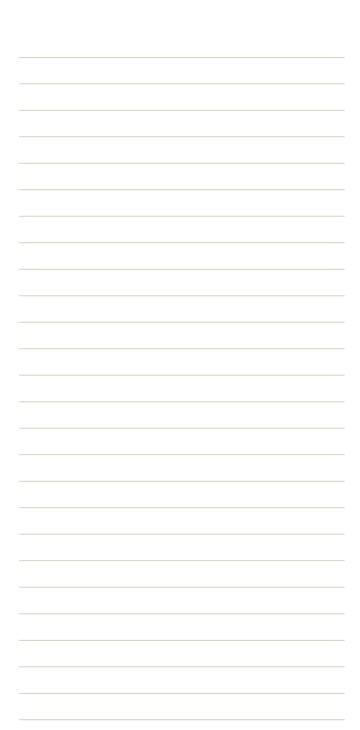
Use these coordinates to help you find your camp. They correspond with NZTM2000 Topo50 maps.

Northland campsites	Coordinates Easting – Northing		
Forest Pools	1662370-6096034		
Kapowairua (Spirits Bay)	1587447-6190362		
Maitai Bay	1637275-6145711		
Otamure	1732719-6071514		
Puketi	1668562-6098074		
Puriri Bay	1723562-6085659		
Raetea North Side	1639462-6108053		
Rarawa	1607538-6157437		
Tapotupotu	1574155-6189320		
Trounson Kauri Park	1658996-6046743		
Uretiti	1731842-6022426		
Urupukapuka Island – Sunset Bay	1712448-6101451		
Urupukapuka Island – Urupukapuka Bay	1712349-6101051		
Urupukapuka Island – Cable Bay	1712583-6102014		
Waikahoa Bay (Mimiwhangata)	1728006-6077000		
Auckland campsites	Coordinates E - N		
Akapoua Bay	1812499-5994425		
Awana Beach	1822809-5990750		
Harataonga	1823001-5994150		
Home Bay, Motutapu Island	1772146-5929032		
Medlands Beach	1824828-5983154		
Motuihe Island	1772695-5925165		
Motuora Island	1760284-5958505		
The Green	1815417-5987031		
Whangapoua	1817893-5997238		
Waikato campsites	Coordinates E – N		
Booms Flat	1835612-5893058		
Broken Hills	1843327-5889933		
Catleys	1836122-5893347		
Fantail Bay	1808590-5955612		
Fletcher Bay	1814079-5960625		
Hotoritori	1834095-5890769		

Kakaho	1836778-5727610		
Landing Road	1832829-5772402		
Ngaherenga	1823414-5734345		
Piropiro	1816782-5720961		
Port Jackson	1809781-5959816		
Shag Stream	1833665-5888280		
Stony Bay	1816877-5956498		
Totara Flat	1836676-5893933		
Trestle View	1837150-5894401		
Waikawau Bay	1826915-5945852		
Wainora	1836197-5893822		
Wentworth	1849966-5874024		
Whangaiterenga	1835120-5892542		
Bay of Plenty campsites	Coordinates E – N		
Dickey Flat	1843009-5852854		
Matata	1930751-5800078		
Lake Okareka	1894510-5770866		
Hot Water Beach	1900487-5761583		
Lake Tarawera outlet	1906584-5767896		
Mangamate	1924759-5718770		
Okahu Roadend	1934369-5719581		
Rerewhakaaitu, Ash Pit Rd	1906898-5757487		
Rerewhakaaitu, Brett Rd	1904399-5755182		
Sanctuary	1924364-5713965		
East Coast campsites	Coordinates E – N		
Anaura Bay	2064734-5754983		
Boulders	1985071-5771307		
Manganuku	1983493-5752778		
Mokau Landing	1955532-5704909		
Omahuru (Ogilvies) campsite	1960363-5751447		
Orangihikoia	1951583-5712311		
Rosie's Bay	1958846-5698878		
Te Pakau (Eight acre) campsite	1960070-5745740		
Te Taita A Makoro	1952884-5710637		
Waikaremoana Motorcamp	1961217-5702186		
Whitikau	2002438-5771214		
Hawke's Bay campsites	Coordinates E – N		
Everetts	1920499-5667015		

Glenfalls	1917500-5661107			
Kumeti	1853697-5549006			
Kuripapango	1886289-5634867			
Lake Tutira	1936025-5650108			
Lawrence	1896496-5636374			
Mangatutu Hot Springs	1898786-5657292			
Waikare River Mouth	1952539-5656825			
Tongariro/Taupo campsites	Coordinates E – N			
Army Road	1873335-5682043			
Clements Clearing	1875985-5684231			
Clements Road end	1872212-5679800			
Kaimanawa Road	1844144-5664059			
Kakapo	1875074-5683537			
Mangahuia	1813334-5660336			
Mangawhero	1809547-5637025			
Pokaka Mill	1817224-5675344			
Te Iringa	1879075-5683040			
Urchin	1843946-5662358			
Whakapapa Holiday Park	1819338-5657839			
Whanganui campsites	Coordinates E – N			
Kawhatau	1860691-5591429			
Ohinepane	1786004-5687522			
Whakahoro	1778918-5669213			
Piripiri	1850564-5562290			
Wellington campsites	Coordinates E – N			
Bucks Road	1797681-5451381			
Graces Stream	1761696-5421415			
Catchpool	1760876-5420387			
Corner Creek	1770503-5417757			
Holdsworth	1808984-5468482			
Kiriwhakapapa	1814686-5479284			
Matiu/Somes Island	1756200-5430600			
Otaki Forks	1787182-5471884			
Putangirua Pinnacles	1785772-5408882			
Waikawa	1789764-5489809			
Waiohine Gorge	1800980-5458936			

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