



4: Manginangina Kauri Walk

Length: 350 metres round trip Time: 30 minutes return

An easy boardwalk loop which is wheelchair accessible. Interpretive panels assist with the understanding and enjoyment of a mature stand of *kauri* trees, swamp forest and associated vegetation. This is one of many tracks in the Puketi Forest reserve. Accessible via Waiare Road, off State Highway 10 south of Kaeo, or from Pungare Road at Waipapa. More walks through awe-inspiring *kauri* forests depart from the Puketi Forest Hut, 3 km to the south.

look after yourself!

Wear a light shirt, comfortable shorts and lightweight hiking boots or running shoes. You should carry a warm sweater and a parka in case of bad weather, and don't forget the sunblock, hat and sunglasses for those fine days.

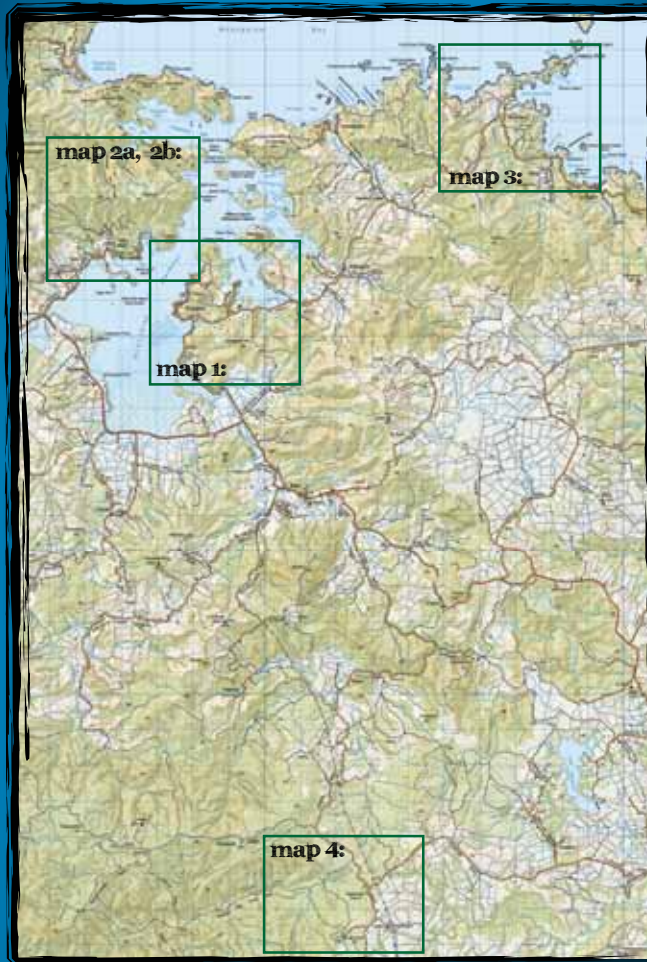
All walkers should carry a small first-aid kit and some food and drink. Be aware that giardia could be present in some freshwater sources. Keep to the track.

Enjoy your visit!

Toitu te whenua (Leave the land undisturbed).

OVERVIEW MAP

Map Scale 1:200,000 or 1cm = 2km



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View from the top of Duke's Nose/Kairara looking west to Lane Cove and Rere Bay

A guide to walking tracks around our beautiful harbour with its unique landforms & stunning scenery...



Introduction

Welcome to Whangaroa with its unique landforms and outstanding scenery, featuring a beautiful harbour with spectacular rocky bluffs and a prominent ridge system of eroded volcanoes, clad in some of the last diverse coastal conifer/broadleaf/kauri forest in New Zealand. The area around the harbour contains unique plant species, with small but important areas of mangrove/saltmarsh wetlands and tidal rivers containing banded rail and fernbird species. The open coast is characterised by rocky headlands such as the Mahinepua Peninsula, sandy beaches, and numerous islands. Typical of rich coastal areas, a wide variety of Maori and European archaeological features are also present. The walks outlined below take in a variety of forest and coastal scenery, and cater to a range of ages and fitness levels...

1: St Paul's Rock

Length: 600 metres each way Time: 1 hour return

Starting from the carpark at the end of Old Hospital Road, the track traverses St Paul's Rock (Ohakiri) above Whangaroa township and provides spectacular views of the harbour.

Patrick's Point (Kaheka Point) - Length: 2 km each way. Time: 2 hours return An easy walk on an old farm track along the ridge towards Kaheka Point.



2A: Wairakau Stream Track

Length: 5.6 km each way

Time: 4 hours return

The track starts 400m up Campbell Road in Totara North and leads to Pekapeka Bay. It first climbs over a saddle on an old farm road then down through regenerating forest to Wairakau Stream. Cross the stream twice and head off to the right across the large grassy clearing. The track then narrows and follows the shore of the Wairakau estuary to Lane Cove. If you wish, you can return to Totara North by water taxi from Lane Cove. Phone Whangaroa Harbour Taxis on 09 405 1844 or 027 680 5588.

2B: Duke's Nose

(Kairara Rock)

Length: 500 metres each way

Time: 1 hour return

The route departs from behind Lane Cove Hut (see map 2). This is a very steep climb up rocky outcrops which provide spectacular views over Whangaroa Harbour.

Please remember these walks are all on conservation land. All native plants, wildlife, natural features and historic sites are strictly protected. Please take your rubbish home. Please do not light any fires. Dogs are not permitted.

3: Mahinepua Peninsula Track

Length: 2 km each way

Time: 2 hours return

The track leaves from the eastern end of Mahinepua Beach (end of Mahinepua Road, off Wainui Road on the coast north of Matauri Bay). Follow markers up the farm track to the Reserve. Please keep to the track, cliffs exist in this area. Return via the same track. Please respect private property. The track travels the length of the peninsula, mainly along the ridge, giving access to the many sheltered bays and providing outstanding coastal views.

