

Hutt City Tracks & Trails

KEY

WALKING TRACK. Easy and well formed. Constructed to a "shoe" standard. Suitable for people of most ages and fitness levels.

TRAMPING TRACK. Requires skill and experience. Constructed to "Boot" standard. Suitable for people with average physical fitness.

ROUTE. Requires skill, experience and route finding ability. Suitable for well equipped trampers. Generally unmarked, no formed walking surface and often following a stream or ridge.

MOUNTAIN BIKING **WHEELCHAIR ACCESS**

NO MOUNTAIN BIKING **DOGS ALLOWED ON MOST TRACKS WITH LEAD**

HORSE/PONY RIDING **GWRC** **THE GREATER WELLINGTON REGIONAL COUNCIL**

1 **KINGSLEY STREET.** Reservoir 2 mins, or follow the ECNZ PYLON ROAD 1.5km. Return the same way. Views of Stokes Valley and the Hutt River. Easy walking or mountain biking.

2 **TAWHAI STREET.** 45 mins to PYLON RD. Passes through mature Beech/Kamahi forest and native ferns. Track is initially constructed to a walking track standard before progressing into a route as it climbs very steeply to the ECNZ PYLON ROAD and private land. A gut buster!

3 **KAMAHI STREET.** (1hr 45 mins to PYLON RD.) Tramping track. Passes through mostly regenerating native bush. Track slippery in places and follows the creek bed at one point before winding up to the ECNZ PYLON ROAD. Great views of the Wellington region and the Tararua Ranges. A friendly gut buster!

4 **RATA STREET LOOP TRACK.** (75 mins.) Tramping track. Follows creek bed for 600m. Views over Naenae and surrounding hills. A challenging walk. Connection to Pylon Road route only. Rough, steep 20 min walk.

5 **WILKIE CRESCENT FIREBREAK.** (40 mins Wilkie Cres to ridge.) A steep climb to the ECNZ PYLON ROAD that can be hot in summer. Views of Naenae and the surrounding hills. Return the same way. A gut buster!

6 **SUMMIT ROAD FIREBREAK.** (40 mins Summit Rd to ridge.) Steep in places as you climb to the ECNZ PYLON ROAD. Can get hot in summer. Popular with mountain bikers and walkers. Great views of the Hutt Valley, and links with tracks 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11. A friendly gut buster!

7 **HAYWARD SCENIC RESERVE / TE WHITI FIREBREAK.** 1hr to main ridge, 40 mins side loops. Tramping track. Climb up through mature native bush as you make your way up to the ECNZ PYLON ROAD. Great views of the Hutt Valley and Wellington harbour. The firebreak is popular with mountain bikers and can get very hot in summer. Links with tracks 6, 8, 9, 10 & 11. Challenging terrain.

8 **UPPER FITZHERBERT TRACK.** Walking and mountain biking trail passing through gorse and regenerating native forest before joining the ECNZ PYLON ROAD. Links with tracks 6, 7, 9, 10 & 11. Challenging terrain.

9 **KONINI FIREBREAK.** Service Vehicle road to the reservoir before winding up to the ECNZ PYLON ROAD. Popular for horse riding, walking and mountain biking, with good views of Wainuiomata and the Hutt Valley. Links with tracks 6, 7, 8, 10 & 11. Good grade, can get hot in summer. Challenging terrain.

10 **TOWAI TRIG / ECNZ PYLON ROAD.** Service Vehicle road with great views of Wainuiomata, Hutt Valley and Wellington harbour. Great for mountain bikes, hikers and horse riding. Links tracks 6, 7, 8, 9 & 11. Accessed from the top of Wainuiomata Hill Road. Challenging terrain.

11 **PARKWAY PLAYGROUND TRACK.** 1 hr to the ECNZ PYLON ROAD. Tramping track through Manuka, Beech and Kamahi forest. Links tracks 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10. Challenging walk.

12 **PURIRI TRACK.** Tramping track beginning at the edge of a large grassed area beside Wainuiomata Road. Ascends through mixed forest types to the main ridge track 26. A challenging walk.

13 **HOWARD ROAD TRACK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (30 mins to Hill lookout) Starts as a steep climb. The track begins at the reservoir following the ridge up to Wainuiomata Hill lookout. Links with tracks 14 & 26. A challenging walk.

14 **CHEVIOT ROAD TRACK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (15 mins to link with Track 13.) Tramping track. Winds through a good mix of native forest before joining the Howard Road Track. Cheviot Road to Ngamatau Road. Cross a small creek before turning left, then up the hill. Exit near the tennis courts in Ngamatau Road. A challenging walk.

15 **DILLON STREET TRACK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (15 mins.) This track offers great harbour views. A challenging walk. A plaque marks the site of the old Jackson Cottage. Exits at tennis courts and end of Dillon St.

16 **BROAD GULLY.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (20 mins to the main ridge.) Passing through Kawakawa and tree ferns, then on to Beech and Kamahi forest. A challenging walk.

17 **LEES GROVE TRACK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (40 mins to main ridge.) The most popular track on the Wainuiomata side. Leads up to Lowry trig. Begins beyond the last house No. 72 and joins the FERN GULLY TRACK. A challenging walk.

18 **FERN GULLY TRACK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (25 mins to Trig.) The entrance is between house No. 19 and 19B, Gardiner Grove. Cross a paddock, then a small creek. Turn sharp right before entering an extensive area of tree ferns. Joins the RATA RIDGE TRACK. A challenging walk.

19 **RATA RIDGE TRACK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (20 mins to link with FERN GULLY.) Entrance opposite No. 53 Stanley Street. Follows a zigzag leading to a firebreak before joining the FERN GULLY TRACK. Climb through Beech forest to link up with the LEES GROVE TRACK just before the LOWRY TRIG. A challenging walk.

20 **ZIG ZAG TRACK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (30 mins to link with RATA RIDGE.) Steep entrance north of 11B Fraser Street. Lives up to its name before joining the RATA RIDGE TRACK. Mild gut buster!

21 **ROTARY PARK BLACK CREEK.** (10 mins.) Entrance off main road along grassy stop banks, then back to the main road. Spring daffodil display along river at Rotary Park. Family stroll.

22 **HINE ROAD RESERVE.** (15 mins.) Entrance at the end of Hine Road and follows the Wainuiomata river around Richard Prouse Park to the Main Road. Access to WHAKANUI TRACK and Mt McKerrow in the Rimutaka State Forest Park (DOC land.) Family stroll.

23 **WILLIS GROVE TRACK.** (30 mins.) Tramping track through Harry Todd Reserve. Passes through pines and regenerating natives as well as ferns and Beech forest. Views of Wainuiomata and Moores Valley from the Lookout. A challenging walk.

24 **KAITAWA TRACK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (60 mins.) Tramping track, entrance is at end of Kaitawa St. Good panoramas of York Bay and Petone. Occasionally the native orchids put on a fine display. Car parking is limited. A narrow, challenging trail.

25 **FERRY ROAD TRACK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC 45 mins to west ridge. Views of Wellington Harbour and Eastbourne. The entrance passes through a plantation of Pinus Muricata (Bishop's Pine) before climbing into native Beech forest. A challenging walk.

26 **SUMMIT RIDGE TRACK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC. Well used by runners and walkers. Follows the ridge through Beech and Rata forest from Days Bay to Lowry Trig, then on to the Wainuiomata Hill Lookout. Links with tracks 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 24, 25, 27 & 28. A challenging walk with delightful harbour views.

27 **KORIMAKO CIRCULAR WALK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (45 mins.) Beginning at Williams Park, the walking track follows the creek before turning left as you side up to Korimako Road. Follow the road to the end where the track becomes a challenging tramping track as you pass through the pine plantation, and then Beech forest, up to the main ridge.

28 **KERERU ROAD.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (loop track within Williams Park, 65 mins.) Same entrance as the KORIMAKO CIRCULAR WALK. Continue past the Korimako signpost, past the old weir and across the creek, where the challenging track climbs steeply up through Beech and Rata forest, to the main ridge.

29 **MACKENZIE TRACK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (40 mins to ridge, 'rutted' tracks in parts.) Tramping track. Entrance off Muritai Road, near the Eastbourne shops. The beginning is a steep gutbuster as the track passes through a ringbarked pine plantation before entering Beech forest. Good views of Matui/Somes Island. Links with tracks 30, 31 & 32, park on Muritai Rd.

30 **MURITAI PARK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC. Tramping track to ridge only (35 mins.) Entrance between 259 and 261 Muritai Road. The track follows a good grade, and links with the MACKENZIE TRACK before descending to the valley floor. The track continues downstream before intersecting with the KOWHAI STREET TRACK. Suit moderate fitness. Attractive bush, good views and well graded. A challenging walk.

31 **KOWHAI STREET TRACK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (20 mins to the ridge.) This steep rocky trail to Butterfly Creek links with tracks 29, 30 & 32. Enjoyable but challenging walk. Steep and poor parking at top of Kowhai St.

32 **BUS BARN TRACK.** East Harbour Regional Park, GWRC (30 mins to main ridge.) Tramping track. Winds steeply upwards through gorse. Good views of the South Island and the entrance to Wellington Harbour. Near the top, the trail passes through native bush before linking with the KOWHAI STREET TRACK, and then on to Butterfly Creek.

33 **PENCARROW COAST ROAD.** Follow the flat Coast Road to the lighthouses at Pencarrow (2 hrs) for good views of the Wellington Heads, and the South Island's Mt Tapuaenuku. Further around, Lakes Kohangapiripiri and Kohangatera (2.5 hrs) are of national conservation significance.

34 **in parts** **HUTT RIVER TRAIL.** Easy walking track. The trail begins at the eastern end of Marine Parade at Hikoikoi Reserve. You can, however, enter the trail at any point from here to Upper Hutt, 24 km away. In many areas, tracks are located on both sides of the river offering a range of loop walks. Alternatively you can walk the trail entering and leaving at any point. Petone-Ava 1.5 hrs return. Ava-Melling 1.5 hrs return. Melling-Avalon 1.5 hrs return. Avalon-Silverstream 2 hrs one way. Suit family groups.

35 **in parts** **ESPLANADE TRAIL.** The flat trail begins at Hikoikoi Reserve and makes it's way along Petone Beach. You can enter the trail at any point along the Foreshore. Follow the beach past the Petone Settlers Museum to Petone Wharf carpark. The trail leads on to Korokoro Gateway and via the footbridges over the Western Hutt Road, train tracks and Highway 2 to trails 37, 38 & 40. Family stroll, including wheelchairs and pushchairs.

36 **CORNISH STREET.** Belmont Regional Park, GWRC. A well-graded track that follows the Korokoro stream to the Korokoro forks where you can either follow the track up to the Belmont trig, or to the historic Korokoro Dam (1.5 hrs.) Return either the same way or exit via OAKLEIGH STREET track 42.

37 **GALBRAITHS GULLY.** (The Wet Track, 25 mins entrance at Te Whiti Grove.) Follows the creek bed up to London Road and the entrance to FRANK CAMERON PARK. Alternatively the loop track (15 mins) follows the ridge, bypassing most of the stream and joins the main track. Links with track 39. A friendly climb.

38 **FRANK CAMERON PARK.** Views of Petone from the car park. The tramping track to CAMELS HUMP has sections of footpath. Start by exiting FRANK CAMERON PARK and turn right into George Gee Drive. The track begins about 100m along George Gee Drive and by taking only the tracks with an easy grade, as you make your way up, you will exit at wooden steps, at the end of Acacia Avenue. From here it is only a short walk via Protea Street and Maungaraki Road to either, CAMELS HUMP via Otamarau Street or Belmont Regional Park. Links with tracks 38, 40, 41 & 42. Suit moderate fitness.

39 **around main lawn** **PERCY SCENIC RESERVE.** This reserve contains numerous short loop tracks to suit all ages and abilities. The Waterfall Track is very popular, but for the moderately fit, there are also nice pockets of regenerating Tawa and Kohekohe forest to be explored in Kawakawa Gully. Although the tracks are not signposted, they exit Barberty Street and Acacia Avenue. You can also complete a loop circuit to return to PERCY RESERVE via George Gee Drive, FRANK CAMERON PARK, or Stanhope Grove. Good parking at Stanhope Grove.

40 **CAMELS HUMP.** (10 mins.) A pleasant walk to worthwhile views of Wellington Harbour and the Hutt Valley. Easily accessed from Otamarau Street and only minutes from the OAKLEIGH STREET entrance to Belmont Regional Park.

41 **OAKLEIGH STREET.** Belmont Regional Park, GWRC. From the car park a loop track can be taken to reach the historic Korokoro Dam (50 mins.) The northern route is slightly longer and passes through mature native forest. The southern route descends straight to the Dam and for the most part travels through regenerating bush. Links with track 37.

42 **MULBERRY STREET.** (25 mins one way up hill.) Walking Track. Pedestrian access from the bottom of Dowse Drive. Follow the spillway, turn right and gentle climb through the pines and regenerating native forest to Mulberry Street. Steep in places.

43 **JUBILEE PARK.** Access and parking just above Normandale overbridge. The Minoh Friendship House is situated here. There are loop tracks through native and exotic vegetation to pleasant meadows. Suitable for families. Domestic style woodland garden around house. You can also gain access into the park via Gaskill Grove, Harbour View.

44 **PANORAMA PATHWAY.** (5 mins.) A well-graded walking track providing pedestrian access from Normandale Road to Panorama Grove, linking the Harbour View and Normandale suburbs.

45 **RUDOLPH STEINER TRACK.** This 10 minute walking track in Tirohanga links Matuhi Street and Avonlea Grove. A lovely stroll through native palms and ferns.

46 **BERTRAM RESERVE.** (10 mins one way uphill.) Walking track. A pleasant walk through native ferns from Groundsell Crescent to Palm Grove, passing through a small stand of Redwoods on the way.

47 **PARK-HILL TRACK.** (10 mins.) Walking Track. A short track between Park Road and Hill Road following a well-metalled track. Playground at Park Road entrance.

48 **OLD SOIL BUREAU TRACK.** (50 mins one way, downhill.) Well formed track between Shaftsbury Grove and Eastern Hutt Road. Through retired paddocks and scrub suitable for exercising dogs, easy mountain biking. No public route between old soil bureau buildings and reservoir.

49 **DRY CREEK.** Belmont Regional Park, GWRC. The Waterfall track is an easy 1 hour return journey to a small waterfall. The loop track (2.5 hours) follows the zigzag up onto Buchanan's Road and returns via a pylon access track. For a panoramic view of the Hutt Valley follow the track across the paddocks and up through the native scrub to Boulder Hill. The interesting Penepine boulders are well worth the 3.5-hour return journey. Some tracks closed during lambing (Aug-Nov.) Challenging walks.

50 **HILL ROAD.** Belmont Regional Park, GWRC. Walks range from 2-3 hours return to the Airstrip and Round Knob. This walk passes old munitions magazines from the Second World Wars. Belmont Trig can be reached in 4 hours and Boulder Hill is a moderate 6-hour return journey. Tracks can be closed during lambing (Aug-Nov.) Challenging walk.

51 **STRATTON STREET.** Belmont Regional Park, GWRC. A panoramic view of the Hutt Valley, Wellington, Porirua and the South Island, can be had from the Belmont Trig. Return the same way in 2 hours or descend to the OAKLEIGH STREET entrance via Baked Beans Bend and Korokoro Dam adding 2 more hours. The Belmont Dress Circle traverses the three high points of Round Knob, Cannons Head and Belmont Trig. This will take between 2.5 and 5 hours depending on the route you choose. Tracks can be closed during lambing (Aug-Nov.) Challenging walks.

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know your intended route and return time. Look out
at track entrances and please obey the signs. Let someone
water and high-energy food. Read the information boards
of the year. Tracks can be slippery when wet. Take drinking
shoes or boots and carry a waterproof jacket at all times
sudden weather changes. Wear warm clothes, strong
Be prepared for strong winds on the hillsops and for

SAFETY

The map on this brochure is only a guide.
"You'll be surprised at what you find."
city take heed! Trails have sprung up in unlikely places.
as developed urban areas. Visitors and Residents of the
People love their trails. Pack your lunch. Grab the kids.
Get out there and explore quiet natural settings as well

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