

BAY OF PLENTY



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A pathogen is killing kauri trees in the Bay of Plenty. Help prevent the spread – see page 4.



1 Dickey Flat

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Campsite is located beside the Waitawheta River, known for its trout and some great swimming holes downstream. Alcohol banned all year round.

Directions: Via Waitawheta Road, Kennedy Road and Dickey Flat Rd. **Access:** Gravel road. Not suitable for vehicles over 20 m. Campers walk in from the car park. No access from the Crown Track; use Dubbo 96 Track as alternate route.

LATITUDE: -37.43788 LONGITUDE: 175.74724

 STANDARD


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2 Matatā

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A family campsite in a coastal setting next to the Matatā Wildlife Refuge, with excellent fishing and swimming.

Directions: Off Arawa Street in Matatā township. Campsite is 200 m across a causeway.

Access: Gravel road. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -37.88639 LONGITUDE: 176.76059

 STANDARD


Photo: Natalie Douglas

3 Lake Ōkāreka

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A scenic lakeside campsite 15 min from Rotorua; swim or fish in the lake.

Directions: Head east out of Rotorua on SH30 towards Whakatāne for 1.7 km. Turn right into Tarawera Rd then turn left into Ōkāreka Loop Rd. At Ōkāreka, turn left into Millar Rd. Turn off to the campsite on the right where the seal ends.

Access: Sealed. **Note:** Not suitable for vehicles longer than 6 m. **Booking:** Not required.

LATITUDE: -38.16203 LONGITUDE: 176.36073

 STANDARD


4 Lake Tarawera Outlet (Te Tapahoro)

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Camp alongside Lake Tarawera in a large and attractive campsite where trout fishing and water activities are popular.

Access: By boat (water taxis are available) or walk in via Tarawera Waterfall Track. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -38.18501 LONGITUDE: 176.50314

STANDARD

**5 Hot Water Beach**

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Camp in scenic surroundings and relax in the natural hot springs in Te Rātā Bay.

Directions: Te Rātā Bay, southern shores of Lake Tarawera. **Access:** By boat (water taxis are available) or walk in via the Tarawera Trail. **Booking:** Required. **Notes:** Extremely popular during the summer months. Be careful as patches of very hot sand on the beach and foreshore area could cause injuries.

LATITUDE: -38.24410 LONGITUDE: 176.43375

STANDARD

**6 Rerewhakaaitu – Brett Rd**

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Camp on the shores of Lake Rerewhakaaitu; good fishing, swimming and walking nearby.

Directions: Off SH38, turn into Rerewhakaaitu Rd and follow for 2.7 km. Turn into Brett Rd, Awaatua Bay and follow 4.5 km to campsite. **Access:** Sealed. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -38.29974 LONGITUDE: 176.48145

STANDARD

**7 Rerewhakaaitu – Ash Pit Rd**

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Camp on the shores of Lake Rerewhakaaitu; take binoculars for watching water birds.

Directions: Off SH38, turn into Rerewhakaaitu Rd and follow for 2.7 km. Turn left into Brett Rd and follow to end. Turn right into Ash Pit Rd and follow to camp entrance. **Access:** Sealed. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -38.27738 LONGITUDE: 176.50742

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