

NORTHLAND

Cape Reinga/Te Rerenga Wairua



Note: All campsites are pack in, pack out (no rubbish or recycling facilities). See page 3.

! CHECK YOU ARE PEST FREE

Urupukapuka is a pest-free island (campsites 7–9). Check your gear and clothing for seeds and pests before you travel – see page 4.

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



For more information please visit www.doc.govt.nz/campsites.



Photo: DOC

1 Tapotupotu

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Relax at New Zealand's northernmost campsite; go surfing or walk the Te Paki Coastal Track.

Directions: Camp located at the end of Tapotupotu Rd off Cape Reinga Rd (SH1), 3 km south of Cape Reinga/Te Rerenga Wairua. **Access:** Gravel, steep sections. **Note:** Take care as the beach may be dangerous. **Booking:** Required.

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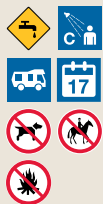
2 Kapowairua (Spirits Bay)

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Camp in a picturesque setting, and swim or walk the tracks.

Directions: Follow signposts from Waitiki landing, off SH1, for 16 km along Te Hapua Rd and then Spirits Bay Rd. **Access:** 16 km of gravel. **Note:** Pack insect repellent. Take care as the beach may be dangerous. **Booking:** Required.

LATITUDE: -34.42814 LONGITUDE: 172.86337



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3 Rarawa

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Camp among trees behind the white sand beach; go surfing and fishing.

Directions: 3 km north of Ngataki along SH1 turn into Rarawa Beach Rd. **Access:** 4 km of gravel. **Booking:** Required. **Note:** Take care as the beach may be dangerous.

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4 Maitai Bay

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Camp on the outer Karikari Peninsula in sheltered and private campsites.

Directions: 25 km southeast of Kaitaia on SH10, turn into Inland Rd at Karikari Peninsula and follow, then into Matai Bay Rd. **Access:** 2 km of gravel.

Booking: Not required – first come, first served.



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5 Raetea North Side

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Access is from the north only while SH1 through the Mangamuka Gorge is closed.

Camp in one of the last remaining lowland coastal forests. Look for native birds.

Directions: 18 km southeast of Kaitaia along SH1 at Mangataiore. Follow the 'Raetea Reserve' sign. Camp beside the stream in summer and in the car park during winter. **Access:** Gravel. **Booking:** Not required – first come, first served.

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6 Puketi Recreation Area

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Look out for kiwi and bats. An 18-bunk hut is also available.

Directions: Turn off SH10 at Pungaere Rd, 600 m north of Waipapa and follow signs to the camp.

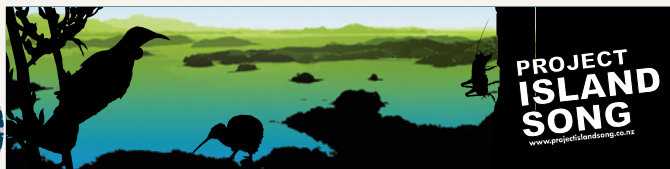
Access: 7 km of gravel. **Booking:** Required.

Note: Fires only permitted at certain times of year. Check the signs before lighting.



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Urupukapuka Island

Campsites 7–9 are on Urupukapuka, an island of significant historical and cultural importance. A great spot for fishing, swimming and water activities.

Directions: Ferries to Otehei Bay leave from Paihia and Russell daily during peak season, water taxis run year round, or arrive by private boat. **Booking:** Online or phone Paihia i-SITE on (09) 402 7345. **Access:** Boat only.

7 Urupukapuka Bay

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Directions: From Otehei Bay Wharf, walk for 15 min east along the marked Otehei Bay track to the top of the hill from where you can see the campsite.



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8 Sunset Bay

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Directions: From Otehei Bay, turn right at the end of the wharf and follow the track towards the southwest end of the island, about 30 min.



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9 Cable Bay

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Directions: From Otehei Bay Wharf end, turn right and follow the track towards the southern end of the island, about 30 min.



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10 Puriri Bay

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This camp overlooks the Whangaruru Harbour, with sheltered waters for swimming and boating.

Directions: Turn off SH1 into Russell Rd, 15 km north of Whangarei. After 30 km (north of Ngaiotonga), turn into Whangaruru North Rd. **Access:** Sealed. **Booking:** Essential over summer, ph (09) 433 6160. **Note:** There is limited hardstand parking available year-round.



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11 Waikahoa Bay 30

Camp among pōhutukawa trees beside a sandy beach. Look out for rare brown teal/pāteke.

Directions: From Whangarei, turn off SH1 at Whakapara into Russell Rd. Turn right at Helena Bay into Webb Rd. Continue to Mimiwhangata Coastal Park turn-off. **Access:** 9 km narrow, winding gravel road not suitable for campervans and large vehicles. Campsite is a steep 5 min walk from road, with **no vehicle access**. Access is through a locked gate. **Booking:** Essential over summer, book online or phone (09) 433 6554. **Note:** Tent only, walk-in campsite.

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STANDARD**12 Otamure Bay (Whananaki)** 130

Camp in a beach-front setting with large pōhutukawa trees for shade.

Directions: Go past Hikurangi on SH1, turn off at Whananaki North Road and travel 27 km. Campsite is 4 km past Whananaki shop and school. **Access:** Sealed. **Booking:** Essential over summer, ph (09) 433 8402.

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STANDARD**13 Trounson Kauri Park** 8  12

Nestled on the edge of an ancient kauri forest. "Shh... can you hear that? It's a kiwi!"

Directions: From the south, turn off SH12 at Trounson Park Road, 35 km north of Dargaville. From the north, turn off SH12 at Katui Road, 40 km south of Opononi.

Access: Sealed from south, gravel from north. **Booking:** Required.

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Camp behind the sand dunes at Uretiti Beach and explore the nearby Waipu Caves or walk the coastal track at Mangawhai Heads.

Directions: Signposted directly off SH1, approx 5 km north of Waipu. **Access:** Sealed. **Booking:** Essential over summer, ph (09) 432 1051. **Note:** Bulk water may be purchased to fill campervan tanks.

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