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AT THE BOTTOM OF THE WORLD

at the water's edge, is a

LITTLE CITY WITH A BIG HEART

Surrounded by nature and fuelled with a creative energy that makes life interesting, Wellington is a compact city with a powerful mix of culture, history, nature and cuisine.

Fuel your days with strong coffee, wander through hidden laneways and discover New Zealand's stories in interactive museums. Be inspired in theatres and galleries, and fill your bags with new wares and tasty treats from boutiques and markets.

Discover why Vogue dubbed Wellington 'a locavore's dream' in the city's restaurants, cocktail lounges and craft beer bars. Be sure to also take a trip to our neighbouring wine region Wairarapa, and explore the city's outdoor playground by bike, foot, boat or train.

12 UNMISSABLE EXPERIENCES IN **WELLINGTON**

1 Mt Victoria

With stunning panoramic views of city and sea, you'll be breathless for all the right reasons. Take a picnic with you and watch the ferries sail into the harbour.

2 Cuisine

Wellington's reputation as New Zealand's culinary capital is well deserved. Local favourites include **Ortega Fish Shack & Bar, Hippopotamus** and **Charley Noble**, while newcomers **Slim Daveys, Sterling** and **Five and Dime** are also hot spots.

*See Eat & Drink directory on **page 70***

3 Te Papa

New Zealand's incredible interactive national museum was recently named on Lonely Planet's list of the top 500 places to visit on the planet. Best of all - entry is free!

4 Freshly roasted coffee

Named as one of the top eight coffee cities in the world by CNN, Wellington knows its brews and beans. Savour a cup of the good stuff at **Havana Coffee Works** on Tory Street, or **Mojo** on the waterfront, where the beans are roasted on-site.

*See Coffee Capital directory on **page 66***

5 Wellington waterfront

Soak up views, sculptures and local action before dining at one of the cafés or weekend markets. Make sure to stop by the colourful boatsheds and pick up a gelato.

6 Hannahs Laneway

Home to a trail of boutique food factories and eateries, this little laneway is a foodie haven. Indulge in divine **Wellington Chocolate Factory**, the fresh flavours of **Six Barrel Soda** and **Fix and Fogg** peanut butter sold from a cute little window.

7 Weta Studio Tours

Spend time in the company of hobbits, trolls and wizards, and discover Wellington's movie-making magic on a tour of the award-winning **Weta Workshop.**

8 WWI exhibitions

Gallipoli: The scale of our war at Te Papa and **The Great War Exhibition** in the old Dominion Museum building are incredible exhibitions that provide an immersive and emotional journey through the stories of the First World War.

9 Cable Car

The bright red **Wellington Cable Car** is a bit of a classic. For just a few dollars, you can take the short ride on this historic vehicle from the heart of Lambton Quay up to the lookout, where you'll also find the **Cable Car Museum**, **Space Place at Carter Observatory** and the **Wellington Botanic Garden**.

10 Zealandia

Get up close and personal with a three-eyed prehistoric reptile, and New Zealand's native birds at nature reserve **Zealandia**. Catch a free shuttle to this ground-breaking eco-sanctuary from the Wellington i-SITE Visitor Information Centre or the top of the Cable Car.

11 Local brews

Quench your thirst at one of Wellington's craft breweries. Sample straight from the source at **Parrot Dog's** Vivian Street brewery, **Garage Project's** Aro Street cellar door, or Tuatara's bar **The Third Eye** on Karo Drive or their brewery in Kāpiti.

*See Craft Beer directory on **page 68***

12 Weekend markets

Enjoy street food and buskers at **Cuba Street's Night Market** every Friday and Saturday, pick up local crafts from the **Underground Market** on Saturdays, or swing by the **Harbourside Market** on Sunday for fresh produce.

*See **page 9** for more details*

IGNITE YOUR IMAGINATION IN THE

CREATIVE CAPITAL

Whether you like your art in galleries, on the street, on the stage, or somewhere in between, Wellington is the place for a culture fix. From movie-making magic to award-winning museums, world-class performing arts and thought-provoking street art, you'll find plenty to inspire your creative spirit.

Visual arts

With more than 50 galleries and a trail of colourful street art and sculptures, Wellington is a feast for the eyes. Pay a visit to **City Gallery Wellington**, the **New Zealand Portrait Gallery**, **Ngā Toi** at Te Papa, **PĀTAKA Art + Museum** in Porirua or **The Dowse** in Hutt Valley for contemporary and classic art collections. Keep an eye out for Instagram-worthy sculptures around the city including the iconic **Bucket Fountain**, **Solace in the Wind** and the **Wellington Writer's Walk.**

Performing arts

Home to major national arts companies including the **Royal New Zealand Ballet** and the **New Zealand Symphony Orchestra**, as well as a vibrant arts scene, there's always a live performance on offer in Wellington. Enjoy theatre at **BATS**, **Circa** and **Hannah Playhouse**, or marvel at international productions and musical acts at **St James Theatre** and the **Opera House**. Wellington also hosts an array of fantastic festivals, including the biennial **NZ Festival** (23 Feb - 18 Mar 2018), and the **World of WearableArt™ Awards Show** (21 September - 8 October 2017).

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Storytelling city

Journey through the past and present in Wellington's interactive museums and heritage sites. Discover New Zealand's stories at the **Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa**, learn our city's history at **Wellington Museum** and the **Petone Settlers Museum**, and get a glimpse of our government at work on a tour of the **Beehive** and **Parliament**.

Movie magic

Discover Oscar-winning magic right here in Wellington. Visit the wizards of Weta Workshop on a behind-the-scenes tour of the workshop and **Weta Cave**, explore film locations on a Wellington movie tour, or sit back and enjoy a film at the grand **Embassy Theatre**, site of numerous red carpet premieres.

LOCAL TIP

" I love going to Te Papa. Head straight up to the 4th floor to book in to see 'Golden Days', a cluttered junkshop where items of interest in NZ come alive." – Sarah W.

IMMERSE YOURSELF IN

NATURE'S PLAYGROUND

Bays and beaches

You're never far from a great beach or swimming spot in Wellington. Sink your toes into the golden sands of **Oriental Bay**, just a five minute walk from the city, enjoy a picnic lunch and a dip at **Scorching Bay**, watch the surfers ride the waves at **Lyall Bay** while you enjoy a coffee from **Spruce Goose** or **Maranui Café**, or venture north to the **Kāpiti Coast**, where you'll find 40km of unspoilt beaches.

Encounter wildlife

Thanks to the bush-covered hills and lush nature reserves, many native creatures call Wellington home. Spot tuatara, kiwi and weta on a tour of **Zealandia**, hang out with native birds on the **Kāpiti Island** nature reserve, or count the sunbathing seals on a **Seal Coast Safari**. Fancy more animal encounters? Take a trip to **Wellington Zoo**, or have a go feeding farm animals at **Staglands Wildlife Reserve**.

LOCAL TIP

"Take a walk to Red Rocks to see the seals from April to October. I love showing this off to visitors. So close to the city and yet a world away."
— Kirsty R.

Nestled between hills and harbour, you're never far away from the great outdoors in Wellington. Meet local birds amongst the bushy terrain that surrounds the city, hang out with tuatara in an eco-sanctuary, or jump in, on or under the water.

See directory on page 32

Fun on wheels

Explore the whole region on two wheels along the **Rimutaka Cycle Trail**, which traverses Wellington, Hutt Valley and Wairarapa. For more exhilarating rides, hit Wellington's mountain biking trails at **Makara Peak Mountain Bike Park** or **Polhill Reserve**. Call in to see the mountain biking experts at **Mud Cycles** for gear hire and tips on where to ride. See page 49.

Stunning walks

For breathtaking views, get your walking shoes on and stroll up to the lookouts on **Mt Victoria** or **Te Ahumairangi Hill**. Discover Wellington's diverse landscape on the **Northern, Southern** or **Skyline Walkways**, or explore the rugged **South Coast** from Lyall Bay along to Island Bay.

Download the free **Welly Walks app** to help guide you along some of Wellington's best walkways.

TAKE A BITE OUT OF THE

CULINARY CAPITAL

Wellington's reputation as New Zealand's culinary capital is well deserved. Find your appetite at one of the city's top quality cafés, bars, restaurants, or sample unique craft brews and coffee that'll knock your socks off.

Cuisine

With more than 750 eateries, you're spoiled for choice in Wellington. For restaurant tips see the directory on page 70, ask one of the friendly team at the **Wellington i-SITE Visitor Information Centre**, or have a word to your hotel concierge.

Plan a visit during August and experience the region's cuisine at its most creative during the delectable foodie festival, **Visa Wellington On a Plate™** (11 – 27 August 2017).

Beans and brews

In Wellington you'll find that coffee is more than a drink; it's a religion. Stop by **Caffe L'affare**, **Flight Coffee Hangar** or **Mojo** for a cup of the city's finest.

Wellington has also been at the forefront of New Zealand's craft beer revolution, thanks to a trail of specialist craft beer bars and clever brewers. **Little Beer Quarter, The Rogue and Vagabond** and **Golding's Free Dive** are top notch spots for a refreshing beverage. See pages 66 - 69 for more details.

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Classic New Zealand Wine Trail

Taste your way through some of New Zealand's finest wine regions on the Classic New Zealand Wine Trail, a self-drive route through **Hawke's Bay, Wairarapa, Wellington** and **Marlborough**. Wellington's location at the heart of the trail and its renowned culinary scene make it the perfect stopover on your wine tour. For more information, visit **www.classicnzwinetrail.com**

LOCAL MARKETS

Capital Market
Monday – Sunday: 10.30am – 9pm
151 Willis Street

Thorndon Farmers' Market
Saturday: 8.30am – 12.30pm
Hill Street

Wellington Underground Market
Saturday: 10am – 4pm
Frank Kitts Carpark, Jervois Quay

Wellington Night Market
Friday: 5pm – 10.30pm
Left Bank, Cuba Street
Saturday: 5pm – 10.30pm
Lower Cuba Street

Harbourside Market
Sunday: 7.30am – 2pm (summer), 7.30am – 1pm (winter)
Next to Te Papa

LOCAL TIP

"Have a local craft beer and a pizza from The Rogue & Vagabond. The outdoor area is especially great and lets you really get a feel for what it is to be a Wellingtonian." – Susan K.

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SHOP

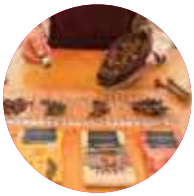
TIL' YOU DROP

Shopping in Wellington is easy thanks to the compact city centre. From trendy boutiques full of local and international designs, to gorgeous art and quirky gift stores, indulge in some retail therapy, and fill your suitcase with lovely new things.

Shop all styles

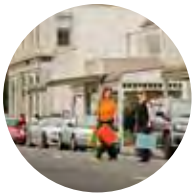
If you're in the market for a new outfit or two, Wellington has you covered. Find classic high street shopping along **Lambton Quay,** including the gorgeous new **David Jones** department store, or discover **Willis Street**'s boutiques and hidden gems. Wellington's famed vintage shops can be found on **Cuba Street**, and be sure to divert down **Ghuznee Street** for fashion, homewares and designer handbags.

Gifts



Pick up stylish gifts for loved ones back home from **Cranfields**, **Made It** and **Kura**, or treat your sweet tooth to goodies from **Wellington Chocolate Factory** or **Bohemein**.

Further afield



Make a day of it and venture to **Jackson Street** in Petone or **Greytown** in Wairarapa, where you'll find charming boutique stores. Or if you like shopping under one roof, visit **Queensgate** in Lower Hutt or **North City Plaza** in Porirua.

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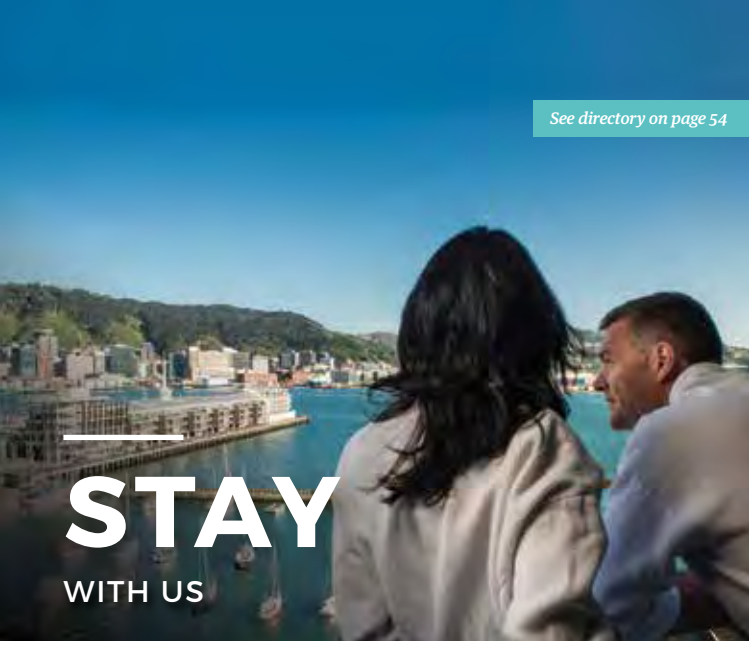

STAY
WITH US

With a range of affordable and stylish accommodation options right in the central city, it's easy to feel at home in Wellington.

Something for everyone

Whether you're looking for a 5-star room with a harbour view, a budget-friendly hotel with space for the whole family, a funky backpackers in the heart of the city, or a luxury lodge in the country, we've got you sorted. Take a look at the directory page 54 for accommodation options.

Booking made easy

Find deals, compare and book Wellington accommodation at **WellingtonNZ.com/accommodation**, or get personal advice from the **Wellington i-SITE Visitor Information Centre** on Wakefield Street.

Quality assured

New Zealand tourism's official mark of quality assurance is the **Qualmark®**. All accommodation and tourism businesses with the **Qualmark®** logo have been independently assessed as professional and trustworthy.

YOU'LL FIND IT EASY TO

GET AROUND

Flying visit

Getting to and from Wellington Airport is simple. Taxis to the city will cost an average NZ$35-45, or for a few dollars more ask the driver to take you on the scenic route around Wellington's bays.

You can also catch the **Airport Flyer**, an express bus service that operates between Wellington Airport, Wellington City and Lower Hutt. The Flyer departs the airport every 10 minutes at peak times (weekdays 6.30am – 9.00am and 2.00pm – 7.00pm), and approximately every 20 minutes at all other times. Fares to the city cost NZ$9, while a trip to Hutt Valley will cost NZ$12.

Plan your journey

You can easily plan your adventures at **www.metlink.org.nz**, which has a handy journey planner as well as timetable and fare information for public buses and trains.

Pick up a **Snapper** card from the Wellington i-SITE Visitor Information Centre for easy discounted travel throughout the city and suburbs. Snapper cards cost NZ$10 and can be topped up for use on GO Wellington, Valley Flyer and Airport Flyer buses.

Wellington's compact central city means things are often just a short walk away, but if you want to explore a little further afield, you'll be pleased to know that Wellington has an easy and affordable public transport system.

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Spin your wheels

You can hire bikes from **Fergs Kayaks** and **On Yer Bike**, a popular way to explore the waterfront and bays. **Switched On Bikes** hire electric powered bikes and also offer guided tours of Wellington's top spots.

For a fun way to explore Wellington, hire a quirky **Crocodile Bike** and ride around the scenic waterfront, or jump on a guided electric tuk tuk tour with **Tuk Tuk Cartel**.

Daytripping

For a great day trip, catch a bus or train to Hutt Valley, Wairarapa, Porirua or Kāpiti Coast, or take the **East by West ferry** across the harbour to Matiu Somes Island, Days Bay and Eastbourne. If you would prefer to let someone else lead the way, book a half or full day group tour, and explore the region and beyond. Have a chat to the team at the Wellington i-SITE Visitor Information Centre to see what the options are.

EXPLORE

THE REGIONS

There are a number of day trips you can take from Wellington city. Just a short drive away, explore the great outdoors and taste the finest wine.

Kāpiti

Escape to Kāpiti for its unspoilt beaches and a warm coastal climate. Swim, sail and surf or just relax on the beach, take in the view and eat some local fish and chips. Go on a trip to an island nature reserve with **Kāpiti Island Nature Tours** and get up close to unique birdlife and native bush, or explore the coastal tracks.

*See **page 24***

Hutt Valley

From the Hutt River to the bush-clad hills, Hutt Valley is home to some of the region's best walking and mountain bike trails. The picturesque seaside townships of Petone and Eastbourne are also worth a visit, home to a collection of cafés and art galleries just a short drive or ferry ride from downtown Wellington.

*See **page 16***

Porirua

Tucked alongside two beautiful harbours and a rugged coastline, Porirua is a playground for watersport enthusiasts. Just 20 minutes north of Wellington, the region offers a bounty of beautiful walks and cycleways. For a cultural experience, discover contemporary New Zealand and Maori art at **PĀTAKA Art + Museum.**

Wairarapa

Get a taste for fine cuisine and relaxation at one of the country's top food and wine destinations, located just an hour north of Wellington by car or train. Spend a day cycling the country roads of Martinborough, pausing for tastings at some of the 20+ vineyards, or head to the charming village of Greytown for boutique shopping.

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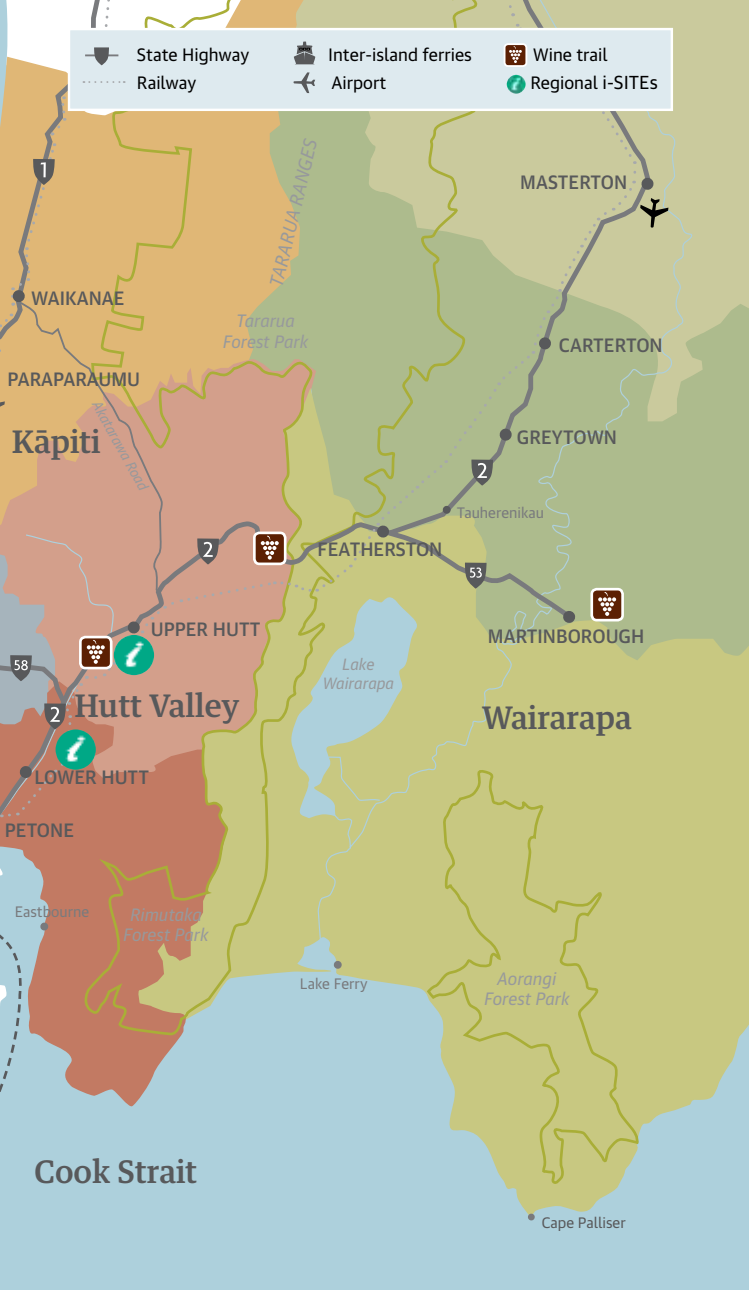

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HUTT VALLEY

Rimutaka Cycle Trail

Spanning from Petone to Orongorongo, the Rimutaka Cycle Trail offers riders a stunning mix of New Zealand landscapes; from the coast, to the riverside, to bush-clad hills.

Fuel up for your ride in Petone, a foodie hot-spot, and follow the Hutt River Trail with swimming holes and picnic spots along green city fringes.

Stay the night in Upper Hutt and relax at one of several charming bed and breakfasts. Restock before leaving the city behind you to explore lush bush and historic rail trails.

Just 15 minutes up the road from Wellington City lies the beautiful Hutt Valley. Take time out to explore an outdoor haven filled with unexpected treasures and some of the region's best walking and mountain biking trails.

Hop on a train, bus or ferry to explore seaside villages, boutique shopping strips and your next locally roasted coffee and local craft beer fix.

For more information on must do's contact the staff at:

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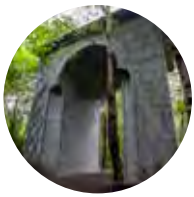
SILVERSTREAM RAILWAY MUSEUM

EXPAND YOUR MIND

MORNING

Start with a coffee and delicious brunch from **Cake & Kitchen** on Fergusson Drive in Upper Hutt and wander over to **Main Street** to discover unique boutique and independent stores including Created Homewares, Avison's Home & Giftware and Botanical Beauty Co.



AFTERNOON

Journey to Middle-earth in **Kaitoke Regional Park** and relive the magic of *The Lord of the Rings* Trilogy. Visit the set locations of Rivendell, Helm's Deep, Isengard and the Great River Anduin. Stop in at **Stansborough Mill** to see the makers of the movies' unique costumes and woven wool treasures.

EVENING

Head to **Expressions Whirinaki Arts and Entertainment Centre** for a taste of world-class visual arts and some of New Zealand's most notable theatre talent. Best of all – it's free to visit! Enjoy pre-show drinks and dinner at **Limelight Café** before catching a performance.

MORNING

Discover the origins of the Wellington region and other New Zealand firsts at the **Petone Settlers Museum.** Take a stroll to **Jackson Street** for lunch at one of the many cafés in this vibrant heritage precinct full of boutique and specialty shops, bars and restaurants.

AFTERNOON

Check out contemporary art at the **Dowse Art Museum** with diverse and exciting exhibitions. Fill up your water bottle with the taste of pure New Zealand water, straight from the underground aquifer at the **Dowse Square** and **Te Puna Wai Ora.**

EVENING

You'll want to return for another bite of Jackson Street's street sized pantry of international flavours and gourmet food suppliers. Export yourself to Italy at **La Bella Italia** on Nevis Street and then cosy up for a wine together at **Light House Cinema** full of popular and festival film options.

EAST BY WEST FERRY

GET AWAY AND EXPLORE

MORNING

Take the **East By West** (see page 84) ferry from the city to Wellington's playground by the sea in the Eastern Bays. Fuel up at **beachfront cafés** then hire a kayak, or cruise the bays by pedal power along the **Pencarrow Coast** to lighthouses at the entrance to Wellington Harbour including New Zealand's first, lit in 1859. Or simply let the water lap your feet at **Days Bay** or join the locals jumping off the wharf.

AFTERNOON

Hop across to **Matiu/Somes Island** wildlife sanctuary, once a quarantine station and a war-time prison, it is now home to tuataras and little blue penguins. The **Weekend Harbour Explorer** ferry cruise will take you here and other more Wellington ports - enjoy the on-board bar too!

EVENING

Wander the sunset-soaked bush trails and enjoy harbour vistas before relaxing for dinner at harbour-side **Cobar** or wood-fired pizzas at **The Pavilion.** Unwind in one of the many seaside cottages or homestays dotted around the bays.

KAITOKE REGIONAL PARK

MORNING

Discover some of the region's most pristine lowland rainforests and wander through ancient rimu and rata forests where Wellington sources its water at **Kaitoke Regional Park.** With plenty of picnic spots and fantastic swimming holes to enjoy, stay for lunch and let the birdsong entertain you.

AFTERNOON

Test your handicap on the same courses played by some of the world's greatest golfers, including the **Royal Wellington** and **Boulcott's Farm**. Reward yourself with a stop at one of the local craft brewers' tasting rooms; **Kererū** in Upper Hutt and **Baylands** in Lower Hutt.

EVENING

Wind down with dinner at **Silverspoon** for a relaxed environment and exquisite food. Keep an eye out for **Panhead Custom Ales** on tap in bars and restaurants around the region- it's a locally brewed favourite!

TUNNEL GULLY

FUN FOR ALL

MORNING

The Akatarawa Valley feels like heading into another world. Nestled in the centre is **Staglands Wildlife Reserve,** an interactive wildlife park for all ages. With no barriers between you and the animals, this is a truly unique destination. Pack a picnic or relax at the café.

AFTERNOON

Take a step back in time at **Golder Cottage** or **The Blockhouse** early pioneer homes with colourful histories. Let the kids loose in the premier parks like **Maidstone Max**, **Avalon Park** and **Harcourt Park** - full of BBQ areas, lagoons, mini-putt, splash pools, flying foxes, skate parks, adventure playgrounds and more.

EVENING

Keep the heart pumping with **Daytona Raceway**, and challenge the family to **HangDog Indoor Rock Climbing** or **Strike Entertainment** bowling, laser strike and arcade. Finish off with the year-round **Frosty Spot** ice skating rink.

WAINUIOMATA SUMMER POOL

MORNING

Breathe in the fresh forest air and make a game of searching out waterfalls nestled in lush native bush minutes away from the city in historic **Birchville** and **Korokoro Dams** and **Percy's Scenic Reserve.** Venture further for a day walk to **Rimutaka Forest Park**.

AFTERNOON

Wellington Adventures quad bike expeditions offer exhilarating rides over rugged coastline, spectacular hilltop views to the **Turakirae Head** seal colony. See majestic South Island mountain views from the back of a horse with Mac from **Coastal Views Horse Treks.**

EVENING

Relax with an early evening swim at the heated outdoor **Wainuiomata Summer Pool**, or entertain the whole family at **H2O Xtream Aquatic Centre.** Choose from wave pools, river rides, mini golf, spa pools, waterslides, and BBQs to use for your picnic dinner.

KĀPITI

MUST DO'S

Experience New Zealand as it used to be before humans came, when birds were in charge on **Kāpiti Island**. Climb to the top and enjoy an incredible panoramic view from Marlborough Sounds to Taranaki, or stay overnight and go kiwi spotting.

See the largest private collection of rare and collectible cars in the Southern Hemisphere at **Southward Car Museum.**

Enjoy more than 200 shorts and 15 feature films at the **Māoriland Film Festival** held in venues around Ōtaki 15-19 March 2017.

Experience the spectacle of hundreds of kites on the beach at the **Ōtaki Kite Festival** 25-26 March 2017.

Climb the **Paekākāriki Escarpment Track** and **Stairway to Heaven**, considered one of the highlights of the **Te Araroa national trail.**

OUT & ABOUT

Follow in the footsteps of Tiger Woods and play golf at **Paraparaumu Beach Golf Club** – ranked as one of the best beach link courses in New Zealand.

Cycle the great networks of family-friendly cycle paths and mountain bike tracks.

Hike in the **Tararua Forest Park** – gateway to some of the best day and more challenging tramps in the lower North Island.

For more information on must do's contact the staff at:

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With 40km of unspoilt beaches sheltered from winds by Kāpiti Island, to the magnificent, wild landscape of the Tararua Range and Forest Park, the natural beauty of Kāpiti is breath-taking. The area attracts artists and entrepreneurs who help make Kāpiti a vibrant, creative area with a friendly, coastal village atmosphere. Easily accessed by car or train, and just a 35 minute drive from Wellington, Kāpiti is the perfect place for a relaxing break.

ESCAPE

Fish for whitebait and trout in Waikanae or Ōtaki rivers, surf cast off the beach or dig for pipi and enjoy your kai moana.

Dance the day away at **Coastella International Music Festival**, held in the grounds of Southward on 25 February 2017.

Fly over Kāpiti in a plane or helicopter, or learn to fly at the **Aviation Club.**

INDULGE

Have a girlie day out and explore the boutique fashion and interior design shops in Raumati Village followed by some delicious French patisserie from **L'amour en cage.**

Treat yourself to coffee and cake at the **Garden Room** at **Ruth Pretty's Springfield House** and browse the vast amount of kitchen utensils and equipment in the **Kitchen Shop.**

Have a tasting session at **Tuatara Brewery Tasting Room** – matched craft beers with cheese and other Kāpiti delicacies.

FAMILY FUN

Make driftwood dens, build sandcastles, swim, surf, land sail or ride a horse on 40km of unspoilt beach.

Take the kids to **Marine Gardens**, Raumati and enjoy the playground, splash pad water park and ride on miniature railway (weekends).

See a diverse range of flora and fauna, visit the birds, tuatara and feed the eels at **Ngā Manu Nature Reserve.**

EVENTS

2016

Cindy Sherman
UNTIL 19 MAR
Shape-shifting portraiture by the influential contemporary artist
City Gallery Wellington

Summer City Festival
UNTIL 31 MAR
Over 100 free and fun outdoor events
Various locations

Wellington Phoenix Season
UNTIL 8 APR
Check out NZ's only Hyundai A-League football team
Westpac Stadium

Bug Lab
UNTIL 17 APR
Discover the world's smallest geniuses
Te Papa

Gallipoli: The scale of our war
UNTIL 2018
Exhibition exploring New Zealanders' experiences in Gallipoli
Te Papa

The Great War Exhibition
UNTIL 2018
Explore NZ's involvement in WW1
The old Dominion Museum

JANUARY 2017

Swan Lake
5-7 JAN
A St Petersburg Ballet Theatre production
St James Theatre

Gardens Magic
10-29 JAN
Series of free outdoor evening concerts
Wellington Botanic Garden

BLACKCAPS v Bangladesh
12-16 JAN
International cricket test
Basin Reserve

Wellington Cup Carnival
14, 21 & 28 JAN
Wellington's premier horse racing events
Trentham Racecourse, Upper Hutt

Fly My Pretties - String Theory
22 JAN
NZ's favourite collaborative group starring some of NZ's finest contemporary musicians
Wellington Botanic Garden

NZ Cycle Classic and Hurihuri: Wairarapa Bike Festival
22-26 JAN
International stage cycle race and festival
Various locations, Wairarapa

Wellington Pasifika Festival
23 JAN
A fun day celebrating our Pacific neighbours
Waitangi Park

HSBC Wellington Sevens
28-29 JAN
Two huge days of international rugby sevens and entertainment
Westpac Stadium

Te Ra o Te Raukura
29 JAN
Kapa haka, Māori arts and crafts, music and kai (food)
Te Whiti Park, Waiwhetu, Lower Hutt

State Capital Classic
29 JAN
Part of the NZ Ocean Swim Series
Wellington Waterfront

FEBRUARY

Guns N' Roses
2 FEB
The legendary rockers play together in Wellington for the first time since 1993
Westpac Stadium

Martinborough Fair
4 FEB & 4 MAR
Annual craft fair with over 450 stalls
Martinborough, Wairarapa

Festival of the Elements
6 FEB
Celebrate cultural diversity with arts, food and entertainment
Te Rauparaha Park and Arena, Porirua

Te Rā O Waitangi
6 FEB
Enjoy our national day with music, dance, craft and kai (food)
Waitangi Park

NZ Fringe Festival
10 FEB - 4 MAR
NZ's longest running fringe festival
Various locations

Heineken Urban Polo
11 FEB
One-day polo tournament and live music
Ian Galloway Park

The Winery Tour
11 FEB
Great NZ music and wine in an idyllic outdoor venue
Basin Reserve

Chinese New Year Festival
12 FEB
Celebrate Chinese New Year
Wellington Waterfront

Wings Over Wairarapa
17-19 FEB
Aviation at its best including some of the world's rarest vintage aircraft
Hood Aerodrome, Masterton

Karapoti Classic
18 FEB
NZ's premier mountain bike race
Akatarawa Ranges, Upper Hutt

Petone Rotary Fair
18 FEB
Art, craft and food street fair
Jackson Street, Petone

Cigna Round the Bays
19 FEB
Wellington's favourite fun run
Wellington Waterfront

BLACKCAPS v South Africa
25 FEB
International cricket ODI
Westpac Stadium

Coastella Music Festival
25 FEB
Family-friendly, international music festival
Southwards Car Museum, Paraparaumu

The Mikado
25 FEB - 2 MAR
NZ Opera present this comic masterpiece
The Opera House

MARCH

Golden Shears
2-4 MAR
Wool handling and sheep shearing event
Masterton, Wairarapa

Jim Beam Homegrown
4 MAR
Massive line-up of NZ music acts across multiple stages
Wellington Waterfront

Hurricanes Season
4 MAR - 15 JUL
See the current Super Rugby champions
Westpac Stadium

Newtown Street Festival
5 MAR
Annual fair of food, crafts and live music
Newtown

Wellington Wine, Food & Craft Beer Festival
10-11 MAR
Great wine, food and music on the waterfront
Waitangi Park

Wairarapa Wines Harvest Festival
11 MAR
Wine and food festival in a riverside setting
Gladstone, Wairarapa

NZCT Dragon Boat Festival
11-12 MAR
NZ's largest dragon boat festival
Wellington Waterfront

Capital E National Arts Festival
13-25 MAR
Celebration of the arts designed for children
Various locations

Māoriland Film Festival
15-19 MAR
Largest indigenous film festival in the southern hemisphere
Various locations, Ōtaki

BLACKCAPS v South Africa
16-20 MAR
International cricket test
Basin Reserve

Out in the Park
18 MAR
Wellington's gay and lesbian fair
Waitangi Park

Carmen with L'arlésienne
22-25 MAR
Royal NZ Ballet present two landmark works of 20th century dance
St James Theatre

Twenty One Pilots: Emotional Roadshow
24 MAR
Electrifying modern music duo from USA
TSB Bank Arena

Dan Henley
25 MAR
The Eagles founding member performs solo
TSB Bank Arena

CubaDupa
25-26 MAR
Cuba precinct's lively street festival
Cuba Street

Ōtaki Kite Festival
25-26 MAR
Festival with music, food and kite flying
Ōtaki Beach, Ōtaki

All Whites v Fiji
28 MAR
OFC Football World Cup qualifier match
Westpac Stadium

APRIL

South East Asian Night Market
1-2 APR
Enjoy sights, sounds and spicy aromas
Wellington Waterfront

Porirua Grand Traverse
2 APR
Adventure race for all ages and abilities
Various locations, Porirua

Martino Gamper: 100 Chairs in 100 Days
6 APR - 2 JUL
An experiment in turning limitations into possibilities
City Gallery Wellington

Central Pulse Season
9 APR - 14 JUN
See Wellington's team compete in the ANZ Premiership netball elite League
TSB Bank Arena & Te Rauparaha Arena, Porirua

The Jim Henson Retrospectacle
10-30 APR
A fantastical Muppet celebration
Various locations

Wairarapa Balloon Festival
13-17 APR
Hot air balloons fill the skies
Various locations, Wairarapa

Tokelau International Festival
14-17 APR
The biggest gathering of Tokelauans in the world, celebrating their heritage and culture
Te Rauparaha Arena, Porirua

Brass Band National Championships
19-23 APR
NZ's best brass band members compete
Various locations

NZ International Comedy Festival
30 APR - 21 MAY
Local and international comedians
Various locations

MAY

Crazyman
7 MAY
Central NZ's premier multisport race
Various locations, Lower Hutt

Wellington LUX Light Festival
12-21 MAY
Captivating festival of light, art and design
Various locations

Wellington Night Noodle Market
12-21 MAY
Authentic Asian hawker food, entertainment and music
Wellington Waterfront

Three by Ekman
17-20 MAY
Royal NZ Ballet present three works by Alexander Ekman
St James Theatre

Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat
17-21 MAY
Andrew Lloyd Webber's famous musical
The Opera House

Three Days in the Country
27 MAY - 24 JUN
Summer love - a passionate comedy
Circa Theatre

JUNE

Carmen
1-10 JUN
NZ Opera present this popular opera
St James Theatre

NZ Art Show
2-5 JUN
Showcase of NZ art at affordable prices
TSB Bank Arena

Armageddon
3-5 JUN
For lovers of gaming, comics, anime and TV
Westpac Stadium

Wellington Jazz Festival
7-11 JUN
Mid-winter music magic when local and international acts take to the streets
Various locations

Wellington Marathon
18 JUN
Wellington's favourite foot race
Wellington Waterfront

The British & Irish Lions vs Hurricanes
27 JUN
International rugby at its best
Wellington Regional Stadium

JULY

The British & Irish Lions vs All Blacks
1 JUL
International rugby at its best
Wellington Regional Stadium

New Zealand International Film Festival
28 JUL – 13 AUG
The best of world cinema on our screens
Various locations

AUGUST

A Doll's House
5 AUG – 2 SEP
Compelling, contemporary and critically acclaimed play
Circa Theatre

Beervana
11-12 AUG
NZ's largest craft beer festival
Westpac Stadium

Visa Wellington On a Plate™
11-27 AUG
NZ's largest and tastiest culinary festival
Various locations, Wellington & Wairarapa

Beethoven & Bruch with Karen Gomyo
12 AUG
A NZ Symphony Orchestra concert
Michael Fowler Centre

The Ryman Healthcare Season of Romeo and Juliet
16-20 AUG
A world premiere by the Royal NZ Ballet
St James Theatre

The Damnation of Faust: Concert Opera
25 AUG
A NZ Symphony Orchestra concert
Michael Fowler Centre

SEPTEMBER

World of WearableArt™ Awards Show
21 SEP – 8 OCT
Annual creative spectacular combining art, fashion, theatre and dance
TSB Bank Arena

Spring Festival
23 SEP – 1 OCT
See Wellington in full bloom for spring
Wellington Botanic Garden & Otari-Wilton's Bush

OCTOBER

Kátya Kabanová
7-14 OCT
NZ Opera present this emotional opera
St James Theatre

The Father
14 OCT – 11 NOV
A highly acclaimed new play
Circa Theatre

Asia-Pacific Amateur Championship
23-30 OCT
The biggest golf event ever staged in NZ
Royal Wellington Golf Club, Upper Hutt

Rachmaninov with Joyce Yang
27 OCT
A NZ Symphony Orchestra concert
Michael Fowler Centre

NOVEMBER

Exposure Exhibition
4-18 NOV
Premier showcase for graduating creative arts students
Massey University

Janine Jansen plays Sibelius
10 NOV
A NZ Symphony Orchestra concert
Michael Fowler Centre

Rugby League World Cup Quarter Final
18 NOV
See the world's best rugby league stars
Wellington Regional Stadium

Toast Martinborough
19 NOV
A day of premium wines, food and music in the wine village of Martinborough
Martinborough, Wairarapa

NZSD 50th Anniversary Graduation Season
24-25 NOV
Celebrating the NZ School of Dance with performances by students past and present
St James Theatre

2017 Special Olympics NZ National Summer Games
28 NOV – 2 DEC
National sports competition for athletes with an intellectual disability
Various locations

DECEMBER

Wellington Christmas Markets
2, 3, 9, 10, 16 & 17 DEC
Over 85 stalls of Christmas gifts
Wellington Underground Market

USEFUL INFO

Population

Wellington city population is 200,000, and the Wellington region population is 471,309. The Wellington region includes Kāpiti, Porirua, Hutt Valley and Wairarapa.

Public Holidays 2017

New Year's Day	1 January (observed 3 January)
Day after New Year's Day	2 January
Wellington Anniversary Day	23 January
Waitangi Day	6 February
Good Friday	14 April
Easter Monday	17 April
Anzac Day	25 April
Queen's Birthday	5 June
Labour Day	23 October
Christmas Day	25 December
Boxing Day	26 December

Internet

Wellington offers free Wi-Fi around the central city. Hook up to cbdfree and get surfing.

Banks and ATMS

Banking hours in Wellington are generally Mon to Fri 9am – 4.30pm, with some open Saturdays. Foreign exchange bureaux can be found at most banks, and 24 hour ATMs are located around the city, including Courtenay Place, Lambton Quay and Willis Street.

Payphones

You'll find a number of payphones around the city that take credit card and phonecards, including one at Wellington Railway Station and one at Te Papa that also takes coins.

Useful Telephone Numbers

Emergency (Ambulance, Fire and Police)	111
National Directory	018
International Directory	0172
National Operator	010
International Operator	017
Buses/Trains (Metlink)	0800 801 700
Wellington i-SITE Visitor Information Centre	+64 4 802 4860
Wellington Airport	+64 4 385 5100

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France	+64 4 384 2555	Italy	+64 4 473 5339

Hospitals

After Hours Medical Centre, Adelaide Road, Newtown	+64 4 384 4944
Hutt Hospital, High Street, Lower Hutt	+64 4 566 6999
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Wellington Hospital, Riddiford Street, Newtown	+64 4 385 5999

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Free Wi-Fi

cbdfree is available in outdoor areas from Westpac Stadium to the Embassy Theatre, encompassing the waterfront, Lambton Quay, Courtenay Place and Cuba Street. For more information, **www.cbdfree.co.nz**

Trade Me Free Wi-Fi runs south from Frank Kitts Park to the waterfront side of Te Papa. A number of bars, restaurants and hotels throughout the region also offer free access.

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AVID Gallery

48 Victoria Street
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www.avidgallery.co.nz

Exquisite handcrafted jewellery, glass and ceramics from New Zealand's leading contemporary artists, exclusive to AVID Gallery. AVID has been an institution for Wellington art lovers and a must-see for local and overseas visitors for almost 25 years. Open: Tuesday to Friday 10am - 6pm, Saturday 10am - 4pm.

The Embassy Theatre

10 Kent Terrace
P: +64 4 384 7657
www.embassytheatre.co.nz

Host of the world premieres of *The Lord of the Rings: The Return of the King* and *The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey*, Wellington's iconic cinema features fine food and drink at the beautiful Black Sparrow bar. Built in 1924, the Embassy has been fully refurbished, offering a state-of-the-art movie-going experience.

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5/22 Herd Street
P: +64 22 195 0451
E: info@crocbikes.co.nz
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Expressions/Whirinaki Arts & Entertainment Centre

836 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt
P: +64 4 527 2168
E: info@expressions.org.nz
www.expressions.org.nz

A vibrant arts centre presenting award-winning exhibitions and performing arts. Experience live theatre, comedy, dance, music and the best New Zealand art. Limelight Café and Upper Hutt i-SITE on-site. Free entry. Open: Daily 9am - 4pm.

Katherine Mansfield House & Garden

25 Tinakori Road
P: +64 4 473 7268
E: info@katherinemansfield.com
www.katherinemansfield.com

Visit the 1888 house where internationally famous New Zealand writer Katherine Mansfield was born. The house and heritage garden have been meticulously restored. Exhibitions, documentaries, shop and tours. Open: Tuesday to Sunday 10am - 4pm. Admission fees apply.

Light House Cinema

52 Beach Street, Petone / 3 Paekakariki Hill Road, Pauatahanui / 29 Wigan Street, Wellington
www.lighthousecinema.co.nz

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NZ Academy of Fine Arts

Academy Galleries, Wharf Offices
Apartment Building, 1 Queens Wharf
P: +64 4 499 8807
E: info@nzafa.com
www.nzafa.com

Established in 1882, the NZ Academy of Fine Arts occupies an historic building on Wellington's waterfront and exhibits a range of New Zealand arts, most of which are available to purchase. The Academy Galleries open daily 10am - 5pm. Free entry.

Otari-Wilton's Bush

160 Wilton Road
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E: treehouse@wcc.govt.nz
www.wellington.govt.nz/gardens

Discover New Zealand's special native plants at Otari native botanic garden. Get the New Zealand bush experience only 15 minutes outside the city centre. Bring a picnic lunch and explore over 10km of walking tracks. Open: Daily dawn to dusk. Free entry.

PĀTAKA Art + Museum

Cnr Norrie & Parumoana Streets, Porirua
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www.pataka.org.nz
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Parliament Buildings

Molesworth Street
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E: tour.desk@parliament.govt.nz
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Go to www.parliament.nz for the daily tour schedule.

Petone Settlers Museum

The Esplanade, Petone
P: +64 4 568 8373
E: enquiries@petonesettlers.org.nz
www.petonesettlers.org.nz

Petone Settlers Museum is located in one of New Zealand's most significant memorial buildings – the Wellington Provincial Centennial Memorial. Overlooking Wellington Harbour, the museum combines the history of the local area with a contemporary visitor experience. Free entry.

QT Museum Wellington

90 Cable Street
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www.museumhotel.co.nz
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68 Fitzherbert Street, Petone
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Wellington Botanic Garden

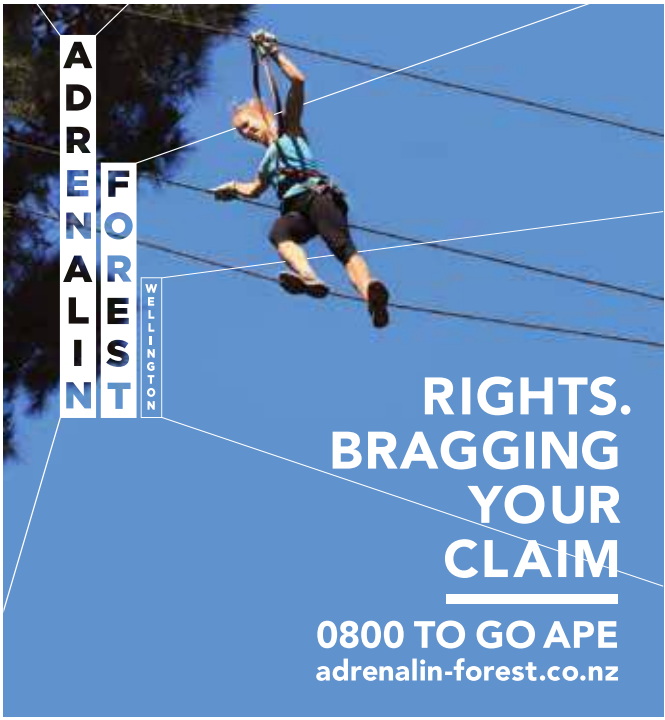
101 Glenmore Street
P: +64 4 499 1400
E: treehouse@wcc.govt.nz
www.wellington.govt.nz/gardens

Take the Cable Car and enjoy a downhill stroll to the city through Wellington's award winning Botanic Garden. Treat yourself to a coffee and visit the gift shop at the Begonia House. Open: Daily dawn to dusk. Free entry.

Wellington Underground Market

Under Frank Kitts Park, Jervois Quay
www.undergroundmarket.co.nz

Take home your own piece of the creative capital and unearth a little treasure at Wellington's weekly designer market, under cover on the waterfront. Showcasing the best of Wellington's creative talent including homeware, fashion, jewellery, delicious food and live music. Open: Saturday 10am-4pm.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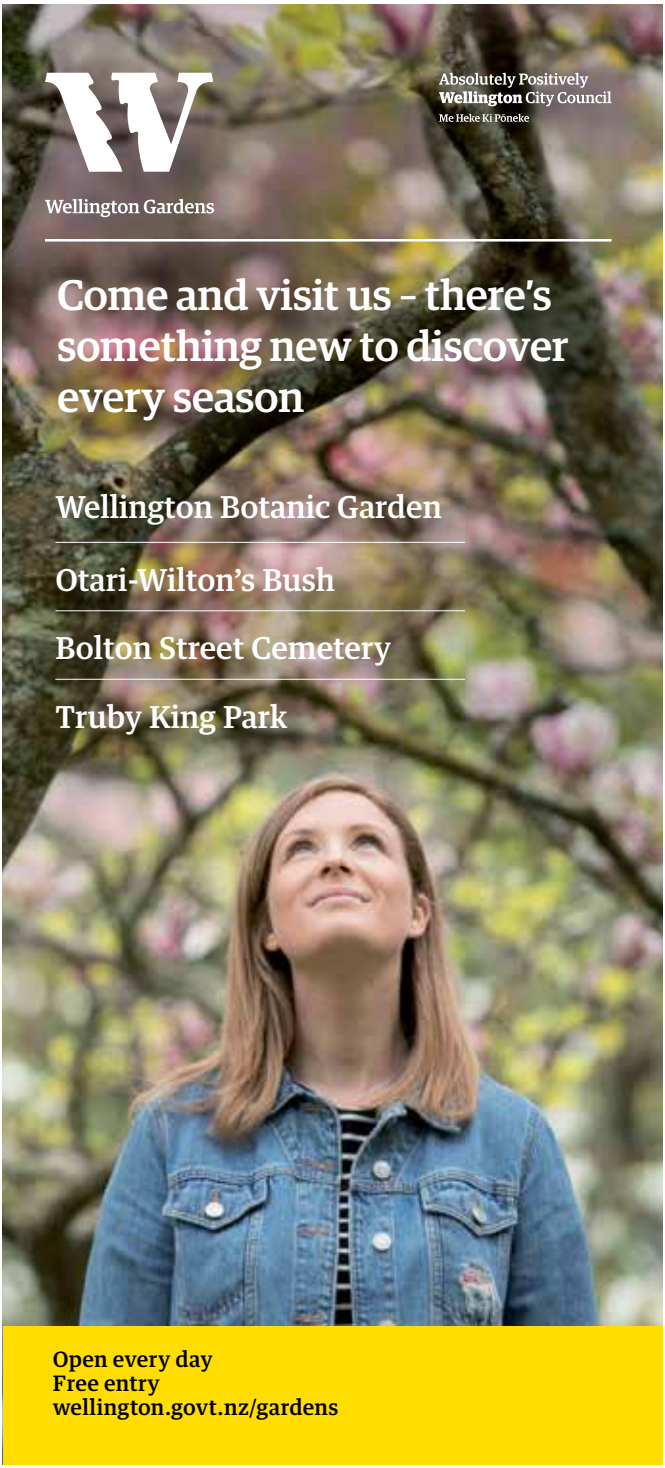
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2. **Bowen Galleries**
   41 Ghuznee Street
   04 381 0351
   bowengalleries.co.nz
3. **Enjoy Public Art Gallery**
   Level 1, 147 Cuba Street
   04 384 0174
   enjoy.org.nz
4. **Hamish McKay**
   Level 1, 39 Ghuznee Street
   04 384 7180
   hamishmckay.co.nz
5. **Peter McLeavey Gallery**
   Level 1, 147 Cuba Street
   04 384 7356
   petermcleaveygallery.com
6. **Robert Heald Gallery**
   209 Left Bank, Cuba Mall
   04 384 4209
   robertheald@gallery.com
7. **(Suite)**
   241-243 Cuba Street
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Laings Rd, Lower Hutt
04 570 6500
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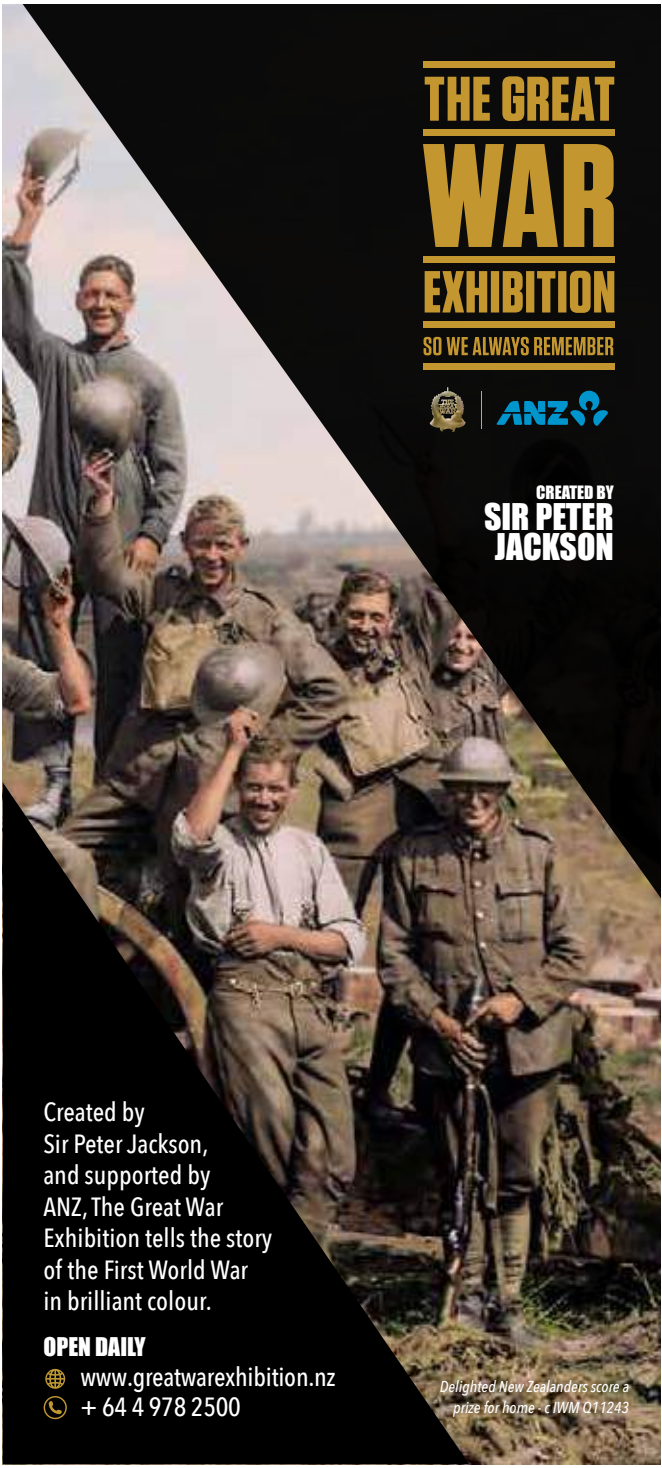
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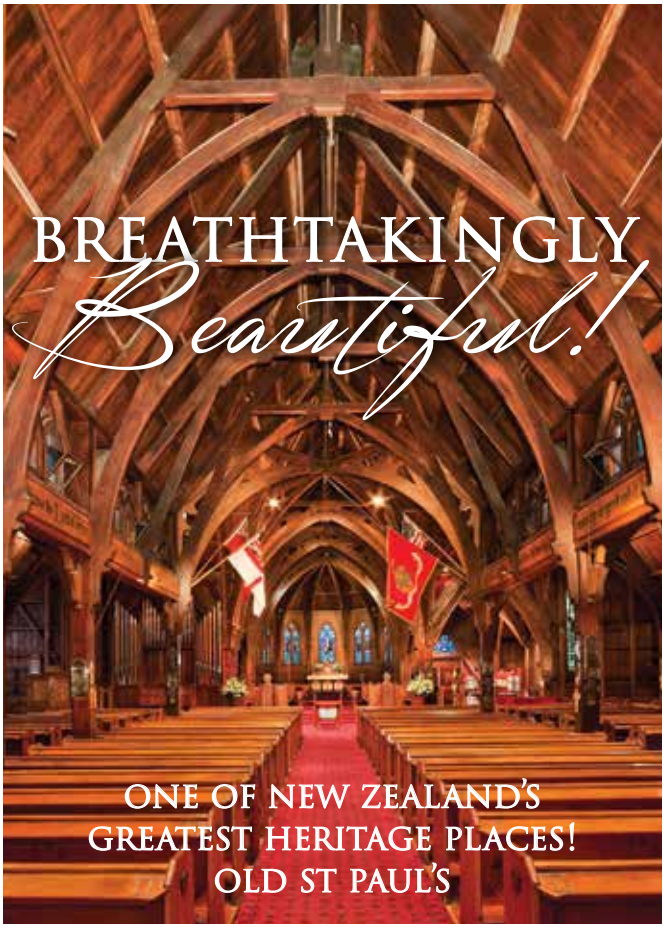

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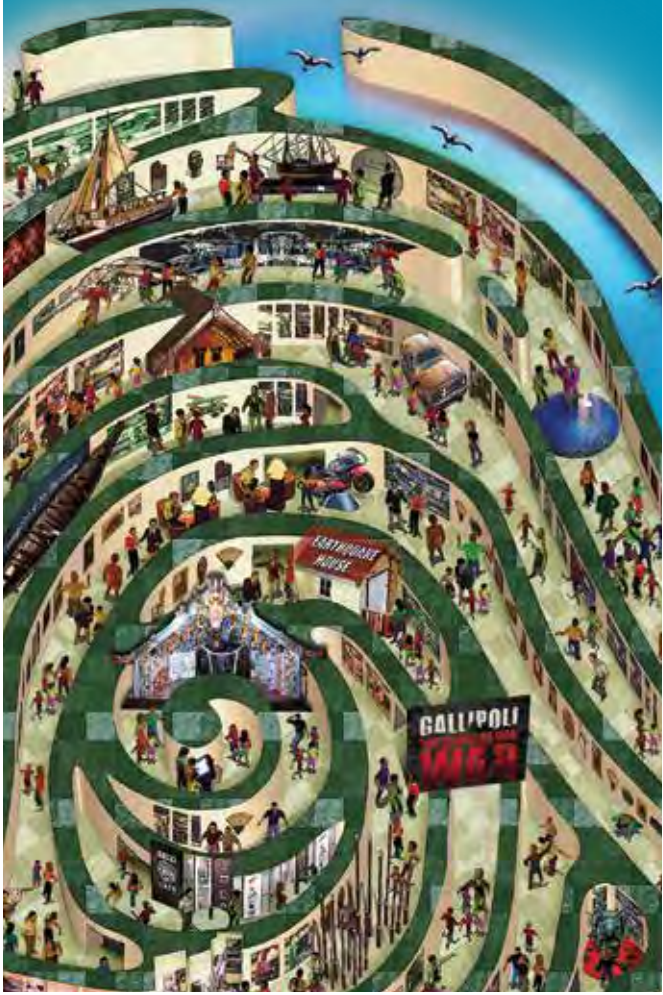

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Polhill Reserve: A short ride from the central city, this gem is set amongst native bush with rare birds. Roll further up for incredible city views.

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museumswellington.org.nz

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Wellington Museum

Join us to find out what makes Wellington the world's coolest little capital.

Queens Wharf
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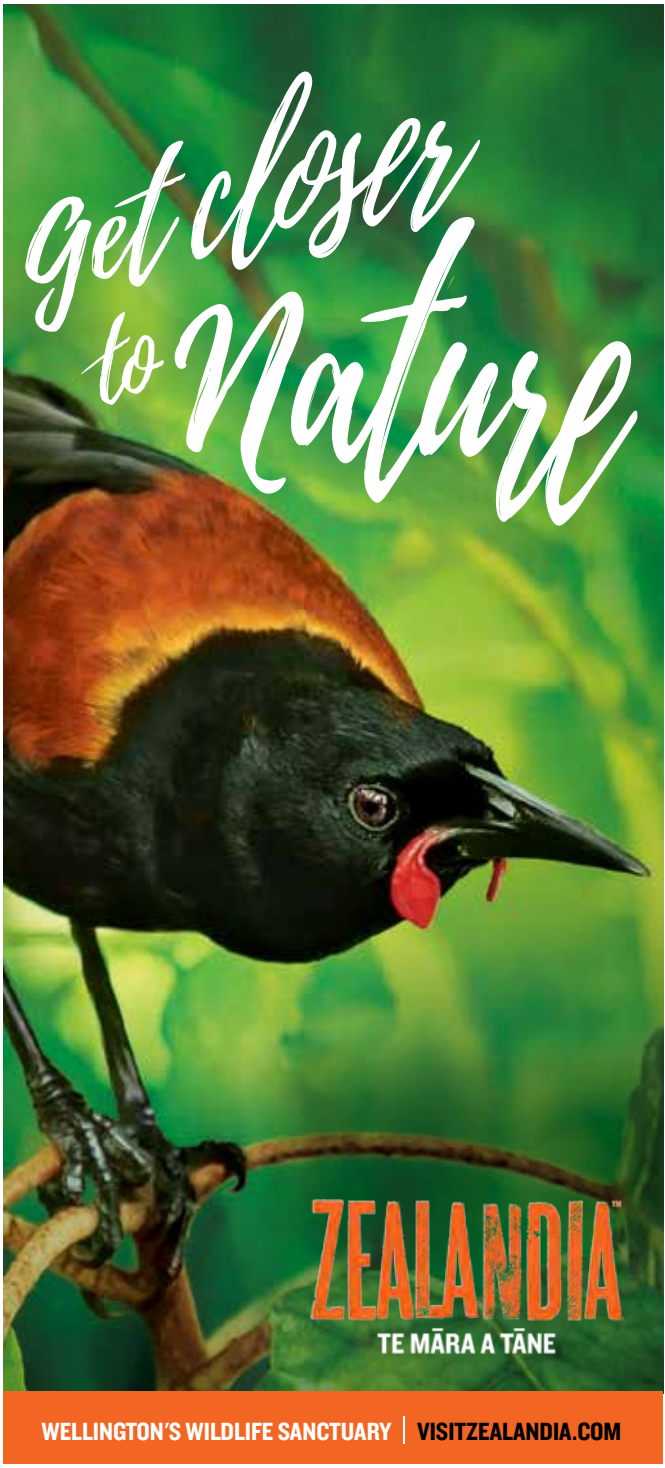
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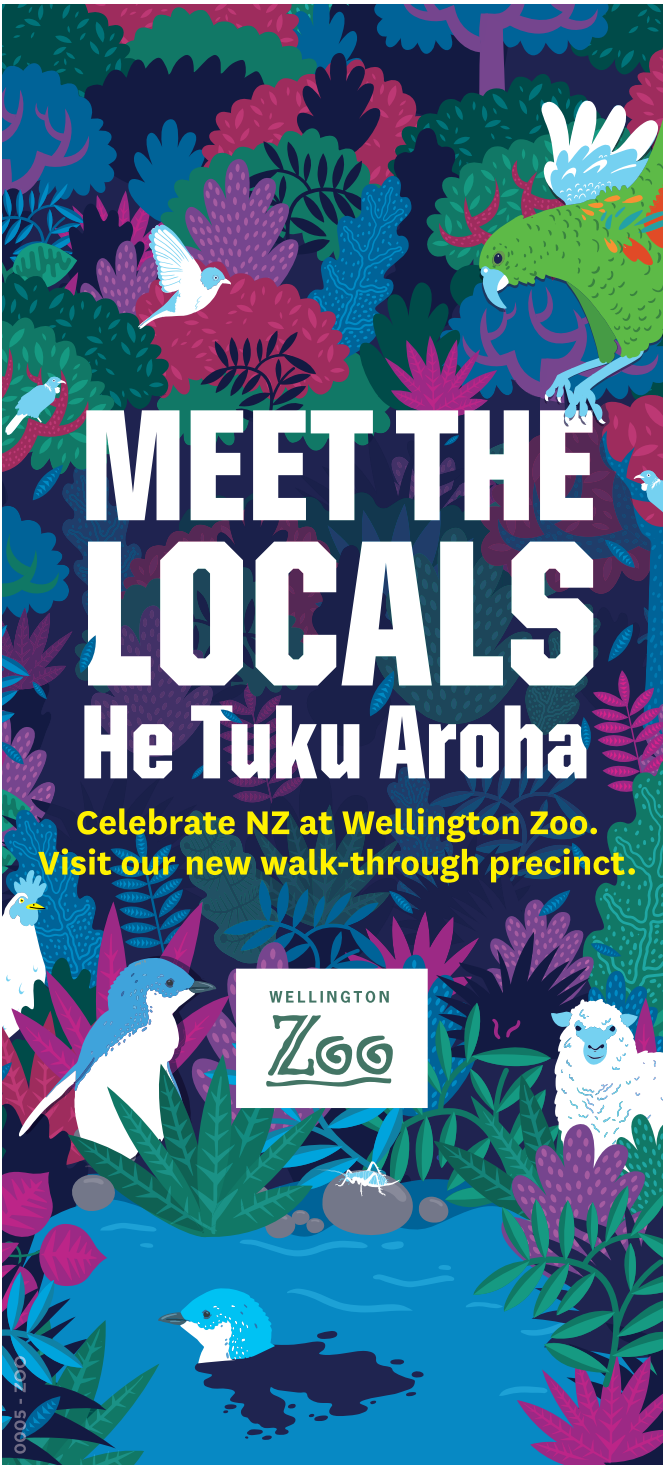
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Base Wellington

21-23 Cambridge Terrace
P: +64 4 801 5666
E: wellington@stayatbase.com
www.stayatbase.com

Located in the heart of Courtney Place, this stylish hostel with superb facilities is just minutes' walk to supermarkets, shops, cafés, transport and local attractions.

Bay Plaza Hotel

40 Oriental Parade
P: +64 4 385 7799
E: reservations@bayplaza.co.nz
www.bayplaza.co.nz

Located on Wellington's exclusive Oriental Parade, Bay Plaza offers affordable accommodation with stunning views in perfect proximity to the capital's vibrant city centre. Complete with restaurant and bar you'll have everything you need for that ideal getaway in the capital.

Bolton Hotel

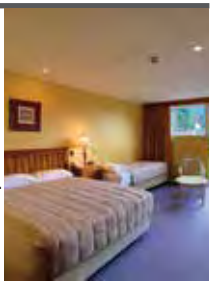
Cnr Bolton & Mowbray Streets
P: +64 4 472 9966
E: info@boltonhotel.co.nz
www.boltonhotel.co.nz

This independent contemporary 5 Star 139-room boutique hotel is situated in the heart of Wellington's premier business, entertainment and shopping district, offering unique Wellington views and leisure facilities, with a defining focus on service.

Brentwood Hotel

16 Kemp Street, Kilbirnie
Freephone: 0508 273 689
E: reservations@brentwoodhotel.co.nz
www.brentwoodhotel.co.nz

Conveniently located 2.6km from Wellington Airport with a free shuttle running 24/7. Free on-site car parking. Family friendly hotel with 116 rooms, an on-site restaurant and bar. Outdoor heated pool (summer months). Close to ASB Sports Centre and Kilbirnie pool.



Capital View Motor Inn

Cnr Webb & Thompson Streets
Freephone: 0800 438 505
www.capitalview.co.nz

Enjoy stunning views over Wellington city and harbour from your inner city haven. It's the ideal base for business and pleasure, with the motorway, ferry, airport and buses nearby and city centre, vibrant Cuba Street, restaurants and shops within easy walking distance.

The Cambridge Hotel

28 Cambridge Terrace
Freephone: 0800 375 021
E: cambridgehotel@trinitygroup.co.nz
www.cambridgehotel.co.nz

Provides value flash-packer and hotel accommodation right in the heart of the city. A 58 room hotel, superior backpackers, lively sports bar and bistro. This historic hotel is the perfect place to experience Kiwi hospitality.

CQ Hotels Wellington
(Comfort & Quality)

213-223 Cuba Street
Freephone: 0800 888 5 999
P: +64 4 385 2156
E: info@cqwellington.com
www.cqwellington.com

Located on vibrant Cuba Street and walking distance to Wellington attractions, these adjoining 3.5 Star and 4.5 Star hotels have an on-site restaurant and bar, heated pool and spa, gym, car parking, free Wi-Fi and meeting facilities.

CityLife Wellington

300 Lambton Quay
P: +64 4 922 2800
E: res.citylifewlg@heritagehotels.co.nz
www.heritagehotels.co.nz

CityLife Wellington, located in the heart of the city, offers a range of one and two bedroom suites. From romantic getaways to indulgent shopping weekends, family holidays to business meetings, there's a suite to meet your needs. All one and two bedroom suites have kitchenette, washing machine and drier facilities.

Hotel Waterloo & Backpackers
(Downtown Backpackers)

1 Bunny Street
Freephone: 0800 BAKPAK (225 725)
P: +64 4 473 8482 | E: info@hotelwaterloo.co.nz
www.hotelwaterloo.co.nz

Located in Wellington's historic art deco Hotel Waterloo, opposite the railway station. Closest hostel to trains, buses and ferry. Close to Parliament, Westpac Stadium, CBD and Te Papa. Ensuite bathrooms, SKY TV, bar, café and Wi-Fi. Shared and private rooms. Open 24 hours.

James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor

147 The Terrace
P: +64 4 499 9500
E: reservations@jamescookhotel.co.nz
www.grandchancellorhotels.com

The James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor features 268 rooms, two restaurants and bars, eight meeting rooms, Infuse Spa, an exclusive club lounge and has a 100% NBS rating. Guests benefit from the central location, with direct access from The Terrace motorway off-ramp and pedestrian access to Lambton Quay.

QT Museum Wellington

90 Cable Street
P: +64 4 802 8900
E: info@museumhotel.co.nz
www.museumhotel.co.nz

This is not your ordinary hotel. This boutique accommodation has an eye for contemporary art. An eclectic mix of design and art, style and luxury with a touch of quirk. Immerse yourself in the creative capital with QT Museum Wellington. See page 34.

Nomads Wellington

118/120 Wakefield Street
P: +64 4 978 7800
www.nomadsworld.com

Located in the centre of Wellington, Nomads Capital is a 5 Star Qualmark-rated backpackers with clean and comfortable rooms, great facilities and fantastic staff. Free pancakes every morning, a free entrée-sized evening meal for all guests in Blend Bar, as well as free tea and coffee throughout your stay.

Rydges Wellington

75 Featherston Street
P: +64 4 499 8686
E: reservations_rydgeswellington@evt.com
www.rydges.com/wellington

The multi award-winning Rydges Wellington is centrally located, close to the waterfront and Westpac Stadium, and offers a 17m heated pool, spa pool, sauna, valet car parking and kitchenettes in every room. And don't forget at Rydges Wellington, kids stay and eat free. Conditions apply.

The Thorndon Hotel Wellington by Rydges

24 Hawkestone Street
P: +64 4 473 2208
E: reservations_thorndon@rydges.com
www.rydges.co.nz/thorndon

Enjoy the friendly atmosphere and personal service at the Thorndon Hotel Wellington by Rydges. Priding themselves on offering comfortable, fresh and immaculate guest accommodation, as well as the beautifully set Glasshouse Bar & Grill.

Trek Global Backpackers

9 O'Reily Avenue
Freephone: 0800 TO TREK (86 8735)
P: +64 4 471 3480
E: book@trekglobal.net
www.trekglobal.net

Located in the heart of the city, Trek Global is only a few steps away from the cafés, shops and attractions the capital has to offer. Fun and friendly with modern facilities, free tea and coffee and great rates.

Trinity Hotel

166 Willis Street
Freephone: 0508 TRINITY (874 648)
www.trinityhotel.co.nz

Offering quality accommodation, affordable prices and a central location, this popular hotel in the heart of the city is ideal for business and leisure travellers.

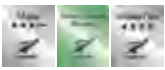
Enjoy the outstanding on-site restaurant and spectacular rooftop bar, The Arborist.

With parking, free Wi-Fi, gym and room service, Trinity Hotel is the perfect choice for your stay in Wellington.

Wellington TOP 10 Holiday Park

95 Hutt Park Road, Lower Hutt
P: +64 4 568 5913
E: info@wellingtontop10.co.nz
www.wellingtontop10.co.nz

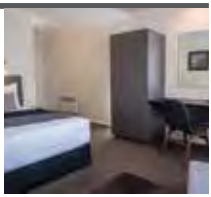
Conveniently located 12km from ferries and within walking distance to public transport, this holiday park is close to the city without the city feel.
Enjoy the spacious park-like setting with your choice of motels, self-contained units, cabins, tent and motorhome sites.



West Plaza Hotel

110 Wakefield Street
P: +64 4 473 1440
E: reservations@westplaza.co.nz
www.westplaza.co.nz

Located in the heart of Wellington city, West Plaza offers comfortable rooms, a friendly atmosphere and city dining at its best. Just a short walk to great shopping, entertainment and Te Papa, West Plaza is the ideal place to stay and explore the capital!



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57, Manners Street, Te Aro,
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www.setupmanners.co.nz

The Setup Dixon (Hostel)
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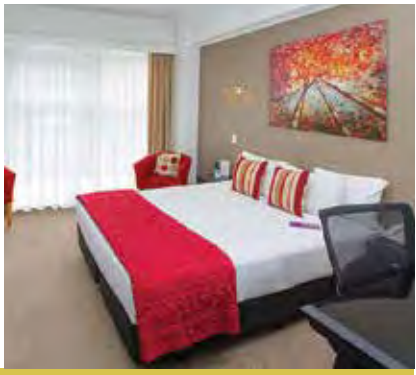

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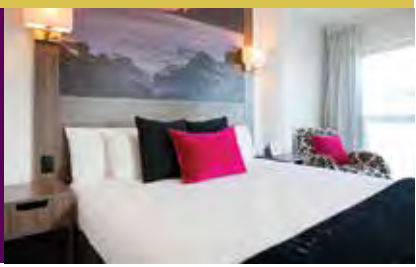

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www.rimutakacycletrail.com

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www.caughley.nz

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Kura Gallery
(Aotearoa Art + NZ Design)

19 Allen Street
P: +64 4 802 4934
E: wellington@kuragallery.co.nz
www.kuragallery.co.nz

The destination for authentic Māori art and unique New Zealand design. Traditional carvings from our tohunga whakairo - master carvers. Authentic West Coast greenstone / jade from represented pounamu carvers. Contemporary paintings and sculpture. Design jewellery, NZ memorabilia and design.

QUOIL New Zealand Contemporary Jewellery Gallery

149 Willis Street
P: +64 4 384 1499
www.quoil.co.nz

This little treasure trove features entirely New Zealand artists, both established and up and coming. Inside you'll discover true classics, colossal surprises and impeccable workmanship in pieces for men & women. If you want to wear something no one else is wearing, visit this place! Open: Every day from 10am.

Steph Lusted Jewellery & Objets d'Art

17 Whitmore Street
P: +64 4 470 7555 | E: info@stephlustedjewellery.com
www.stephlustedjewellery.com

View original jewellery lovingly handcrafted by Steph Lusted instore using precious metals and gemstones. Many pieces incorporate carved designs in mother of pearl shell, deer antler and vegetable ivory. A store where jewellery, art and curios collide. Open: Tuesday to Friday 10am - 5pm, Saturday 10am - 4pm.

Topline Tailors

33 Dixon Street
P: +64 4 384 6567
E: info@toplinetailors.co.nz
www.toplinetailors.co.nz

Topline Tailors is a family run business, operating since 1962. Providing men's and women's clothing alterations, custom-made suits, tailor-made and ready-made shirts and trousers. Proud of our customer service, affordable prices and quality workmanship. Come and talk to our staff for advice on all your tailoring needs.

Te Papa Store

Level 1 and 2, Te Papa, 55 Cable Street
P: +64 4 381 7013
www.tepapastore.co.nz

Te Papa's two stores are filled with amazing items that each have a story to tell. You'll find an inspired collection of jewellery, art, Māori taonga (cultural treasures), books, and prints, showcasing the best of Aotearoa New Zealand. Level 1 and 2.

Unichem

122 Cuba Mall
P: +64 4 384 6856

Unichem Cuba Mall is the only pharmacy in Cuba Street, and has the biggest range of natural health products available. We are open 7 days, Monday to Thursday 8am - 6.30pm (daylight savings 8am - 7pm), Friday 8am - 7pm, Saturday 9am - 7pm, Sunday and public holidays 10am - 5pm.

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Souvenir Store in the City Centre
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COFFEE CULTURE

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Wellington CBD *www.gentlemensbeans.co.nz*

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163 Tory Street *www.havana.co.nz*

L'affare

Since 1990, L'affare has been sharing their love and knowledge of coffee with New Zealanders. Their flagship café on College Street offers a comprehensive a la carte menu, alongside beautifully prepared espresso or soft-brewed coffee.

27 College Street *www.laffare.co.nz*

Mojo Coffee

Mojo Coffee is now one of New Zealand's most experienced and respected independent coffee roasters and café operators.

180 Lambton Quay *www.mojocoffee.co.nz*

Coffee Supreme

A specialty retail store offering 15 freshly roasted coffees for home and offce. Open Monday to Friday with free coffee tastings available daily.

Midland Park *www.coffeesupreme.com*

Emporio Coffee

One of the original Wellington coffee roasters, visit Emporio Coffee's HQ and espresso bar in Cuba Quarter. Coffees, teas, snacks and gift ideas.

90 Abel Smith Street *www.emporio.co.nz*

Mojo Coffee

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180 Lambton Quay *www.mojocoffee.co.nz*

Rich Coffee

New to the Wellington scene focusing on tasty seasonal blends for espresso and exciting single estate coffees for the wholesale market and the home user alike.

Unit 27/369 Adelaide Road *www.richcoffee.co.nz*

CRAFT BEER CAPITAL

From volcanic brews to coffee/beer blends and everything in between, Wellington is home to many crafty brewers and boutique breweries who have paved the way for New Zealand's craft beer revolution.

Craft Beer Capital is dedicated to showcasing the best breweries, beer bars, and off-premise beer stockists in Wellington. Visit their website to navigate a walkable beer bar trail, check out what's pouring in town, and keep up with the latest local beer news and events - ***craftbeercapital.com***

CELLAR DOORS

Tuatara Brewing Co. The Third Eye

Accessible from Arthur Street or Abel Smith up Kelvin Grove, the distinctive Tuatara on the building will highlight your way. Featuring exclusive, experimental brews, enjoy a pizza a beer and often an array of tasty food trucks and music.

30 Arthur Street
www.tuatarabrewing.co.nz/the-third-eye

Te Aro Brewing

Artisanal brewery in the heart of Wellington, attached to a home brew supply shop and mini-deli. Take-away beers are unfiltered, unpasteurised and delicious. Choose from Pale Ales, IPAs, Stouts and Sours, all brewed on site.

130 Tory Street
www.tearobrewing.co.nz

Kererū

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415a Maidstone Terrace, Upper Hutt
www.kererubrewing.co.nz

CRAFT BEER BARS

Bebemos

88 Riddiford Street
www.bebemos.co.nz

Little Beer Quarter

6 Edward Street
www.laittlebeerquarter.co.nz

Hashigo Zake

Basement, 25 Taranaki Street
www.hashigozakae.co.nz

Garage Project

Located in the Aro Street brewery, the Cellar Door at Garage Project is a unique space that lets you sample a range of constantly changing beers, metres from where they were brewed.

68 Aro Street
www.garageproject.co.nz

Fork Brewing

Pop up to Fork & Brewer to grab a flagon of rockstar brewer Kelly Ryan's latest creation, fresh from their in-house brewing company Fork Brewing.

14 Bond Street
www.forkandbrewer.co.nz

Black Dog Brewing

Black Dog is a place where you can experience something special in a working brewery in the heart of Wellington. Our mission is to always be interesting and intrepid, always act independent and stay in tune with what the beer drinker wants.

19 Blair Street
www.blackdogbrewery.co.nz

Malthouse

48 Courtenay Place
www.themalthouse.co.nz

Garage Project: 91 Aro

91 Aro Street
www.garageproject.co.nz

Fork & Brewer

14 Bond Street
www.forkandbrewer.co.nz

The Hop Garden

13 Pirie Street
www.thehopgarden.co.nz

Rogue & Vagabond

18 Garrett Street
www.rogueandvagabond.co.nz

Golding's Free Dive

14 Leeds Street
www.goldingsfreedive.co.nz

Basque Rooftop Bar

8 Courtenay Place
P: +64 4 802 5585
E: info@basque.co.nz
www.basque.co.nz

At Basque Rooftop Bar, feast on authentic, tasty tapas and pizza, complemented by the selection of over 50 international bottled beers, ciders and wines, 17 craft tap beers and ciders including a hand-pull. Basque is also the perfect spot to sample the house specialty - nine mouthwatering flavours of sangria.

Beach Babylon

232 Oriental Parade
P: +64 4 801 7717
E: info@beachbabylon.co.nz
www.beachbabylon.co.nz

Beach Babylon is a beach-side cafe and restaurant, open for brunch, lunch and dinner, seven days, sunrise to sunset. Serving Havana coffee, craft beers, tiki cocktails and local wines plus the deliciously retro range of cheese and dessert fondues. Dine outside or in, with free parking on Wellington's most beautiful street.

The Botanist

219 Onepu Road, Lyall Bay
P: +64 4 387 5111
E: info@thebotanistlyallbay.co.nz
www.thebotanistlyallbay.co.nz

The Botanist is Lyall Bay's latest addition to the beautiful south coast, bringing the best in craft beer, botanical cocktails and tasty organic vegetarian and vegan fare. Views to the sea and a north facing beer garden. Open: Daily early - late.

The Black Sparrow

10a Majoribanks Street, Wellington 6011
P: +64 4 384 7632
E: info@theblacksparrow.co.nz
www.theblacksparrow.co.nz

The Black Sparrow is burrowed under the cinematic happenings of The Embassy, Courtenay Place. The dwellings step back into the cult classic 1930s to a literary time when Bukowski drunk and wrote for the Black Sparrow publishing house. Cocktail specialists.

Charley Noble Eatery & Bar

Ground Floor, Huddart Parker Building,
1 Post Office Square
Freephone: 0508 CHARLEY (242 753)
www.charleynoble.co.nz

Charley Noble is a Wellington favourite serving up fresh, delicious food cooked straight over the fire pit. Watch the chefs at work over the open flames. Perfect for drinks at the bar, lunch and dinner, early and late dining. Bookings for groups over eight.

Crab Shack

Queens Wharf
P: +64 4 916 4250
E: info@crabshackwlg.co.nz
www.crabshack.co.nz

The Crab Shack is a coastal/Cape Cod themed casual dining and drinking experience. Specialising in seafood with a special emphasis on crab, yet including other fabulous meals. "By the Scoop", "Shack boards" are all included on the menu. Open: Daily 11.30am - late.

Fish n' Chips on Tory

Shop 5, 100 Tory Street
P: +64 4 803 3816

Serving fresh and tasty New Zealand seafood, Fish n' Chips on Tory located in Wellington's CBD is a must-visit. As an iconic Kiwi dish, fish n' chips can both be eaten in or taken away to eat on the city's waterfront only moments away. Open: Daily 11am - 9pm.

Fratelli

15 Blair Street
P: +64 4 801 6615
E: info@fratelli.net.nz
www.fratelli.net.nz

At Fratelli, the concept is fresh Italian. It takes bits of the old traditional Italian cooking styles and assembles them with new, modern ideas. It specialises in 100% homemade pasta, gnocchi, risotto and pizza from the wood-fired oven. Open Monday to Saturday from 5.30pm.

Hippopotamus

Restaurant and Cocktail Bar

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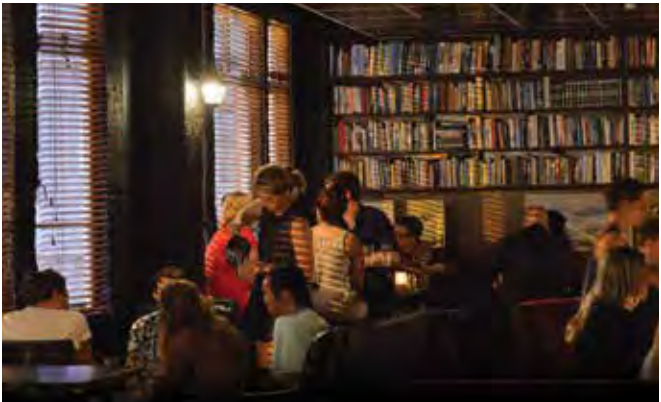

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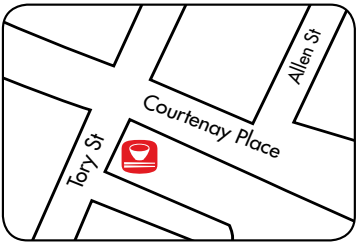

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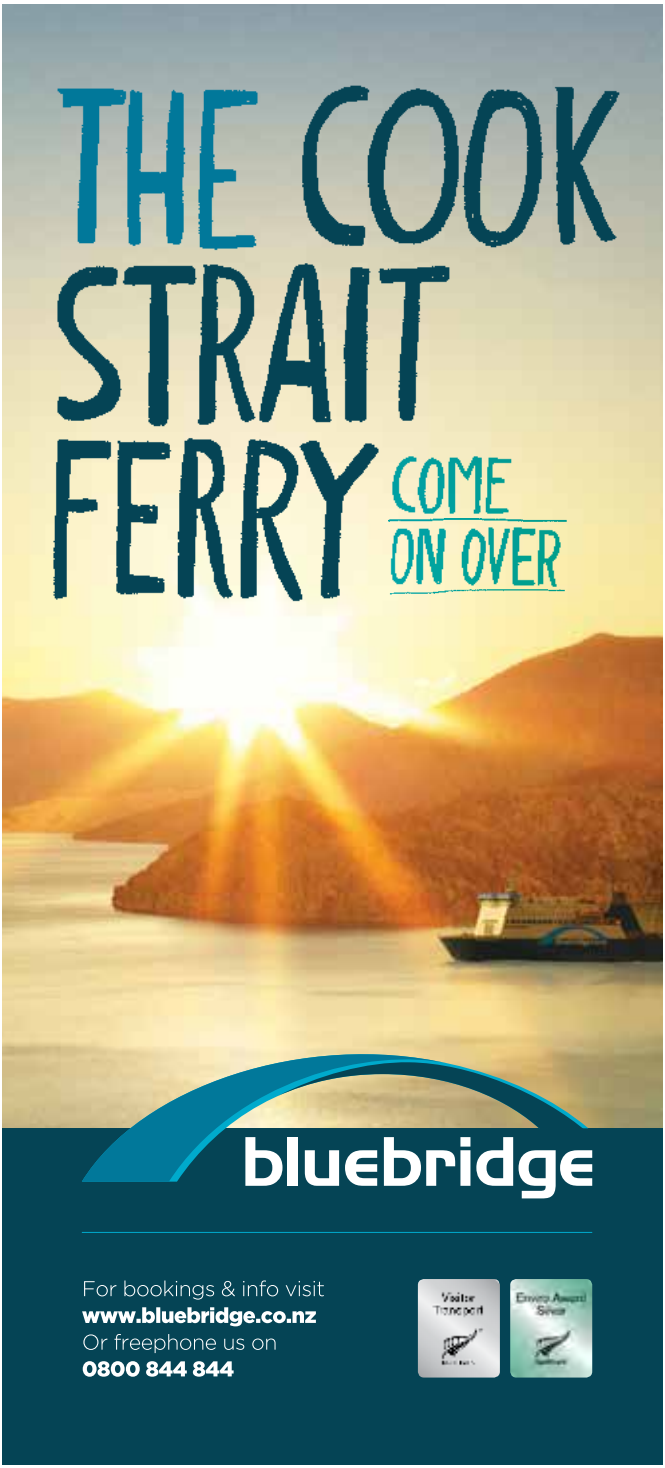
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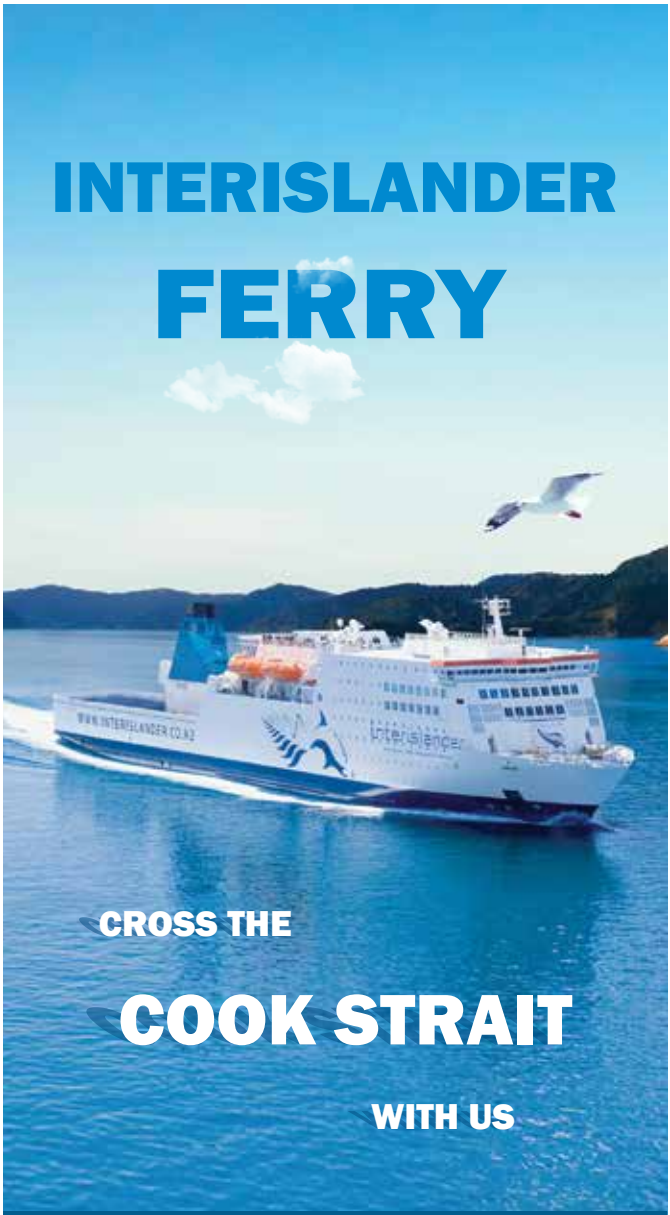

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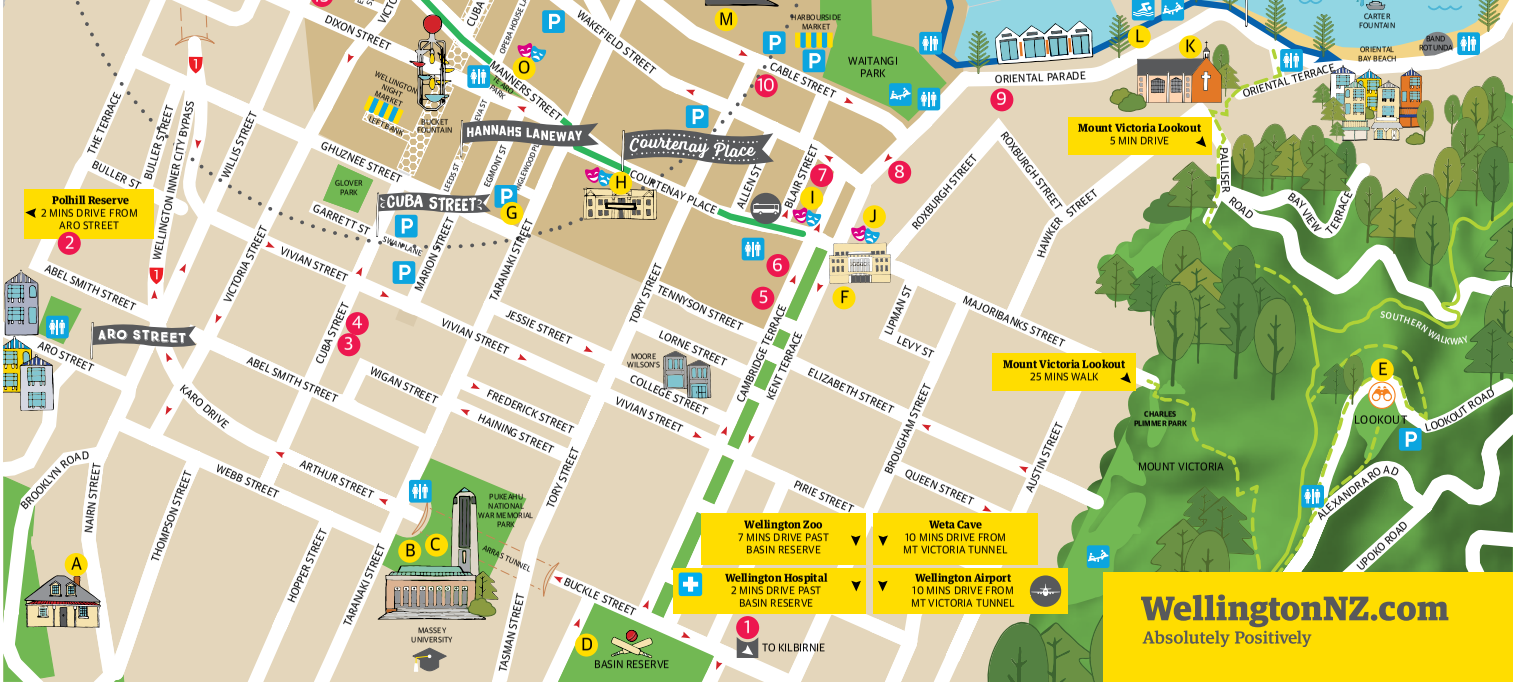

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