

# TASTE OF TAUPŌ

Pre/Post TRENZ famil 2024



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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### **Welcome to Taupō**

Described as the 'jewel in the crown' of the North Island, Taupō is loved by both locals and visitors. At the centre of our region is the sparkling Lake Taupō, the great inland sea of New Zealand. Travelling around the lake reveals every kind of landscape you can imagine – snow-blanketed winter ski fields and alpine deserts, ancient forests alive with birdsong, trout-filled rivers and the thundering Huka Falls. Our steaming geothermal valleys with rejuvenating hot springs are a unique feature of the region, as are the three towering volcanoes in the awesome and otherworldly landscape of Tongariro National Park.

Love this place. Love Taupō.

Aroha ki tēnei wāhi. Arohaina Taupō.

### **Image Library**

If you require any images of the Taupō region, please contact the team at [marketing@lovetaupo.com](mailto:marketing@lovetaupo.com)

For any further information on our beautiful region please do not hesitate to contact the Destination Great Lake Taupō team. We would love to hear from you. [www.lovetaupo.com/contactus](http://www.lovetaupo.com/contactus)



### Arrive into Taupō (Afternoon):

#### **Check into Accommodation: Millennium**

- **Rapids Jet**

Rapids Jet offers a 35-minute jet boat journey for the whole family, from 5 to 93 (and up!). We promise an exhilarating ride of spins, squeals, peals of laughter with the odd splash of pure Waikato blue. There's nothing wrong with getting a bit wet when you're having this much fun!

- **Taupō International Motorsport Park – Go Karts**

Taupō International Motorsport Park and Event Centre, located on the Volcanic Plateau in the central North Island, is one of New Zealand's premier motorsport parks and event centres.

- **Dinner: Haka Show**

Māori Hangi dinner & Cultural show- Meet the real locals to hear the real stories of our tribal area. The Haka Shop welcomes you!

### Day 1 : Explore Taupō

- **Huka Falls River Cruise**

Cruise to New Zealand's most visited natural attraction, Huka Falls, in our purpose-built riverboat. Enjoy incredible views of this spectacular waterfall in comfort with Huka Falls River Cruise. Huka falls River Cruise is the only cruise boat that visits Huka Falls. Locally owned and operated our team will proudly share an unforgettable river experience with you.

- **2hr Guided Huka Falls River Trail E-Bike tour with FourB**

This 17km loop has an incredible variety of scenery including the famous Huka Falls, views of New Zealand's first geothermal power station. The loop starts at our mountain bike shop and continues along the Waikato River bringing you out to the Aratiatia dam where you can see the opening of the control gates (*tourist spill*). After seeing the incredible Aratiatia rapids at full flow, where The Hobbit was filmed, your ride returns via the breath-taking geothermal streams to our store. Your guide you teach you about the area, sustainable geothermal and hydro energy production in Taupo. Including a brief on Māori history in the region that was discovered by the Māori chief Tia.

- **Hot swim at Wairakei Terraces and Thermal Health Spa**

Established as a thermal spa to create a 'feel back in time' experience, are four pools, nestled in an outdoor setting, strategically positioned below silica terraces, taking full advantage of superheated fluid drawn from underground depths of 1.5 kilometres.

- **Enjoy lunch at Lava Glass and a walk in the Sculpture Garden**

Lava Glass is the playground of Lynden Over, one of New Zealand's leading glass artists. In his glassblowing studio, you get the opportunity to watch him and resident artists at work. Take a tour of the stunning glass sculpture garden and complete your visit with a beautiful lunch.

- **Private charter around the secluded bays of Lake Taupo with Chris Jolly Outdoors**

Chris Jolly offers a range of cruises on and around picturesque Great Lake Taupō, cruising around the northern bays with the snowcapped mountains of the World Heritage Tongariro National Park as a backdrop. Catch a trout on Lake Taupō, cruise to the Māori rock carvings all while enjoying a delicious spread on board.



## **Tuesday Day 2: Turangi**

- **Heli Bike or Scenic Flight with Kaimanawa Alpine Adventures**

Kaimanawa Alpine Adventures are the leaders in outdoor experiences within the Central North Island. With our private 22km downhill heli-biking trail, scenic flights around the Tongariro National Park and a remote luxury heli-glamping experience. Your adventure awaits!

- **Enjoy lunch at Hare and Copper**

Hare & Copper Eatery is a shared landed dream between husband-and-wife team, Andrew Wood executive chef and Liliana Calva operations manager.

- **Site visit: The Olive Rabbit and River Birches**

- **Raft trip with Tongariro River Rafting**

The most fun you'll have in Taupō – take on 60 heart-pounding, roller coaster rapids on the Tongariro river with an expert guide at the helm, guiding your boat.

## **Day 3: Outdoor Adventures**

- **Site Visit: Millennium, Hilton, Whakaipo Lodge, Belle Vue, Suncourt**

- **Bungy Jump with AJ Hackett Bungy OR skydive with Taupo Tandem Skydive**

**AJ Hackett Bungy - Taupo:** Toes over the edge, you're about to leap from New Zealand's only cliff-top bungy. The cantilever platform positions you high out and over the crystal-clear waters of the Waikato River – where you can jump solo or tandem with a friend. Whether you chose to get dunked or stay dry, this is an adrenaline-fueled thrill you'll never forget.

**Taupō Tandem Skydiving** is New Zealand's #1 Rated Skydive on Tripadvisor. Operating for over 25 years, we're the original tandem drop zone in NZ – we've thrown over 200,000 crazy people out of our planes.

- **Saling Adventures – Tiua**

Embark on an unforgettable journey aboard Tiua, a sleek and stylish 53-ft catamaran from Taupō Sailing Adventures. Experience eco-sailing like never before as you cruise through the pristine natural environment of Lake Taupō, renowned for its cultural history and natural wonders.

- **Hukafalls Jet**

Experience 30 minutes of awesome jet boating on the Waikato River and view the majestic Huka Falls from the base of the falls. The exhilarating power of the Hukafalls Jet is an experience you will never forget. You'll marvel at the incredible water-level views of the spectacular Huka Falls as you slide past cliffs and trees at an incredible 80km an hour in one of our state-of-the-art jet boats.

- **Embra**

Enjoy modern Kiwi cuisine and European cooking techniques at Embra.



**NB:** This itinerary is subject to change without any notification.

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