

# ENSURING A SAFE STAY



## FLOOD WARNINGS

Automated flood warning systems are in place at both Kahikatea and Kererū Campgrounds. A radar on the bridge at Piripiri takes continuous measurements of the Pohangina River's height and transmits these back to the camp's warning systems. Should river levels reach set levels they will activate a siren to alert guests, giving them plenty of time to pack and evacuate the valley.

If you hear the sirens during your stay, please remain calm, ensure others are aware of the potential danger and evacuate the reserve. The Campground Caretaker will visit the campgrounds shortly after the sirens sound to check and clear the area.

## SWIMMING

Rivers are changeable, unpredictable and can contain hidden dangers. The Pohangina River is constantly changing, so caution is recommended, and children should be supervised at all times. It is also recommended that you do not swim until at least three days after heavy or prolonged rainfall, or if the water doesn't look clean and clear. For water quality information you can visit [www.lawa.org.nz](http://www.lawa.org.nz).

## NOT PERMITTED IN THE RESERVE

- No hunting and shooting
- No motorbikes /quad bikes
- No dogs - this is to protect them from ingesting any bait that may be found within the Reserve. The bait is used to help preserve our native flora and fauna from pest damage.
- No fires - to help ensure the safety of yourself and other campers, please do not light fires except in the fire pit provided. Electric barbeques are provided at both the Kahikatea and Kererū Campgrounds for your use.



## ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

Horizons Regional Council's environmental educators are happy to assist schools or community groups with educational activities at the Reserve. For more information call freephone **0508 800 800** or email [education@horizons.govt.nz](mailto:education@horizons.govt.nz).

## CAMP RANGI WOODS

Camp Rangi Woods sits within Tōtara Reserve, and is managed by a separate Trust. Should you wish to make a booking for a school group or event please contact the Camp Rangi Woods Caretaker on **021 242 1654** or [camprangiwoods1@gmail.com](mailto:camprangiwoods1@gmail.com)

## WEDDINGS

The Bush Chapel can be booked for weddings through the Caretaker on **021 242 1654**.



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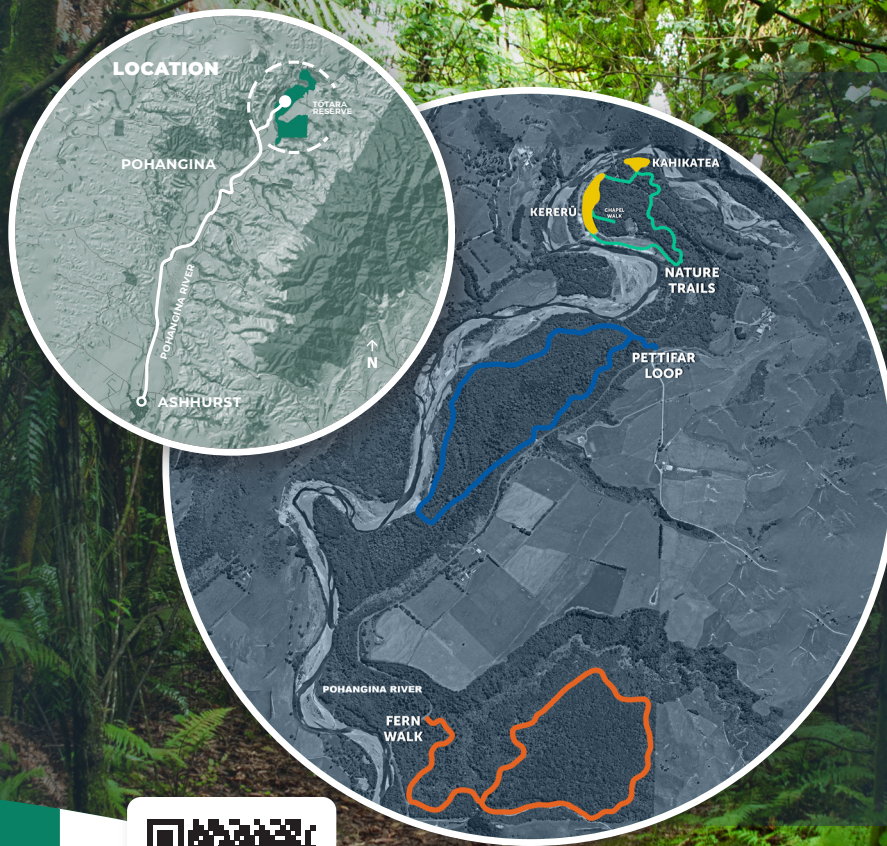


## WELCOME TO

# TŌTARA RESERVE REGIONAL PARK

Tōtara Reserve Regional Park is one of the best and most accessible examples of native lowland forest that once covered much of the Horizons Region. Nestled in the Pohangina Valley, just 40 minutes drive from Palmerston North and 35km from Feilding, it's the ideal spot for a picnic or a longer stay. Horizons Regional Council manage the Reserve, with pest plant and animal control work programmes in place to protect and enhance the native biodiversity.

Tōtara, mataī, rimu, and kahikatea are common within Tōtara Reserve. There are also black beech trees and several species of tree ferns. The Reserve is home to many native birds including tūī, ruru (morepork), kārearea (NZ falcon), korimako (bellbird), kererū, miromiro (tomtit), and pōpokatea (whitehead).



## WALKING TRACKS

Walking one of the many tracks is a fantastic way to get back to nature while enjoying sweeping views of the Ruahine Ranges and Pohangina Valley.

Walking tracks vary in difficulty and length. A number of short **nature trails**, leaving from the **camp sites** wind through the most varied vegetation in the Reserve. **The Fern Walk** leads you through the most intact part of the Reserve and the **Pettifar Loop Track** takes you down a series of terraces to the Pohangina River. Make sure you take the time to visit one of the largest trees, a tōtara in the Reserve located alongside Churchill Drive.

For the most up to date information on tracks including warnings and closures, please go to [www.totareserveregionalpark.co.nz/things-to-do/walking-tracks/](http://www.totareserveregionalpark.co.nz/things-to-do/walking-tracks/)

## CAMPING

The campground is open every year between **Labour Weekend & Anzac weekend**. Choose from one of two campgrounds, both with barbeques, powered and non-powered caravan and camping sites, toilets, and shower facilities. The older Kahikatea Camp provides a sense of nostalgia and seclusion while the newer Kererū Camp offers easy river access for swimming.

## PRICES

**POWERED - \$40**      **NON-POWERED - \$22.50**  
per night for two people\*      per night for two people\*  
\*\$7.50 per additional person. Under-fives stay free.

## NOISE

As a courtesy to other campers, please keep all noise to a minimum after 10pm.



## BOOKINGS

Bookings are essential. To make a booking please visit [www.totareserveregionalpark.co.nz](http://www.totareserveregionalpark.co.nz), or scan our QR code above. Please note you will need to pay in full at time of booking.

## CHECK IN TIMES

**CHECK IN - 1pm**      **CHECK OUT - 12pm**

Late check outs after 1pm will be charged an additional nights tariff.

## DAY VISITS

From nature trails and walking tracks with spectacular views, to swimming and fishing spots with cool, clear water, Tōtara Reserve offers something for everyone.

### Enjoy our free facilities:

Electric barbeques / adventure playground / toilets and showers / wheelchair access / river swimming spots .

