



WALK/CYCLE IN THE CITY

Ngā Ara Tuku iho o Te Taone Nui o Tūranga Gisborne City Tūranga Heritage Trail



Grade
Flat



Distance
7km



Walking
2 hours



Cycling
45 mins



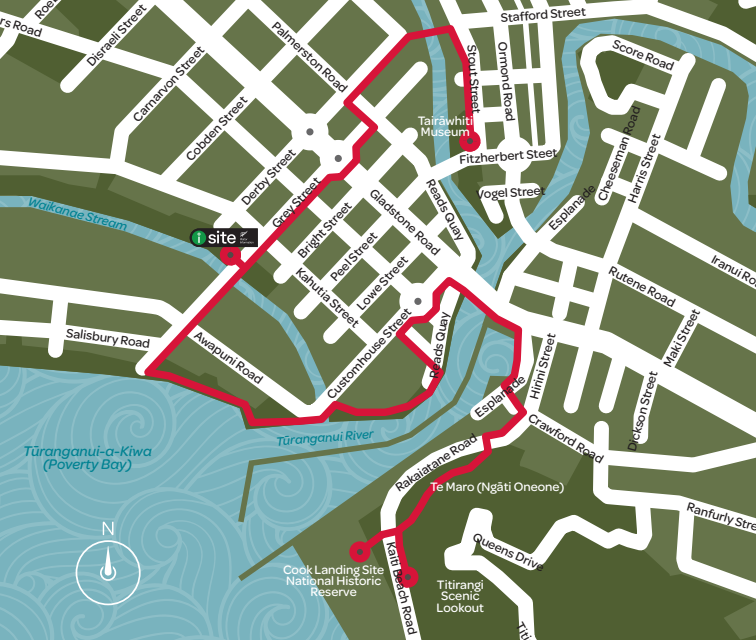
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This easy trail can be walked or cycled in either direction. It meanders around city rivers and beaches passing many landmarks, sculptures, and historic sites. It starts at Puhi Kai Iti/Cook Landing Site National Historic Reserve on Rakaiatane Road. This commemorates the first landing place of Lieutenant James Cook in Aotearoa New Zealand in October 1769, and commemorates the Horouta and Te Ikaroa-a-Rauru waka (canoes) that carried Māori to the district. This site is near where Te Maro was tragically killed in the first misunderstandings between European navigators and local Māori. The trail ends at Tairāwhiti Museum, 10 Stout Street.

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The trail focuses on the European history of the region but touches on the deeper history of Māori tangata whenua who arrived on the Horouta and Tākitimu waka hourua.

HISTORIC SITES INCLUDE:

- 1. Puhi Kai Iti/Cook Landing Site** National Historic Reserve, Kaiti Beach Road, at foot of Titirangi.
- 2. Waikāhua historical site** has a Māori history (a spring was located here) and early European history (a former whaling station, and site of William L. Williams' cottage in 1865).
- 3. Te Maro sculpture**, at foot of Titirangi, artist Nick Tupara.
- 4. Te Toka-a-Taiau** – tribal boundary marker once stood in channel of Tūranganui River (info panel part of Tupapa Heritage Trail).
- 5. Heritage Tairāwhiti signage at Inner Harbour** tells of stealthy visit of German submarine U-862, January 1945.
- 6. Heipipi Park**, with symbolic canoe prow Te Tauhi Turanga Whakamana Gladstone Road/Customhouse Street corner – designed by Derek Lardelli and Te Aturangi Nepia Clamp.
- 7. Pitt Street Park** commemorates treasured fresh water spring at mouth of Waikanae Stream. Named Te Wai o Hiharore, after grandmother of iwi ancestor Ruapani.
- 8. Captain Cook monument**, Tūranganui River Mouth Reserve – sculptor Anthony Stones.
- 9. Young Nick statue**, Tūranganui River Mouth Reserve – sculptor Frank Szirmay.
- 10. Totem Pole**, Alfred Cox Park, gifted by Canadian Government for bicentenary of Cook's 1769 arrival in bay.
- 11. Tairāwhiti Museum**, Stout Street.

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