



## WALK/CYCLE IN THE CITY

# Te Rori o Titirangi

## Titirangi Trail



Grade  
**Hilly**



Distance  
**4km**



Walking  
**40 mins**



Cycling  
**20 mins**



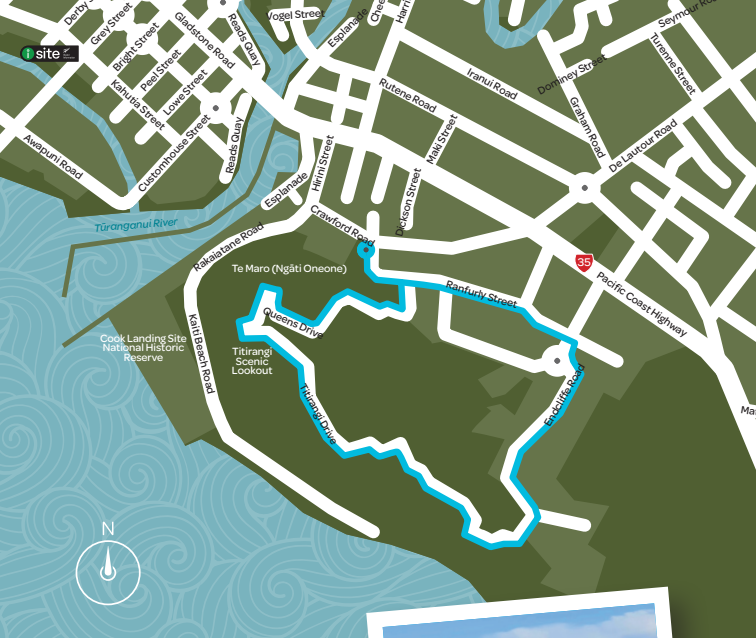
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The bush and tree-clad route through this 35ha reserve goes from Te Poho o Rawiri Marae along Queens Drive over the top of Titirangi, down Endcliffe Road to Ranfurly Street and back to the marae. Enjoy extensive views of the bay, port, city and three rivers from various vantage points. Watch the sun rise and set from the top of the hill. Titirangi is one of the most popular walks in the city, especially when the Titirangi/Everest challenge is on in the spring. Hundreds take part to climb the 129m Titirangi 68 times to reach the height of Mt Everest within seven weeks. The road is two-way for people walking and cycling, but one-way for cars ascending the hill from the marae end.

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## TITIRANGI

From the time of the first arrival of Māori in the waka (canoe) Takitimu, Titirangi was the name given to the area as it resembled a hill in their faraway homelands. Titirangi (also known as Kaiti Hill) became home to generations of new arrivals as further waka landed on the shore below. The reserve is close to where the

first Europeans set foot on land in Aotearoa New Zealand. Some of this history can be found at the Puhi Kai Iti/Cook Landing Site National Historic Reserve between Titirangi Reserve and the port. Te Poho o Rawiri Marae is the tribal heart of Ngāti Oneone. Situated at the foot of the hill, it was the largest carved meeting house in New Zealand when it opened in 1930. This was the third meeting house in the vicinity of Gisborne's port to bear the name. The first was built near the Tūrangānui River by Hirini Te Kani a Takirau after the death in 1852 of his father Te Eke Tu o Te Rangī, who signed the Treaty of Waitangi. After converting to Christianity following the signing of the Treaty, Te Eke took the Biblical name of Rawiri (David), hence the name of the marae. In 2018, the marae undertook a major restoration, with a new dining hall capable of catering for 1000 people at a time. The nearby church, Te Toko Toru Tapu, opened in 1935.



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