



CURATED EXPERIENCES ON WAIHEKE

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WAIHEKE ISLAND

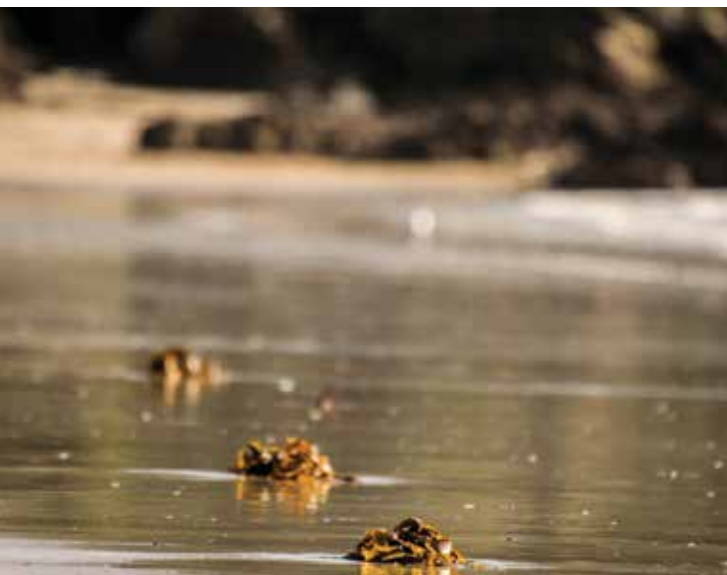


WAIHEKE ISLAND MOTU-WAI-HEKE

(Island of trickling waters)

Waiheke is a firm favourite with neighbouring Aucklanders for a refreshing and relaxing break away - a little piece of tropical island paradise right on the doorstep of New Zealand's biggest city only a short ferry ride away.

Whilst Waiheke is only 19.3 km long from east to west with a total area of 92 km², it's stunning coastline stretches for 133.5 km including over 40 km of beaches, making it a popular spot to get away from the hustle and bustle all year round. The climate on Waiheke is generally warmer than Auckland with less humidity and rain and more sunshine hours. Dotted with world-class wineries, quirky art galleries and surrounded by stunning views, Waiheke is also a great place for exploring the great outdoors with numerous lookouts and interesting geological features.



First settled in 1200AD, Waiheke was home to the Maru iwi until centuries later Toi claimed the Island. During the 1820s the famous Hongi Hika killed most of the inhabitants in a big battle at Onetangi beach. (Onetangi meaning “weeping sands”). But now Waiheke Island has become a fast growing holiday destination for travellers. Its coast is indented with



numerous sandy beaches, Nikau palm and Pohutukawa shores. On the northern side are splendid open ocean beaches while on the south side are large inlets, big mangrove forests and an interesting sand spit lagoon ideal for kayaking. The highest point on Waiheke is Maunganui hill at only 231 metres.

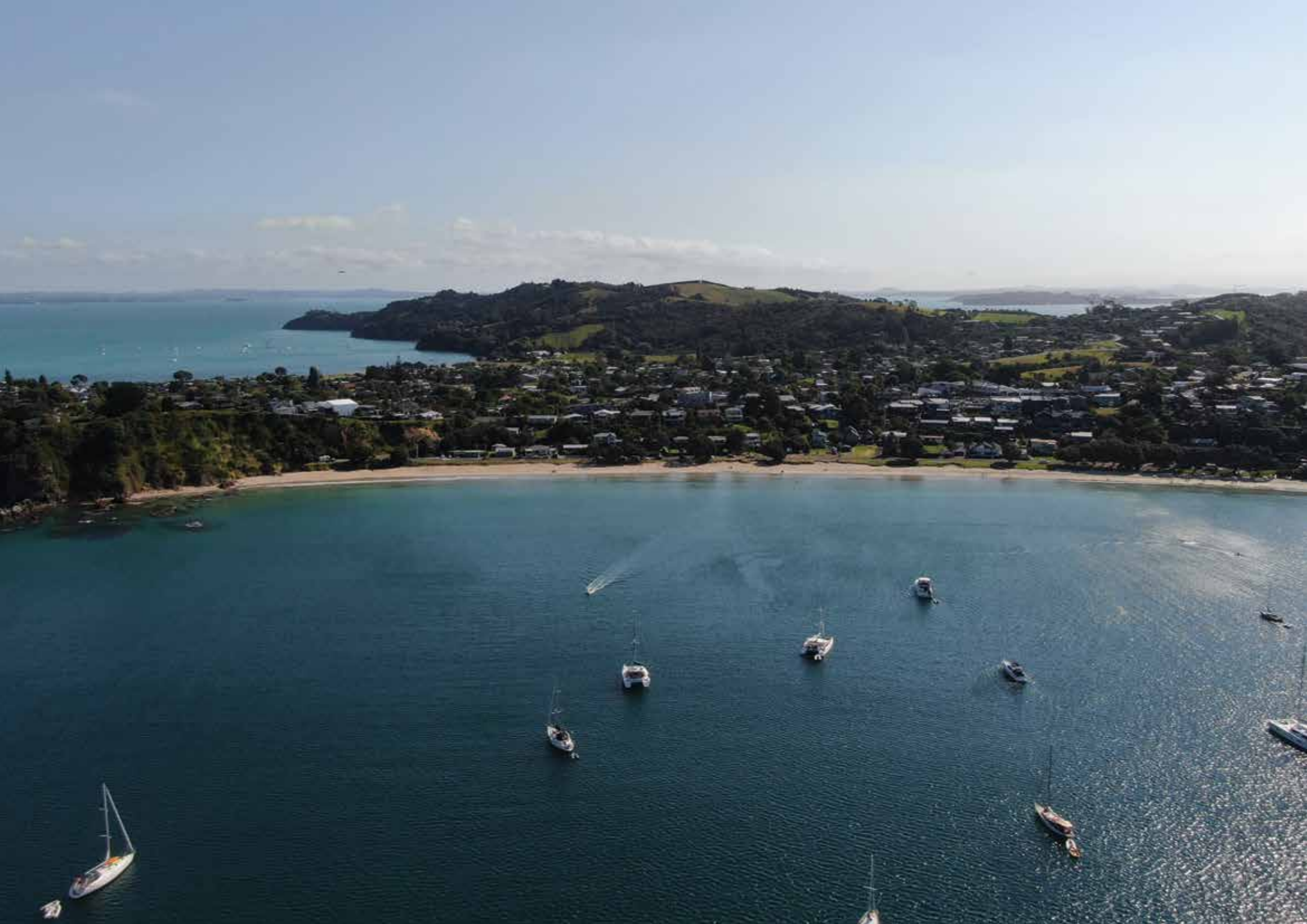


Pre European history of Waiheke has left traces of occupation in the form of archaeological sites scattered over the landscape. Pa and defended sites, which are found on many of the narrow headlands are easily recognisable. As well as fortified sites, there are traces of villages which are generally seen as pits and terraced areas – a good example is clearly signposted at Whakanewha.



WHAT TO DO ON THE ISLAND





THE CASCADES - WHAKANEWHA REGIONAL PARK

Visit the cascades waterfall in mature bush and discover its freshwater life - then down to the wetlands and mangrove swamps by the sea. Discover a Pa site and see kumara pits, terraces and defensive ditches. See nesting shore birds on the foreshore of the lovely Half Moon Bay, including the rare NZ Dotterel. Walk in the native bush and spot the variety of trees here - but take note of the effect weeds can have on native bush and the efforts made to control them.

Just a ½ an hour walk from the road is Whakanewha Regional Reserve. BBQ, camping, water and toilet facilities are available at Whakanewha.

For further information, contact Auckland Council on 301 0101 or via their website: aucklandcouncil.govt.nz.



BEACHES & SCENERY

Beaches and scenery on Waiheke Island are two of the attributes that make the island one of Auckland's most desirable holiday destinations. During the summer months there are plenty of beaches to choose from. Whether you seek a lively atmosphere with a range of beach activities, a secluded hideaway where you can have the beach to yourself, a golden sand beach or a rocky bush clad bay, Waiheke will have it. The scenery on the island is made up of pohutukawa lined beaches, native bush, farmland, and views to Auckland city, the Coromandel and other islands in the Gulf. Most of the main beaches have free gas fired barbecues.





NORTHERN BEACHES AND BAYS

ONEROA

Facing towards the sunny north, Oneroa is a popular visitor spot with a busy and vibrant village. A range of accommodation exists at Oneroa as well as stunning views of the white sand bay below and Coromandel Peninsula in the distance.

LITTLE ONEROA

Little Oneroa is a white sand, sheltered bay lined with pohutukawa trees for shade, calm waters that are safe for swimming and a popular bay for boats to moor. Just a stone throw from Oneroa, Little Oneroa is within walking distance to all the restaurants and shops of the village.

PALM BEACH

Set in native bush with a beautiful beach below, Palm Beach is another popular place to live and to visit. At certain times of the year, phosphorescence can fill the bay making a stunning display in the water. The area has its own restaurant, beach store and playground yet is also close to Oneroa Village.

ONETANGI

The two kilometre stretch of white sand on Onetangi Beach makes this settlement a popular holiday destination. The beach is perfect for water activities such as windsurfing, swimming and the occasional surf. The beach is lined with houses and has some great café and restaurant dining options.



MATIATIA

Matiatia is an entry point to Waiheke with a busy ferry terminal, several yachts moored in the harbour and a bay scattered with olive groves. The Matiatia Wharf terminal has an information kiosk, café and bus and taxi transfers.

CHURCH BAY

Church Bay, just south of Matiatia is fast growing into an exclusive retreat with its sprinkling of vineyards and olive groves including the renowned Mudbrick and Cable Bay. The vineyards and the accommodation match their views - spectacular!

ROCKY BAY

Rocky Bay offers the perfect secluded island escape. Clad with native bush, the area is graced with stunning surrounds and as its name implies, sheltered rocky bays.

WHAKANEWHA BAY

Whakanewha is a 2700 hectare Regional Park with a mature forest of native bush, a large wetland, remains of Maori and European history and rare native New Zealand bird species. Whakanewha has a campground, areas for picnics, bush walks and shallow swimming ideal for all the family.



PUTIKI BAY

Putiki Bay is a popular haven for boaties, offering good shelter in all except southwest winds. At the entrance to the bay, two small islands are joined by an isthmus.

SURFDALE

Surfdale is a favourite spot for windsurfers with a frequent breeze to set the sails and a sandy bottom to protect the feet. Surfdale village has a range of shops, services and restaurants.

BLACKPOOL

Blackpool is a small settlement of beach houses and permanent residences set on a peaceful rocky beach making it perfect for kayaking and admiring views of Auckland City in the distance.

MAN O' WAR BAY

Man O' War Bay is located on the eastern side of Waiheke, commonly referred to as 'The Bottom End'. A very popular bay for anchorage, Man O' War Bay is on the isolated side of the island so is scarcely populated. A Department of Conservation walking track leads up to the historic site, Stony Batter.

GUIDED ACTIVITIES & EXPERIENCES





ANANDA TOURS

Ananda Tours is a Waiheke family-owned company. Having close relationships with local providers and highly knowledgeable guides, they offer premium wine & food experiences, for both group and private tours, of vineyards and the island.

Phone: 09 372 7530

Email: info@ananda.co.nz

ananda.co.nz

WAIHEKE CLASSIC TOURS

Sit back and relax in your own private car with personal guide. With a range of different tours around Waiheke Island travelling in style in one of their classic cars which include Buicks, Cadillacs and Chevrolets, visit beaches, vineyards and olive groves.

Phone: 027 209 2088

waihekeclassictours.com



KAYAK WAIHEKE

Offer a range of guided tour options, and equipment hire, available for kayaking, stand up paddle boarding, and windsurfing.

Address: Matiatia Bay

Phone: 09 372 5550 or 021 570 550

Email: ross@kayakwaiheke.co.nz

kayakwaiheke.co.nz

ECOZIP

Set in the heart of Waiheke, this amazing eco-tourism adventure offers dual flying fox zipline trips followed by native bushwalks in regenerating rainforest. A fun and exciting experience for all ages.

Phone: 09 372 5646

Email: hello@ecozip.co.nz

ecozipadventures.co.nz

WAIHEKE DIVE & SNORKEL

Offer a range of dive and snorkel tours of Waiheke. A great opportunity to experience the marine life of the Waiheke coastline. They cater to all levels of experience from basic snorkelling trips to scuba diving and advanced open sea diving.

Address: 110 Oceanview Road, Oneroa

Phone: 09 217 4892

waihekedive.com



HELETRANZ SCENIC FLIGHTS

Offer helicopter tours of Waiheke island with landing options at Mudbrick, Stonyridge, Tantalus, Poderi Crisci, and Man O' War Vineyards. Take in the magnificent aerial views of the island and surrounds.

Address: 234 Rosedale Road, Albany, Auckland

Phone: 09 415 3550

Email: info@heletranz.co.nz

heletranz.co.nz/waiheke

WAIHEKE GOLF

No membership necessary, course is open for play seven days a week, all year round. There are different course options from 9 holes to 18. It is necessary to book a tee time. Café and bar onsite.

Address: 133 Onetangi Road, Onetangi

Phone: 09 372 8886

waihekegolfclub.co.nz

CONNELLS BAY SCULPTURE WALK

Where art and nature meet. Guided walks of a property hosting over 30 permanent works by prominent NZ sculptors as well as temporary artworks.

Bookings are essential for the Sculpture Walk.

Address: 142 Cowes Bay Road

Phone: 09 372 8957

Email: info@connellsbay.co.nz

WALKS, HIKING & TRAMPING

Walks on Waiheke Island provide the perfect way to get close to nature and discover the beauty of the island. While some of the walks on Waiheke are easy strolls, most walking experiences on the island are of tramping track standard and require a reasonable level of fitness. While on your walk, be sure to respect the environment.





WHAKANEWHA REGIONAL PARK

2.5 Hours

Access: Gordons Road

On the south side of Waiheke Island, Whakanewha Regional Park is known for its mature coastal forest, cascading streams, and sweeping crescent-shaped beach, which is cut in two by a forest-covered headland. At high tide the water is shallow, warm and ideal for children.

MATIATIA/ OWHANAKE LOOP

3 Hours

Access: Matiatia Wharf

This walk is ideal to take in as much of the island as possible without venturing too far from the ferry and Oneroa Village. The main loop takes about three hours at a leisurely pace, while several side trips take in some of Waiheke Island's historical highlights.

CHURCH BAY CIRCUIT

3 Hours

Access: Matiatia Wharf

Spectacular views, a special scenic reserve and an area of historical significance are features of this sometimes strenuous walk. Follow the beach to the southern end, cross the stream and climb the hillside to the first track intersection.

ONETANGI MEANDERINGS

2 Hours

Access: The Strand

Onetangi is Waiheke's longest ocean beach. A particularly beautiful part of the island, Onetangi Bay has a long, white-sand beach, ideal for family outings, safe swimming and for picnics, with a choice of refreshment establishments.



ONEROA / BLACKPOOL STRETCH

1.5 Hours

Access: Tui Street

This walk starts at the island's main village, Oneroa. Two access ways are available from Oneroa Village to Oneroa Beach - one on the corner of Oceanview and Waikare Roads, and the other opposite the Red Cross Hall.

HEKERUA BAY TO PALM BEACH

2 Hours

Access: Top of Goodwin Ave & Queen's Dr

A concrete path zig-zags down through Watters Glen to Hekerua Bay. Turn hard-right from the end of the concrete path to access Te Aroha Avenue. The incline is gentle and grassed for 250 metres, then becomes a steep track with more than 100 steps.

STONY BATTER HISTORIC RESERVE

1 Hour

Access: Man O' War Bay Road (follow signposts)

Stony Batter was part of the Auckland coastal defence system but fortunately Auckland was never attacked and the guns were never fired in anger. The fortifications include an underground tunnel system (entrance fee applies).

VINEYARDS, WINERIES & OLIVES

With hot, dry summers and stony soils, Waiheke is home to boutique wineries that produce unique, high quality wines based on cabernet sauvignon, merlot, malbec, cabernet franc and the recent move into chardonnay grape varieties. There are Waiheke Island vineyards, wineries and olive groves spread throughout the island.





ONEROA AREA:

CABLE BAY VINEYARDS

The Cable Bay winery, restaurant and cellar door are set amidst vineyards and olive groves. Enjoy stunning rural and sea views looking towards Auckland City while enjoying internationally acclaimed wines.

Address: 12 Nick Johnstone Drive, Oneroa

Phone: 09 372 5889

Email: info@cablebayvineyards.co.nz

JURASSIC RIDGE

Syrah, Montepulciano, Pinot Gris and Cabernet Franc vines are planted over 155 million year old Jurassic rock. Come and taste our hand-crafted single vineyard varietals, 'blush' and rose wines and our premium extra virgin olive oil from our own press at the winery cellar door - open daily from 11am - 4pm.

Address: 144 Church Bay Rd

Phone: 09 372 6602 and 021 1888 638

Email: info@jurassicridge.co.nz

MUDBRICK VINEYARD

Named after the Barn/House that was built from mud bricks, Mudbrick Vineyard and Restaurant offers a unique Waiheke wine and cuisine experience, available all year round. Enjoy a wine tasting with their knowledgeable cellar door staff, or dine in their award winning restaurant, while soaking in the ambiance and views of the beautiful Hauraki Gulf.

Address: Church Bay Rd

Phone: 09 372 9050

Email: info@mudbrick.co.nz



SURFDALE AREA:

GOLDIE ESTATE

Goldwater combines old world traditional wine making techniques with modern day technology to achieve outstanding and memorable hand-crafted wines. Their supplying vineyards similarly participate in the Sustainable Winegrowing New Zealand Scheme.

Address: 18 Causeway Road, Putiki Bay

Phone: 09 372 7493

Email: info@goldieestate.co.nz

KENNEDY POINT VINEYARD AND OLIVE GROVE

The Cellar Door at Kennedy Point Winery is open every day throughout the year, 11am - 3pm for wine, olive oil and honey tasting.

Address: 44 Donald Bruce Rd, Surfdale

Phone: 09 372 5600

Email: info@kennedypointvineyard.co.nz



ONETANGI AND SURROUNDING AREA:

MAN O' WAR VINEYARD

Located at the eastern end of Waiheke Island, Man O' War first introduced grapes in 1993, firm in the belief that world class wines could be produced here. Since then we have carefully selected and developed almost 90 individual pockets of Man O' War's hillsides for wine growing, each chosen for the unique and exceptional qualities they bring to our wines.

Address: Stony Batter Road
(follow the signs to Stony Batter)

Phone: 09 950 3285

Email: info@manowarvineyards.co.nz

OBSIDIAN VINEYARD

Obsidian Vineyard nestles in the coastal hills of the Onetangi Valley. The cellar door is open for 6 months of the year from mid Oct. to Easter and offers visitors the chance to try an award winning range of wines including Bordeaux Blends, Syrah, Montepulciano, Chardonnay, Viognier and Rose.

Address: Te Makiri Road, Onetangi

Phone: 09 372 6100

Email: info@obsidian.co.nz



PASSAGE ROCK

Passage Rock Wines was established in 1994 by David and Veronika Evans-Gander. This boutique winery is set in Te Matuku Valley and also has a cafe open to the public.

Address: 438 Orapiu Road

Phone: 09 372 7257

Email: info@passagerockwines.co.nz

PODERI CRISCI

Poderi Crisci is a small family owned vineyard with a passion for growing Italian varietals and olives. The land that the vineyard is on is believed to be 30 million years older than the rest of Waiheke Island.

Address: 205 Awaawaroa Rd,
Awaawaroa Bay

Phone: 09 372 2148

Email: info@podericrisci.co.nz

STONYRIDGE VINEYARD

Stonyridge Vineyard is a specialist cabernet-blend winegrower producing cabernet sauvignon, merlot, cabernet franc, malbec, and petit verdot, combining traditional winemaking with meticulous organic viticulture.

Address: 80 Onetangi Rd, Onetangi

Phone: 09 372 8822

Email: info@stonyridge.com



TE MOTU VINEYARD

Te Motu Vineyard was established by the Dunleavy family in 1989 and is noted for its fine reds, notably the Te Motu cabernet /merlot. The first vines were planted in 1989, and the first vintage was produced in 1993.

Address: 76 Onetangi Road, Onetangi

Phone: 09 372 6884

Email: info@temotu.co.nz

WILD ESTATE

Located in the beautiful Onetangi wine growing area, enjoy tastings of our wines and boutique brewery beers. Visit our on site restaurant - Wild Estate takes sharing platters, platters and grazing boards to a whole new level.

Address: 82 Onetangi Road, Onetangi

Phone: 09 372 3434 or 09 372 4225

Email: bookings@wildestate.co.nz



VIEW EAST VINEYARD

Located at the eastern end of Waiheke Island on Cowes Bay Road near the small coastal settlement of Orapiu, this vineyard is situated on a ridge with breathtaking views.

Address : 31 Cowes Bay Road, RD 1

Phone : 09 3732 717 or 027 487 9589

Email: info@vieweast.co.nz

MIRO VINEYARD - CASITA MIRO

Delicious wines always go best with delicious food, and at Casita Miro you can choose from a range of small plates and elegant wines. This is restaurant dining with a difference, you may get to meet the creators, the chefs and winemakers who are in action daily. The views are great, the music soft, and there are olive trees at your shoulder.

Address: 3 Brown Road, Onetangi

Phone: 09 372 7854

Email: cmenquiries@outlook.com



OLIVE GROVES:

AZZURO GROVES

Award winning olive oils are produced at this stunning olive grove on Te Whau peninsular. Alpacas are bred on the farm and can often be seen grazing under the 500 trees. The Azzuro farm shop offers olive oil tastings and sales plus fine alpaca clothing, tableware and bodycare gifts.

Address : 152 Te Whau Drive, Te Whau

Phone : 09 372 2700

ALLPRESS OLIVE GROVES

Rangihoua Estate had its inaugural harvest in 1997 and this was the first time that olive oil had been made on Waiheke Island. It is now a leading brand in Extra Virgin Olive Oils, and produces the most prolific award-winning Extra Virgin Olive Oils in New Zealand.

Address: 1 Gordons Rd, Rocky Bay

Phone: 09 372 6214



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