

OFFICIAL VISITOR GUIDE 2023/24

FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD.

>> EATS + TREATS

Smash a burger, sip a short black, stock up on superfoods or go all out for a night of fine dining // Manawatū has your cravings covered.



SPLISH SPLASH

>> BEACHES + LANDSCAPE

Hit our beaches, mountain ranges and winding rivers. Our landscapes are raw, rugged and real, and they're uniquely ours - enjoy the journey.

>> BOUTIQUES + MARKETS

Spend more than time here. Sample produce from market stalls, shop sustainably, and browse our endless array of independent boutiques.

SHOP SUPER LOCAL.

>> TRAILS + BIKING

Send it down one of our legendary trails. Whatever your taste - from technical to fast flowing to easy rollers we've got the lot.

SHRED SOME TRAIL.

>> CULTURE + MUSEUMS

Stroll art filled city streets, be inspired by local culture and connect with your creative side. Galleries, museums, exhibitions and shows, we've got palette loads of creative flair.

SHARE OUR STORY.

>> BARS + BREWS

Enjoy cocktails in corner bars, craft beer in city courtyards or your choice of tipple from a traditional country pub. The drinks are cold, and the locals are friendly.

HIT THE BAR.

MANAWATŪ – HE WHAITUA RONGONUI O AOTEAROA, HE WAIRUA MATAKUIKUI, HE ARONGA AUAHA, TAPATAPAHI ANA!



MANAWATŪ – A LEGENDARY LAND OF AOTEAROA, FULL OF SPIRIT AND JOY, WITH A CREATIVE BEND. Our region rewards those who follow their nose and get off the beaten track to find the hidden gems.

Okay sure, we offer world class coffee, epic trails to shred, food to die for and enough shopping to get your heart pumping, but the special thing about Manawatū is the journey of discovery along the way.

We're here to help you connect the dots to forge your own unique path.

So, let's get out there...



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Unlike any other city we have a downtown speedway slap-bang in the centre of the city, and that's only for starters.

Once you lift the lid, our region is chock-a-block full of cool stuff. Bustling markets, fairs, festivals, sports, arts and concerts plus heaps of fab foodie spots to keep you fuelled.



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MANAWATŪ INTERNATIONAL JAZZ & BLUES FESTIVAL

// MAY



CROSS HILLS GARDENS COUNTRY FAIR

// NOVEMBER

KIMBOLTON SCULPTURE FESTIVAL

// APRIL



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// OCTOBER



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FUN WITH THE WHĀNAU

Need a helping hand to plan your visit? Check out our whānau itinerary.

0800 // Wake up refreshed at **The Last Church in Āpiti.** A renovated Sunday School, this is the ultimate place to escape and relax with a roaring woodburner, outdoor bath and plenty of fresh northern Manawatū air.

0930 // If your whānau loves a challenge, make sure to take the short drive down the road to **Makoura Lodge**. Human sheep dog trials, axe throwing, horse treks and 4WD safari. It's a little bit extraordinary.

1200 // Hop in the car and take a cruise into Palmy, along one of **The Country Road** scenic driving routes. Treat yourself to lunch at **Cafe Cuba** with a selection of Kiwi classics, a cabinet filled with the best in baked goods and exceptional New Zealand coffee. For the kids, they offer a full children's menu to fill their bellies.

1330 // Once the batteries are recharged, make a stop at the Central Energy Trust Wildbase Recovery Centre in Victoria Esplanade. Here, friendly guides will teach you about Aotearoa's native animals, the struggles they face, their significance to Māori and the passionate people who work to save them.

Continue exploring Victoria Esplanade, starting with the Junior Road Safety Park where kids will love practicing their road knowledge and cycling skills - and you can sit back and relax as you watch them burn off some energy. Alternatively, hop on your bikes and cycle along the Manawatū River Pathway and across the new He Ara Kotahi bridge. If it's a wet day, we've got you covered with a trip to **Cloud** 9 Trampoline Park where the kids can spring into action or stop in at Te Manawa Museum to get hands-on in one of the interactive learning discovery spaces.

1800 // The perfect end to a Palmy day with your whānau is to enjoy delicious woodfire pizza at **Pompeii Pizza**. The kids will be entertained with a small piece of dough while you wait which can be woodfired for a snack later on.







MAKOURA LODGE HORSES HELPING HUMANS EXPERIENCE









GETAWAY WITH YOUR AROHA















Whether you're here for relaxation or reconnection, or a little bit of both, a break in Manawatū will leave you feeling refreshed. Whatever love language you speak, we have you covered.

0800 // Wake up to views of beautiful rolling countryside at **Ridge Top Farm Glamping** and listen in on the welcoming gurgle of neighbouring magpies. Savour breakfast made specially for you by your hosts, and soak in the outdoor bathtub - you'll truly feel the spirit of Manawatū.

0930 // After a blissful start to the day, hop in your car and head to **Te Apiti - Manawatū Gorge.** Here, you can choose from one of the three walking tracks that take you through an immersive native bush as you climb up to spectacular views over the Gorge and across the region.

1230 // When you're all walked out, make your way to **The Herb Farm** where you'll find a natural oasis just outside of Ashhurst. Unwind from the morning's activities while enjoying delicious fresh food. After lunch, wander around the gardens and browse their range of natural beauty, healing, and therapeutic products.

1400 // Take in a couples massage at **Studio 31**'s day spa then head to **Centrepoint Theatre** to lose yourselves in an entertaining performance from talented local and international actors.

1900 // End your day on Broadway Avenue at **Haru Japanese Restaurant**, savouring fresh Japanese cuisine. From a traditional Japanese multi-course dinner, to Haru zensai platters and bento boxes, you won't be disappointed as you savour each mouthful washed down with a plum wine or splash of sake.

2100 // Sticking around for a nightcap? Take a stroll a few doors down to **Brew Union** and join in the electric atmosphere with a craft brew in hand.



NATURE

Enjoy nature's finest.

Manawatū means 'heart standing still' and when you get up into the Ruahine or Tararua Ranges, you'll truly understand that meaning.

We're a region that mother nature has been very kind to. Manawati boasts vast west coast beaches, beautiful rolling countryside and immersive native bush which are all doable between lunchtime and beer o'clock.

If you want to know more about our Taiao, scan the QR code for further information.



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PAPA TĀPUI // RESERVES

AHIMATE RESERVE



The perfect Palmy summer spot. Paths to walk or cycle and a paradise for your pooch, with a fenced dog park and agility course. The best access is off Maxwells Line.



TE ĀPITI - MANAWATŪ GORGE



Carved between the mountains thousands of years ago by the Manawatū River, and immersed in native bush, a visit to Te Åpiti is like taking a step back through time. Rich in cultural history and legends, curiosities of nature, and a connection to the land that goes far beyond any explanation.



Come face to face with the six metre tall sculpture, immortalising Whätonga, the ancient Māori warrior. Here, you'll feel the legends, the magic and the spirit of our region.

Explore this national taonga your way, whether that's on your bike, by foot or on horseback. Scan the QR code for all you need to know before your visit.



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LINKLATER RESERVE



Boasting the city's longest dual flying fox, a Cessna 421 plane playground, bike tracks and jumps, this reserve is a place for the whole whānau to enjoy. Dog friendly, it has wide open spaces and a network of pathways to explore.





Pohangina Churchill Road

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Camp, walk and swim in one of the remaining examples of the ancient forests that once covered our region. Located in the vast Pohangina Valley, with plenty of fa available this stunning location is t



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Pohangina Valley, with plenty of facilities available, this stunning location is the best place to start if you want a taste of 'wild' Aotearoa while still retaining some creature comforts.

VINEGAR HILL -PUTAI NGAHERE

+64 6 323 0000



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Guarded by a mighty 300 year old tōtara tree, this popular spot is perfect for a picnic or a camping weekend away. Explore this beautiful 30 hectares by foot or kayak as it runs along the Rangitīkei River and tapers into the hills on the other side.





Named by early settlers after its resemblance to an opera house, this spot has been a local secret for over 100 years. Relax with the sounds of the waterfall as you cool off in the swimming hole. Discover the Swiss cheese-like formations of the soft grey papa rock as you walk upstream. ้ำไปใ



VICTORIA ESPLANADE



October to March: 9am - 9pm April to September: 9am - 6pm Set along the banks of the Manawatù River, this is a firm local favourite. The list is endless, there's bush walks, train rides, bird aviaries, bike tracks, BBQs, paddling pools, duck ponds, playgrounds, rose gardens, and a road safety bike park that the kids will just love. There's even an on-site cafe, where you can refresh and refuel.



HIMATANGI BEACH



Himatangi Himatangi Beach Road



the beach. Just 30 mins from Palmerston North, this raw and rugged west coast beach is a top spot for fishing, walking, kayaking, wave watching and fish and chipping. Stay for a night or two at the award winning campground. The local store will keep you fueled, and it even does a flat white.

Get out of the city, and hit



MEMORIAL PARK



Memorial Park, one of our city's largest parks, is where you'll find picnic spots, a fully accessible playground, a skating rink and pond to explore. The new splashpad sits next to the paddling pool and features the biggest supersoaker bucket in New Zealand. The splashpad and paddling pool are both free to access.



FOXTON BEACH



A true west coast beach. Catch snapper, kahawai, and gurnard, pitch a tent or park your van at the campground. Burning sunsets and long untouched stretches of coastline, you'll find you're right where you belong.





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CACCIA BIRCH HOUSE & GARDENS





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Lose yourself in your surroundings. Take a stroll around this classic Kiwi style garden, set in the grounds of a grand 1890s iconic homestead, overlooking Hokowhitu Lagoon in the middle of the city.

VICTORIA ESPLANADE ROSE GARDENS



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October to March: 9am - 9pm April to September:

9am - 6pm

Sitting pretty in the Victoria Esplanade, is the pride of Palmy - the world renowned garden of significance Dugald McKenzie Rose Gardens. Home to 5.000 varieties of rose, the gardens are multiaward winning, and you can even get married here.



GREENHAUGH GARDENS & NURSERY







Wander through the limestone paths that surround a spectacular 19th century homestead, and has been awarded the prestigious title of Garden of International Significance by New Zealand Gardens Trust. As you explore, you'll see a variety of colours from floral surroundings, including roses, lilies, and poppies to name a few. Check out the various plants and bulbs for sale and if you time your visit right, you might even get to feed a Spring lamb.



THE HERB FARM



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Developed in a co-creative partnership with nature, be surrounded by fourteen themed gardens that'll capture the hearts of all ages. Challenge your little ones to a quiz as they wander around and explore the gardens. Finish off your visit by browsing the unique products available in the retail store.

HERITAGE PARK

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Stroll along beside the rhododendrons in this Kimbolton garden. Home to over 2,000 rhododendrons, here you can enjoy a dazzling display of colour, before taking tea in their chalet.



CROSS HILL GARDENS



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Ramble along beside the rhododendrons in this park-like garden in Kimbolton. Home to one of the world's finest collections of rhododendrons and azaleas, the gardens boast over 2,000 different varieties which put on a dazzling display of colour each spring.



NGĂ ORA O TE TAIAO // WILDLIFE



URBAN EELS



A treasured spot at the end of the Turitea Stream. A stroll down the river path leads to this tuna (eel) safe haven. When the sun goes away the eels come out to play, so prime time for visiting these guys is around sunrise or sunset. Enjoy the colours around you as you learn why tuna are so important to Māori and the health of our waterways.

CENTRAL ENERGY TRUST WILDBASE RECOVERY



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Drive



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See what's involved in caring for sick and injured native wildlife at Central Energy Trust Wildbase Recovery Centre. The centre cares for some of Aotearoa's most endangered species, where they rehabilitate after receiving treatment at Massey University's Wildbase Hospital before being released back into the wild. The facility is also home to a number of permanent residents for you to spot, such

as kererū, kākā, and tuatara.

Learn and discover more about conservation issues, our culture, and connection to native wildlife through the completely bilingual facility. If you need a hand, one of the friendly volunteer visitor hosts are there to help!



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LIMESTONE CREEK RESERVE GLOW WORMS



One of Manawatū's best kept secrets that we are delighted to share. Magical caves are carved out of rock by Papatūānuku (Mother Nature) herself. Best seen as a



nighttime adventure - but if that doesn't suit your schedule, you can still see them glowing during the day. Be sure to bring a torch and your gumboots and take care with your footing!

SCENIC SPOTS FOR A SHOT

From bridges to boulders, here are some of our most picture perfect places to capture your Manawatū moments.

HE ARA KOTAHI BRIDGE

PALMERSTON NORTH // 129 DITTMER DRIVE

TE ARAPIKI A TĀNE (THE STAIRWAY OF TĀNE)

PALMERSTON NORTH // VAUCLUSE HEIGHTS

RANGIWAHIA HUT TRACK

RUAHINE FOREST PARK // RENFREW ROAD

STORMY POINT LOOKOUT

WAITUNA WEST // CHELTENHAM-HUNTERVILLE ROAD



MANGAWEKA // 535 PEKA ROAD

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ACTIVE

Move your body, free your mind.

Get your blood pumping and harness the elements! Whether that's rafting down the Rangitikei, shredding some trails, treading our tracks or chipping your way around our golf courses, you'll find all the views are good here.

If you're looking for more adventures to tick off your bucket list, be sure to scan the QR code to uncover more inspiration for your action packed activities.



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With views out across Manawatū, Makoura Lodge is the place to be if you're looking for an adrenaline fueled adventure. Try horseback riding, four wheel driving, clay bird shooting, give archery a go or shoot your shot with hole-in-one golf.



OFF THE LOOP WAKEPARK



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October to April: Tuesday - Sunday April to October: Weekends Only 10am - 5pm



Test your wakeboarding skills on a private lake just 30 mins from Palmerston North. Handmade by the owners with performance, accessibility, comfort and fun in mind, challenge yourself with ramps and rail slides - or if it's your first time, build your skills on the flat, glassy water.





WAKE X



Weekends & Public Holidays (Weekdays by booking)



Get your Foxton (adrenaline) Fizz and hit the beach on a jetski or biscuit. Go solo or jump on with the experienced crew to navigate the waves. If you're after an hour of fun or a weekend packed with it, WAKE X offers packages to suit you. าไปไห

RIVER VALLEY RAFTING



8am - 5pm Please book ahead

> thelodge@ rivervalley.co.nz 0800 248666



Family owned and operated for three generations, River Valley Lodge is perched on the banks of the Rangitikei River, offering one of the best top half-day Grade 5 rafting trips. If you'd rather take the scenic route, they also offer float trips through the canyon with multi day options.



WIND WARRIOR

Dawn till Dusk

windwarrior.nz

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Manawatū Estuary or get out on 22km of uninterrupted hard sand beach with Wind Warrior. For a lesson or session take your pick between power kiting, kitesurfing, kite landboarding, kite buggying or a stand up paddle board.

Make the most of the



RIVER VALLEY STABLES







Learn the ways of natural horsemanship as you experience the ultimate freedom riding over farmland around the mountain, Pukeokahu. Most horses are ridden in halters and have personalities to suit all abilities, so if you've been riding since day one or you're a first timer, you'll find your perfect ride.





Fun for the whole whānau,

with plenty of thrills to be had, especially when the wind blows. Hire a cart for half

an hour or the full hour and

learn a new skill together.

MANAWATŪ BLOKART CLUB



Saturday 1 - 4pm Sunday 2 - 4pm



manawatublokartclub @gmail.com





TABLE FLAT HORSE TREKKING



8am - 5pm Please book ahead

tableflattrekking@

gmail.com

native bush and incredible high altitude scenery on a 600 acre sheep farm. It doesn't matter if you're a first timer or a long-time rider, these treks cater for all and range from 45 minutes to 3 hours.

Enjoy views of Manawatū on

horseback as you trek through



AWASTONE

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Raft, kayak, and camp along the Rangitīkei River with a 'stay and play' package. Kids as young as three years old can join in on the fun, so bring the whole whanau to spend the days on the river and nights hanging out together in the river cabins or parked up in your motorhome. Enjoy tasty meals during your stay at the onsite cafe and restaurant.



ARA HĪKOI // WALKS AND HIKES



TE ĀPITI - MANAWATŪ GORGE TAWA LOOP



All the beauty and wilderness of the main track, with less than half the distance and time. Head to the Ashhurst end of Te Āpiti - Manawatū Gorge and access this loop to adventure through ancient native bush that meanders up and around the southern edge of this geological masterpiece.





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Ashhurst End Car park at the Ashhurst end of the Manawatū Gorge

Ballance End Car park at 31 Gorge Road, Woodville

3 - 5 hours

Moderate fitness level

Home of native flora and fauna, Te Āpiti - Manawatū Gorge is a must-do walk in Manawatū. Journey along the main walking track (11.2km) and wind your way up high above the awa (river) below. Viewpoints are dotted along the way offering spectacular sights of the region from high above the trees. Come face to face with the sculpture of Whātonga, the ancient Māori Warrior who has been immortalised in a 6m tall sculpture along the track.





SLEDGE TRACK









In the heart of the scenic Kahuterawa Valley, just 20 minutes from the city, you'll find tracks among ancient trees and native fauna with backdrops of rocky waterfalls. Travel to the



end of the gravel Kahuterawa Road with the whānau for a short scenic walk, or if you're an experienced tramper, continue on to uncover old mineshafts and more spectacular scenery.





EKE PAHIKARA // CYCLING & MOUNTAIN BIKING

RANGIWAHIA HUT TRACK



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Follow the gravel road and head through farmland to take on this short, but challenging tramp to the top of the Ruahine Ranges, you'll be rewarded with spectacular sights and views surrounded by native birdsong along the way. Pack your camping supplies and book Rangiwahia Hut for an overnight adventure.







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Low - Moderate fitness level

arapuketrails @gmail.com

Ride to your heart's content through a network of epic mountain bike trails, in the Lower North Island's premier mountain bike park. İf it's your first time visiting, head to the Kahuterawa Road end and take either the Pupu Rahi or Back Track. These trails will get you into the heart of the action. There are trails from Grade 2 and for experienced riders, there are trails up to Grade 6. To pack in more downhill rides, get Kahuts Shuttles to do the heavy work with a lift back to the top of the trail.





Palmerston North

HE ARA KOTAHI

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129 Dittmer Drive Low - Moderate

your way through farmland, native bush and pā sites towards Linton Military Camp, or Massey University. Access via Dittmer Drive and start from the He Ara Kotahi Bridge that connects Victoria Esplanade to the other side of the river.

Walk or cycle alongside the

Manawatū River as you weave





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Mangaweka 2 days + Advanced fitness level

Take on this stunning multiday, fully paved ride through Manawatū and experience the best of what our region has to offer. This 115km ride through back country roads leads you to hidden treasures such as country cafés, pubs, gardens and galleries so you can experience Manawatū – your way.





Ngā Haerenga NZ Cycle Trails

PEMBERTON RIDE



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Start your adventure at the Mangaweka Campground and ride your way over the Mangaweka Bridge to the other side of the Rangitikei River, enjoying breathaking views along the way. Finish your journey at Vinegar Hill Domain, a local favourite for a cooling dip in the river.



WINDFARM RIDE



Enjoy scenes of Te Āpiti -Manawatū Gorge, and the surrounding region as you climb up the ranges and through the spectacular wind farms. Summerhill Shopping Centre provides refreshing beverages and meals for you to refuel at the end of your ride.

CLOUD 9





Add a spring to your step at Cloud 9. This trampoline park is for all ages, with activities for everyone to enjoy. Battle your mates or test out your bouncing skills with an Olympic trampoline, ninja assault course and more on offer. Refuel with delicious food and drinks, including baristamade coffee at the on-site café.



POHANGINA VALLEY LOOP

 Feilding Manchester Square
 4 - 6 hours
 Intermediate fitness

level

Ride through a variety of terrains, over hills and open flats with the backdrop of the Pohangina Valley accompanying you along the way. Cheese lovers can treat themselves to an artisan cheese tasting at Cartwheel Creamery. The road is mostly gravel, but the scenery outweighs the effort by far.

BOWLARAMA



Sure to be a knockout, pop on a pair of bowling shoes, grab yourself a ball and hit this 20lane, fully automated ten pin bowling centre. If bowling isn't your thing, there's pool tables, arcade games, air hockey and a licensed bar with both alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages and food to keep you fueled.



EKORI // ACTIVE 49



LIDO AQUATIC CENTRE



Open all year round with indoor pools and an outdoor water park. Lap it up in the lane pools, soak your stress away in the spa or experience the thrill and excitement of the tallest and only superbowl in the North Island, with an open-flume speedslide that will propel the bravest of riders at up to 17 metres per second.



DAYTONA INDOOR RACEWAY



The Daytona Indoor Raceway is one of the best indoor go karting experiences in New Zealand. It attracts petrol heads from all around Aotearoa to race its tracks and test their driving skills. From adrenaline seekers to whānau looking for some fun with the kids, Daytona offers a fun-filled experience for all who graces its tracks.



MAKINO AQUATIC CENTRE



Splish, splash and splosh the day away at Feilding's Makino Aquatic Centre. There's something for everyone, with aqua classes, canoe polo and their mega fun weekend inflatables for those after some aqua agility!



TIMEZONE





Test out your gaming skills at Timezone! This bright and colourful family entertainment arcade is packed with the latest games as well as classic favourites, offering customers the chance to win prizes from the extensive range of unique and branded quality products. Get energised, win a prize, and hone your skills at Timezone!





PINPOINT YOUR NEXT ADVENTURE.

Trying to plan your journey?

Take a glimpse at our maps, where you'll spot all the goodies in this guide and the scenic routes to take along the way. See where you need to be and the treasures nearby!

Some help along the way:



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ORLANDO COUNTRY GOLF COURSE & DRIVING RANGE



This 9-hole course was designed

10am - 5pm



and made for the modern golfer, featuring mostly par 3s with a few par 4s. Expect a few surprises along the way as you enjoy a round with your friends or master your skills with target greens on the full size driving range.

PALMERSTON NORTH GOLF CLUB

Palmerston North Brightwater Terrace

8am - 5pm



palmerston.north@ aolf.co.nz +64 6 351 0700



Located just a quick drive from the city centre, this friendly club sits on the banks of the Manawatū River. Offering a scenic 18 hole course, anyone is welcome to enjoy these beautiful grounds.



MANAWATŪ GOLF CLUB



office@

Dawn till dusk

0800 701 125

New Zealand's oldest golf course offers a challenging but fair test. Situated between the Manawatū River and Centennial Lagoon, you will enjoy the scenery as much as the game, with manicured fairways and rolling greens lined with trees. manawatugolfclub.com



RANGATIRA GOLF CLUB

Hunterville State Highway One

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Arguably one of the best golf courses in the lower North Island, you'll find yourself starting out over stunning views of the Rangitīkei River while you work your way through the unique 18 hole course. Once you're finished take a ride on the electric cable car, it's the only one in Aotearoa.



FEILDING GOLF CLUB

Feilding

Waughs Road

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ALTITUDE FLY FISHING



Johnny will show you around his home waters, an experience characterised by the beautiful, rugged Ruahine Range. Explore lowland rivers with high numbers of rainbow and brown trout or challenge yourself with remote, small spring-fed and backcountry style streams.

WHAKANGAU, HĪ IKA // HUNTING & FISHING

Sitting just outside of the

walking and well drained,

into the fully equipped

clubhouse and pro shop.

Feilding township, you'll find

a park-like 18 hole challenge at the Feilding Golf Club. Easy

you'll be welcomed by locals





ALPINE HUNTING



Experience world class hunting with Shane Quinn's Alpine Hunting. Stalk on foot or by air as you explore the vast, private ranch in the Rangitikei high country. Abundant herds of red stag and sika openly roam together naturally over rolling hills, native bush and mountainous ridges.

SHOOTING AT RATHMOY



Rathmoy is a fifth generation sheep and beef farm located in a beautiful wilderness area of the North Island of New Zealand. Your host, Mark Grace, has been passionate about shooting all his life and now provides a world-class experience on a piece of paradise.

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ARTS & CULTURE

Discover our creative side.

Inspired by the region's unique energy and interpreted by the cultural heart of the people, Manawatū's arts scene is vibrant and vivacious. Art galleries, theatres, museums, exhibitions and street art - it's enough to get your creative senses tingling.

Get out and amongst our dynamic cultural scene, scan the QR code for additional information.



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NEW ZEALAND RUGBY MUSEUM



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Home to the biggest and most comprehensive collection of rugby memorabilia and records within Aotearoa, be sure to visit the first museum devoted to the oval ball. Travel back in time to explore where our rugby heritage began or test out your rugby skills – kick, tackle, leap, sprint or push – in the 'Have a Go' area to see how you measure up to the boys in black.



COACH HOUSE MUSEUM

 Feilding 127 South Street

 10am - 4pm

 10am - 4pm

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 10am - 4pm

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Join us on a trip down memory lane with stories of the good old days that showcase over 140 years of local early settler life, farming and historic horse-drawn transportation. Filled with local tales of days gone by, this is a world-class collection for all ages.







TE MANAWA



Te Manawa is a museum working beyond boundaries at the cultural heart of Palmy. Manawatū prides itself on being a region that represents and celebrates diversity, courage and curiosity which is reflected through the art, science and heritage of Te Manawa.





TE AWAHOU NIEUWE STROOM



Discover Māori, Dutch and pioneering history all under one roof in a setting that celebrates diversity. Bring the little ones along and reflect on your whānau roots and the diversity of Aotearoa. Finish your day with a taste of the Netherlands at Café De Molen.



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TE MANAWA ART GALLERY



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ZIMMERMAN





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with a clear vision to provide locals and visitors alike with the opportunity to view original and engaging works of art in the city centre. Wander through paintings, drawings and sculptures by New Zealand artists. A wide, brightly lit frontage leaves collections on display 24 hours a day.

Zimmerman was established



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SQUARE EDGE



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Described as a space where anyone can come in and enjoy themselves - it's like a village on its own. And that it is. Inside you'll find galleries, stores, workshops, studios, community spaces and even a café. Artists often work with open door policies so feel free to chat with them to learn more about their work.







WHATONGA, TE ĀPITI - MANAWATŪ GORGE



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At 6 metres tall, Whatonga is a contemporary steel sculpture which sits at the top/halfway point of the Tawa Loop Track. It depicts historical seafarer and Rangitane chief Whatonga, who was one of the captains of the Kurahaupo Waka, which journeyed across the Pacific Ocean to Actearoa, New Zealand possibly as early as the 12th century. The Ngai Tara and Rangitāne people trace their descent from Whatonga.

TE MARAE O HINE (THE SQUARE)



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Palmerston North The Square

TE PUHARA O TURITEA



THE PETER

A viewing platform along the He Ara Kotahi pathway which offers an unobstructed view of our beautiful awa (river) and city. The lookout – a two-storey cantilevered platform was built in 2022 to give homage to Te Pühara o Turitea, a traditional site of Rangitāne.

Te Pūhara o Turitea (the sentry watchtower of Turitea) was between nine and 15 metres tall and provided Rangitāne people with an unobstructed 360-degree view of anyone coming up or down the river.



WHARE TAPERE // THEATRES

CENTREPOINT THEATRE



The only professional theatre in Actearoa outside of the four main cities, Centrepoint Theatre is known for outstanding theatre designed to inspire, entertain and challenge audiences. Enjoy relatable Kiwi content and world-class plays for an unforgettable night out.

10.00

THE GLOBE



Inspired by Shakespeare's original open air circular theatre in London, The Globe's name derives from its unique circular design. Be entertained by performances from the talented local, national and international acts who grace the stage to deliver the best of theatre, dance, music, comedy, cabaret, film and so much more.



REGENT ON BROADWAY



You can see why The Regent was described as "The Theatre Beautiful" during its opening back in the early 1900's. Leading the standard of entertainment, sit back, relax and enjoy performances within this timeless facility.



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A must-do black-box venue for theatre, comedy, and music, The Dark Room provides a platform for emerging and established artists to experiment and showcase their talents in a variety of genres.





EVENT CINEMAS



Centrally located in the heart of Palmy, this is an iconic destination for new movies. Treat yourself to a snack from the candy bar as you sit back and immerse yourself in the latest blockbuster film.





SILKY OTTER

Silky Otter Cinema offers a full-service bar and kitchen with real chefs and a mouth-watering menu, food can be delivered straight to seats (with the ability to time food and drink orders), unmatched customer service, no ads, luxury recliners with more room for comfort and adjustable headrests, cutting-edge screen and sound technology, wall to wall screens and full laser projection.



FOCAL POINT CINEMA



Palmerston North +64 6 241 8417 Feilding +64 6 323 0218 latest blockbuster or independent release while enjoying a delicious meal and a drink in the quirky art deco setting. With two boutique locations across the region, in Feilding and Palmy, Focal Point Cinema & Cafe will provide you with a cinematic experience like no other.

Sit back and relax as you watch the



Coastal Arts Trail // Take it at your own pace and enjoy an easy drive, stopping along the way at art galleries, museums and open studios, that sit nestled within the scenery.

Scan the QR code to learn more.


75 НОКОНОКО // SHOP

SHOP

Browse our hidden gems

Spend a little more than time here. Browse independent boutiques, pick up all the major brands, or be a little 'boujie' and buy artisan fare directly from farmers' market stalls. Indulge yourself with a little retail therapy, you never know what treasures you might discover.



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PAHEKEHEKE // BOUTIQUES

We've got the best in boutique shopping here.

Just seconds from Te Marae o Hine - The Square and bustling with action, you'll discover a vast selection of quaint boutiques and independent stores - George Street and Coleman Mall are our picks!

Then pop over to Feilding for a spot of shopping at the great range of boutiques. You'll even be able to grab a free car park right outside.













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MĀKETE // MARKETS

One of the best ways to sample the region is by browsing the local markets. From locally grown produce and boutique artisan fare, to quirky crafts and funky homewares – the selection is right here ready to be explored. Meet the makers and growers, and hear their stories, know where your food comes from and sample tasty treats as you go.



MONTHLY MARKETS

Hokowhitu Village Farmers'

Market // This popular market offers a range of artisan and local produce and treats to tease your taste buds with live music to make it a complete experience. Held on the third Sunday of every month, 9am - 1pm. Hokowhitu Village, Albert Street, Palmerston North.

Summerhill Farmers' Market //

Attracting artisan producers from near and far, this monthly Sunday market (will send your senses into overdrive. Award-winning coffee, artisan goods, fresh produce and friendly locals. **First Sunday** of every month, **9am-1pm**. Summerhill Shopping Centre, Ruapehu Drive, **Palmerston North.**



WEEKLY MARKETS

Feilding Farmers' Market // This award-winning market features stunning artisan products such as locally crafted cheeses, coffee, fresh vegetables, flowers and more. Fridays 8:30am - 1pm. Manchester Square, Feilding.

Albert Street Farmers' Market // Fresh fish, baked bread and hot foods make this a popular Saturday destination, along with a wide array of fresh produce. Saturdays 6am -10am. Chr of Albert & Church Street, Palmerston North.

Highbury Flea Market //

Local produce, freshly baked Māori bread and tasty treats galore. **Sundays 7am - 1pm.** Highbury Shopping Centre Carpark, Highbury Avenue, **Palmerston North.**

Sanson Market // Get lost amongst the array of antiques and collectables, fresh produce and condiments galore in this community market. Sundays 7am - 2pm. Cnr of State Highways One and Three, Sanson.

ANNUAL & BI-ANNUAL MARKETS

Cross Hills Garden Country

Fair // Held in world-renowned Rhododendron gardens in Kimbolton, Cross Hills Garden Country Fair offers 180+ fantastic stalls, live music and delicious food trucks. Held annually in November. 339 Rangiwahia Road, Kimbolton.

Magic of Christmas Night Market and A Winter's Day Out // Built

on the love of the festive season, the gift of giving and gathering with friends and whānau, the Magic of Christmas Night Market and A Winter's Day Out both offer boutique shopping experiences, fantastic eating and drinking options and live music. A Winter's Day Out will be held in July and The Magic of Christmas Night Market in December. Awapuni Racecourse, Palmerston North.

The Feilding Craft Market // NZ's largest indoor craft and vintage market with over 200 stalls. The Feilding Craft Market is held biannually and offers a mix of craft, vintage and retro finds. Held bi-annually in June and October. Manfeild Events Centre, Feilding.





81 INĀ TE REKA // TASTE

TASTE

Fill your tank.

Fuel up on all your foodie favourites. Manawatū is made to be savoured. Brunch, lunch, dinner, drinks and everything in between. You'll find all kinds of top eats here, from traditional kiwi café treats to the best international cuisines.



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WHARE KAWHE // CAFÉS

Get your café hit by exploring all the best brunch spots in Manawatū. Sip a short black, crunch intro a fresh salad, or satisfy those smashed avo cravings. You'll be spoilt for choice.

Scan the QR code to find your favourite brunch spot(s).



KAI HŪNENE // FINE DINING

Soak in the atmosphere, enjoy a spot of lunch in the sun, and savour Manawatū's fine dining scene.

Scan the QR code to find all the best fine-dining selections our region has to offer.





KAI HĪRAMURAMU // CASUAL DINING

From burgers and brews to sushi and saké, when it comes to casual dining - Manawatū has your cravings covered.

Scan to find the nearest place to fill your tank.



INU // DRINKS

Enjoy cocktails in corner bars, craft beer in city courtyards or your choice of tipple from a traditional country pub. The drinks are cold, and the locals are friendly.

Sit back, relax and enjoy a drink or two - just scan and choose what you're in the mood for.





87 WHAKATĀ // RELAX

RELAX

Put your feet up and reset.

Manawatū is a place to reset, relax and renew. Go-off-grid, do a full-day spa, stay in a retreat, take a star-lit bath, practice hot yoga, float for an hour - or simply sit outside and stare out at the scenery. Whatever haven you choose, Manawatū will leave you feeling refreshed.



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RANGITĪKEI FARMSTAY

Find your home away from home at Andrew and Kylie's little slice of paradise. Having hosted guests from across the globe, the farm "Tyrone" has been in the family since 1901. As you relax in serenity with the sounds of nature playing in the background, you'll find (like all before you) - there's something special about this place.



THE LAST CHURCH IN ĀPITI

Āpiti See website for details

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The ultimate wellness retreat nestled in the quaint village of Āpiti. Stay in a renovated Sunday School and relax in this oasis, enjoying a star lit bath, cosy warm wood burner or a tranquil yoga session in the mature gardens.



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RATHMOY ESTATE



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spectacular Rangitīkei River where the unique surrounding beauty of the bush clad cliffs and sparkling river create a stunning view from the boutique lodge. This is the perfect location for whānau getaways, or a weekend away with your friends to reset, relax and reconnect with nature.

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MORIMORI, WHAKAPIKI ORANGA // PAMPER & WELLNESS



want a relaxing experience with

your friends, just step into the

salon and let yourself unwind.





STUDIO RUBIX

Monday - Saturday

studiorubix.co.nz 022 183 1255



Work on your mental and physical strength and relaxation techniques using aerial fitness and mindfulness classes. This family run business is a welcoming space, designed for your comfort.



THE HERB FARM

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nature comes to life - you could easily spend the day here browsing the products on offer including their natural skincare brand that is made on-site. Book a hands-on workshop and know exactly what is in your skincare creating your own products to take home.

The wellness destination where



STUDIO 31 FLOATATION THERAPY

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NOHO MAI // STAY

STAY

Somewhere to recharge.

From the mountains to the sea, choose your Manawatū stay, settle in and let the days drift away. Whatever you fancy we've got it, from boutique lodges, lush city-central stays to a night under the stars.



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HŌTERA // HOTELS

Relax in style in the city-centre. Whether you're here for work, or play we've got a great selection of luxurious hotels for you to choose from.

Scan the QR code to explore the stylish hotels our region has to offer.



MŌTERA // MOTELS

Whether you're here for business or pleasure, you'll find a motel or apartment to suit. Pick your perfect location and settle in for a stay that offers all the comforts of home.

Scan the QR code to browse Manawatū's fine selection of motels and apartments.











NOHO PĀMU, NOGO RŌTI, MOE ME TE PARAKUIHI // FARM STAYS, LODGES & B&BS

NOHO HOPUNI // CAMPGROUNDS

Grab the whānau, stack the car, and spend some time together under the stars. With self-contained, freedom camping, or full amenity campground options, all you'll need to do is take your pick of beach, river or mountain. It's all at your fingertips.



It's Aotearoa hospitality at its very best. Getaway to Manawatū and escape the hustle and bustle. From quiet country retreats to city bed and breakfasts, unique farmstays, and boutique lodges. Whatever you're looking for, you'll find it here.



To find the boutique accommodation of your dreams just scan the QR code.





MAKOURA LODGE RIVERSIDE RETREAT













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