

## TO DO TARAWERA

### THE LAKE

Lake Tarawera has so much to offer. You don't have to travel far to have a great time. The Lake is just a stones throw from the Woolshed. You have all the advantages of being lake front but without the noise (it can get very busy during the summer months).

Only 2 minutes walk and you can be at the lake front, beach, play area and boat launch. During the summer you can swim in the lake and the water is a consistent 22 degrees.

There are numerous walking tracks. We have a water taxi service which takes visitors across the lake to hot water beach and a natural hot pool, they also offer a drop off and pick up service at the start of the Tarawera River walk out to Tarawera Falls. The lake is renowned for huge rainbow trout and fishing guides are available if required. The buried village is fascinating and you can learn all about the history of this amazing place. You can also walk around the excavations of the village buried in the Tarawera eruption of 1886. If you enjoy star gazing the sky out here is beyond compare with no light pollution to spoil the view.

### FISHING

Tarawera is world renowned for the size of its rainbow trout. You can go out and catch your own tea. There are also local guides happy to take you out and show you the best spots.

### [WATER TAXI \(TOTALLY TARAWERA\)](#)

We have a Water Taxi service that operates from The Landing. You can enjoy a cruise, catch a fish, visit Hot Water Beach, a natural hot pool or take a hike along the Tarawera River to Tarawera Falls (the water taxi does a drop off and pick up service).

There is also a large boat called The Sophia that can accommodate upto 50 people and can be hired for a private party or lunch.

### THE BURIED VILLAGE

The buried village is the place to go to learn all about the local history of this fascinating region. You can also view the excavation of the Maori and Victorian settlement that were buried during the Tarawera eruption that occurred in 1886. The Buried Village also has a lovely tea room and souvenir shop.

### HORSE RIDING

Lake Okareka horse trekking is a short drive away where you can explore 500 acres of farmland and native bush with amazing views between Okareka and Tarawera.

### KAYAKING

Take a kayak and explore the lakes shores and the amazing flora and fauna that surrounds Tarawera.

### ROTORUA

Less than half an hour and you are down town Rotorua offering no end of activities. From thrill seeking white water rafting to a gentle stroll in the magnificent Redwood forest. This area is the beating heart of Maoridom with many cultural experiences to be had. There are numerous mountain bike trails, hikes, geothermal parks with geysers, hot pools and bubbling mud.