

Home to historic villages and majestic homesteads, boutique shopping and charming wineries, as well as some of New Zealand's most spectacular countryside, Central Hawke's Bay is a gem waiting to be discovered.

And yet, it is the getting there that makes Central Hawke's Bay so special.

A journey through Central Hawke's Bay, with the rugged Ruahine Ranges holding vigil in the west and miles of white sand beaches snaking around each corner on the east, will surprise and delight even the most seasoned traveller.

This corner of New Zealand's Food and Wine Country blossoms with each season. Visit during the spring to see lambs frolicking and daffodils bloom; during summer to explore the Tukituki Trails and miles of pristine coastline; come in autumn to see the exquisite splendour of the changing leaves at the region's historic homesteads; or in winter hunt for truffles before settling fireside in luxury accommodation.

Dispersed throughout these stunning landscapes are towns and villages filled with everything from eclectic antique stores and fine art galleries, to seaside villages where you can buy the best paua pie around.

Begin your journey today.

The Tukituki Trails paint the perfect picture as they weave through the shade of old willow trees.

Made for the whole family, the Tukituki Trails are a gentle 12-kilometre meander on limestone pathways with a grade two mountain bike trail that runs parallel to the limestone paths.

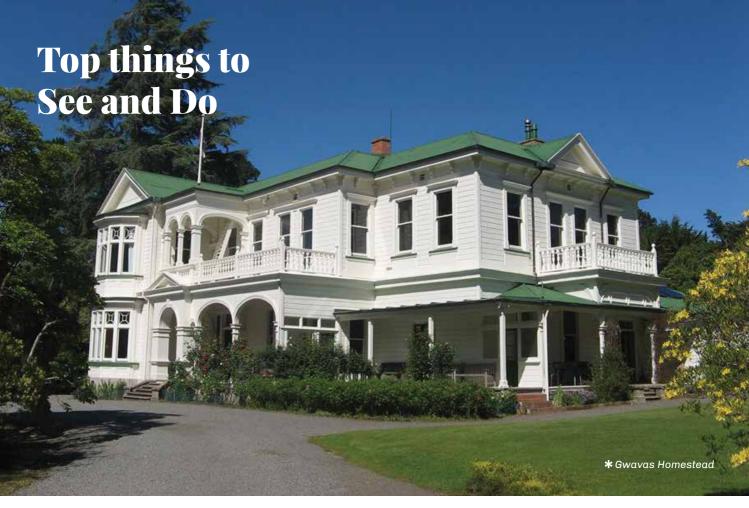
Stretching out in both directions from Russell Park to the swing bridge in the East and Lindsay Bush in the West, the limestone trails follow the Tukituki River as it meanders through the Central Hawke's Bay countryside.

While the mountain bike track is mostly flat, it has been engineered to offer a range of obstacles from sharp banked turns, tight twists, a few small bridges and a jump or two for the more experienced mountain biker.

From the swing bridge you can choose to cross the river and continue back along the far side of the river in the berm tracks or turn off and try a bit of downhill mountain biking in Gum Tree Mountain Bike Park

Whichever path you choose, this is a delightful journey and one that everyone can enjoy.





## **Te Angiangi Marine Reserve**

Spanning between Aramoana and Blackhead beaches, Te Angiangi Marine Reserve is a unique stretch of protected ocean for snorkelling and diving. At low tide, the retreating waters expose a rock platform where snorkelers can explore different rock pool plants and life.

#### **Longest Place Name**

The longest place name in the world is Taumatawhakatangihanga-ko auauotamateaturipukakapikimaungahoronukupokaiwhenua-kitanatahu and is located just south of the coastal village of Porangahau. Contact Porangahau Tours for a guided tour of this world-famous hill.

## Ongaonga Historic Village

Located just off State Highway 50, this charming village is like stepping back in time. The small, rural village is awash with beautiful historic buildings and its Museum filled with a wonderful collection of machinery, tools, history and photos from the early settlers and founding residents of Ongaonga.

#### **Historic Homesteads**

The historic homesteads of Central Hawke's Bay are both many and magnificent; and the history the hold and the stories they tell are even more so. Ashcott, Oruawharo, Wallingford, Gwavas and Woburn are all spectacular properties worth discovering.



# Discover the very best of Central Hawke's Bay on a journey along the Limestone Loop.

An easy driving route, the Limestone Loop circles around the Raukawa Range via State Highway 2 and back via State Highway 50 and Tikokino. It's a wonderful day trip with plenty to see and do.

The Limestone Loop showcases award-winning wineries, fabulous local shopping and a thriving local market, gorgeous cafés, original homesteads and gardens, an insight into the region's history at the Central Hawke's Bay Settlers Museum, and so much more.

Your journey will take you through Central Hawke's Bay's three biggest towns – Waipukurau, Waipawa and Ōtāne – where you will find delightful cafes, unique galleries and antique stores, beautiful walkways and spectacular countryside. Prepare for the quirky and the quaint on this journey.

While away the hours at your choice of café – choose from Paper Mulberry Café, a stunning café on State Highway 2 that is housed in an historic, blue church-like building, Ōtāne's McCauley's Store, located in the old Ōtāne Public Library, or Waipawa locals' go-to Nola's.

Don't drive by Ōtāne without enjoying the easy 2.3km Historical Walk which takes in 23 sites of significance to the township, or the Ōtāne Market, held every Sunday from 9am to 1pm and showcasing quality local produce, preserves and sweet treats.

Waipawa's collection of unique and interesting shops, galleries and artisan producers are absolutely worth discovering and ventures future afield will lead you to Lime Rock Winery and Gwavas Homestead, jewels of State Highway 50.

#### **Highlights**

- 1 Paper Mulberry Café
- 2 Ōtāne Market
- 3 Ōtāne Historical Walk
- 4 Pleroma Christian Supplies
- 5 Artmosphere Gallery

- 6 Nature's Nurture
- 7 Tattertales
- 8 Waipawa Butchery
- 9 Lime Rock Winery
- Gwavas Homestead

## **TOP TIP**

The Limestone Loop is a complete circuit within Central Hawke's Bay so make a day of it and enjoy the journey.



# The Main Drag

State Highway 2 takes you straight through the heart of Central Hawke's Bay.

And while it may be the main link between Manawatu and Hastings and Napier cities, it is well worth slowing down to enjoy the journey, stretch your legs and even rest your head for a night.

Waipukurau is a great stop for the kids. Visit the newly revamped Russell Park playground or bring the bikes and cruise along the Tukituki Trails. The more adventurous might like to head to Backpaddock Lakes, a purpose-built watersports park inland from Waipukurau, while those after a more relaxing afternoon need only travel another 10 minutes up the road to Oruawharo, where high tea in the gardens is a delightful diversion.

Waipawa's jewel is the Central Hawke's Bay Settlers Museum. A fabulous way to spend an afternoon, children and adults alike will enjoy the museum's exhibitions on the everyday life of early settlers. Dotted along the main street are a number of boutique shops and

cafes, including the notable galleries Tattertales, Creative Fusion and Artmosphere Gallery, which are all worth a visit.

Other must-dos include a jaunt up Pukeora Lookout, to take in the expansive views of Central Hawke's Bay below, and Junction Wines, a boutique winery run by a former All Black.

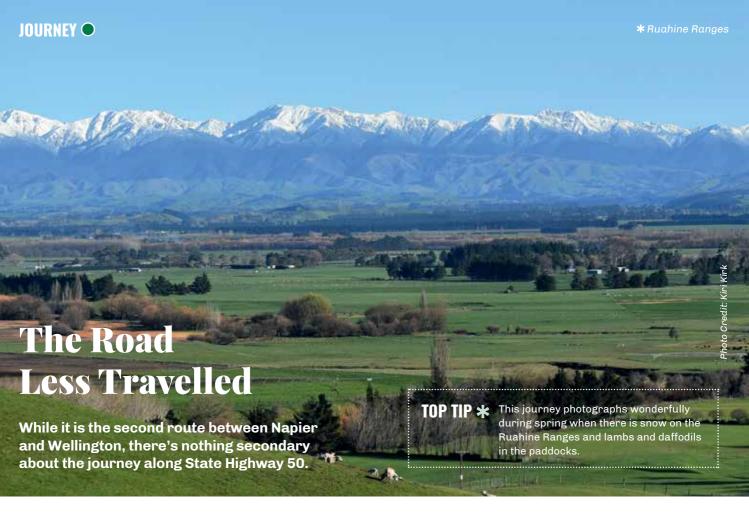
## **Highlights**

Waipawa

- Artmosphere Gallery
- 2 Central Hawke's Bay Museum
- Municipal Theatre
- Mumma G's
- Nola's
- 6 Creative Fusion
- Tattertales
- 8 Waipawa Butchery

Waipukurau

- Tukituki Trails
- Pukeora Lookout
- 🔟 Backpaddock Lakes
- Junction Wines
  Detour to Takapau
- Oruawharo Homestead



Winding its way through the foothills of the Ruahine Ranges, State Highway 50 showcases spectacular Central Hawke's Bay countryside. Stunning in every season this driving route – a favourite of vintage car enthusiasts – comes alive under the colours of autumn and in spring, when roadside paddocks are filled with bouncy lambs.

State Highway 50 takes you past several Central Hawke's Bay jewels, including Gwavas Garden and Homestead and Ashcott Homestead. These great dames of Central Hawke's Bay were both built more than 130 years ago, and offer a glimpse of the grand beginnings of this region. The gardens at both venues are exquisite.

Tikokino Peonies and Taniwha Daffodils make the highway come alive during spring. Tikokino Peonies bloom from October to November, while Taniwha Daffodils is a hallmark of spring in Central Hawke's Bay.

Detour just off State Highway 50 to discover another gem, Ongaonga Historic Village. Arriving here is like stepping back in time. Awash with historic buildings and with a fabulous museum filled with machinery, tools, history and photos from the region's early settlers. Ongaonga is a fabulous diversion worth exploring.

Sumptuous detours include Kune Café & Bar, which boasts delicious, homely meals and stunning countryside foods.

## Highlights

- Gwavas Gardens and Homestead
- 2 Tikokino Peonies (Spring)
- 3 Tikokino Country Hotel
- 4 Ongaonga Historic Village

- 5 Taniwha Daffodils (Spring)
- 6 Ashcott Homestead
- 7 Junctions Wines Cellar Door Detour to:
- 8 Kune Café & Bar
- Lime Rock Winery



With expansive white sand that goes on for miles, stunning marine reserves offering excellent diving and snorkelling and incredible fishing and surfing on offer, there's something for everyone.

An easy 30 minutes' drive from Waipawa, Kairakau Beach is the first beach you will come across. Slightly different to other Central Hawke's Bay beaches, the settlement here is tucked under looming cliffs and the beach peeks out to greet you as you drive past the lagoon.

Over the hill from Kairakau Beach, Mangakuri is a smaller, slightly more rustic and natural, but no means less beautiful. Mangakuri has beautiful white sand and is a lovely spot if you like a beach without the hustle and bustle.

Pourerere Beach is next and with its miles of golden sand, proves to be one of the most popular spots for day-trippers, surfers and sunseekers. It also offers great fishing, diving areas and safe swimming in its lagoon.

- 1 Patangata Tavern
- Wallingford Homestead
- 3 The Duke

- World's Longest
  Place Name
- 5 Porangahau Tours

Further south is Aramoana Beach, which is steeped in history with the McHardy Homestead standing tall as you drive in. The farm's original Woolshed, built in 1906, is a heritage listed building and has been lovingly restored. It sits right on the beachfront, and is a real sight to see.

Blackhead Beach is a fantastic spot under an hour's drive from Waipukurau. Home to Te Angiangi Marine Reserve, which spans between Blackhead and Aramoana Beach, there are lots of rockpools to explore and underwater creatures to meet.

Last in the line-up is the Porangahau or Te Paerahi Beach, which stretches out for miles. This golden sand beach is perfect for surfing, surf casting, to fly kites, swim, or simply soak up some sunshine. It is also home to some incredible fishing and diving spots too.



# **Head for the Hills**

From Waipukurau, journey inland towards the rugged Ruahine Ranges; here you will find lush pockets of native bush, incredible walks and tramps, and a quaint historic village to top it all off.

With the vast Ruahine Forest Park bordering the edge of Central Hawke's Bay, this is a journey by both car and by foot.

Begin with a stop at Ongaonga Historic Village. With its collection of historic buildings gathered from all over the district and clustered around the Department of Conservation's field office, Ongaonga has created a picturesque historic village that children and adults alike will love.

Short, mostly flat walks can be found at Monckton Bush, A'Deanes Bush and Lindsay Bush, where children will be amazed at the enormous weta that can be found in weta hotels.

Those with an appetite for something more adventurous will love Ruahine Forest Park. Covering about 94,000 hectares, Ruahine Forest Park offers wonderful forest and alpine walks.

The central and northern Ruahine range are a hikers and hunters delight. Clear rivers, attractive beech forest and alpine tops make for some fascinating walks.

However, the undisputed jewel of the park is most certainly Sunrise Hut.

Located in the mid-eastern Ruahine Forest Park, Sunrise Hut sits atop of the Ruahine Ranges and is the perfect place to greet the new day.

This large hut is a popular recreational destination for day trips or weekend visits. It is heated by a woodburner, while the walk is an easy day hike for many family groups. In winter, there is generally snow around the hut.

#### **Highlights**

- Ongaonga Historic Village
- 4 Lindsay Bush

2 A'Deanes Bush

5 Sunrise Hut

3 Monckton Bush

#### Accommodation



#### **Fergusson Motor Lodge**

#### Waipukurau

Great accommodation located in the heart of Central Hawkes Bay. We offer a range of accommodation suited to all types of travellers! Here we offer friendly service with a home away from home feel! Homemade breakfast, lunches & dinners available on request

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- E bookings@fergussonsmotorlodge.co.nz www.fergussonsmotorlodge.co.nz





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#### Central Hawke's Bay

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A 634 Makaretu Road, RD1, Takapau 4286

- P 0274 402424
- E larry.jane@whitegroup.co.nz
- The Park Lodge @ barnsdalegarden.



#### **Gwavas Garden Homestead**

#### **Tikokino**

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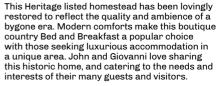
- A Gwavas Garden, 5740 State Highway 50, Tikokino
- P 06 856 5810
  - Einfo@gwavasgarden.co.nz
  - www.gwavasgarden.co.nz
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#### **Ashcott Homestead**

#### Takapau





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Chaim Potok



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Waipawa

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The diversity of the venue allows the opportunity to cater for a range of events from small dinners, corporate meetings, intimate performances to large weddings & concerts

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- P 06 857 8117
- E chbtheatre@chbdc.govt.nz www.chbtheatre.co.nz
- chbtheatre





#### Central Hawke's Bay Museum

Waipawa

Central Hawke's Bay is rich in history, Waipawa being one of the earliest inland towns in New Zealand. Our authentic and visitor-friendly displays showcase an extensive collection of local and national treasures.

These include farming, military, Taonga Māori and Victorian household displays. Frequently changing exhibitions of local history, art and community groups are a vital part of the museum's attraction and a large photographic collection is of much interest to the genealogist.

- A 23 High Street, Waipawa
- P 06 857 7288
- E chbmuseum@xtra.co.nz www.chbdc.govt.nz/chbmuseum





#### Waipawa

Waipawa

Waipawa has a new destination artisan store and studio. A blend of the skills and experience of two artists - Denise Tamou and Gavin Hewitt. Timeworn is our aesthetic. Design inspiration is sourced from our Aotearoa NZ environment and heritage. Meet the resident artists and take the opportunity to experience a specialist block printing or natural dye workshop with local textile artist Maria Melino.



A 85C High Street, Waipawa P 027 441 4859 E dee-jay-tee@hotmail.com www.tattertales.co.nz | 1 tattertales2019



#### **Creative Fusion**

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#### **Artmosphere Gallery**

Sally Maguire and Helmut Hirler's beautiful gallery show the work of more than 90 artists, both nationally and internationally recognized. In 2012 they relocated the "De Stackpoole" family homestead from Takapau to North Waipawa to recreate the gallery and home on a grander scale. Bring a picnic and enjoy the gardens and art groups are welcome. Take in our Art Gallery, sculpture garden, fine art photography, paintings, clayworks, glass, woodworks, books and ceramics.

A 1307 State Highway 2, Waipawa P 06 857 8272 | www.artmoshpere-gallery.com (a) ArtmosphereGallery



#### **Porangahau Tours**

#### Porangahau

Porangahau Tours - an experience not to be missed. From the peak of the mountain known as the longest name in the world, learn the history of the legendary name and take in the majestic views, add on a visit to local beaches, or kayak down the Taurekaitai river to Te Paerahi beach. All this topped off with a beautiful lunch at the Duke Hotel, Café and Restaurant. Porangahau tours guarantee a great time, great food, great service, a great and memorable experience

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## **Otane Market**

The Ōtāne Market is open every Sunday 9am-1pm; come and check out our wide variety of stalls-fruit, vegetables, organics, jewellery, children's clothing, and books. Knitting, alpaca felting, artisan bread, Jam, Relish, Sweets, Fresh Meat, Cheese, gourmet olive oil and nuts. Craft stalls with handmade cards, wooden toys, rustic design furniture, healing creams, soaps, lavender products and flax flowers. Bric-a-brac, upmarket treasures, plants, hot food and much much more.

A Ōtāne Town Hall, Higginson St

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#### **Otāne Historic Walk** Ōtāne has a rich interesting history and is well

#### Ōtāne



worth a look. This easy 2.6km walk begins at the old library building and follows a map with 23 signs depicting places of significance around the village. Brochures with a brief history and the map are available from the General store, hotel or café for a gold coin donation.

For further information phone Vera Smith (06) 8568159 - a guide for groups can be arranged.



A Higginson Street, Ōtāne 06 856 8159



#### **Pleroma Christian Supplies**





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**Central Hawke's Bay** 

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#### Eat & Drink





#### Waipawa Butchery

#### Waipawa

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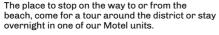
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#### **Natures Nurture** - The Organic Grocer

#### Waipawa

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- A 100 High Street, Waipawa P 06 650 9463 or 0273038090
- E theorganicgrocer@email.com
- Naturesnurture.theorganicgrocer





#### The Paper Mulberry Cafe

A true home a way from home with perfect selection of coffee, treats, arts, crafts and gifts. We are situated on State Highway 2 in the country surroundings of Te Aute and Pukehou in Central Hawke's Bay - watch closely for the signs as you could easily miss our secret garden café, set in the historic 1912 Sunday School building. The Paper Mulberry Café promises fresh, delicious café food and excellent coffee many say the best they have ever tasted.

A 9 State Highway 2, Pukehou, Ōtāne P 06-856 8688 | papermulberrycafe.co.nz

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Waipawa

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A 54 High St. Waipawa P 06 857 8204

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Waipawa

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Mola Café and Restaurant



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#### Wineries



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#### Waipawa

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WINES

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