

TARANAKI

like no other

# TARANAKI CONFERENCE TOOLKIT

**YOUR GUIDE TO  
UNFORGETTABLE  
BUSINESS EVENTS  
IN TARANAKI.**



**TARANAKI: WE'RE THE SUNNIEST REGION IN  
AOTEAROA/NEW ZEALAND\*.**

*\*As per NIWA sunshine hours by region, 2022*

# WHY TARANAKI?

Delight your conference delegates by choosing to hold your next event in vibrant, sunny Taranaki. Announced as New Zealand's sunniest region for 2021, and 2022, with the most annual sunshine hours recorded by NIWA, Taranaki has plenty of long sun-filled days to keep the soul happy. When it comes to delivering memorable and seamless conferences and events, and leaving delegates inspired and impressed, Taranaki doesn't disappoint.

Take innovative architecture, vibrant arts and culture, a bustling restaurant and café scene, and pair this with wide open spaces, a dynamic coastal location, and a majestic mountain, and you have Taranaki. Not to mention the welcoming locals ready to display manaakitanga to visitors. Taranaki is turning the heads of conference organisers who are looking for new, unforgettable locations to act as the ultimate backdrop to their events. You could say there has never been a better time to hold your convention in Taranaki. How about adding value to your next conference by aligning the timing with one of Taranaki's epic events?

Let us surprise and delight you with what the region has to offer: unique, breath-taking venues, excellent accommodation options within walking distance of the main conference location, and memorable experiences for delegates and accompanying partners.

Combine all of this with the experienced and professional conference organisers at the recommended venues, and a solutions-driven and committed team at the region's Regional Development Agency, Te Puna Umanga/ Venture Taranaki, and you have the recipe for an outstanding event.

- Stunning scenery, and natural landscapes
- Diverse and affordable venues and accommodation options
- Daily flights to Christchurch, Auckland, and Wellington
- Accessible by road
- Easy to get around
- Exceptional food and beverage offering, and visitor experiences for delegates to stay and play a little longer.



Social Kitchen



Te Rewa Rewa Bridge



The Burnt Place



New Plymouth Coastal Walkway



# TOTALLY ACCESSIBLE

It's easy to get to Taranaki. New Plymouth Airport, which won gold at the Designers Institute of New Zealand Best Design Awards, is a short 50-minute direct flight from Auckland and Wellington, and a 90-min flight from Christchurch. Air New Zealand schedules regular daily flights into New Plymouth.

Taranaki is just a scenic drive away from many more parts of the country. New Plymouth is a 4.5-hour picturesque drive from either Auckland or Wellington, with numerous spots to refuel with good coffee, or discover points of interest along the way. It's around 3.5 hours' drive to Rotorua or Taupō, 3 hours to Hamilton or Palmerston North, and 4 hours to Tauranga.



# HERE TO HELP

As the Regional Development Agency for Taranaki, Te Puna Umanga / Venture Taranaki provides free assistance to organisations who are considering Taranaki as their next conference destination. Let us save you time and energy by making the process of organising your event as simple as possible.

## WHAT WE DO:

Our team knows the best kept secrets when it comes to arranging a conference in Taranaki – let us help you with:

- information on suitable venues, accommodation and transport options
- assistance in developing partner programmes and ‘free time’ itineraries
- destination familiarisations for event/conference organisers considering Taranaki as an option
- provision of a range of brochures and guides on ‘things to do’ in Taranaki
- regional images and information to promote your Taranaki event
- advice and support.

## A FRIENDLY FACE

Melissa Devine, Visitor & Events Advisor  
melissa.devine@venture.org.nz

Our Visitor & Events Advisor will work with you to ensure your delegates have the best possible experience during their time in Taranaki, and that your function or event is talked about for years to come.



# PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE ORGANISERS AND EVENT MANAGERS

If you require more information, get in touch with Venture Taranaki or the following Taranaki-based Professional Conference Organisers.

## AUAHA CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

06 759 6920  
events@auaha.co.nz  
auaha.co.nz

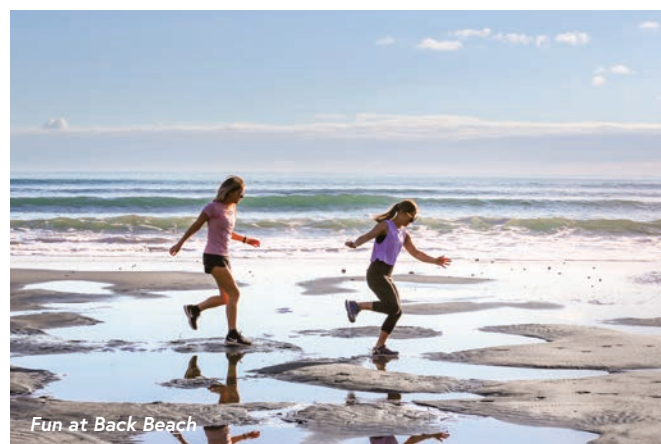


## COMPASS SEMINARS NZ

06 759 1647  
office@compass.ac.nz  
compass.ac.nz

## CONFERENCE TARANAKI

022 371 9349  
conferencetaranaki@gmail.com  
conferencetaranaki.co.nz



Fun at Back Beach



Pukekura Park Fernery and Display House

# CONFERENCE VENUES

Taranaki offers a range of venue options to suit the size and requirements for your conference.

We've listed a range of venue ideas to help you find the perfect match, or alternatively contact Venture Taranaki for more options.

## VENUES WITHOUT ADJOINING ACCOMMODATION

LARGEST ROOM CAPACITY OPTIONS

*The intimate 60-seat Len Lye Centre Cinema – a memorable location for presentations and product launches.*

## NEW PLYMOUTH

### GOVETT-BREWSTER ART GALLERY/ LEN LYE CENTRE

**Features:** A stunning destination offering unique experiences amidst art and architecture.

**Max Capacity:** Capacity varies depending on the current exhibitions. Please talk to the team to see what will be on.

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**Location:** 42 Queen St., New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 759 6715

**Email:** [venues@govettbrewster.com](mailto:venues@govettbrewster.com)

**Website:** [govettbrewster.com](http://govettbrewster.com)



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Todd Energy Foyer	n/a	n/a	n/a	120	n/a
Todd Energy Learning Centre	100	50	80	100	40
Gallery 6	100	n/a	80	200	n/a
Len Lye Centre Cinema	60	60	n/a	n/a	n/a

Other gallery spaces may be available – please check at time of enquiry

### PUKE ARIKI FOYER

**Features:** Foyer can be hired between the hours of 6pm-11pm

**Max Capacity:** 230

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**Location:** 65 St Aubyn St, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 759 6060

**Website:** [pukeariki.com/visit-us/venue-hire](http://pukeariki.com/visit-us/venue-hire)



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Puke Ariki Foyer	100	n/a	100	230	n/a



## PUKEKURA FUNCTION CENTRE

**Features:** Wide range of flexible event spaces for 5 to 500 attendees

**Max Capacity:** 500

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Both

**Location:** 1 Rogan St, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 757 5759

**Email:** events@pukekurafunctions.co.nz

**Website:** pukekurafunctions.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
La Mer Lounge	300	250	450	500	n/a
Rough Habit Lounge	200	150	120	150	50
Egmont Room	30	25	n/a	40	30

## NEW PLYMOUTH CLUB

**Features:** Projector, bar, air-conditioning, speaker

**Max Capacity:** 450

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 4

**Location:** 49-57 Gill St, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 758 0927

**Email:** np.club@xtra.co.nz

**Website:** newplymouthclub.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Auditorium	450	300	300	300	n/a
Centennial Room	200	135	135	135	n/a
Blue Room	90	40	n/a	n/a	32
Meeting Room	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	15

## TSB STADIUM

**Features:** Multi-purpose events centre. Retractable seating, 6 dressing rooms, sprung flooring tech-system

**Max Capacity:** 3,518

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 2

**Location:** 1 Rogan St, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 759 6060

**Email:** npeventvenues@npdc.govt.nz

**Website:** npeventvenues.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
TSB Stadium	3,188	n/a	1,000	3,518	n/a
Mezzanine Lounge	100	80	70	120	30
Mezzanine Meeting Room	50	50	50	50	20

## TET STADIUM & EVENTS CENTRE

**Features:** Only 15-minutes from New Plymouth, this is a multi-purpose sports and functions venue with three functional spaces and audio visual facilities including state of the art projector and screen. An undercover balcony provides views over the stadium and you can enjoy a licenced bar and ample carparking.

**Max Capacity:** 400 standing, 250 seated

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Both

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 3

**Location:** 1 Elliot St, Inglewood

**Phone:** 06 756 6191

**Email:** bookings@tetstadiuminglewood.com

**Website:** tetstadiuminglewood.com

Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Main Conference Room	150	80	170	275	n/a
Smaller Conference Room	50	30	80	125	n/a
Boardroom	n/a	10	n/a	n/a	15

## BOWL OF BROOKLANDS

**Features:** Outdoor sound stage and large grass amphitheatre. Eight dressing rooms

**Max Capacity:** 15,000

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Outdoor amphitheatre, covered stage

**Location:** Brooklands Park Dr, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 759 6060

**Email:** npeventvenues@npdc.govt.nz

**Website:** npeventvenues.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
TSB Bowl of Brooklands	15,000	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
The Bowl Stage	350	n/a	200	350	30

## TSB SHOWPLACE

**Features:** 2 theatres, multiple meeting rooms, foyers and lounges, 3 bars, 1 multi-function space

**Max Capacity:** Up to 915

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** Multiple

**Location:** 92-100 Devon St West, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 759 6060

**Email:** npeventvenues@npdc.govt.nz

**Website:** npeventvenues.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
TSB Theatre	915	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Stage of TSB Theatre	120	n/a	100	160	60
Theatre Royal	527	150	350	450	n/a
Theatre Royal Lounge	80	36	64	160	30
Alexandra Room	200	100	150	200	60
Bryan Robb Lounge and Balcony Bar	80	40	60	160	30
Meeting Room	40	20	32	40	24

## YARROW STADIUM

**Features:** Sports fields, grandstand seating, sound system, electronic scoreboard, floodlights

**Max Capacity:** 16,000

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Both

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 2

**Location:** Maratahu St, Westown

**Phone:** 06 759 6060

**Email:** npeventvenues@npdc.govt.nz

**Website:** npeventvenues.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Yarrow Stadium	16,000	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Suite 1 or 2	80	48	60	80	38

## STRATFORD

### STRATFORD WAR MEMORIAL CENTRE

**Features:** 2 meeting rooms, including 1 opening to adjoining garden, plus stadium with bleachers and tables. Car parking available. Commercial kitchen.

**Max Capacity:** 1,000

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Both

**No. of Meeting Areas:** 3

**Location:** Miranda St, Stratford

**Phone:** 06 765 6099

**Email:** stratforddc@stratford.govt.nz

**Website:** stratford.govt.nz/council/facilities/halls

Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
TSB Chambers Room	50	30	20	50	20
Function Facility	120	110	100	120	n/a
Stadium	800	n/a	400	1,000	n/a

## SOUTH TARANAKI

### THE SINCLAIR ELECTRICAL AND REFRIGERATION EVENTS CENTRE

**Features:** Multi-purpose sports, function and recreation centre. Meeting rooms with projectors, restaurant, stadium with bleachers and electronic scoreboard, squash courts, gym facilities.

**Max Capacity:** 750

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of meeting rooms:** 4

**Location:** 156 Tasman Street, Opunake, 4616

**Phone:** 06 761 7534

**Email:** sinclaireventscentre@gmail.com

**Website:** sinclaireventscentre.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Restaurant	220	100	180	300	n/a
Stevensons Lounge	50	50	50	80	20
Meeting Room	10	10	n/a	n/a	10
Stadium	750	n/a	440	750	n/a
Maui Room	60	40	n/a	n/a	30

## OHANGAI

**Features:** Lovingly created from the former Ohangai school and community hall, expansive views over farmland towards Mt Taranaki. Warm hospitality in a spacious, modern environment.

**Max Capacity:** Indoor 160, Outdoor 500

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Both

**Location:** 1134 Ohangai Road, Ohangai

**Phone:** 022 618 5815

**Email:** info@ohangai.co.nz

**Website:** ohangai.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
	100	48	100	160	44

## TSB HUB

**Features:** Modern multi-purpose functions, sports, recreation and events centre. 3-court indoor stadium, ample change rooms, retractable seating

**Max Capacity:** 2,500

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Both

**Location:** Camberwell Rd, Hāwera

**Phone:** 0800 111 323

**Email:** contact@stdc.govt.nz

**Website:** southtaranaki.com/our-facilities/tsb-hub



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
2-court stadium (court 1 & 2)	2,000	n/a	1,000	2,500	n/a
1-court stadium (court 3)	600	n/a	500	800	n/a
East Lounge	50	24	40	50	20
West Lounge	50	24	40	50	20
Southern Lounge	300	70	150	200	50
Camberwell Lounge	450	100	240	400	50
Restaurant	70	30	60	100	30
Bar area	50	24	40	50	20
Smallbore Rifle Foyer	30	18	n/a	n/a	15
Cricket Pavilion	50	30	n/a	n/a	20
Boardroom 1	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	8
Boardroom 2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	8

## TE W'ANAKE THE FOUNDRY

**Features:** Coworking space and enterprise hub with two meeting rooms and one larger meeting/event space. Each room is well appointed with all your technical and hospitality needs. There are several breakout areas and a kitchen.

Accessible building with free all-day parking.

**Max Capacity:** 24

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

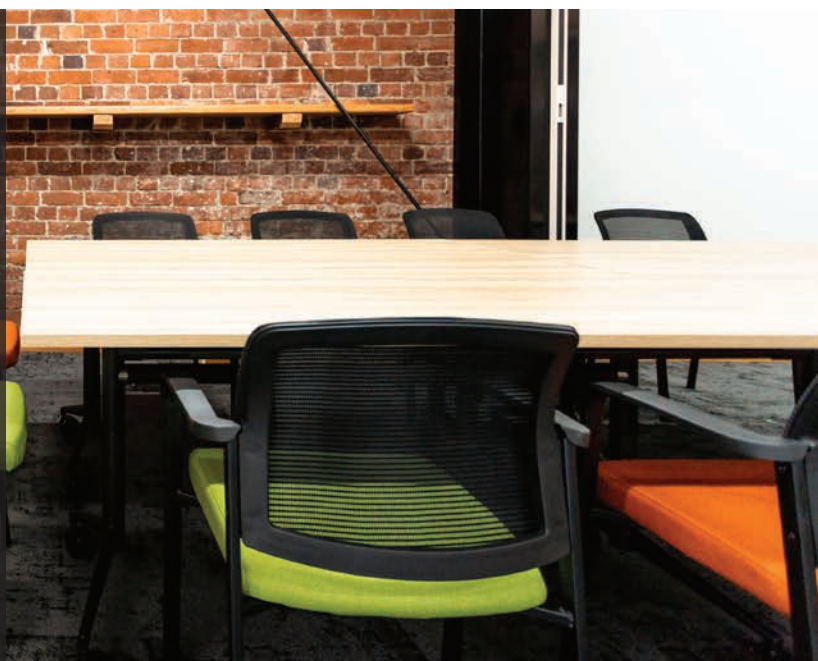
**No. of meeting rooms:** 2

**Location:** 130 High Street, Hāwera

**Phone:** 021 265 4092

**Email:** paul.whakatutu@stdc.govt.nz

**Website:** thefoundrycoworking.co.nz



# VENUES WITH ACCOMMODATION

## LARGEST ROOM CAPACITY OPTIONS

Taranaki has a number of conference venues with adjacent accommodation. Following is a list of them for your ease.

For more information see [taranaki.co.nz/visit](http://taranaki.co.nz/visit)

## NEW PLYMOUTH (200+ MAX CAPACITY)

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## DEVON HOTEL

**Features:** 11 conference rooms including grand auditorium,  
3 gardens

**Max Capacity:** 750

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Both

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 11

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 102

**Location:** 390 Devon St East, Strandon, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 0800 843 338

**Email:** mail@devonhotel.co.nz

**Website:** devonhotel.co.nz

Welcome to  
**THE DEVON HOTEL**

HERITAGE  
HOTELS



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Grand Auditorium	550	250	450	750	50
Hobson Room	300	150	180	400	50
Courtenay/Watson Rooms	220	125	150	300	50
Courtenay Room	100	45	60	150	30
Watson Room	80	36	50	125	30
Devon	80	36	50	80	30
The Forum	100	60	100	175	40
Gallery Room	40	24	48	55	21
Garden Court	35	18	-	50	21
Governors Boardroom	-	8	-	-	8
Tasman Room	-	8	-	-	8
Marbles Restaurant	-	-	380	-	-



# PLYMOUTH INTERNATIONAL

**Features:** Ballroom, Grand ballroom, 6 function rooms to cater for all size meetings, functions and dinner events. Onsite catering, bar, and award-winning restaurant, Taranaki's only Flambe Restaurant. Close walk to CBD.

**Max Capacity:** 500

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 7

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 76

**Location:** Cnr Courtenay & Leach Sts, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 0800 800 597

**Email:** conference@plymouth.co.nz

**Website:** plymouth.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Grand Ballroom	450	200	350	500	100
The Ballroom	240	100	160	250	50
Hobson Room	190	84	120	200	50
Timandra Room	70	30	50	60	30
Blenheim Room	90	60	100	150	30
Brougham & Essex Rooms (each)	50	27	40	60	22
Poolside Suite	200	100	200	350	40
Poolside & Orangery Banqueting Centre			500		
Conservatory	n/a	n/a	70	n/a	n/a
Orangery Restaurant	n/a	n/a	98	n/a	n/a

## NOVOTEL NEW PLYMOUTH TARANAKI

**Features:** Centrally located and modern with a spacious conference room featuring built-in AV, stage and bar, 2 boardrooms and Haukai Bistro & Bar

**Max Capacity:** 180

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 3

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 85

**Location:** Cnr Hobson & Leach Sts, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 769 9579

**Email:** [events@novotelnewplymouth.com](mailto:events@novotelnewplymouth.com)

**Website:** [novotelnewplymouth.com](http://novotelnewplymouth.com)



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Waitangi Room	180	40	150	200	36
Te Atiawa Room	n/a	n/a	8	n/a	8
Te Hēnui Room	n/a	n/a	7	n/a	7

## DISTINCTION NEW PLYMOUTH HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTRE

**Features:** 4 conference rooms, built-in bar facilities

**Max Capacity:** 225

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 4

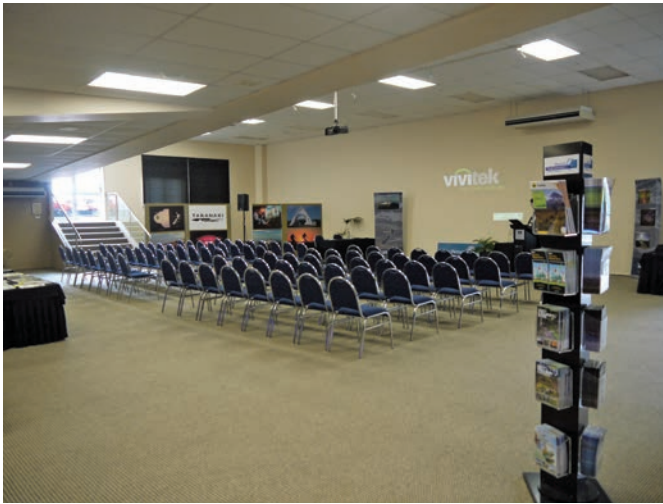
**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 60

**Location:** 42 Powderham St, New Plymouth

**Phone:** (06) 758 7495

**Email:** [reservations@distinctionnewplymouth.co.nz](mailto:reservations@distinctionnewplymouth.co.nz)

**Website:** [distinctionnewplymouth.co.nz](http://distinctionnewplymouth.co.nz)



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Function Centre	200	125	125	225	80
Conference Room 1	30	30	30	40	25
Conference Room 2	20	15	20	20	15
Conference Room 3	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	6

## NEW PLYMOUTH (MAX CAPACITY UNDER 200)

### AHU AHU BEACH VILLAS

**Features:** Sweeping sea views, on-site catering, unique accommodation and outdoor space for marquees

**Max Capacity:** 80

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Both

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 1

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 9

**Location:** 321 Lower Ahu Ahu Rd, Oakura

**Phone:** 027 365 7739

**Email:** holiday@ahu.co.nz

**Website:** ahu.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Oraukawa Lodge	30	30	56	80	20

### AUTO LODGE

**Features:** Can cater to a range of different conferences, meetings, seminars and dinner events. On-site bar and catering available.

**Max Capacity:** 120

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 2

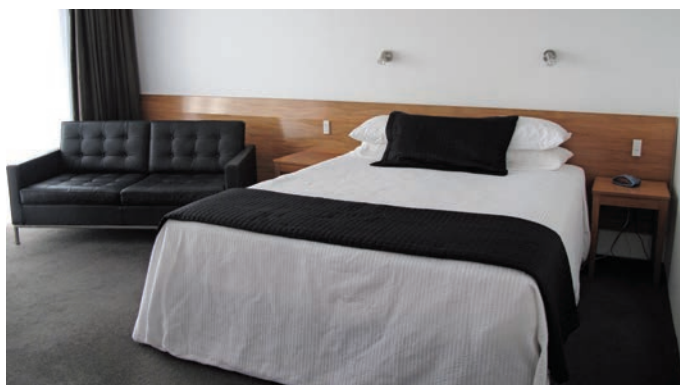
**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 92

**Location:** 393 Devon St East, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 0800 800 896 or 06 759 9918

**Email:** reservations@autolodge.co.nz

**Website:** autolodge.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Juliana's	100	45	80	120	20
Conference Room	100	45	80	120	20

## BROUGHAM HEIGHTS MOTEL

**Features:** 2 conference rooms with conference equipment

**Max Capacity:** 40

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 2

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 34

**Location:** 54 Brougham St, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 757 9954

**Email:** book@broughamheights.co.nz

**Website:** broughamheights.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Kensington Room	40	n/a	n/a	n/a	25
Bridger Lounge	10	n/a	n/a	n/a	10

## ONE BURGESS HILL

**Features:** Room with bi-folding doors opening onto a large deck

**Max Capacity:** 35

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 1

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 15

**Location:** 1a Burgess Hill Rd, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 757 2056

**Email:** reservations@oneburgesshill.co.nz

**Website:** oneburgesshill.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
River Room	35	30	n/a	n/a	26

## THE WATERFRONT HOTEL

**Features:** Sea views, opening to outdoor deck, conference equipment

**Max Capacity:** 45

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 1

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 42

**Location:** 1 Egmont St, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 769 5301

**Email:** meetings@millenniumhotels.co.nz

**Website:** millenniumhotels.com



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	U shape	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
The Pepper Room	40	18	16	28	45	20

## BELT ROAD HOLIDAY PARK

**Features:** Spectacular views over the Tasman Sea, with a large kitchen, perfect for self-catering. A spacious, air-conditioned lounge with a data projector, 50" TV, free parking, and wheelchair access.

**Max Capacity:** 40

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Both

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 1

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 19 plus powered and non-powered sites

**Location:** 2 Belt Road, Moturoa, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 758 0228

**Email:** info@beltroad.co.nz

**Website:** beltroad.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Breakwater Lounge	30	20	n/a	40	n/a

## SOUTH TARANAKI

### TAIROA LODGE

**Features:** Tairoa Lodge offers a boutique venue conducive to providing a stimulating and creative environment for brainstorming, planning sessions, workshops and conferences. On-site catering, licensed bar and accommodation.

**Max Capacity:** 180

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor with outdoor space for activities

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 3

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 8

**Location:** 3 Puawai St, Hāwera

**Phone:** 06 278 8603

**Email:** info@tairoa-lodge.co.nz

**Website:** tairoa-lodge.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Tairoa Church Hall	180	80	140	180	50

## THE PARK MOTEL

**Features:** 1 air-conditioned conference room with natural lighting and plentiful on-site free parking for the conference. Catering, tea and coffee is available.

**Max Capacity:** 30

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 1

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 18

**Location:** 61 Waihi Rd, Hāwera

**Phone:** 06 278 7275

**Email:** theparkmotel@xtra.co.nz

**Website:** theparkmotel.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Conference Room	30	14	n/a	n/a	20

## TUDOR LODGE MOTEL

**Features:** 1 open and sunny room ideal for product displays. Catering available.

**Max Capacity:** 20

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 1

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 12

**Location:** 158 Waihi Rd, Hāwera

**Phone:** 06 278 6800

**Email:** tudor.lodge@xtra.co.nz

**Website:** tudorlodge.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Conference Room	20	n/a	n/a	n/a	16

## STRATFORD

### STRATFORD MOUNTAIN HOUSE

**Features:** Situated on Mount Taranaki, restaurant and bar

**Max Capacity:** 50

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Both

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 1

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 10

**Location:** Pembroke Rd, Stratford

**Phone:** 06 765 6100

**Email:** mountainhouse@ruanui.co.nz

**Website:** stratfordmountainhouse.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Conference Room	25	20	26	50	15

### WHANGAMOMONA HOTEL

**Features:** Situated on the iconic Forgotten World Highway, this historic pub offers a unique space for meetings. Restaurant and bar.

**Max Capacity:** 50

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Both

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 1

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 18 hotel rooms and 5 lodge rooms

**Location:** 6018 Ohura Rd, Whangamomona

**Phone:** 06 762 5823

**Email:** info@whangamomonahotel.co.nz

**Website:** whangamomonahotel.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Conference Room	24	20	50	50	18



## BOUTIQUE HOTELS

### KING & QUEEN HOTEL SUITES

**Features:** Luxury boutique accommodation with a wide variety of room types, conveniently located in the Arts and Cultural Hub of New Plymouth opposite the Govett-Brewster Art Gallery/ Len Lye Centre. Versatile meeting spaces ranging from casual lounge areas, boardrooms and a large atrium space, perfect for hosting events. Catering available to all spaces.

**Max Capacity:** 30

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Indoor

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 3

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 34

**Location:** Cnr King and Queen Sts, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 757 2999 **Email:** [reservations@kingandqueen.co.nz](mailto:reservations@kingandqueen.co.nz)

**Website:** [kingandqueen.co.nz](http://kingandqueen.co.nz)



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
King and Queen Boardroom	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	12
King and Queen Guest Lounge	n/a	n/a	n/a	6	6
WEP Atrium	n/a	n/a	100	200	n/a
26 Queen Street	30	30	30	60	20
White Hart Board Room	30	n/a	n/a	n/a	14

## NICE HOTEL

**Features:** 5 luxurious Executive Rooms, 2 Balcony Rooms, 5 Luxurious Suites, (most with Jetted Spa Baths), Private Contemporary Villa, Library, Free WIFI, Stunning Deck and Tropical Garden. Award-winning Table Restaurant.

**Max Capacity:** 50

**Indoor/Outdoor:** Both

**No. of Meeting Rooms:** 2

**No. of Accommodation Rooms:** 8 + 3 suites

**Location:** 71 Brougham St, New Plymouth

**Phone:** 06 758 6423 **Email:** info@nicehotel.co.nz

**Website:** nicehotel.co.nz



Venue Capacity	Theatre	Classroom	Banquet	Cocktail	Boardroom
Table Restaurant	n/a	n/a	40	60	12
Brougham Room	n/a	n/a	16	n/a	n/a
Royal Room	n/a	n/a	25	n/a	16

There are many other beautiful and unique smaller venues throughout Taranaki that can be customised to meet the needs of smaller conferences or events. For further information contact Venture Taranaki.

# TRANSPORT AND TOUR OPERATORS

## **WEIR BROS**

06 278 5858  
weirbros@xtra.co.nz  
[weirbros.co.nz](http://weirbros.co.nz)

## **TRANZIT COACH LINES**

06 757 5783  
info@tranzit.co.nz  
[tranzit.co.nz](http://tranzit.co.nz)

## **WITHERS COACHLINES**

0800 751 177 or 06 751 1777  
travel@withers.co.nz  
[witherscoachlines.co.nz](http://witherscoachlines.co.nz)

## **SYMONS VIP TRANSPORT**

06 751 9221  
tracey.dempster@symonsgroup.co.nz  
[symonsgroup.co.nz/local/vip-transport/](http://symonsgroup.co.nz/local/vip-transport/)

## **ABC JAMIESON TOURS**

06 765 6625  
info@abcbus.co.nz  
[abcbus.co.nz](http://abcbus.co.nz)

## **CONNECTOR (CITYLINK AND SOUTHLINK ROUTES)**

New Plymouth Citylink 0800 87 22 87  
Hawera-New Plymouth Connector 0800 26 63 28  
info@trc.govt.nz  
[trc.govt.nz](http://trc.govt.nz)

## **DALROY TOURS**

06 754 6206  
info@dalroytours.co.nz  
[dalroytours.co.nz](http://dalroytours.co.nz)

## **PICKERING MOTORS**

0800 22 11 20 or 06 761 8363  
pickering.motorsltd@gmail.com  
[pickeringmotors.nz](http://pickeringmotors.nz)

# CONFERENCE ACTIVITY PROVIDERS

## **DISCOVER TARANAKI**

Discover Taranaki provide tours for tour companies, cruise ship visitors and private groups, whether small or large. The experiences they offer focus on the best of Taranaki from outdoor walks and garden visits to art and food tours. Their local networks and relationships ensure they offer a quality authentic Taranaki experience.

cathy@discovertaranaki.nz  
027 241 0458  
[discovertaranaki.nz](http://discovertaranaki.nz)

## **EGMONT TRAVEL GROUP**

Egmont Travel Group offers a range of hands on experiences, immersing customers into the day-to-day activities of the region. Depending on the season, this can include checking over beehives with the beekeeping teams, dairy farm tours, overnight stays in remote bush huts and much more.

james@hivedevelopments.co.nz  
021 088 20967  
[egmonttravel.com](http://egmonttravel.com)

## **WEIR TOURS**

The team is proud of their reputation for putting clients first in every area of their travel experience – from quality accommodation and entertainment to comfortable and safe transportation with knowledgeable and friendly guides. Whether you are just thinking about travel possibilities, planning the specifics, or ready to make a booking, Weir tours can help.

weirbros@xtra.co.nz  
06-278-5858  
[weirbros.co.nz](http://weirbros.co.nz)

## **PUKE ARIKI**

Puke Ariki is an innovative museum, library and information centre that combines learning, knowledge, resources and heritage objects for a visitor experience that is like no other. Puke Ariki historical walk takes you through central New Plymouth with an experienced local guide relating events, developments and anecdotes.

i-site@npdc.govt.nz  
06 759 6060  
[pukeariki.com/isite/](http://pukeariki.com/isite/)

# OUT AND ABOUT IN TARANAKI

While you're in Taranaki, make the most of the wide open spaces, spectacular sights, sounds, adventures and tastes on offer. Whether you have just half an hour spare or a whole weekend, there's plenty to make your trip unforgettable. We've listed a few itinerary ideas, but if you are looking for more options, pick up our Taranaki Insider's Guide from your local iSITE or at [taranaki.co.nz/visit](http://taranaki.co.nz/visit).





Pouākai Crossing

## NATURE

- Taranaki is a nature lover's paradise. Explore on your own or take a tour with Discover Taranaki, and experience exclusive access to some of Taranaki's most interesting people and places through a comprehensive selection of high-end package tours that showcase the region's unique stories and personalities. A range of 'Taranaki tasters' – unique half- and single-day tours including guided walks, garden tours, agri-tours or art and cooking classes – offer a fantastic introduction to the region and are designed for the fit visitor. Larger multi-day tours are also available that allow visitors a more in-depth experience of the region. [discovertaranaki.nz](http://discovertaranaki.nz)
- Climb aboard a refurbished lifeboat and explore seal colonies, a marine reserve and the Sugar Loaf Islands with Chaddy's Charters. The tour takes one hour, and fishing charters are also available. [chaddyscharters.co.nz](http://chaddyscharters.co.nz)
- There are many opportunities to explore magnificent Taranaki Maunga, from the Department of Conservation Visitor Centre at North Egmont to board-walked routes, to the sacred water source at Wilkies Pools, or more intrepid hikes into the pristine alpine environment, and the much-touted Pouākai Crossing, a stunning one-day walk featuring magnificent vistas.
- Located just moments from New Plymouth's CBD, the expansive Pukekura Park offers conference delegates everything from an early-morning run destination to a beautifully scenic coffee spot. Or take a drive and visit one of the many stunning gardens throughout the region including Tūpare, Hollard and Pukeiti, where guided tours for any size of group can be arranged.
- On the slopes of Taranaki, discover and wonder at the beauty of the world-class rhododendron collection held at Pukeiti garden. Rhododendrons cover 27 hectares of this 360-hectare rainforest park where you can find views of the Tasman Sea, Kaitake and Pouākai mountain ranges along many garden walkways to choose from. Pukeiti is highly regarded as one of the top gardens nationwide; this local treasure offers a range of half-day hikes that are accessible 24/7. [trc.govt.nz/gardens/pukeiti](http://trc.govt.nz/gardens/pukeiti)



Govett-Brewster Art Gallery/Len Lye Centre

- From Egmont Village, drive towards Taranaki Maunga to the end of Egmont Road and learn more about the mountain by stopping at the North Egmont Visitor Centre. The road end is about 30km from New Plymouth.
- Make the most of our 20 golf courses in Taranaki, each with magnificent surroundings and stunning views. A great activity for a group, or just an individual getaway.

## ARTS AND CULTURE

- There are many art galleries in Taranaki that are worth visiting. Govett-Brewster Art Gallery/Len Lye Centre, Percy Thomson and Lysaght Watt Gallery are just a few of what is on offer. A guided tour at the Len Lye Centre, New Zealand's only contemporary art museum, is a great way to learn about Len Lye, one of New Zealand's most influential international artists.
- Drive to Te Rewa Rewa Bridge and walk along the New Plymouth Coastal Walkway until you spot Len Lye's Wind Wand, plus a range of interesting sculptural art pieces along the way. This should take about an hour return, or half an hour if you can arrange transportation to retrieve you at the Wind Wand.
- Explore the Coastal Arts Trail with more than 60 stops across the lower west coast of the North Island, including more than 30 stops in Taranaki. Discover the unique artistic pulse of the region and the vibrant and diverse artists and galleries that call it home. [coastalartstrail.nz](http://coastalartstrail.nz)
- Keep an eye out for concerts and shows at our many magnificent venues to complete your Taranaki experience. From live concerts featuring some of New Zealand's top music artists at the Bowl of Brooklands to musicals and performances at the TSB Showplace, you'll be spoilt for choice! [taranaki.co.nz/visit](http://taranaki.co.nz/visit)



## HERITAGE AND HISTORY

- Puke Ariki, New Plymouth's waterfront museum, library and information space showcases the region's history, from volcanic inception to the modern day, the Taranaki land wars and a century and a half of pioneering innovation. Puke Ariki offers a fascinating historical walk through central New Plymouth with an experienced local guide. Covering key historical events, anecdotes and extremely colourful pioneering characters from the first settler's arrival in 1841 through to the early 1900s, the 90-minute walk chronicles the turbulent past of New Plymouth city. [pukeariki.com](http://pukeariki.com)
- Head out to Tawhiti Museum and Traders and Whalers – New Zealand's best private museum, and see the work of creator and artist Nigel Ogle. It features a world-class boat ride in the Traders and Whalers portion where you can experience what life was like in Taranaki in the early 1800s. The museum is about an hour drive south of New Plymouth in Hāwera. [tawhitimuseum.co.nz](http://tawhitimuseum.co.nz)
- Drive out to Whangamōmona along the Forgotten World Highway and enjoy New Zealand's first heritage trail, where early pioneers tried and failed to tame the New Zealand bush. Whangamōmona is just over an hour drive east from New Plymouth. [taranaki.co.nz/visit](http://taranaki.co.nz/visit)
- Bridging both Ruapehu and Taranaki regions, Forgotten World Adventures follows the remarkable Forgotten World Highway, New Zealand's oldest heritage trail, along an abandoned railway line, travelling over bridges, through tunnels and along old pioneering routes. The route can be explored via a 2-, 4- or 6-man Rail Cart or pedalled on a RailBike. [forgottenworldadventures.co.nz](http://forgottenworldadventures.co.nz)
- Soak up some history at Taranaki Pioneer Village. [pioneervillage.co.nz](http://pioneervillage.co.nz). Or see New Zealand's oldest wooden artefacts at Aotea Utanganui in Pātea. [museumofsouthtaranaki.wordpress.com](http://museumofsouthtaranaki.wordpress.com)
- Unique to New Zealand is the Hillsborough Holden Museum. This is an immaculately displayed personal collection of Holden cars and memorabilia ranging from 1949 to the latest models. A special feature is the 18-hole mini-putt course modelled on the legendary Mount Panorama race track. [hillsboroughholdenmuseum.co.nz](http://hillsboroughholdenmuseum.co.nz)

# HOME OF EPIC EVENTS

## SUMMER

### THE GOOD HOME TARANAKI OFF-ROAD HALF MARATHON

Take in some spectacular Taranaki scenery while completing 5km, 10km or 21km circuits. [taranakitrailrun.co.nz](http://taranakitrailrun.co.nz)

### ARTS IN THE PARK

Held in Hāwera on the first Saturday of December there are plenty of art and craft stalls to enjoy.

### TSB FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

From December to January, the TSB Festival of Lights transforms New Plymouth's Pukekura Park after dark, with thousands of lighting effects and installations and daily free events. [festivaloflights.co.nz](http://festivaloflights.co.nz)

### ROUND THE MOUNTAIN CYCLE CHALLENGE

Ride 150km around iconic Mount Taranaki as a solo, duo or team at this celebrated annual event. [cylechallenge.co.nz](http://cylechallenge.co.nz)

### WOMAD – THE WORLD OF MUSIC, ARTS AND DANCE

WOMAD delivers an exhilarating weekend of global rhythms, sights and sounds in the lush surroundings of Brooklands Park and Bowl of Brooklands in New Plymouth. [womad.co.nz](http://womad.co.nz)

### AMERICARNA

Taranaki comes alive to the throb of hundreds of V8 engines with this locally created celebration of American classic car and hot rod culture. [americarna.com](http://americarna.com)

### WHANGAMŌMONA REPUBLIC DAY

The historic village of Whangamōmona holds its republic celebrations every second January, complete with elections and quirky rural events. Next up in 2023. [whangamomonahotel.co.nz](http://whangamomonahotel.co.nz)

### CONCERTS AT THE BOWL OF BROOKLANDS

Catch top national and international acts at this stunning outdoor amphitheatre. [taranaki.co.nz/visit](http://taranaki.co.nz/visit)

## FEASTIVAL

Feastival Taranaki combines local food collaboration & the seasonal and rich bounty of our region & people. The Summer event celebrates all the amazing things about summer in Taranaki – the amazing food grown here, the talented people who create it & the unique places where we experience it. [feastival.co.nz](http://feastival.co.nz)

## AUTUMN

### OXFAM TRAILWALKER

Oxfam Trailwalker is the most life-changing, team-building, foot-slogging, friendship-forming, group-hugging experience...ever! Teams of 4 walk either 50km in under 18hours or 100km in under 36 hours fundraising to support Oxfam's work improving lives all across the pacific. [oxfamtrailwalker.org.nz](http://oxfamtrailwalker.org.nz)

### TARANAKI BEER FESTIVAL

Featuring over 30 of the best craft breweries from Taranaki and around the country this festival will showcase craft beers, cider and seltzer. [taranakibeerfestival.co.nz](http://taranakibeerfestival.co.nz)

### TASTE & TALES

A guided behind the scenes taste trail that showcases some of the regions top food and beverage producers. There are a number of trails to choose from so options for all! [tasteandtales.co.nz](http://tasteandtales.co.nz)

### TARANAKI TRI FESTIVAL

Top triathletes sample Taranaki's landscape in short course action. [itunewplymouthtriathlon.co.nz](http://itunewplymouthtriathlon.co.nz)

## WINTER

### CAPE EGMONT HALF MARATHON

This event supports the Taranaki Cancer Society and is held virtually as well as physically in July. [capeegmonthalf.com](http://capeegmonthalf.com)

### RIGHT ROYAL CABARET FEST

Set to warm up winter with four nights of cabaret. The diverse programme includes music, comedy, theatre and more. [Rightroyal.co.nz](http://Rightroyal.co.nz)

## SPRING

### JENNIAN HOMES CHARLES TOUR

Also known as the Taranaki Open, this is held at New Plymouth Golf Club and attracts amateur as well as professional golfers. [newplymouthgolf.co.nz](http://newplymouthgolf.co.nz)

### CENTURIA GARDEN FESTIVAL

The premier festival of Taranaki's gardens presents more than 50 gardens and a vibrant events programme. [taft.co.nz](http://taft.co.nz)

### SUSTAINABLE BACKYARDS TOUR

The Trail involves individuals, families, and community organisations generously opening their 'backyards' to the public to inspire us with their creativity, innovation, and dedication to living a more sustainable lifestyle. [sustainablebackyards.org.nz](http://sustainablebackyards.org.nz)

### TARANAKI ARTS TRAIL

Get a glimpse inside the studios of more than 70 of the region's top artists. [taranakiartstrail.co.nz](http://taranakiartstrail.co.nz)

### TARANAKI FRINGE GARDEN FESTIVAL

Offering a wonderfully eclectic mix of gardens, a fascinating vintage trail and much more. [taranakigardens.com](http://taranakigardens.com)

### SPIEGEL FEST

An intense weekend of comedy, music and cabaret held in the Spiegletent. [taft.co.nz](http://taft.co.nz)

### NZ TATTOO & ART FESTIVAL

In November Taranaki welcomes the New Zealand Tattoo & Art Festival, Australasia's largest tattoo event. [nztattooart.com](http://nztattooart.com)

### ŌAKURA ARTS TRAIL

Explore the coastal village of Ōakura and its artists. [oakuraarts.co.nz](http://oakuraarts.co.nz)

### TARANAKI STEELFORMERS ROUND THE MOUNTAIN RELAY

An all-night, all-day relay event. Walking, running and composite teams of between 10 and 16 members complete the 150km route around Mt Taranaki. [eventstaranaki.co.nz](http://eventstaranaki.co.nz)

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