

FOOTSTEPS WALKING CLUB OF AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND

# the best day-walks in **CAPTIVATING COROMANDEL**

## HIGHLIGHTS

- The legacies of our gold-mining and kauri-milling past in the Coromandel
- A coastal walkway said to be one of the very best in the country (Fletcher-Stony)
- A spectacular cove which has featured in several movies (Cathedral)
- A beach which has been voted into the world's top ten (New Chums)

DATES		26 Nov -2 Dec 2023 / 23-29 Nov 2025	
DATE REGISTRATIONS CLOSE		26 September 2023 / 23 November 2025	
STARTING POINT		Tauranga	8.00 a.m.
FINISHING POINT		Tauranga	8.00 p.m.
COST		6pax\$1000,5pax\$1100,4pax\$1200,3pax\$1300	
DAY	POSSIBLE WALKS	OVERNIGHT	
<p>Walks that are highly recommended are printed in <b>red</b>.</p> <p>All times given are for a return (out and back) walk, a loop walk, or a linear walk with transport to/from each end.</p>			
Day 1	<p><b>Meet and greet. Initial briefing.</b>  <b>Littoral Translations</b>  <i>Longer Options:</i>  <b>Orokawa-Homunga Bays through track (3-4h)</b>                      Homunga Bay out and back (4h).  <i>Shorter Options:</i>                      Tuapiro Point (30m), Kauri Point (40m), <b>Orokawa Bay (1h30m)</b>, <b>Waihi Beach Trig Walk (1h30m)</b>,  <i>Bowentown Domain:</i> Anzac/Summit Circuit (1h),                      Anzac Bay-Shelly Bay (30m), Headland carpark-Te Ho Pa (30m), Anzac Bay-Headland Loop via Shelly Beach (1h15m).</p>	Waihi or <b>Waihi Beach</b>	
Day 2	<p><b>There's Gold in Them Thar Hills!</b>  <i>Walks selected from:</i>  <b>Martha Mine Pit Rim Walk (40m)</b>                      Waimama (1h), Luck At Last Mine (2h30m)                      Wentworth Falls (2h), Opoutere Beach (45m)                      Wharekirauponga/Royal Standard Battery (3h)  <i>Broken Hills:</i> <b>Golden Hills Mine: Collins Drive &amp; Water Race Tracks (2-3h)</b>, Golden Hills Battery (30m), Broken Hills Battery (20m), Gem of the Boom (30m), Third Branch Track (30m), Government Battery (30m).</p>	Whangamata or Tairua or <b>Pauanui</b>	
Day 3	<p><b>Feasts in the East</b>  <i>Walks selected from:</i>  <b>Paku Peak (45m)</b>, Tairua History Trail (40m), Mount Pauanui (2h30m), Pumpkin Hill Summit (15m),</p>	<b>Whitianga</b>	

	<p>Whenuakite Kauri Loop (45m), Sailor's Grave/Otara Bay (45m), Cathedral Cove (1h30m), Te Pare Historic Reserve (30m), Whitianga Rock (1h), Shakespeare Cliff to Lonely Bay (1h)</p>	
<b>Day 4</b>	<p><b>Hidden Gems</b>  <i>Walks selected from:</i>  <b>New Chums Beach (1h)</b>  <b>Opito Pa Reserve and Crayfish Cove (1h30m)</b>          Waiau Falls and Kauri Grove (1h), The Kauri Block (1h), Long Bay to Tucks Bay (1h).</p>	<b>Coromandel</b>
<b>Day 5</b>	<p><b>Top of the Peninsula</b>  <i>Longer Options:</i>  <b>Coromandel Walkway: Fletcher Bay to Stony Bay (3-4h)</b>  <i>Shorter Options:</i>          Papa Aroha Beach (30m), Muriwai Walk (1h), Fantail Bay to Bushline (1h), Tokatea Hill Lookout (30m), Driving Creek Railway (commercial operation – own expense), Tsunami Walk (Waikawau) (15m)</p>	<b>Coromandel</b> or Tapu or Thames
<b>Day 6</b>	<p><b>Coromandel Forest Park: Kauaeranga Valley</b>  <i>Longer Options:</i>  <b>The Pinnacles (8h)</b>  <b>Webb Creek-Hydrocamp-Billygoat Loop (5h)</b>  <i>Shorter Options:</i>          Cookson Kauri (2-3h), <b>Billygoat Falls/Landing (20m)</b>, <b>Edward's Lookout (1h)</b>, Kahikatea Walk/Model Dam (20m), Hoffman's Pool (30m), Jasper Creek (20m), Outlook 76 (1h), Murray's Walk (30m).</p>	Thames or <b>Paeroa</b>
<b>Day 7</b>	<p><b>Karangahake Scenic Reserve</b>  <i>Longer Options:</i>  <b>Mt. Karangahake (4h)</b>, <b>Karangahake Historic Walkway (4h)</b>, Windows-Crown-Dubbo96 (5-6h).  <i>Shorter Options:</i>  <b>Rail Tunnel Loop (1h30m)</b>, <b>Windows Walk (1h30m)</b>, <b>Waikino to Owharoa Falls (1h)</b>.</p> <p><b>Travel to Tauranga. Farewell Dinner. Trip concludes.</b></p>	