

Rimutaka Forest Park

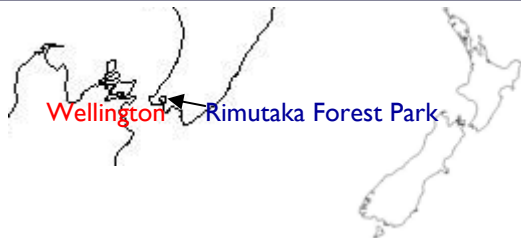
Rimutaka Forest Park is a beautiful area of mostly native forest in the hills east of New Zealand's capital city, Wellington.

It encompasses the Rimutaka Ranges and the Wainuiomata and Orongorongo Rivers, just north of the spectacular earthquake terraces and seal colony at the Turakirae Head Scientific Reserve.

The park is characterised by steep, bush-clad hills and narrow fern-filled valleys cut by abundant freshwater streams and the beautiful Orongorongo River.

Throughout the park, there are many well-formed and signposted walking tracks appealing to bushwalkers and nature lovers of every age and state of fitness.

The park is easily accessed by road from Wellington or Lower Hutt. Simply take the hill road to Wainuiomata and follow all the signs to the Coast Road/ Rimutaka Forest Park and then turn left at the Catchpool Stream access road into the Park.



How you can help..!

- Visit the Park & tell other people about your experience
- Join us as a member
- Join us as a volunteer
- Sponsor a trap
- Sponsor a kiwi chick
- Make a donation
- Link us to your website
- Suggest some improvements that we could make



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Rimutaka Forest Park Trust

“To protect and restore the natural and historic resources of the Rimutaka Forest Park valleys and environs, in order to contribute to the spiritual, mental, emotional and physical well-being of the wider community”



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The Rimutaka Forest Park Trust

The Rimutaka Forest Park Charitable Trust Inc. is committed to preserve and restore the natural and historic resources of the Rimutaka Forest Park valleys and environs.

The Trust was formed in October 1988 to stimulate public interest in conservation areas, encourage interactive research and environmental programmes and to cooperate with DoC in the fullest development of the park.

Our volunteer members span all age groups and occupation types. What they all have in common is a deep and abiding love for our native New Zealand bush and its unique flora and fauna.

New members are always welcome! We have many different and interesting roles to fill for keen volunteers. Learning opportunities abound and you'll enjoy the company of many great characters among our existing members!



What we do

The Rimutaka Forest Park Charitable Trust Inc. has been active in bringing about many improvements to the Park and its environs.

So far, the Trust has:

- Re-introduced North Island Brown Kiwi to the park after an absence of nearly 100 years
- Built an information kiosk at the Catchpool Road car park
- Built toilets and cooking facilities at the park's Catchpool Valley campground
- Provided interactive information panels on the Nga Taonga te Ngahere, Five Mile Loop and Orongorongo Tracks
- Implemented and managed predator monitoring and control programmes to protect our kiwis and other native species
- Maintained an active stoat trapping regime covering 2,500 hectares
- Developed education resource kits for schools
- Provided signage and publicity at Turakirae Scientific Reserve
- Provided kiwi aversion training for dogs
- Worked with many corporate groups and individual volunteers to remove weeds and re-plant native plants and trees within the park
- Provided advice to the Department of Conservation on the long-term management of the forest park



Join Us!

Complete and send this form to the postal address below.

Membership Application Form

Individual or Family:	\$15	
School or Club:	\$35	
Business:	\$80	
Sponsor a Trap	(Each) \$25	
Name:		
Postal Address:		
Email Address:		
Tel: (Home)		
Tel: (Other)		

Please list any expertise you have and which you would be happy to provide for Trust activities

Please send this completed form, with payment, to:

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