



Tiritiri Matangi Island

DISCOVER Hauraki Gulf & Islands
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Waiheke Island, Hauraki Gulf
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TOP ISLANDS TO SEE

MARITIME PLAYGROUND

More than 50 pockets of land sprinkle the Hauraki Gulf's dazzling waters between Auckland city and the Coromandel Peninsula. A far cry from the bright lights of the city, but in some cases just a short boat ride away, these islands are for the most part easily accessible. Divided between recreation and conservation, some offer a playground of sugary soft beaches, swimming, fine dining and sun-soaked walks, while others protect up to 70 types of native birds and dozens of marine animals. Pure seclusion is guaranteed, for wildlife and visitors alike.

- RANGITOTO ISLAND
- WAIHEKE ISLAND
- MOTUTAPU ISLAND
- KAWAU ISLAND
- ROTOROA ISLAND
- TIRITIRI MATANGI ISLAND
- GREAT BARRIER ISLAND

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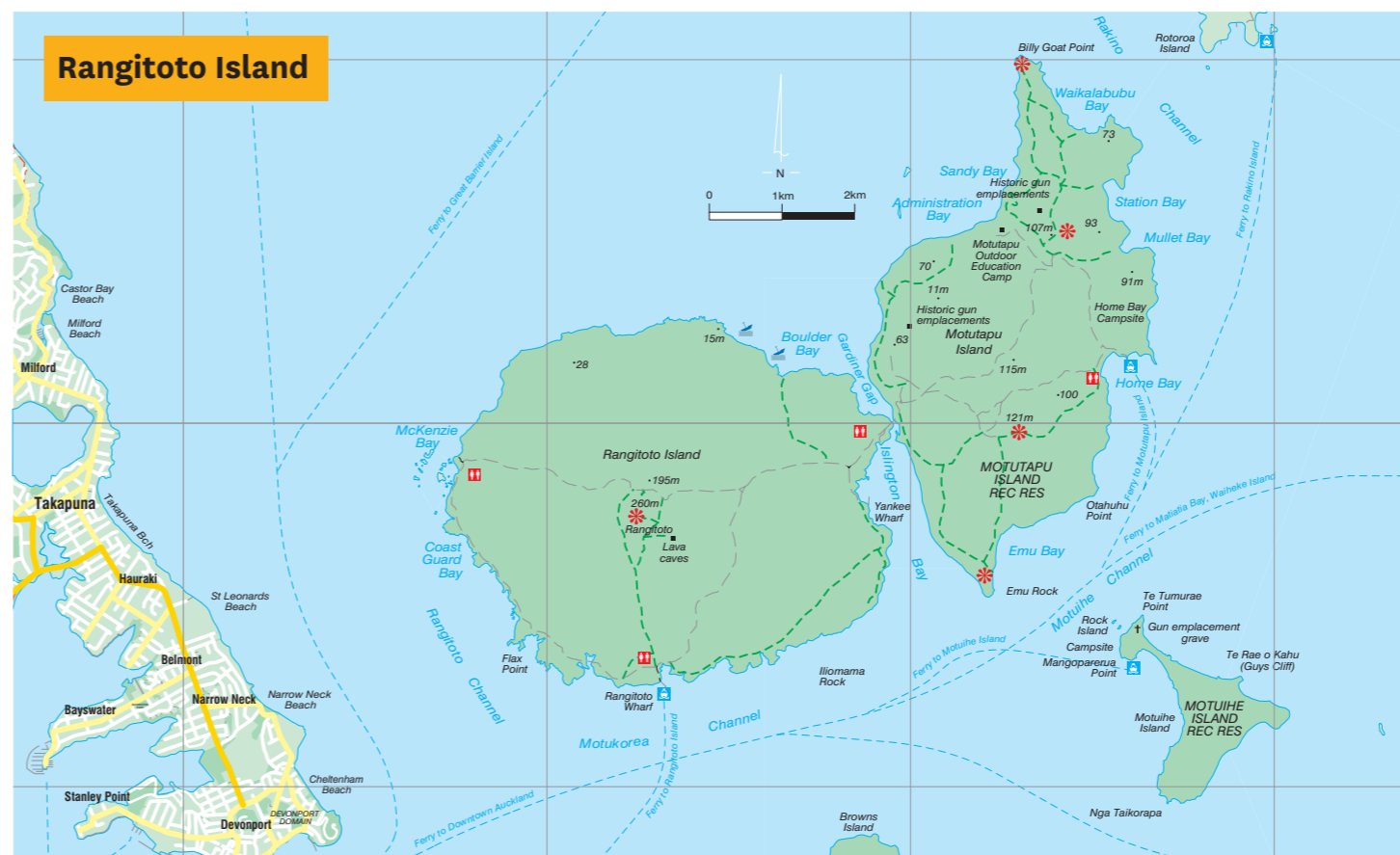


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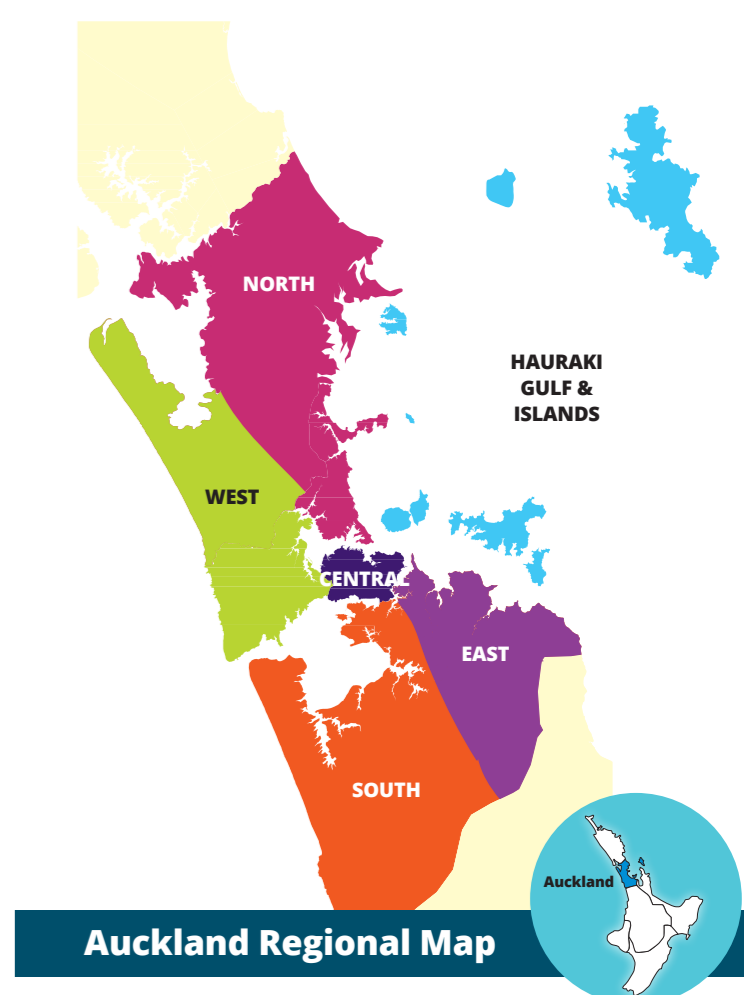
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- WEST AUCKLAND**
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- HAURAKI GULF & ISLANDS**
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- MAN O' WAR VINEYARDS
- MUDBRICK VINEYARD
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- BATCH WINERY
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TOP SPECIES TO SEE

- Auckland Whale and Dolphin Safari** scour the Gulf for marine animals on a half-day boat trip.
- Spectacular birds live carefree** on the sanctuary island of **Tiririri Matangi**, reachable on a 75-minute ferry ride from downtown Auckland.
- Watch out for morepork**, New Zealand's only surviving owl, on **Rangitoto Island**.
- Motuihe Island** is a haven for reptiles such as tuatara. Book a day trip and keep a look out.
- Snapper and stringray** frequent the waters around **Rakino Island**, accessed by a 45-minute ferry trip from downtown Auckland.

- BRYDE'S WHALE
- TUATARA
- PAKAHA/ FLUTTERING SHEARWATER
- STITCHBIRD
- TAKAHE
- COMMON DOLPHIN

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