

Tarawera Legacy

Information Sheet & Prices



The 1886 Mt Tarawera eruption can be explored in depth by visiting two Rotorua attractions.



Students will visit sites relevant to the eruption which caused widespread devastation to the land and the loss of 120 lives.

Te Wairoa was the main village near Mt Tarawera during the eruption. Today it survives in a new form as the **Buried Village**. A true excavated village, remnants of life from the 1800s can still be seen.



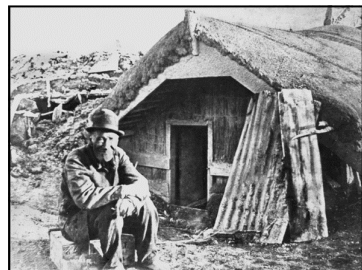
The **Whakarewarewa Thermal Village** is where many survivors of the eruption rebuilt their lives and families. Explore the wonders of the geothermal resources used every day in a living village environment.

A comprehensive assessment of **Rotorua Museum** has shown it falls well below earthquake safety standards and will need to remain closed to the public for the foreseeable future.

Museum staff will continue to book the Buried and Whakarewarewa Villages for schools until the building reopens. Thus allowing this cost effective package for schools to continue.



For further details or to secure your booking for this 3 in 1 package contact: Rotorua Museum Education Service
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2017	Primary	Secondary	Adults
Rotorua Schools	\$10.00	\$15.50	\$15.00
NZ Schools	\$15.00	\$22.50	\$27.50



Pre-Visit Information Kit, RAMS & Worksheets provided complimentary

Rotorua's greatest story



Available Itineraries Tarawera Legacy

Please choose from one of the itineraries below. These timetables have been compiled based on the concert at Whakarewarewa Village which is fixed at twice a day.

Most schools choose to do both Tarawera Legacy venues in one day. There is the option of spreading out the package over two or three you wish.

Itinerary One:

Timing:

Day Starts: 10am

Day Finishes: 2:15pm

Time		Notes	Venue Details:
10am - Noon	 Whakarewarewa <i>The Living Maori Village</i>	Concert time: 11:15am Guided Tour	17 Tryon St Whakarewarewa Village 07 349 3463
Noon - 1pm	Lunch and travel to Buried Village		
1pm - 2:15pm		Self guided tour	1180 Tarawera Road 07 362 8287

Itinerary Two:

Timing:

Day Starts: 9:15am

Day Finishes: 1pm

Time		Notes	Venue Details:
9.15am - 10:30am		Self guided tour	1180 Tarawera Road 07 362 8287
10.30am - 11am	Morning Tea and travel to Whakarewarewa Village		
11am - 1pm	 Whakarewarewa <i>The Living Maori Village</i>	Concert time: 11.15am Guided Tour	17 Tryon St Whakarewarewa Village 07 349 3463

Itinerary Three:

Timing:

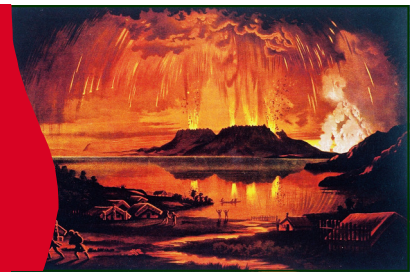
Day Starts: 10:45am

Day Finishes: 3pm

Time		Notes	Venue Details:
10:45am - Noon		Self guided tour	1180 Tarawera Road 07 362 8287
Noon - 1pm	Lunch and travel to Whakarewarewa Village		
1pm - 3pm	 Whakarewarewa <i>The Living Maori Village</i>	Concert time: 2pm Guided Tour	17 Tryon St Whakarewarewa Village 07 349 3463

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What can you see on the journey?



Whakarewarewa Forest & Redwood Memorial Grove

This forest lies south east of Rotorua city and adjoins the Whakarewarewa Thermal village. Tall stands of Redwood cover a six hectare corner of the forest near the Visitor Information Centre. Each year many thousands of visitors admire the sheer magnificence of this stately grove of trees. They may choose to take advantage of the many walking, mountain biking and horse riding tracks in the forest.



Tikitapu (Blue Lake)

Lake Tikitapu, is a favourite for water-skiers, kayakers and family relaxation. The name Tikitapu comes from a legend where the daughter of a high born chief was bathing in its crystal waters. Wearing a Tikitapu (sacred greenstone neck ornament) the piece was held about her neck by a tightly woven flax cord. The tiki was dislodged while she swam and lost. An extensive search followed as family searched for the sacred heirloom of her tribe but it was never found. The blue waters of the lake still hide the Tikitapu that was lost long ago.



Rotokakahi (Green Lake)

In days gone by the shores of this lake were heavily populated by Maori. Today the Green Lake is tapu (sacred), deserted this means no person European or Maori ventures upon it without good reason. Rotokakahi means "the lake of the shellfish. Its name is a reminder of those days when many fed from the food this lake offered. Kakahi are a delicious shellfish found in freshwater lakes. The island in the middle of the Green Lake serves as a burial ground to this very day and is the reason the lake is sacred. The Tuhourangi hapu (tribe) occupied this area before the Mount Tarawera eruption. It is the place where the bones of the famous Hinemoa, and many others lie buried.



Mt Tarawera Look-out and landing

2km past the Buried Village is a roadside lookout offering spectacular views of Lake Tarawera and the mountain beyond. Access to the lake edge can be gained from Tarawera Landing just a short drive pass the lookout.

