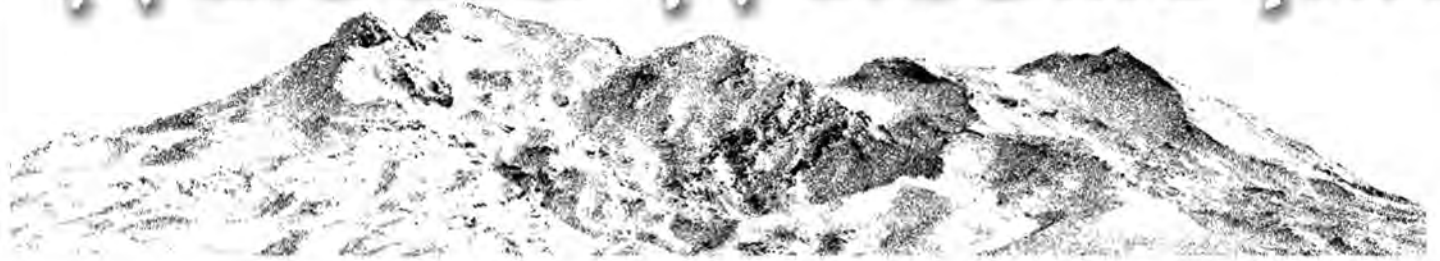


Waiouru Welcome Inn



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Motel Guide

12 Non Smoking Motel Units
8 Self contained studio units
4 Standard units
Continental Breakfasts
Laundry Facilities
Sky TV
Wireless Internet

Welcome.

We really hope you enjoy your stay with us here at the Welcome Inn, Waiouru.

As our guests, it is our aim to make sure that your stay with us is as comfortable as possible here at "the desert oasis".

We have created this guide to inform you about the motel as well as providing detailed information on local and regional amenities and attractions.

In New Zealand the most striking near-desert experience you can have is on the road to Waiouru. State Highway One winds through a bleak windswept tussock plain called the Rangipo Desert. This is a unique alpine semi-desert, with the forbidding appearance of a wild desolate wasteland. To the east it merges with the densely forested foothills of the Kaimanawa Ranges. To the west there is no horizon, as the landscape and sky are overwhelmed by the monumental outline of Mt. Ruapehu. Dark canyons and shadowy scree slopes tumble from the snow-capped peaks and merge with the indistinct landforms of the plain...

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For Emergency help - Dial 1-111

Police

Phone: (06) 387 6884

Phone: 027 444 2678

Fax: (06) 387 6818

Fire Service

Fire Station, Army Training Group, Waiouru

Fire Master

Phone: 06 387 5540

Fax: 06 387 5578

Telephone

Dial 1 for outside lines, then dial your number.

Dial 700 to get the office.

Please note that all calls do attract a surcharge, that includes 0800, national operator, directory information, c/cards and local calls (charged because we are a business and not residential).

No free calling areas, Taihape and Ohakune are a toll call.

Calling Cards

Please check with the office before using.

Internet – Free wireless connection

Parking

Parking is available in front of your unit, please park in the space provided and NOT underneath the walkway/verandah, as this presents a fire hazard.

The carport is only available to the guests using unit 16.

Large trucks over 3 tones must remain outside on the road or at the BP truck station on the main road.

At present there are no hook up facilities for refrigerated trucks etc.

Notes for Guests

Please note that all our units are non-smoking; we have placed ashtrays on the tables outside each unit for your use.

Check –in/out Times

Check – in is from

1pm through to 10pm each day.

Check – out is by

10am on the following morning.

Keys

On departure, leave your key in the key box by the office door

Continental Breakfasts

are available and can be ordered at the office up until 8.30pm. Rate \$10.50 per person.

Doctor's

Taihape Health Limited 06 388 0926

For all emergencies Dial 1 – 111

Hair Driers

are available at the office.

Iron and Ironing Board

In the wardrobe of your unit.

For units 5, 6, 7 & 8 please contact the office

All units have Sky TV



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Laundry facilities

These can be found in the block nearest the motel units, 2nd door along.

Times available for guests to use the laundry are from 8.00am & from 4.30pm to 10pm at night.

Cold water wash only available

There are 2 washing machines.

1st one in the door on left, takes a \$2.00 coin and set to a cold wash. Washing Liquid is supplied in a plastic bottle, amount needed is 20mls only (a thumb measure)

2nd one furthest from the door, takes 4 x old .50cent pieces, these can be exchanged at the office for your \$2.00 coin. Powder found in cup, ¼ cup only needed. To start the machine, please put your coins in the box, the machine is set to regular wash. Lights will flash up then go off, press power button again and then start button.

Driers x 2

1st drier is gas operated by a \$2.00 coin. Length of time 1 hour. Please note - 1 Washing load only at a time. Any more than that takes double the time or longer to dry also the outside temperature plays a major role in drying times here in Waiouru.

Suggest medium heat for all personal clothing as the regular heat can be too hot for most clothes and can possibly shrink them.

2nd drier is electric and operated by 4 x 50 cent pieces.

Length of time 1 hour.

Main Road Shops and Garages

Angkor-Wat Bakery

Phone 063876251

Open daily 5.00am – 3.30pm

Fast Lane Restaurant and Take-aways

Phone 063876738

Open daily from 8.00am – 9.00pm

Chinese and European foods available.

Twinstacks

Phone **06 387 6699**

Open daily 9.30am – 5.00pm

Coffee bar and take-aways.

Sub-way

Phone **06 387 5011**

Open daily

Fresh sub sandwiches etc

Oasis Motel/Hotel

Phone 063876779

Café Express

Phone 063876778

Open Wednesday – Monday

10.30am – 8.30pm

Café and Take-aways

Z Energy

Phone 063876 567

Open daily 6am – 10pm

Waiouru Motors (State Highway 1, North)

Phone 063876792

Caltex Waiouru - Diesel Only

CJ Automotives

Phone 063876128



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Waiouru Army Museum

Phone 0800 369 999

Open daily 9.00am – 4.30pm

Closed - Christmas Day.

Museum Café

inside the Waiouru Army Museum

Phone 063876 911 (ex 5)

Open daily 9.00am – 4pm

Community Centre Shops, Queree Drive

4 Square

Phone 063876667

Mon-Fri 9.30am – 6pm

Sat-Sun 9.00am – 6pm

Public Hols Times to be advised

Agents for: Dry Cleaning, Phone Cards and Prescriptions Collection drop point.

Fusion Hair Salon

Phone 0272417265

Thurs 9am – 8 to late

Fri 9am – 5pm

Sat 9am – 12noon

Threads Op Shop & Costume Hire

Phone 063876823 or 063876909

Open Mon – Fri 10am – 5pm

Fancy Dress Hire – Extensive range by Appointment

Community House

Phone 063875531 or 021226905

For Community Hall hire and any other community services required.

The Community House holds a list of contact names and phone numbers

Churches

St James & St Patrick's have combined to use St James Church on Weir Terrace.

Times of services:

St Patrick's 6.30pm Saturday

St James' 9.30am Sunday

All are welcome.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

The Chapel is located at Ruanui Street, behind Z Energy Waiouru, phone 063876642

Service times

10.00am – 1.00pm every Sunday.

Waiouru Golf Club

Pearce Park Waiouru on SH1

Visitors welcome

visit www.waiourugolf.com for contact details

Army Training Group Waiouru

Phone 063875599

Main entrance is on Camp Road, take the road in front of the Army Museum and continue on until you reach the guard hut.

Here you will need to show some form of ID if you do not have a pass.

Waiouru - Origins

The name *Waiouru* is derived from "Te-Wahi-Oru-Nga-Tangata", which translates into: "The Place which all must pass through." This is indicative of its geographical location to the traveller of yesteryear, who in their northward or southward journey travelled a route now known as the Desert Road, and others in transit from the Hawkes Bay to Pipiriki on the Whanganui River.

Early History

Neither the Ngati Tuwharetoa or the Aitahunui-A-Paparangi can pinpoint sub-tribes in the Waiouru area, however, both claim ancestral rights. It is; however, appropriate to say Waiouru is part of the Ngati-Tuwharetoa as their boundaries extend from north of Taupo to Bulls. The Aitahunui-A-Paparangi of the Wanganui district, have an eastern boundary on the western bank of the Whangaehu River. It would seem that the area is unique in that it does have a substantiated sub-tribe.

Too cold to settle in, perhaps?



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Settlement by pastoralists dates from the 1870's. The Studholme Brothers established the Morimotu Station, which included in its area the Army camp's present location. Later in 1905 the Morton Brothers built the homestead at the foot of the hill where the Officers Mess now stands. The New Zealand Army's first involvement with the area took the form of a reconnaissance conducted in October 1932. The servicemen involved, Captains Parkinson and Park, reported that it provided an ideal campsite and artillery range. From January 1937 onward an artillery field firing camp was held each summer. An initial request to establish a camp was declined. However, with the outbreak of World War Two, land was purchased in November 1939 and a camp was established in 1940 under the first Camp Commandant Colonel C.G. Powles, CMG, DSO.

Waiouru is the largest of the New Zealand Army's installations. The 86,818 hectare training area runs alongside State Highway One for 35 km, and its widest point reaches from Ruapehu's snowline to the Rangitikei River headwaters, approximately 30 km to the east. It includes the Moawhango Dam (part of the Tongariro Power Development Scheme) which is fed from the waters of 22 streams on the southern slopes of Mount Ruapehu by aqueduct under the Desert Road. The training area is used for live-firing, manoeuvres and basic training.

Travelling Distances from Waiouru

Taihape (south)	30km
Ohakune (west)	29km
Turangi (north)	62km
Tokaanu (north)	70km
Chateau Tongariro (north-west)	80km
Taumarunui (north-west)	112km
Taupo (north)	115km
Wanganui (west)	125km
Palmerston North (south)	146km
Wellington (south)	264km
Napier (east over Gentle Annie)	157km
Hamilton (north)	275km
Auckland (north)	408km
Rotorua (north east)	176km

Bus Times departing Waiouru Newmans

Phone 04 4993261 for bookings
email: info@intercitycoach.co.nz

South – Wellington

11.35 am
4.35 pm
2.35 am

North – Taupo and onwards

1.40 pm
5.10 pm
12.20 am