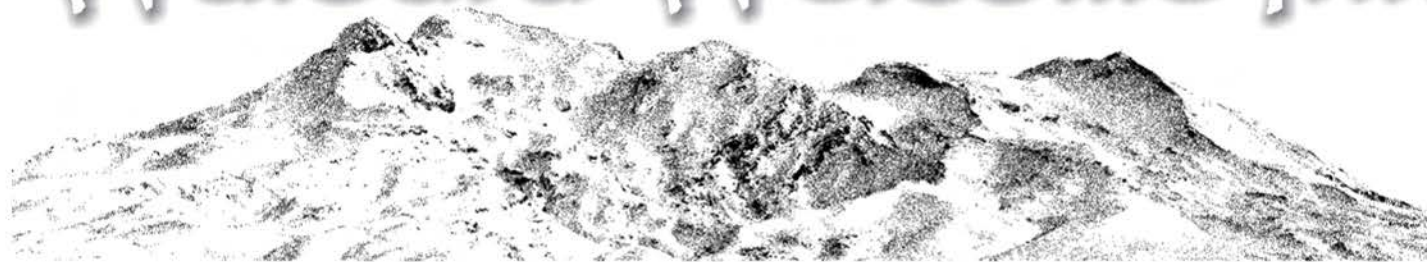


Waiouru Welcome Inn



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Motel Guide

1 x 2 Bedroom Unit
1 x 1 Bedroom Unit
6 x Self Contained Studio Units
4 Standard Units
Continental Breakfasts
Laundry Facilities
Sky TV
Wireless Internet
All units are non smoking

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.

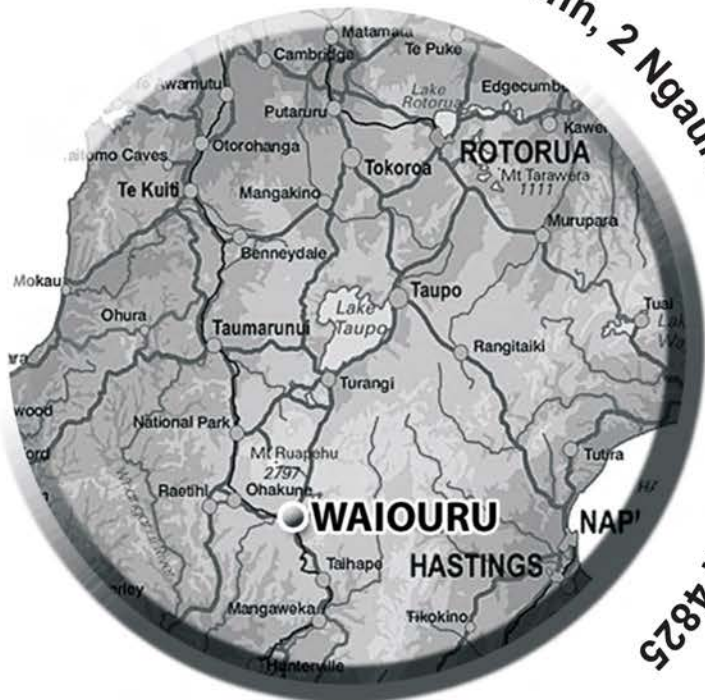
In New Zealand the most striking near-desert experience you can have is on the road to Waiouru. State Highway One winds through a bleak windswept tussock plain called the Rangipo Desert. This is a unique alpine semi-desert, with the forbidding appearance of a wild desolate wasteland. To the east it merges 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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Notes for Guests

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

Check –in/out Times Check – in is from 2pm 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 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

For Emergency help - Dial 111

Police Phone: (06)

387 6884

Phone: 027 444 2678

Fax: (06) 387 6818

Internet – Free wireless connection

Fire Service

Fire Station, Army Training Group, Waiouru

Fire Master

Phone: 06 387 5540

Fax: 06 387 5578

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.



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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 to 10.00am & 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.

The 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.

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.

Sub-way

Phone 06 387 5011

Open daily

Fresh sub sandwiches etc

Oasis Motel/Hotel/Cafe

Phone 063876779

Café Express

Phone 063876778

Open Wednesday – Monday

10.00am – 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 7.30am – 6pm
Sat-Sun 9.00am – 7pm
Public Hols Times to be advised
Agents for: Dry Cleaning, Phone Cards and
Prescriptions Collection drop point.

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 5pm Sunday
except for fourth Sunday
which is at 11am

St James' 9.30am every
Sunday except 4th 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 Ruapehu Road off SH1,
North of Waiouru township.
There is a 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-
WahiOru-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 subtribes
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-



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Papurangi 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?

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

For information on arrivals/departures and purchasing tickets:

Phone 04 4993261

Or email: info@intercitycoach.co.nz