



Find My Adventure

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What is Find My Adventure?

Find My Adventure is a free, easy-to-use database, tool and website. It helps more people find the information they need to get into the outdoors.

The New Zealand Walking Access Commission Ara Hikoī Aotearoa ("The Commission") manages Find My Adventure. It is a one-stop-shop online for tracks and trails in the outdoors on behalf of different councils.

We currently have over 320 tracks listed all over New Zealand. We are continuing to build on our resources by working with councils, Fish and Game, DOC, private landholders and other agencies.



What does the Commission do?

We provide leadership on outdoor access issues and administer a national strategy on outdoor access, including tracks and trails. The Commission maps outdoor access, provides information to the public, oversees a code of responsible conduct, helps to resolve disputes and negotiates new access.

How does Find My Adventure work?

The ethos of Find My Adventure is one of sharing information. It brings together data from a wide range of organisations into a one place, ensuring there is a single source of information which is consistent and of high standard. For the public this is the perfect place to find information on available outdoor activities in their region.

Through partnerships with central and local government, community groups and trail building trusts, Find My Adventure is building a comprehensive database of public tracks and trails across the length and breadth of New Zealand.

Find My Adventure works across all types and sizes of screen, from your mobile phone to a desktop computer. Information on Find My Adventure includes:

- descriptions of tracks and trails;
- detailed maps of trails;
- up-to-date information including whether trails are open or closed;
- the difficulty of the trails; and
- what type of activity is suitable for the trails (walking, cycling, mountain biking, horse riding, dog walking, wheelchair or pram accessible)

What are the key benefits of using Find My Adventure?

This is a great opportunity for councils, tourism agencies, public health groups and others to have a fully-featured search engine for tracks and trails without building one themselves.

- By using Find My Adventure, organisations become a part of a wider national project that showcases tracks and trails from councils, DOC, private landholders and other agencies.
- Find My Adventure is simple, intuitive and easily usable, with clear mapping and searching capabilities.
- Find My Adventure can embed on virtually any website, with minimal branding and no advertising.
- On embedded websites, Find My Adventure can be programmed to load specific search terms or highlight local regional tracks. The decision is up to local councils on what information they want to present.
- As we add more tracks and trails to the database, they can be added to specific collections and show up embedded in your website – automatically updating tracks all over the region and country.

What do Councils have to do?

We are building Find My Adventure in partnership with councils and we are keen to make it as easy as possible for them to get involved. The council must sign our partnership agreement and fill out the Commission's dataset document so it can be added into the database.

In most cases, the information we require will already exist. So it's a matter of collating it and sending it to us.

How does the Commission help councils with fewer resources?

Our Partnerships and Mapping teams are here to help with any questions or concerns.

If your organisation doesn't have up-to-date tracks data or maps, or if you need practical assistance, one of our Regional Field Advisors (RFA) is available to help. The RFA can assist and give advice in their regions, on behalf of the Commission.

Who can I contact to get my organisation involved?

You can contact us on partners@walkingaccess.govt.nz at any time.