

Matekai Park Reserve



Walking



Circular Track (Loop)

Length

2.5 km

Journey Time

20 mins walking time

Region

[Taranaki](#)

Sub-Region

[New Plymouth](#)

Track maintained by

New Plymouth District Council

Matekai Park boasts a wide range of tree species, including puriri, karaka, titoki, pukatea, rewarewa, kahikatea, rimu, cabbage tree, mapou, lemonwood and kowhai. The wetland has been identified as an area of national importance by the Department of Conservation and consists of raupo, flax and carex, creating a habitat for a number of rare bird species.

Matekai Park was established in 1980 with subsequent land being purchased to create a 6.5 hectare area that is a popular link between Ōakura village and the beach.

The Park provides opportunities for walking in bush-like settings and with its large wetland area and natural open spaces, gives good views of birds and other wildlife.

A perimeter track is supplemented by three grass paths with rustic bridges that cross the wetland between the upper and lower tracks. A number of clearings and seats have been established to make the most of the views and landscape.

Conditions

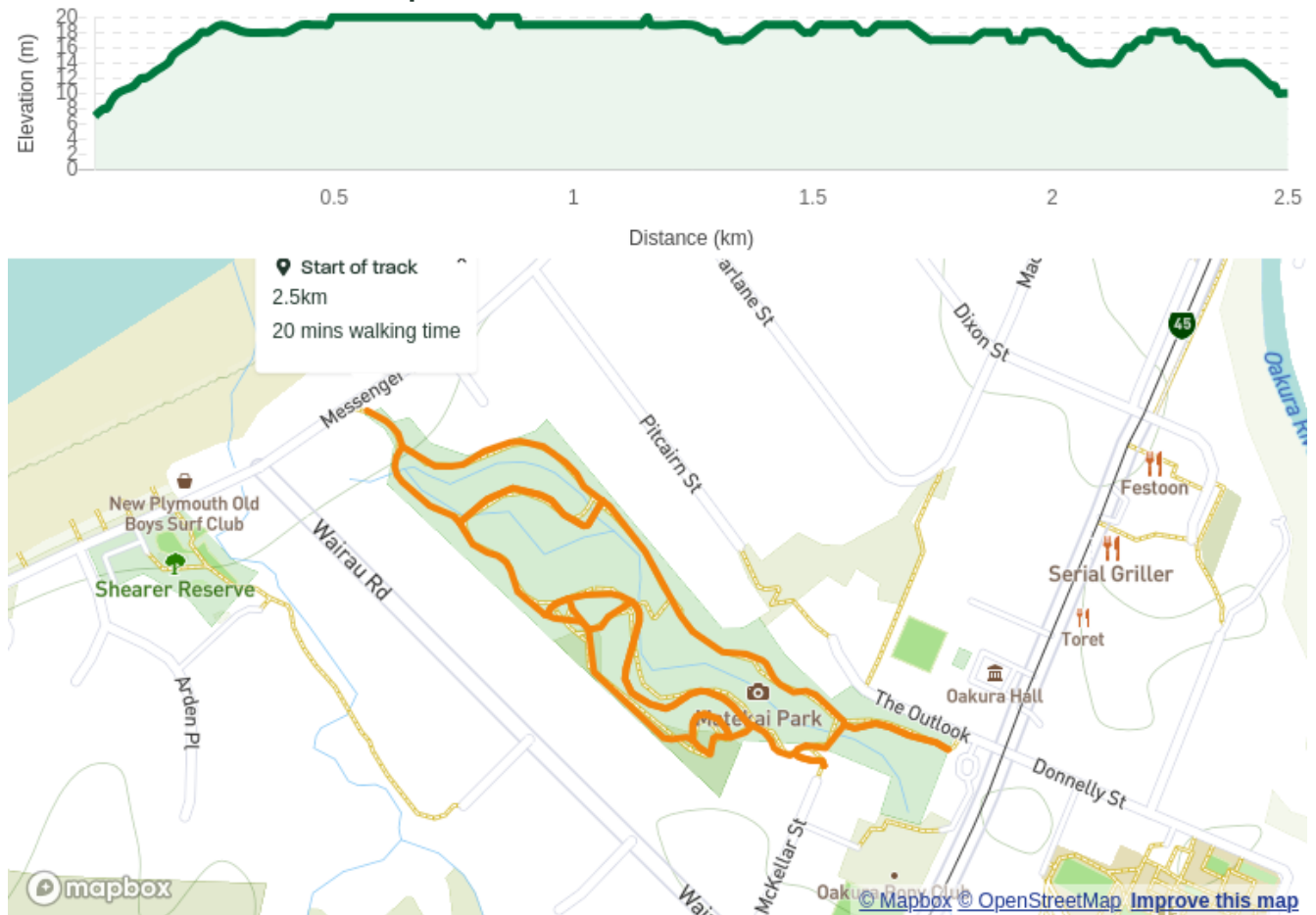
How to get here

Transport

Accommodation

Food And Supply

Track Elevation and Map



More information

[Venture Taranaki](#)

This track is part of the Herenga ā Nuku Aotearoa track database. Herenga ā Nuku has [maps and advice about public access to the outdoors](#) .

We encourage you to continue gaining the skills and knowledge required for a safe trip. The NZ Mountain Safety Council has lots of free resources and information you can use. These can be accessed via www.mountainsafety.org.nz .

We recommend trying these online learning tools:

- [Trip Planning](#)
- [Tramping/field Skills](#)
- [Basic Navigation](#)
- [River Safety](#)

Additionally, check out the range of helpful videos available from the NZ Mountain Safety Council [YouTube channel](#) .



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