

Activities to do in Auckland

Museums, Galleries and Theatres

- Toi o Tāmaki [Auckland Art Gallery](#), nearby is www.gowlangsfordgallery.co.nz. On Karangahape Road (also known as K Road):
melanierogergallery.com www.starkwhite.co.nz
- [Auckland War Memorial Museum](#) including Māori history and topical exhibitions ([Auckland Winter Gardens](#), short walk from the museum)
- [MOTAT](#) – Museum of Transport and Technology (a number of interactive exhibitions)
Auckland Zoo (see below) and MOTAT are adjacent to each other, and discounts are available with on-line tickets
- [Maritime Museum](#) and Boat trips
- [Basement theatre](#), the home for Auckland's most adventurous emerging artists
- [Q Theatre](#), home of independent performing arts.
- [Weta Workshop Unleashed](#) (award-winning creative design and practical effects company showcasing effects from their work on *The Lord of the Rings*, *The Hobbit*, *Avatar*, *King Kong*, *District 9*).

Day (or half-day) Trips

- [Waiheke Island](#) – day trip by ferry; perhaps lunch or dinner at one of the wineries with stunning food, wine and views [Stonyridge](#), [Cable Bay](#), [Mudbrick](#), [Man O'War](#), [Tantalus Estate](#)
Waiheke [Walking Art Tours](#), [Waiheke Wine Tours](#)
- [Ferry](#) to Devonport (12 minute ride) <https://www.fullers.co.nz/destinations/devonport/>
- [Tiriti Matangi Island](#) (Department of Conservation Sanctuary)
- [Rangitoto Island Summit track](#) (Department of Conservation)
- [Hamilton](#) by [Te Huia Train](#) - [Botanic Gardens](#)

Outdoor activities

- [Auckland Zoo](#) (and wildlife/conservation park) *adjacent to MOTAT*
- [Sky Tower](#) including Sky Walk and Sky Jump
- [Jet Boat](#) trip on Auckland Harbour
- [Westhaven boardwalk](#)
- [Auckland Harbour Bridge](#) Bungy Jump and Bridge Walk
- [Silo Park](#) near Wynyard Quarter
- Ebike and E-Scooter hire (via apps [Neuron](#), [Flamingo](#)) are easy ways to explore the inner city.
- [Lightpath](#) and Nelson Street cycleway
- [Tamaki Drive](#) walk & Eastern Beaches (see dining St Heliers, Mission Bay)
- Cornwall Park or Mt Eden (walk to the top of One Tree Hill or Mt Eden for great views of Auckland).
- Auckland walks & hikes <https://www.aucklandnz.com/visit/discover/activities/walks-and-hikes>

Indoor activities

- [Sealife Kelly Tarlton's Underwater World Aquarium](#) (including Antarctica exhibition) Tamaki Drive
- [Stardome Planetarium](#) in One Tree Hill domain.
- [Yoga](#) class CBD
- [Snow Planet](#) indoor ski and snow board slope with café.

Shopping

- [Britomart Precinct](#) shopping and restaurants
- [Commercial Bay](#), shopping and dining
- [Westfield Newmarket](#), shopping, dining, arcade and cinema
- [Sylvia Park](#) shopping, cinema

Suggested places to eat

City Centre

- <https://heartofthecity.co.nz/dining>
- Britomart Precinct- <https://britomart.org/eat-and-drink/>
- Wynyard Quarter - <http://www.wynyard-quarter.co.nz/>
- Ponsonby Central - <https://www.ponsonbycentral.co.nz/eat>
- City Works Depot - <http://cityworksdepot.co.nz/whos-here/>
- Cotto - <https://www.cotto.co.nz/>
- White & Wongs - <https://whiteandwongs.co.nz/>
- Cibo - <https://cibo.co.nz/>
- Sails Restaurant - <https://sailsrestaurant.co.nz/>
- Amano - <https://savor.co.nz/amano>
- Gochu <https://gochugotyou.co.nz/>
- Bar Celeste - <https://www.barceleste.com/>
- Depot - <https://depoteatery.co.nz/>

Mission Bay and St Heliers

- Azabu Mission Bay - <https://savor.co.nz/azabu-mission-bay>
- St Heliers Bay Bistro - <https://www.stheliersbaybistro.co.nz/>
- Annabelles Restaurant -- <https://www.annabelles.co.nz/>

Metro magazine ranks the best restaurants in Auckland every year, 2023 top restaurants [here www.metromag.co.nz](http://www.metromag.co.nz)