

Aongatete Lodge

Address:

Aongatete Outdoor Education Lodge, KatiKati, Bay of Plenty

Administered by:

Kaimai Outdoor Centre Inc

Contact:

Availability and bookings -

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Programming and activities -

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Location:

Situated in a sunny clearing within the pristine bush of the Kaimai Mamaku State Forest Park with clear fresh water streams nearby.

Tauranga harbour, Mount Maunganui with its internationally renowned surf beach and the imposing, magnificent and historic Karangahake Gorge are all within a 40 minute drive.

Accommodation:

Sleeps up to 92 in three separate areas.

Self cater with fully equipped commercial kitchen and large dining/activities hall.

Other facilities:

Large grassed area for games and camping.

Separate activities hall with indoor climbing facilities.

Programmes:

A full-time professional Director is employed to oversee the activities of the Lodge.

The Director is resident in a cottage adjacent to the main lodge.

Groups can:

- 1 Organise and run their own programmes with no input from the Director, or
- 2 Discuss their requirements with the Director who will then help with the development of the programme, or
- 3 Tell the Director what their specific needs are and what activities you would like included and the Director will put together a specific programme for that group. Please note that this option will incur an administration charge.

Other services:

The Director is a qualified outdoor leader and his services as an instructor are available on request. Other qualified and experienced instructors are also available. There is a charge for these services. All activities led by Lodge staff have undergone a rigorous risk analysis.

The Lodge can provide a fully staffed programme designed to specifically meet a group's needs. All group leaders need to do is get the group to the Lodge, supervise the evening activities and take the participants home again. The Lodge takes responsibility for all other aspects including the risk management.

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Activities:

On site

Orienteering, tramping, bush skills, expeditions, overnight camping, bivvying, archery, team tree climb, environmental studies, group initiative exercises, team development skills, problem solving, Aongatete River Rage, fresh water snorkelling, bouldering, climbing.



Off site

(Within a 40 minute drive.) Climbing, abseiling, horse riding, kayaking, canoeing, sailing, surfing, surf survival skills, marine studies, rockpools, wetlands study, hot pools, snorkelling, fishing, farm/orchard tours, Gold Mine tours, steam train rides, Katikati Mural town tours etc. Transport can be arranged.

