



**ADVENTURERS TRAVEL CO.**

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## 7 DAYS NORTH ISLAND MOUNTAIN BIKING

### \$ 1495 NZ

**Itinerary includes dedicated shuttle driver and trailer (except for 2 days Rotorua)**

**The private shuttle will be able to stop for any supplies along the way**

**The van has a chilly bin on board for keeping those post ride beers cool.**

#### Day 1

Your private shuttle will pick you up from the airport and take you and your bikes safely to Ohakune (~4-5 hr drive). Here you'll be able to settle into your chalet, relax in the hot tub and maybe have a celebratory beer in the pub just up the road ☺

**Meals:** Not included

#### Day 2

Today you'll be getting stuck in straight away. Riding the famous 42 Traverse. 47Km of old logging track, taking you through remote native bush and beautiful valleys. It's a great adventure ride and is talked about as 'mostly downhill' with a total descent of 570m, but don't be fooled, there is plenty of hard work required for the uphill sections along the way! And the rutted out downhill sections will keep the advanced mountain biker concentrating.

Then the ride finishes with an exhilarating downhill on a gravel road! Note: Navigation can be challenging; a guide can be provided at extra cost.

The shuttle will pick you up from the trail end at the Whakapapa River Bridge and take you back to your Ohakune accommodation for a soak in the hot tub!

**Meals:** B, L

**Ride:** 47Km 3-6hrs

**Skill Level:** Grade 3 Intermediate



#### Day 3

Today your shuttle will take you from Ohakune to Taupo. Taupo is known as the jewel in the crown of North Island, boasting the largest fresh water lake in the Southern Hemisphere, great biking and hiking tracks that soak up fantastic views of the lake and wind their way through native bush.

In Taupo you have a couple of options for fantastic riding. Craters of the Moon or Great Lakes Trails.

## Craters:

Starting at The Hub Café, you'll buy your pass (\$10) for the Craters of the Moon Trail park. Craters has a great selection of tracks, from downhill to cross country, through varying landscapes of bush to its famous moon like features of the thermal volcanic areas.

We will supply you with some suggested tracks to try so that you can get the most out of your day.



## Great Lake Trails:



Your shuttle will drop you off at the top of Whangamata Road, where you ride the 10Km peddly downhill single track through a pretty little stream valley to the lake edge, take a photo break here but don't cool down too much as there is a bit of a climb up before the next downhill. This trail is super cool, fast and flowing in the dry (and a bit slower in the wet!)

Arriving at Kinloch, you can stop for a coffee and snack if you fancy it, before heading up to the headland trails for more fantastic and fun trails with views back down over Kinloch Bay. The climb is about 5km but a decent gradient up. On top of the headland you can choose whether or not to do the 10Km loop track, which take you to more looks outs and through beautiful bush. There is a lot of bird song in this bush and if you're lucky the Tui's and Bell Birds will be the soundtrack to this cool loop. Finish off with a downhill to Whakaipo, where your shuttle will be waiting for you.

Our Taupo accommodation is a bike friendly self-contained house, close to Taupo centre, with private bedrooms.

**Meals:** Not included

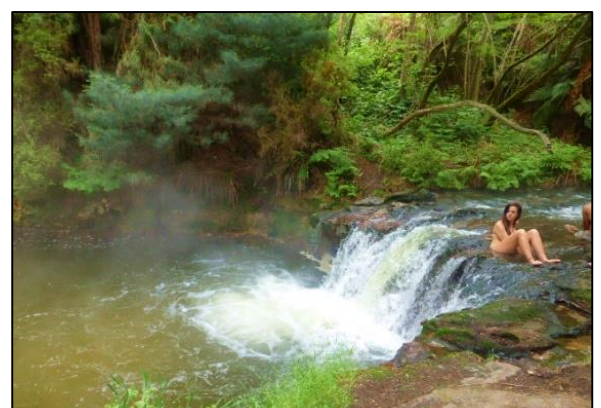
**Ride:** Variable

**Skill Level:** Grade 2 / Grade 3 / Grade 4

## Day 4

Today you spend the morning on the Craters of the Moon trails, discovering more of the trails here if you can yesterday or squeezing in the best ones if you didn't.

Your shuttle will take you from Craters of the Moon to Rotorua but via Rainbow Mountain. A gnarly out and back track up to the top, for the thrilling downhill back to the start! It's loads of fun and worth the effort.



And to top it all off, you stop at a Thermal Creek to soak those tired muscles. This creek needs to be seen to be believed! Sit under a hot little waterfall and let all those aches drift away! (we recommend taking a beer!)

Optional Extra: An excellent remote adventure ride that we recommended for those who want a real bush riding challenge. The Moerangi Track – NZ's longest 100% bush single track.

Our Rotorua accommodation is bike friendly, self-contained house, right next to the Redwoods Forest. Here you each have private bedrooms, you'll be staying here for 3 nights.

**Meals:** Not included

**Ride Craters:** As much or as little as you like **Ride Rainbow Mountain:** 10Km 1-2Hrs

**Skill Level Craters:** Variable **Skill Level Rainbow Mountain:** Grade 4+

### Day 5/6

So finally you're here, North Island's mecca for biking! Rotorua. Famed for both its fantastic downhill and cross country tracks and lakes, it's rich Maori culture and it's weird and wonderful geothermal features!

Redwoods: 130Km of tracks, throughout both native and planted bush. Pick from our bunch of not to be missed tracks and local must do tips. Shuttles are available on weekends and in peak summer times. Private shuttles to the top can be arranged for the group if required.

Skyline Park: Focus on downhill tracks here, gondola shuttle to the top.

The Lakes: Green lake tracks, Blue lake walking tracks, Western Okatana walkway, Lake Tarawera walks



Other non-biking options: Wai-o-Tapu Thermal Wonderland – see the best of the geothermal weird and wonderful sights. Tour a Maori Village and/or experience a Hangi dinner, White Water Kayak the famous Kaituna, Rafting the highest waterfall in NZ.

**Meals:** Not included

**Ride:** Variable

**Skill Level:** Various Grades

### Day 7

Check out of your Rotorua home from home and shuttle directly to Auckland Airport for your flight home.



### Optional Extra:

Rotorua: Moerangi Track

Cost: \$100pp (Min group of 5)

*New Zealand's longest 100% in the bush single track bike ride! And whoa is this Bush worth seeing. Ancient trees, huge diversity of Fauna, remote ride, great track, hard climbs and gnarly downhill..... the cost is the shuttle, which is an 1hr 30mins out of Rotorua each way..... well we did say it was remote!!!!*



### Important Notes:

Based on a group of 4 people.

Adventurers can tweek or make changes to this itinerary and make it suit you. Just ask us.