

MOKAIHAHA ECOLOGICAL AREA



Mokaihaha is rich in Maori history and has high conservation and scientific values. The area contains trails once used by Maori travelling between the Waikato and Rotorua. It has the largest remaining block of the extensive native forest that once covered the Mamaku Plateau. Rimu, miro and matai are plentiful and the bird life includes tui, kereru, bellbird and fantail. Kaka (native parrots) occasionally entertain walkers, and the endangered kokako may be heard in the dawn chorus. Short-tailed bats are also present.

How to Get There

Mokaihaha Ecological Area is situated on the Mamaku Plateau, 9.6 km south-east of the Mamaku township on South Road.

Attractions and Facilities

Rotohokahoka Track (Moderate tramping track, 2 hours Rotohokahoka to West Road). The track runs from the South Road carpark to West Road. West Road is recommended only for four-wheel-drive vehicles. Lake Rotohokahoka is 20 minutes walk from the South Road carpark. The track forks 10 minutes from the car park; both branches lead down to the lake and connect up again. Past the lake an optional side track on the left provides a 30-minute walk to South Road, 15 minutes from the carpark.

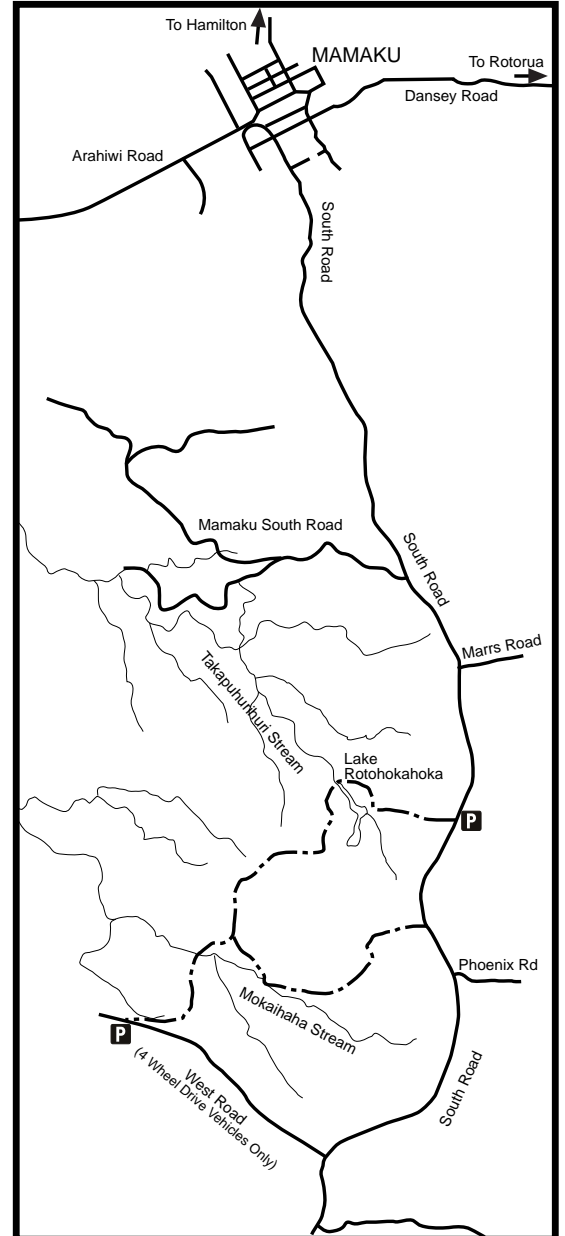
Please Remember

Dogs, horses, vehicles (including bikes and motorbikes), fires, removal of plants or animals, and hunting without a permit are not permitted in the Mokaihaha Ecological Area.

More information

"Walks in the Rotorua Lakes Area" track brochure, available from Tourism Rotorua information centre on Fenton Street, Rotorua.

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Rotorua Lakes Area Office
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- Protect plants and animals.
- Remove rubbish.
- Bury toilet waste.
- Keep streams and lakes clean.
- Take care with fires.
- Camp carefully.
- Keep to the track.
- Consider others.
- Respect our cultural heritage.
- Enjoy your visit.

Toitu te Whenua (Leave the land undisturbed.)

