

SKI + RIDE THE MAUNGA BOOK YOUR NEXT SCHOOL SKI TRIP TO MT RUAPEHU



Planning a trip for your school or youth group? This is the place for you!

Mt Ruapehu is one of the best places to learn to ski & ride in New Zealand. Students can have fun, feel safe and build confidence at Happy Valley, a self-contained premier learners' facility at Whakapapa, or at Alpine Meadow at Turoa. Take the classroom outside and get your students stoked. It's an unforgettable experience learning to ski & ride on an active volcano here at the UNESCO dual World Heritage Tongariro National Park..

LEARN

Take the classroom outside

Fresh mountain air and positive outdoor experiences are in abundance up here! Stretch the legs, take a deep breath and enjoy the outdoors in NZ's largest winter playground.

We'll take care of keeping the students warm and dry in our excellent rental outerwear while they play, learn and develop new skills and confidence. With the help of our experienced ski and snowboard instructors, anyone can learn; including students with physical, sensory or cognitive impairments.

Students wanting to earn NCEA credits from their trip can do so with our instructors. Assessments according to the NZQA standards can be carried out and verified. Please contact the Schools and Groups Coordinator for more information, and/or to organize assessment criteria.

Learn on the go

In September 1887, the mountain peaks; Ruapehu, Ngauruhoe and Tongariro were declared scared by the Paramount Chief of Ngati Tuwharetoa, Horonuku Te Heu Heu Tukino, enacting a tuku (act of customary lore) ensuring their protection for all people for all time.

This formed the nucleus of Tongariro National Park, New Zealand's first National Park and a dual World Heritage area.

A trip to Mt Ruapehu can provide plenty of hands-on learning opportunities for students to discover the traditions and stories of the maunga (mountain).



SKI THE VOLCAND

Happy Valley at Whakapapa

Happy Valley Opens 1 June 2019. Guaranteed snow!

Learn to ski and snowboard at NZ's best beginners' facility! A fully self-contained learners' area, Happy Valley boasts its own café, rental complex and ski school meeting area, while also being free of advanced skiers and snowboarders. The gentle slope is nice and long, allowing for plenty of time to really get the hang of turning and stopping. The easy to use carpet lifts and a slow-moving chairlift help encourage quick progression.



1 x double fixed chairlift & 4 x carpet lifts (2 covered).

Whakapapa Ski Area

Whakapapa Opens 22 June 2019

Located on Mt Ruapehu's north-west facing slopes, Whakapapa is NZ's largest ski area. The huge variety of terrain offers mellow slopes for first-timers and epic chutes, drops and bumps for the most experienced. Whakapapa is also home to the Knoll Ridge Chalet, offering a selection of cuisine at NZ's highest eateries 2,020m above sea level.

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NZ's most extensive lift facilities – $1 \times \text{gondola}$, $1 \times \text{quad}$ express chairlift, $2 \times \text{quad}$ fixed chairlifts, $3 \times \text{T-bars}$.

Tūroa Ski Area

Tūroa Opens 29 June 2019

Tūroa is home to Mt Ruapehu's southwest facing slopes. Renowned for huge snow bases, unique volcanic terrain, wide trails and epic terrain parks. Boasting NZ's longest vertical descent at 722m, Tūroa is also the home of NZ's highest chair lift: The High Noon Express. The Alpine Meadow and Wintergarden are perfect areas for first time skiers and snowboarders with plenty of room to learn the turns.



1 x 6 seater, 2 x quad chairlifts, 2 x triple chairlifts, 2 x platter lifts & 1 x carpet lift.



EVERYTHING YOU NEED

Learn to Ski & Ride

Mt Ruapehu aims to provide an unforgettable on-snow experience. In order to offer a flat rate for all students, we have introduced a fixed package with optional add-ons, regardless of pre-owned lift passes or equipment.

Adult supervisors on a 1:6 student ratio will receive their package for FREE (excludes any add-ons). Additional adult packages can be purchased at student package rates.

One day Ski/Snowboard package includes:

- All Mountain Lift Pass
- Recreational Ski or Snowboard Rental Equipment (helmet included)
- 1 x 1 hr 50min Group Lesson
- Sightseeing Pass

Optional Add-ons:

- Additional 1 hr 50min lesson

- Lunch

- Jacket & Pants clothing combo
- 1hr Sledding Pass

LEVEL UP

Designed especially for schools with a ski or snowboard team training for local races

This programme includes one qualified race coach for a 6 hr training session for up to 8 skiers or riders of similar ability. It **does not include** lift passes, rentals, lunch or clothing hire.

Product includes:

Full Day Race Training Start time : 9AM End time : 3PM Accommodates up to 8 skiers/snowboarders of similar ability per session

On-mountain accommodation



Transport

We offer shuttles from National Park and Ohakune to Whakapapa & Turoa Ski areas. This guarantees you will get up to the mountain on days where the road restricted due to snow and/or ice.

If your school requires transportation from other locations, contact our Schools and Groups Coordinator to organize long distance shuttles and multi-day trips.

From	To Whakapapa	To Turoa
Auckland	Approx 4 hrs 30 mins	Approx 5 hrs
Wellington	Approx 4 hrs 20 mins	Approx 4 hrs
Taupo	Approx 1 hr 15 mins	Approx 2 hrs
Hamilton	Approx 3 hrs	Approx 3hrs 20 mins
Rotorua	Approx 2 hrs 20 mins	Approx 3 hrs
Palmerston North	Approx 2 hrs 40 mins	Approx 2 hrs 20 mins

STAY



Accommodation

We are able to offer ski-in/ski-out on-mountain accommodation at Whakapapa Ski Area for school groups. Catering can be supplied by Mt Ruapehu to make it easy for you.

In the stunningly scenic lakeside township of Great Lake Taupo, the accommodation ranges from heritage hotels to ski lodges and motels. All are situated within easy reach of Mt Ruapehu and other fantastic geothermal attractions.

National Park is well situated for those who wish to stay close to the mountain and enjoy epic views of the Tongariro National Park. A popular adventure hub, both in winter and summer with plenty of wet day attractions close by.

Ohakune proudly serves as Turoa's vibrant ski resort town. Conveniently located at the base of the mountain there are plenty of accommodation providers, eateries and shops to make the stay easy.

Our Schools and Groups Coordinators have a full list of options available and can assist with your reservations.

SIGN ME UP

Keen to ski & ride with us this winter? << CLICK HERE >> for a step by step guide of the booking process and receive immediate quote and confirmation for your trip.

Check out the full Terms and Conditions << HERE>>>

NEED MORE HELP? CONTACT US

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