



SUMMER AT WHAKAPAPA

Experience the volcano in summer for alpine adventures and enviable photo opportunities on a variety of short walks, typically available December - June. Refuel with a delicious lunch, coffee or snack from the Knoll Ridge Chalet, perched 2020m above sea level, with breathtaking views of The Tongariro National Park through the floor to ceiling windows.

GETTING HERE

Top of Bruce Road, Mt Ruapehu. Just over an hour south of Taupō in the Central North Island and next door to Tongariro Alpine Crossing. Follow SH48, an easy, sealed 6km drive past Whakapapa Village.

Sky Waka experiences are subject to weather. Check website for updated conditions.

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SKY WAKA



SHORT WALKS TRAIL MAP

We have a diverse range of alpine plants that live here on the maunga. Please take care not to stand on plants you encounter on your walk.

BE PREPARED

It's important to make sure you are prepared for the alpine environment here at Mt Ruapehu. The first thing to remember is that every trip needs a plan, even a short day walk. Use this simple and easy tool to plan your trip and find a recommended equipment list:

www.mountainsafety.org.nz/plan-my-trip/

BASIC CHECKLIST

- ☐ Tell someone your plans
- ☐ Closed footwear (recommended)
- ☐ Water
- ☐ Sunscreen
- ☐ Hat & sunglasses
- ☐ Waterproof jacket
- ☐ Don't forget the camera!



SKYLINE



One for the bucket list! Described as the 'best short walk' in Tongariro National Park, Skyline takes you from the Knoll Ridge Chalet (2,020m) to Skyline Ridge (2,300m) for views of Mt Ngauruhoe, Lake Taupō & beyond.

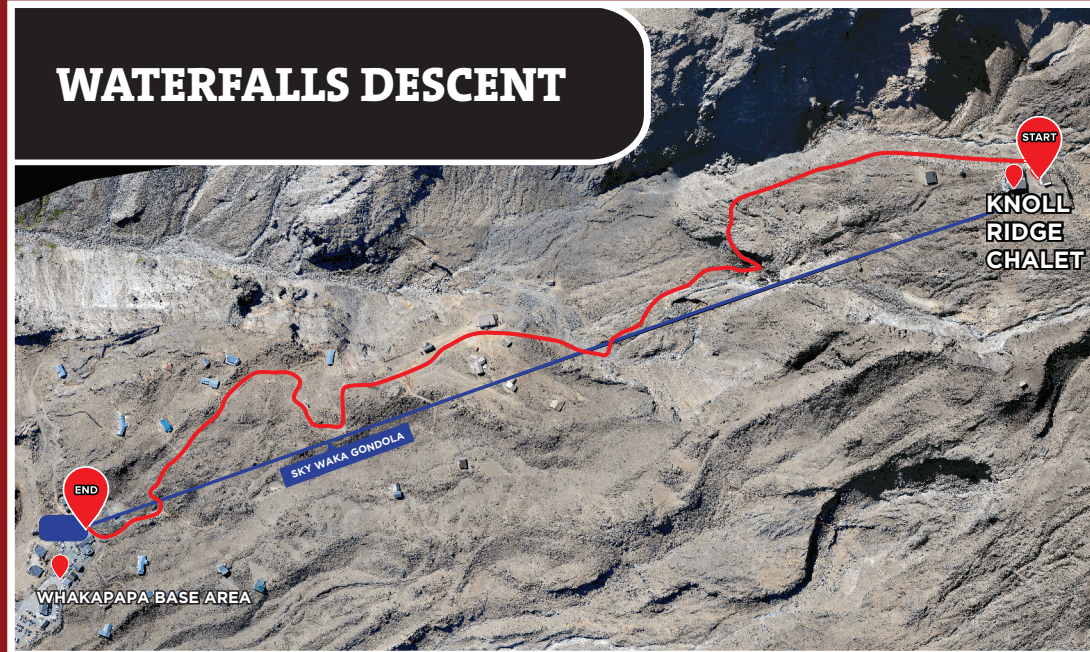


1.5-
2.5 hrs
(return)



Start from
the top of
Sky Waka
Gondola

WATERFALLS DESCENT



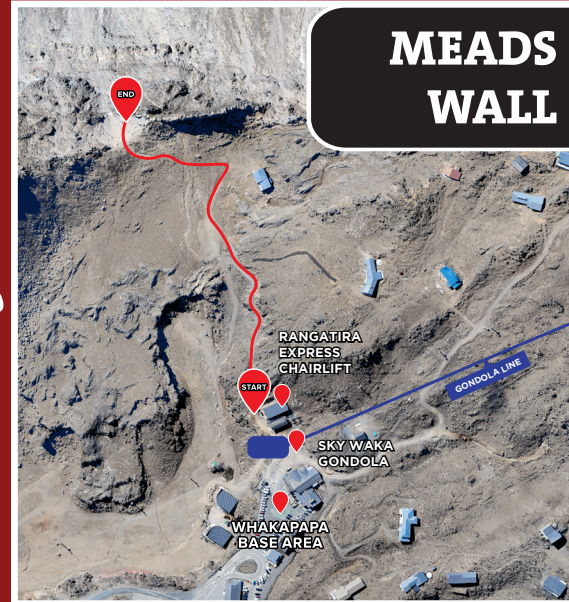
1.5-2 hrs
(descent)



Start from
the top of
Sky Waka
gondola

From the Knoll Ridge Chalet (2,020m), walk the same path as ancient lava flows & lahars as you descend past stunning waterfalls, rugged volcanic terrain & amazing views of the Central Plateau.

MEADS WALL



30 mins
(return)



Start from
the Base
Area

Discover cinematic history and immerse yourself in the moody scenery where several scenes from The Fellowship of the Ring & The Two Towers were filmed.