



# Tui Ridge Park

ROTORUA NEW ZEALAND

## *Bush Walks/Tree walk*

### *What is the TRP tree walk?*

Tui Ridge is 170 hectares in size so there are plenty of trails for you to walk on. The tree walk is a trail set up specifically to introduce you to some of our better known native trees as well as some of the many "exotic" (introduced) trees from around the world. A map and info pack can be picked up at our main office that gives you all the information you'll need to learn a little more about the world we live in.

### *You are in good hands*

You can walk around the Park absolutely free. All we ask is that you notify us of your intentions. Our qualified staff will give you all the information you'll need to enjoy the park walks. For a small charge Tui Ridge can provide an instructor to show you around the park and share their unique knowledge of our surroundings.

### *What do I have to wear?*

We advise sturdy shoes, relatively comfortable fitting practical clothes. Hats and warm jackets are recommended and a raincoat just in case as it can get cold at the park.

### *Food and Water*

Taps with drinking water are around the park so you can fill up your drink bottles before you set off if you need to. Tui Ridge can provide meals by request but this must be booked prior to arrival and would be additional cost.

### *Who can use it?*

Any member of the public can enjoy the beauty of our Park on any day of the week except Saturdays. For your own safety we would ask that you contact us prior to coming and let us know your intentions. There may be times also that are inconvenient to come due to other exclusive bookings onsite so please do not be offended if we do not permit your entrance.

### *Contact details*

You can contact us by email at [tuiridgepark@xtra.co.nz](mailto:tuiridgepark@xtra.co.nz) or fax us on 07 332 3540 or just plain old fashioned call us on 0800 TUIRIDGE, we would love to hear from you.



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## **BUSH WALK/NATURE STUDY PROCEDURES**

**This is an adult supervision activity**

### *DESCRIPTION*

Around Tui Ridge Park we have many tracks and trails in a wide range of flora and fauna. Trails are sprayed and easy to follow with signs always pointing to home. You can take your group on a walk yourself or Tui Ridge Park staff can show around and can identify some of the trees for you. A nature study work sheet is also available.

### *GROUP RESPONSIBILITIES*

Adults should make themselves familiar with the trails before activity  
Adults must supervise activity at all times  
Adults should be stationed at front and back of group during the walk  
Tui Ridge Park recommends that a safe working ratio of 1 adult per 10 students be maintained when working with groups of 30 or more  
Group leaders are responsible for pointing out the hazards  
Any property damaged while on the walk will be charged to the group accordingly  
Groups are to stay on the trails at all times  
Groups must be aware that others may be using the trails also  
Tui Ridge Park recommends a buddy system be used at all times  
Group leaders are solely responsible for the safety and well being of all the group members during activity

### *TUI RIDGE PARK RESPONSIBILITIES*

Tui Ridge Park will point out possible hazards, if any, to group leader prior to activity  
Tui Ridge Park will maintain the trails on a regular basis  
Tui Ridge Park will recommend the best possible route for the group  
Tui Ridge Park will provide work sheets needed for the bush study activity if requested by the group

### *DISCLAIMER*

I the under signed have read and understood the procedures for walking around the Tui Ridge Park trails and here by declare to maintain that all requirements are known and followed by all participants.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Group leader) Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Group name: \_\_\_\_\_



## *Safety Action Plan*

### **Bush Walk/Tree study**

What could go wrong?	What could cause it to go wrong?	How could we prevent it from going wrong?	Whose responsibility is it?	When/where will it be done?
Sprained ankles, knees, grazes and blisters	Slipping over, uneven ground  Slippery tracks	Regularly check and maintain trails  Wear proper fitting footwear  Monitor weather and advise groups accordingly to take care on trails.	Tui Ridge Staff  Group leaders  Tui Ridge Staff	Every couple of months  Prior to activity  Prior to activity
Hypothermia/Hyperthermia/dehydration	Weather conditions	Monitor weather and advise group of safety precautions, i.e. wear rain gear to keep warm, drink water to keep hydrated	Tui Ridge Staff and group leader	Monitor during activity
Participants get lost	Get left behind or get too far ahead of group	Keep group together at all times. Have regular stops and check numbers  Give groups a map of the trails and brief leaders on trails	Group leaders  Tui Ridge Staff	During activity  Prior to activity

## *Safety Action Plan*

### **Emergency Action Plan**

- Stop the activity
- Assess the patient administer first aid if injury is not serious
- If serious injury contact Ambulance service via Tui Ridge office on 2 way radio
- Do not move patient
- Stay with injured party until help arrives
- Continue activity if appropriate after patient is treated
- Complete incident form at end of ride

### **Instructor requirements**

- Group leadership skills
- Bush walking skills and knowledge

### **Pre activity check list**

- Check maps
- Check helmets are in good condition
- Assist group in the fitting of bike and helmets
- Give riding skills instruction to group

### **Additional requirements/Qualifications:**

TRP Staff should have the following NZQA unit standards

- 425
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- 20159

