

THE GREAT WHANGANUI

PLAY TRAIL

Kia ora! This is your guide to playing in our city centre. Follow the map, take your time, skip some spots, find new ones, make up new games along the way...

Play Trail Activities

1. Mirror, mirror on the ball... Do a silly dance with your reflection.
2. Pākaitore is our tūrangawaewae – a place for us to stand together and stand tall. Can you work together to make yourself even taller? How about a piggyback ride, or a human pyramid? Please be considerate of others, and use Pākaitore in a safe and appropriate way.
3. Check out the mural across the road. Is that a... whale on a train? What else is going on in that picture? Make up a ridiculous story about it.
4. Have you ever seen musical instruments like these? Figure out how to play them and have a jam.
5. Pick up the phone and try calling a number. See who answers.
6. The gardens here are for eating and sharing! Taste test the herbs to find your favourite.
7. First to get their marble from mountains to sea wins! (You can get marbles for 20c from Brown and Co.)
8. Do you see Edith Collier painting up a storm? Make your own masterpiece on the chalkboard.
9. Check out these old pictures of Whanganui... If you were a time traveller, which one would you travel into? Why?
10. Ride the magic carpet while you sneak through the secret alleyway between buildings. (The end of the alleyway is very narrow and not wheelchair accessible. Take a shortcut down Victoria Ave instead.)
11. Find a leaf to be your waka and race it down the awa fountain. What type of leaves are fastest?
12. You are now entering the Silly Walk Zone. No normal walking allowed until you see the carillon (it's a musical instrument with a LOT of bells).
13. Count all the fingers! Just kidding. You'd be here all day. Find a handprint the same size as yours.
14. Head upstairs in the museum (admission is free), find the native birds and see if you can copy their calls (just not TOO loudly).
15. It's showtime! Hop up on the stage and give a show, sing a waiata or play charades.
16. You've found the largest pool table in all New Zealand! If the food trucks are open, you can borrow some equipment from the shed.
17. There's a great view of the city from up here! Play a game of I-Spy.
18. The Ladies Rest was built as a place to chill. Recharge your mind by imagining the peaceful flow of the awa while you hop along the stones.

Art Animals Bingo

Keep an eye out for these animals along the way. When you spot one, cross it off the list.

Hint: Look in murals, sculptures, photographs...



Kurī - Dog



Ngeru - Cat



Whio - Blue Duck



Ika - Fish



Kererū - Wood Pigeon



Tohorā - Whale



Hoiho - Yellow-eyed Penguin



Arewhana - Elephant



Raiona - Lion



Kārearea - Falcon

Can you spot any other animals?



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GUYTON ST

CAMERON TCE

SAINT HILL ST

VICTORIA AVE

WATT ST

WATT ST

DREWS AVE

BELL ST

PARK PL

BATES ST

RIDGWAY ST

RIDGWAY ST

MARKET PL

RUTLAND ST

DREWS AVE

TAUPŌ QUAY








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MOUTOA QUAY

ANZAC PDE

50m

Legend

-  Short Route
-  Long Route
-  Accessible Shortcut
-  Stairs
-  i-SITE
-  Toilets
-  Off-street Parking

How did it go?

We'd love to hear about it!
You can scan the QR code here →
or visit our website to tell us more
(we promise it'll be fun!)

