To plan your day in Marlborough, make your first stop the Picton i-SITE Visitor Information Centre. All tours are designed to have you back at the ship on time.

### Sightseeing & Tours
- Scenic highlights
- Sounds cruise
- Wine tours
- Fishing trips
- History and nature tours
- Private tour with driver/guide
- Omaka Aviation Heritage Centre
- Scenic flights

### Explore Picton
- Museums and Galleries
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Picton by Foot or Bike

A Quick Guide to Walking and Mountainbike Tracks in the Picton Area. Enjoy the Beauty of this Welcoming Seaside Town.

MAP KEY
- Reserve
- Walking Track
- Walking Track & Mountainbike Track
- Mountainbike Track
- Seeded Road

- Track
- Boat Ramp
- Information Panel
- Lookout
- Parking Area
- Mountain Bike Tracks
- Toilets
- Mountain Bikes Not Permitted
- No Fires
- No Camping

NOTE: Please...
- NO Fires
- NO Camping in reserves
- Mountain bikes are permitted on designated mountain bike tracks only.

WALK TIMES (all times are one way)

VICTORIA DOMAIN
Picton Foreshore to Shelley Beach - over bridge
Upper Bob's Bay Track
Lower Bob's Bay Track - Cliff Track
Harbour View Track
Scout Track
Harbour View Car Park to Bob's Bay
Snout Track (Car Park to Queen Charlotte View)
Snout Track (Queen Charlotte View to Snout Head)
Piton - Waikawa Track (walking time)

ESSON'S VALLEY
Garden Terrace Road to tracks intersection
Humphries Dam
Barnes Dam

TIROHANGA TRACK
Garden Terrace or Newgate St to Hilltop View
Garden Terrace to Newgate St returning via Picton Streets
Karaka Point Track (10kms from Picton)

TOP 3 WALKS starting at Picton Foreshore (times are return)

Bob's Bay 1hr (via Lower Bob's Bay)
Hilltop View Point 1hr 15min (via Newgate St to hilltop & return)
The Snout 3 - 4hrs (via Bob's Bay & Snout Tracks)

TRACK DESCRIPTIONS OVERLEAF

TAKE NOTHING BUT DEEP BREATHS AND PHOTOGRAPHS, LEAVE NOTHING BUT FOOTPRINTS.
PICTON BY FOOT OR BIKE

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Victoria Domain Tracks

- Picton Foreshore to Shelley Beach 10 minutes
  From the Picton Foreshore cross the arched “Coathamber” footbridge to reach the Victoria Domain information sign beside the “Echo” - an historic scow beached on the Shelley Beach foreshore just a few minutes from the town centre.

- Upper Bob’s Bay Track 30 minutes
  This popular, well graded track starts at the Echo, just over the Coathamber Bridge and joins the Lower Bob’s Bay Track just before descending into the Bay. This sheltered bay is suitable for swimming – however watch for the wake from large ships. There is a grassed picnic area and a toilet. This is the safest track for children and provides excellent harbour views.

- Lower Bob’s Bay Track - Cliffs Track 30 minutes
  Bluffs exist along sections of this track, therefore supervision of children is highly recommended. Follow the shoreline of Shelley Beach north from the Coathamber Bridge to the start of this walk. The track sides above the shoreline with views of Picton Harbour then descends to Bob’s Bay. The return journey can be made along the rocky shoreline at low tide, or along the Upper Bob’s Bay Track.

- Harbour View Track 20 minutes
  This track branches off the Upper Bob’s Bay Track about 5 minutes on from the Echo and continues uphill to reach the road from Sussex Street at a lookout over Picton Harbour and the Picton to Wellington Ferry terminal. Follow the road for a further 10 minutes to the Harbour View Lookout. (Alternatively, you can drive to the Harbour View Lookout from the end of Sussex Street).

- Scout Track 20 minutes
  This track starts at the end of Sussex Street and climbs up through bush to the Harbour View Lookout. Constructed by the Scouts some twenty years ago, this track offers a pleasant alternative to walking up the road.

- Bob’s Bay from Harbour View Carpark 15 min down 20 min up
  Follow the unsealed road for a few minutes then descend to the steep track (slippery when wet). The Lower Bob’s Bay Track is joined just before it descends to the bay.

- Snout Track 50 minutes
  Car Park to Queen Charlotte View 40 minutes
  Queen Charlotte View to Snout Head
  From the Snout Track carpark, walk along the gravel road. From the road end, the track climbs to the Queen Charlotte View Lookout. Extensive views can be enjoyed along the way. A toilet and picnic table are located at the lookout. The track then descends through bush to the picnic area at the end of the headland. Note: Sections of this track can be slippery when wet.

- Picton to Waikawa Track 50 minutes
  This walking and mountain bike track starts at the Picton Marina and ends at the Waikawa Marina. There are several entry / exit points along the way. At the end of the track, Waikawa Foreshore Reserve can be reached by turning right into Marina Drive, left at Beach Road and via Nautique Place.

Esson’s Valley Tracks

- Garden Terrace Rd to tracks intersection 15 minutes
- Humphries Dam 40 minutes
  The track follows a formed road, then a track of easy gradient passes through native forest to a picnic area beside the lake formed by the Humphries Dam.

- Barnes Dam 45 minutes
  This track turns off the Humphries Dam track 10 minutes from the start and follows the water supply pipeline to the base of Barnes Dam. A steep stairway leads to the top of the dam structure.

Other Tracks

- Tirohana Track 45 minutes to Hilltop View from either end, or...
  2 hrs 15 min to complete entire track and return via Picton Streets.
  A steep track that offers extensive views of Picton, Waikawa and the Sounds from a high viewpoint. Both tracks are slippery when wet. Please note: This track passes through private property, please respect this.

- Karaka Point Track 10 minutes
  This track heads down past the earthworks of a Maori Pa site. Two tracks lead to the beaches and it is possible to walk the rocky shoreline in between at low tide. A commanding view of Queen Charlotte Sound can be seen from the carpark.

Mountain Biking

Mountain Biking is available on the Picton to Waikawa Track and Harbour View to the Snout Carpark. Mountain bikers must give way to other track users. Two mountain bike tracks run parallel to Victoria Domain Rd and a mountain bike area above Ranui Street also provides further riding. Please keep off walking-only tracks, as these are often narrow with insufficient room to pass.

New Zealand Environmental Care Code

10 Point Checklist...

- Protect Plants and Animals - Treat New Zealand’s forest and birds with care and respect. They are unique and often rare.
- Remove Rubbish - Plan your visits to reduce rubbish, and carry out what you carry in.
- Bury Your Toilet Waste - In areas without toilet facilities, bury your toilet waste in a shallow hole well away from waterways, tracks, campsites and huts.
- Keep Streams and Lakes Clean - When cleaning and washing, take the water and wash well away from the water source.
- Keep to the Track - By keeping to the track, where one exists, you lessen the chance of damaging fragile plants.
- Consider Others - Be considerate of other visitors who also have a right to enjoy the natural environment.
- Respect Our Cultural Heritage - Many places in New Zealand have a spiritual and historical significance. Treat these places with consideration and respect.
- Enjoy Your Visit - Take a last look before leaving an area, will the next visitor know that you have been there?
- Protect the environment for your own sake, for the sake of those who come after you, and for the environment itself.
- Taikou te whenua (leave the land undisturbed)

For More Information

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