Bans in Place

The following bans are in place for the Ruatiti Domain:

 Dogs are not permitted from 1 December to the end of April each year.



 There is a liquor ban from midnight on 30 December until midnight on 2 January each year.



 Cutting of trees for firewood or other purposes is not permitted at any time at the Domain. Chainsaws and axes are not permitted.



What people say about Ruatiti Domain

This place is so beautiful. Remote, spacious and tranquil. Waking up to the sound of the river right next to the van was a highlight. It is a lot of fun to be swept down the river. Bring a body board if you can! Drop toilets are kept clean and despite no drinking water you can wash dishes with the taps available. Would give this place 11 if I could.



How to get there

The Ruatiti Road turnoff on State Highway 4 is approximately 3.5 kilometres (km) north of Raetihi township. Continue on the Ruatiti Road for approximately 22km. The Ruatiti Domain entrance is 800 metres past the bridge across the Manganui-O-Te-Ao River.

On entering the Domain, you will pass by a house situated on the right hand side. This house belongs to the custodian of the Domain and is private property. Immediately past the house is a gate which may need to be opened. Please leave the gate as you found it.



A Guide to

Ruatiti Domain



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The Ruatiti Domain is situated on a peninsular of 4,755 hectares, formed at the confluence between Manganui-O-Te-Ao River and the Ruatiti Stream. It lies at an altitude of 240m above sea level and has a temperate climate, with a rainfall of 1500mm per annum.

The Manganui-O-Te-Ao River runs through the Domain, providing sandy beaches and excellent swimming and fishing opportunities.

Camp Sites

The Domain offers a selection of camping areas, either under the open skies or under a canopy of giant beech, Manuka, kanuka and mingimingi trees that offer privacy and shelter from the sun.

There is no booking system for the Domain and camp sites are available on a first in first serve basis

There is currently no cost for the use of the Domain or the facilities.

Facilities

The Domain has a number of basic BBQ, toilet and picnic facilities. Running water is available from a number of taps situated around the Domain. The water supply is spring fed and must be boiled before drinking.

There is no rubbish collection at the reserve and therefore all rubbish must be taken with you when you leave.

