

# Three night itinerary



Loved as the heart of New Zealand's North Island, Taupō offers a variety of experiences and adventures. Huka Lodge offers guests a stylish base from which to explore the region's spectacular natural attractions including Huka Falls and the region's picturesque namesake lake as well as Rotorua and the World Heritage-listed Tongariro National Park.

# Three Night Manaakitanga

Manaakitanga means 'feel at home' in te reo Mãori, the language of New Zealand's Indigenous Mãori people.

The following represents an indicative experience over three nights. Many factors influence the itinerary, including flight arrival and departure times, pre-booked activities, availability, weather conditions and seasonality.

Consider the range of seasonal packages offering premium inclusions such as French Champagne on arrival, rejuvenating spa treatments, private guided experiences and late checkout to ease parting ways. Find out more »

#### What's included

- Full country breakfast
- · Pre-dinner drinks and canapés
- Five-course dinner with daily changing menu
- Use of all lodge facilities
- Return Taupō Airport transfers

#### Contact us

To speak with a Reservations Consultant, please call +64 7 378 5791 during business operation hours: Monday-Sunday 9-5pm (NZST).



## Day 1 Welcome

Arrive at Huka Lodge to a warm welcome. Explore the 17-acre parkland surrounds at leisure and meander along the riverbanks to take in views of the deep turquoise green waters of the Waikato River.



Check-in time is 2pm. Where possible, flexibility with early check-in will be provided. The lodge operates complimentary airport transfers connecting with scheduled flights to Taupō Airport shared with fellow guests. Private transfers can be arranged for an additional charge.



## Day 1 Afternoon

This afternoon, take up a gentle pursuit, perhaps pétanque or a leisurely game of tennis before retiring to the shade of the willows that line the riverbanks, easing into the relaxed vibe and pleasing surrounds of Huka Lodge.

#### Dining

Pre-dinner drinks and canapés are served from 6.30pm.





## Day 1 Evening

Enjoy evening drinks and canapés served in the main lodge from 6.30pm. The evening segues to a sumptuous five-course degustation dinner served in the warm romantic hew of candlelight. World class wines complement premium local produce, presented in a clever and contemporary daily changing menu.

#### Dining

Dinner is served from 7pm. Last seating 8.45pm.



## Day 2 Morning

Embrace a gentle start to the morning as the mists rise and roll from the surface of the Waikato River. Enjoy a country style breakfast in the lodge while planning the day ahead. Perhaps a hike through the Tongariro National Park or a luxury cruise on Lake Taupō?

Dining Breakfast is served daily from 7.30-10.30am.



## Day 2 Afternoon

After lunch, set off to discover the Spa Thermal Park and walk upstream along the Waikato River to the powerful Huka Falls. Take a moment to feel the falls thundering along the natural channel to the river below.

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Lunch is served daily from 12-4pm.



## Day 2 Evening

This evening enjoy pre-dinner drinks in the main lodge. Choose from one of around twenty different dining venues around Huka Lodge, from the Wine Cellar lined with the finest vintages to the book-lined Library with a fireside table.

#### Dining options

Hidden around the lodge and gardens are more than twenty dining spaces, where lunch or dinner is served for an even more intimate dining experience.



## Day 3 Morning

Enjoy an early breakfast before departing the lodge with a personal fly-fishing guide. Gain access to the best wilderness fishing for Brown and Rainbow trout in Taupō's network of pristine waterways.

Additional charges apply View more details on our website.





## Day 3 Afternoon

After lunch, join a Māori cultural tour to discover the natural heritage and stories of the Taupō region. Connect with a member of the Ngati Tuwharetoa Māori tribe or take a kayak and paddle to the Ngatoroirangi Mine Bay Māori Rock Carvings on Lake Taupō.

#### Additional charges apply

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### Day 3 Evening

After a full day's adventures, relax with sunset drinks and compare notes with likeminded guests. This evening, enjoy the rich lodge ambiance with open fires and fine wines served to complement a degustation-style dinner before retiring to the lounge for a digestif.

#### Dining

Pre-dinner drinks and canapés are served from 6.30pm.



## Day 4 Morning

Make the most of a last morning at Huka Lodge with a private yoga session on the dedicated grass lawn complete with a Japanese torii gate. Follow with a satisfying breakfast in the main lodge before taking a bike for an easy cycle into the Taupō township.

#### Dining

Breakfast is served daily from 7.30-10.30am.



## Day 4 Farewell

Conclude an unforgettable stay at Huka Lodge with a farewell to the familiar lodge team. For an exhilarating exit depart in style with a scenic helicopter ride from Huka Lodge over Taupō's picturesque landscape.

#### Additional charges apply

Please contact us for pricing your helicopter transfer.



## Other recommendations

We highly recommend making time for the following experiences in your itinerary.

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## Hiking

Taupō's varied natural landscape presents boundless opportunities for walking and hiking, either on a guided or self-guided basis. At Huka Lodge, guests can explore the tree-lined pathways that lead through the verdant gardens, follow the Spa Park walk to Huka Falls or take on the full-day hike to the Tongariro Alpine Crossing.

# Additional charges apply View more details on our website.



## **Luxury Cruising**

A gentle and stylish way to experience the scenic beauty of Lake Taupō, taking in magnificent mountain views, view Māori rock carvings, and an option for fishing and kayaking along the way with food and beverages provided.

## Additional charges apply View more details on our website.

# Broaden your horizons

A stay in the spectacular parklike surrounds of Huka Lodge at Taupō, places guests at the doorstep to a host of wonderful experiences of the destination, from the traditional fly-fishing on the banks of the Waikato River to hiking, luxury cruising, golfing and more. Any of the region's tours and activities can be booked with the help of the Huka Lodge team. Experiences may be requested at time of reservation, or once at the lodge subject to availability.

#### Additional charges apply

Huka Lodge works closely with local specialist operators providing a range of adventure options ideal for guests looking to explore more. View more details on our website.