

BIODIVERSITY RIDE

From the idyllic beach settlement of Waikuku to the lakeside town of Pegasus, ride the Tūtaepatu Trail alongside a regenerating forest and around the Te Kōhanga Wetlands. This ride is flat, easy and well maintained. Perfect for the family or the more relaxed cyclist.



Starting Location: Waikuku Beach – 25 mins from Christchurch



Bike Time: 40 – 60mins

* Ride times have been worked out on approximately 13 km per hour.



Distance: 12 kms return



Grade: Easy, Two-way shared trail



Condition: Compact shingle

What to bring:

- Togs for the beach
- Bikes (and accessories)
- Sunscreen
- Hat
- Wallet

Further Trail Directions

Head to Kiwi Ave, Waikuku Beach to signage for Northern Pegasus Bay. Follow the trail to turnoff to Pegasus (Tiritiri Moana Road). 1 km up the road turn left to ride around Te Kōhanga Wetlands. Take exits to Pegasus Main Street for Pegasus Village. On returning to Waikuku, choose the Wetland ride or head back via Tiritiri Moana Drive.

Taking that Ride Further

Stay on the Tūtaepatu Trail to Woodend, and check out the Tūtaepatu Lagoon on the way. To go further take the Pegasus Trail to Pines/Kairaki and then on to Kaiapoi.

All our cycleways can be networked to create longer rides, refer Eastern Cycle Trails Map, visitwaimakariri.co.nz



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PLACES TO STOP

PEGASUS

Stop for a bite at one of Pegasus' eateries. Ride or stroll around the lake and enjoy the views from the swing bridge. A short cycle to Kaitiritiri Ridge will give you great views of the golf course and township.

WAIKUKU

Visit Waikuku's surf patrolled beach for a refreshing swim or take in the mighty Pacific Ocean as you stroll to the mouth of the Ashley/Rakahuri River. Grab a bite of freshly cooked fish and chips, ice cream or coffee from the local store.

Brick Mill Shopping Complex – On SH1 the old twine mill is home to an eclectic group of shops and a café.

Old School Collective – On SH1 this repurposed primary school houses retail and a café.

Studio A & Co – Glass artistry on SH1, not to be overlooked. Watch the artist at work and view the gallery.

Lavender Fields – For all that is from the plant to the product, stop, and check this out on Waikuku Beach Road.

THE ENVIRONMENT YOU ARE IN

Tūhaitara Coastal Park – The coastal park runs from the mouth of the Waimakariri River to the settlement of Waikuku Beach. It consists of numerous ecosystems including a freshwater network of wetlands, a lagoon and streams connecting the Waimakariri and Ashley/Rakahuri braided rivers.

Tūtaepatu Lagoon – This fresh water lagoon is an ecosystem and is home to a variety of native flora and fauna. The restoration work of the lagoon, will be used as a seed bank for the rest of Caterbury in the future.

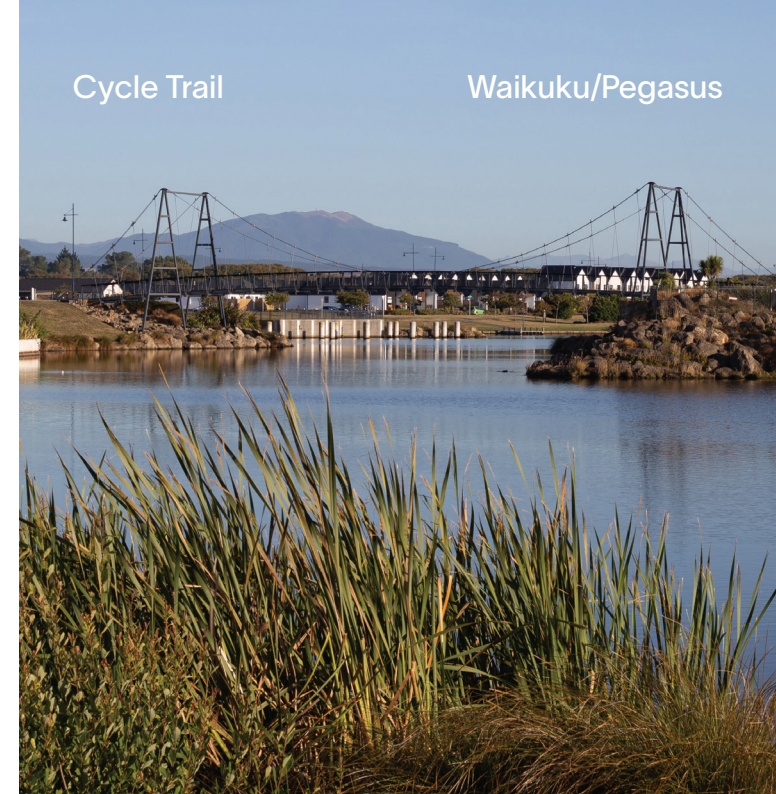
Biota Nodes Project – These are a series of small, localised points of native flora and fauna when matured will extend outwards to form a biodiversity skeleton stretching the length of the park.

Ashley/Rakahuri River and Estuary – New Zealand is one of only four countries in the world to have braided rivers. This river and the estuary are home to some of the world's rarest birds.

Te Kōhanga Wetlands – This 97 hectare recreation and conservation area is home to a range of natural habitats of native flora and fauna.

Cycle Trail

Waikuku/Pegasus



WHY WE LONG FOR THE WEEKEND

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Waimakariri



KEY

--- Cycle Trail



Public Toilets



Cafe



Takeout



Surf Lifesaving Club



Paddling Pool



Petrol Station



Lavender Fields



Shopping



Glass Art

✓ TO WOODEND