

Waiheke Island

EASTERN EXPLORER HOP-ON HOP-OFF



40 MINUTE FERRY RIDE

10 CONVENIENT STOPS

110 MINUTE LOOP



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Explore the untapped east



3 Stony Batter Tunnels

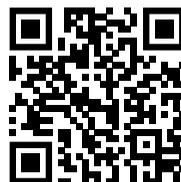
Explore the unique underworld of Fort Stony Batter, taking you back in time through 1.2km of subterranean WWII tunnels. Built in the 1940s, the site features an extensive network of underground tunnels, gun emplacements, and observation posts. Learn about history while enjoying the surrounding scenic reserve, known for its distinctive volcanic rock formations and panoramic views. Please note a moderate level of fitness is recommended. There is a 1km walk across an easy farm road to the Tunnel Visitors Centre, walking shoes recommended.

Stony Batter Tunnel tours

- ▶ 50-minute heritage tour
- ▶ 25-minute bunker and art tour (200m underground)
- ▶ (021) 483 425
- ▶ stonybattertunnels.nz



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5 Waiheke Distilling Co.

Perched on the scenic ridge above Cowes Bay, Waiheke Distilling Co. offers some of the island's most breathtaking views. Specialising in premium, small-batch craft spirits, you can sample their unique botanical blends and relax in the garden with cocktails, delicious pizzas, and grazing plates. Learn about their story and distilling process with a tour, or enjoy the shared lunch special, available with pre-bookings.

Highlights

- ▶ Distillery tours
- ▶ Cocktails
- ▶ Grazing platters and pizzas
- ▶ (09) 372 7797
- ▶ waihekedistilling.co.nz



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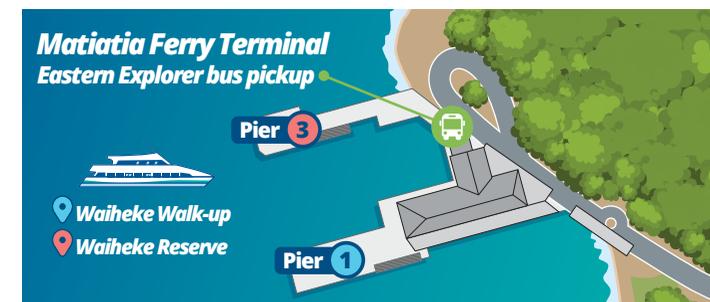


Eastern Explorer Hop-On Hop-Off bus

A flexible way to explore more of Waiheke Island, now venturing into the untapped east! Travel at your own pace as the Eastern Explorer Hop-On Hop-Off bus takes you to some of the island's top spots, including vineyards, distilleries, and historic sites.

Tour details

- ▶ **Eastern Explorer Hop-On Hop-Off bus:** Buses depart Matiatia Ferry Terminal every 60 minutes, with more frequent returns from the eastern end of the island. The timetable is designed to visit key locations, offering 10 convenient stops along the way. Alternatively, stay on board for a scenic 110-minute tour, where your friendly driver-guide will share fascinating island history and insider tips to help you plan your perfect day.
- ▶ **Discover the flavours of Waiheke Island:** Must-visit locations include the historic Stony Batter Tunnels, Man O' War Vineyard, Waiheke Distilling Co., Passage Rock Wines and Awaroa Organic Winery.
- ▶ **Duration:** We recommend allowing a full day, including ferry travel to and from downtown Auckland.
- ▶ **Departure time:** Each Eastern Explorer Hop-On Hop-Off bus arrives at Matiatia Ferry Terminal to meet the ferry. The first bus meets the 9am sailing from downtown Auckland. The final bus will return passengers to the ferry terminal to meet the 6:00pm sailing back to downtown Auckland.
- ▶ **Ferry travel:** Please allow ample time to catch your preferred ferry. For more certainty, choose the Waiheke Reserve bookable service. Alternatively, opt for the Waiheke Walk-up ferry, an on-demand service, and plan to arrive at least 60 minutes prior to your preferred departure time, especially during the busy summer period.



Tour pricing

- ▶ Scan the QR code below with your phone to view Eastern Explorer Hop-On Hop-Off bus pricing. Or visit us online at fullers.co.nz



Some vineyards may close from time to time. In these instances, the Eastern Explorer Hop-On Hop-Off bus will not stop at these destinations. Advanced bookings are advisable for Fullers360 tours. If you are planning to dine on Waiheke Island, please book the venue in advance of travel to avoid disappointment. Arrive at the Downtown Ferry Terminal at least 30 minutes prior to ferry departure for boarding. In summer, we recommend allowing at least 60 minutes. All departures and timetables are subject to change or cancellation. Prices in this brochure are correct at time of printing and inclusive of GST, and may change without notice. All travel on Fullers360 sailings and tours is subject to our full terms and conditions of travel, available online at fullers.co.nz.

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Explore the untapped east

Bookings are recommended or essential, depending on the venue. Please see their websites for opening hours and to book.



4 Man O' War Vineyards

With iconic wines, picturesque vineyards, and warm hospitality, Man O' War offers a seamless blend of nature and indulgence. Showcasing current release Flagship and Kulta Collections alongside select limited library vintages, enjoy wine flights, private tastings, or a leisurely lunch. Their beachfront tasting room and restaurant is set against the panoramic backdrop of idyllic Man O' War Bay.

Highlights

- > Cellar door
- > Restaurant
- > Beachfront location
- > (09) 372 9678
- > manowar.co.nz

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5A Jasper Ridge Estate

Specialising in Rosé and Syrah, Jasper Ridge invites you to experience their first-ever 'Tasting in the Vines' this summer — a unique, rustic experience in their working vineyard. Enjoy a guided tasting of five wines, take a walk through the vines, and explore the selection of gifts and wines available for purchase at their Cellar Door.

Highlights

- > Cellar door
- > Vineyard tasting experience
- > Gifting
- > (09) 372 9463
- > jasperridge.co.nz

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6 Passage Rock Wines

Nestled between the hills and the eastern shores of Waiheke, discover Passage Rock, the island's most awarded winery. Renowned for its exceptional Syrah and other fine wines, Passage Rock offers a selection of high-performing wines, expertly paired with locally inspired dishes at its vineyard restaurant. Here, the artful combination of food and wine creates a symphony of flavour and an unforgettable experience.

Highlights

- > Cellar door
- > Restaurant
- > Art and sculptures
- > (09) 372 7257
- > passagerock.co.nz

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7 Awaroa Organic Winery

Awaroa Vineyard is an award-winning boutique winery focused on organic and sustainable practices, with small-batch production. Visitors can enjoy wine tastings and delicious grazing platters in a peaceful garden setting, along with the opportunity to learn about the winemaking process. The grounds also feature three olive orchards, producing organic oil and preserved olives.

Highlights

- > Cellar door
- > Grazing platters
- > Organic wines
- > (022) 450 7613
- > awaroa.co.nz

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Ferry timetable



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- From Matiatia route
- Return to Matiatia route
- From Matiatia stop
- Return to Matiatia stop
- Vineyard
- Distillery
- Food
- Snacks
- Attraction
- Bus stop number
- Ferry

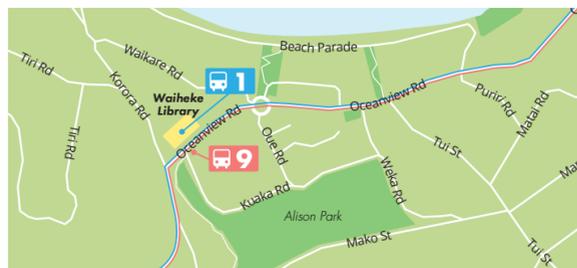
**This is an on-island pick-up and drop-off point only. It is not part of the tour, and the bus may not stop at these locations unless advised.*



On-island pick-ups

Are you already on Waikeke Island or planning to stay after your tour? You may purchase your Eastern Explorer bus tour tickets through our Customer Care team (+64 9 367 9111) or from the Matiatia ticket office. On-island pick-up and drop-off are located conveniently in Oneroa Village and Onetangi. Tickets purchased online will automatically include bus pick-up from the Matiatia Ferry Terminal.

Oneroa Village



Onetangi



Bus timetable



▶ Scan the QR code to view the current bus timetable ◀

NEW FEATURE

TRACK YOUR EXPLORER BUS

We're excited to introduce our brand-new Eastern Explorer bus tracking feature, designed to make your Waikeke Island experience even better. Now you can seamlessly plan your day by checking the location of the next bus and nearby stops.

▶ Just scan the QR code to instantly see where your bus is on the route.

Whether you're enjoying a little extra time at your favourite vineyard or taking a final refreshing dip in the ocean, you can relax knowing the next bus is just a tap away. Explore more of Waikeke at your own pace.

