

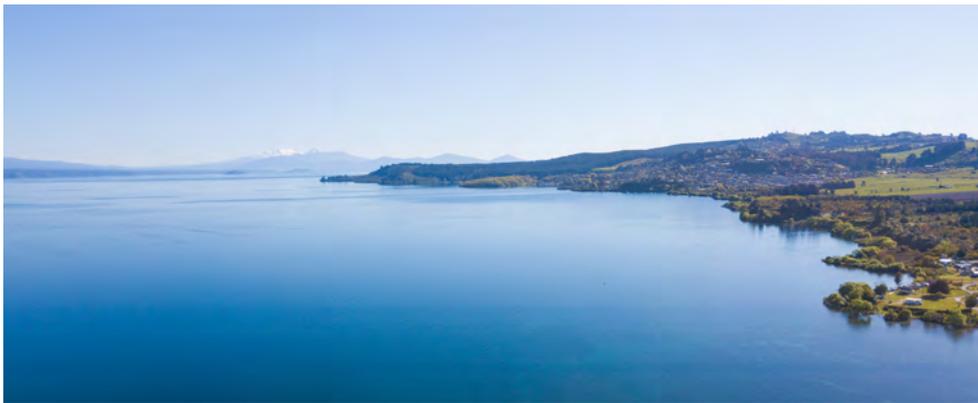


# Lodge Facts & Packages



## Location

The ever-changing Waikato River and broader Lake Taupō region provide a magnificent natural setting for Huka Lodge. Taupō is found on the central plateau of New Zealand’s North Island, distinguished by its vast lake and endowed with a gentle climate, a leisurely pace and spectacular landscape. Formed from an ancient volcanic caldera, Lake Taupō’s vast waters spill into the thundering Huka Falls. Snow-capped mountain peaks, rolling pastures of golden grasses, lush green wilderness and the clear waters of lakes, rivers and streams offer a calming and rewarding vista from every turn.



### Getting there

Huka Lodge is located in Taupō, in the central North Island of New Zealand. Auckland is the gateway for international travellers, with flights arriving into Auckland several times a day.

The Auckland Airport domestic terminal is a short 10-minute walk from the international terminal and Air New Zealand offers two daily scheduled flights to Taupō. Huka Lodge provides complimentary return transfers to and from Taupō Airport, a leisurely 15-minute drive.

[More details »](#)



## Climate

New Zealand’s North Island seasons are distinct, offering a new set of experiences in each season with a marked maritime influence. During the summer months, average daytime temperatures range from 14°C-32°C. In autumn, golden landscapes welcome temperatures from 8-15°C during the day. Winter in Taupō brings temperatures during daylight hours between 6-12°C, perfect for skiing followed by cosy nights warmed by an open fire. The crisp, blue-skied days of spring bring daytime temperatures of 10-15°C.

Season	Average daytime temp	Average overnight temp
Summer (December-February)	14-32°C (57-90°F)	9-11°C (48-53°F)
Autumn (March-May)	8-15°C (46-59°F)	5-9°C (41-48°F)
Winter (June-August)	6-12°C (42-53°F)	3-4°C (37-39°F)
Spring (September-November)	10-15°C (50-59°F)	4-9°C (39-48°F)

### What to bring

Reflecting the country retreat style of the lodge, dress is smart casual at Huka Lodge. Evening attire is elegant, however, ties, jackets and dinner suits are not required. Solid walking shoes, comfortable casual clothes, layers of warmer clothes and an outdoor jacket if travelling in the cooler months are all recommended. Also consider packing golf shoes, a swimsuit and other recreational clothing for active pursuits. A hat, sunglasses and sunscreen are summer essentials.



# Stay

## Accommodation

Twenty Junior Lodge Suites along with two exclusive owners' residences, the Alan Pye Cottage and Alex van Heeren Cottage, are dotted along the banks of the Waikato River and among verdant gardens, each opening onto rolling green lawns and with the sounds of birdsong and the burbling river as nature's orchestral score. Interiors are elegant and calming offering unparalleled comfort and luxury to perfectly complement the extraordinary natural surrounds. All suites feature king beds, wireless internet, climate control, safe and select mini bar. Light-filled bathrooms offer decadently deep bathtubs and luxurious heated floors with adjacent generous dressing rooms. Bathrobes, slippers, hairdryer are provided along with daily housekeeping and evening turndown service.

### Check-in / Check-out

Check-in time is 2pm and check-out time is 11am. Where possible, flexibility with early check-in and late check-out will be provided, however, these are unable to be guaranteed.

### Children

Huka Lodge welcomes children ten years and over.

## Junior Lodge Suite

True retreats in every sense, the Junior Lodge Suites each open on to the Waikato River and are designed to offer personalised luxury and a harmonious flow with the spectacular natural landscape outside. The open-plan bedroom and lounge area offers king or twin beds dressed in fine monogrammed linens and plump feather pillows. Lounge chairs and a writing desk offers another perspective for drinking in the view. A light and spacious bathroom offers every indulgence including deep bath, separate shower, heated floors and twin basins. Adjacent, a generous dressing room makes it truly easy to feel at home.



### N° of suites

20

### Size

49m<sup>2</sup>

### Capacity

2 adults in existing bedding

## Alan Pye Cottage

The Alan Pye Cottage is set above lush rolling green lawns on the banks of the Waikato River. A magnificent lounge features a wood-burning fireplace, inviting sofas, antique furniture pieces and museum-quality Māori artworks. Floor-to-ceiling doors open onto a terrace with an infinity style swimming pool while a courtyard garden offers a heated spa pool and outdoor pavilion. Two stylishly appointed bedrooms each offer king or twin beds dressed with premium linens, a fireplace and walk-through dressing room. Ensuite bathrooms feature deep baths, monogrammed linens and premium amenities.



### N° of suites

1

### Size

325m<sup>2</sup>

### Capacity

4 adults in existing bedding



## Alex van Heeren Cottage

Set on a sunny private bluff on the banks of the Waikato River, the ultra-exclusive Alex van Heeren Cottage offers a spectacular retreat with views downstream towards the thundering Huka Falls. A generous living room with plush lounges, large dining table, vaulted ceilings and an open fireplace opens on both sides through floor-to-ceiling glass doors to reveal unparalleled vistas of the ever-changing waterway and superbly manicured gardens.

Outside, a private courtyard is warmed by a fireplace, and the river-facing terrace is a private suntrap, home also to a heated infinity-style plunge pool and spa. Four bedrooms each with king or twin beds dressed with fine linens, a fireplace, dressing room and opulent ensuite bathroom make the residence the ultimate location for a get together with family and friends.



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N° of suites

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Size

364m<sup>2</sup>

Capacity

8 adults in existing bedding



# Lodge

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## Dining

Dining at Huka Lodge is at the heart of the tradition of generous hospitality for which the lodge is world-renowned. Showcasing New Zealand's finest, often sustainably produced ingredients and complemented by a magnificent selection of wine, the menus at Huka Lodge are daily changing and reflect the seasons and the environment outdoors. Dining can be enjoyed in the sumptuous surrounds of the main lodge or taken in one of more than twenty dining venues dotted around the property, from the Wine Cellar to the Orchard or Jetty Pavilion.

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### What's included

- Full country breakfast
- Gourmet dinner with daily changing menu
- In-suite bar replenished daily
- Pre dinner drinks and canapés

## Cuisine

For nearly a century, the kitchen at Huka Lodge has delighted guests who first came to catch trout in the luminescent blue-green Waikato River. Guests now come from around the world to experience its culinary legacy. Huka Lodge chooses to work with premium New Zealand producers who share a commitment to sustainability.

## Services

Reception and boutique, wireless internet, daily laundry and dry cleaning service (charges apply). All major credit cards are accepted at Huka Lodge.



# Experience

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. Of course, the luxurious setting at Huka Lodge invites leisurely pursuits onsite, including tennis, pétanque and croquet, while the option to read a book on the riverbank, indulge in a spa treatment or enjoy a drink on the terrace are equally appealing.

## Aquatic adventures

At 616-square kilometres, Lake Taupō has a land mass equivalent of Singapore. The waterway is New Zealand’s most popular trout fishing location and most activity on the lake takes the form of trolling using either lures or flies, with the catch averaging around four pounds. For those with a taste for adventure, a jet boat trip on the Waikato River combines thrilling action with the chance to see spectacular natural features like the Huka Falls up close while an exhilarating white water rafting trip on the Tongariro River is an adventurer's must-do.

Additional charges apply  
Aquatic, land and helicopter tours are provided by specialist local operators and additional charges apply. View more details on our [website](#).

## Land expeditions

Nothing brings you closer to Taupō’s unforgettable wilderness than walking through it, and Taupō has some of the best walking tracks in New Zealand. Golfers have a choice of two world-class courses – a favourite being Wairakei International Golf Course just five-minutes away. Also popular is a half or full day tour with a descendant of our local Māori tribe, Ngāti Tūwharetoa – a tribe that is steeped in tradition and history.

## Heli experiences

Taupō offers unforgettable helicopter tours, showcasing powerful volcanoes, thermal reserves, tranquil wilderness areas, sparkling rivers and pristine coastlines – not to mention the region’s star natural attractions - Huka Falls and Lake Taupō. The ultimate and ‘must do’ experience while staying at Huka Lodge, has to be a combination of a scenic helicopter flight over the magnificent Kaimanawa Ranges, the World Heritage site of Tongariro National Park and a scenic boat cruise on New Zealand’s largest lake. *Subject to availability.*

## Lodge activities

Huka Lodge nestles within 17-acres of manicured grounds and offers a location of great natural beauty. There is an all-weather tennis court as well as potential to play pétanque and croquet within the grounds. Guests can try their hand at the traditional pastime of fly fishing and cast a line from the lawn to fish for trout on a catch-and-release basis. A range of beauty and massage treatments offers the chance to unwind in-suite and a private yoga session and tennis tuition can also be arranged. A swimming pool and spa pools are available for the enjoyment of all guests. Mountain bikes are also offered for those wishing to explore on two wheels.

Please note  
Lawn activities are included.  
Additional charges apply for spa treatments, private yoga and tennis tuition.



# Getting there



## Access

Taupō is located roughly in the centre of New Zealand’s North Island, around 3.5 hours’ drive from Auckland. The nearest airport for domestic and international air transfers is Auckland Airport, while the regional Rotorua and Taupō Airports offer optional connections for shorter onward drives. A variety of transfers are available for guests arriving at Huka Lodge, from helicopters to private transfers from a range of departure ports.

## Airport transfers

The lodge operates complimentary airport transfers connecting with scheduled flights to and from Taupō Airport shared with fellow guests. Upon arrival, meet the Huka Lodge representative in the Arrivals Hall.

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## Private transfers

Private transfers may be arranged subject to availability for an additional charge.

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### Additional charges apply

Private transfers can be arranged for an additional tariff.

## Helicopter Transfers

For those seeking a spectacular arrival experience, consider a helicopter transfer from Auckland Airport touching down on the lawn at Huka Lodge. Enjoy bird’s-eye views of the countryside during the 70-minute flight while following New Zealand’s largest river taking in vistas of the hydro-electric dams, forestry and lush farmland along the route. Reservations in advance are essential and additional charges apply.

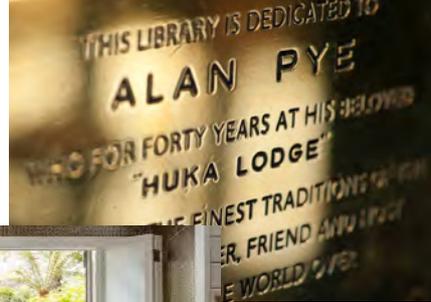
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Helicopter transfers require reservations in advance and incur additional charges.

## Self drive

Guests who are self-driving or hiring a car can expect a 3.5 hour road trip from Auckland, a five hour drive from Wellington or a one hour drive from Rotorua.



# Packages



A stay at Huka Lodge invites a step into another world, layered with refined luxury and calm, where palatial suites and two exclusive owners' residences offer sumptuous, secluded retreat and open to views of the ever-changing Waikato River. Discover our range of specially tailored packages each with generous inclusions.

- Country breakfast, pre-dinner drinks and canapés and gourmet dinner daily
- In-suite bar replenished daily
- Return Taupō Airport transfers
- Use of lodge facilities



## Classic Huka

**From \$2,520 per night in a Junior Lodge Suite.** Experience the beauty of Taupō over three nights with generous standard inclusions plus more. The Classic Huka package combines generous savings on the nightly rate with a complimentary lunch in the lodge restaurant on one day of your stay.

Enjoy standard inclusions plus:

- Significant savings
- One complimentary lunch in the lodge restaurant

### Classic Huka package terms

Minimum three night stay. All rates quoted in New Zealand Dollars and inclusive of 15% GST. Rates apply per suite, per night for a maximum of two guests. Extra Person rates available. Not combinable with other packages. Classic Huka package not available 18 December 2022 to 7 January 2023 inclusive.



## Baillie Escape

**From \$2,800 per night in a Junior Lodge Suite.** Only have time for a quick break? Retreat to the river to experience the best of Taupō and enjoy gourmet breakfast and dinner in the lodge restaurant daily plus more.

Enjoy standard inclusions:

- Country breakfast, pre-dinner drinks and canapés and gourmet dinner daily
- In-suite bar replenished daily
- Return Taupō Airport transfers
- Use of lodge facilities

### Baillie Escape package terms

Minimum two night stay. All rates quoted in New Zealand Dollars and inclusive of 15% GST. Rates apply per suite, per night for a maximum of two guests. Extra Person rates available. Not combinable with other packages.



# Package Enhancements



Celebrating a special occasion or just want to make your stay at Huka Lodge one to remember? The following enhancements can be added to your chosen package during the booking process. All rates are quoted in New Zealand Dollars and inclusive of 15% GST.



## Honeymoon at Huka

**Enjoy the essentials: beautiful flowers and an indulgent spa treatment for NZ\$695 per couple.**

Enjoy a truly romantic celebration in the elegant style of Huka Lodge, be it for a honeymoon, wedding anniversary or babymoon with treats on arrival and a relaxing couples' spa treatment.

Includes:

- A one-hour in-suite couples spa treatment; either a relaxing massage or a rejuvenating facial
- A bouquet of flowers with chocolates waiting on arrival
- Late check-out, subject to availability



## Taupo Discovery

**Choose your own adventure on land or sea from NZ\$1,350 for two guests.**

Experience the essence of New Zealand's first luxury lodge along with French Champagne on arrival, a private Lake Taupō cruise or Formula Challenge adventure and late checkout.

Includes:

- French Champagne on arrival
- Either a 2.5 hour cruise on Lake Taupō with opportunity for trout fishing, or drive a V8 or single seater race car on the Formula Challenge experience at Taupō's Motorsport Park
- Take-home gift
- Late check-out, subject to availability



## Fly Fishing

**Try your hand at the traditional sport, guided by an expert. At NZ\$1,400 for two, it's a catch.**

Explore beautiful Lake Taupō with a private fly-casting session and half-day fly fishing adventure hosted by an expert guide.

Includes:

- Private fly-casting tuition with an expert guide followed by a half-day fly fishing adventure
- A gourmet picnic pack for two to enjoy during the fly fishing tour
- Use of all fishing gear and licences
- A keepsake handcrafted rimu timber fly box



# Policies

## Payment & Cancellation Policy

Full prepayment is required one month prior to arrival. We accept Visa, MasterCard or American Express or direct deposit. Additional conditions apply to groups of five or more suites; package rates may not apply. As a small boutique property our business depends on maximising occupancy, cancellations often result in empty rooms due to booking lead times and limited air capacity. Bookings may be cancelled prior to one month from arrival without forfeiture. For cancellations within one month of arrival all monies will be forfeited. No refund can be given in the event of non-arrival, any unused services or unused nights due to flight and/or weather disruption. We recommend you protect your plans with travel insurance. Rates are subject to change without notice.

### Contact us

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

## Child Policy

Huka Lodge welcomes children ten years and over.

## Sustainability Policy

Huka Lodge is committed to a dedicated path of initiatives and procedures to ensure the very best practice for the environment, the local community and the planet. Essential to the vision are initiatives designed to preserve pristine waters and the broader environment, conserve energy via recycling and support the community of Taupō. [View our sustainability initiatives.](#)