Destination Devonport SUMMER 2017/2018



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A message from the **Devonport Business Association**



Devonport is a village to explore and when ferry, the Victorian facades up the main street draw visitors immediately to the shopping precinct as a first stop.

We're fortunate to boast adorable boutique shops, high-end fashion retailers, gift sellers and tourist offerings. However, it's not just the retail offer that makes Devonport unique. With a lively and active café scene and diverse eateries, dining in Devonport is consistently relaxed and enjoyable.

Known as an arts destination, the galleries and historic theatre The Vic have a collective presence that is deeply loved,

and in many places street art is what connects these dots. Art is not the only craft that is perfected in our village, we're proud you get off the to have our own Chocolate Factory on Wynyard Street, "Devonport Chocolates", iust doors down from our own boat builders and restorers.

> Behind every other door there dwells an array of business types; your professional services, your architects and designers and a range of significant tech business. Celebrated for its relaxed seaside feel, for access to some of Auckland's most stunning beaches, our strong community spirit, and yet so easily connected to the CBD by ferry, many now view Devonport as the premier place to live and work - and it's these things that make the Devonport Business District such a wonderful place to be.

Toni van Tonder **Devonport Business Improvement District Manager**

Destination Devonport is a joint community effort and could not have been put together without the help of:

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Welcome to Devonport: a top destination



Guests visiting from Manchester recently asked "Where is there a better place to live in New Zealand than Devonport?" Where indeed? The suburb has become a mecca for people from all over the world – both

travellers and permanent residents – many who have come on a day trip or a weekend and never really left.

That said the suburb also has a solid core of established families who have lived and worked here for generations – many of whom have fought many battles to create and foster the glorious place it is today.

It has some of the best parks and mountain-top vistas in all of Auckland, set

against spectacular heritage homes and buildings.

This is the second editon of Destination Devonport, and has built on the first last year.

I was pleasantly surprised by the interest in the publication – not only from visitors but from locals who had guests to stay and also online from people planning a trip.

One tourist told me he'd stayed here a week and was taking the paper home as a souvenir.

It's very much a joint effort from us, The Devonport Business Association and Devonport Rotary, who supplied the walking maps. I hope you enjoy this edition – but most of all I hope you enjoy your time in Devonport.

Rob Drent Editor

A message from the chair of the Devonport-Takapuna Local Board



I always say that living and working in Devonport is like being on holiday all year round. The magnificent summer weather (so far so good) has just added to the delights of the peninsula. Tourist spending from

Australia but particularly UK, China, Japan, and Europe has lately been increasing dramatically in Devonport. And no wonder, while the CBD is a construction zone, many visitors and cruise ship passengers have taken the leisurely ferry across to our seaside, historic village of Devonport to relax to see the sights. The grandeur of the 115-year-old Esplanade Hotel greets visitors as they leave the wharf and cross the plaza to the shopping centre. One often sees their gaze lifted to Mt Victoria (Takarunga) and around to the Windsor Reserve and beaches of Devonport. In the near distance, of course, is the enticing North Head (Maungauika). Either maunga (mountain) offers stupendous views across the gulf. harbour and North Shore of Auckland. In addition, the historic gun emplacements and facilities offer something very different to the history enthusiast or just the curious.

The tourists quickly recognise the vibrant local community, especially if they visit the Visitors' Centre at 3 Victoria Rd. This is run exclusively by volunteers and offers a tremendous and necessary service to tourists, visitors and locals alike. Well done

all! But this is just one example of local community spirit, exemplified by offerings at the Michael King Writers' Centre, the Depot and Devonport Community House in addition to the well-utilised library. And for those wanting a little relaxation we have the Devonport Museum (another example of community spirit) and the Navy Museum as well as the heritage King Edward Parade shell path leading us on to the many beaches we love. This second edition of Destination Devonport by the Flagstaff is a welcome publication to help guide our visitors (and even some locals) around.

So I welcome the many visitors that arrive to enjoy our village and surrounds. I wish them and our community a very safe and enjoyable festive season and a fantastic 2018.

Grant Gillon

THE TOP 12:

The essence of Devonport

- Soak up Devonport's Victorian heritage with a stroll through residential streets.
- Watch the sun set behind the Harbour Bridge from Devonport Wharf.
- Enjoy the curios and treasures at the Devonport Museum.
- 4 Slide down Mt Victoria on a piece of cardboard.
- 5 Catch a movie at The Vic, the oldest cinema in the Southern Hemisphere.
- 6 Jump off Torpedo Bay wharf.
- 7 Take in a folk music concert at the Bunker on Mt Victoria.
- Feast on fish and chips at Cheltenham Beach.
- Take on the Aucklander, the biggest ice cream at White's Dairy on Vauxhall Rd.
- Watch the boats and harbour life from the top of North Head, the "poor man's helicopter".
- 11 Keep your cool in the North Head tunnels.
- Reflect on the personal and historical at the Navy Museum.



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Devonport facts and stats

Source: Statistics New Zealand, 2013 census

Population The resident population (48 per cent male and 52 per cent female) of the Devonport peninsula was 23,070 at census time. Of those 20.6 per cent were under 15, 66.1 per cent were aged between 15 and 64 and 13.3 per cent were aged 65 and over. Two-thirds were born in New Zealand.

Ethnicity The majority (87.4 per cent) of residents identified as European. A further 8.0 per cent identified as Asian, 6.8 per cent as Maori, 2.4 per cent as Pacific peoples, 1.4 per cent Middle Eastern/Latin American/African and 1.7 per cent identified as a different ethnic group.

Religion Over half the local population stated they did not have a religious faith. This is significantly higher than for Auckland (37.8 per cent) and New Zealand (41.9 per cent) as a whole. Forty-four per cent of Devonport residents said they were Christian.

Family There were 6348 families, which is an increase of 4.8 per cent on 2006 and 9.0 per cent since 2001. Of those, half were couples with children, 36.5 per cent couples without children and 13.9 per cent one-parent families.

Households There were 8328 households, of which 73 per cent were made up of one family and 21.3 per cent one person.

Income The peninsula has above-average levels of personal income. More than 40 per cent of individuals were recorded as having a personal income of over \$50,000 a year, compared to 33.2 per cent for the Auckland region and 26.7 per cent for New Zealand as a whole

Tertiary Qualifications The peninsula also had high levels of educational attainment among residents, with 22.1 per cent holding bachelors degrees, 5.4 per cent postgraduate or honours, 6.4 per cent masters and 1.6 per cent doctoral qualifications.

Employment Two-thirds of the resident population were in employment, with 51.0 per cent working full time and 15.7 per cent working part time. Of those in employment, three-guarters were paid employees. The remaining quarter are employers themselves (7.5 per cent) or self-employed (16.5 per cent). The proportion of employers and selfemployed on the peninsula was considerably higher than for Auckland and New Zealand as a whole (18.4 per cent and 18.7 per cent respectively). Over half of those working classified themselves as either managers (22.6 per cent) or professionals (34.0 per cent). For the other occupation groups, the proportions for the Devonport peninsula were:10.8 per cent community workers; 10.7 per cent clerical and administration; 9.0 per cent trades; 8.3 per cent sales; 4.5 per cent other.

Property Over half of individuals (53.1 per cent) on the Devonport peninsula were in properties they owned or part-owned, compared to 43.4 per cent of Aucklanders and 49.8 per cent for New Zealand collectively.

Of the 8415 dwellings on the peninsula, 44.9 per cent were owned or part-owned by the occupant and 24.3 per cent were owned by a family trust. Devonport has higher levels of family trust ownership than either Auckland (15.4 per cent) or New Zealand (14.8 per cent) as a whole.

2289 households were in rented accommodation. Of those, 62.3 per cent were paying more than \$350 a week in rent.

Vehicle ownership Nearly 80 per cent of Devonport households had one vehicle or two vehicles. A further 14.5 per cent had three or more vehicles.

Telecommunications Cell phone access and internet access was available in more than 87 per cent of households.

Smoking Habits A significant minority of 7.4 per cent claimed to be regular smokers. This was less than half the rate across New Zealand (15.1 per cent) and well down on Auckland's 12.9 per cent. In the 2006 census, 12.1 per cent indicated they were regular smokers.



Coffee time

Needing a caffeine fix? Destination Devonport's coffee lovers identify the five best spots for a cup of the good stuff.

- **1. Chiasso Coffee Roasters** (20 Wynyard St) are genuine experts who reliably turn out some of the best espressos in the village. Real aficionados might like to try their cold brew, too.
- **2. Devo Coffee** (23 Wynyard St), across the road from Chiasso, is a hole-in-the-wall establishment that leaves plenty of bigger establishments in the dust when it comes to coffee quality, and rightly attracts a steady stream of regulars.
- **3. Devon on the Wharf** (Devonport Wharf, 1 Queens Parade) is perfectly placed so you can grab a coffee on your way to or from the ferry. Most importantly, their baristas know their stuff.
- **4. Chateaubriant** (87a Vauxhall Road, Cheltenham). You can tell from the queues at busy times here that the coffee is top notch. The bonus: it's served with characteristic French élan.
- **5. Further afield, Belmont's Vanilla** (5 Williamson Ave) makes a great espresso that has turned lots of this neighbourhood's coffee-conscious locals into regulars. Friendly service, too.

Plenty of history and an independent spirit

Devonport is one of Auckland's most historic suburbs, with European settlement dating from the mid-1800s. Maori settlement goes back much further, to around the mid-14th century.

Three small local mountains were Maori pa sites (fortified villages). With the arrival of pakeha settlers, Devonport became an important farming and shipbuilding centre—the dry dock at the naval base (now privately owned) is still in use today.

Devonport was named after the Devonport naval base in England and the Royal New Zealand Navy still contributes significantly to the flavour and prosperity of the local community.

The harbour occupies a special place in the hearts of Devonport people. Two of New Zealand's best-known yachties – Bruce Farr and the late Sir Peter Blake – are local lads, and Sir Peter Blake was a member of the local yacht club for many years. The Coastal Classic yacht race officially begins just beyond Devonport Wharf every year, with many Farr-designed yachts entering.

North Head is riddled with military tunnels, connecting bunkers and empty gun emplacements. Rumours still abound of mysterious tunnels that are long forgotten.

Devonport was originally an island, joined to the mainland by a narrow causeway which is still known as Narrow Neck Beach. Fort Takapuna, with its underground fort constructed in the late 19th century to repel the Russians, lies just beyond this beach.

The original centre of Devonport was based at the bottom of Church St, where boatbuilding and the former Masonic Tavern were located. By the early 1900s, the centre of town shifted to where it is now, largely due to its proximity to Devonport Wharf and Auckland.

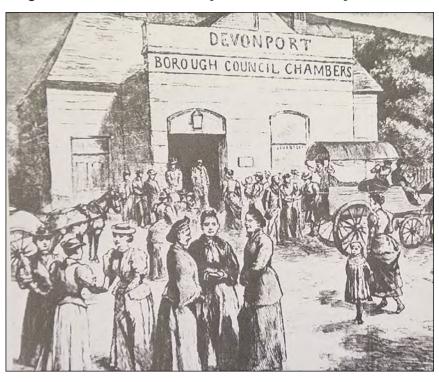
Devonport Firsts

Devonport featured prominently in the lead-up to women winning the right to vote in 1893. The picture above of women gathering to vote at the Devonport Borough Council chambers is often used to illustrate that historic occasion.

First suburb on the North Shore to get electricity, when the Devonport Power Station was built in 1914 - 1915.

First recycling depot in New Zealand opened (1977).

First borough in New Zealand to **vote to become nuclear-free** (1981).



A historic day, women gather outside the Devonport Borough Council chambers in 1893 to vote for the first time

For more than 100 years, Devonport was an independently governed borough. After a major battle with the government, Devonport was forced in 1989 to become part of a newly created North Shore City. North Shore City itself was incorporated into the newly created Auckland Council in 2010.

Independent Devonport stickers can still be seen occasionally on letterboxes around town, as well as Independent Devonport posters inside residents' homes.

Devonport's independent spirit remains to this day, with many fights against government and bureaucracy.

Famously, locals took the government to court in the late 1990s over plans to sell off a tract of Defence land at Narrow Neck. The residents won, and this area – a large grassy area up from the beach – is now a park.

Devonport has a remarkable collection of late 19th-century villas, some of them very grand indeed.

By the 1970s, many of the villas had become dilapidated and some were being pulled down to make way for flats.

In the 1980s, a heritage movement was established to protect the old buildings. This coincided with gentrification sweeping Auckland's inner-city suburbs.

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Victoria Road - Town Centre

Start from the Ferry Terminal and walk across the road to the Esplanade Hotel



he establishment of a commercial area on lower Victoria Road was prompted by a ferry service connecting Devonport with the city and the development of a wharf and hotel at the foot of the street in the 1860s. By the 1880s, Victoria Road had become the leading commercial centre of the North Shore. By the 1920s the western side of Victoria Road was lined with fine Victorian and Edwardian commercial premises. Today Victoria Road has one of the most intact collections of Victorian and Edwardian commercial buildings in Auckland. Several of these buildings have been listed by Heritage New Zealand and the Auckland Council.





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1 The Esplanade Hotel cnr Victoria Rd & Queens Pde

There has been a hotel on this site since the 1860s when the original Flagstaff Hotel was established. Officially opened in June 1903, when it was named the Esplanade, the present hotel building has been the dominant feature of this part of the waterfront for well over a century. In 1903 the Auckland Star wrote approvingly: 'The hotel is a very fine building, erected on up-to-date lines with a view to catering for the travellers who visit this city from other parts of the colony and beyond. It has been as sumptuously furnished as it is imposingly built. An air of luxury and comfort pervades the whole building.'

Continue walking up the left-hand side of the road



Former Post Office/ Council Chambers 3 Victoria Road

This building was opened in March 1908 as Devonport's first purpose-built post office and was used for this purpose until the new post office was opened in 1938 on the opposite side of Victoria Road. While it was a definite improvement on the earlier post office facilities that were housed in a local store, the deficiencies of the building quickly became apparent. The living accommodation upstairs was insufficient to meet the needs of the postmaster, Mr Turner and his family of eight children. Working conditions below were far from perfect. There was insufficient ventilation in the rear of the building, where women working in the telephone section had to put up with stifling conditions. Meanwhile, the entrance area suffered from the opposite problem with the wind frequently whistling in the front door and blowing money and papers about.

The exterior finish of the building also caused problems but this and other issues were resolved in 1939 when the building was substantially altered to meet the needs of the new occupants, the Devonport Borough Council (see mounted plaque).



Oliver Mays Building/ The Arcade 5–19 Victoria Road

This impressive row of two-storey shop buildings was built between 1880 and about 1890. The two shops at the northern end were built last, the original buildings on this site having been destroyed in the Victoria Road fire of 1888. The brick wall of the Oliver Mays building stopped the fire from extending further down the street. The building features a charming arcade through its centre, with displays relating to various aspects of Devonport's history.

Cross the road at the first pedestrian crossing, and look at the statue

4 War Memorial

Unveiled in April 1923, the
Devonport War Memorial
was one of a large number
of memorials erected to
the war dead after the First
World War. They served as

surrogate tombs for the families and friends of the many thousands of men and women who died in the conflict and were buried in foreign lands. The memorial features the figure of a soldier designed by Frank Lynch, the winner

of a design competition for the memorial. The bronze figure, known as the 'untidy soldier', is unusual for its informality and realism. Plaques were subsequently added to the memorial to remember the fallen from the Anglo-Boer War and World War II.

Carry on up Victoria Road

5 Windsor Reserve

This small section of land has long been a focal point for Devonport. During the nineteenth century it was used for naval purposes but in 1894 a deal was struck whereby the Triangle, and Windsor



Reserve opposite, were handed to the Devonport Borough Council. The Triangle was the site of the original Council Chambers and the site has retained an important role in the municipal, recreational and commemorative functions of the area. Over the years it has been adorned with a band rotunda, a library and several memorials including the South African War Memorial 1899–1902. Look for the magnificent Moreton Bay fig tree (also known as an Australian Banyan tree), planted in 1883.

Look across the road to the western side of the street, to view the following buildings

6 The Barber Shop 27 Victoria Road

Established in 1878, this is the oldest remaining barber shop in New Zealand.





Buchanan's Building33-39 Victoria Road

An 1888 fire in Victoria Road went largely unchecked due to a lack of efficient water supply. It finally burnt itself out after destroying nine shops and seven dwellings, including the buildings on



these sites. The present buildings arose soon afterwards and were built with more fire resistant materials than the mainly timber buildings that formerly occupied this part of Victoria Road.

Walk to the corner of the reserve by the fountain, and look diagonally across at the group of three buildings on the corner of Clarence Street and Victoria Road



Johnston & Noble Building 49 Victoria Road Verran's Building 53-55 Victoria Road plus 57-59 Victoria Road

The three buildings north of 8 Clarence Street were built between 1898 and 1906. In 1898 a fire broke out in Victoria Road destroying several shops just beyond the corner of Clarence Street including a saddlery, grocer and bootmaker. Soon after the fire, the building at the northern end with the arched windows was erected and housed the Edinburgh Bakery business operated by George Johnston. It is likely that the building to the south of this was also built around the same time. The building on the corner of Clarence Street and Victoria Road was built a few years later, and housed the Johnston and Noble grocery business and Antonio Martin's confectionery shop.

Cross Flagstaff Terrace and continue walkign up the hill. On the right you will see the former Post Office



9 Former Devonport Post Office 10 Victoria Road

Opened in 1938, and designed in the 'streamlined moderne' style fashionable at the time, it replaced 3 Victoria Road (refer) at a time when larger post office buildings were being erected throughout the country to accommodate a newly expanded range of functions. This Post Office closed in 1991. The site housed the Jackson 'Muzeum' of Transport, Sound and Victoriana for many years, before becoming the attractive multi-purpose mall it is now.



10 Former Bank of New Zealand 14 Victoria Road

The 1920s was a prosperous time for the banking industry and it was in 1925 that work began on the Bank of New Zealand building at Devonport designed by the well-known architectural firm, Edward Mahoney & Son. The grand Stripped Classical building was in stark contrast to the earlier premises occupied by the bank which consisted of a single storey commercial space attached to the front of a house.

As you continue walking up the road, you will notice the house at 24 Victoria Road — it is the oldest existing house in Devonport, begun in 1842 and much altered; the rear of the building is the most original area. It is the last remaining house of a number of professional rooms and residences that once lined the eastern side of the road



Look across the road to view the block of buildings on the western side of the street

11 61–85 Victoria Road, featuring Devonia, Alison's and Watkin's Buildings

Most of the buildings in this block were built between 1906 and 1912. The Devonia Building (now owned and used upstairs by the RSA) was erected in 1926 to a design in the Viennese Secession style in contrast to the buildings to the north which are variously Edwardian Baroque or Edwardian Free style. The building on the northern side of Devonia was erected in 1912 for Mrs Buchanan who leased the shops just as the Alisons did. Next along is Alison's building, erected in 1906 for one of Devonport's leading business families. The small building next door was built in 1906 for the Auckland Gas Company.

The pick of Devonport's best meals





To die for... the Eggs Florentine at Five Loaves Cafe and a classic Galette at Chateaubriant (right)

A few favourite Devonport meals chosen by the Flagstaff team

- Roti and Chicken Curry at Carram
- Seafood Chowder at Manuka
- Eggs Florentine at **Five Loaves**
- The daily special at **Corellis**
- Galette & Le Classique Baguette from **Chateaubriant**
- Vegan Wrap from The Living Room
- Doughnuts at baked
- Hot chips from Narrow Neck beach cafe

- Seafood platter at The Esplanade
- Sushi at **Asahi**
- Bánh Xèo, crispy savory pancake with prawn, pork and bean sprouts at Cafe Hung Vet
- Potato skins at Vondel

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The best of Devonport on a stop watch

2 hours in Devonport

If you're visiting Devoport for a good time not a long time, the best way to start your adventure is with a full stomach. You can't go wrong at Corellis, whether it's breakfast, lunch or dinner - there's something here to tickle everyone's fancy. Make the short stroll up to Mt Victoria and take in the views over Auckland, and make sure you check out the iconic red and white mushrooms. When you're finished wandering the mountain, head down to Cheltenham for a scoop of gelato from Cheltenham Milk Bar. Kick off your shoes and head to Cheltenham beach while you're there. Don't forget to stop by Vauxhall Vintage and find yourself a unique treasure to take home with you.

Half a day in Devonport

Head down King Edward Pde and enjoy the walk along the waterfront towards Torpedo Bay Wharf. Along the way, stop for coffee and brunch at Platter Cafe where you can enjoy the spectacular views over the harbour. Once you get to Torpedo Bay, make sure you walk right out to the edge of the wharf for a great view. If you've got your swimsuit, and are a confident swimmer, you can even jump off the wharf for a dip. The Navy Museum is located back at the base of the wharf, housed



Pohutukawa Playground...Windsor reserve pre-christmas

in a 19th century submarine mining station. It always has interesting exhibitions on the go. Another bonus is that museum entry is free, what have you go to lose? North Head, Devonport's historic coastal defence site, is a five minute walk away - and definitely worth your time. Take the looping track from the base to the top, where along the way you will find tunnels to explore (bring a flashlight if you're not confident in the dark) and gun emplacements. Follow steps down the side of the mountain and find North Head's little spot of bliss, it's own hidden beach. By now you've

surely walked up a sweat – to time treat yourself to an ice cream from Devonport Icon White's Dairy. If you're up for it, try a whopping 7 scooper- one of Auckland's biggest.

A full day in Devonport

If you're lucky enough to have a whole day to spend in Devonport, you won't be disappointed. Every good day starts with coffee, and you won't find better than Chiasso on Wynyard street. Their cold brew, which has been lovingly slow dripped for 6 hours, is not to be missed on a hot day. The Anglican Community Op-Shop is conveniently located a few doors down, where bargains are just begging to be had. You'll be buzzing with good karma, as the shops proceeds go to around 20 different charities. On your way up to Mot Victoria stop in for some unique gift and homewares shopping at Nord, located on Fleet Street. After city gazing a-top the mountain, head towards Church Street where you will find Cambria Reserve. A scenic stroll through the reserve will reveal one of Devonport's hidden gems - The Devonport Museum. This volunteer run museum is filled with historical treasures and loads of hands on activities such as a piano, a type writer, skittles and even a small cinema. If, by this point, your stomach is starting to grumble the answer to your problems lies just down the road. Chateaubriant is a small French cafe located in Cheltenham, filled with yummy treats that will make your eyes (and your stomach) light up. Grab a selection of goodies take-away and head to Cheltenham beach to enjoy them in front of one of the best views in Devonport -Rangitoto Island. Before the sun goes down, make your way back to the main village and into the beer garden at The Patriot for a cold brew and to soak up the final rays of the day. Last but not least, get cosy in front an evening movie at The Vic vintage theatre. Don't forget a large box of buttery popcorn!

Emelia Lake



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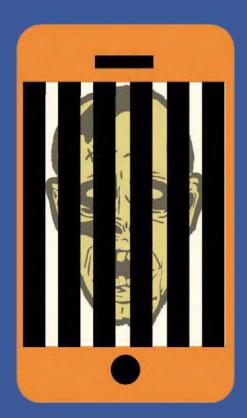


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What's on - galleries and museums

The Depot Artspace

28 Clarence St

This not-for-profit gallery has been part of the community since 1996. Today, it also houses a recording studio, a design studio, professional-development programmes for artists and, most recently, a publishing centre. This Summer's main event is special guest artist Rewa Walia, exhibiting in the main gallery with her debut Devonport show, Abducted.

The Devonport Museum

33a Vauxhall Rd

Anything and everything about Devonport's history and heritage is on display in this gem of a community museum, located in a former Presbyterian church.

Among its many treasures, you can find the interior of a reconstructed Devonport villa, a collection of historical cookbooks, a diorama of the area before Europeans arrived, Maori weavings, lava bombs, historic toys and a butcher's block made from a huge Kauri tree.

• Note the restricted opening hours: Tuesday to Thursday 10am-12noon; weekends, 12-4pm.

Navy Museum

Torpedo Bay

A redeveloped 19th-century submarine mining station is the home of the National Museum of the Royal Newa Zealand Navy at Torpedo Bay. The museum's most recent permanent collection is 'The Boatshed'.

The Boatshed and the launching ramp were constructed in the 1800s and the examples on display have been maintained and restored to their former glory, surrounded by objects associated with seamanship.



Step back in time, 1885 Antique painting by Charles Blomfield of Torpedo Bay at Newton Andrews Gallery

Flagstaff Gallery

30 Victoria Rd

The first dealer gallery on the North Shore opened in 1993. In 2015 it was purchases and refurbished by current owners Cary and Doug Cochrane. The Flagstaff Gallery currently represents over 60 artists and is a friendly, relaxed space in which to view New Zealand art. Their range of works on display are constantly changing so there is always something new and interesting for visitors to enjoy.

Art by the Sea

30 King Edward Pde

This long-time waterfront gallery shows the work of emerging and established New Zealand artists including that of Devonport locals Lucy Bucknall, Beatrice Carlson, Graham Downs, Ariel Hu, Bronwyn Menhinick and Carol Readman. Downs will show New Paintings from February 11 until March 5.

Art of this World

10 Victoria Rd

Located in the old Post Office, Devonport's yellow two-storey Art Deco building, this gallery sells a variety of art, craft and gifts, all handmade in New Zealand.

Peter Raos Gallery

2 Queens Pde

Master glass artist Peter Raos has worked in Devonport for more than 35 years. His wife Prue's gardening inspires many of his creations. He also makes paper weights that have a by French Impressionist influence.

Newton Andrews Gallery 2 Queens Pde

Newton Andrews Gallery has over 40 years of experience collecting and trading in early and antique prints, maps, paintings and photography. Newton Andrews is the leading specialist for New Zealand related material.





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Devonport's Graffiti-Art Trail



The Attack by Cinzah in Wynyard St Alley

A gallery of graffiti art has popped up around Devonport streets in recent years. Most works were commissioned by the Devonport Arts Festival in 2014 or 2017, others have been added by local artists independently.

Keep an eye out for them when you are visiting Devonport

- 1. Marcus Watson, Migration, 7 Wynyard
- 2. Kelly Spencer, Let it Grow, 6 Wynyard
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- 6. Sam Melser, Bio Organic Metamorphosis; Erika Pearce, Turtle Dream Island; Fridom, Take Off; Cinzah, The Kill, all at 37 Bartley Tce, a private alley behind New 13. Hamish Grotian, *Just Dropping In*, 15 World supermarket
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- 11. Greer Clayton, View from Arawa, Milk Bar, 64 Vauxhall Rd
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Welcome to the maritime suburb, says Devonport's entrance sign – and for good reason.

For one, it is the home of the **Royal New Zealand Navy**. You may well see naval uniforms around the village, and if you come to Devonport by ferry, you might see navy vessels moored at the HMNZ Philomel base.

Devonport is also home to two **sailing** clubs. Wakatere Boating Club, on Narrow Neck Beach, is where local kids learn to sail so well that some have become Olympians. Local sailor Paul Snow-Hansen sailed in Rio and London, and board sailor Tom Ashley won gold in Beijing. The Devonport Yacht Club, along the waterfront towards North Head, is one of the oldest in the country. Its most famous member was America's Cup campaign leader Sir Peter Blake. The club offers meals on Friday nights.

The Waitemata waters around the Devonport peninsula are also popular with **sea-swimmers**. The local swim club runs two ocean swim events each year: the Round North Head Swim in November to open the season, and the Cheltenham Swim in April to close it. Friendly sea-swimming groups leave Narrow Neck beach early most weekend mornings.

If you are keen to have a more casual dip while visiting, you are spoilt for choice. Beaches extend from Stanley Bay to Devonport village, Torpedo Bay, Cheltenham



Glorious Cheltenham Beach, one of the best city beaches in New Zealand

and Narrow Neck. (Most beaches are tidal, but Narrow Neck offers swimming in all tides.

We recommend putting your finger in the air first to see where the wind is coming from, then heading to a beach sheltered from either the prevailing south-westerly or less common north-easterly.

Devonport has three popular **fishing** spots. From east to west: Torpedo Bay wharf; the central Victoria Wharf; and Stanley Bay Wharf. Fishing gear can be purchased at Devonport Hammer Hardware, should the urge to fish hit you unexpectedly.

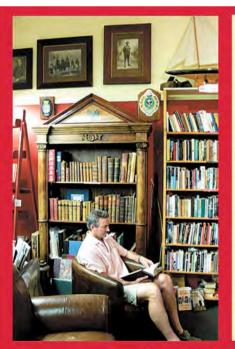
Another way to enjoy the sea is simply to look at it, maybe while having a picnic at one of our many **vantage points**. North Head and Mt Victoria are two of the best. You can

find a quiet and windless spot on their slopes any day and time. Nice spots can be found all along the waterfront as well, especially near the yacht club.

Wharf-jumping at Torpedo Bay and Stanley Bay is popular amongst teenagers, but banned at Devonport Wharf.

Cheltenham and Narrow Neck are perfect for a morning coffee or lunch, with a view of Rangitoto, though both get a bit shady and cooler in the evenings.

Devonport has a **maritime history** going back to the 1300s, when the Tainui waka is said to have landed at Torpedo Bay, an event commemorated by a stone memorial on the foreshore.



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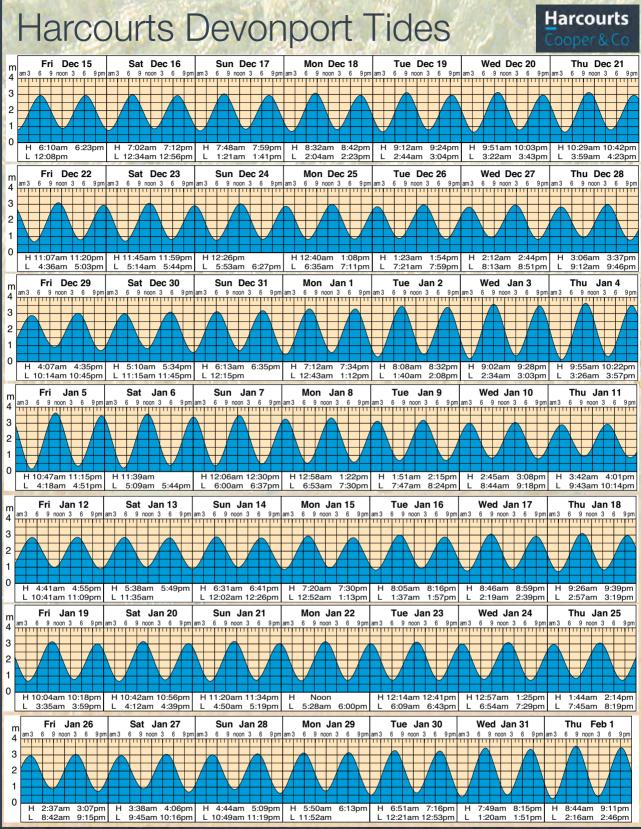
About 25 passionate Devonport residents opened the centre in April 2017 for the World Masters Games. "And then we just never closed," says volunteer coordinator Rebecca McMillan.

It's the Devonport way. Locals are passionate about sharing what they know about the place they live in with visitors.

McMillan is a volunteer herself. "We believe that for visitors there is nothing quite like talking to a local about the place. And for us all volunteering at i-Devonport is good fun. Visitors are on holiday and in a happy place, so you meet some lovely people," she says.

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Devonport Museum – 150 years of history



Church backdrop... the Devonport Museum is housed in part of an old church

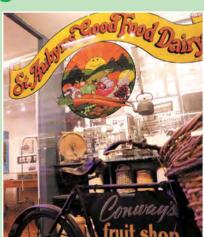
If you're after a hands-on, familyfriendly and historical look at Devonport, then the Devonport Museum is not to be missed. After its recent refurbishment by Heritage Rescue, your eyes are bound to light up as you walk into the museum that is housed in part of an early Presbyterian Church building. There is something here to entertain everyone, including a kids corner, a Devonport Transport display, models and a small cinema. Its collection of historical photographs, dating back as early as 1864, and their timeline display give a snapshot into old Devonport. After taking in Devonport's rich history, have a play on the piano, the typewriter or try your luck at a game of skittles. The Devonport Museum is run by a group of skilled volunteers, as well as two part-time researchers, and is supported by the local board and council. The best way to find this hidden gem is via a scenic walk through Cambria Reserve, where you will find the museum set at the back of the park. Pack a picnic to sit and eat in the park after your visit.

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Out and about - summer events

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Tuesday 19 December, 7:30 pm: Craig Bracken & The Flaming Mudcats, blues band – Corellis Café, 46 Victoria Rd. Free.

Friday 22 December, 9 pm - late: Live Band – The Patriot, 14 Victoria Rd. Free.

Sunday 24 December (Christmas Eve), 9 pm – late: Live Band – The Patriot, 14 Victoria Rd. Free. Thursday 28 February, 7 – 9.15 pm: Premiere Voice Studio New Year concert – Rose Centre, 4

Friday 29 February, 7 – 9.15 pm: Premiere Voice Studio New Year concert – Rose Centre, 4 School Rd, Belmont.

Sunday 31 December (New Year's Eve), 9 pm - late: Live Band – The Patriot, 14 Victoria Rd. Free.

Monday 1 January (New Year's Day), 8 pm: New beginnings theme night – Devonport Folk Club, The Bunker on Mount Victoria. Members \$3 and non-members \$5.

Monday 8 January, 8 pm: Alan Reid in Concert – Devonport Folk Club, The Bunker on Mt Victoria, Tickets \$15.

Tuesday 9 January, 9.30 – 11 am: Preschool play session – Windsor Reserve. Free.

Friday 12 January, 9 pm - late: Live Band – The Patriot, 14 Victoria Rd. Free.

Saturday 13 January, 6 – 9 pm: Summer Jazz, Ashe Cuba, Latin Quartet – Esplanade Hotel, 1 Victoria Rd. Free.

Monday 15 January, 8 pm: Zarek Silberschmidt – Devonport Folk Club, The Bunker on Mt Victoria, Members \$3 and non-members \$5.

Tuesday 16 January, 9.30 – 11 am: Preschool play session – Windsor Reserve. Free.

Friday 19 January, 9 pm - late: Live Band – The Patriot, 14 Victoria Rd. Free.

Saturday 20 January, 6 – 9 pm: Summer Jazz,



Callum Dundas Trio, Funk Pop – Esplanade Hotel, 1 Victoria Rd. Free.

Monday 22 January, 8 pm: Club Night – Devonport Folk Club, The Bunker on Mt Victoria, Members \$3 and non-members \$5.

Tuesday 23 January, 9.30 – 11 am: Preschool play session – Windsor Reserve. Free.

Friday 26 January, 9 pm - late: Live Band - The Patriot, 14 Victoria Rd. Free.

Saturday 27 January, 6 – 9 pm: Summer Jazz, Vox Nova, gypsy jazz quartet – Esplanade Hotel, 1 Victoria Rd. Free

Tuesday 30 January, 9.30 – 11 am: Preschool play session – Windsor Reserve. Free

Friday 2 February, 9 pm - late: Live Band – The Patriot, 14 Victoria Rd. Free.

Saturday 3 February, 6 – 9 pm: Summer Jazz, Tony Masterantonio, blues trio – Esplanade Hotel, 1 Victoria Rd. Free.

Tuesday 6 February, 9.30 – 11 am: Preschool play session – Windsor Reserve. Free

Friday 9 February, 9 pm - late: Live Band – The Patriot, 14 Victoria Rd. Free.

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Tuesday 13 February, 9.30 – 11 am: Preschool play session – Windsor Reserve. Free

Wednesday 14 February, 6:30 – 9 pm: Summer Jazz, Margaret Umbers Trio, jazz trio – Esplanade Hotel 1 Victoria Rd. Free

Friday 16 February, 9 pm - late: Live Band - The Patriot, 14 Victoria Rd. Free.

Saturday 17 February, 6 – 9 pm: Summer Jazz, Johnny Leigh Calder, jazz trio – Esplanade Hotel, 1 Victoria Rd. Free.

Tuesday 20 February, 9.30 – 11 am: Preschool play session – Windsor Reserve. Free

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January: Devonport Library cat Benjamin dies; council ignores Ryman's offer to reduce building height; Devonport heritage champion Margot McRea receives a QSM; Devonport Garden and Floral Art Club celebrates 70 years. February: Pole vaulter Eliza McCartney wins Halberg Award for favourite sporting moment for winning Bronze at Olympics; Devonport Peninsula Precinct Society appeal Ryman consent in Environment Court; Devonport opens volunteer-run tourist information centre; Sam Bullock wins 2017 NZ Open Kite Foil Nationals; parishioners vote to sell St Augustine's Church; Devonport Wharf tenants vacated. March: Council closes Bunker after 46 years; heritage farmhouse trucked out of Devonport to be replaced with Onehunga villa; Devonport writers' collection launched at library; Depot Artspace publishes a book on suicide; Devonport children's magazine goes national. April: Ngati Whatua donate 1500 rat traps to local Dirty Rat Campaign; Devonport Community Choir folds; Bunker reopens with new fire exit plans; suspicious fire at local picture framing business; coastal landslip near Ryman site: Flagstaff finalist for Community Newspaper of the Year at the Canon Media Awards; Devonport video shop closes after 30 years. May: Heritage Rescue TV show does Devonport Museum make-over; Ryman makes design changes after locals fight back; former All Black Mils Muliaina coaches TGS rugby team. June: Heritage bungalow trucked off Macky Ave; Logan Dunning-Beck skippers Youth America's Cup into second place; Devonport's role in nuclear-free movement celebrates 30 years; wrapping comes off Masonic renovation; Flagstaff wins three Community Newspaper Awards; Hauraki parents tackle school traffic safety. July: St Paul's church, which became a chess centre, sells again; wharenui plans for Bayswater church emerge; hundreds





Celebrating planning conessions... Devonport locals on the summit of Mt Victoria after Ryman Village changes some its designs after mediation

of locals collect free rat traps to join Dirty Rat campaign; historic North Head gun fired for Heritage Rescue TV programme; demolition specialist pleads guilty in Seacliffe Ave asbestos case. August: Cheltenham security cameras used in police investigation into death of swimmer; Belmont standup paddle-boarder wins Molokai 2 Oahu world champs in record time; Devonport gets new library manager; first meeting of new preservation society Devonport Heritage 2017; St Augustine's Church sells for \$1.3 million; Harry Waine wins bronze in Junior Track Cycling World Championship. **September**: Navy plans to extend wharf into harbour; Kate Williams youngest member of North Harbour senior women's rugby squad; Bayswater School signs up for national breakfast-in-schools programme; Bayswater starts monthly Kaitahi community dinner programme; bus crashes into Vauxhall Rd apartments. October: New petrol station in Cheltenham announced for 2018; Butterbee childcare centre application gets green

light from Environment Court; Fullers ferry systems found heavily at fault in 2016 Kea accident; North Shore United celebrates 50year anniversary of Chatham Cup; council report finds Devonport fourth at risk from tsunami among Auckland suburbs; Matthew Lucente wins national junior squash title. November: Rezoned Belmont property hits \$2 million mark: archaeological remains of Duder Brickworks on display at Ryman site; Rose Centre celebrates 25th birthday; TGS holds 90th year reunion; Dirty Rat campaign catches 100th rat; a five-year-old boy drowns at Torpedo Bay wharf; council blocks private sale of historic Bayswater boat club building. **December**: Mt Victoria car ban to come next year; Janayah Wadsworth wins BIS Idol; Cheltenham pohutukawa chopped down to make room for swimming pool; Wilson Home gets new crew; Ian Stewart appointed Yachting NZ high performance director; Lake Rd plans progress; Michele Leggott first female Fellow of Royal Society.

Fun Facts about Devonport

1 When Waitemata Golf Club was formed on 21 August 1905, the joining fee was one guinea, with an entrance fee of £1 per round of play. It is the second-oldest golf club in Auckland. At the inaugural meeting, it was agreed that caddies would be paid sixpence for an afternoon, and a penny for every ball found.

In 1897, a resident of Narrow Neck, Ernest Hope Peel (grandson of Sir Robert Peel, British Prime Minister and namesake of the British Bobbies), made headlines when he took the law into his own hands. Angry and tired of being woken by the early morning practices at a target range established by the local Rifle Association, he marched his wife and six daughters down to Narrow Neck Beach one morning, to stand in the firing line, so the rifle club would put an end to this annoying practice.

3 In September 1881 the council passed a law prohibiting the keeping of pigs.

4 In 1878, a free library was formed in Devonport (the first in the Auckland Provincial District).

5 Pat Sheehan, Mayor of Devonport from 1973 to 1980, actively endorsed the Devonport Borough Council starting New Zealand's first municipal recycling scheme in 1976. Pat's brother, Terry Sheehan, proclaimed himself to be King of Devonport, and was a well-known local prankster, partly responsible for placing a bronze plaque on the waterfront that declares: On This Site In 1897 Nothing Happened.





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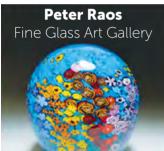
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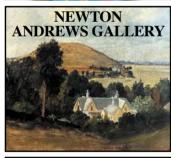
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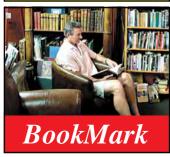
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The Devonport Library rebuilt, and reopened in 2015, has won many accolades and architectural awards

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- New World supermarket, 35 Bartley Tce
- Hammer Hardware, 15 Clarence St

Hidden treasures

The Old Lock-Up 7 and 9 Rattray St

These two small buildings were once the local police station and jail. They are now private residences.

Pentland Maternity Hospital, 19 Buchanan St

This was a maternity hospital from 1926 to 1975 and many Devonport locals were born here. It is now a private residence. Across the street, 18 Buchanan St used to be another hospital, The Cotswold Private Hospital operated from 1919 until 1927.





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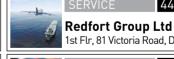


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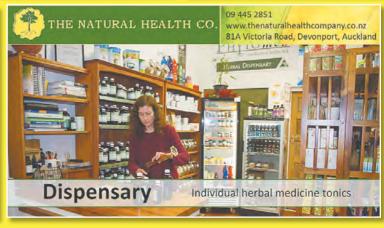
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Our Neighbourhood

From Torpedo Bay, Cheltenham Road, walk west across the Domain towards Cambridge Terrace & Domain Street



he inland area of Devonport gradually evolved from a farming locale to a residential area.

Volcanic cones that once provided fertile soil also supplied stone for roadmaking and building; Mount Cambria and Duder's Hill were quarried away during early European occupation. Community facilities were established, including places of worship built in Church Street and Albert Road.

Large landholdings were subdivided into smaller sites, so gradually residential development could expand inland during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries.



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Approximately 1 hour, excluding optional loops



1 Devonport Domain

This was originally a swamp that was developed into a park in the 1880s, and used by the Tennis Club before becoming home to other sports such as the Devonport and Masonic Cricket Clubs. The Cricket Club recently celebrated its 150th anniversary and is one of the oldest in New Zealand.

Exit the Domain onto
Cambridge Terrace, then turn left into
Domain Street. Then turn left onto
Vauxhall Road/Church Street



2 Anglican Church of Holy Trinity 18-30 Church Street

This is the third Holy Trinity Church to be erected on the site, and it was opened in 1881. It is a magnificent example of a wooden church with exquisite stained glass windows. Designed by Edward Bartley. Registered with Heritage New Zealand



3 47 Church Street

This was built by the Electricity Supply Corporation in 1915 as a coal-fired power station, and provided the first electricity supply for Devonport. In the 1930s it was used to house depression relief workers, and was converted to apartments in the 1980s.

Cross Church Street and enter Mount Cambria Reserve, via the path just past 48 Church Street. The museum is on the far side of the reserve, down some steps



OPTIONAL LOOP Mount Cambria Reserve & Devonport Museum

Mount Cambria Reserve Takararo
Mount Cambria was a thirty-metre-high
volcanic cone that was formed around
20,000 years ago, and destroyed by
quarrying in the nineteenth century. It was
named by a syndicate of Welsh miners who
purchased it in 1874. Cambria is a traditional
name for Wales and was also the name the
miners gave to their Coromandel goldmine.

Devonport Museum A large portion of a former Presbyterian Church was moved to this site in 1978 and converted to a museum. It houses many interesting exhibits of Devonport memorabilia.

Once back on Church Street, continue walking north. Turn left onto Albert Road and continue walking straight ahead (keep Mt Victoria on your left)



Mount Victoria cemetery Albert Road

This part of the lower slopes of Mount Victoria was set aside as a burial ground in 1854 for the early settlers to the area. It also contains the grave of Nga Puhi leader and Government adviser, Eruera Maihi Patuone, who lived in Devonport in the 1850s until his death in 1872 at the age of 110.

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6 St Francis de Sales and All Souls Catholic Church 2a Albert Road

The first Roman Catholic Church in Devonport was transported from Auckland where it was the Mortuary Chapel in the Symonds Street Cemetery. The current brick church was consecrated in 1919 and the name St Francis De Sales was retained. In recognition of the war dead, the name All Souls was added.

Registered with Heritage New Zealand



7 St Paul's, Devonport 100b Victoria Road

Erected in 1916, this fine brick Arts and Crafts style Presbyterian church was closed due to a diminished congregation. It has until recently been a chess centre. Restoration discovered many unmarked graves.

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8 Victoria Superette 165 Victoria Road

It is likely that this building dates back to the late nineteenth century. It may have originally been built as a residence, with the shopfront being a later addition. It appears that it was built for Jane Ford, wife of Devonport baker and confectioner Henry Ford, who for many years ran H Ford's Refreshment Rooms in King Edward Parade near the corner of Church Street.



9 Masonic Hall 145 Victoria Road

This former Masonic Lodge building dates back to 1901 when it was erected as the first purpose-built home of the local Lodge Albion. The lodge had been established at Devonport in 1882 by Devonport members of city-based lodges. A decade after it was opened extensions were made to the building with a social hall being added. Local freemason and architect Edward Bartley was responsible for the additions.

If you want to walk the Mount Victoria loop, turn off Victoria Road into Kerr Street . . . Otherwise, continue down Victoria Road into the township



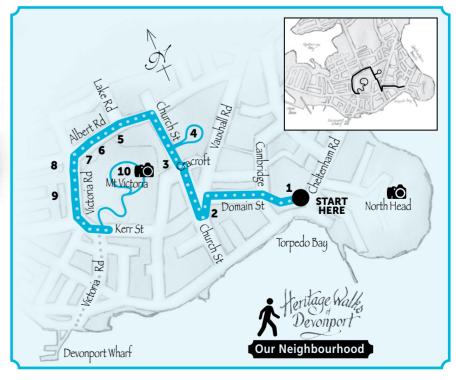
Mount Victoria features the highest volcanic cone on the Devonport isthmus and gives fine views to Rangitoto, Auckland City and the harbour bridge. The Mount was fortified by Maori long before the arrival of Europeans. It became part of the coastal defence system established in 1885 in fear of attack on the British Empire by the Russian Pacific Fleet. In 1899 the 8 inch calibre, breech-loading Armstrong Elswick "disappearing gun" was mounted here, and is the last of its type in NZ remaining on its original mounting.

More than 40 years ago, one of the military bunkers on Mount Victoria was converted, to become the home of the Devonport Folk Music Club, which meets every Monday night.

In 1898 a residence was built on the side of the mountain for the signalman who controlled



the shipping in the Auckland harbour from the signal house at the top of Mount Victoria — this residence is now the Michael King Writers Centre, which provides accommodation and work space for New Zealand writers.



Fun Facts about Devonport

- The Moreton Bay fig tree in Windsor Reserve is fondly known as 'Old Albert' (planted from a seedling via Albert Park in Auckland city). It was planted in 1883 and is also known as an Australian Banyan tree.
- The metal musical notes on the band rotunda in Windsor Reserve represent bars of 'God Save The Queen', but are wrongly sequenced.
- The Esplanade Hotel (built 1902 - 03) is one of the oldest on the North Shore and the bar still exists in its original position in the hotel.
- The first asphalt footpath to be laid in New Zealand, on 12 February 1883, was put down from the Esplanade Hotel to Clarence Street, at a cost of 3s 6d per square yard.
- The new \$7.8 million Devonport Library, designed by Athfield Architects, opened in February 2015, to replace the original 1953 building. Our library houses a \$100,000 silk curtain designed by artist Judy Millar. See beautiful harbour views from the mezzanine floor.
- Flagstaff was the name originally bestowed upon Devonport. Victoria and Albert Roads were named after Queen Victoria and her husband Albert. Edward Street (now Calliope Road) and Clarence Street were named after their children.
- The bubonic plague scare in 1900 prompted the Devonport Council to mount a campaign offering free rat poison to encourage the slaughter of rats, and included a bounty for each dead rat.
- Lorde is the youngest New Zealander to have won an international Grammy award. She grew up in Devonport and attended Belmont Intermediate School and Takapuna Grammar.
- O'Neill's Point Cemetery in Bayswater contains the remains of both Mrs McDonald (died 1902) and Charles Stone (died 1920). Mrs McDonald was the first European female child born in New Zealand and Charles the first European male child born in Auckland

Devonport Cycle Tours

Devonport is a great place to ride a bike. All trips start and finish at Devonport wharf There is a network of shared paths, cycle lanes and quiet back streets which make cycling safe and easy. Enjoy spectacular scenery, intriguing history, beautiful beaches and cafes to discover on two wheels. Bikes travel on the ferry for free and are also available to hire on Devonport Wharf.

Here are three trips that take in the sights of Devonport.

Quick spin

A quick spin checking out the highlights of Devonport.

From the wharf to Cheltenham Beach with an optional side trip to North Head / Maungauika.

Return via the Vauxhall Shops.

6 km 30 minute's cycling time. Allow 1.5 hours with stops.



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All the beaches

A morning or afternoon visiting Devonport's best beaches – from the wharf to Cheltenham Beach with an optional side trip to North Head / Maungauika.

Next head to the Vauxhall shops and

then onto Narrow Neck Beach. Return via Ngataringa Park with an optional side trip up Mt Victoria / Takarunga.

10 km 1 hour's cycling time. Allow 2.5 hours with stops.



Tour de Devonport

Aday trip circling the Devonport Peninsula – From the wharf to Cheltenham Beach with an optional side trip to North Head / Maungauika.

Onto Narrow Neck Beach via the Vauxhall shops. Next head to the famous

cafe Little & Friday, in Belmont.

Return via the Green Route to Bayswater Park, Ngataringa Park and Stanley Bay Park. Return to the wharf with an optional side trip up Mt Victoria / Takarunga.

17 km, 2 hour's cycling. Allow 4 hours with stops.



Fun Facts about Devonport

- The first Land Scout Troop was formed in Devonport in 1908, only a few years after the movement was founded by Lord Baden-Powell in England.
- Dame Sister Mary Leo, who trained Dames Kiri Te Kanawa and Malvina Major, was a registered pupil at St Leo's Primary School (from 1905-1906). Other celebrities who have resided in Devonport include musicians Lorde, Gin Wigmore, Tim Finn, Anika Moa and actor Temuera Morrison.
- Jin the early 1990s, from the age of 77, Polly Pollock single-handedly created and maintained a 4000-tree haven for native flora and fauna (Mary Barrett Glade) on the shoreline of Ngataringa Bay, in remembrance of her daughter. She maintained the park until her death at the age of 84.
- A Brickworks established by twin brothers Richard and Robert Duder around 1875 used two kilns and clay from Ngataringa Bay to make and supply bricks, glazed drain pipes and fittings for local residents. Remains of the brickworks can still be seen on a seaside track in Ngataringa Bay, off Lake Road.
- 5 In 1894, all permanent dwellings in Devonport were connected to water which was pumped from the Pumphouse on Lake Pupuke in Takapuna, through four miles of pipes to the reservoir on Mount Victoria.
- The top of Mount Victoria features mushroom-shaped vents which are connected to the underground water reservoir.
- 7 Cheltenham Beach has had several name changes over the years: White Beach, Rangitoto Beach and Cobley's Beach. The gardeners who worked on Mr Cobley's Devonport estate originally came from Cheltenham Gardens, London. The idea of building a kiosk on the beachfront was first raised in 1909 amid public controversy. The kiosk has evolved from tearooms in its early years, to a popular venue for many a fine wedding, ball, or social event. It celebrated 100 years of operation in 2013.

Locals' tip

Devonport has an active cycling community. Barbara Cuthbert, the head of Bike Auckland lives in the suburb. Auckland Councillor and Stanley Bay resident Chris Darby is a keen cycling advocate and Bike Devonport is an active pressure group. Devonport Xpressos is a social riding group comprising different levels of ability. Riding times at: www.rca.org.nz/tribes/auckland-north/devonport-espressos

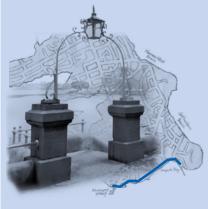


Devonport Waterfront

Start from Devonport Wharf. Walk east through Windsor Reserve, towards King Edward Parade. Keep on the seaward side.



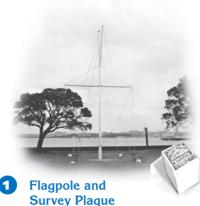
ing Edward Parade stretches along the foreshore from Devonport Wharf to North Head. During the early nineteenth century a commercial centre was developed, beginning with the Masonic Hotel, and various boat-building facilities (including Logan, Bailey, Holmes and Beddoes). By 1914, King Edward Parade was graced with a string of residential buildings.





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Approximately 1 hour



Once a visual shipping signal station, the flagpole was moved from Mount Victoria in 1957, to mark the site of the birthplace of the New Zealand Navy. In the 1840s naval vessels had stores and repair depots in the area. It is also one of the many areas along the foreshore where Maori canoes landed in

2 Commemorative Sea Wall

Begun in 1902 and completed in 1929 the scoria and concrete commemorative sea wall

was erected by the Devonport Borough Council, to mark the Coronation of Edward VII. Devonport Borough Council were able to secure partial funding from the government for this first stage of the wall as a coronation monument, but with the news of the end of the second Anglo-Boer War having recently been received, its official opening became an impromptu celebration of peace in South Africa as well.



4 ELIZABETH HOUSE 5 King Edward Parade

Formerly the Ventnor Private Hotel which was destroyed by fire in 1910. The present building was erected in 1911 to a design by architect John Currie and built of brick to decrease the risk of fire. It had 50 guest rooms and an impressive dining room. The Ventnor catered for holiday makers for decades until WWII when it was requisitioned by the Defence Department. After the war the building was renamed Elizabeth House and used by the Navy to accommodate the WRENS - Womens Royal NZ Naval Service. The Navy vacated in 1991 and the building is now in private residence.

EXECUTION SITE opposite to corner of Mays Street and King Edward Parade



On the morning of Saturday 23 October 1847 the mutilated bodies of Lieutenant Robert Snow, his wife, and young daughter were found in the

burnt-out remains of their home. One of the few Pakeha settlers living on the North Shore from 1841, Robert Snow was officer in charge of the Royal Naval Base. The hunt for the killer went on for months until finally Joseph Burns confessed to the murders, and stealing £12 from the family. On 17 June 1848, Burns was escorted to the site of the murders where he was hanged in front of a large crowd. He was the first Pakeha to be hanged for a capital crime in New Zealand.

Lava Flows opposite 14 King **Edward Parade**



Lava flows from the eruption of Mount

Victoria, many years ago, spread down the mountainside and through to the sea, forming the distinctive black lava flows that are visible beyond the seawall. The stone walls on the opposite side of the road were constructed from rock taken from surrounding paddocks.



9 Devonport Yacht Club (DYC)

Founded in 1905, but its heritage can be traced back to 1881 when the first regatta was held. Considered one of New Zealand's most respected yacht clubs. The clubhouse was originally the waiting shed on the old Victoria Wharf. The yard is full of colour and activity during winter months, with numerous boats up on cradles being painted and repaired.



10 Boatbuilders' Plaque

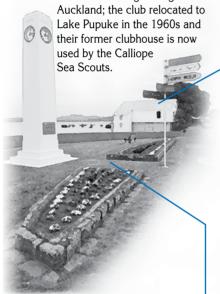
Reflects on the growth of the early ship-building industry along the Devonport foreshore.



Continue past Devonport Yacht Club on the right-hand side



Built in 1900, this was the second clubhouse built for the North Shore Rowing Club, (established 1874) which has become the oldest surviving rowing club in



Watson Memorial Clock

Erected to commemorate the former ferry terminal and cargo facilities constructed on this site. Look also for the Duder's Wharf Plaque, behind the clock, on the sea wall.



Parade



Designed by architect Richard Keals and erected in 1866 for Thomas Duder, the Masonic Hotel quickly became an important local meeting place in Devonport. In the early days it not only served as the venue for meetings of social and sports bodies, it was also the location of coroners' inquests and local government meetings. The hotel has been extended and altered many times over the years but remains a prominent feature of this part of King Edward Parade. It has recently been converted to apartments.

14 30-33 King Edward Parade

A single-storey timber shop on the corner of King Edward Parade and Church Street was demolished and replaced with this two-storey building. Part of this earlier building was left unadorned by the decorative detailing that dominates the rest of the facade. Erected for the Duder brothers in 1912 to a design by Edward Bartley, the eastern end possibly incorporates an earlier building which housed Henry Ford's Refreshment Rooms in the nineteenth century.

16 Tainui Memorial

The Tainui Memorial commemorates the arrival of the Tainui canoe from Polynesia, over 500 years ago. Erected by the Devonport



Borough Council in 1959, the orb and bird on the top of the memorial were donated by King Koroki. The text on the memorial reflects the view prevailing in 1959, that the Tainui was part of a 'Great Fleet' of canoes that arrived in 1350 AD.

Cross the road to Cambridge Terrace. Enter the Devonport Domain on the right-hand side of this road



officers brought

the love of cricket with them from England and the North Shore Cricket Club was established in 1864; their first club captain being Captain G Wynyard of the 68th Regiment. In 1890, the newly formed Devonport Borough Council met with the club and agreed that a pitch would be laid on a reclaimed swamp nestled between three extinct volcanoes. The current clubrooms were built in 1966.

Head through the park, back towards the waterfront, turning left before you get your feet wet



berthed at the Naval Wharf in 1886. A submarine mining station was established here in the 1880s, in the wake of the Russian scare. In the twentieth century the mining programme was dispensed with, and their buildings were used by the Army. Takapuna was the name of a spring which formerly flowed profusely from the base of Maungauika/North Head. It was named by the commander of the Tainui canoe, after a spring of that name in the Society Islands. Takapuna became the Maori name for the wider Devonport area. The spring was piped when the Naval facility was built at Torpedo Bay in the late nineteenth century.

20 Plaque on seawall outside museum

Commemorates the arrival of the French Corvette Astrolabe in 1827. It is believed that its commander.



Dumont D'Urville, climbed Mount Victoria to survey the harbour.



21 The Navy Museum

Housed in a nineteenth century submarine mining station, the museum showcases the rich history of the New Zealand Navy. Opened in 2010, earth preparations led to the discovery of significant 'first-settlement' archeological remains including pearl shell fish hooks, moa bones and an adze. Behind the museum, to the left of the boat ramp, is a salt water rehabilitation pool built in the 1880s by Torpedo Bay resident Alexander Watson.

His home and the pool were used for convalescence by returned servicemen.

(Not visible at high tide).



Finding the perfect Devonport ice cream

White's Dairy

After a day at the beach, make sure you pop into White's Dairy for an ice cream. If you're up for a challenge, ask for one of their famous 10 scoops that have people travelling to this local dairy from all over Auckland. White's Dairy has become iconic to Devonport, with owner Nilesh and wife Jody scooping up ice creams for locals and visitors since 1994.

Devonport Scoops

White's Dairy's younger sister store on Victoria Rd is serving up 24 different flavours of ice cream. Let your eyes be bigger than your stomach as you browse their range of milkshakes, thickshakes, ice cream sandwiches, slushies, smoothies, confectionary and snacks. As well as Tip Top Ice Cream, Devonport Scoops is also serving up NZ boutique brand Kapiti icecream – this is not to be missed!

Dixie Browns

The perfect spot to cool down after the ferry ride over – try a colourful gelato from Dixie Browns. You'll find this spot tucked away at the bottom of Victoria Rd, next door to their main restaurant.

Cheltenham Milk Bar

Pop in for a scoop or two of their famous Valentino Gelato before heading off to enjoy the sunshine at Cheltenham Beach



Gelato ... a speciality at the Vic Theatre

Torpedo Bay Cafe

Located next door to the Navy Museum, with possibly one of the best views in Devonport, Torpedo Bay Cafe is scooping up NZ's own Kapiti Ice Cream.

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The Vic Devonport cinema – offers traditional gelato (homemade) – sorbet, as

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Fun by the sea for the whole family

Devonport is a fantastic playground to explore with your children.

Did you bring your togs? Five main swimming beaches (see page 10) surround the foot of the Devonport peninsula, from Stanley Bay to the east, across to Devonport Beach on Windsor Reserve, west to Torpedo Bay and Cheltenham Beach, and north of there to Narrow Neck Beach.

Cheltenham Beach is very tidal, so check our tide table on page 11, or a dip in the water can become a paddle or wade on the mudflats – though that can be another adventure for kids.

Devonport kids also love to jump into the harbour off two of the local wharves: one next to Stanley Bay beach and the other at Torpedo Bay, near the Navy Museum. Swimming pontoons can also be found at Stanley Bay Beach and Cheltenham Beach.

Another local tradition is sliding down the slopes of the volcanic cones – Mount Victoria (Takarunga in Maori) or North Head (Maungauika) – on sheets of cardboard. You can ask for some suitable cardboard from a local retailer (Glengarry or New World are good options) or just look for a piece once you are on top of the mountain.

On North Head, explore the disappearing gun and tunnels, with a torch – or without, for extra spookiness. Mount Victoria's tunnels are usually closed to the public.

For younger children, Devonport has playgrounds near beaches: one at Windsor Reserve, another across the road from Torpedo Bay, near the Navy Museum, one on Bath Street Reserve (at the northern end of Cheltenham Beach), and another at Narrow Neck.

Some sports facilities are open to all comers. Woodall Reserve, over the road from Narrow Neck Beach, has a beach volleyball court. You will need to bring your own ball.

Public tennis courts can be found halfway up Mt Victoria and next to the Devonport Squash Club on Wairoa Road.

If you're keen to shoot some hoops, there is also an outdoor basketball court next to the squash club and a hoop right beside Narrow Neck Beach.

Hidden in the trees at the western side of Woodall Reserve is a small cross-country bike track, suitable for young bikers.

If you fancy a bike tour of local neighbourhoods, see our maps on pages 26 and 27.

Are your kids into skateboarding? Check



Ice-cream extreme, one of the biggest challenges in Devonport is the Aucklander – an eight-scoop ice cream from White's Dairy

out the skatepark at Ngataringa Park. It is a popular spot for local kids, who are generally welcoming to visitors.

Going fishing is also easy. You can buy fishing rods, bait and everything else you need at Devonport Hammer Hardware on Clarence St. Bait is also available at New World. Walk down to Victoria Wharf, the large wharf on the other side of where the ferries dock. Stanley Bay or Torpedo Bay wharves also provide good fishing spots.

In the event of bad weather, there is plenty to explore indoors as well. Devonport Library has a large children's book section downstairs and is a fun place to hang out. The Victoria Theatre screens all sorts of movies for young and old.

A trip to a local museum is another option, whether it's the Devonport Museum on Mt Cambria Reserve, or the Navy Museum at Torpedo Bay, at the foot of North Head.

Second-hand Devonport

If you like fossicking for second-hand or vintage treasures, the Devonport peninsula has a few hot spots for you.

Anglican Community Shop

The Arcade (off Victoria Rd), open weekdays 10am-4pm and Saturdays 10am-3pm.

Bookmark

15 Victoria Rd, rare and collectable books, open daily, 9am-6pm.

Hospice North Shore in Devonport

36A Victoria Rd, open Mondays to Saturdays 9.30am-4.30pm and Sundays 10am-3pm.

Salvation Army Family Store

2 Queens Parade, open Monday to Wednesday and Saturday 10am-6pm, and Thursdays and Fridays 10am-7.30 pm.

Vauxhall Vintage

66 Vauxhall Rd, Mondays and Thursday-Saturday 10am-4pm, Sundays 10am-2pm.

Locals' tip

The Devonport walkers group has been meeting every Tuesday for 25 years. They assemble in the New World car park outside Caroline Sills every Tuesday and Thursday at 9am, and on Sundays at 8.30 am.They take in a new route each time.

People walk at different paces, but afterwards everyone meets up for a cuppa at Clarry's Café. You can become a group member for \$10, but visitors and newcomers to Devonport are welcome too. Contact Pat at 09 445 2743 for more information.

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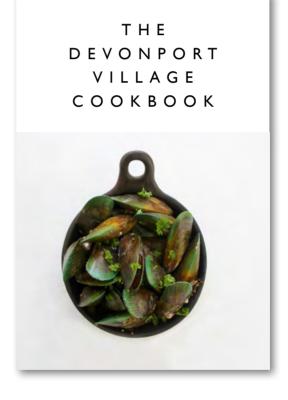
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A beer-lover's guide to Devonport - updated!



Walked up a thirst? Our resident beer hound made his annual search for a superior brew.

If you're going to have a beer, it should be a good one, right?

So, with a long hot summer ahead, we've freshly updated our round-up of some of Devonport's best places for an ale.

For visitors feeling thirsty before they even arrive, there's the option of making like a Friday-night commuter and enjoying one on the Fullers ferry on your harbour-crossing from the city. They have a selection of brews in the fridge and the journey is just long enough for you to enjoy a cooling drink with the scenery.

On arrival, the first bar encountered is Devon on the Wharf, a good peoplewatching spot with an outlook to the harbour. An interesting newcomer introduced on-tap here since our last round-up is the Mountain Goat organic "Steam Ale" from Australia. They also have Estrella Damm and a couple of Founders options (Pilsner and IPA) on tap, as well as a wide selection of bottled beers including Efes Pilsner, Budejovicky Budvar, Little Creatures (Pilsner or Pale Ale), a Boundary Road range and Galbraith's New American Pale and Redemption. At just 2.5 per cent, the latter is a good option if you're planning to visit a few different bars and need to pace yourself.

Wherever else your outing takes you, be sure to drop into the stately Esplanade just across the road, where the big new beer attraction since our last visit is the delicious Good George IPA, which may well be the best thing to ever come out of Hamilton. Most of the regulars here prefer the Peroni, but they are obviously misguided. Hallertau's refreshing Luxe Kölsch beer No 1 is another tap option here, and in bottles you might opt for Emmerson's Bookbinder or one of a couple of options from Rotorua's Croucher (a dark beer and the 2.5 per cent Lowrider). We still like the fish goujons and shoestring fries, but for a summer treat to accompany that Good George, why not try the fresh Waiheke oysters served on ice?

Right next door, Dixie Browns still has Hawke's Bay Brewing's IPA, Pilsner and "Pure Lager" on tap, along with Kingston Cider, also from the Bay. Further along at Manuka, where the beer-friendly pizza and seafood chowder come particularly recommended, they still have the refreshing Mata lager from Kawerau on tap.

Head up to the pedestrian crossing at the top of the main drag (before Victoria Rd swerves left) and head across it to Vic Theatre's bar – whether you have movie-watching in



The Esplanade, one of Devonport's most historic buildings, and a great spot for a beer

Best afternoondrinking spots

FOR SUN: Vondel, the Patriot (on the street) and The Esplanade along the waterfront are hard to beat. The Patriot also has outdoor garden-bar style seating out the back.

mind or not. The on-tap option here these days is the Redwood American Pale Ale from Silverdale's Deep Creek. Their bottle selection still includes the full Stoke range.

Next door at Corelli's, we like the tables outside, a perfect spot for enjoying a Mac's lager or pale ale from the tap or an Emerson's 1812 or Pilsner from the fridge. For something a little different, You might also like to try the Black Duck Porter from the Hawke's Bay Brewing Company.

Heading back down the eastern side of Victoria Rd, the Patriot still has a wide selection on tap: Boddingtons, Guinness,

Kilkenny, Emerson's Pilsner, Little Creatures Pale Ale, Becks, and Mac's pale ale. If none of those appeal, there is always the Emerson's range in the fridge. Cider fans – and we've noticed growing numbers of these – have a tap choice here between Mac's Cloudy Apple and, just introduced, Bulmers, from the UK.

Our next stop down Victoria Rd from here has been Bette's, which as this issue went to press was rebranding as Vondel, and promising a newly extended selection of craft beer options. The sun-drenched courtyard outside this place will be the perfect place to try them all.

Lastly, we cross the road, head into Clarence St, and visit Tiny Triumphs. Here, the pocket-sized interior spills out onto a popular deck overlooking the street. They still have Sawmill's reliable brews on tap and a wide fridge selection from some of the country's best craft brewers.

All the hospitality establishments listed above also have a good selection of New Zealand's favourite wine varieties, including sauvignon blanc, and pinot noir from Otago or Marlborough.

Locals' tip

One of the best beaches in Devonport isn't on any maps. Go to North Head (Rangitoto side) and take the steps to the right of the carpark. At the base is pretty beach with good swimming and your own view to the Hauraki Gulf.



Cheltenham - Fort Takapuna

From Torpedo Bay, walk north along Cheltenham Road towards the beach

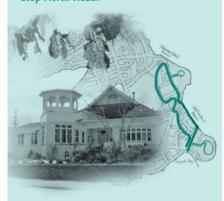


ilitary lookouts were established on North Head and Fort Takapuna because of the extensive views of the harbour.

With volcanic soil for farming, plus attractive beaches, it became an enviable retreat. Vauxhall Gardens were created in the 1860s, and swamp west of Wairoa Road drained to create a racecourse (now a golf course).

Devonport's residential development increased because of fine beaches, proximity to its own commercial centre and ferry transport to the city.

Watch the *History of Devonport* video, atop North Head.





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1 OPTIONAL LOOP North Head Maungauika (via Takuranga Road)

North Head played an important role in the defence of the Auckland Harbour from the 1880s when it was fortified as part of the harbour defence system established in response to fears of a Russian attack. Between 1888 and 1914 prisoners were incarcerated at North Head where they were put to work digging a network of tunnels that link the defence facilities.



There has been much speculation that historic aircraft were hidden inside sealed tunnels. In spite of extensive exploration they have never been discovered.

After exploring North Head, walk back to Cheltenham Road and turn right

2 46 Cheltenham Road right-hand side on beach

Originally the Cheltenham Tea Kiosk, opened in 1913. It provided changing rooms and a large tea room for beachgoers. Now a popular reception lounge.



Turn left and walk northward along Cheltenham Beach





3 Balmain Reserve

This land was owned by the Balmain family and acquired for a park by the Devonport Borough Council in the mid-1930s. Soon afterwards, depression relief workers set to work forming and improving the reserve. With beautiful views to Rangitoto, it is popular with beach-goers for picnics and sports gatherings.

Continue walking to the northern end of the beach, to the children's playground.

4 Plaques – Cheltenham Beach Caretakers

Public concern over the depletion of shellfish beds on Cheltenham Beach came to a head in the early 1990s. Sampling of shellfish numbers was undertaken by concerned locals, aided by the Royal Forest and

Bird Society. Initial results were alarming and led to the formation of Cheltenham Beach Caretakers who pushed for a ban on shellfish harvesting. With the support of local Maori, the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, and other local groups, the ban was put in place in 1993 and shellfish samples continued to be collected to track progress.

At the end of Cheltenham Beach, turn left by the playground, through Bath Street, and turn right into Vauxhall Road. Summer 2017/18 Destination Devonport Page 39



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The Rotary Walkway

(beside 126 Vauxhall Road)

This is an alternative route into the Fort Takapuna optional loop

There is no formal track through the Fort Takapuna Historic Reserve, but Devonport Rotary has funded a walkway beside the old Navy barracks to take you into the former defence area (the main entrance to the reserve is at 128 Vauxhall Road).

The Fort was equipped with two six-inch guns and living accommodation for the gunners stationed there. After the First World War the fort was abandoned.

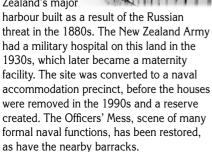


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OPTIONAL LOOP Fort Takapuna Historic Reserve 128

Vauxhall Road

This reserve encompasses one of a number of forts overlooking New Zealand's major



Head towards Narrow Neck Beach, then cross the road into Wairoa Road





Built on a former swamp it was reclaimed in the 1870s and the Takapuna Racecourse was established on the site, which it shared with the Waitemata Golf Club (where the golf course had been in the centre of the race track). The shape of the racecourse can still be seen in the layout of the current golf course, and the Jockeys' Changing Rooms are now the Devonport Croquet Club premises.

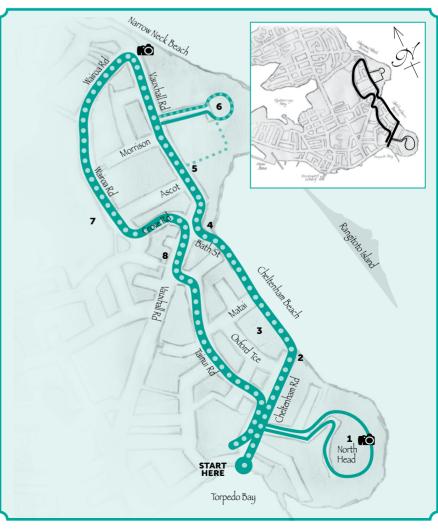
Turn left into Grove Road, then turn right into Vauxhall Road



8 Vauxhall Road Shops

In the 1920s a small set of shops arose at the intersection of Vauxhall Road and Tainui Road to serve the growing Cheltenham Beach community. By 1930 locals had the choice of two grocers along with a butcher and fruiterer. In 1963 a branch post office was opened in an existing shop building. Now it's a busy hub of eateries, and interesting shops.

Turn left into Tainui Road, then right into Cheltenham Road and end this walk at Torpedo Bay (if you wish, you can pick up the Neighbourhood Walk from here).







CINEMA

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HISTORY OF THE VICTORIA CINEMA

The Victoria Theatre was built by American John Leon Benwell during the silent movie era in 1912. It was a thriving entertainment centre for the community and is the earliest purpose-built cinema still in existence in the Southern Hemisphere.

The theatre was sold to Fuller-Haywards two years later and in 1929 was transformed into an art deco cinema by Architect Daniel B Patterson, featuring a new façade, enlarged auditorium, new foyer and a circle lounge.

2010



From 1945 Kerridge Odeon took over the Victoria and ran it for 43 years. The Vic was transformed again in 1989 by Bruce Palmer who converted the Victoria into Charley Gray's Twin Cinemas.

Ownership changed several times during the 1990's and following community efforts to save the theatre from being demolished, the City Council bought the building and leased it to the Victoria Theatre Trust. It reopened in 2010 as a community

cinema and performing arts venue and it is the Trust's vision to restore and preserve it as a heritage building.

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