

A REPUBLIC, FORGOTTEN HIGHWAY and JETBOAT RIVER ADVENTURE !!



History
carved in
stone,
adventure
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memory



The departure location for your Republic and Forgotten Highway Discovery itinerary is the Forgotten World Motel in Taumarunui

Getting to Taumarunui

- Taumarunui is 286 km's from Auckland, a drive time of 3½ hours.
- Taumarunui is 364 km's from Wellington, a drive time of 4½ hours.
- Nearby towns & cities include New Plymouth (2¾ hour drive), Whanganui (2 hour drive) and Taupo (1½ hour drive)

Itinerary Highlights

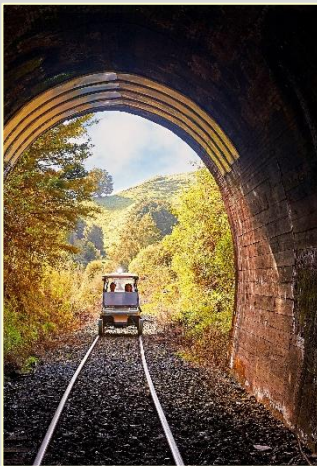
Fully immersive adventure in the Forgotten World | 142 km 2-day rail cart journey | Travel the full length of the Whanganui River on jetboat – the longest commercial jet boat ride in the Southern Hemisphere | Guided 6km bush walk to the iconic Bridge to Nowhere | Visit Matahiwi Gallery & Café & Lauren's Lavender Farm | Travel the historic Whanganui River Road to Pipiriki | 4 nights' accommodation – The Forgotten World Motel Taumarunui , Whangamōmona Hotel, Aotea Motor Lodge, Whanganui & Blue Duck Station, Whakahoro | Venture through all 24 hand-cut tunnels and over 90 plus hand-built bridges

5 days / 4 nights from \$3399 pp share twin

Whats Include :

- ✓ 4 nights accommodation – The Forgotten World Motel, Whangamōmona Hotel (Dinner & Breakfast) Aotea Motor Lodge (Breakfast) and Blue Duck Station (Dinner & Breakfast)
- ✓ 142 km rail cart journey with 24 hand-cut tunnels and over 90 bridges.
- ✓ Jetboating on Day 4 and 5 - a total of 120km along the majestic Whanganui River
- ✓ A 6km guided bushwalk - to the Bridge to Nowhere for a history lesson and lunch on the bridge

Travel	Twin/Double
01 April 2026 - 30 September 2026	\$3399
01 October 2026 - 30 September 2027	\$3499



An unforgettable five -day adventure with full immersion in the region's dramatic landscapes.

Explore the entire railway – travel the 142km length of the heritage line. Start your itinerary with a stay at The Forgotten World Motel. Stay at the iconic Whangamōmona Hotel in the self-proclaimed Republic, enjoy a third overnight in Whanganui and a fourth at the award-winning Blue Duck Station.



Day 1 – The friendly & welcoming town of Taumarunui in the Ruapehu district is where your itinerary starts. Surrounded by stunning landscapes, from the majestic Whanganui and Tongariro National Parks to the lush Pureora Forest. Your overnight accommodation is at the Forgotten World Motel .

Day 2 - Shuttle bus from Forgotten World Motel at 7.30am to Okahukura Station (10 mins). Rail cart to Tokirima with stops at Matiere and Ōhura. Morning tea at Matiere and then on to Tokirima for lunch with an opportunity to purchase souvenirs at 'The Shed' . Then Rail cart to Tāngarākau Gorge via Heao. Afternoon tea will be served at Tāngarākau Gorge. Rail cart to Whangamōmona Station then take the shuttle bus or walk to the nearby Whangamōmona Hotel. Dinner, bed and breakfast at Whangamōmona Hotel

Day 3 – After breakfast leave luggage at hotel Reception and return to your carts for a 9.00 am departure. Rail cart to Te Wera where morning tea will be served . Rail cart to Avonstour Organic Farm, Te Wera. Visit Avonstour Organic Farm before rail carting to Douglas. Lunch at Douglas. Rail cart to Stratford arriving approx. 2.30pm. A guided transfer to Aotea Motor Lodge, Whanganui for your overnight stay. Dinner will be your own arrangements.

Day 4 – After breakfast meet at hotel Reception at 7.15am with luggage. You'll travel by road to Matahiwi Gallery & Café along the Whanganui River Road. Morning tea at Matahiwi Gallery. Visit Kaimanawa Flour Mill , Stop at Jerusalem for short tour and arrive at Pipiriki. Here you'll depart on a jet boat 5km upstream to Mangapurua Landing to commence a 3 km guided bush walk to Bridge to Nowhere through Whanganui National Park. Here you'll enjoy storytelling and lunch on the bridge with a local guide. Then its on to Blue Duck Station (Whakahoro) on jetboat arriving approx. 3.30pm (2 hrs). Dinner & breakfast at Blue Duck Station included.

DAY 5 – After breakfast you'll be transferred to meet the jet boat. There'll be Historical and cultural storytelling during jet boat ride and a scheduled visit to Lauren's Lavender Farm. Lunch at Lavender Farm followed by a Shuttle bus to Forgotten World Motel (15 mins) where your itinerary finishes.



Terms & Conditions

Price is per person share twin in New Zealand Dollars inclusive of 15% GST. Pricing is an **Indicative Price** and is correct at time of submission but is subject to change without notice. A **\$100** per person deposit is required at time of booking. Final payment will be required 30 days prior to the start of your Republic & Forgotten Highway Discovery itinerary or as indicated on the invoice. If the booking is made within 30 days of departure then full payment is required at the time of booking. Payment is preferred by internet banking to the nominated account indicated on the invoice. **Cancellations and amendments** – Subject to your refund and remedy rights under the Consumer Guarantees Act, the following charges & cancellation fees apply to all bookings. All **amendments** to bookings will incur a fee of \$75 per person. Supplier cancellations, which can be up to 100% of the cost of the bookings, may also apply. Cancellation fees for bookings made and cancelled by the Agent or client will incur a fee of \$75 per person This will be additional to any cancellation fees imposed by Suppliers. For full booking conditions refer to www.nz4discovery.nz or [click here](#).



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