

Starting from Auckland Botanic Gardens Visitor Centre:

1. Go straight ahead on the wide path past the Edible garden, turn left < to follow signs to Palms and Gondwana Arboretum (following the high power lines)
2. Continue across the grass (off leash dog area) following the power lines to a gravel car park
3. Turn right > on to the road, turn left < onto next gravel path, then next left < at track (beside stand of trees)
4. Cross bridge and turn left < (Follow the signs for Puhini Stream Forest Trail—the “Trail”)
5. At stile turn right > and follow Trail signs straight ahead (and signs to Totara Park)
6. At the clearing, turn hard right > down the hill and follow Trail signs
7. Turn left < after the bridge, follow Trail sign towards the playground
8. Turn right > after the gate and follow the Trail sign, continuing straight ahead
9. Just before bottom of slope, turn left < and follow the Trail sign
10. Go straight ahead along the Nikau Link Track (for a longer walk keep following the Puhini Stream Forest Trail)
11. Turn right > at the bottom of the steps
12. At next junction, turn right >, then turn left < following the Trail signs
13. Turn right > past Public Toilets and towards the swimming pool, follow the track to the left <
14. Turn right > around the swimming pool, and then left < to follow the Trail signs
15. Take track to far left < of the carpark, follow Trail sign
16. Continue straight ahead towards a white flag pole, through the trees until you reach a stile
17. Continue straight ahead along the Trail, then along main track
18. Turn right > at a toilet block and seat
19. Keep going straight ahead until a bridge, turn right > and follow the Trail.
20. Ignore first bridge on left <, cross left at the next bridge
21. Turn left < onto gravel path, then next right >
22. Keep to the left <, turn left < at next junction
23. Turn left < and follow Loop Road, and then turn next right >
24. Turn right > into the Historic Rose Garden (toilets and seating)
25. Continue straight ahead, turn left < to return to Visitors Centre



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Totara Park and Gardens

Description: A mix of level paths, steps and slightly inclined paths. Suitable for users of average fitness and mobility. May require boots in wet weather, running shoes suitable in dry weather.

To see: Auckland Botanic Gardens, native bush and palms

Time: approx. 75 minutes. (about 6 kms)

Parking: Auckland Botanic Gardens Carpark

Buses: Auckland Botanic Gardens

Journey Planner—<http://www.maxx.co.nz>





Cafés: Café Miko



Public toilets: Totara Park and

Auckland Botanic Gardens Visitor Centre



Children's playgrounds:

Two in Totara Park (and swimming pool)

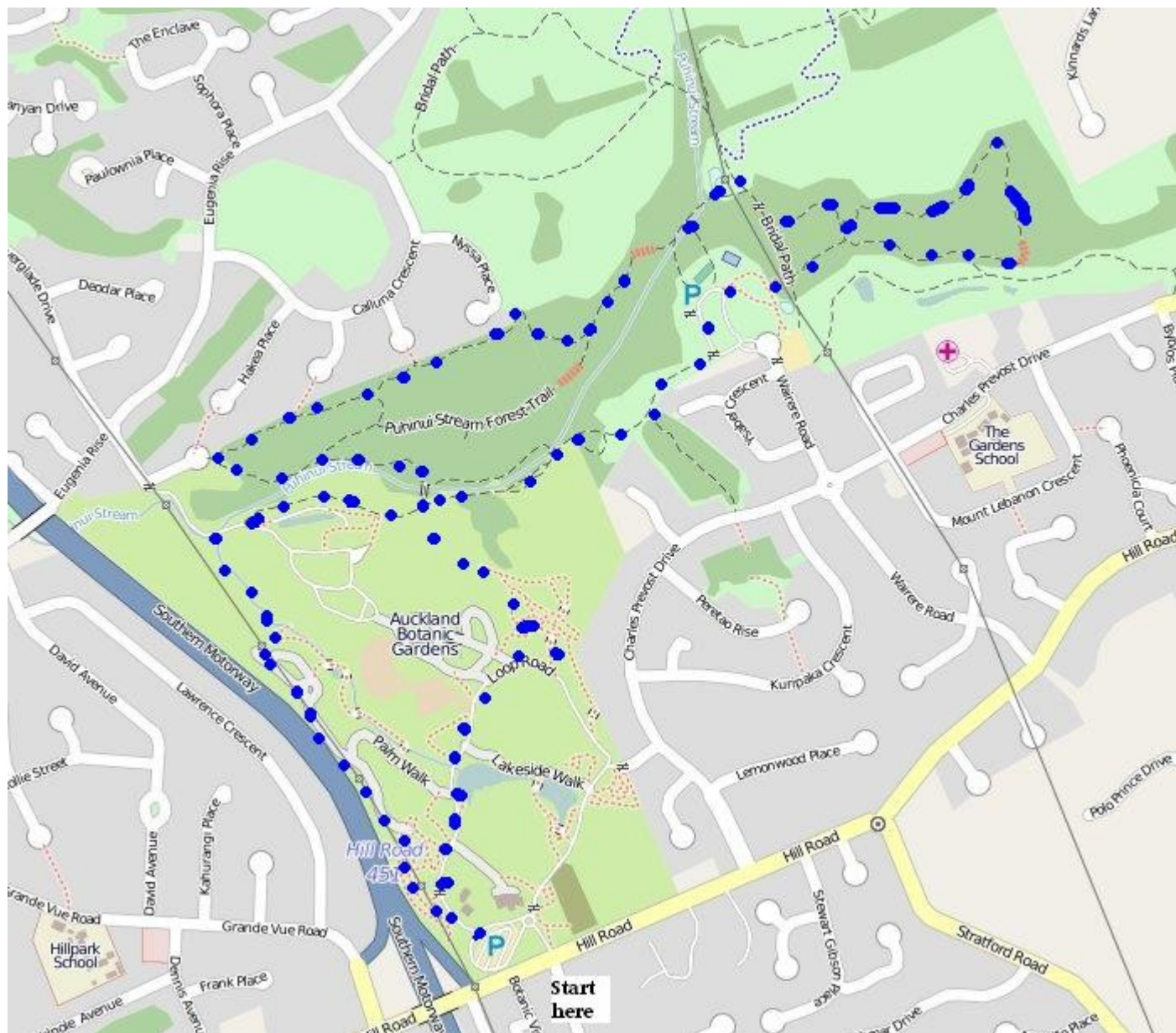


Dogs: On and off leash



Totara Park and Botanic Gardens

Other Attractions: Auckland Botanic Gardens—www.aucklandbotanicgardens.co.nz



The Puhini Stream Forest Trail follows the stream through a lush forest of native trees—including kauri, puriri, totara and nikau. The forest is an example of a lowland broadleaf conifer forest which has a total of 155 native plant species.

<http://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/EN/parksfacilities/premierparks/Pages/totarapark.aspx>