

## Start Point: Orakei Railway Station

1. Follow the footpath along side the railway line that goes under Orakei Road
2. Continue straight ahead across the board walk
3. Continue straight ahead into Panama Road towards Meadowbank Railway Station (or turn right along the path that follows the Basin)
4. Turn right > into Manapau Street
5. Turn right > into Meadowbank Road
6. Continue down the steps, then turn left < down the next set of steps, follow the bridge
7. Exit into Lucerne Road, and cross diagonally to the left < to rejoin the walkway.
8. At the bottom of the long flight of steps, turn left < and follow the walkway around the Basin.
9. At the roadway, continue past the Sea Scout Hall, and enter the Bush Walk track (if this is closed continue up the road and turn right into Orakei Road, and rejoin the path as it goes under Orakei Road)
10. At the end of the bush track, turn right > then left < under Orakei Road to return to the start.



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## Orakei Basin Walkway

**Description:** A mix of level and steep paths, steep steps. Suitable for most ages and levels of fitness and mobility, designed with flat shoes or running shoes in mind. Not suitable for wheelchairs and pushchairs

**To see:** Wonderful views of Mt Eden and Auckland City skyline. Small areas of bush. Railway track. Birdlife. Volcano crater.

**Time:** approx. 45 minutes.

**Parking:** Near Kings Plant Barn, off Orakei Road near train station.

**Buses:** to Orakei Train Station

**Trains:** Orakei Train station

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





**Cafés:** [Kings Plant Barn café](#) or

[Café Greenfingers](#) at Palmers Garden Centre



**Public toilets:** Amenities for customers at the cafes above.



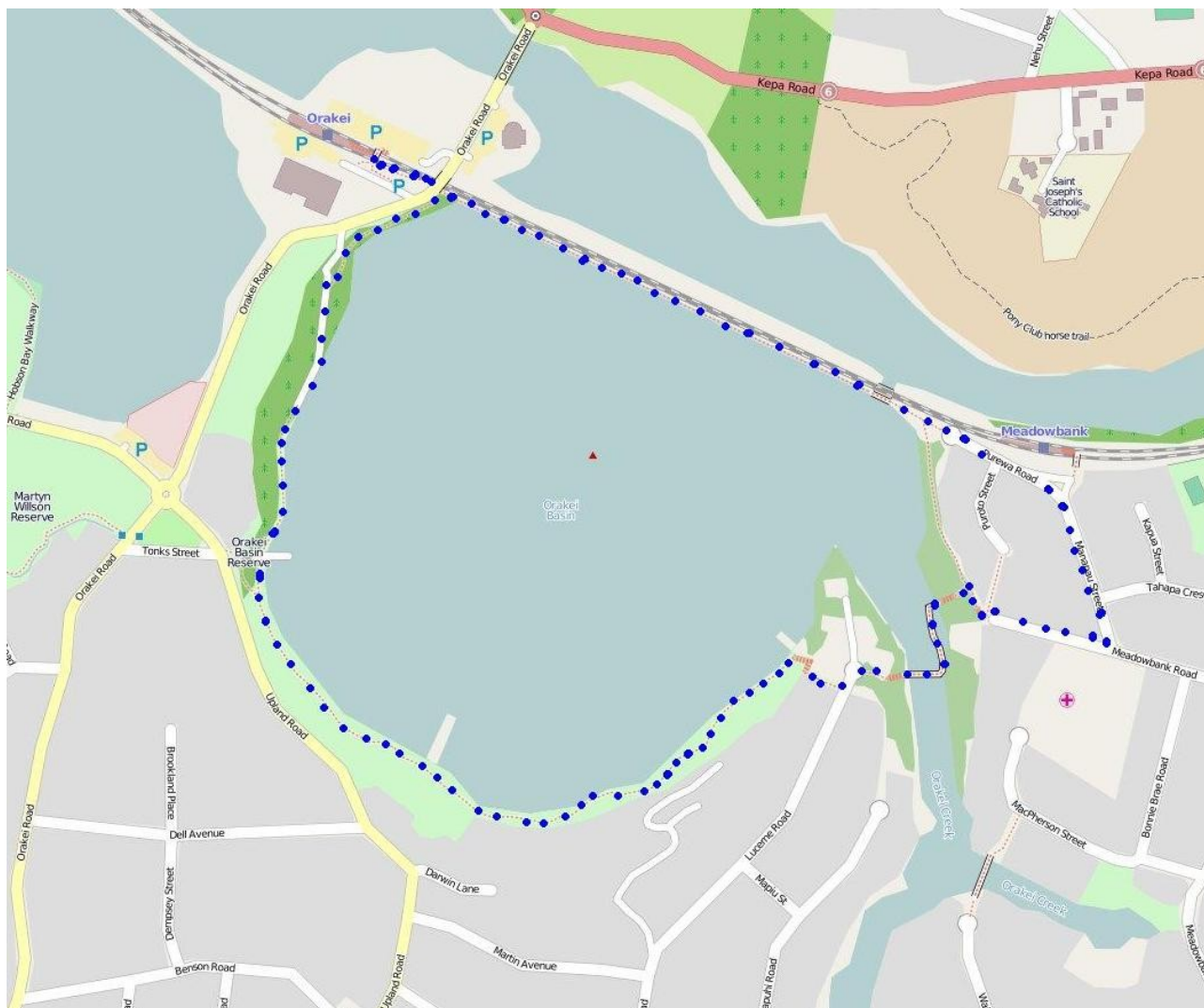
**Children's playgrounds:** none



**Dogs:** Off leash in Orakei Basin area



Tables in basin area



Orakei Basin a tidal lagoon, is a volcano in the Auckland Volcanic Field. The explosion crater is around 700 m wide and is surrounded by a tuff ring. Scientists have identified more than 50 different ash layers from the Auckland Volcanic Field. The thicker layers may have come from close volcanoes such as Rangitoto, Mt Hobson, The Domain, Mt St John, and One Tree Hill.

In the 1920s the basin was Tidal mangrove swamp, development of the area included the railway lines in the early 1930s and flood gates to impound the basin allowing it to be developed for water sports in particular water skiing. The North Island Main Trunk railway line runs along the north side of the basin. The basin has recently (2011) been upgraded through the Orakei Basin improvement plan.