

Mountain Air Volcanic Flights

Tongariro National Park

Tongariro National Park Scenic Flights



Tongariro National Park is a Dual World Heritage area and is the fourth oldest National Park in the world. The National Park includes three mountains, Mt Ruapehu, Mt Ngauruhoe, and Mt Tongariro. These were presented to the people of New Zealand in 1887 by Te Heuheu Tukino IV, Paramount Chief of the Tuwharetoa tribe, for safe keeping for all people to enjoy. The mountains are very sacred to the tangata whenua (Maori people) of the area and represent the living embodiment of their ancestors. Visitors are asked to respect these mountains and to enjoy their time in them.

Experience the breathtaking views of New Zealand's oldest National Park with a scenic volcanic flight over this dramatic landscape. See into the live craters of Mt Tongariro, Mt Ngauruhoe and Mt Ruapehu, and view the spectacular Emerald Lakes, the Blue Lake, the Tama Lakes and Mt Ruapehu's beautiful Crater Lake.

This is an active volcanic area which had its last eruption in 2012. at Te Maari on Mt Tongariro. Mt Ruapehu is also an active volcano and had its last eruption in 2007. Mt Ngauruhoe is a young 6000 year old cone shaped volcano which last erupted in 1979.



The Volcanic Explorer

Easily our most popular flight climbing to 10,000 feet over all three volcanoes in the Tongariro National Park including the active crater lake of Mt Ruapehu and the Lord of the Rings sites. From 10,000 you will have views across the full width of the North Island.

Depart from National Park Chateau Airport, Turangi or Taupo

Departs flexible | Duration 35 - 65 minutes

Northern Circuit

Fly over Mt Tongariro's majestic volcanic craters and view the latest eruption site at Te Maari. See the beautiful Blue and Emerald Lakes and seductive Red Crater. Travel the world famous Tongariro Alpine Crossing by air and fly around Mt Ngauruhoe's perfect cone. On the way home fly over the impressive Tama Lakes and over the Taranaki Falls to finish your journey at the enchanting Chateau Tongariro.

Departs flexible | Duration 25 minutes

Additional Information

Flights leave on demand with a minimum of 2 people, no age limit.

Our flights operate from 8.00 am, 7 days per week, weather permitting. Flights during summer operate until twilight. Bookings are preferable but not essential for fixed wing flights.

Price: \$195 to \$365

25 minutes to 65 minutes flying

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Directions

Trips can start from our base at the Chateau Airport located 200 m from intersection of SH 47 and SH 48 National Park (Mt Ruapehu).

Flights are also available from

- Turangi Airfield, Grace Road Turangi
- Taupo Airport Terminal, Taupo Airport

Terms

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Accommodation in this area

- [River Birches Lodge](#)