

# BELMONT REGIONAL PARK



## Opening hours

The parks are always open to the public. The Dry Creek automatic security gate opens at 5am and closes at 9pm 1 Oct–31 Mar. From 1 April–30 Sept it opens at 6am and closes at 6pm. Other parts of the park may be closed for farm management purposes, particularly during lambing. Please see website notices for details.

## How to get there

### Entrances Off SH2

- ▲ Oakleigh St and Stratton St via Dowse Interchange
- ▲ Cornish St
- ▲ Hill Rd via Belmont Interchange
- ▲ Kaitangata Crescent, Kelson
- ▲ Dry Creek near the intersection of SH2 and SH58
- ▲ Old Coach Rd via Normandale Rd
- ▲ Horokiwi Rd Entrance

### Off SH1

- ▲ Cannons Creek via Warspite Ave
- ▲ Takapu Rd, Grenada North
- ▲ Waihora Crescent

### Off SH58

- ▲ Belmont Rd

## Get involved

Numerous community groups are involved in protection, restoration and enhancement of the park. See [www.gw.govt.nz/your-region/get-involved/](http://www.gw.govt.nz/your-region/get-involved/) for more information

For more information visit [gw.govt.nz/parks/Belmont-regional-park/](http://gw.govt.nz/parks/Belmont-regional-park/)

Contact the Greater Wellington Parks department: [parks@gw.govt.nz](mailto:parks@gw.govt.nz)

Greater Wellington contact centre: 0800 496 734

Metlink (for public transport timetables and fares) 0800 801 700 [www.metlink.org.nz](http://www.metlink.org.nz)

Walking or cycling to the park? Check out [www.gw.govt.nz/cycling/](http://www.gw.govt.nz/cycling/) for the most direct route.



## Tracks and trails

Track	Distance (km)	Time (walk)	Description	Grade (Easy, Intermediate, Moderate, Hard)
<b>▲ Cannons Creek entrance</b>				
Māra Roa Loop Walk	2.5km	1hr	A short walk in the area the Friends of Maara Roa are replanting after a fire swept through in 2003. Along the walk there are lovely views across and down Cannons Creek. Dogs on lead at all times.	E
Māra Roa Track	4km	1hr 45mins	Starting from either the Cannons Creeks shops or Waihora Crescent, Porirua, you will see the regenerating bush planted by Friends of Maara Roa, stunning views over Transmission Gully and Porirua Inlet. Dogs are welcome on this trail both on and off-lead, please follow the signs in the park.	I
Waihora Loop Track	3.5km	1hr 15min	This loop walk from Waihora Crescent, Porirua, meanders through previously farmed areas in the park. There are stunning views over Transmission Gully and towards the Porirua inlet at the high points. Dogs are welcome on this trail both on and off-lead, please follow the signs in the park.	I
<b>▲ Waihora Crescent entrance</b>				
Local access to the West Belmont walking tracks. Dogs are welcome on these tracks, both on and off-lead, please follow the signs.				
<b>▲ Takapu Rd entrance</b>				
Viaduct View Walk	500m	15min	A short walk to a good point for viewing Te Ara o Toa (Bridge 20), which is the largest structure on the entire Transmission Gully motorway.	E
Cannons Head Loop Track	6.5km	3hrs	This trail circles through the steep farmland of the Cannons Creek headwaters. There is a good view point over the motorway corridor.	H
<b>▲ Cornish St entrance</b>				
Discover a historic dam and remnants of the original forest or journey up for the views from the open tops.				
Korokoro Stream Track	8km return	3hrs return	A graded track follows the old water pipeline up to the historic Korokoro Dam.	I
<b>▲ Oakleigh St entrance</b>				
Wander past nikau palms in remnants of the original forest, discover a historic dam, or tramp up to the open tops for the views.				
Korokoro Dam Loop Track	2.7km	1hr	A medium walk winds down through lush native forest to the historic dam.	I
<b>▲ Old Coach Rd entrance</b>				
Local access to the Stratton St and Belmont Farm walking, biking and horse riding tracks.				
<b>▲ Belmont Rd entrance</b>				
Local access to the Belmont Rd and Boulder Hill tramping tracks.				

Track	Distance (km)	Time (walk)	Description	Grade (Easy, Intermediate, Moderate, Hard)
<b>▲ Stratton St entrance</b>				
Explore this patchwork of grassland and regenerating native bush, spread across hills and valleys hidden from the city.				
Belmont Trig Loop	10.8km	4hrs	An energetic round trip, taking in panoramic views from the highest point in the park, along with native forest in the middle part of Korokoro Valley.	H
4 Degrees	3.5km	1hr one way	This winding uphill mountain bike and walking track starting from Stratton St Woolshed links the upper Korokoro Valley with Old Coach Rd on the ridge above.	E
<b>▲ Hill Rd entrance</b>				
Experience a working farm set on rolling hills and rugged valleys, encounter WWII munitions stores and be astonished by the views.				
Belmont Farm Loop	8.4km	3hrs	A trip through some of the high rolling hills of Belmont Farm. Dogs are not allowed in farmland.	I
<b>▲ Dry Creek entrance</b>				
This is a main entry to the park for walkers, mountain bikers, horse riders and campers. Explore the Dry Creek valley or head up to Boulder Hill for the views and discover the rest of the park beyond.				
Waterfall Route	2.2km	45min return	Try this short safe route for a taste of back country tramping. It is an easy scramble for all ages through native bush up to a small waterfall. Expect to get wet feet, perfect for a sunny summer's day.	E
Puke Ariki/Haywards Korokoro Traverse	22km	7-8hrs one way	Take the challenge! This day trip traverses the valleys and ridge tops of the eastern side of the park. About half of it is through farmland. The views are tremendous and there are also a variety of historic features to discover.	H

## Activities in the park

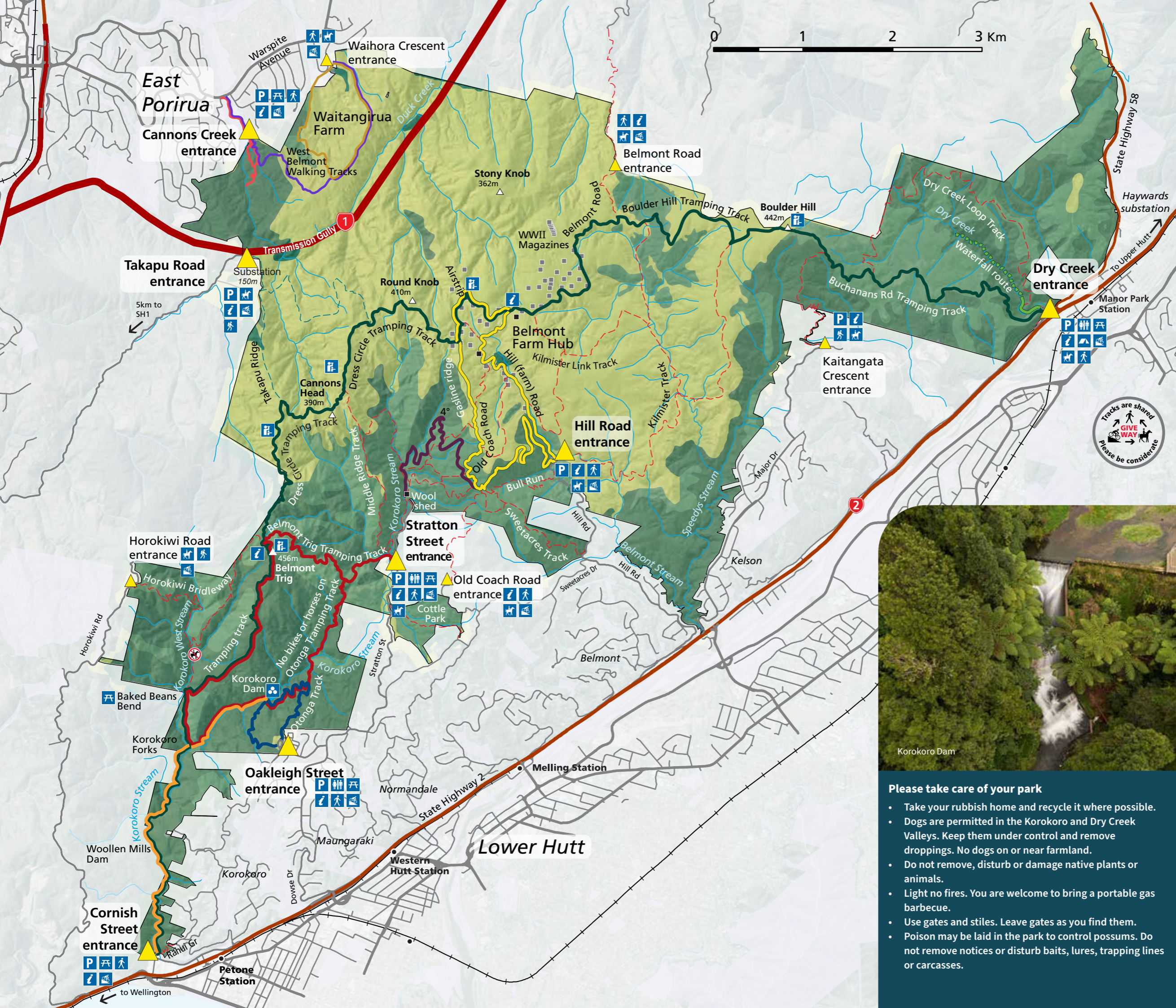
**Walking, running and tramping** Belmont Regional Park offers walks over rolling hills, through bush-clad valleys and across farmland. Wear strong shoes or boots. Dogs are permitted in many areas of the park but please check signs on the ground. They are not permitted in the farmland as it is a working farm. Previously farmed areas in West Belmont now allow dogs on leads, and the Waihora Loop Track allows dogs off lead. Please keep them under control and remove droppings.

**Horse riding** The best entry points for horse riders are at Stratton St and Dry Creek, both of which have toilets and horse float parking. Horse riders can also enter from Horokiwi Rd, Sweetacres Reserve, and Kaitangata Cres. Special conditions apply for horse riding access from the Hill Rd and Takapu Rd entrances; contact the ranger for more information.

**Picnicking** You may picnic anywhere in the park. There are good picnic spots near the Korokoro Dam, Baked Beans Bend, Stratton St valley and near the Dry Creek entrance.

**Camping and group activities** Camping is allowed in the Dry Creek Valley, please follow the signs in the information kiosk. Register at the camping registration box. The Stratton St and Dry Creek entrances are suitable for group activities and events. The Stratton St classroom can be hired by groups of up to 30 people.





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- Native forest
  - Forest regrowth
  - Farmland (closed in spring) see "For more information"
  - No unauthorised access to motorway corridor
  - Park entrance
  - Park building
  - WWII munitions stores
  - Minor park tracks
  - Streams
  - Information
  - Parking
  - Toilets
  - Picnic sites
  - Easy walking
  - Walking
  - Easy tramping
  - Tramping
  - Mountain biking
  - Horse riding
  - Viewing point
  - Historic place
  - Camping at Dry Creek by self-registration
  - Dogs off lead
  - Dogs on lead



**Please take care of your park**

- Take your rubbish home and recycle it where possible.
- Dogs are permitted in the Korokoro and Dry Creek Valleys. Keep them under control and remove droppings. No dogs on or near farmland.
- Do not remove, disturb or damage native plants or animals.
- Light no fires. You are welcome to bring a portable gas barbecue.
- Use gates and stiles. Leave gates as you find them.
- Poison may be laid in the park to control possums. Do not remove notices or disturb baits, lures, trapping lines or carcasses.

**Stay safe**

The park has moderately steep hills and is exposed on the tops to wind, rain and fog. Weather conditions can change quickly, so please:

- Check the weather forecast before your trip
- Carry warm and waterproof clothing, and enough food and drink for your trip
- Carry sun protection
- Plan your route and tell someone your intentions
- Wear strong lace-up boots or walking shoes
- Avoid streams during heavy rain