

# Pouakai Range

## Walks in Egmont National Park



During winter and snow conditions on the upper routes you will need:

- an ice axe,
- crampons and know how to use them,
- snow gaiters,
- snow goggles.

You may also consider carrying an avalanche transceiver, probe and snow shovel.

### Welcome

The Pouakai Range can be accessed in four ways:

- Access the **Mangorei Track** from the end of Mangorei Road, New Plymouth.
- Access the **Dover Track** from Carrington Road, New Plymouth. Drive out of town on Carrington Road until you come to Dover Road. The track is opposite Dover Road.
- Access the **Kaiauui Track** from the roadend at North Egmont. Turn off State Highway 3 at Egmont Village and onto Egmont Road.
- Access the **Ahukawakawa Track** from North Egmont on the Holly Hut Track. It's across the swamp from Holly Hut. Another access is the Puniho/Stony River Track which begins off Puniho Road.

### Weather

Mt Taranaki has changeable and unpredictable weather. Check the forecast and carry enough clothing and equipment to ensure you are able to cope with any type of weather. The rivers and tributaries are not always bridged and some of these can flood at any time of the year.

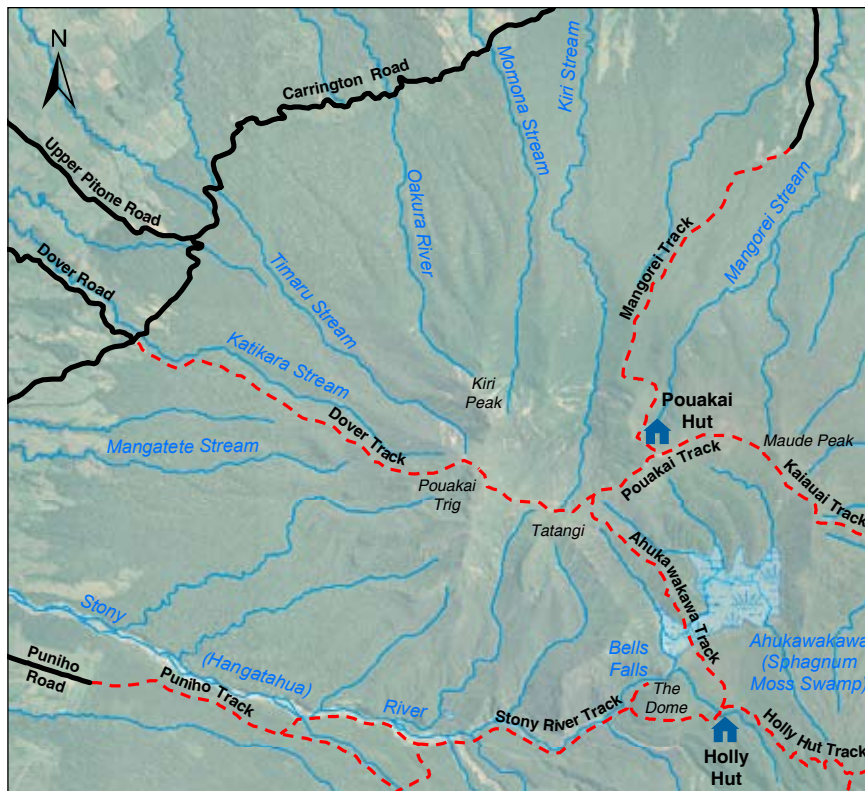
Before you go tramping please tell someone responsible where you are going and your estimated time of arrival back.

For more information contact the North Egmont Visitor Centre:

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### The Pouakai Range

There are a number of options for walks on the Pouakai Range. All are part of the Pouakai Circuit for which a more detailed brochure is available.



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### Times to Pouakai Hut:

- Mangorei Track 2-3hr,
- Dover Track 3-4hr,
- Kaiauui Track 5-7hr,
- Ahukawakawa Track 3hr, but allow 3-4hr to reach this track.

From Pouakai Hut, the Pouakai Track traverses open tussock lands and sub-alpine forest.

You could combine the tracks to make trips of varying lengths. All eventually join the Pouakai Track. The tussock sections of all these tracks are classified as "Routes".

In good weather there are spectacular views from the range towards Ahukawakawa Swamp, the mountain, the coastline and farmland.



- Protect plants and animals
  - Remove rubbish
  - Bury toilet waste
  - Keep streams and lakes clean
  - Take care with fire
  - Camp carefully
  - Keep to the track
  - Consider others
  - Respect our cultural heritage
  - Enjoy your visit
- Toitu te whenua  
(Leave the land undisturbed)

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