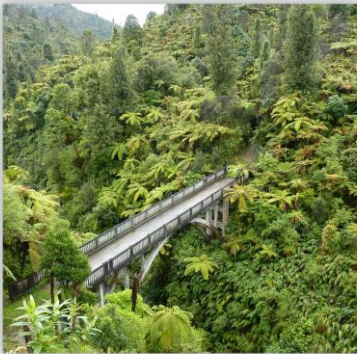


Day 1 | whakahoro to john coull

38km | 6-8 hours from launch to camp

Your 3-day journey begins at our base in Ohakune, where you will meet your guides before setting off on a peaceful drive through the rolling hills of the central plateau. Once at our launch site, Whakahoro, your guides will show you how to pack your canoe, paddle efficiently and cover all the necessary information for a safe and fun trip. After an exciting morning paddle, enjoy a gourmet lunch on the beach. Following lunch, continue down the river - traverse through the massive horseshoe bend at Kirikiriroa and pass the famous Tamatea's cave before arriving to camp for the evening. Enjoy a refreshing swim and enjoy a 3-course meal prepared by your guides.



Day 2 | john coull to ramanui

28km | 5-7 hours from camp to camp

Awaken on day two to the sound of songbirds and the smell of a gourmet hot breakfast. After fueling up for the day, we continue our journey down the river, passing by the Tangarakau and Whangamomona Rivers that help fuel the mighty Whanganui. We stop and walk to the iconic Bridge to Nowhere to learn more about the interesting history of the former farming settlement, then set off for camp, breaking for lunch on the way. Once at camp, enjoy a hot shower, take a short walk to the Bridge to Nowhere Lodge and enjoy a cold drink on the deck, or simply relax at camp before our final group dinner. Cabins are available at this campsite (subject to availability), pre-bookings are advised.



Day 3 | Ramanui to Pipiriki

22km | 4-6 hours from camp to camp

Following breakfast, we begin our paddle through one of the most peaceful sections of river. Admire the massive canyon walls, the sides dripping with moss and ferns. Pass by the filming locations used for the movies *River Queen* and *Utu*. Navigate the exciting Ngaporo rapid before stopping for a break. Next, paddle into the beautiful Mangaio stream, explore the Puraroto cave and navigate the legendary Autapu rapid. From Autapu there are several more fun rapids, followed by our first signs of civilization - telephone poles and farmland. After our last big rapid, land at Pipiriki where we load the gear and embark on an hour drive back to Ohakune.



Please note: all campsites, timings and stops subject to change due to river levels, weather and other circumstances out of our control. Your guide will adjust the itinerary as needed to ensure a safe, fun and memorable trip.