

# CROSBIES HUT – Waitohi and Waiomu Tracks

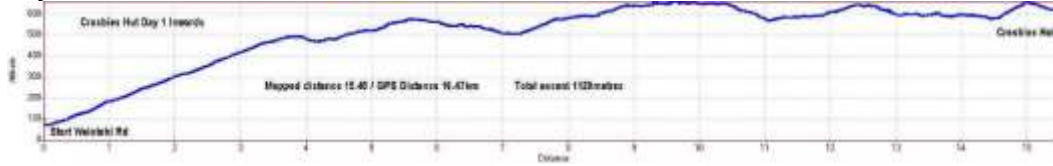
**Topo50 Maps:** BB34 Thames & BB35 Hikuai

**How to get to START:** As this is well outside the Taupo area the first step is to get up to the southern end of the Coromandel aiming for Thames. Places for a possible stop-over include the Te Puru or the Dickson Holiday Parks both of which are easily located by driving up the coast road.

On this occasion Doc advised that several of the tracks into Crosbies were closed for various reasons – including flooding and Kauri die-back so double check before setting out.

For the inwards trip the Waitohi track was used whilst the Waiomu was used for the return.

## Day 1 Inwards on Waitohi Track



**NZTM GPS:** NZTM on WGS84



Start of the track on Waitohi Rd



Warnings about old mine works, tunnels and shafts



Heavily vegetated but with very obvious erosional damage – probably due to mining



Wonderful forest and streams



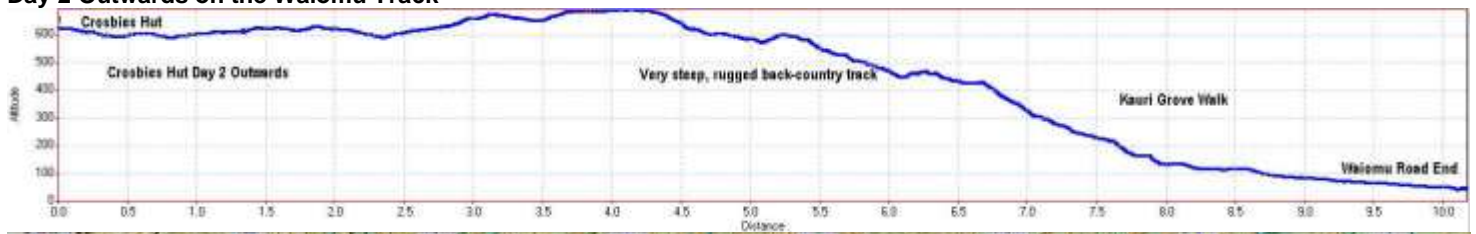
Colourful fungi



On Map	Name	Eastings	Northing	Alt...	Description
Yes	01	1826003	5888069	75.9	90sec (109m); DAY 1 Start of Waitohi Track from parking space on Waitohi Road
Yes	02	1827067	5889477	466	3.26km (1:17min); Sharp bend in track "Smoko"
Yes	03	1827656	5890178	505	4.49km (1:53min); Huge rock face badly eroded from "slips"
Yes	04	1828541	5891317	554	6.25km (2:30min); On ridge with no views
Yes	05	1828667	5891739	509	6.96km (2:48min); Junction with Karaka Track coming in on RHS
Yes	06	1828737	5891955	507	7.15km (2:56min); Wooden gate
Yes	07	1829633	5892766	641	8.75km (3:26min); Lunch spot
Yes	08	1829906	5893291	649	10.21km (3:59min); Jamb Tins Junction with track off left - straight for Crosbies
Yes	09	1831374	5896083	580	14.34km (5:22min); Junction (Tapu Rd) going off right towards Table Mountain
Yes	10	1831329	5896725	622	15.45km (5:51min); Crosbies Hut
Yes	T	1827121	5889295	435	3.34km (1:45min); Mine tunnel on right hand side
Yes	T	1826596	5888888	251	1.8km (50min); Stream crossing then mine tunnel on left



## Day 2 Outwards on the Waiomu Track



Name	Easting	Northing	Alt...	Description
10	1831329	5896725	622	15.45km (5:51min); Crosbies Hut
13	1831310	5897016	598	DAY 2 400m (11min); Memorial track loop intersection back to hut
14	1830397	5898443	605	2.48km (54min); Crosbies settlement
15	1829376	5898681	684	3.7km (1:28min); Track junction to Tapu Summit N and Te Puru Track SSW
16	1829375	5898775	687	4.22km (1:53min); Track junction with left to Waiomu Track and right (N) for Tapu Rd
17	1827751	5898956	426	6.57km (3:28min); Very steep, tricky root infested slopes
18	1827423	5898864	296	7.13km (4:09min);
20	1826911	5898997	165	7.88km (4:35min); Sign stating Road End 1 hour
21	1825199	5899149	46.0	10.16km (5:09min); Parking spot 100m upslopes after drift / Irish Bridge
Br	1825789	5899270	75.0	1.52km (35min); Large bridge over river
Br	1826251	5899191	89.0	2.1km (49min); Second large bridge
Br	1826542	5899168	109	2.52km (1:02min); Fairly new bridge

Very welcoming sign – and it is on very good, easy track

Take this sign seriously as it really is very hard going



**Notes:** June 2019      **GPS** Garmin GPSMap 62sc      **WP** Waypoint taken by GPS      **masl** = metres above sea level  
**T** mining tunnel or shaft      **Br** High, wooden bridge over river