



# **VISITOR'S GUIDE TO BLENHEIM**

## **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Blenheim Methodist and St Andrews Presbyterian congregations will host worship for visitors not attending TTM/Tauivi meetings at St Andrews Church at 10:00am (*next door to the Wesley Centre (Blenheim Methodist Parish)*).

The Union Parish of Picton will host worship in the Picton Church, 40 Broadway, Picton at 10:00am.

Welcome to Blenheim, one of the sunniest towns in NZ and a very beautiful place to visit. Blenheim is famous for its wine production, receiving worldwide recognition for its sauvignon blanc wines. There are over 60 vineyards near Blenheim - 4000 hectares is planted in grapes.

The town is flat, sheltered by surrounding hills with the Taylor and Opawa rivers nearby. Blenheim used to be known as Beavertown as it often flooded.

There are no traffic lights in Blenheim but a number of round-a-bouts, including one with a railway line running through it. Read up the Road Code on round-a-bouts before driving into Blenheim!

Stay on in Marlborough and enjoy the many attractions.

Picton is just 30 min from Blenheim and a popular place to spend a day. Walking tracks, cruises in the Marlborough Sounds, museum, gift shops

Kaikoura – allow up to 2 hours and view the seals along the way.

Pelorus Bridge Scenic Reserve - 45 mins by car from Blenheim.

Explore forest and riverbanks.

'Hobbit' scene was filmed here.

Lake Rotoiti – a 1 hour drive to the most scenic lake.

**Blenheim i-site Visitor Centre**, Sinclair St - near the railway station

## **COFFEE / BRUNCH / LUNCH**

**Watery Mouth Café:** High St - *View of Seymour Square from upstairs*

**Dolce Bar & Restaurant:** Market St - *View of market place from upstairs*

**Raupo Riverside Café:** Symons St - *Jill van de Geer's favourite*

**Ritual:** Maxwell Rd - *Retro style, Fair trade and organic coffee*

**Fairweathers:** Scott St - *Outdoor and indoor tables*

**Café Le Cupp:** Market St - *Good variety of food, value for money*

**Railway Café & Store:** Grove Rd - *Walk along the river & visit i-site*

**Grove Road Coffee House:** Grove Rd - *Walk along the river & visit i-site*

**The Fix:** Queens Market Mall - *Small venue with good coffee*

*And many more .....*

## **EVENING DINING including Sunday night**

**Hotel D'Urville:** Queen St - *Fine food and wines*

**Bamboo Garden Restaurant:** Maxwell Rd - *Tasty Chinese dishes*

**Speights Bar & Restaurant:** Middle Renwick Rd - *Huge meals*

**Springlands Tavern & Restaurant:** Boyce St - *\$20 smorgasboard Sun Night*

**Redwood Tavern:** Cleghorn St - *Blackboard menu, Sun night 5:30 -8:30pm*

**Poppy Thai Restaurant:** Scott St - *Unlicensed*

**Roger's Kitchen Tandoori India:** Seymour St – *4:30 til late*

**The Cornerstone Restaurant & Bar:** *5:30 til late*

**Mondrians Restaurant:** opposite Seymour Square - *Sun night from 6:00pm*

**Dodson Street Beer Garden:** *Open 11:00am -11:00pm daily, Good pizzas*

**Clubs of Marlborough:** *upstairs from Convention Centre, Albert St*

*And many more....*

## **MARKETS**

**Artisan Market:** *Saturday mornings, 10:00 – 1:00pm at Wynen St carpark*

**Redwoodtown Market:** *Saturday mornings, 8:00am – 12:00pm, Cleghorn St*

**Rotary Car Boot Sale:** *Saturday mornings, 8:00am – 12:30pm, Grove Rd*

**Farmers Market:** *Sunday mornings, 9:00 -12:00pm, A & P Showground,  
Cnr Maxwell & Alabama Rd*

## **SECOND HAND BOOK STORES**

**Still Books:** Scott St

**Down Under Books:** Picton, *Ian Boddy's favourite shop*

## **SPECIALITY & GIFT SHOPS**

**Cerise Home and Giftware:** 3 Maxwell Rd

**Cache:** Queen St

**Alyssums:** Queen St

**Gifts on Grove:** cnr Grove Rd & Nelson St

**The Furnishing Centre:** Grove Rd

*And many more on High St, Picton*

## **ART GALLERIES**

**Marlborough Arts Society:** High St

**Millennium Art Gallery:** cnr Seymour & Alfred St, opp Seymour Square

## **MUSEUMS**

**Marlborough Museum:** Brayshaw Heritage Park, Arthur Baker Pl

**Omaka Aviation Heritage Centre:** Aerodrome Rd –short drive.

Outstanding exhibition featuring Sir Peter Jackson's WW1 collection

## **MOVIE THEATRE**

**Top Town Cinemas:** Kinross St

**Picton Cinemas:** Picton Foreshore

## **SWIMMING POOL**

**Aquatic Centre at Marlborough Lines Stadium 2000:** Kinross St

## **WALKS / ATTRACTIONS NEAR TOWN CENTRE**

**Pollard Park:** Parker St - *Attractive gardens with paths beside the stream*

**Seymour Square:** Seymour St - *Fountain, flower beds & clock tower*

**Taylor River Walkway:** *Gentle stroll or energetic run along river paths*

**Harling Park:** Top of Howick St. - *Japanese style landscaping*

**Town Walk of Historic Interest:**

**Wither Hills Farm Park:** A variety of walking tracks with several access points. Views of Blenheim and beyond.

### **See Map on Following Page**

- 1. Makana Confections:** cnr Rapaura Rd & O'Dwyer's Rd, 9:00am – 5:30pm daily - See chocolate being made, sample, purchase
- 2. St Clair Winery:** Selmes Rd
- 3. She's My Sister:** Selmes Rd - *Open Tues – Sat 10:00am -4:00pm*  
*Original clothing designs, unique crafts*
- 4. Hunter's Winery:** Rapaura Rd
- 5. Sounds Reflection:** cnr Boyces St & Rapaura Rd  
*Gift shop*
- 6. The Vines Village:** Rapaura Rd, 9:00am -5:00pm daily,  
*Explore, Relax, Taste*  
*Café, Wine Cellar, Quilt Barn, Fudge Shop, Gift Shops*
- 7. Allan Scott Wines:** Jacksons Rd
- 8. Cloudy Bay Vineyards:** Jacksons Rd
- 9. Hedgerows Hydroponic Strawberry Farm:** Old Renwick Rd (entrance Rene St) - *Gate sales and real fruit icecream*



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