



Narrow Neck Beach to Rangitoto Island

Route card No. 014 | Skill level: Beginners | Distance: 10 Km | Chart no: NZ5322 | Tidal Port: Auckland

Start/ finish point: Narrow Neck Beach
Tidal times/ notes: Narrow Neck beach – shallow at low tide, Rangitoto Island – sharp volcanic rocks/reefs at all stages of tide.
Coastguard contact: Auckland 09 303 4303/ *500 VHF Channel 82
Comms coverage: VHF coverage excellent, Cell phones very good

Introduction: A challenging yet rewarding paddle with great scenery and plenty to do on and around Rangitoto Island.

Description: : Launch from Narrow Neck beach yacht club on path of shortest distance to Rangitoto Island making haste between shipping channel. Head along the rocky shores to northern end of Rangitoto passing between the lighthouse and island to McKenzie Bay. The bay has DOC toilets and is a great place to refuel or use as base to start your trek to the summit taking in the amazing views of Auckland city and the Hauraki Gulf. If you're up for a dip the snorkelling at either end of bay is good too.

Hazards:

Very busy major shipping channel, lots of recreational boating traffic also, strong currents, exposure to wind, local sailing club plus swimmers at Narrow Neck, sharp rocks on Rangitoto.



Toilets on Island



Historic Sites



Fishing



Bird and wildlife watching

Please note;

Every care has been taken to ensure the information contained in this Trip Card is correct at the time of publication, but things change and you will need to confirm the information provided. You will also need to get further information to ensure a safe trip, this will include an up to date, relevant weather forecast and the ability to understand its implications for the area and talking to locals in the area to garner new information on any hazards in the area. It is also expected that an appropriate level of knowledge, skills and equipment are required to safely complete the trip. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you are unsure of any information or you find the Trip Card needs updating. Cheers Peter Townend, Yakity Yak Kayak Club. Updated: April 2014