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Discover Paihia scavenger hunt!

This is a scavenger hunt that has you going around taking photos or videos of the best Paihia places to discover.

To get the next clue, the answer is in quotes ie“ dolphin“ or the answer will be supplied after 2 minutes for you. You can complete in one day or take your time!

There are great prizes to be won! Remember to share/tag @discoverpaihia and #bestthingsinpaihia to be into win!

- Prize for best/funny photos of all clues!
- Prize for best overall photo/video
- Prizes will be drawn at the end of each season (summer 28th Feb, Autumn May 31st, Winter Aug 31st and Spring Nov 30th)

Please stay on all tracks, don’t climb on objects, watch for hazards and follow all safety guidelines.

Each clue points you to a great place or a fun thing to do, to enjoy Paihia, by bike, car or walk, your choice! Do what the locals love!

Start 😊

1.
- On the waterfront, by the Paihia wharf Find the wooden "dolphin"
- Take a selfie and ask the i-SITE for a map of Paihia
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2.
- Find the “Paihia lookout”, take a touristy photo out you and your team/ family
    - Not far from where you are, near the Paihia wee toilets.
    - *Secret local fact: This is a great spot to watch the sun rise!*
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3.
- Walk to the old stone church, opposite Paihia beach - Check out the stained glass windows.
- "St Pauls" is a magnificent church in an attractive setting and its association with the important historical figure of Henry Williams makes it one of New Zealand's most notable churches.
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4.

- If you are keen and confident at swimming - swim out to the “Paihia pontoon”
- Take a photo either from the shore, or getting out of the water after swimming back ashore.
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5.

- Take a hike up the “Paihia School Rd track” – about 1hr return, the view is worth it!
- Take photo from the seat at the top of you/team/family
- This is a pleasant walk through regenerating forest to a lookout that offers stunning views over Waitangi, the Bay of Islands and Russell.
- Secret local fact: if you walk the track at night you can see glow worms near the stream. (take care, stay on the track and have a torch)
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6.

- From Paihia township head northwest , (or keep the sea to your right) towards the bluff, and find the marine wildlife mural, take a photo under the" Orca".
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7.

- Make some beach "ART", use only natural materials.
- Ideas - sandcastle, write a summer message in the sand, small driftwood sculpture
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8.

- The HMNZ Canterbury was sunk out in Deep Water Cove, a piece of this historic ship has been left in Paihia.
- Take a pic by the HNMS Canterbury "Propellor"
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9.

- Have fish and chips on the beach or anywhere! and enjoy the summer evenings.
- Both beach and Ti beach have "fish n’chips" shops.
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10.

- If you want to drive, bike or hike to discover more!
- "Haruru Falls" track – The track is about 6km and will take you 2.5 hours to walk one way. It’s a there and back track
- This is a sheltered walk from the Treaty Grounds at Waitangi, along the bush-clad banks of the Waitangi River to Haruru Falls.
- *Secret local fact: you can view shags nesting and feeding their young high in the Pohutukawa trees overhanging the river.*
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11.

- Hidden gem!! This trail starts just past the Waitangi treaty grounds and before the golf course, parking is on the right, walk toward the water beside the fence and follow the track along the waters edge on million year old "basalt lava" - watch for penguin huts and golf balls.
- *Secret Local Fact: great place to go rock fishing*
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12.

- Practice your "golf "swing or just try to hit a few balls on the most scenic golf practice range in New Zealand.
- Take a selfie with a golf club and the amazing view!
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13.

- If you want to drive, bike or hike to discover more!
- Drive or bike, a bit of a hike to walk
- "Mt Bledisloe" look out – The best view in the Bay!
- Who made the ceramic marker at the top showing the distances to major world cities?
- Take a photo using forced perspective!
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14.

- If you want to drive, bike or hike to discover more!
- Check out the rock pools at "Wairoa Bay". Go for a swim,
- Secret local fact: the perfect spot for a picnic.
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15.

- If you want to cross the sea to discover more!
- Head over to the small historical town of "Russell"
- Catch one of the passenger or car ferries to Russell – don't forget the photo!
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- In Russell discover the old canon on the waterfront – if you are keen pose for a photo sitting on it!

16.

- In Russell - For those that like an uphill climb…"Flagstaff Hill" is an historic place filled with all sorts of tales.
- But Hone Heke and the flagpole are pretty famous! Incredible views of the Bay of Islands.
- Take funny photo using forced perspective!
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17.

- Time for an "ice cream" on the beach – take a photo of your favourite summer flavour, under a Pohutukawa tree.
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