

An enchanting woodland wonder

- A tranquil country ramble just minutes from the city.
- Peaceful picnic spots and scenic strolls
- 20 hectares of trees, shrubs, ponds and pasture.
- Great views, walking tracks and wonderful bird life.

Taitua Arboretum began when tree lovers John and Bunny Mortimer began developing their block of land in 1971. Today you will find more than 1500 species of indigenous [native] and exotic trees and shrubs growing there.

In 1997 the Mortimer's gifted the 20-hectare site to Hamilton City Council for the community to enjoy. The colours of the trees change with the seasons. From beautiful bursts of autumn orange and winter silhouettes to pink spring blossoms and lush summer foliage.

Fancy a longer walk or bike ride? Start at Till's Lookout above Dinsdale and walk/bike along the hilltop to Wallace Road and down to the arboretum. This pathway is part of the Te Araroa Walkway and the views of Mt Pirongia are stunning.



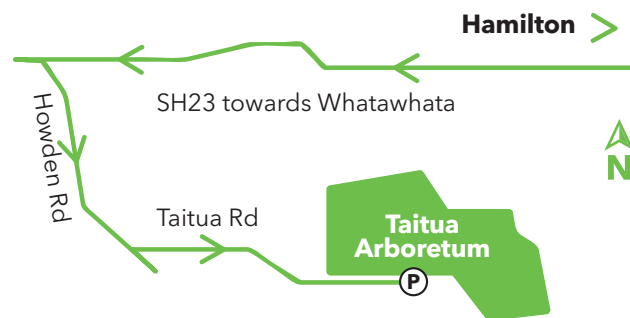
Council would like to acknowledge and honour John and Bunny Mortimer's ongoing contribution to Taitua Arboretum. Since the couple gifted the property to Hamilton in 1997 it has become a peaceful place for people to visit and enjoy beside a bustling city. John passed away aged 94 in 2018 and Bunny passed away in 2021 aged 97, yet the couple leave behind an incredible legacy to be treasured for decades to come.



Taitua Arboretum is a five-minute drive from Dinsdale and is open every day from 8am until 30 minutes before sunset. It is the perfect spot for weddings, gatherings and other special occasions. General admission is free.

There is off-road parking, a Bus-turning Bay, a toilet, drinking water, pushchair suitable tracks, shelters, and leashed dogs are allowed.

Please note: no bicycles are allowed within the arboretum.



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