

How to get there

Scandrett Regional Park is a 77km or 75 minute drive from downtown Auckland. Take SH1 to Warkworth. Follow the signs to Snells Beach.

Approximately 3km beyond Algies Bay turn left into Scandrett Road and follow the road to the end.

For public transport information: phone Auckland Transport 09 366 6400 or visit at.govt.nz

Please take your rubbish home

Your parks provide open space, fresh air, a home for native plants and animals, clean water, beauty and inspiration. Help keep them this way.

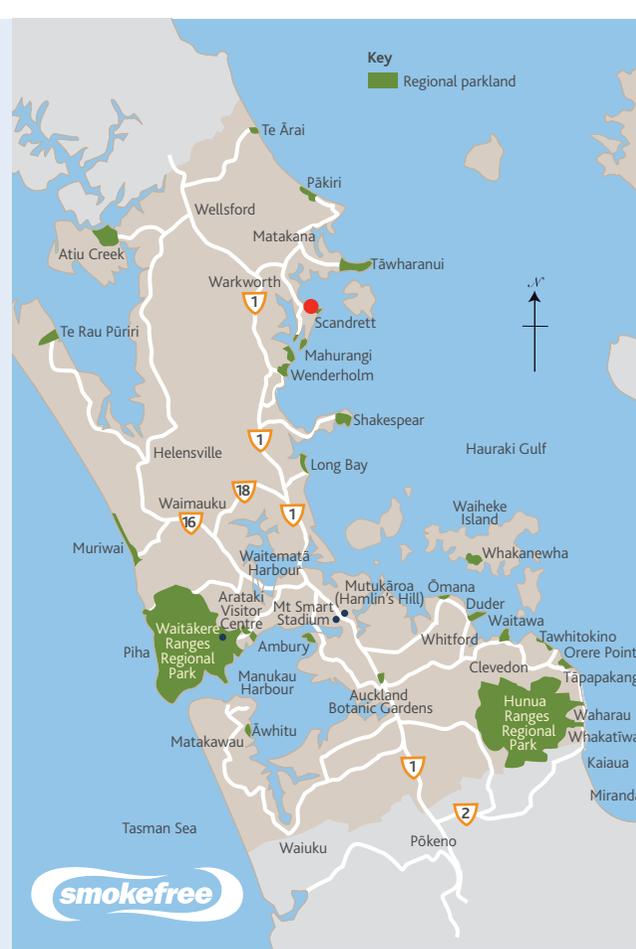
- No bins
- No rubbish
- Better parks
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Dogs

Park areas, beach and foreshore:



Prohibited at all times, including in vehicles. All other animals and pets are prohibited except under special conditions and require a permit.



Auckland Council manages 27 regional parks

For more information on any of these parks: phone 09 301 0101 or visit aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

When on the park you can use the phone at the information board in the old cow's shed.

Protect **kauri** for future generations



SCRUB all soil off your footwear and gear every time you enter or leave an area with kauri.



SPRAY with disinfectant after you have removed all soil.



STAY on track and off kauri roots.

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Located at the south eastern edge of Kawau Bay, Scandrett Regional Park encompasses Mullet Point and includes regenerating coastal forest, rocky headlands, an attractive beach and an historic farm area.

From the eastern end of the Mullet Point Loop Track there are outstanding views in all directions, including views of Kawau Island (Te kawau-tū-mārō), the numerous smaller islands in Kawau Bay and the Hauraki Gulf.

Plants, animals and birds

A significant remnant of coastal forest containing pōhutukawa, taraire, kohekohe, tawāpou, māhoe and kōwhai covers the park's cliff bound southern coastline.

The grazed farmland on the sheltered northern slopes has pockets of coastal pōhutukawa, pine and other introduced trees. A magnificent grove of mature pōhutukawa grows on the spine of the peninsula above the old homestead.

Near the historic farm precinct are a number of exotic trees including an enormous, old Norfolk Pine. They were given to the Scandrett family by Sir George Grey.

History

The Mullet Point area was known to Māori as Purahurawai "the expansive, sparkling waters". In those days Māori came from throughout the Hauraki Gulf to Kawau Bay (off Mullet Point) to catch and dry sharks for a winter food source.



There are a number of sites of past Māori settlement within Scandrett Regional Park, including two headland pā.

The land was the site of early shipbuilding during the 1850s and 1860s. When George Scandrett arrived from Ireland in 1863, its long farming history began.

The historic Scandrett homestead, built around 1885, is made of an early type of concrete instead of the usual kauri timber. The associated farm buildings – a barn, milking shed, boat shed, calf shed (formerly a hen house), implement shed, dairy and cream sheds are relics of a bygone era when access to the property was by sea. They have been restored and remain a central feature of the park.

The Scandrett family continued to farm the land until it was sold to the Auckland Regional Council in 1998.

Park facilities

Prime picnic spots

You can find your own favourite spot and picnic with friends and family any time at Scandrett Regional Park. Feel free to bring your own gas barbecue.

Volunteering

We would love to have your help with work in regional parks. Age and physical ability is no barrier as there are tasks and projects to suit all individuals and groups.

For more information on volunteering:
phone 09 301 0101 or visit aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Drinking water is available from the picnic area at Scandretts Bay.

Groups of 75 people or more are only allowed under special conditions and require a permit.

Campgrounds

There is no campground at Scandrett Regional Park.

Staying overnight in selected parking areas

Campervans, vehicle units and caravans with a Self-Containment Certificate (SCC) can stay overnight in approved SCC carparking areas. Conditions apply.

Other accommodation

Book and stay over in one of three waterfront baches and experience a real kiwi bach experience.

For information on park facilities, conditions and restrictions and to make a booking please visit aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/holiday_places. For other enquires phone 09 301 0101 or use the public phone located beside the main noticeboard in the cow shed.



Feature tracks and trails

Feel free to wander around Scandrett Regional Park but please leave all gates as you find them as this is a working farm and there are cattle and sheep on the park. **Note: colours correspond to painted marker posts on each track.**

Mullet Point Loop - - -

1 hour return, 2km

This loop track begins below the car park next to the historic farm area and includes the Kawau Bay and Pig Sty Tracks. Head along the Kawau Bay Track until you meet Mullet Point Track.

Scandretts Bay Loop - - -

50 minutes return, 1.5km

Start this loop track at either of the car parks. It includes the Orchard and Pig Sty Tracks as well as part of the Mullet Point Track. You will wander through the historic farm area, the former orchard and the present farm, and take in views of Scandretts Bay from the lookout at the end of the Lookout Track. For a shorter version of this loop, use the Sled Track.

Martins Bay Track - - -

5 minutes one way, 350 metres

Next to the park is Martins Bay, with its boat ramp, sandy swimming beach and campground. It borders the park to the south and is easily accessible on foot. Park at the car park by the entrance gate and head down the hill.

Other tracks - - -



Key

- Authorised vehicle access
- Bach
- Cattle yard
- Dangerous cliff edge
- Disabled access
- Fishing
- Historic site
- Information
- Kayaking
- Lookout
- No dogs
- No pedestrian access
- No vehicle access
- Parking
- Phone to contact ranger
- Self-containment Certificate (SCC) parking area
- Swimming
- Toilets
- Walking
- Bush
- Cliffs
- Non parkland
- Parkland
- Roads
- Sand
- Streams

Fishing at Mullet Point accessible at low tide only. Access via Mullet Point rocks.

Dogs are prohibited at all times on all parkland and adjoining coastlines

Map not necessarily to scale, not to be used for navigational purposes. Map does not show underwater hazards.

Be safe in regional parks

The water safety code

1. Be prepared.
2. Watch out for yourself and others.
3. Be aware of the dangers.
4. Know your limits.

The outdoor safety code

1. Plan your trip.
2. Tell someone.
3. Be aware of the weather.
4. Know your limits.
5. Take sufficient supplies.

Ranger recommendations

Tips on how to make the most of your visit to Scandrett Regional Park.

If you have two hours...

A wander around the historic farm area and along Scandretts Bay will give you a feel for the park. Both loop tracks are easily managed in under two hours. The park has great views and Scandretts Bay is a great high-tide swim in summer too.

If you have half a day...

Combine the beach visit, historic buildings and walks with a leisurely lunch along the way and you have an ideal half day adventure. There are plenty of shady spots to relax and enjoy the tranquillity of the bay.

If you have a full day...

You can explore the park at your leisure. Bring your kayak and enjoy the park from the water. If fishing is your thing, there are plenty of good spots in and around the park, so bring your gear and try your luck.

Please observe the Ministry of Fisheries' fishing regulations.

