

Ōhinehou/Lyttelton area



Awaroa Godley Head to Urumau Reserve
On a clear day, this exposed headland can provide views across the harbour to Banks Peninsula. The Godley Head WWII historic gun emplacements and buildings are an added attraction. Follow the Crater Rim track to reach Urumau Reserve.



Urumau Reserve to Ōhinehou Lyttelton
A reasonably challenging track with many steep and rocky sections as you descend into Ōhinehou Lyttelton. Some of the track is shared use.



Through Ōhinehou Lyttelton
This historic port town has plenty to offer including heritage buildings, quirky shops, cafés and ferry links to Diamond Harbour.



Park Terrace to Ōtūherekio Pony Point Reserve
The wide, well-formed track follows the coastline above the shore. Continue through regenerating forest before arriving at the sheltered Motu-kauati-iti Corsair Bay. Up until this point this section of track is accessible to buggies.
The track continues on the far side of the bay and climbs into pine trees. Narrow and steep in a few places it leads to Motu-kauati-rahi Cass Bay.
Pick up the track at the western end of Cass Bay on Bay View Place, by the playground. Continue to the Pony Point Reserve where great harbour views await you at the top. Exit out onto Governors Bay Road.

Governors Bay



Māori Gardens to Sandy Beach
This section of track is rocky and rough underfoot. If you're not a confident walker, it is best to start at Sandy Beach.



Sandy Beach to Governors Bay Jetty
Walk along the waterfront to enjoy spectacular views and sections of native coastal bush perfect for bird watching. This section of track can be rough and muddy.



Governors Bay to Ōhinetahi Allandale
Enjoy a gentle harbour stroll or cycle around the bay. The foreshore and mud flats are a great place to go bird watching.

Te Waipapa Diamond Harbour area



Te Wharau Charteris Bay to Orton Bradley Park
This new section of track starts as a poled route across the golf course grass verge before turning into a track that runs past Orton Bradley Park. Though short, this section will eventually link to Paradise Beach.



Paradise Beach to Kai-o-ruru Church Bay
Walk along beautiful Paradise Beach (there is a marked high tide track) before the track climbs and then descends on the Charteris Bay Yacht Club road. Follow the sealed road uphill, then take the marked track to Hays Bay. Cross the beach and continue around Black Point. The track eventually joins a wider gravel track that descends to Church Bay.



Kai-o-ruru Church Bay to Te Waipapa Diamond Harbour wharf
From Church Bay, follow an old road line above the cliffs through pine trees. Caution is needed as it can be slippery and has difficult sections. Diamond Harbour offers a cafe, historic Stoddart Cottage, and a ferry link back to Lyttelton.



Te Waipapa Diamond Harbour Wharf to Purau Bay
Head up the steps by the wharf and take the track around Te Upoko-o-Kurī Stoddart Point. See stunning views of the harbour and Rīpapa Island – once an important pā site for Ngāi Tahu, it later became a quarantine station, a prison and then a fort.
The track emerges just shy of Purau Bay. Follow the road for 200m before entering a short section of bush track leading to the sandy beach.



Paradise Beach



Cass Bay

Head to Head Walkway

The Head to Head Walkway is being developed in stages by community volunteers and Christchurch City Council.
The ultimate goal is a continual walkway extending from Awaroa Godley Head to Te Piaka Adderley Head.

Explore walking tracks and plan your visit:
ccc.govt.nz/walking-track-map

Diamond Harbour ferry timetable:
blackcat.co.nz/diamond-harbour-ferry

For further information phone 03 941 8999 or visit:
ccc.govt.nz/head-to-head-walkway



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Head to Head Walkway

An aspirational project to create a walkway around Whakaraupō Lyttelton Harbour.





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Accessibility

The Governors Bay to Allandale section is wheelchair and buggy friendly. The Lyttelton Coastal Path from Foster Terrace to Corsair Bay is also buggy friendly.

Dogs

To protect wildlife, there are areas around Banks Peninsula where specific guidelines are in place for dogs, including prohibited beaches and on-leash trails. Find out more and plan your walk:

ccc.govt.nz/where-you-can-take-your-dog

Swimming

There are beautiful swimming beaches around the Head to Head Walkway. Please check the Environment Canterbury website for water quality information:

lawa.org.nz/explore-data/swimming



Godley Head

