

# Guysers Gazette

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Rotorua lakefront makeover

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Deliciously Rotorua!

It's getting  
**HOT** in here!



Rotorua  
New Zealand

 **Guysers**  
ROTORUA



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## Welcome

Welcome to the 15th issue of the *Guysers Gazette* – the quarterly e-magazine produced by Guysers B&B in Rotorua, New Zealand.

In this issue we take a look back to 2012 when *Guysers Gaystay B&B* first opened and what it looks like today.

We feature recent guests, Chris and Simon from Switzerland, to get their account of their time spent in Rotorua, the attractions they visited, and ask their feedback of their time staying at *Guysers*.

We visit the latest pub to open in Rotorua – *The Good Eastern Taphouse*, specialising in a range of Craft Beers and Ciders produced in Hamilton.

We launch a new range of e-books specifically designed for gay naturists who love to travel the globe looking for clothing optional places to stay and other naturist places to visit. They are the most up-to-date and most comprehensive guides of their kind anywhere in the world!

Rotorua is soon to get a multi-million dollar lakefront makeover. We show you the design that is planned.

We highlight some of Rotorua's most delicious restaurants and feature some of their signature dishes.

We hope you enjoy this issue!

**Peter & Mike**  
Guysers, Rotorua, New Zealand

New Years fireworks.  
'G' is for Guysers!

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[www.gaystay.co.nz](http://www.gaystay.co.nz)

# Guysers Gaystay: then and now



**This September (2019) marks Guysers Gaystay's seventh year in business hosting guests from all around the world.**

Time really does fly when you're having fun! Although it has been a lot of hard work building Guysers Gaystay up and steadily increasing our occupancy over the years, we've enjoyed doing this business and look forward to the years ahead.

We have no plans to relocate because our business is doing so well where it is in Rotorua and in the house that we are in. Below are a some 'then' and 'now' photos showing our place when we first began 7 years ago to how it's looking now:



*The backyard was just a building site with a few ground plants.*



*Now it's tropical oasis.*



*When we first took over the house, we didn't even have curtains!*



*Now the rooms feel warm and comfortable.*

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*Out with the old grandma picket fence...*



*... Selamat Datang!  
Welcome to a touch of Bali*



*We were left with an old 1970's spa that didn't work.*



*Now we have one that works!*



*Gone are the thin cream calico drapes and dark duvet.*



*Now we have modern block-out curtains and fresh duvets.*

Rome was not built in a day, and things always take time, but we are steadily making changes and improvements to our property to make it a comfortable and enjoyable B&B for our guests.



# What next?

## Every year we like to tackle one big project.

In 2012 we built the fences, another year was building a pergola followed by painting and decorating, then the creation of a new front garden with Balinese gateway, then we built a steamroom.

Our big project for 2019 will be new carpet throughout the whole house and the renovation of our 2 guest bathrooms. New hard flooring will go down in the bathrooms with a new vanity unit in one of the bathrooms (the other one is fine).

After much thought, we have chosen a carpet which will be laid during the month of April. 🌞



Trying to make the \$7,500 decision!!

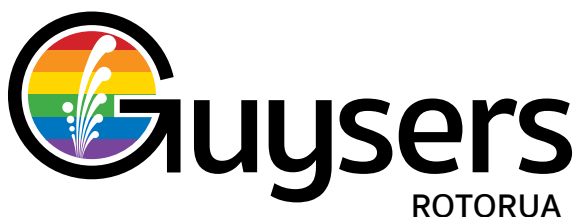
# Guysers logo refresh

With any business, it's important to make changes to the brand identity about every 6-8 years to keep things fresh and up-to-date.



We designed our original logo (above) in 2012 using a casual handwritten font with the word 'GAYSTAY' attached like a rubber stamp.

We've now designed a much cleaner, less frivolous logo and have removed the word "GAYSTAY" as we'd like to be known simply as 'GUYSERS'. The rainbow within the 'G' says it all and the geyser spurt graphic and the word 'Rotorua' confirms our location. Hope you like it!







## Guysers scores

 **Expedia**  
**Exceptional!**  
4.9 of 5 guest rating

 **tripadvisor**

**5.0** Excellent  


 Location  
 Cleanliness  
 Service  
 Value

**misterb&b**  






# Our take on what makes Rotorua great

**Mark and Sean, Rotorua residents**



*Mark and Sean moved to Rotorua from England two and a half years ago. They had the choice of several places to live in New Zealand but chose Rotorua. It is a naturally beautiful region with forests, hills and lakes where you can enjoy a wide range of activities. It has all the facilities that you need without the crowds and traffic of larger towns. The central location makes it easy to get to the larger towns and beaches when you want to.*

*The people in Rotorua are very friendly and will often call out a cheery greeting as you pass by. The area is famous for its geothermal wonders with spectacular formations right in the centre of town.*

*The busy tourist industry in Rotorua gives the place a 'buzz' and also ensures that there are plenty of places to go for food and drink. The tourist attractions here are world class too and there are no shortage of options for cycling, hiking and trail running. Within a few minutes you can be out of town in native bush where you may not see another person all day but are surrounded by native plants and birds.*







# 2019

Every year Rotorua holds an impressive fireworks display on Lake Rotorua to welcome in the New Year. Thousands of locals and tourists alike gather at the lakefront and Village Green to watch the fireworks and enjoy the entertainment. Rotorua is a great place to be at this time of year. Remember to book early!!



**Special Guests**

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# Chris & Simon's adventures of Rotorua

Chris and Simon, from Switzerland, stayed with us for 3 nights in January 2019. Here is their account of their time spent with us at *Guysers* and in Rotorua...

## *Why did you choose New Zealand for your holiday?*

For me it was the first trip to New Zealand. Simon has been to New Zealand 3 times before. He's almost addicted to this land! Due to the possibility of us taking 4 weeks vacation together, we decided quickly that New Zealand was going to be the perfect destination. Also we like places where there are geothermal activities and a lot of nature for hiking. And last but not least, because of the beautiful beaches to relax and swim.

## *Was there something in particular that drew you to Rotorua?*

The big varieties of geothermal attractions was the first point, why we choose to stay in Rotorua. The second point was the location. The central location is perfect to do many excursions and short trips, without packing and unpacking the luggage every day.

In and around Rotorua there are so many things to do and discover – we wish we could have stayed there for longer. 3 full days are not enough to see all that Rotorua has to offer.

## *Why did you choose Guysers Gaystay for your accommodation?*

We checked to see if there was any gay places to stay in Rotorua, and we found without difficulty *Guysers Gaystay*. After checking the website, and reading all the *Guysers Gazette* magazines, we knew we wanted to stay there!

The warm welcome we got upon arrival by Mike and Peter only reinforced that we had made the right decision. We felt at home from the first moment we stepped inside. They spent all their energy and love to make our stay perfect. Their spa pool was perfect to relax after a day full of activities, and the wonderful warm breakfast they served every morning made a perfect start for each day.



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***Tell us a bit about your time spent staying at Guysers Gaystay...***

To be honest, we didn't spend so much time at *Guysers Gaystay*, because each day was packed with sightseeing and adventures. Our room was comfortable and we had good nights sleep here.

When coming back to the B&B after doing some great things each day it was very relaxing and comfortable to be able to get undressed and spend some nude time sunbathing in the courtyard or soaking in the spa pool.

Mike and Peter were such great hosts. They gave very good recommendations about locations and attractions. They even spent their time to show us their "secret spot" for a nude dip under a hot waterfall and they walked around in the city showing us a few of the main highlights



of the City Centre. We had a wonderful (nudie) **BBQ** in the backyard and had relaxing evenings with them sitting and chatting.

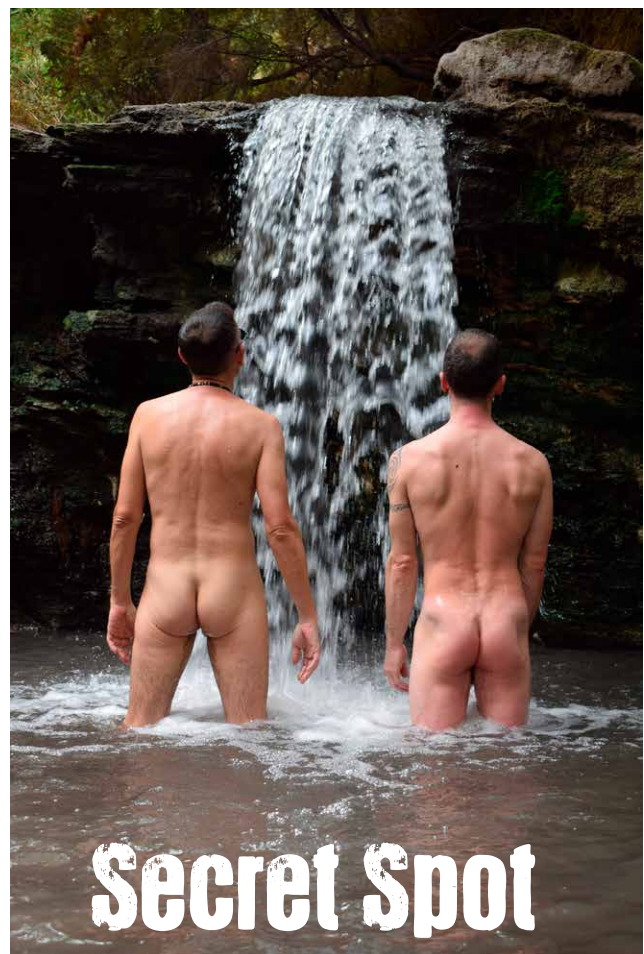






**What were some of the attractions you did while in Rotorua and what was the highlight?**

Actually, there wasn't a particular highlight, because we had several of them. OK, there was one thing like nothing else – the **"secret spot"** for skinny dipping in the hot thermal river and standing under the waterfall – such an amazing and unique place. Loved it!



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Another highlight for us was **Hells Gate**. It's a geothermal valley where you can have a guided tour (at either 9:30am or 1:30pm) followed by a mud bath. The usual tour normally takes 1 hour, but our tour guide was so great that we spent 2 hours with him. A little tip for the mud baths: Rent swim shorts there, don't use your own, as the earthy smell is difficult to wash out (you need Cloudy Ammonia to remove it).

We had a wonderful time at **Te Puia** as well. Mike and Peter booked the evening combo tour for us. After a guided tour to Geysir in the geothermal valley we saw a cultural Maori show (song and dance, the poi, stick games and haka held inside the Marae), followed by a delicious Hangi dinner (the Maori food that is cooked in the ground). After dinner we took a short train ride (people mover) back to the Pohutu Geyser to see it once more at dusk.

On another evening we went to the TreeWalk in the Redwood Forest called **Redwoods Nightlights**. We arrived after 8pm so that it was dark enough to do the canopy TreeWalk with the forest lit up with many lights, lasers and large hanging lanterns.





# Canopy Tours



**Canopy Tours** *Ultimate* course was also a memorable experience. It's a lot of fun doing the various ziplines, cantilevered walkways and swing bridges, but you also get very good information about the ecological problems New Zealand's forests face, such as possums, rats and stoats that kill the bird life and strip the trees of their leaves.

After getting safety instructions and geared up, we drove in a minivan out to the forest. After a short walk into the forest we got to the first zipline. There are 6 ziplines on the *Ultimate* course, totalling 1200m and over 3.5 hours of fun.

Another thing we did was **Wai-O-Tapu Geothermal Wonderland**. After we got the tickets, we drove up to see *Lady Knox Geyser* (the one that is induced to go off at 10:15am each morning). After the geyser had finished we went into the geothermal valley. The *Champagne Pool* and the vivid green *Devil's Bath* is such an amazing site, something you have to see if visiting Rotorua (better than Yellowstone!).



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Just across the road from *Guysers Gaystay* is **Kuirau Park** – it's a free geothermally active park right in the city of Rotorua. It's a nice park to walk around to see all the steaming pools, fumaroles and mud pools.

A short walk from Kuirau Park is the traditional Maori village of **Ohinemutu** with traditional Maori meeting houses and St. Faiths Church with its highly Maori decorated interior – another 'must see' when in Rotorua.



***Would you like to return to Rotorua some day?***

For sure! We would love to come back to Rotorua. There are so many things and activities to do here it's quite incredible.

And *Guysers Gaystay* with the charming hosts, Mike and Peter, is the perfect place to stay and relax. Although the trip to New Zealand from Europe is a long one, Rotorua in itself is definitely worth the journey.

We will always remember our time spent in this truly magical and beautiful place. 🌟



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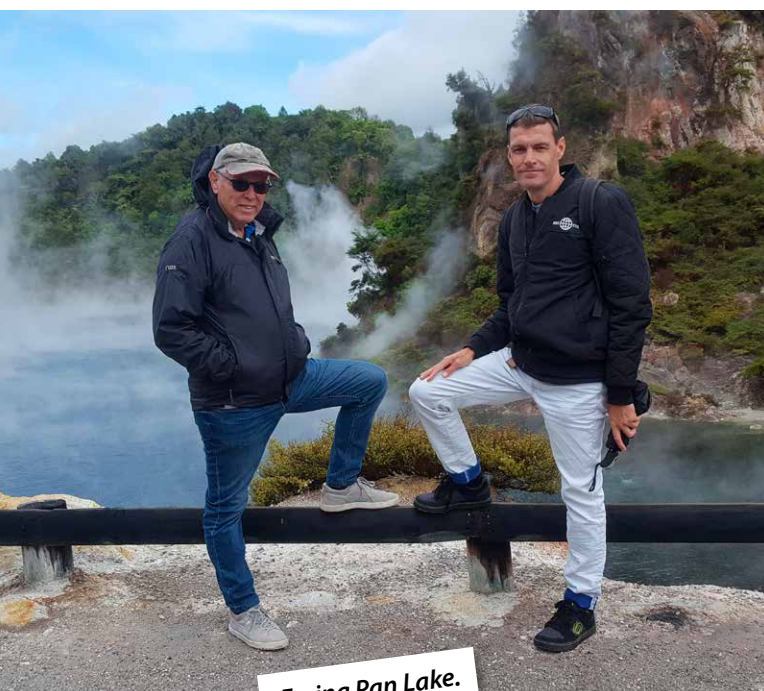
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No Entry



## The wonders of Waimangu

You'll see amazing blues...

Recently we visited the *Waimangu Volcanic Valley* just South of Rotorua City. Waimangu (which means 'Black Water') was named after the Waimangu Geyser that erupted between 1901 and 1904 to heights of over 400 meters (the height of the Empire State Building!)



Frying Pan Lake.

We enjoyed views of the mysterious and beautiful Inferno Crater which rises and falls as it heats and cools. We saw the delicate sinter terraces growing from minerals solidifying out of the hot spring water. *Waimangu Volcanic Valley* is home to *Frying Pan Lake*, one of the largest hot water springs in the World!

The full 4km walk allows you to experience all that *Waimangu Volcanic Valley* has to offer, including wonderful panoramas over the valley, Southern Crater, Emerald Lake, regenerating forest, *Frying Pan Lake*, Cathedral Rocks, rare plants, hot springs, Inferno Crater Lake, silica terraces and stalactites. Or you can opt for one of the shorter walks between 1 and 1.5 hours with a bus to bring you back up.





***... and freaky  
vivid greens!***



***There are  
big geysers...***

On the walk you'll witness brilliantly coloured microbes that cloak the hot rocks and you'll see tiny springs and geysers at play. Immerse yourself amongst the rare and unusual plants that grow on the hot earths of Waimangu, amongst the regenerating native forests.

During the 19th Century, visitors travelled to Lake Rotomahana attracted by the Pink and White Terraces which were destroyed in 1886 by the eruption of Mt Tarawera. By taking the 45 minute boat cruise on the lake you'll learn the history of Mt Tarawera that formed the *Waimangu Volcanic Valley* – the youngest geothermal field in the world!

Rediscover the Pink and White Terraces with Waimangu's Augmented Reality App. 🌋

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**[www.waimangu.co.nz](http://www.waimangu.co.nz)**



***... and there are cute  
little geysers!***





# RIDE THE RAPIDS

**Just one hour drive from Rotorua is Taupo's Radids Jet – the only adventure ride you can surf pressure waves and speed over bubbling water from the safety of a custom-built jet boat.**

When the gates of the Aratiatia Dam open, 80,000 litres of water per second crash out into the river. From your seat in the jet boat you'll be right in the middle of this spectacular white-water wonder.

Driving a V8 jet boat over thundering rapids at 90 km/h is not for the faint hearted. Luckily the boat drivers are experienced having driven up and down the river thousands of times – they know the river like the back of their hand.

If you're a little nervous at stepping outside of your comfort zone and doing something like this, the Rapids Jet crew will do everything they can to calm your nerves and make you feel safe, secure and relaxed.

It isn't just jetboating, it's scenic jetboating down the geothermal wonderland that is the Waikato River. It's exhilarating, it's fast and it's beautiful.

The whole ride is 35 minutes long and includes multiple 270° spins and jumps over rapids reaching an average of 2.2 metres in height!

Although the ride is bumpy and has many sharp turns, jumps and spins, the ride is pretty comfortable with padded seating and heated handrails. Just don't go to the hairdresser beforehand!

Sensational digital photographs (such as these ones) are available for purchase immediately after your ride.

The ride is suitable for all ages (5 and over) and is granny friendly too! 🌟

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

[www.rapidsjet.com](http://www.rapidsjet.com)

We can do the booking for you if you are booked in with us at *Guysers*.





Hold on for take off!



You spin me right round,  
baby, right round!

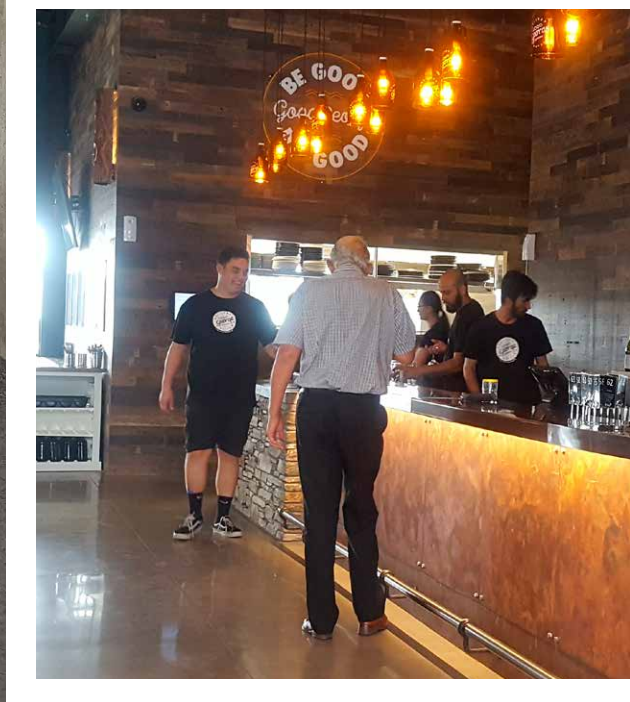




# What's new?



Patrick and Martin are happy customers.





# Good Eastern Taphouse

**Good George Brewing produces a large range of craft beers and ciders and has Brew Pubs throughout the Waikato, Coromandel and the Bay of Plenty. Rotorua's new Good Eastern Taphouse is their latest establishment.**

The Good Eastern Taphouse, situated on the corner of Te Ngae and Tarawera Road, welcomes locals and visitors to try their range of Good George beers and ciders, and pairing them with a wide variety of snacks and meals.

With the Redwoods forest on Good Eastern's back doorstep, and a variety of lakes, campgrounds, and outdoor activities in the area, it's sure to be a place for tourists and locals alike to drop in for some good refreshments and great hospitality.

The interior is sleek and modern, if not slightly industrial with its rusty metal lamp shades and concrete floors, but it still feels warm and cosy with the orange glow of the LED bulbs, wooden feature walls and stone work bar. On sunny days there is plenty of outdoor seating under the umbrellas.

From Guysers to the Good Eastern is just 8 minutes by car. 🌞



FOR MORE INFORMATION

[www.goodeastern.nz](http://www.goodeastern.nz)



Check out the range of beers and ciders!



A global guide to  
naked places  
for men



# GAY NAKED DESTINATIONS

We are please to announce the launch of *GAY NAKED DESTINATIONS* – a series of 5 e-books designed for gay men who like to travel light! These 5 e-books cover the world's best known travel destinations where gay men can get NAKED!

*Gay Naked Destinations* e-books are currently the most comprehensive and up-to-date resource available (the nearest book of it's kind was the *Naked Magazine's Worldwide Guide to Naked Places* book for which the last print run is now terribly out of date (2001) and is out of production).

Hundreds of hours of research has been done compiling together as many gay clothing-optional Bed & Breakfasts, Guesthouses, Resorts, Gay Campgrounds, nudist beaches, gay naturist cruises, men's naked yoga studios, men's nude groups and men's venues worldwide into 5 e-books.

These  
'must have'  
naked travel  
planners are  
just \$8.95<sup>US</sup>  
each!







## Purpose of these e-books

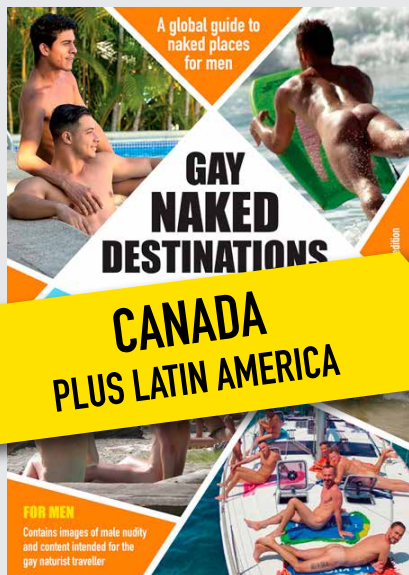
There are literally hundreds of traditional mixed-sex, family-friendly (predominantly heterosexual) naturist clubs and resorts worldwide, but for many gay men, they either feel uncomfortable attending these or even rejected at some of these places - some to the point of asking personal questions about one's marital status or stating they prefer a "50/50 balance of male/females" (in other words, too many gay men might throw the balance out or threaten the 'family atmosphere').

For gay men who love naturism and love to travel abroad finding a clothing-optional or naturist place to stay that is either totally men only, LGBT mixed, or very gay-friendly can sometimes be challenging. There are

dozens of websites worldwide and not all gay accommodations are as easy to find. Depending on the country, they could be listed on MisterB&B, AirBnB, Purple Roofs, Gay-Sejour, Gay Travel Asia, Spartacus Travel Guide or any number of others. If they have their own website, it doesn't mean they are easy to find if they are not ranking highly in Google or have not created their website with enough Keywords to be found easily on the Net.

**Gay Naked Destinations** e-books saves you time trying to find the perfect place to stay, relax, tan, and play when planning your next 'nakation'. They really are the ultimate guide to naked places for men.

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# A global guide to naked places for men



## What's included in these e-books?

The e-books are divided up into the following regions:

- Northern Europe plus UK & Ireland
- Southern Europe plus Israel
- United States of America
- Canada plus Latin America
- Asia / Pacific plus South Africa

Each accommodation provider has a full A4 page with 3 large photos, descriptive text and a direct URL link.


For nudist beaches and gay venues I have formatted them 3 to a page with nice large photos and descriptive text.

## What's not included?

Generally mixed-sex naturist camps or resorts are not included into these e-books as there are hundreds of them worldwide and not all are gay-welcoming (there are other guides to find these). These guides are specifically intended for the gay naturist traveller. However, in some cases mixed-sex places have got a

### EXAMPLE PAGE

**Vermont / Newfane** CANADA



**Frog Meadow B&B** MEN ONLY

At Frog Meadow in Southern Vermont, we provide a restorative space for men to relax and leave the outside world behind. We are an all-male, clothing-optional establishment. Our customers are primarily gay and bi men, but all men are welcome. Enjoy Frog Meadow's spring-fed swimming & lap pond, explore our 4-season hiking and snowshoeing trails and connect with nature, yourself and others.

Frog Meadow's swimming pond is 8 to 12 feet deep and fed by deep springs and the brook, keeping its water cool, fresh and clean. There are several oversize inner tubes for floating in the pond, day or night.

Immediately next to the pond is a private, grassy nude sunbathing area complete with chaise lounge chairs for willing away the afternoon. This same grassy area is ~~is~~ **is** ~~also~~ **also** ~~used~~ **used** for our frequent Yoga & Wellness weekends!

Take the time to release muscle aches, stiffness, pains and renew your body and soul with a soak in our 750-gallon, eco-friendly wood-fired hot-tub, followed by a 60- or 90-minute therapeutic massage with Dave.

**FEATURES:**

- Number of Rooms: 5
- Sleeps maximum: 10 people
- Bathrooms: Ensuites
- Fridge: Yes
- Meal plan: Breakfast included
- Wi-Fi: Available
- Pool/Spa: Natural pond, hot tub
- Sauna: No
- Gym: Yes. Nude yoga classes also
- Massage: Available (fee)
- Nudity: Throughout

[www.frogmeadow.com](http://www.frogmeadow.com)

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Location

Business Logo

Symbol to indicate men only, mixed or LGBT/gay-friendly

Accommodation description

3 photos per listing




Key features box

Website URL

### EXAMPLE PAGE

**NZ / Notable nude beaches** NEW ZEALAND

For a comprehensive list of nude beaches in New Zealand check out <http://gonatural.co.nz/locations-events/>

**Urititi Beach, Waipu**

You'll find this pretty 5km-stretch of beach two hours north of Auckland, just south of Waipu. There's a Department of Conservation campsite there, but nudity is not permitted in the camp – instead go to the right-side of the beach to sunbathe. It's nude friendly with a local cruising spot known as 'The Library' situated in the sand dunes that protects the camp site from the beach (but beware of gorse!).

The campground becomes very busy during New Years as GLBT and straight campers come together to share in the party vibe.

**Little Palm Beach, Waiheke Island**

This popular nude beach on the northern side of Waiheke is the best known clothing-optional spot on the island (but it's not the only one). You'll find it at the western end of Palm Beach, separated from the main beach by a small rocky outcrop.

Little Palm Beach is mentioned in the tourist booklet for the island as a nudist beach, but when you get on the bus that circuits the island, just ask for 'Palm Beach'. When you get on the beach, walk to left over the rock to the next secluded bay which is 'Little Palm Beach'.

**Pohutukawa Bay, Auckland**

Probably Auckland's nicest nude beach, at the northern end of the Long Bay reserve. It's a twenty-minute walk around the coast or over the hills, but well worth it.

Located in Long Bay Regional Park on the North Shore, Pohutukawa Bay is a popular for nudists and naturists.

Pohutukawa Bay boasts a stunning view and many comfortable canopies for shade under the trees. The water is known for being a little bit rocky and having a few rips now and then, but hey, you don't have to worry about losing your togs if you're not wearing any!

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mention if they actively promote 'gay-friendly' on their websites. Not every single nudist beach is listed here either. There are a selection of the 'official' nudist beaches, and those noted as being 'gay beaches' or that attract a gay crowd. There are online websites specific to listing all nudist beaches such as **Nakedplaces.net** or **iswimnu.de** for example.

The same applies to gay mens venues such as saunas and cruise clubs. Listed are some of the best venues or those noted to have naked days, naked events or naturist outdoor areas

for nude sunbathing. Smaller venues, or those where clothes or fetish wear has to be worn (ie, not naked) are not necessarily listed in these e-books.

Not every country in the world is noted as being a 'naturist destination'. In some countries nudity in public areas including beaches is illegal. In some countries even homosexuality is illegal or is not tolerated. And some countries are just too darn cold! For these reasons, these countries are not listed in these e-books.

**EXAMPLE PAGE**

**Australia / Men's nude venues** AUSTRALIA

**MELBOURNE**



**MELBOURNE**



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**Club80** in Melbourne hold a regular NUD Naked Party at The Dungeon, from 9PM till late. Dress code? Naked of course! Or if you're really shy, we'll accept the briefest of underwear or a jock strap. But that's not the intent - otherwise we would've called it Underwear! Of course you'll still have to wear proper non-slip footwear for safety reasons. Full cloakroom facilities at the counter. See website for dates.  
<http://club80.net>



**Peninsula Sauna and Spa** is in Seaford, Victoria (near Melbourne City). The sauna features a beautiful large spa, dry sauna and steam, a Licensed Bar & Cafe, Private and open play areas, Bondage and Kink Dungeon, Suckatorium, Sling rooms, Voyeur Rooms, Porn Lounge, Large open shower facilities and an outdoor courtyard. You loved **Nude Sunday** so much we have decided to make it **PERMANENT!** Every Sunday (From 12pm until Close)  
<https://peninsulasauna.com.au>



**Wet on Wellington** is a popular gay sauna located at 162 Wellington St, Collingwood, Victoria. The venue features all the facilities you'd expect to find in any good sauna. Strip down and strut your stuff during **Nude Night!** Every second and fourth Monday of the month. Nude Night's kick off at 7PM with \$15 entry and drink specials. Compulsory Nude Venue Wide. No towels!  
<https://wetonwellington.com.au>

Beach name

Descriptive text about the beach, its location and what to expect

Featuring 3 beaches per page with large attractive photos

Business Logo

Descriptive text about venue, its facilities and nude events

Website URL

Featuring 3 venues per page with large attractive photos

Each listing uses one of these symbols so the clientele is clear:



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## We need your help!

In order to keep these e-books up-to-date we would love to hear from you with any new places you may have come across, any news of properties or venues that have now closed or locations, accommodations or beaches you would like to see added. If you have a clothing optional accommodation or gay venue you would like to add (if I have missed anything?), or a business listed in here you'd like removed for whatever reason, just let us know using the online contact form which is <https://gaynakeddestinations.com/contactform.html>

**Name \***

**Address \***

**Email \***

**Reason for contact \***

**Details - Please provide as much as possible**

**Website URL of venue (if known)**

**To ensure you are a person (not spam) Answer 2 + 3 =**

\* required

*Fill in this form on the website to let us know about any places you'd like to add, or notify us of any places that have closed.*

I plan to make regular, (but not necessarily instant), changes to the e-books (unless there are glaring errors). All corrections, additions or deletions will be noted, modified and re-uploaded once there are enough modifications to justify calling them 'Edition 2'.

## How to purchase the e-books

First you need to go to the website <https://gaynakeddestinations.com>

All the e-books are US\$8.95 each (about the same as you'd pay for a glossy magazine from a Newsagent. Very good value!).

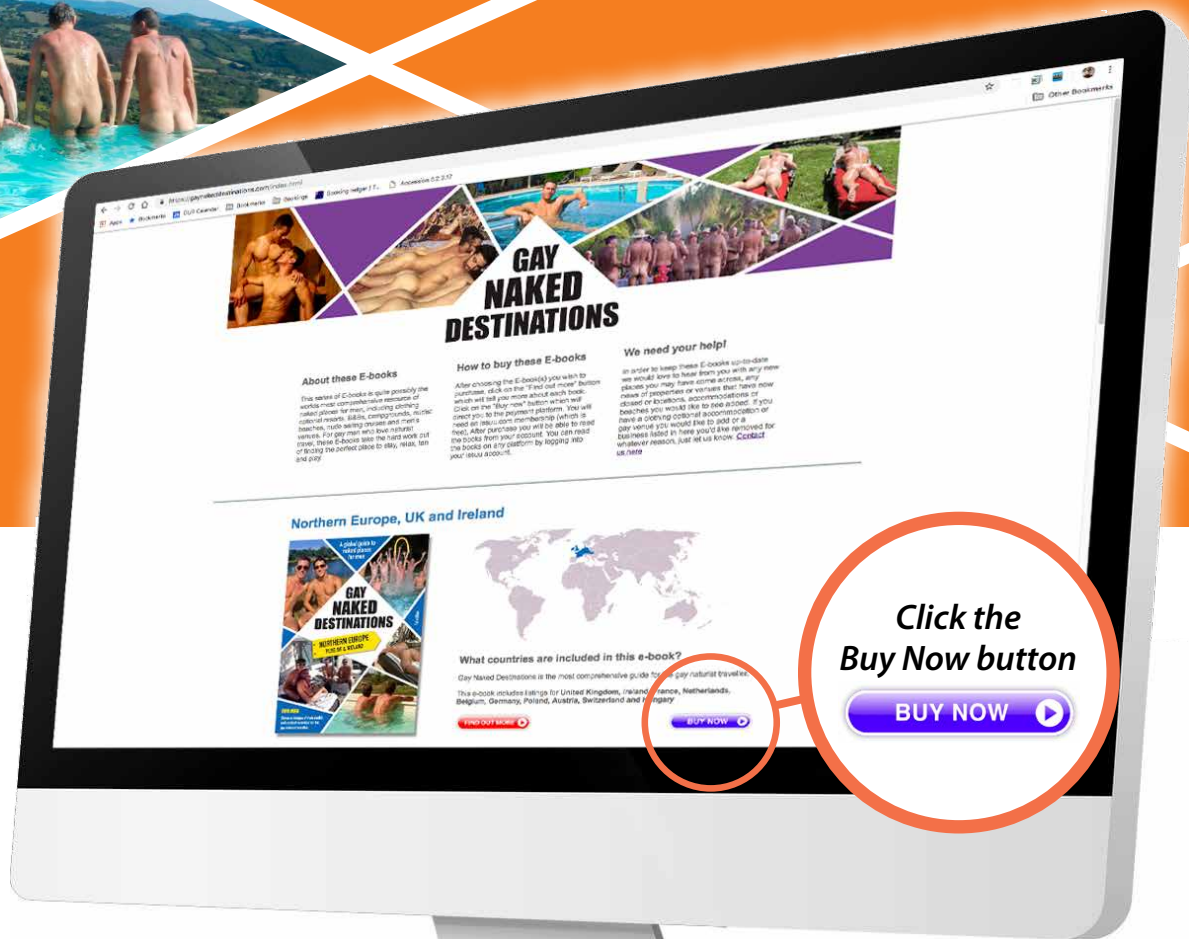
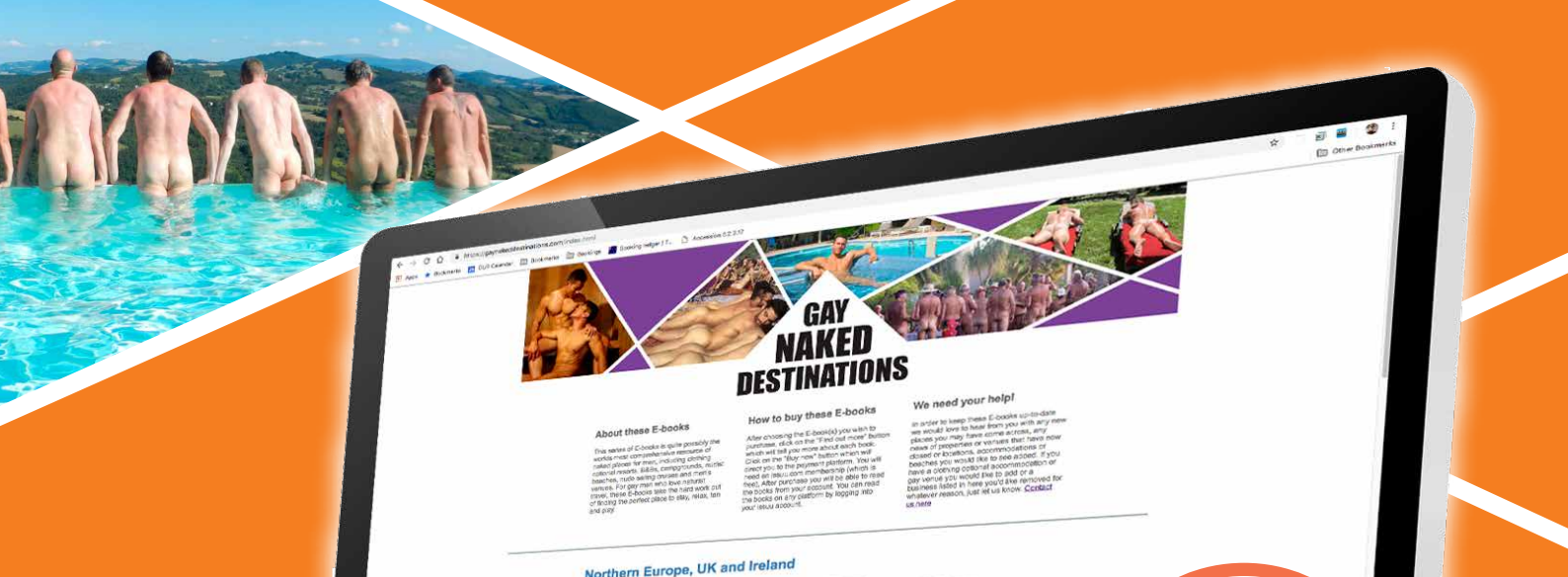
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# Rotoua Lakefront Makeover

**The Rotorua Lakefront is soon to get a makeover for the community and visitors to the city to enjoy. The upgrades include several developments such as a play area, new boardwalk, car parking, a new whare waka for the Te Arawa Canoe, concrete and grass terraces and a cafe and restaurant area. The redevelopment of the Lakefront will provide the catalyst for further investment as well as creating a space that celebrates Rotorua's unique environment and culture.**

The new boardwalk will begin its journey from this western end of the lakefront stretching to the eastern end, and on completion it will be 600m long. There will be a focus on action at this western end with facilities for the likes of waka, boating, water sports and cycling.

Visitor parking will be relocated away from the lake-edge and will include coach parking.

The central area marks the hub of the lakefront development. It will be the centre of the lakefront walkway and home to terraces and visually-striking tukutuku designed bridges.

The free-form-shaped terraces (with symbolism to the Pink & Whites Terraces) provide a gradual decent entry into the water.

This eastern end of the lakefront is being celebrated as a more contemplative space and development plans recognise this ambience. The soon to be created *Wai Ariki Hot Springs and Spa* will be the neighbour at this end of the lake.

At an overall development cost of \$58 million, the new Lakefront area will have improved car parking, new covered shelters and public toilets, a kayak launching site also suitable for other watersports, improved walkways and cycleways and a purpose-built tourism operators building with a café and restaurant.





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# Deliciously Rotorua!

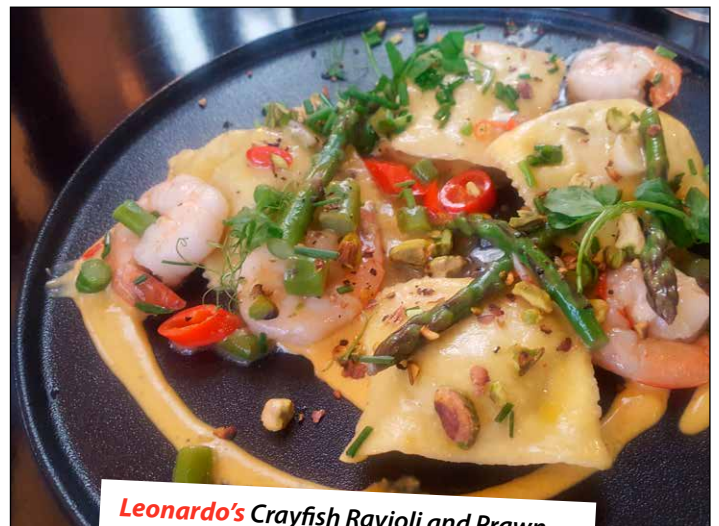
Rotorua restaurateurs were upset last year when *Cuisine Magazine* announced their Top 100 list of New Zealand restaurants and Rotorua did not receive one spot. Auckland took out a whopping 41 spots and Wellington took out 22 spots. We'd like to show the judges from *Cuisine Magazine* that Rotorua's restaurants can produce equally impressive food!

*Cuisine Magazine* happens to be produced in Auckland, and so the editors, and no doubt the judges, are also from Auckland, giving them an

unfair advantage. Judges would have to stay in Rotorua for 2 weeks in order to get a good overview of the restaurants and food here.



**Atticus Finch's** slow-cooked lamb with puy lentil ragu, pea puree and feta. YUM!



**Leonardo's** Crayfish Ravioli and Prawn, pumpkin puree, asparagus, lemon butter sauce, crushed pistachio, and pea tendrils.



**Wholly Smoked's** chargrilled venison with kumara, pomegranate glaze, roast veges, cranberry and red wine reduction.



**Giovanni's** Italian style slow cooked lamb shank with garlic, vegetables in red wine jus served with wood fired oven roasted vegetables and mint sauce.





**The Brook's** slow-cooked Osso Buco has the most exquisite and rich sauce, served with mustard mash.



**Mokoia Restaurant** at the Wai Ora Resort has been a New Zealand Beef and Lamb Excellence Award Winner 2010-2019.



**Ambrosia's** herb crusted lamb rack: bacon wrapped lamb ballotine, roasted red capsicum, baby vegetables, duck fat potato, red wine jus.



**Indian Star** has been winning food and hospitality awards every year since 2002!



**Urbano Bistro** even manages to make Kiwi Fish and Chips look like fine dining. Terakihi with chips and fresh salad.

I don't know what you think, but looking at these examples of Rotorua cuisine, any of these could easily grace the pages of *Cuisine Magazine* and equally match anything being served up in Auckland or Wellington.

When you come and stay with us at *Guysers* we can provide you with restaurant recommendations as we have personally dined at these, and other restaurants, in Rotorua. 🌟

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# RAGS

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**Rotorua Area Gay Society (RAGS)**  
**Rotorua's weekly gay men's social group**

The RAGS group meets every Wednesday evening from 5 pm at a selected bar for a few drinks followed by dinner at a local restaurant. This social get-together is for both Rotorua locals and tourists/visitors alike who would like to join us.

To attend 'RAGS on Wednesdays' please email [info@gayrotorua.com](mailto:info@gayrotorua.com) with your name and mobile number and we'll be in touch with details.



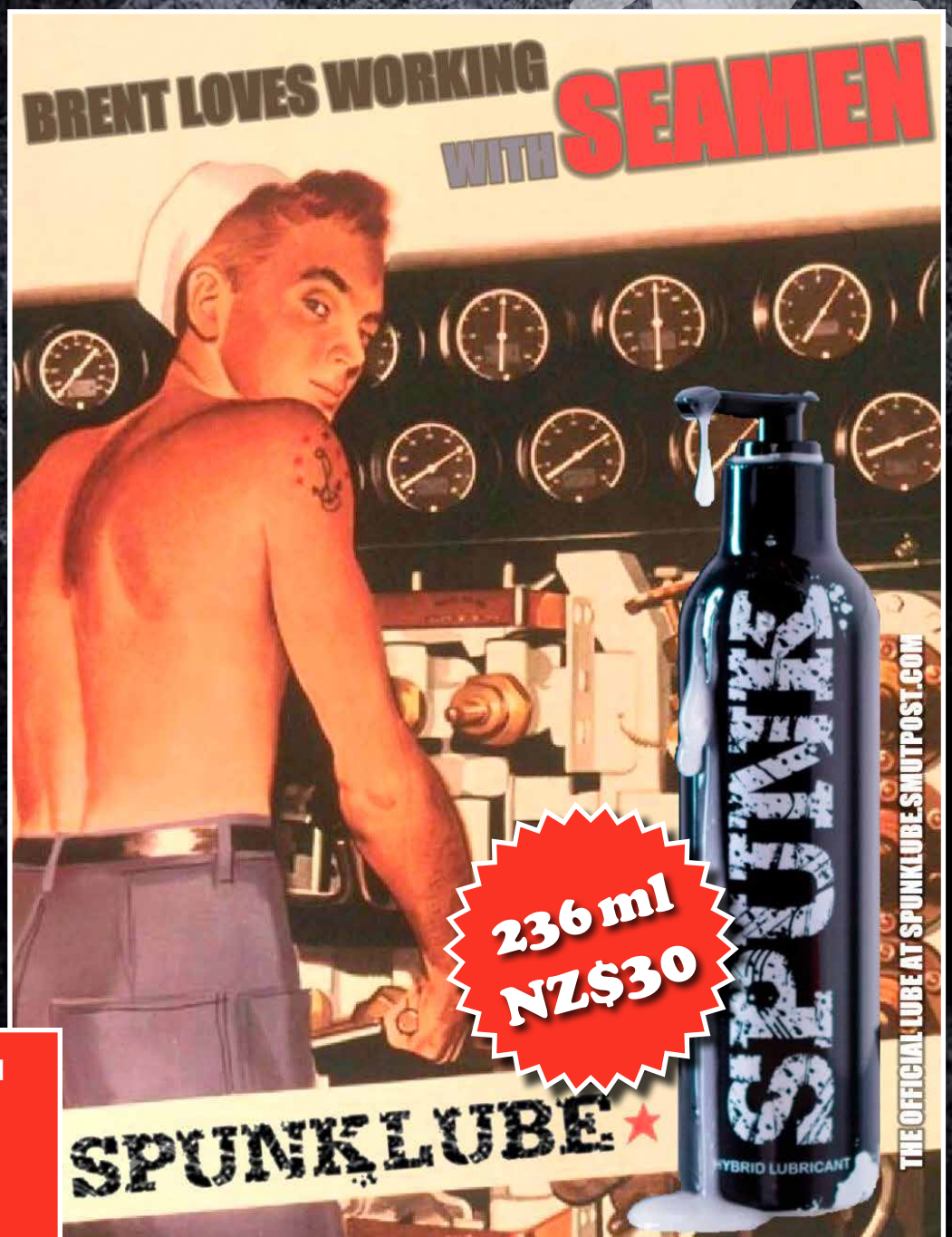
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