TIRITIRI MATANGI

# SCHOOL VISIT INFORMATION

## About Tiritiri Matangi

As one of New Zealand's oldest island sanctuaries, the motu is brimming with wildlife rarely seen on the mainland, you can gain first-hand knowledge of these threatened species and our country's conservation history. Thousands of people visit the motu each year and we ask that everyone respect the island and the experience of all visitors.

## What to bring

- Clean walking shoes.
- Backpack (or closed bag), rain jacket, warm clothes, sun cream.
- Food for an energy packed day. Place food in a sealed bag/container, and all waste/wrappings are to be taken home. Food is available to purchase on the ferry, and there are limited snacks and drinks available on the motu in the Visitor Centre
- Water bottle (bottles can be refilled at the Visitor Centre).
- Pen/pencil for worksheets.

*Do not bring*: open carry bags, outdoor mats, blankets.

## Ferry Information

- **Follow crew instructions and treat the crew, boat, and other passengers with respect.**
- Students are seated in the reserved lower level of the ferry.
- No running or jumping on the ferry.
- Rubbish should be placed in appropriate bins or taken home.
- Students are organised with sunblock, sunhat, or raincoat before disembarking.
- Public passengers disembark before school groups.

## On the Motu

- Student groups walk down the wharf in a supervised single file. Year 1-8 students place their bags on the trailer; secondary students may take bags on the guided walk. Student groups quickly gather in front of lectern on the wharf's concrete area for the DOC ranger briefing.
- **Please show respect for the wildlife, all visitors and guides at all times.**
- During the guided walk **do not** wander off, talk on cell phones, use earpods/headset, take selfies or have conversations while the guide is talking.
- Please do not film our guides unless permission given.
- The best way to interact with the wildlife is **stay quiet, listen, and watch**.
- All guides will be wearing a lanyard that contains emergency contacts on the motu.
- Toilets are located at the wharf and the Visitor Centre.
- Lunch will be eaten at the tables in the courtyard at the Visitors Centre.
- Avoid dropping food crumbs. Human food is not suitable for wildlife.
- The Visitor Centre shop has drinks and gifts available for purchase. The school will determine whether students are allowed into the shop. If so, only 6-8 students, without their packs, are to be supervised inside the shop at one time.

## Notes for accompanying adults

- **An adult must always be with students to help look after the group, keep and ensure that students are acting responsibly and respectfully**.
- Please avoid talking on cell phones during guided walks.
- Tea and coffee are available for adults inside the Visitor Centre.

# Protecting Tiritiri Matangi

- Running, ball games, tree climbing, throwing stones
- Shouting or yelling
- Noise from technology (phone, music, etc)
- Walking off tracks
- Remove organic material from the motu (leaves, feathers, stones)
- Littering
- Chewing gum
- Feeding birds
- Collecting or eating shellfish from the beach
- Drones, radios, bird callers, phone speaker
- Smoking/Vaping (except on the wharf concrete area or outside the Visitor Centre)
- Fires