



NEW ZEALAND HOPS

The early settlers from England and Germany found the Nelson region well suited to the hop plants they brought with them. In time a fledgling industry grew, and hops were grown throughout the area. New varieties were developed and over the next 150 years

Nelson became known for its disease-free, high quality products. Variety brand names like Motueka™, Riwaka™, and Nelson Sauvignon™ reveal ties to the local history and geography.

The current growing region, roughly a triangle formed

by Riwaka, Tapawera, and Brightwater, produces all of New Zealand's commercial hops, a premium product making up less than 1% of the world market. For six weeks in early autumn, the farms are busy, frantically harvesting the year's crop. The vines are cut, and then the fragrant, bitter flowers removed and dried.

Local Hop growers supply a number of cooperatives in the region, who then convert the dried whole hop flowers into a range of high quality, unique New Zealand hop products which are sold to brewers throughout the world.



FOLLOW THE NELSON BEER TRAIL

Beer has been central to the local culture of the Nelson-Tasman region, dating back to the first New Zealand settlements in the 1840s. Early German settlers in Sarau found the Moutere to be an ideal location and climate to cultivate hops, and an extensive brewing tradition followed.

Craft breweries of all sizes now stretch from Nelson City to Onekaka in Golden Bay. They make a perfect excuse for a half-day or full-day tour exploring all the gorgeous corners of the region. Climbing from the waterfront up into the foothills,

watch for historic hop kilns along the way.

Many of these locally owned, family-run breweries and outlets welcome visitors for tours, sampling at the bar, having a meal or takeaway sales. Share a pint with locals, learn about our history and experience the wide range of unique beers. Whether you prefer an icy pilsner or a cask-pulled ale, you'll find it in Nelson.

Some can be reached by foot from your lodging, others along a nice cycle loop, and the rest are worth the drive or take a tour.



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MARCHFEST
20 MARCH 2021
12 MARCH 2022

Founders Park - Nelson
Noon - 9:30pm

TASTING BAR • LIVE MUSIC • KIDS ZONE • AND MORE

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CIDER • WINE • FOOD

www.marchfest.com

Taste extraordinary

wine trail www.winenelson.co.nz

CIDER FESTIVAL
THE NEW ZEALAND

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NELSON VENUES & EVENTS

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1/23 Alma Street
Buxton Square, Nelson

www.nelsonvenues.co.nz

freshchoice richmond

Richmond Mall, Richmond
T: 03 544 8299
E: office@richmondfreshchoice.co.nz
W: www.richmondfreshchoice.co.nz

A craft beer sanctuary in the heart of Richmond Mall, come and talk to our Beer Sommelier while you peruse Nelson's most extensive selection of Craft Beers - Open 7 days a week 7am - 9pm.

HOP & BEER MUSEUM

Founders Heritage Park, Mapua
T: 03 548 2649
E: founderspark@nc.govt.nz
W: www.founderspark.co.nz

Visit our Hop & Beer Museum, reflecting on Nelson's 170 year history of Craft Beer and Hop Growing. Experience the kiln drying process and admire early brewing technology. Opening Hours: 10am to 4:30pm daily.

Nelson Cycle Hire & Tours

Cycle Hire and we will help you find your craft beer heaven on a bike or ebike. Complimentary bike delivery service in Nelson City.

Contact the friendly team at Nelson
T: 03 539 4193 or 029 7770109
E: info@nelsoncyclehire.co.nz
W: www.nelsoncyclehire.co.nz

KIWI JOURNEYS

Nelson City (beside iSite), Mapua Wharf & Kaiteiteri
T: 03 548 0093, 0800 292 538
E: info@kiwijourneys.co.nz
W: www.kiwijourneys.co.nz

With our convenient rental locations and transport service, we make it easy for you to have a fun day exploring the tastes of the trail.

Cable Bay Adventure Park

194 Cable Bay Road, Hira, Nelson
T: 0800 157 300 or local 03 545 0304
E: info@cablebayadventurepark.com
W: www.cablebayadventurepark.com

Adventure destination, open daily and less than 15min from town. A range of activities including the Skywire, licensed cafe, free access to MTB trails and lots more.

GENTLE CYCLING COMPANY

411 Nayland Rd, Stoke, Nelson
T: 0800 932 453
E: info@gentlecycling.co.nz
W: www.gentlecycling.co.nz

It's no-sweat cycling on our Great Taste Beer ride. Ride the cycle trail with our map to visit our beer neighbours - McCashins, Eddylins, the League of Brewers and more. Door to door transfer from Nelson included. Available 7 days, 1 Sept - 30 April. Book online.

THE BOATHOUSE CAFE

Wakefield Quay, Nelson
T: 03 548 7656
E: info@theboathousenelson.co.nz
W: www.theboathousenelson.co.nz

The Boathouse: function venue, live music space, public cafe, community hall, club.

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SPRIG & FERN MILTON ST



A: 134 Milton Street,
The Wood, Nelson
T: 03 545 7117
E: karl@sprigandfern.co.nz
W: www.sprigandferntaverns.co.nz

A traditional villa converted into a warm, inviting tavern that's become the neighbourhood's social hub for locals and visitors alike. NZ's Best Bar 2012.

Opening Hours:
Please see website.

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THE FREE HOUSE



A: 95 Collingwood St, Nelson
T: 03 548 9391
E: info@thefreehouse.co.nz
W: www.thefreehouse.co.nz

The Free House is a multi-award winning pub housed in a little old church. It is an oasis in the city, offering an often changing beer menu, local wines and soft drinks. Hot pipes, hmmm.

Opening Hours:
M-F 3pm-11pm-ish,
Sat-Sun noon-11pm-ish

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SPRIG & FERN HARDY ST



A: 280 Hardy Street, Nelson City
T: 03 548 1154
E: hardy@sprigandferntaverns.co.nz
W: www.sprigandferntaverns.co.nz

A lively tavern in the heart of Nelson city. Delicious food, live music and a covered outdoor courtyard. All year round craft beer heaven. 18 taps of beer and cider.

Opening Hours:
Please see website.

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THE WORKSHOP



A: 32C New Street, Nelson City
T: 03 546 9939
E: Jackie.theworkshop@gmail.com
W: www.theworkshopbrewery.co.nz

A retro industrial style fit out make The Workshop a unique experience for all. Sample some of our own craft beers made on-site or indulge in a selection of guest beers or local wines. Family friendly, full menu from our kitchen available. Check out our website for Brewery Tours.

Opening Hours:
Please see website.

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SPRIG & FERN TAHUNA



A: 13 Beach Road, Tahuna, Nelson
T: 03 548 5066
E: sam@sprigandferntaverns.co.nz
W: www.sprigandferntaverns.co.nz

Enjoy the full Sprig & Fern range on tap overlooking the Tahuna sports fields, and a stones throw from Nelson's stunning Tahunanui beach. A great Summer afternoon spot.

Opening Hours:
Please see website.

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LEAGUE OF BREWERS

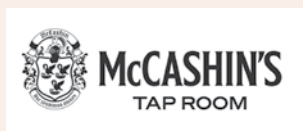


A: 14 Vivian Place, Nelson, 7011
T: 03 668 5263
E: service@leagueofbrewers.com
W: www.leagueofbrewers.com

Love things crafty and fermented? Visit our passionate team of home-brewers and make your own great beer, wine, spirits, cider, kombucha and fermented foods. Off-license with an extensive range of local craft beer, alongside the best range of home-brew ingredients and equipment.

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McCASHIN'S BREWERY



A: 660 Main Road, Stoke, Nelson
E: office@mccashinstaproom.co.nz
W: www.mccashins.co.nz

McCashins Tap Room, home to the family that pioneered the craft beer revolution. With plenty of indoor & outdoor seating, come bask in the history we have to offer whilst trying one of our premium Stoke craft beers, or our delicious Rochdale cider's. We are also home to the infamous Wakachangi lager!

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EDDYLINE BREWERY



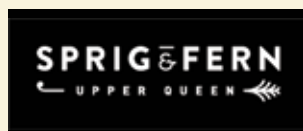
A: 8 Champion Rd, Richmond
T: 03 544 7474
E: owners@eddylinebrewery.nz
W: www.eddylinebrewery.nz

Eddylines Brewery & Pizzeria is a family-friendly destination serving delicious wood-fired pizzas and fresh beer brewed on premise. Located right off the Great Taste Trail at the Aquatic Centre and by the Sylvan forest Mountain Bike Park.

Opening Hours: 11am - 10pm

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SPRIG & FERN UPPER QUEEN



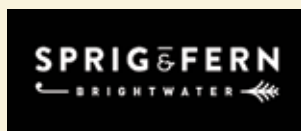
A: 126 Queen Street,
Richmond, Nelson
T: 03 544 4900
E: upperqueen@sprigandferntaverns.co.nz
W: www.sprigandferntaverns.co.nz

Conveniently located in Upper Queen Street, just a short stroll from town centre. A popular watering hole with 20 taps of very locally brewed craft beer and cider.

Opening Hours:
Please see website.

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SPRIG & FERN BRIGHTWATER



A: 54 Ellis Street, Brightwater,
Nelson
T: 03 542 2323
E: brightwater@sprigandferntaverns.co.nz
W: www.sprigandferntaverns.co.nz

A friendly local tavern and meeting place in the centre of Brightwater village, serving 18 taps of superb craft beer and cider, plus many local wines.

Opening Hours:
Please see website.

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HOP FARM BREWERY



A: Wakefield
T: 022 620 9124
E: hayden.r.oidham@gmail.com
W: www.hopfarmbrewery.co.nz

Hop Farm Brewery is NZ's first hop farm brewery. Sold at Richmond Fresh Choice.

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GOLDEN BEAR BREWERY



A: 501/6 Aranui Road, Mapua
T: 03 540 3210
E: jim@goldenbearbrewing.com
W: www.goldenbearbrewing.com

Microbrewery, bar and restaurant located at the historic Mapua Wharf. Mexican food, juicy burgers and finger lickin' ribs. Live music. Brewery tours by appointment only. Business Hours vary per season. Phone us or check website for Opening Hours and Entertainment Schedule.

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RIMU WINE BAR MAPUA



A: 404/6 Aranui Road, Mapua Wharf
T: 03 540 2580
E: info@rimugrove.co.nz
W: www.rimugrove.co.nz

Rimu Wine Bar offers an extensive range of premium craft beers and wines. All beers and wines are available by the glass with retail sales also available. Enjoy our wood-fired pizzas and platters in front of the picturesque Waima estuary. Open: Noon until late daily.

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SPRIG & FERN MAPUA



A: 67 Aranui Road, Mapua, Nelson
T: 03 540 2553
E: peter@sprigandferntaverns.co.nz
W: www.sprigandferntaverns.co.nz

Set in a beautifully renovated historic schoolhouse in the heart of Mapua village. Enjoy 19 taps of award winning craft beer and cider on our sunny deck areas.

Opening Hours:
Please see website.

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MOUTERE INN



A: 1406 Moutere Highway, RD2,
Upper Moutere
T: 03 543 2759
E: info@moutereinn.co.nz
W: www.moutereinn.co.nz

New Zealand's Oldest Pub in It's Original Building. A wide range of craft beers, real ales, quality pub meals and very very local wines.

Opening Hours: 7 days from midday over summer. Wed-Sun over the cooler months. Check our website if you're unsure.

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SPRIG & FERN MOTUEKA



A: Wallace Street, Motueka
T: 03 528 4684
E: peter@sprigandferntaverns.co.nz
W: www.sprigandferntaverns.co.nz

A cosy place to slow down and unwind, and enjoy a pint of Nelson's Craft Beer, with tasty food and great company in the heart of Motueka. 18 taps of craft beer and cider.

Opening Hours:
Please see website.

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HOP FEDERATION BREWERY



A: 483 Main Road, Riwaka, Motueka
T: 03 528 0486
E: info@hopfederation.co.nz
W: www.hopfederation.co.nz

Hop Federation is a craft brewery found in Riwaka, the heart of hop country. As both hop growers and craft brewers, our passion for hop farming is matched by their dedication to the brewer's art. Visit our tasting room for a range of beers, wines and cider sales all year round.

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KAI RESTAURANT



A: 5 Kaiteriteri-Sandy Bay Road,
Kaiteriteri
T: 03 5278507
E: kai@krr.co.nz
W: www.experiencekaiteriteri.co.nz

Kai Restaurant is based in the heart of the Kaiteriteri Recreation Reserve. Overlooking the famous golden sandy beach, enjoy one of the many beers in this free house with specialities from Hop Federation and our very own Ocean Haze lager. Tasting platters available.

Opening Hours: See website.

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THE MUSSEL INN BREWERY



A: Onekaka, Golden Bay
T: 03 525 9241 (after 11am)
E: haveabeer@musselinn.co.nz
W: www.musselinn.co.nz

Cafe / bar / music venue / brewery. For casual dining and good times. Located half way between Takaka and Collingwood. Check out the website for the gig guide.

Opening hours: 11am till late every day except Christmas day.

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- CYCLE TRAILS
- STATE HIGHWAYS
- STREETS & ROADS
- BREWERIES
- OUTLETS
- HOP FARMS (to view from road)

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