

# RANGITIKEI CYCLEWAYS.



## TRAIL 3: MT CURL.

This trail has a steep climb worthy of the Tour de France, but the reward is the unparalleled views from the summit of Mt Ruapehu, Mt Taranaki, Kapiti and the Ruahines.

The trail begins at Hunterville which is a good place for accommodation and supplies. Head out of Hunterville on Ongo Road and turn left onto Aldworth Road, passing through farmland to State Highway One. To avoid the Highway it is possible to bike the gated section of the old road, opposite the entrance to Bruce Reserve. Turn right onto Mt Curl Road and climb steadily at first, and then steeply, to the summit. (For those wishing to eschew the rigours of Mt Curl there is an alternative route via Leedstown Road.)

A long undulating downhill (gravel at first) follows via Warrens Road, Galpins Road and Tutaenui Road, to Marton, the capital of the Rangitikei District. Marton has ample accommodation, refreshments, supplies and two bike shops.

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**Distance: 34km**  
**Total Ascent: 502m**  
**Total Decent: 622m**  
**Time: 2-3 hours**

