



Akaroa & The Bays

Akaroa - Christchurch via SH 75
 Little River 40 minutes, Akaroa 1.5 hours
 from Christchurch

Walkers - Safety is your responsibility.
 Plan, prepare and equip yourself well.
 Visit the i-Site to obtain the relevant brochure for your chosen walk.

9 Julie & Mark Leonard - 53 Lukes Road, Little Akaloa

Whareniui at Little Akaloa was built in 1907 for the Waghorn family. The Tasmanian Architects, Alfred and Sydney Luttrell designed the house in the 'Federation Style'. The house is surrounded on three sides by wide, two story verandahs with wisteria and climbing roses. Apart from modernising amenities the house remains largely unchanged from its original design and features beautiful Kauri doors and fire places. The acre garden is a work in progress and consists of simple edging and steps from local stone. The herbaceous border and vegetable garden are being re-established and feature dahlias, roses, delphiniums and lavender. Mature trees on the property include Pohutakawa, Weeping Ash and a magnificent Chestnut. Note: The property has some flat land and some a little steeper but is easy to get around. If people aren't very mobile a lot of it can be viewed from the veranda. Lukes Rd, although narrow in parts is pretty easy access. Parking is on the road outside the house.

10 Jill & Richard Simpson - 188 Fishermans Bays Road

Fisherman's Bay Garden is a beautiful garden filled with bright colours and varied textures which offers breath-taking views of the Pacific Ocean and the eastern most tip of the South Island. For garden lovers or anyone wanting to see a special part of Banks Peninsula while in the Akaroa area this garden is a must visit. Your hosts Jill and Richard Simpson have turned this once rugged part of the farm into a lush combination of flower beds, native plants and green lawns that still remembers its farming past.



11 Diana & Harry Stronach - 649 Hickory Bay Road

An expansive rural garden in a valley setting, with the outer bushy areas becoming more orderly as you reach a bluestone patio overlooking a terraced lawn, edged with box and camellias.

A large orchard and veggie garden is the productive part of this 1.5 acre garden. Plantings of shrubs, salvias, perennials, natives and many hydrangeas lead to a tranquil scene that straddles the Ellangowan Stream as it flows to Hickory Bay. Cross the bridge for a 15 minute bush walk with significant specimen trees. The house is a recent redevelopment of a farmhouse originally built around 1910 - viewing welcome. 4WD Recommended and not suitable for children (unfenced waterway and an open sided bridge with long drop to rocks!). No dogs please.

12 Jane Westwood & Grant Jamieson - Hickory Bay Road

A Farm house garden with half an acre of garden surrounding a house that is dated 110 years old in a steep rural landscape. Lovely views of hillsides and Hickory Bay beach can be enjoyed. A garden that is sustainable, a cost saver as it provides a high proportion of vegetables and fruit over 4 seasons and is spray free. There is seating available to sit in the peaceful surroundings. To safely walk around the garden one would need to be independent, not needing assistance as it is not level and the ground is uneven. No dogs please. Suggest car sharing and a 4x4 would be more suitable for Hickory Bay road and our driveway.

13 Murray & Sue Johns - Paua Bay

The tranquil garden oasis at Paua Bay was created 30 years ago atop a lush valley 200 metres above sea level. Existing native bush was preserved and interplanted with rhododendrons for spring colour, mixed borders adding to the effect with perennials and more than eighty roses. There's an outside bath (overlooking the Pacific) set amongst Olive trees. The potager garden provides organically grown vegetables for the family & guests. This part of the garden has been laid out with triangular beds around a central sundial. White fantail pigeons housed in an old Totara store shed flutter around adding movement to the garden. This is a family garden which is enjoyed now by our granddaughters who are the 7th generation on the farm. When we moved on to the farm in 1982 the farmhouse circa 1920's had been vacant for 16 years needing drastic renovation.

Public Toilets: Can be found at Akaroa (3 places), The Duvauchelle Show Grounds, at the French Farm Waterfront and also at Otanerito Valley, Hinewai Reserve.

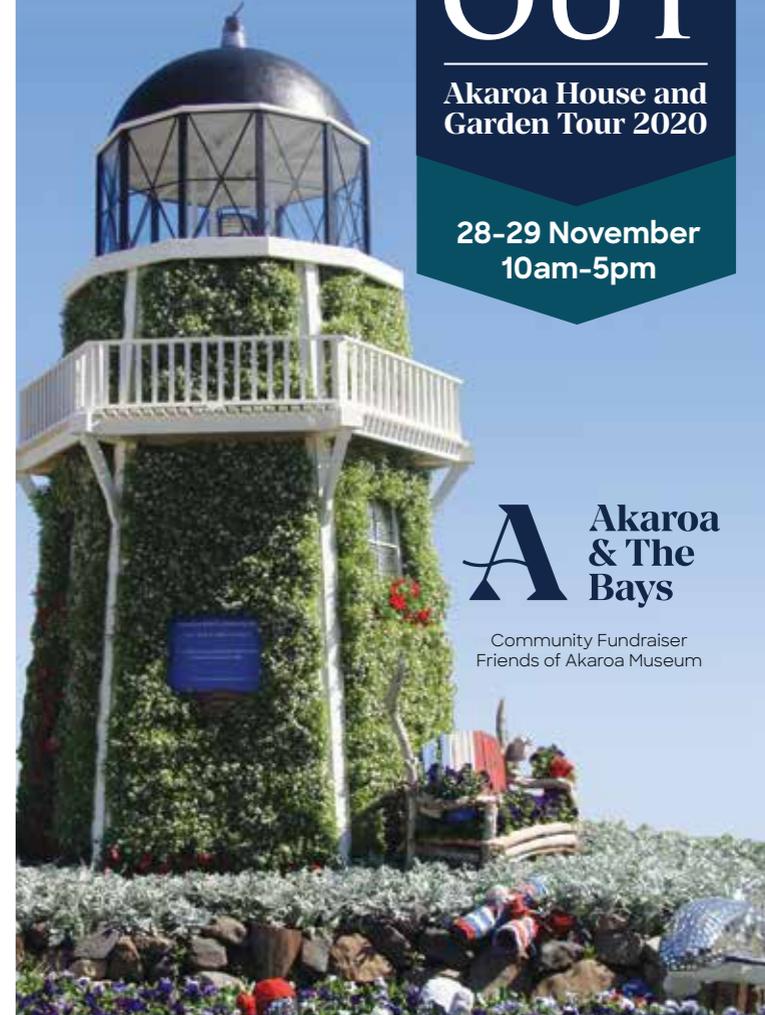
Tickets: \$30 per person. Available from: Eventfinda (www.eventfinda.co.nz/2020/inside-out-garden-tour-2020/christchurch-district), Akaroa Museum, Akaroa i-SITE and the Little River Gallery.

Disclaimer: Gardens listed were accurate as at time of printing. Check www.akaroa.com/events/event-listing-inside-out-garden-tour for latest info.

INSIDE OUT

Akaroa House and Garden Tour 2020

28-29 November
 10am-5pm



Akaroa & The Bays

Community Fundraiser
 Friends of Akaroa Museum

POINTS OF INTEREST ALONG THE WAY:

- Akaroa Museum
- The Akaroa Lighthouse
- The Giants House & Mosaic Garden
- Barry's Bay Cheese
- Wineries- French Peak, Akaroa Winery, Meniscus Wines
- Shamarra Alpaca Farm
- St Luke's Church Little Akaloa

MORE INFO:
www.akaroa.com/events/event-listing-inside-out-garden-tour

Look out for the signs marking the garden tour properties



1 Beaufort House – 42 Rue Grehan, Akaroa

OPEN - Saturday 28TH November 11-5pm - only. Beaufort House (1878) was built for the English Solicitor George Nalder. Originally known as Wilderness House the property provides luxury B&B accommodation for discerning guests. Beaufort House is surrounded by mature gardens, including several heritage trees. A magnificent Magnolia Grandiflora, a 25 metre Bunya Bunya tree and a large Pohutukawa tree dating back to the 1880's. Terraced lawns, rhododendrons, roses and camelia's add to a peaceful garden. Tucked away in the bush above the house is the old 'servant's quarters' with a bridge across the fern gully to a petit vineyard. Beaufort House is furnished with antique furniture largely from the Victorian era and complimented with vintage chandeliers. Morning and afternoon tea is available, served in vintage china from 11-4pm on Saturday 28th November - all funds raised going to the Akaroa Health Centre.

2 Fiona & Ken Paulin – Red House Bay – 281 Beach Road, Akaroa (Southern end of Beach Road)

The garden at Red House Bay, Takapuneke, lies facing the harbour, and is an idyllic setting for a simple country garden. A curved drive leads up to the house; the drive is a garden in itself, with paths leading to the seashore. The main garden is gently sloping, punctuated with mature trees and Buxus hedges define areas of the garden which contains roses, hydrangeas, paeonies, and many other species, and boasts a productive vegetable and small fruits area.

3 Banksia Cottage - Bronwyn Thoms – 18 Rue Balguerrie, Akaroa

Banksia Cottage was built in 1858, and the 'new' addition in 1870, when I arrived at the end of 2010, It was still in almost original condition, which is just the sort of house I'd always dreamed of finding. It took a couple of years to tidy up the cottage, and then

4 Nancy & Bryan Tichborne – 16 Rue Balguerrie, Akaroa

Garden & Studio. After leaving French Farm in 2014, downsizing to a much smaller garden was going to present some challenges. Firstly removing two large Phoenix Palms & countless seedling trees/shrubs. Then a major renovation & addition to the 1950's house & Nancy started laying out her new garden. Rules set were: no lawns, no hedges & no prickly roses! We have broken some of these already! The Covid-19 lockdown allowed us time to complete our new 'sunken garden'. Being a dedicated plants-person, Nancy likes to think of this garden (most likely her last) as one that will evolve & change as she does. Her studio will be open and art works etc. will be available for viewing and for sale.

5 Jim & Liz Coubrough – 5 Newton Place, Akaroa

Garden, House & Studio. A renovated house and terraced garden on a sloping section. Situated on a sunny north facing slope, this property was once a small holiday home. After 5 years of development, a renovated house and a creative garden design has produced four levels of terraced gardens and living areas on a compact section. Meandering gravel paths and steps lead to tucked away spaces brimming with informal colourful areas including, roses, lavender, a berry garden, vegetable plots and a cottage garden courtyard. The downstairs studio will be open and will feature beautiful and stylish items from Lili's Interiors for viewing and for sale. Please park on Aylmers Valley Rd and walk up the lane.

6 McMaster, Coull - Gilroy Property, 6548 ChCh-Akaroa Highway (Takamatua)

In 2003 this 7 hectare (~17 acre) block was purchased with the intention of building a holiday house for individual usage with extended family and friends. Initially ~3 hectares around the house and down to Sandy Bay has been fenced off from livestock. This together with significant new plantings and ongoing development has seen bush and bird life flourish. After an interesting RMA process, in 2008 the Boatshed / Hut was completed and in September 2010 the House was completed using Kerry Mason (MAP Architects) & local builders Any Sims (Team Renovator). Around the house selective & sensitive exotic plantings mix with native plantings. The House is not open to visitors but is easily viewed from the garden through the large windows and it being one room wide. Parking on the Property will be available parallel to the driveway into the property. Visitors are welcome to walk the ~400m 4wd track from the house to the beach, note this is steep in parts and requires suitable footwear.

7 Jane Cook, L'Abri – 7 Takamatua Bay Road

With commanding views of the Takamatua Bay and surrounding hills, this garden began as a 'single handed' project of mine some 14 years ago to what it is today. From a paddock with a few very old walnut trees. There are many parts to this garden as the shape and size has dictates. On the relative flat there is the vegetable garden, fruit cage and peonies. From here meander into the lower wilderness of mostly rhododendrons, a large bank of daylilies, up past the ¼ acre hen home and orchard to the top car park and art studio. Keep meandering through the courtyard out to the front of the house to the main flower gardens of perennials and roses along with the views! Parking on roadside opposite. Plants will be for sale.



8 'The Willow's' – Decanter Bay Road, Little Akaloa

Little Akaloa Beachfront. When viewing the one and a half acre garden, one could wonder why the property is called 'The Willow's' - not a Willow tree is in sight! But back when the first cottage was built - c1855 the section was planted on all four sides with Willow's. The cottage that was, has been added to and altered many, many times throughout the ensuing years until you see it as it is today. This can also be said for the garden, it too has grown much larger and spread out with mature shrub and tree plantings. All five generations of family adding their input. 'The Willow's' property has been through several disasters during its time, with two Tidal Waves 1877 - 1960 and two Earthquakes 2010-2011. These badly damaged the house and gardens. With the Waves the gardens were totally destroyed as a result of the salt water killing nearly every living plant. New gardens were laid out and a fresh start made. Fifty years later the Earthquakes have necessitated the removal of all plants and gardens around the house to allow scaffolding and workmen access while repairing foundations and house damage. So in 2020, I am now beginning the restoring of the garden and lawns once more.