



# PRIVATE HISTORICAL TOUR & UMU LUNCH

## HIGHLAND PARADISE CULTURAL CENTRE | Rarotonga, Cook Islands

Set along the mountain ridge of Maungaroa lays part of a 600 year old village that was once home to the tribe of the High Chief of Puaikura 'Tinomana Ariki', but was abandoned in the early 1800s following the arrival of Christianity. Highland Paradise, also known by the locals as 'the lost village' is owned and operated by the descendants of those who once lived here. Your Private Tour of Highland Paradise starts with a short historical video in the theatre and museum before your warrior and guide takes you on a fascinating journey back in time to experience what the life of their ancestors was like 600 years ago. Myths and legends will be shared with you as you wander through the lush tropical gardens of this ancient site. See and learn the history surrounding the centuries old monuments you come to such as sites of worship and sacrifice. You will also visit a marae (sacred ceremonial site), learn the traditional art of weaving and dancing, as well as how to prepare an umu (underground oven). Hear the stories of cannibalism, the battles that were fought between tribes, and more before you uncover your umu, and enjoy your delicious lunch.



### Private Historical Tour

#### Inclusions:

- 3 hour guided tour
- Return Transfers
- Video presentation on the history of the people and land
- Traditional Umu Lunch
- Gardens & Fortress Tour

#### Operating Days &

#### Departure Times:

- Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Pickup from 9:00am
- Tour is approximately 3 hours

#### What to Bring:

- Sunscreen & hat
- Insect repellent
- Good walking shoes
- Bottled water
- Camera
- Wet weather gear when wet

#### Child Policy:

- Children Welcome
- Children 0 - 5 Years FOC
- Children 6 - 11 Years at rate provided

#### Vehicle Information:

Private vehicle transfers provided by Raro Tours

#### Toilet Stops:

Available on-site

#### Translator Guides:

Additional costs apply.

Interpreters Available in Italian, German, Mandarin (Chinese), Japanese, Spanish, & French

#### PRIVATE TOUR PRICING:

1-2 People - \$420

Per extra person - \$155

#### HOTEL TRANSFERS:

Private Vehicle Transfers are included in the price above

- Pricing above is valid for travel from: 01 April 2021—31 March 2022
- All pricing above is quoted in NZD