

Suburb History and Description – Tauranga South

Tauranga South is a suburb of Tauranga. It is located about three kilometres south of the city centre. European settlement in the Tauranga area began with the arrival of flax traders around 1830. Many of the traders married local Māori women and remained in the area. In 1864 Tauranga played a part in the Land Wars. Tauranga South is a residential community within just minutes of central Tauranga, which provides a wide range of commercial and shopping amenities, including day-to-day needs, specialty stores, small industry shops, fashion shops, dining options and entertainment venues. Tauranga South residents enjoy easy access to the beautiful coastal area, available for boating, fishing and a selection of other water sports. The beaches at Mount Maunganui or Papamoa are one of the best in the world. Local parks provide residents with ample outdoor opportunities, including leisurely walks and sports.