



Long Hilly Track

 Walking

Difficulty

Medium

Length

6.7 km

Journey Time

2 hours

Region

[Southland](#)

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Te Araroa section: The Long Hilly Track is an extremely popular day walk, taking in a number of historic mine workings from what was once the largest Chinese mining settlement in New Zealand, dating back to 1874. There is a loop track available for day walkers which takes 2 hours and 15 minutes.

At the end of the Port's Water Race, the track joins the Long Hilly Track. Turn left here and follow the track past a number of sign-posted historic gold mining sites to the car park on Round Hill Road.

Turn left out of the Long Hilly Walking Track car park and walk 850m down Round Hill Road to the SH99 junction. Turn left here and then, after 4km, right onto Colac Bay Road. Adjacent to this intersection is the Colac Bay Tavern, where meals and camping facilities are available.

Conditions

Potential hazards

- Vehicles on road or track. Take extreme care on the road walk to Colac Bay
- Weather extremes
- Few water sources on the road walk

How to get here

Northern Start: End of Ports Water Race Track

Southern End: Junction of Colac Bay Road and SH99, Colac Bay

Transport

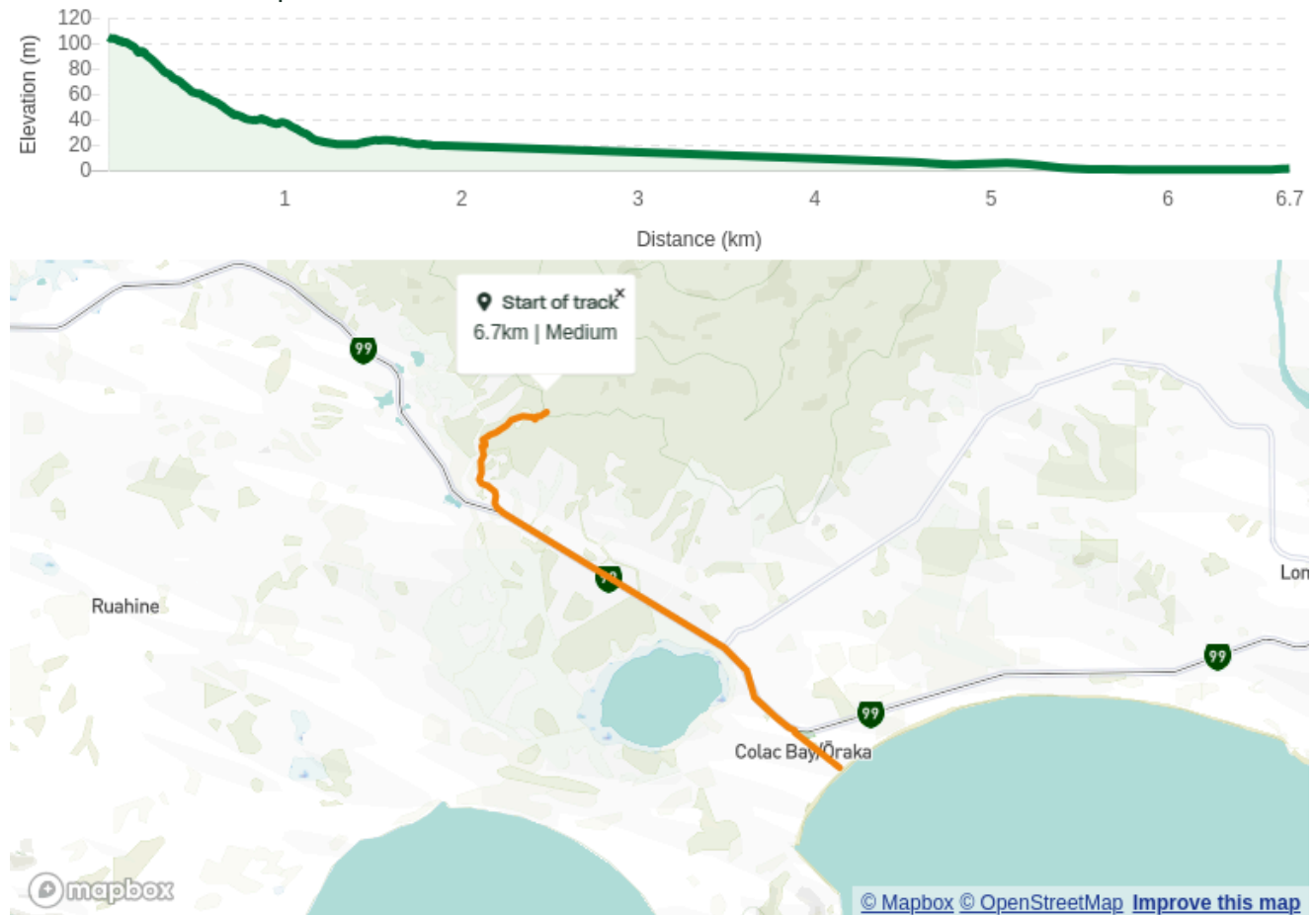
Accommodation

[Martins Hut](#) - Basic 4 bunk hut - The water source at Martins Hut is a small tank behind the hut. There is also a small stream off on an unmarked side track between the toilet and the hut. This is off to the left as you are facing downhill. Water also becomes more readily available on the main track lower down.

Colac Bay Tavern & Camping Ground - 15 Colac Bay Rd, Colac Bay - P: 03 234 8399 - Meals, backpacker and camping facilities available.
Luna Sea Lodge 641 Orepuki-Riverton Highway. Tel: +64 (0)27 601 5744 Email: lunasealodge@gmail.com, facebook.com/lunasealodge
Only minutes from Tihaka Beach, we have individual rooms for rent with shared facilities in a warm homely environment.

Food And Supply

Track Elevation and Map



More information

[Te Araroa Southland trail notes, including information about accommodation, transport and resupplying](#) [↗](#)

- [Map 155](#) [↗](#)

Before starting Te Araroa either as a through-walker of the whole country or a section walker, [please register on Te Araroa website](#) [↗](#). Please also [visit the website](#) [↗](#) or [download the app](#) [↗](#) for detailed maps, trail alerts and other relevant information.

We encourage you to continue gaining the skills and knowledge required for a safe trip. The NZ Mountain Safety Council has lots of free resources and information you can use. These can be accessed via www.mountainsafety.org.nz [↗](#).

We recommend trying these online learning tools:

- [Trip Planning](#) [↗](#)
- [Tramping/field Skills](#) [↗](#)
- [Basic Navigation](#) [↗](#)
- [River Safety](#) [↗](#)

Additionally, check out the range of helpful videos available from the NZ Mountain Safety Council [YouTube channel](#) [↗](#).



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