

Visitors: Please help keep Ahuahu Great Mercury Island Pest Free

CLEAN.....PACK.....and then **SECURE** your gear from pests before and during travel.

Please ensure any personal and recreational gear you bring to Ahuahu is clean and has been thoroughly checked for pests, soil and seeds before packing into **clean** containers and bags. Secure with a lid or zip up completely to make sure nothing gets in before or during travel. Thank you.



Pack gear in sealed containers



Make sure pests can't get into food



Use bags that are fully sealed



Clean footwear.
Remove soil and seeds



Keep pests out



Rainbow/plague skins



Soil and seeds



Rats and mice



Argentine ants

When checking your gear, please pay special attention to hidden crevices in any packaged items, camera/computer bags, day packs, outdoor clothing and gear. Insects and skins can easily hide out in such places. Argentine ants and plague skins are now common in Auckland and on the Coromandel. Make sure they cannot hitchhike in your belongings.



All skippers servicing Great Mercury Island will not accept risky gear.

If anything is not up to standard and cannot quickly be verified as pest free, it will be left behind. GMI staff will also be checking for poorly packed or unclean goods on arrival.

As you step on the boat, you must be certain there is no pest travelling with you.

If you have any queries, please contact your host or:

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