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Tairāwhiti Gisborne

Welcome to Tairāwhiti Gisborne

Located on the east coast of the North Island, Tairāwhiti Gisborne, is a land of many firsts – the first region to see the sun rise each day and the first place Polynesian canoes came ashore over 700 years ago. It is here Captain Cook made his first landfall in Aotearoa and where Māori and European first encountered each other.

Exploring the East Cape in the North Island is an escape to the lands before your time, to the very beginnings of our nation known as Aotearoa New Zealand. From great lakes, enchanting forests, majestic mountains to the wide-open sea, Tairāwhiti Gisborne is a natural wonderland and a welcoming destination to discover.

Sail onboard a waka hourua (traditional Māori canoe), hike a sacred mountain, stroll along secluded beaches, interact with wild stingrays, savour local wines and fresh seafood – immerse yourself in the people, culture and authentic experiences of



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Air New Zealand operate up to five flights a day from Wellington and Auckland into Gisborne Airport.

From the Airport to the CBD it is a five minute drive, 5 kilometres/3 miles from the city. Taxis cost about \$15 and are available from the taxi stand.

All major rental car companies have depots operating from the Gisborne Airport Terminal.



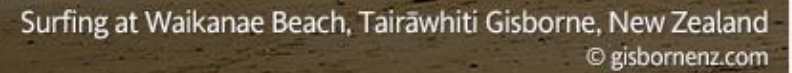
Gisborne, you can slither down a natural rock slide for 60 metres of outrageous fun. Smoothed by eons of constantly running water, the famous Tairāwhiti Gisborne water slide is a wild ride you'll never forget. You'll need a body board or inflatable for this unique Eastland experience.

Surf Tairāwhiti Gisborne beaches

Known for good consistent surf, the East Coast area has surf beaches for everyone from grommets to experienced riders. The Roberts Road end of the Tairāwhiti Gisborne beach is good for beginners and surf lessons, while further along at Midway the waves are a little more powerful. Check with local surf shops and clubs to find the best out-of-town spots for your level of experience.

Wander around Eastwoodhill Arboretum

Stroll the pathways of Eastwoodhill Arboretum to discover one of the best tree collections in the southern hemisphere. There's a choice of trails, from the super-easy Blue Walk to the much-more-challenging Yellow Walk, which will take you up Mount Arataitai for massive views of the arboretum and beyond. Tairāwhiti Gisborne walks don't get any



Surfing at Waikanae Beach, Tairāwhiti Gisborne, New Zealand
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traditional Māori waka hourua (double hulled canoes) named Tairāwhiti. Step aboard to learn about the seafaring and navigation techniques Māori voyagers used to cross the Pacific and discover New Zealand, or join the crew for a hands-on sailing experience.

Explore the Tairāwhiti Gisborne wineries

Tairāwhiti Gisborne wine tours make it easy to get into the legendary Tairāwhiti Gisborne wine and food scene. Gisborne chardonnay is particularly famous, you'll love its concentrated melon and stone fruit characters. Some vineyards offer alfresco eating, so your wine discovery can come with delicious food matches. If you're short on time, visit the Gisborne Wine Centre located in the Inner Harbour.

Cycle the Tairāwhiti Trails

From Tairāwhiti Gisborne, you can ride the Rere Falls Trail through to the Bay of Plenty. One of four mountain rides that make up the Motu Trails, the Rere Falls Trail is a scenic 103km multi-day ride that's usually



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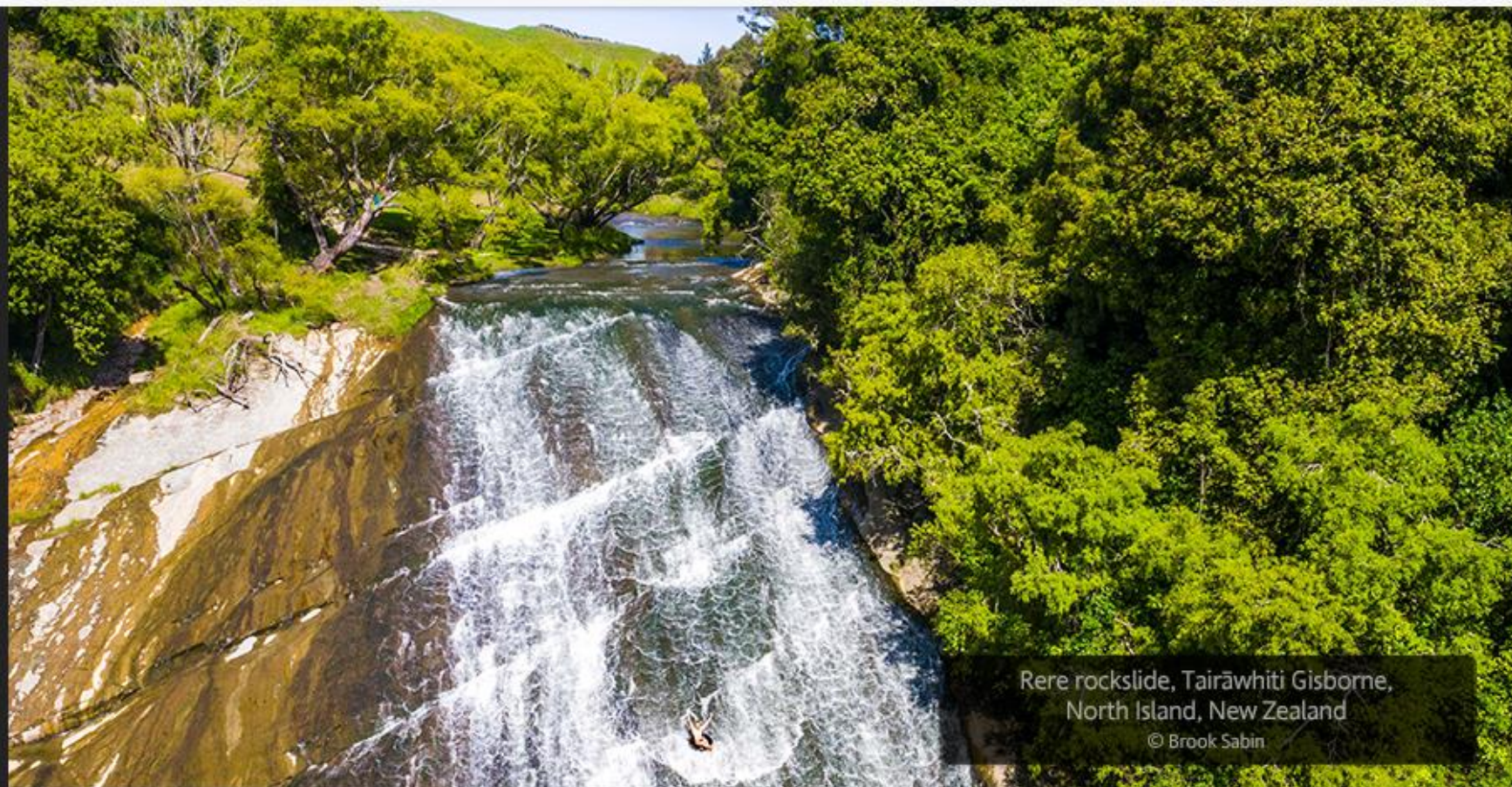


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Rere rockslide, Tairāwhiti Gisborne,
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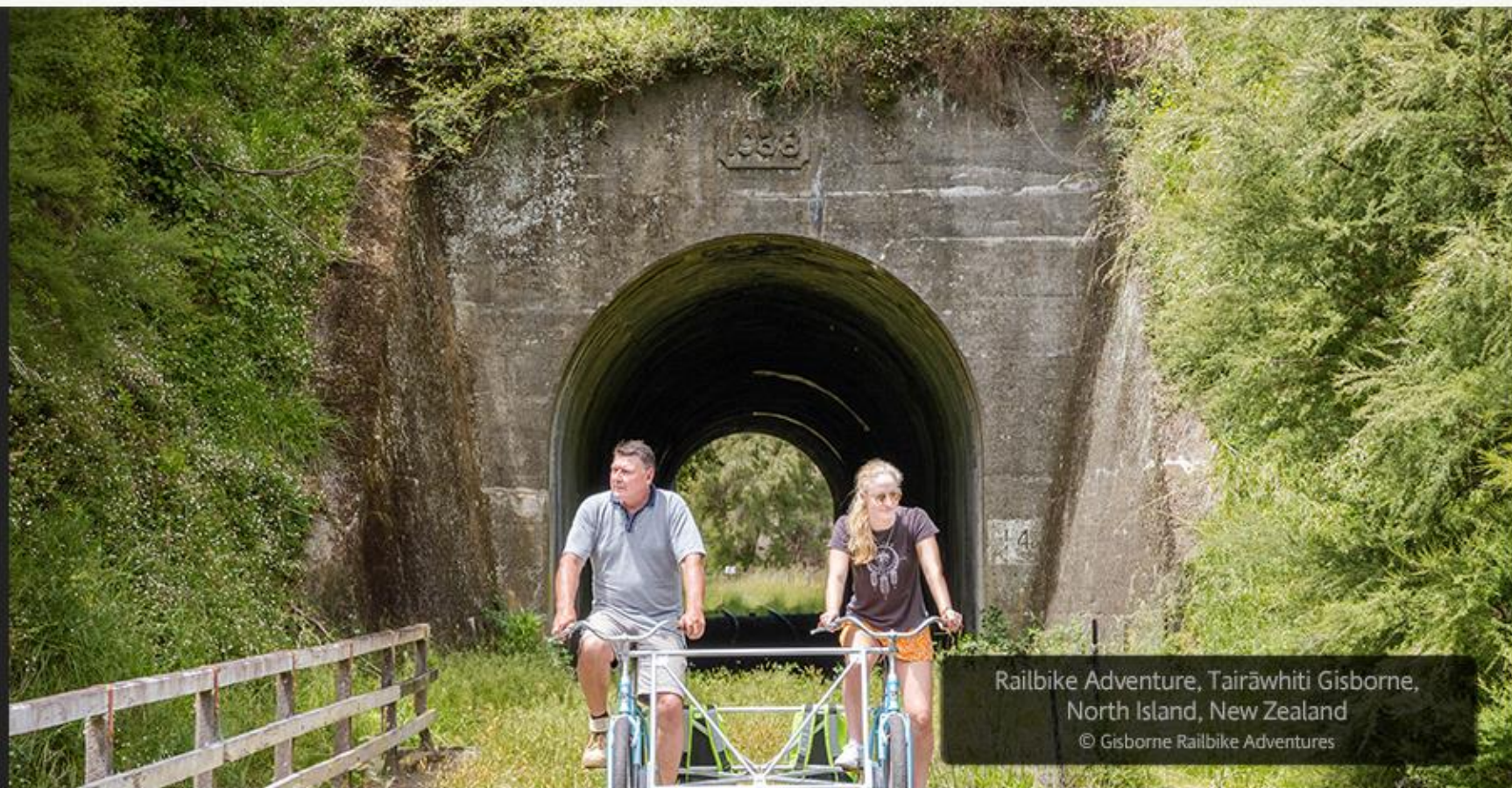


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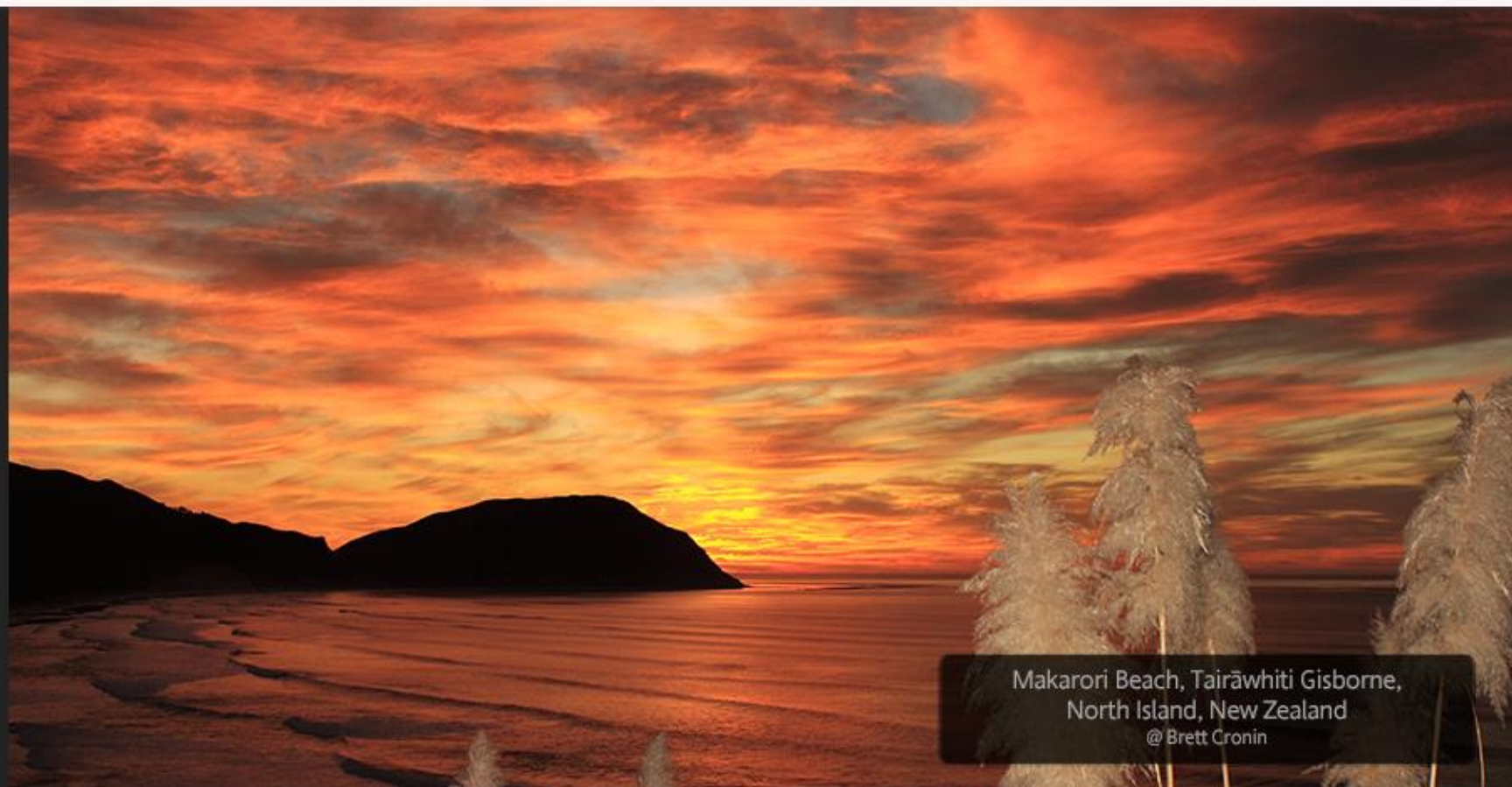


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Bushmere Estate tasting platter, Tairāwhiti
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Ride the Wa165 Steam Locomotive,
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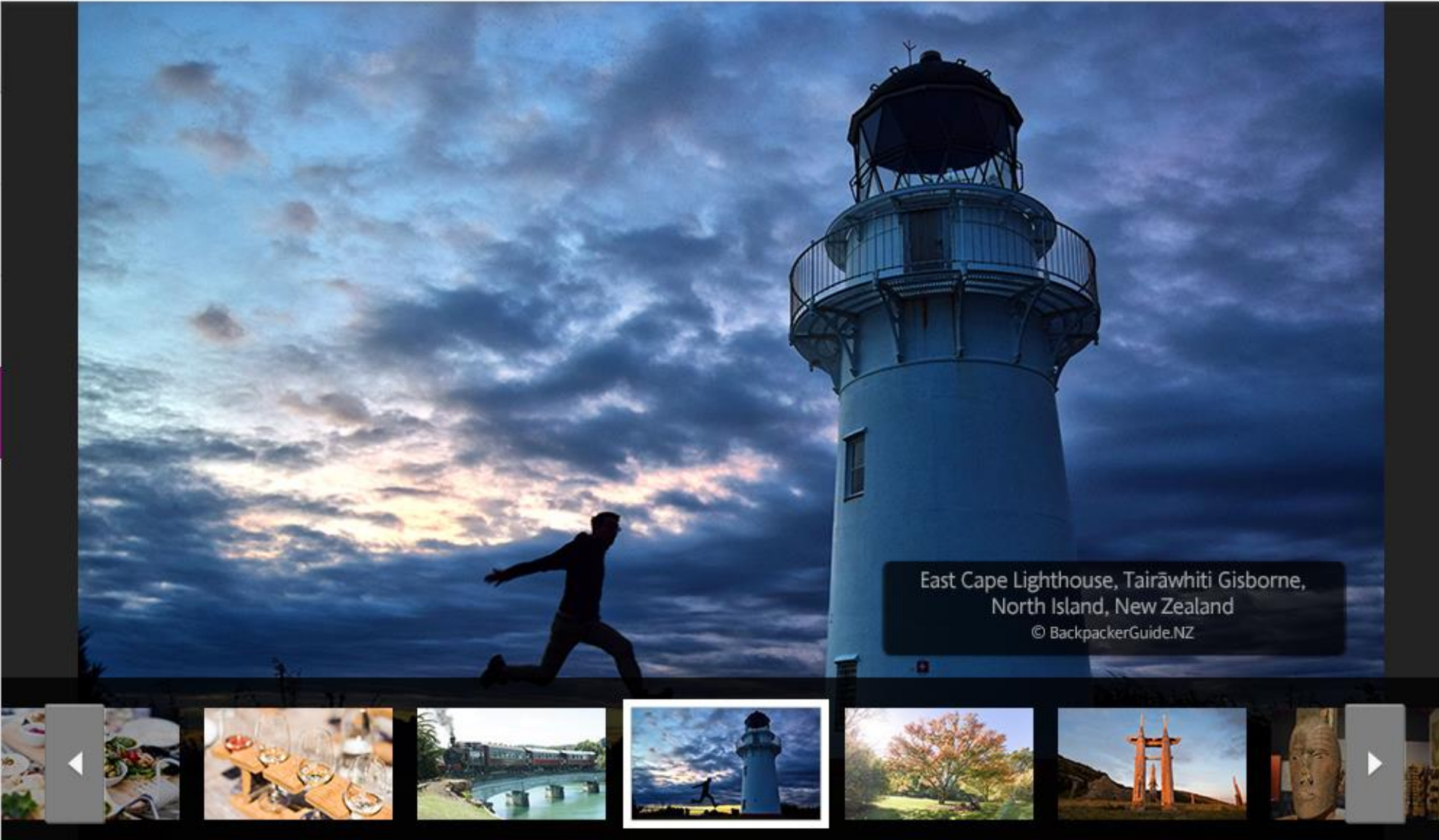
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Maunga Hikurangi at dawn, Tairāwhiti Gisborne,
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