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A quick guide to
Wellington



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Wellington, known by many as ‘the coolest little capital of the world’ lives up to its reputation. Wellington is a small city, home to around 400,000 residents and sits at the bottom of the North Island. Wellington is often described as the most liveable city in the world, due its safe communities, lack of pollution and containing all the luxuries of a big city in a compact space.

Wellington is a picturesque harbour city which lies between hilly suburban areas full of life and immersed in nature. The central business district is flat which means transport is easy, coupled with its famous tucked away bars, quirky cafes, award winning restaurants and quality coffee. Whether you are single or have a family moving here, rest easy knowing Wellington has one of the safest communities in the world, and one that has plenty to attract people with.



Wellington enjoys a seaside climate, although generally a windy city it has a temperate climate, never too hot and never too cold. Due to Wellington’s size, commuting from place to place is very efficient, wherever you choose to reside, a drive between 5 and 30 minutes will take you into the heart of city, or into native or regenerating areas of bush. These are just some of the reasons why we place 24% of our candidates here!

Things to Do and See

As mentioned above, Wellington is full of exciting experiences with a perfect balance of city and nature. The central business district contains all the [restaurants](#), [cafes](#) and [bars](#) you need. If you feel like moving away from the city, head to [Zealandia](#) to see the world’s first fully fenced urban ecosanctuary, a great place to take the family and experience some of New Zealand’s amazing wildlife. A short drive north will take you into the countryside and the heart of Martinborough’s award winning vineyards. This fantastic website covers some of [Wellingtons essential activities](#) and more.

Notable Events and Sport

Throughout the year, Wellington hosts numerous exciting events ranging from festivals to seasonal sport. Must see events to get excited about can be found [here](#). Wellington has the famous Westpac stadium, which sits on the waterfront and holds professional and national sporting events, such as the [Wellington Phoenix](#) and the [All Blacks](#).

Education (Primary & Secondary)

Education options in Wellington are plentiful. Depending on what location you decide to reside in you can search what schools are in the area with this easy to use Find A School website. In New Zealand, primary education starts at year 1 and goes to year 8 (around 5-12 years). Secondary education goes from year 9 and finishes at year 13 (around 13-17 years).

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Education (Tertiary)

If you are planning to commence or continue study after your move to Wellington, here is a list of well-regarded tertiary providers.

[Massey University](#)

[Victoria University of Wellington](#)

[Whitireia Wellington Campus](#)

[Wellington Institute of Technology](#)

Their websites contain good information for international students as well as which courses are available.

Locations to live in Wellington

Wellington City has a diverse range of suburbs that can be suited to your lifestyle, they differ depending on socioeconomic status as well as demographics and location. Wellington suburbs have different unique features, whether that be close to the beach, close to nature or close to the inner city. Here is a map of the [suburbs in Wellington City](#). To find out more information on these suburbs simply google search their names. For more information, here is a brief overview of Wellingtons regions: <https://profile.idnz.co.nz/greater-wellington/geography-notes>

Healthcare

In regard to healthcare in New Zealand you will need to enrol with a primary health care provider. You will be able to find a general practitioner through the [Capital and Coast District Health Board](#). For more serious situations the emergency department will be the best place to go. You can also find where to go on the District Health Board website. Health care in New Zealand is very accessible, and GP visits for children under 13 are generally free.



Banks

Here is a list of New Zealand's main banks that will protect and support your financial needs. They will help set up your new life in New Zealand. Branches are scattered throughout Wellington, click on the logos to view their easy to navigate websites.



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