

## Anchorage Eco-caches

This is a series of 4 eco-caches all within a 30 minute walk (one way) from the Anchorage Hut and Campground.

Note: you may be able to get to the caches much more quickly than 30mins each way - this is just to give you a sense that they are all relatively nearby: 2 are quite close and 2 require a bit of a walk.

Cache 1: Tummy Troubles?

**S 40° 57.419' E 173° 03.504'**

Hint: Under a boulder. Look for the mahoe.

Cache 2: A Bug's Life

**S 40° 57.396' E 173° 03.284'**

Hint: Covered. Fronds and sticks.

Cache 3: No, NOT Haka...

**S 40° 57.509' E 173° 03.345'**

Hint: High side of track. Look under the grass. Be careful not to cause damage while you look or you will have trouble hiding me again.

Cache 4: Buzz Off!

**S 40° 57.266' E 173° 03.083'**

Hint: Tucked in tree crevice. Fronds.

You don't need to do all of the eco-caches - and it doesn't matter what order you do them in, either!

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FOR TEACHERS:

- You will need a GPS or a GPS app downloaded to your phone or tablet. There are many free options out there for both Apple and Android phones. Using a GPS does not require you to be connected to wifi or data - but it does require you get a signal from satellites (not the same as a mobile signal). Sometimes you have to wait for the satellites to move around and connect with you, but it will not use your data. And you don't need to be in a place with wifi access.
- You should consider signing up for a free (or premium) account on geocaching.com. This is not a requirement, but can be a fun way to log your finds and track over time. It can also make it possible to load cache coordinates on your phone or other device.
- You should take this sheet with you, just in case your device isn't getting a data or wifi signal (the geocaching.com site only works if you are using data or wifi - so you need to ensure you have the list of coordinates before you get started since mobile signal in the Abel Tasman is limited and unreliable).

- Muggles are non-geocachers who might be out and about while you're looking for a cache. Geocachers are a secretive lot. You're not meant to hunt for a cache when others are around - and many will take the cache away from the spot where they found it before opening, etc., to keep the hiding place secret. Sometimes this means waiting while people pass - even for quite a while if you're at a spot where other trampers want to stop and look around or rest nearby. We encourage you to follow these norms and be secretive when finding, opening and re-hiding our eco-caches.
- You may want to consider your guidelines for finding caches before you get started - especially if you're walking with a big group of students. Maybe one small team of up to 4 students leads the search for finding each cache? A different group finds each cache, perhaps.
- When you get there, you'll find one Eco-cache card inside to look at and read. If you would like to print additional cards (to pull out of your pack once the cache is found), you will find the pdf files here. Why would you do this? It would allow multiple groups of students to look at and read the information at the same time, versus just one.
- There is also a quiz you can download here to extend the experience. A favourite time for quizzes is at night around the campfire, but you can use it whenever you like!

**We would love to hear from you about your experience with our eco-caches. Email us at [janszoon.ed@janszoon.org](mailto:janszoon.ed@janszoon.org). If you include photos, we'll even post some (with your permission) on this web site, or share them with our partners such as DOC.**