

ST LUKE'S GUM



This huge Eucalyptus regnans was one of twelve seedlings, considered to be the first of their kind introduced into the Wairarapa, which were carried over the Rimutakas in a wooden wheelbarrow in 1856 by Samuel Oates for Charles Carter of Carterton.

While Samuel was resting in the Rising Sun Hotel, three of the seedlings were removed from the wheelbarrow and planted around Greytown. Now over 150 years old, this massive tree is the sole survivor and a Greytown icon. (No. 5)

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ARBOR DAY TREES



Greytown is very proud to have celebrated the first Arbor Day held in New Zealand on July 3rd, 1890. Mr W C Nation proposed that an Arbor Day planting be held and the idea was taken up with enthusiasm by the Mayor & Councillors. It was a great day for the town with a band, a procession, all the school children and Pakeha & Maori from Papawai Pa. Over 150 trees were planted along the roadside to Featherston. Of these, eight conifers, one Cyprus and seven pines have survived the rigors of 118 years of storms and road widening. Greytown continues the Arbor Day tradition and many of the trees in Arbor Reserve were planted for the Centennial Arbor Day celebration on July 3rd, 1990.

HISTORIC GREYTOWN

HERITAGE TREE TRAIL



LIRIODENDRON TULIPIFERA

Greytown is noted for its many large trees. The Greytown Tree Advisory Committee compiled this Tree Trail map and brochure to promote public awareness about the important contribution of trees to Greytown's history and heritage.



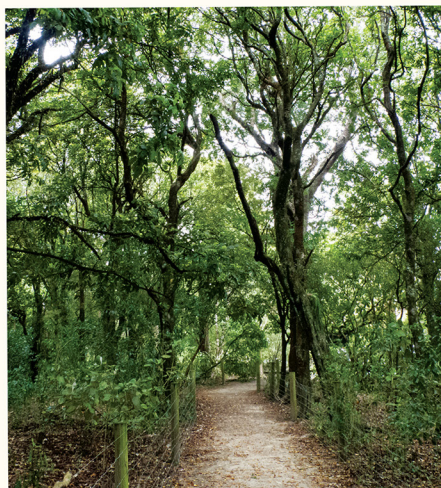
LIME WALK IN SOLDIERS MEMORIAL

SOLDIER'S MEMORIAL

This beautiful park was once part of the 40 acre farm block bought by Hugh O'Connor in C.1856. In 1920 the land was bought from the O'Connor family with money raised by the Greytown Community and dedicated as a memorial to those who fought and died in the First World War. The magnificent avenue of 57 lime trees (*Tilia europaea*) was planted shortly afterwards at the edge of the playing field and commemorates those servicemen who died.

The eastern portion of native bush (*O'Connor's Bush* - No. 13) is a remnant of the lowland forest which once covered these plains. It has never been cut.

From the walkway you can see mature totara and matai which are hundreds of years old as well as mature tawa and titoki.



O'CONNOR'S BUSH WALKWAY



WEST STREET OAKS

Quercus robur These two English Oak street trees and a third back from the road on private property grow on what was once Ben Stevens' 40 acre farm block which he balloted for in the 1850s. The trees were planted in 1860 & 1895. It is nice to think that the early settlers brought acorns with them and these great oaks grew from them. (No. 16 & 17)

TILIA EUROPAEA

These two lime trees were planted beside the old BNZ building at the turn of the 20th Century. (No. 10)



QU. PALUSTRIS & QU. BOREALIS

Planted alongside Hospital Drive. (No. 20)

GREYTOWN TREE TRAIL MAP

TRAIL 1 (20 - 30 mins)

- (1) Cordyline australis (Cabbage Tree)
- (2) Phoenix canariensis (Palm Tree)
- (3) Magnolia grandiflora
- (4) Podocarpus totara (Totara)
- (5) Eucalyptus regnans (Australian eucalypt)
- (6) Quercus robur (English Oak) (8 trees)
- (8) Robinia pseudoacacia (Honeylocust) (2)
- (9) Quercus robur (English Oak)

TRAIL 2 (50 - 60 mins)

- (10) Tilia europaea (Lime) (2 trees)
- (11) Fagus sylvatica (2) Fraxinus excelsior (Ash) (2) Tilia europaea (1)
- (12) Tilia europaea (Lime) (double row - memorial trees)
- (13) Platanus occidentalis (Plane) (incomplete double row)
- (14) Fagus sylvatica (Beech), Ulmus campestris (Elm) (double row)
- (15) O'Connor's Bush (natives)
- (16) Quercus robur (1895) (English Oak)
- (17) Quercus robur (1860)
- (18) Juglans regia (Walnut)

TRAIL 3 (60 - 70 mins)

- From Town Centre (trees 1 - 5) then
- (19) Fraxinus excelsior (Ash)
 - (20) Quercus palustris (Pin Oak), Quercus borealis (American red oaks)
 - (21) Tilia europaea (Lime) & Ulmus sp. (Elm)
 - (22) Pinus pinaster (maritime pine) (1890 Arbor Day plantings)
 - (23) Arbutus unedo (Strawberry Tree)
 - (24) Araucaria bidwillii (Bunya Pine)
 - (25) Pseudotsuga menziesii (Douglas Fir)
 - (26) Colliers reserve: (Quercus robur, Fraxinus excelsior, Aesculus hippocastanum - (horse chestnut))

Map is not to scale. All trails start and finish at the Greytown Town Centre.

