NORTHERN CYCLE ROUTE

The 38km Northern Cycle Route begins at the Dunedin Botanic Gardens, where Great King Street meets North Road.

North Road takes you through North East Valley, before winding up through farmland to a 300m summit providing breathtaking views of Otago Harbour and the peninsula, setting the scene for the rest of the journey.

The route continues along the quiet Mount Cargill Road (continuation of North Road) following the ridge top through farmland and then winding down to Blueskin Bay and the settlement of Waitati.

Following Waitati, the route joins State Highway 1 for 3.5km before turning into Coast Road. 1km along Coast Road you can take a rewarding short detour to Warrington Beach, which is popular for swimming in summer. The Coast Road is a quiet rural ride with wild coastal views. The small seaside town of Karitane marks the end of the route, which then rejoins State Highway 1. Cycling on the State Highway is permitted north of Waitati.