

Otari Wilton's Bush



WHAT TO BRING (FOR THE DAY)

Essentials

- Warm clothing
- Warm hat & gloves
- Hiking boots or strong shoes
- Food (lunch & snacks) for the day
- Drink, e.g. water (at least 1 litre)
- Wet weather gear (waterproof raincoat & pants)
- Sunscreen
- Something to carry your gear in (e.g. day pack)
- Work gloves

Optional

- Camera
- Music CD's

Who we work with

This re-vegetation project is a collaboration between Otari Wilton's Bush Trust and Wellington City council. Specifically you will be working with Bronwen Wall and Jonathan Kennett who are the volunteer coordinators for the project.

Where we're working

The project site is close to Wellington City and adjacent to Karori Wildlife Sanctuary. Otari-Wilton's Bush is the largest area of original native forest in central Wellington. You will be working at a site adjacent to Otari Wilton's bush.

What we'll be doing and why

In 2002, Otari Wilton's Bush Trust started the project to re-vegetate a one kilometer long weed infested area beside Kaiwharawhara Stream, which flows through, and is adjacent to, the more pristine Otari Wilton's bush.

GVN volunteers have had a long involvement with this project and much of its success has been attributed to GVN volunteers. In particular GVN 'adopted' one of the more difficult re-vegetation sites. Initially the site had to be cleared of weeds and rubbish, more recently the site was replanted. Some of the work we do at Otari is shown below;

- 1) Plant success monitoring
- 2) Planting native trees
- 3) Tree releasing
- 4) Plant identification

Timetable

It is about a 40 minute drive to the project site. We typically arrive at the project site by 9am. We work on this project for two consecutive days a month.

Health, Safety, Security, and Biosecurity

You may work with a variety of tools during this project so ensure you follow the guidelines for their safe use (i.e. wear gloves and goggles if necessary). Some of the work sites are steep so suitable footwear is also essential.

Food & meals

You need to pack a lunch for this project

For more information

<http://www.kennett.co.nz/otari/>