

Mount Taranaki

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Mount Taranaki, now known by its Maori name Taranaki Maunga, in New Zealand has achieved a human status.

About Mount Taranaki

- It has two official names **Mount Egmont** or Mount Taranaki.
- It is located in Egmont National Park.
- **Features of Mount Taranaki**
 - It is a **stratovolcano** (also called a composite cone) – and is made up of alternating layers of ash and lava flow.
 - It is one of the most **symmetrical volcanic cones** in the world.
 - There is a circular ring plain of volcanic material formed from lahars and landslides.
 - It was created by **subduction of the Pacific Plate** below the Australian Plate. The magma is probably coming from deeper than the Taupo Volcanic Zone volcanoes as the subducting slab is deeper.

- It is a **snow-capped dormant volcano** and the second highest mountain (8,261 feet) located in North Island of **New Zealand**.
- Mount Taranaki has become the third natural feature in New Zealand to be bestowed with an individual status, after Te Urewera National Park and Whanganui River.
- The Indigenous Maori people of New Zealand respect the snow-covered Taranaki Maunga as a sacred ancestor.

Mount Taranaki FAQs

Q1: What is the real name of Mount Taranaki?

Ans: Taranaki Maunga

Q2: What type of volcano is Taranaki?

Ans: Mount Taranaki is a composite cone or strato-volcano,

Q3: What is the Taranaki fault?

Ans: The Taranaki Fault is a crustal-scale thrust fault, antithetic to the Hikurangi margin subduction thrust, and one of the largest known contractional structures in New Zealand.

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