Te Manu Rongonui o Te Rautau

BIRD OF THE CENTURY

IN 2023, WE'RE SEARCHING FOR OUR BIRD OF THE CENTURY.

Aotearoa New Zealand's favourite election is back, and the stakes are higher than ever before. This year marks a whole century of Forest & Bird speaking up for nature.

Join us in celebrating our 100th birthday by sharing the love for our fantastic feathered friends. But vote carefully... this year the winner is not just Bird of the Year, but Bird of the Century!

Which New Zealand native bird from the last 100 years has captured your heart?

Meet the candidates below – including a few new faces.

Voting opens 9am, Monday 30 October.

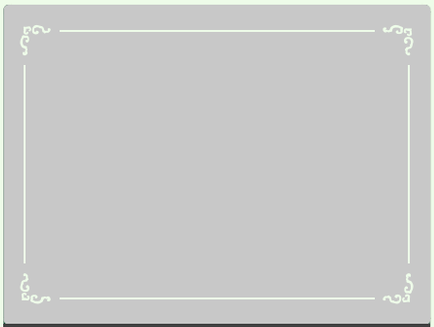
MEET THE CONTESTANTS

Search for a bird...

Extinct

Whēkau
LAUGHING OWL

LEARN ABOUT ME →



In some trouble

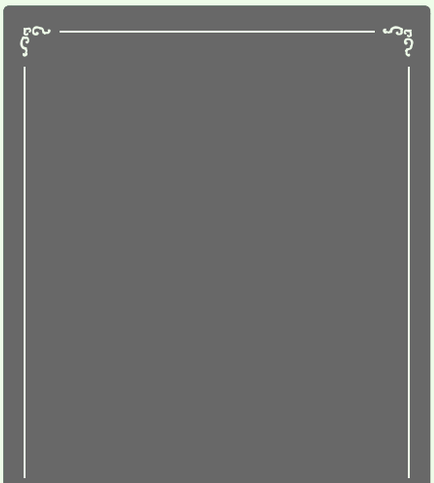
Kākāriki
RED-CROWNED PARAKEET

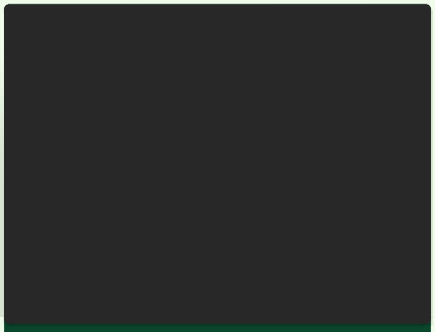
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Extinct

Tutukiwi
SOUTH ISLAND SNIPE

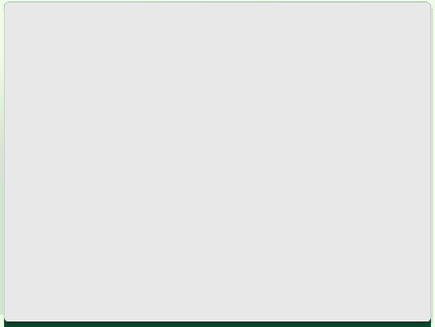
LEARN ABOUT ME →





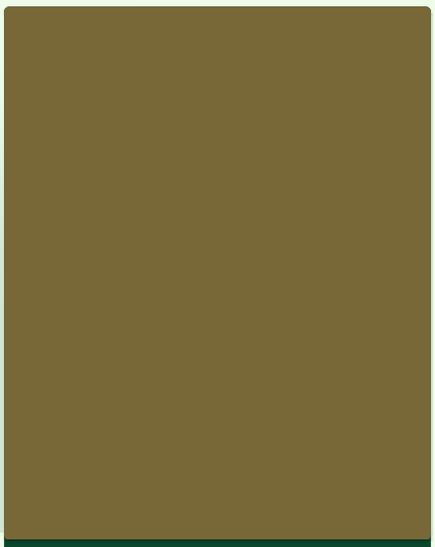
TAKAHĒ

LEARN ABOUT ME →



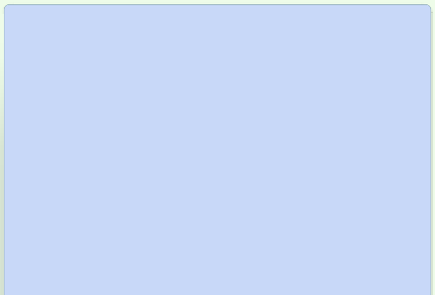
Hākoakoa
SUBANTARCTIC SKUA

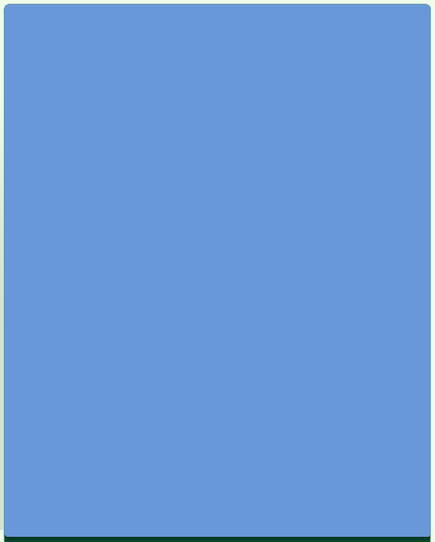
LEARN ABOUT ME →



Weweia
NEW ZEALAND DABCHICK

LEARN ABOUT ME →



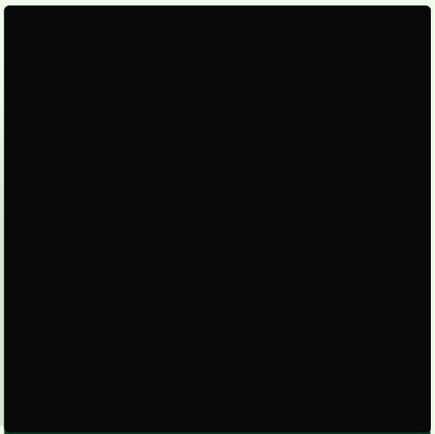


Tarapirohe
BLACK-FRONTED TERN

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Tītī
COOK'S PETREL

LEARN ABOUT ME →



Moho pererū
BANDED RAIL

LEARN ABOUT ME →

In serious trouble

Ngutu pare
WRYBILL

LEARN ABOUT ME →

In serious trouble

Toroa
ANTIPODEAN ALBATROSS

LEARN ABOUT ME →

In serious trouble

KEA

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Kaikōura tītī
HUTTON'S SHEARWATER

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Matuku moana
REEF HERON

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Matuku-hūrepo
AUSTRALASIAN BITTERN

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Tawaki
FIORDLAND CRESTED PENGUIN

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Toroa
BULLER'S MOLLYMAWK

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Titipounamu / Tuke
RIFLEMAN

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Kuaka
BAR-TAILED GODWIT

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Pīhoihoi
PIPIT

LEARN ABOUT ME →

In serious trouble

Karure | Kakaruia
Black robin

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Doing OK

Tauhou
Silvereye

LEARN ABOUT ME →

In some trouble

Kārearea
New Zealand falcon

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Doing OK

Pīwakawaka
Fantail

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Hoiho
Yellow-eyed penguin

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Kākā

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Kākāpō

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Kiwi
North Island brown kiwi

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Kāhu
Harrier

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Pōpokatea
Whitehead

LEARN ABOUT ME →

In some trouble

Tarāpunga
Red-billed gull
LEARN ABOUT ME →

In serious trouble

Tarāpuka
Black-billed gull
LEARN ABOUT ME →

In serious trouble

Pārera
Grey duck
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Pohowera
Banded dotterel
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Koekoeā
Long-tailed cuckoo
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Mohua
Yellowhead
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Weka
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Pūteketeke
Australasian crested grebe
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Pāpango
Scaup
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Tākapu
Australasian gannet
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Tōrea pango
Variable oystercatcher
LEARN ABOUT ME →

In some trouble

Mātātā
FERNBIRD

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Extinct

Mātuhituhi
BUSH WREN

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Doing OK

Miromiro / Ngirungiru
TOMTIT

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Doing OK

Ruru
MOREPORK

LEARN ABOUT ME →

KERERŪ

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Kākāriki karaka
ORANGE-FRONTED PARAKEET

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Piopio
NEW ZEALAND THRUSH

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Tara iti
FAIRY TERN

LEARN ABOUT ME →

HUIA

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Pūtangitangi
PARADISE SHELDUCK

LEARN ABOUT ME →

In some trouble

Kōtuku ngutupapa
ROYAL SPOONBILL
LEARN ABOUT ME →

In serious trouble

Kōkā
SOUTH ISLAND KŌKAKO
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Doing OK

Pīpīwharauroa
SHINING CUCKOO
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Pūweto
SPOTLESS CRAKE
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Kōtuku
WHITE HERON
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Kororā
LITTLE PENGUIN
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Pīwauwau
ROCK WREN
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Pāteke
BROWN TEAL
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Tīeke
SADDLEBACK
LEARN ABOUT ME →

Hihi
STITCHBIRD
LEARN ABOUT ME →

In some trouble

Kāruhiruhi
PIED SHAG

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Doing OK

Korimako
BELLBIRD

LEARN ABOUT ME →

In serious trouble

Whio
BLUE DUCK

LEARN ABOUT ME →

In serious trouble

Tawaki piki toka
EASTERN ROCKHOPPER PENGUIN

LEARN ABOUT ME →

TŪĪ

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Kakī
BLACK STILT

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Tūturuatu | Tchūriwat'
SHORE PLOVER

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Huahou
RED KNOT

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Tītī Wainui
FAIRY PRION

LEARN ABOUT ME →

PŪKEKO

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Tūturiwhatu
NORTHERN NEW ZEALAND DOTTEREL

LEARN ABOUT ME →

● Doing OK

Riroriro
GREY WARBLER

LEARN ABOUT ME →

KŌKAKO

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Toutouwai
NEW ZEALAND ROBIN

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Kōtare
KINGFISHER

LEARN ABOUT ME →

Tūturiwhatu
SOUTHERN NEW ZEALAND DOTTEREL

LEARN ABOUT ME →

SHOW

VOTE

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