

# Red-crowned parakeet | kākāriki

*Cyanoramphus novaezelandiae novaezelandiae*



## Conservation status

Regional | Threatened: Critical  
National | At Risk: Relict



## Main threats

Introduced mammalian predators

A bit about me...



**Length:**  
25–28 cm



**Weight:**  
70–80 g



Range



Potential  
presence

## Range:

Sparsely distributed through remnant native forest in southern Otago. Releases near Waipori in the 1980s may be why birds are found there today. Also found across Aotearoa New Zealand, although it persists almost exclusively on offshore islands.

## Key Otago sites:



- Waipori Forest
- Te Ākau Tai Toka / The Catlins
- May be present in Tapuaeuenuku / Blue Mountains



## New Zealand endemic

A small bright green parrot with a red crown and eye patch, and blue flight feathers. A long tail and small, hooked bill give it a distinctive silhouette. Gives a rapid chattering call, particularly in flight.

## Similar bird:



Yellow-crowned parakeet / kākāriki (hybrids with smudged crowns occur where they overlap in range, such as in The Catlins).