

Broad-billed prion

Pararā

Pachyptila vittata



Otago
Regional
Council



Conservation status

Regional | Migrant
National | At Risk: Relict



Main threats

Climate change, pollution

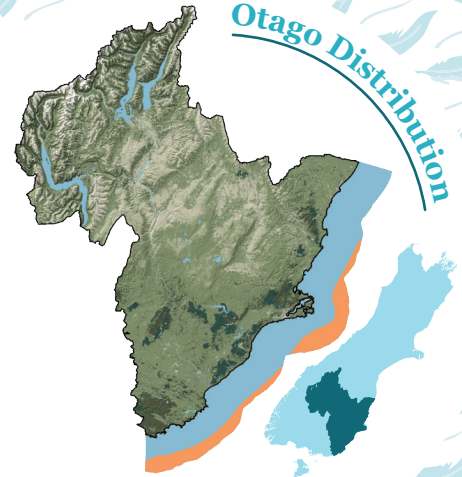


Length:
28 cm



Weight:
200 g

A bit about me...



Otago Distribution



Migratory range

Range:

Uncommon in waters around mainland Aotearoa New Zealand, aside from nearby colonies. Nests in burrows under native forest on islands near Fiordland, Rakiura / Stewart Island, Tini Heke / Snares Islands, and Rēkohu / Wharekauri / Chatham Islands.

Key Otago sites:

- Otago canyons, particularly in spring
- Rarely seen inshore



New Zealand native

A small, stocky seabird with an enormous boat-shaped bill with a filter to catch zooplankton, and a big steep forehead. Plumage is blue-grey with a dark 'M' pattern on the upperwings and a black tip to the wedge-shaped tail. Face is dark with a white brow.

Similar birds:



Antarctic prion / totorore



Fairy prion / tītī wainui