

# Grey-backed storm petrel | reoreo

*Garrodia nereis*



## Conservation status

Regional | Migrant  
National | At Risk: Relict



## Main threats

Climate change, pollution

A bit about me...



**Length:**  
18 cm



**Weight:**  
32 g



 Migratory range

## Range:

Nests under dense vegetation on the subantarctic Maungahuka / Motu Maha / Auckland Island, Moutere Mahue / Antipodes Islands and Motu Ihupuku / Campbell Islands, on Rēkohu / Wharekauri / Chatham Islands, and possibly also in Fiordland. Occasional visitor to waters off mainland Aotearoa New Zealand. Also found across the Southern Ocean.

## Key Otago sites:

- Otago canyons
- Rarely seen inshore



## New Zealand native

A tiny, delicate seabird with dark grey on the head and upperwings. Breast, belly and underwings are white, while the back and rump are light grey. Bill is black and very stubby; legs are long and slender. Picks planktonic barnacle larvae, a key part of its diet, off the water's surface on the fly. Call is a repetitive, wheezy 'chirp'.

## Similar bird:



White-faced storm petrel / takahikare