

Spotless crake Pūweto

Porzana tabuensis tabuensis



Conservation status

Regional | Threatened: Critical
National | At Risk: Declining



Main threats

Habitat degradation,
introduced mammalian
predators

A bit about me...



Length:
20 cm



Weight:
45 g



Range

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Sparse in suitable wetland habitat (recorded from Te Nohoaka o Tukiauau / Sinclair Wetlands, Wānaka and Te Ākau Tai Toka / The Catlins). Also distributed across the rest of Aotearoa New Zealand (more common in Te Ika-a-Māui / North Island) and in Australia.



New Zealand native

A small, secretive rail with black and brown plumage and a piercing red eye. Seldom seen, but its loud 'alarm clock' call can be heard from dense cover. Most active around dawn and dusk, foraging for tiny invertebrates.

Similar bird:



Marsh crake / kotoreke