

Northern giant petrel Pāngurunguru

Macronectes halli



Conservation status

Regional | Migrant
National | At Risk: Recovering



Main threats

Fisheries competition and bycatch, climate change, pollution

A bit about me...



Length:
80–95 cm



Weight:
3–5 kg



 Migratory range

Range:

Breeds locally on the subantarctic Maungahuka / Motu Maha / Auckland Islands, Motu Ihupuku / Campbell Island and Moutere Mahue / Antipodes Island, as well as on Rēkohu / Wharekauri / Chatham Islands, and on islands across the Southern Ocean. Regularly observed in mainland Aotearoa New Zealand waters year-round.

Key Otago sites:

- Otago canyons
- Otago coast
- Commonly seen inshore



New Zealand native

A bulky brown seabird with a huge pale orange bill that is dark reddish-brown at the tip. Young birds whiten from their face outwards as they age. Appears hunchbacked and broad-winged in flight. Opportunistic diet of fish, squid, krill, birds and carrion such as dead seals and even whales, which can attract huge aggregations.

Similar bird:



Southern giant petrel /
pāngurunguru