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New Zealand Shore Plover (Tuturuatu) *Thinornis novaeseelandiae* (Gmelin 1789), Endemic
April 1773 Dusky Sound, Fiordland

Johann Forster observed this species at both Dusky and Queen Charlotte Sounds in 1773 (Hoare 1982). It was observed at river-mouths and on the sea-coast at gravelly places at Dusky Sound. The trio of Forster, Latham & Gmelin again described the species. The species rapidly disappeared from the main islands after the introduction of mammals, and had gone from the main islands by 1880. Holdaway et al. (2001) merged *Thinornis* with *Charadrius*. The Hooded Dotterel *T. rubricollis* of Australia is its nearest relative.