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**Mottled Petrel** (Korure) *Pterodroma inexpectata* (Forster 1844), Endemic 1872 Potts River, Canterbury 9/2/1952 Ross Sea (van Oordt & Kruijt 1954) October 1979 Norfolk Island

The Forsters collected it on Cook's second voyage in the Antarctic Ocean. The description was not published until much later by Lichenstein in 1844. A specimen was shot on the Potts River, Canterbury, in 1872, and Buller (1874a) gave this a new name *Procellaris affinis*. The Potts River feeds into the Rangitata River in the foothills of the Southern Alps, so the bird may have been from an inland breeding colony. C. Miskelly (in litt) said "that Edgar Stead was still hearing Mottled Petrels in the headwaters of the Rangitata many decades after 1872". One was collected at 350 1750 (off the east coast of Northland) in 1874 by the *Novara* (Finsch 1875).