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Scarlett's Shearwater Puffinus spelaeus Worthy & Holdaway 1994

It was described from a nearly complete skeleton and other secondary materials, and may have survived into human times. The holotype was collected at Te Ana Titi Cave, Fox River, Westland by Trevor Worthy on 18/10/1991.

SUB-FOSSIL SPECIES

This species is considered to have become extinct since human settlement in the 14th century.