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Waitaha Penguin *Megadyptes waitaha* Boessenkool, Austin, Worthy, Scofield, Cooper, Seddon & Waters, 2008

An unrecognised *Megadyptes* was present in the South Island, but was extirpated after Polynesian settlement a few hundred years ago (Boessenkool et al. 2008). The Yellow-eyed Penguin then colonised the South Island from subantarctic islands, replacing the extinct species.

SUB-FOSSIL SPECIES

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