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Terek Sandpiper *Xenus cinereus* (Guldenstadt 1775), Migrant
22/11/1951 Miranda, South Auckland
5/11/1980 Norfolk Island

Ross McKenzie (1952) found the first one, which subsequently spent the summer in the Firth of Thames. The orange legs and upturned bill made identification easy. It was formerly considered rare in Australia, but is now regarded as fairly common there. It has become a regular scarce visitor to New Zealand.