Kupu huna

Let's have some fun with this bird-word bonanza.
Can you find them all?

1 toroa
2 beak
3 colony
4 eggs
5 feather
6 fish
7 flight
8 kawau tikitiki
9 island
10 nest
11 ocean
12 tarāpunga
13 shore
14 surf
15 tern
16 wings
17 kororā
18 migrate
19 moult
20 dive

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W Q I O K I J L Q T C H D L Y
I Z G Z F K T B L A O M X A T
D N A L S I E D L O L H K U L
E L R X U T R J W R O H A W E
R O T P N I N R L O N A E C O
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L C T T F W X Ā R O R O K A L
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H R O X I K W W T X R A F E M
F N J A V X A D I M O U L T H
S U Q B E S U R F R P M V V I
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THE mini MĀUI CLUB

#15: Brilliant Seabirds

Squawk! We are all about our new exhibition *Sentinel: Seabirds of Aotearoa*. Fly on down to see what's happening at the New Zealand Maritime Museum.

Make your own feather bookmark in July

Make a mini nest in August

Brilliant Seabirds

July School Holidays

**Weekdays 8-19 July
10am-2:30pm
$5 per child**

Join us during the July School Holidays for a day of creativity and discovery at our exciting new exhibition, *Sentinel!*

Head to maritimemuseum.co.nz for more info

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Petrel Patrol

Have you ever heard of Petrel Patrol? It's a super cool group of people who help seabirds who sometimes get into trouble.

Tītī (Cook's petrel) are amazing birds that fly all the way across the ocean, but when they come back to land, they can get confused by the city lights. Sometimes they crash into buildings or get stuck on the ground and can't fly away. That's where the Petrel Patrol steps in! They search for these lost birds at dawn, pick them up gently, and take them to a safe place, like BirdCare, which is a wild bird hospital. Then, they release the petrels back into the wild where they can continue their adventures.

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What do I do if I find an injured bird?

- Keep it in a quiet, warm location e.g. box with a towel in it.
- Take it to your nearest DOC-permitted rehabilitation centre (like BirdCare) or a vet or contact SPCA if you are unsure.
- Don't handle the bird unnecessarily, they don't like cuddles or stroking. It's best to be very quiet too.
- Leave it to the experts to release the bird. They know where the bird will have the best chance of success.

You can find out more about their work at **protectourpetrels.com**.

Photo by Edin Whitehead, illustrations by Sarah Laing.

Puzzle prints

Can you match the footprint to the bird who made it?

1

2

3

4

A
red-billed gull

B
little shag

C
little penguin

D
grey faced petrel

Answers: 1-D 2-C 3-B 4-A

Moana competition

We got some fin-tastic stories for our moana competition. And the winner is **Jake (5y)** who has written a poem and drawn a picture!

1st

Road to the Ocean

Off to the seaside
Car packed to the top
I am so excited
I don't want to stop

Stereo blasting rock n roll
We pass mountains and trees
I can't wait to get there
To feel the ocean breeze

The road to the ocean
Keeps me in suspense
I wonder what this trip will bring?
Will the crabs become my friends?

The ocean makes me happy
And the drive takes a while
That when I finally get there
I have the biggest smile!

Runners up!

Margo (8y) has drawn a happy crab at the bottom of the sea.

Ava (4y) drew the beautiful ocean and sand.

Amazing Albatross

Have you heard about Royal Cam? It's a 24-hour live video where you can watch baby albatrosses grow up in their nest during the breeding season! The two chicks you might see hatched in January 2024 and are expected to fledge in September.

Royal Cam!

https://tinyurl.com/y7j2fphf

Check out Royal Cam and try drawing a picture of an albatross chick. You might draw a fluffy chick still learning to fly, or an adult whose wingspan reaches nearly 3 metres! Send us your pic and be in to win a Tukutuku Toi Mini Kit, by Whatu Creative. We have two to give away.

Enter
by emailing us at info@maritimemuseum.co.nz
or tag us on Insta or Facebook: @nzmaritimemuseum

Curious Collections

Hidden deep in the museum's collection, carefully boxed, is Frances Shakespear's amazing egg collection. Frances (b.1879, d.1964) collected most of these eggs herself. Each egg is different, with its colours and patterns, showing off the incredible variety of birds that live in Aotearoa and the Pacific. The biggest white egg is from the Royal albatross, toroa ingoingo. The big black one belongs to an emu. The little dark speckly eggs belong to different types of gulls. Her unique collection is like a peek into the secret world of birds.

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Bird jokes

Why do seagulls fly over the sea?
Because if they flew over the bay, they'd be called bagels!

What do you call a cold penguin?
A brrr-d!

Which side of a seagull has the most feathers?
The outside!

What do albatross wear at the beach?
A beak-ini!

Why don't pelicans ever pay for dinner?
Because their bill is always huge!

What is a penguin's favourite type of lettuce?
Iceberg!

How do you get in touch with a penguin?
Give them a wing!

How do penguins make a decision?
Flipper coin!