

KORORĀ / LITTLE BLUE PENGUIN

Kororā is native to New Zealand. They are very small at just over 25 cm tall (not quite as tall as your school ruler), and only 1kg in weight (two blocks of butter). They swim up to 6km per hour – that's about as fast as a person walks – but since the penguins are very small it would seem super-fast to them!

There used to be more Kororā in New Zealand but because of predators like dogs, cats, ferrets and stoats they are not as common.

Kororā spend their days fishing out at sea and only come onto land and back to their nests at night.

Kororā are at different coastal places around New Zealand. You can see Kororā at the Ōamaru Blue Penguin Colony and learn more about how they care for the Little Blue Penguin or visit the Department of Conservation website to learn more about this very special wee penguin.



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