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Animal Fact Sheet

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Yellow-eyed Penguin

Megadyptes antipodes

The yellow-eyed penguin, or hoiho (Megadyptes antipodes), of southern New Zealand and its subantarctic islands is one of the rarest penguins in the world, and its mainland population has fallen to so…

Quick facts

Classification: Bird
Family: Spheniscidae
Habitat: Coastal forest and scrubland
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Endangered
Lifespan: 10-20 years
Weight: 5-8 kg
Scientific name: Megadyptes antipodes

Did you know?

- Yellow-eyed Penguins are so rare that fewer than 2,000 breeding pairs remain in the wild, making them one of the rarest penguin species globally.
- It is the only penguin that refuses to nest within sight of another pair, so restoring its habitat means planting shrubs to give each nest a visual s…

What I learned

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