

Tēnā koutou katoa e te iwi

He karanga tēnei ki ngā uri o Taranaki Whānui ki Te Upoko o Te Ika – Calling all Taranaki Whānui descendants.

Are you keen to have Matiu/Somes Island as your classroom this Summer, be the voice of welcome on behalf of iwi, gain practical experience as an island ranger, explore the busy night life encountering the island resident Tuatara, Wētāpunga and the world's smallest penguin the Kororā. Sound like you?

This is an opportunity for one Taranaki Whānui uri to become our first Kaitiaki Tūao – Volunteer Kaitiaki on Matiu/Somes Island over the Summer Period 2019-2020. You will be mentored by the Iwi Kaitiaki under a Tuakana – Teina approach.

**Key info:**

- Must be Taranaki Whānui descendant.
- 17 years or older.
- Work and stay on Matiu/Somes Island Mon-Fri.
- Working 8 hours a week. (Weekends may be required).
- Start and Finish between: second Whiro moon of November 24<sup>th</sup> 2019 to Whiro moon of February 24<sup>th</sup> 2020
- Minimum of 8 weeks volunteer work, potential to extend another month.
- \$150 Supermarket Voucher at the end of each working week.
- Accommodation, Ferry Cost covered by Department of Conservation
- Physically fit
- No experience needed, training provided.
- Bring your humour and can-do attitude

**Apply now:**

1. Complete the online application form [here](#). Kaitiaki Tūao in the “additional comments” at the end.
2. Send in your CV to [gwright@doc.govt.nz](mailto:gwright@doc.govt.nz)

Please share to whānau who will be interested.

For more information or a copy of the role description contact Gemma on 0272042858 or email [gwright@doc.govt.nz](mailto:gwright@doc.govt.nz)

Mouri Motu, Mouri Tangata, Mouri Ora

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# Volunteer Role:

## Kaitiaki Tūao – Volunteer Kaitiaki Matiu/Somes Island



### Te Āheitanga – The Opportunity

The Kaitiaki Tūao is a summer volunteer opportunity for descendants of Taranaki Whānui ki Te Upoko o Te Ika (Taranaki Whānui) to re-connect with Matiu/Somes Island and its community.

You will be mentored by the Iwi Kaitiaki Ranger using a Tuakana-Teina approach over the Summer period 2019-20. You will become familiar with the Kaitiaki Ranger role as mana whenua as well as the Island's operational systems, over a period of at least 4 weeks. As Kaitiaki Tūao you will be the voice of welcome to manuhiri, volunteers and Department staff on behalf of mana whenua Taranaki Whānui in the island's biosecurity room.<sup>1</sup>

This is an excellent opportunity for descendants of Taranaki Whānui who are interested in learning more about Matiu/Somes Island, the role of the Iwi Kaitiaki Ranger, and a career in conservation or the environment.

### Wāhi mahi – Workplace

Te motu o Matiu – Matiu/Somes Island

### Ngā rā mahi –Dates

You will be required for at least one month with the possibility of an extension. The start date is on the second Whiro moon of November 24<sup>th</sup> to Whiro moon of February, 24<sup>th</sup>. You will do an eight-hour day; five days per week. Weekends may be required for upcoming iwi programmes on the island.

### Mā wai tēnei tūnga e whakakī – Who can fill this role

Taranaki Whānui ki Te Upoko o Te Ika (Taranaki Whānui) descendants aged 17years and over.

### What to Expect

#### Ngā Kaitautoko – Support team

You will be well supported by:

- Iwi – Kaitiaki Ranger, Kaitiaki Board Members and others.
- DOC – Island Rangers, Kapiti/Wellington Office team and others.

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<sup>1</sup> Whare Manuhiri, previously known as Whare Kiore.

## Ngā mahi – Key tasks

The Department is committed to upholding its vision of “injury free and safe home every day” for its workers, contractors and volunteers. You will learn and apply DOC’s health and safety processes. The work is predominantly to do with iwi projects, connections, and learning from the island rangers. You will:

- Be the voice of welcome to manuhiri, iwi and kaimahi on behalf of Taranaki Whānui ki Te Upoko o Te Ika in the islands biosecurity room.
- Lead a re-connection project with your whānau to Matiu/Somes Island.
- Assist Iwi Kaitiaki ranger with iwi projects and programmes.
- Learn about the islands Māori, iwi and European history.
- Kaitiaki of Whare Mahana, 10 Iwi interpretation pou, Tomokanga/Waharoa.
- Other tasks as required.

You will participate in Island Rangers’ work:

- Island systems.
- Bait station and tracking tunnels
- Track maintenance
- Cleaning water filters
- Sanding, scraping, painting
- Other tasks as required

## Ngā Pūkenga – Attributes and Skills required

<i>Skill</i>	<i>Required</i>	<i>Preferred</i>
Working unsupervised	Yes	
Follow written and verbal instructions	Yes	
Public speaking	Yes	
Te Reo Māori me ōna Tikanga.		Preferred
Knowledge of Taranaki Whānui Iwi history		Preferred
Physically fit, able to comfortably walk with 5kg pack up to four hours over uneven ground	Yes	

<b>Certificate or Licence</b>	<b>Required</b>	<b>Preferred</b>
NZ driver licence		Preferred but not essential
First Aid Certificate		Preferred

## Ngā āhuatanga o Matiu/Somes – Matiu/Somes environment

Matiu/Somes is a 24 ha. island in the Wellington harbour. It is largely covered in replanted bush and has a network of tracks. There are many historic buildings – which include x2 rental houses; there is also a campground. The island receives around 20,000 visitors each year from x6 ferries each weekday and up to x11 ferries over the weekend. The island is mammalian predator free.

Some of the island is steep and travel around the coast can be difficult. Both working off track and around the coast are expected. Travelling through the bush can be difficult, as the uniform age of the trees has led to a dense foliage at around head height. Staff travel by small boat between the islands, so embarking and disembarking off beaches and rocky coasts is usual.

The nearest supermarkets are:

New World – 70 Willis St. A metro (small) supermarket 450m from the ferry terminal

Countdown – 270 Lambton. A metro (small) supermarket 270m from the ferry terminal

New World – 279 Wakefield St. A full supermarket 1.2km from the ferry terminal, near Te Papa.

New World – 2 Bunny St. A metro (small) supermarket 550m from the ferry terminal

There is mobile phone reception on all areas of the island.

## **Mā Te Papa Atawhai e tautoko – What DOC provides**

**Equipment:** All uniform and Personal Protective equipment for specific jobs are provided.

**Transport:** One trip to and from the island weekly via East by West ferries

**Accommodation:** will be in the islands Motel units which have a fully stocked kitchen (except food), x2 beds and bathroom. There is a shared washing machine. Under normal circumstances, you will be living alone, but if the island gets full, you will be asked to share a room with another volunteer for a time.

**Food:** You will supply your own food but will be reimbursed with a \$150 grocery voucher at the end of each working week.

**Training:** All relevant training is done on site.

Detailed logistics are provided on confirmation of acceptance of volunteer role.

## **Mauria mai ēnei mea – Bring with you the following**

- Kai
- Warm clothes
- Working shoes with a steel cap (able to get dirty)
- Beach shoes (able to get wet)
- Torch (preferably with a red light)
- Pillow slip and Bed Sheet
- Sleeping Bags/Bedding
- Towel and personal toiletries
- Personal Entertainment – there is no internet or TV in the motel rooms

We provide \$100 supermarket vouchers at the end of each week as a token of our appreciation for your mahi. But we do ask you to come with your first weeks' worth of food.

## **Ētahi atu pārongo – Other information**

### Motel units:

- Each motel unit has a fully equipped kitchen, with gas oven and hob

- Fridge
- Pots, pans and utensils
- Empty Rubbish bins and Compost bins (There is a compost heap outside)
- Dining Table and chairs
- Lounge with couches
- X2 beds
- Bathroom and shower
- Washing machine (shared between all three motel rooms).

At the end of each week we expect you to:

- Empty and wash your rubbish/compost bins (empty compost into the compost heap)
- Take all your rubbish and recycling with you
- Clean the kitchen including fridge and dishes
- Sweep/Vacuum/mop the house
- Close all doors and windows
- Turn off all the light switches
- Leave the key in the door and shut
- Let the rangers know if anything is broken/damaged or needs replacing/repairing

Generally, you will have sole occupation for the duration of the stay, during the working week. We expect the unit to be cleaned weekly, windows and curtains open during the day and be clean and tidy before the weekend. At times, we may ask you to share your rooms with fellow Summer Rangers for a night or two at periods of high demand – but this will be rare.

### **Tukuna mai tō pepa whakauru – Send in your application form.**

Fill out the summer volunteer application form online, adding your iwi affiliations in the "Additional comments" tab at the end of the application form. <https://www.doc.govt.nz/get-involved/volunteer/in-your-region/wellington-kapiti/matiu-somes-island/matiu-somes-island-volunteer-application-form/>

Followed by an email to the Iwi Kaitiaki Ranger with a covering letter and CV expressing your interest for this role.

### **Whakapā mai ki ahau/Contact Me**

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