

Soft-plumaged Petrel. At sea north of the Falkland Islands. 11th February 2009.  
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# List of *Pterodroma* Petrels with References

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## Introduction

This is the final version of the *Pterodroma* list, no further updates will be made. Grateful thanks to Michael O'Keeffe and Kieran Fahy for the cover images and all those who responded with constructive feedback. All images © the photographers.

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## Great-winged Petrel

*Pterodroma macroptera* [A. Smith].

Breeding: Nightingale Island, Inaccessible Island & Gough Island (Tristan da Cunha group, S Atlantic) and Crozet, Kerguelen & Prince Edward and Marion Islands (S Indian Ocean) and the Recherche archipelago & various islands from Cape Arid W to Eclipse Island off Albany (S Western Australia). Non-breeding: Found widely in subtropical parts of the Atlantic & Indian Oceans and E to Australia between c.30-50°S and occasionally further south. Regular off South Africa & S Australia. Other names: Long-winged Petrel, Long-winged Fulmar.

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## White-headed Petrel

*Pterodroma lessonii* [Garnot].

Breeding: Macquarie Island (Australia region), Auckland Island, Antipodes Islands & possibly Campbell Island (New Zealand region), Crozet, Kerguelen & possibly Prince Edward Island (S Indian Ocean).

Non-breeding: Circumpolar throughout subantarctic waters from about 30°S south to the pack ice and also north to subtropical waters. Most common in S Pacific.

Other name: White-headed Fulmar.

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## Grey-faced Petrel

*Pterodroma gouldi* [Hutton].

Breeding: Most off shore islands and a few mainland cliffs on the N part of North Island of New Zealand in a triangle formed by Three Kings Islands, North Taranaki & East Cape with the largest colony on Whale Island, Moutohora & near Whakatane in the E Bay of Plenty.

Non-breeding: Tasman Sea & S Pacific E of Chatham Island perhaps as far as Pitcairn.

Other names: North Island Muttonbird, Oi, Titi.

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## Atlantic Petrel

*Pterodroma incerta* [Schlegel].

Breeding: Tristan da Cunha, Gough Island & possibly Inaccessible Island (all S Atlantic).

Non-breeding: S Atlantic from E coast of S America to SW Africa occasionally rounding Cape of Good Hope to Indian Ocean.

Other names: Hooded Petrel, Schlegel's Petrel.

**Hermann Schlegel** (1804-1884), German zoologist, who was first to use trinomials for subspecies.

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## Providence Petrel

*Pterodroma solandri* [Gould].

Breeding: Lord Howe Island (Tasman Sea) & possibly Phillip Island (Norfolk group, Tasman Sea).

Non-breeding: Mainly subtropical in the SW Pacific Ocean including Tasman Sea with some dispersing to the N & NW Pacific perhaps as far N as the Bering Sea.

Other names: Brown-headed Petrel, Solander's Petrel, Bird of Providence, Bill Hill Muttonbird.

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## Magenta Petrel

***Pterodroma magentae*** [Giglioli and Salvadori].

Breeding: Chatham Islands (New Zealand region).

Non-breeding: Not fully known but may disperse E over SC Pacific perhaps as far as the Humboldt current.

Originally known from a single specimen collected by the crew of the Italian warship 'Magenta' on 22nd July 1867 in position 39° S, 126° W (south of Pitcairn in the SE Pacific) until January 1973 when two birds were observed and later in January 1978 when two birds were trapped in Tuku Valley on Rekohu, the main Chatham Island.

Other name: Chatham Island Taiko.

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## Murphy's Petrel

*Pterodroma ultima* [Murphy].

Breeding: Henderson Island, Oeno & Ducie (Pitcairn group, C Pacific), Mururoa & Fangataufa Atolls (Tuamotu Archipelago, French Polynesia), Rapa (Bass Islands, Austral Islands group, S French Polynesia), Manui (Gambier Islands, Tuamotu Archipelago, French Polynesia).

Non-breeding: C tropical and subtropical Pacific Ocean; probably disperses northwards as far as Hawaii, Oahu & the French Frigate Shoals.

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## Soft-plumaged Petrel

*Pterodroma mollis* [Gould].

Breeding: Tristan da Cunha & Gough Island (S Atlantic) and Antipodes Islands (New Zealand region), Prince Edward & Marion Islands, E Crozet Islands, Kerguelen & possibly Amsterdam Island (S Indian Ocean), Maatsuyker Islands (S Tasmania) & possibly Macquarie Island (Australia region).

Non-breeding: S Atlantic and Indian oceans as far N as 35° S and SW Pacific in the vicinity of New Zealand.

Some recognise the Indian Ocean group as separate subspecies *dubia* and *fusca*.

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## Zino's Petrel

*Pterodroma madeira* [Mathews].

Breeding: Pico do Areeiro (highlands of Madeira).

Non-breeding: Preliminary results from datalogging experiments (Zino *et al.* 2011) provides tentative evidence of a preference for the tropical waters of the S Atlantic.

Other names: Freira, Madeira Petrel.

**Paul Alexander 'Alec' Zino** (1916-2004), Madeira businessman and conservationist who was instrumental in ensuring the survival of the petrel that bears his name.

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## Fea's Petrel

***Pterodroma feae*** [Salvadori].

Breeding: Fogo, Santo Antão, São Nicolau & possibly Santiago (Cape Verde Islands) and the Azores.  
Non-breeding: Across N Atlantic to E coast of USA and N to Ireland & UK.

Other names: Gon Gon, Cape Verde Petrel.

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## **Desertas Petrel**

*Pterodroma deserta* [Mathews].

Breeding: Bugio Island (Desertas Islands, 25 miles SE of Madeira) and possibly the Azores.

Non-breeding: Not fully established, possibly tropical & subtropical waters of the N Atlantic.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 to be subsumed within Fea's Petrel.

Other name: Bugio Petrel.

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## Bermuda Petrel

***Pterodroma cahow*** [Nichols and Mowbray].

Breeding: Nonsuch Island and other rocky islets in Castle Harbour (Bermuda).

Non-breeding: Disperses over N Atlantic as far as the Grand Banks to the north and the Azores to the east. A single individual was observed 170 nautical miles west-northwest of Sleah Head, Co. Kerry, Ireland in May 2014 (Keogh 2014).

Unrecorded for over 300 years until 1951 when Robert Cushman Murphy discovered 18 breeding pairs in Castle Harbour (Murphy *et al.* 1951). A recovery program was set up by David Wingate including the construction of 'Tropicbird proof' nesting burrows.

Other name: Cahow.

1st WP Record: 17th November 2002. Ilhéu da Vila, Santa Maria, Azores. Joël Bried and Maria C. Magalhães. The bird was ringed and remained until at least 21st November 2002.

Same individual (the ring number was checked each time) returned to the same location during November 2003 and during the night from 12th to 13th December 2006 (Bried & Magalhães 2004, Bried 2003, The Birding Azores team. Year lists 2005-2012. Available online at:

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## **Black-capped Petrel**

*Pterodroma hasitata* [Kuhl].

Breeding: Massif de la Selle & Massif de la Hotte (SE Haiti), Sierra de Baoruco (Dominican Republic), Sierra Maestra (Cuba) & possibly Dominica. Probably extinct on Guadeloupe.

Non-breeding: Waters of the Caribbean and Atlantic from NE Brazil to NE USA. Regular off Cape Hatteras, North Carolina.

Other names: Capped Petrel, Diablotín ('devil bird').

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### **Jamaican Petrel**

***Pterodroma caribbaea*** [Carte].

Breeding (if extant, see **Shirihai et al.** 2010): the Blue and John Crow Mountains (E Jamaica) and possibly Guadeloupe & Dominica (all Caribbean).

Non-breeding: Not known.

Last collected in the 19th century and most likely is now extinct as a result of human predation; its chicks were harvested as food, as well as the adverse effects of introduced species, especially the Mongoose, which took over their breeding burrows. There may just be a few individuals surviving in the more inaccessible parts of its breeding range in east Jamaica or elsewhere in the Caribbean.

Other name: Blue Mountain Duck.

Treated as a race of Black-capped Petrel by some.

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### **Juan Fernandez Petrel**

***Pterodroma externa*** [Salvin].

Breeding: Isla Alejandro Selkirk (Juan Fernández Islands, off Chile, SE Pacific).

Non-breeding: Tropical and subtropical waters of the E Pacific N to Hawaii and regularly off W Mexico.

Other name: Pacific Petrel.

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### Vanuatu Petrel

***Pterodroma occulta*** [Imber and Tennyson].

Breeding: Vanua Lava & probably Mere Lava (Banks Islands, N Vanuatu, S Pacific).

Non-breeding: Not established however a storm wrecked bird was found in New South Wales, Australia in 1993.

Six specimens of this species were collected by the Whitney South Sea Expedition in January 1927 off the Banks Islands in northern Vanuatu. Initially identified as the very similar White-necked Petrel.

Other name: Falla's Petrel.

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### Kermadec Petrel

***Pterodroma neglecta*** [Schlegel].

[*P.n. neglecta*] Breeding: Round Island (SW Indian Ocean), Lord Howe Island & Ball's Pyramid (Tasman Sea), Philip Island (Norfolk group, Tasman Sea, Australia region), Kermadec Islands (SW Pacific), Ata (S Tonga archipelago), Rapa (Bass Islands, Austral Islands group, S French Polynesia), Mangareva & Morane Atoll (Gambier Islands, Tuamotu Archipelago, French Polynesia), Pitcairn, Henderson Island, Oeno & Ducie (Pitcairn group, C Pacific) & Easter Island (SE Pacific).

[*P.n. juana*] Breeding: San Félix & San Ambrosio Island (Desventuradas Islands, off Chile, E Pacific) & Juan Fernández Islands (off Chile, SE Pacific).

Non-breeding: Disperses over much of tropical & subtropical Pacific Ocean.

Other name: Variable Petrel.

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## Herald Petrel

*Pterodroma heraldica* [Salvin].

Breeding: Raine Island (off Cape York Peninsula, NE Australia), Chesterfield Islands (New Caledonia, SW Pacific), Tau Island (Manu Group, American Samoa), Marquesas Islands (N French Polynesia), Gambier Islands (Tuamotu Archipelago, French Polynesia), Ducie (Pitcairn group, C Pacific) & Easter Island (SE Pacific). Possibly on Niuafoou (Tonga) & Rarotonga (Cook Islands)

Non-breeding: SC Pacific as far as 30°S and NC Pacific where it has reached Hawaii.

Named after HMS Herald, which collected the type specimen in the Chesterfield Islands while conducting surveys in the Pacific between 1845 and 1851. During that voyage the onboard naturalist was John MacGillivray.

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## Trindade Petrel

*Pterodroma arminjoniana* [Giglioli and Salvadori].

Breeding: Trindade Island & Martin Vas (Martin Vas archipelago, off C Brazil, S Atlantic) and possibly this species on Round Island (N of Mauritius, Indian Ocean) and North Keeling Island (Cocos Islands, Indian Ocean).

Non-breeding: As far N as North Carolina (Atlantic) where regularly seen and Azores where very rare. Previously considered to be a race of Herald Petrel. As the type specimen was an example of the form occurring on Trindade Island this species therefore retains the original scientific name following the split.

The name is pronounced 'Treen-DA-dje'.

Other names: Round Island Petrel, Arminjon's Petrel.

**Vittorio Arminjon** (1830-1897), Italian naval officer. The type specimen was collected by the crew of his ship 'Regina' while on passage from Naples to Montevideo.

1st WP Record (dark morph): 18th July 1997. 10' S of Pico Island, Azores. Roland Seitre & Julie Seitre (Dubois & Seitre 1997).

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## Henderson Petrel

*Pterodroma atrata* [Mathews]

Breeding: Henderson Island (Pitcairn group, C Pacific) and possibly some islands in French Polynesia.

Non-breeding: Difficult to establish due to the difficulty of separating them from dark-phase Herald Petrel but presumed to be the tropical Pacific.

This species was previously considered to be a dark-phase Herald Petrel until genetic and behaviour differences confirmed its status as a full species.

Named after Henderson Island, which in turn is named after Captain James Henderson, master of the vessel Hercules, which visited the island in 1819.

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*Pterodroma alba* [Gmelin].

Breeding: Canton Island (Phoenix Islands, Kiribati), Ua Pou, Fatu Huku & Hatutaa (Marquesas Islands, N French Polynesia), Kiritimati (Line Islands, C Pacific), Oeno Island (Pitcairn group, C Pacific) and possibly on Tonga & the Tuamotu Islands (French Polynesia).

Non-breeding: Disperses over much of the tropical Pacific as far N as Hawaii and as far S as the Kermadec Islands.

Other name: Te Ruru.

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## Barau's Petrel

*Pterodroma barau* [Jouanin].

Breeding: Massif of Piton des Neiges (Réunion, Mascarene archipelago, W Indian Ocean).

Non-breeding: Tropical and subtropical Indian Ocean as far as W Australia.

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## Hawaiian Petrel

*Pterodroma sandwichensis* [Ridgway].

Breeding: Kaua'i, Maui, Lana'i & Hawai'i and possibly O'ahu (all Hawaiian Islands).

Non-breeding: Tropical E Pacific between 20°N & 10°S and further N during spring and summer.

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## Galapagos Petrel

*Pterodroma phaeopygia* [Salvin].

Breeding: San Cristóbal, Santa Cruz, Santiago, Floreana & Isabela (Galapagos Islands).

Non-breeding: Probably disperses E and SE towards the area of the Humboldt current to about 17°S.

Previously considered to include Hawaiian Petrel as Dark-rumped Petrel.

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## Mottled Petrel

***Pterodroma inexpectata*** [J.R. Forster].

Breeding: Mary Island on Lake Hauroko in Fiordland National Park (South Island, New Zealand), some islands off Fiordland, islands in the Foveaux Strait, Solander Islands, some islands around Stewart Island and Snares Islands (all off South Island, New Zealand).

Non-breeding: N throughout the Pacific to the Bering Sea, Gulf of Alaska & Aleutian Islands.

Other names: Scaled Petrel, Peale's Petrel, Rainbird, Korure.

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### White-necked Petrel

*Pterodroma cervicalis* [Salvin].

Breeding: Macauley Island (Kermadec Islands, SW Pacific) & Philip Island (Norfolk group, Tasman Sea, Australia region). Historically on Raoul Island (N Kermadec Islands, SW Pacific).

Non-breeding: Tropical and subtropical N & SW Pacific.

Treated by some as a race of Juan Fernandez Petrel *P. externa*.

Other names: White-naped Petrel, Sunday Island Petrel.

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*Pterodroma nigripennis* [Rothschild].

Breeding: Islands off New Caledonia (SW Pacific), islands off Lord Howe Island (Tasman Sea) and Philip Island (Norfolk group, Tasman Sea, Australia region), Cape Maria van Dieman (NW tip of North Island, New Zealand), Portland Island & East Island (off E North Island, New Zealand), Kermadec Islands (SW Pacific), Rangatira, Star Keys & Mangere (Chatham Islands, New Zealand region), Tubuai Island (Austral Islands group, S French Polynesia), Rapa (Bass Islands, Austral Islands group, S French Polynesia) and probably islands off NE Queensland & New South Wales (Australia).

Non-breeding: Tropical and subtropical NC & S Pacific.

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*Pterodroma axillaris* [Salvin].

Breeding: Rangatira and re-introduced to Pitt Island (Chatham Islands, New Zealand region).

Non-breeding: Not known.

Other names: Chatham Petrel, Ranguru.

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## Bonin Petrel

*Pterodroma hypoleuca* [Salvin].

Breeding: Volcano Island & Bonin or Ogasawara Islands (Japan region) and French Frigate Shoals, Laysan Island, Lisianski Island, Pearl & Hermes Reefs, Midway Atoll & the Kure Atoll (NW Hawaiian Islands).

Non-breeding: Subtropical W & C North Pacific.

Other names: Stout-billed Petrel, Ogasawara Islands Petrel, White-breasted Petrel.

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## Gould's Petrel

*Pterodroma leucoptera* [Gould].

[*P.l. leucoptera*] Breeding: Cabbage Tree Island & Boondelbah Island (off New South Wales, Australia).

[*P.l. caledonica*] Breeding: Grand Terre Mts. (New Caledonia, SW Pacific) & possibly Vanuatu (S Pacific). In addition, the specific identity of birds on Raivavae (Austral Islands, French Polynesia) could possibly be this species or Collared Petrel.

Non-breeding: Across tropical Pacific towards 10°N and E as far as the Galapagos Islands.

Other names: White-winged Petrel, Sooty-capped Petrel, White-throated Petrel, New Caledonia Petrel (*caledonica*).

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## Collared Petrel

***Pterodroma brevipes*** [Peale].

[*P.b. brevipes*] Breeding: Gau & Kadavu (Fiji). Possibly on Viti Levu, Ovalau & Vanuabalavu (all Fiji), Tau (Western Samoa), Rarotonga (Cook Islands), S Vanuatu (S Pacific) & Makira (Solomon Islands). In addition, the specific identity of birds on Raivavae (Austral Islands, French Polynesia) could possibly be this species or Gould's Petrel.

[*P.b. magnificens*] Breeding: Not known, possibly Vanua Lava (Banks Islands, N Vanuatu).

Non-breeding: Tropical Pacific between 10°N and 10°S as far E as the Galapagos Islands.

Other name: Magnificent Petrel (*magnificens*).

Rollo Beck collected six small dark Collared Petrel specimens on the Whitney South Sea Expedition in 1927. In December 2009 Vincent Bretagnolle and Hadoram Shirihai observed and photographed this same small dark form that is now described as Magnificent Petrel *P.b. magnificens* (Shirihai & Bretagnolle 2010).

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## Cook's Petrel

*Pterodroma cookii* [G.R. Gray].

Breeding: Codfish Island (near Stewart Island, off South Island, New Zealand), Little Barrier Island and probably Great Barrier Island (off North Island, New Zealand).

Non-breeding: Throughout N & S Pacific.

Other names: Blue-footed Petrel, Titi.

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## De Filippi's Petrel

*Pterodroma defilippiana* [Giglioli and Salvadori].

Breeding: San Ambrosio & San Félix (Desventurada Islands, off Chile, E Pacific) Santa Clara and islets off Más á Tierra (Juan Fernández Islands, off Chile, SE Pacific).

Non-breeding: In the vicinity of the Humboldt and Peru currents (E Pacific).

Other name: Más á Tierra Petrel.

**Filippo de' Filippi** (1841-1867), Italian doctor, traveller, diplomat and zoologist who was appointed as a Senator of the Kingdom of Italy in later life. He took part in the Italian government sponsored circumnavigation of the globe onboard the warship Magenta, under the command of Vittorio Arminjon (see Magenta and Trindade Petrels). He did not survive the trip, passing away while in Hong Kong.

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## Stejneger's Petrel

*Pterodroma longirostris* [Stejneger].

Breeding: Alejandro Selkirk Island (Juan Fernandez Islands, Chile).

Non-breeding: Temperate N Pacific with main concentrations in subtropical NW Pacific reaching as far as subtropical waters off SW Japan.

**Dr. Leonhard Hess Stejneger** (1851-1943), (pronounced *staynegger*) Norwegian ornithologist and herpetologist who settled in the USA and became curator of reptiles in the Smithsonian Institute.

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## Pycroft's Petrel

*Pterodroma pycrofti* [Falla].

Breeding: Poor Knights Islands, Hen & Chicken Islands, Mercury Island & Ririwha and introduced to Cuvier Island (all off North Island, New Zealand).

Non-breeding: Poorly known, probably N to equatorial Pacific.

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