Restoring our native wildlife with the help of Holiday Parks

New Zealand is home to some extraordinary flora and fauna which are found nowhere else in the world.

Our unique species evolved on our island nation without the threat of introduced predators such as rats, stoats, hedgehogs, ferrets, possums, and feral cats. Alarmingly, many of our treasured species are now endangered and at threat of extinction.

New Zealand has the highest rate of threatened species in the world. The Department of Conservation (DOC) estimates that 68,000 of our birds are killed every night by introduced predators. These predators also threaten the survival of our precious wētā, snails, beetles, bats, frogs, lizards, and plants.

Predator Free 2050 is an ambitious goal to eradicate possums, rats, stoats, weasels, and ferrets from New Zealand to protect our nation's natural taonga (treasures).

Holiday parks around the country are proudly supporting this goal by carrying out predator control on their grounds with a network of traps and/or bait stations. Many holiday parks are also helping restore our native taonga by installing wētā motels, bird feeders and lizard gardens, and supporting conservation projects in their community.

During your stay, keep an eye and an ear out for our unique native wildlife. In this safe haven, you may even see pīwakawaka (fantail), tūī or other local species.

