

Orange-fronted parakeet/kākāriki

There are only about 200 orange-fronted parakeets/kākāriki left in the wild, and they all live in Canterbury! They live in mountain-beech forests in Arthur's Pass National Park and Lake Sumner Forest Park, and like to eat seeds, flowers, buds and leaves, and sometimes caterpillars. They are beautiful with bright-green feathers, blue wing tips yellow foreheads and an orange band across the top of their beak. DOC is working very hard to save them from extinction, by trapping predators and raising chicks in captivity to release on safe offshore islands



Photo: Stacey Rodd



To make the mask

Colour in the bird.
Cut out the head and head band along outlines.
Cut out two eyes.
Staple or sellotape the head strap to fit.

cut a head band



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