



Figure 2: Plot 4, Waipaua Block, Pitt Island Scenic Reserve

Above: December 1987

Below: March 1993

Colonisation of the rank grassland by forest plants has not yet begun. The low treefern vegetation has thickened a little. The leaning matipo tree has lost a limb.





Figure 3: Plot 5, Waipaua Block, Pitt Island Scenic Reserve

Above: December 1987

Below: March 1993

At this site, where we have rigged a temporary shelter near the plot, the increased growth in tree ferns and the karamu canopy following lessened use by cattle is obvious. Sheep and pigs are still impeding forest regeneration though.





Figure 4: Plot 7, Glory Block, Pitt Island Scenic Reserve

Above: December 1987

Below: March 1993

Domestic stock have been more or less absent since about 1981. Since 1987, flax has dramatically appeared and increased. So too have various shrubs (beyond Sue Scheele in the bottom photo). There has been a little erosion of the silhouetted tree canopies.

