Te Rakahau Whakapapa
ki te Uare Taoka o Hākena

Whakapapa Research
at the Hocken Collections
Nau Mai Haere Mai ki Te Uare Taoka o Hākena:

Welcome to the Hocken Collections

He mihi nui tēnei ki a koutou
kā uri o kā hau e whā arā, kā mātāwaka o te motu, o te ao whānui hoki.
Nau mai, haere mai ki te taumata.

As you arrive

We seek to preserve all the taoka we hold for future generations. So that all taoka are properly protected, we ask that you:

- place your bags (including computer bags and sleeves) in the lockers provided
- leave all food and drink including water bottles in the lockers (we have a lunchroom off the foyer which everyone is welcome to use)
- bring any materials you need for research and some ID in with you
- sign the Readers’ Register each day
- enquire at the reference desk first if you wish to take digital photographs

What resources does the Hocken have?

The Hocken Collections includes both published and unpublished sources, and encompasses printed, written, electronic and pictorial works. It holds materials relating to the history and cultures of this country, the Pacific and Antarctica, with a special emphasis on southern New Zealand. Please note that this means that we may not have much information about your northern whānau.

See also our Genealogical Sources guides.

Beginning your research

As we are a research collection most of our resources are housed in closed stacks and are not available for browsing. Staff at the Reference Desk will retrieve items you request from the stacks and bring them to you to use in our Reading Room. Staff can show you how to locate and order material through the catalogues and can advise on resources.

Most of the commonly-used genealogical sources available at the Hocken Collections can be found on microfiche or in the Ready Reference section of the main reference area on the ground floor. Please ask staff if you need help locating any of these.
We hold numerous other sources—both published and unpublished—and you can search for material on our Online Public Access Catalogues:

- for books, theses, journals, magazines, newspapers, maps, and audiovisual material, use Library Search | Ketu. The advanced search - http://otago.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com/primo_library/libweb/action/search.do?mode=Advanced&vid=DUNEDIN gives you several search options, and you can refine your results to the Hocken Library on the left side of the screen.

  The Library Search Guide http://otago.libguides.com/LibrarySearch contains helpful tips and assistance for using Library Search | Ketu;

- for pictures, photographs and archives and manuscripts, use Hākena - http://hakena.otago.ac.nz

  The Hākena Search Help Guide http://otago.libguides.com/hakena contains helpful tips and assistance for using Hākena;

- some of the photographs from the Pictorial Collections are available for viewing online via Hocken Snapshop at http://hockensnapshop.ac.nz/. Some other photographs and artworks can be viewed at http://otago.ourheritage.ac.nz/.
Find information about your:

- WHĀNAU
- IWI & HAPŪ
- TAKIWA/ROHE

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Publications collection (published material)

Includes:
- Books
- Journals, magazines & newspapers
- Audiovisual material
- Microfiche & Microfilm
- Maps

Archives collection (unpublished material)

Includes:
- Letters
- Manuscripts
- Personal Journals
- Company & Organisational Records
- Private Papers
- Photographs

Pictorial Collections

Includes:
- Photographs
- Paintings
- Prints
- Drawings & Sketches

Find information in these collections by using:

- Library Search | Ketu
- Indexes and Databases
- Bibliographies
- Consult with Reference Staff
- Hākena
- Consult with Archives Staff
- Hākena
- Hocken Snapshop
- Consult with Pictorial Collections Staff
Bearing in mind that the greatest resource for finding out about your whakapapa is whānau, the Hocken Collections has many items that may provide information about your whānau, hapū, iwi, or takiwā/rohe. You might want to start by looking at:


The following whakapapa research guides are also well worth consulting:

- Introduction to searching Māori genealogy, University of Auckland Library - http://www.library.auckland.ac.nz/subjects/maori/guides/whakapapa_guide.htm

Starting your research

Bring as much information as possible with you, such as full names, dates, places of birth, marriage or burial and so on. This will help you narrow down what resources to look at and will also help our staff if you need assistance.

Whānau

Publications:
You can search Library Search!Ketu to see if any books have been written about or by a member of your whānau, or look in the indexes of books about your iwi or hapu, or the area you are from, to see if your whānau is mentioned. You can also search by subject headings, for example:

- Maori (New Zealand People) — Biography
- Maori (New Zealand People) — Genealogy

Some general and biographical sources that may be useful are:

*Appendices to the House of Representatives* G-16 1886 [see reference collection or http://atojs.natlib.govt.nz/cgi-bin/atojs].


The Hocken also holds many newspapers and journals that may be relevant to your research, search Library Search|Ketu to see what we hold or check PapersPast for online versions [http://paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/cgi-bin/paperspast](http://paperspast.natlib.govt.nz/cgi-bin/paperspast).

Index New Zealand is an online database [http://innz.natlib.govt.nz/](http://innz.natlib.govt.nz/) which indexes articles published in New Zealand journals and some newspapers. This is available on our database.
machines, and you can use this to locate articles on tipuna or whānau. The printed version, *Index to New Zealand periodicals 1941/46-1986* [reference collection], covers earlier dates.

Archival material:
Search Hākena, the pictures, photographs, archives and manuscripts catalogue, to see if there is any material in our archives collection which mentions your whānau, especially if they are from the Otago/Southland area. This catalogue is available online at [http://hakena.otago.ac.nz](http://hakena.otago.ac.nz).

**Official Records—Births, Deaths and Marriages:**
*Registrar-General’s index of births, deaths and marriages 1840-1990* [microfiche - reference collection]. Please note that the registration of Māori marriages was not compulsory until 1911, and that the registration of Māori births and deaths was not compulsory until 1913. Māori births and deaths index from 1913-1960 and Māori marriages index from 1911-1951 [microfiche - reference collection]. Please note that after these dates Māori births, deaths and marriages are included in the general indexes. You can now search online at [https://www.bdmhistoricalrecords.dia.govt.nz/search/](https://www.bdmhistoricalrecords.dia.govt.nz/search/) for births that occurred at least 100 years ago; stillbirths if registered at least 50 years ago; marriages and eventually civil unions that occurred 80 years ago; and deaths that occurred at least 50 years ago or the deceased’s date of birth was at least 80 years ago. You still need to apply to Births, Deaths and Marriages for the full details – just click on “Order product”.


*New Zealand Burial Locator Version 2* [on database computers]. This allows you to look for burial records by name, and provides the location of that burial or death.


**Official Records—Electoral rolls**
New Zealand Electoral rolls 1853-1981 and the separate publications Māori Electoral Rolls 1919 and NZ Māori Voters Roll 1908 are available on microfiche in the ready reference area. They are also available via the Ancestry database on the database computers in the reference area. General electoral rolls from 1982 onwards are available as print copies in the ready reference area.

**School Records**
Search both online catalogues to see if there is any information about the schools your whānau attended. The Hocken holds Access Progress and Withdrawal Registers for many schools in the Otago area, which give useful information about pupils and their whānau.
There is also some information about Native Schools. Check our *Education Guide* or ask staff to help you.

**NB.** Personal information can also be found in many of the resources listed under *Iwi/Hapū* and *Takiwā*.

**Iwi and Hapū**

**Publications**
Check Library Search!Ketu for books on tribal histories. If you cannot find any books on your hapū, try the main iwi name and look in the index of any books found to see if there are entries on your hapū.

HJ Fletcher’s *An index of Maori names* (see full reference in Whānau section) may also have relevant material.

**Official Records**
Waitangi Tribunal reports include a lot of tribal history information. These are also available online - [http://www.waitangi-tribunal.govt.nz/reports/](http://www.waitangi-tribunal.govt.nz/reports/).

**NB.** A lot of tribal information can also be found in the resources listed under *Takiwā*.

**Marae**
If you know the name of your iwi or hapū, you can contact them for information. The book

*TAKOA: te aka kumara o Aotearoa; directory of Māori organisations and resource people in Aotearoa.* Auckland, N.Z.: Tuhi2 Communications.

lists a large number of marae and iwi organisations, and provides their contact details. It is updated annually.

**Takiwā / Rohe**

**Official Records**

*The Māori Land Court Minute Books* (1865-1910) [microfilm - reference collection]. There are indexes for the years 1865-1900, 1900-1962, 1962-1975, plus an online index for the years 1865-1910. Separate volumes of the 1900-1962 index relate to each Maori Land Court district. These are organised by date, place of sitting, name of minute book and judge.

*Waitangi Tribunal reports* (see Iwi & Hapu).

The *New Zealand Gazette* [database] is a weekly publication of official government notices and proclamations including notices of Māori Land Court sittings, lists of lands for sale
and selection etc. This is available as an electronic database, which covers the years 1841—2002, and as printed volumes.

*Appendices to the Journals of the House of Representatives* (AJHR) [reference collection] comprise a selection of all the documents which have been tabled in parliament since 1858. Includes letters and petitions from individuals and iwi. Some early AJHRs are now available at http://atojs.natlib.govt.nz/cgi-bin/atojs.


*Maori land claims in the Appendices to the Journals of the House of Representatives and the Legislative Council, 1855-1985* [microfiche - reference collection]. This is a chronological listing of petitions from Maori regarding land.


If you have *any* questions, please ask one of the staff: we are happy to help.

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Other guides in this series include:

Kā Taoka Māori: he timataka