



Kurunui Station



Forest type
Native



Emission Reductions
12,860 tCO_{2e}
total stored
1,150 tCO_{2e}
annual removals



Start date
1994



Project Type
Regeneration
98 hectares



Location
Otago



Standard
Permanent Forest
Sink Initiative
(PFSI)

Kurunui is a stunning 750 hectare-property located in the South Island near Moeraki. It was acquired by the Trotter family in 2017, who have committed to restoring the native forest, continuing the work of the previous owners who retired the land from all grazing in 2003. The entire property is covenanted in perpetuity under the [QE II](#) National Trust, with almost 100 hectares currently registered as a permanent carbon sink.

The property contains a range of diverse habitats which support significant native biodiversity including nationally threatened plant, bird, lizard and invertebrate species. Streams on the property contain populations of native fish including Canterbury galaxias and longfin eel.

The owners are working to preserve and enhance the forest's conservation values, by supporting and accelerating regeneration and protecting the native fauna and flora. Activities include ongoing pest and weed management control as well as a fire risk management plan. These protective measures are made possible by the income provided by the sale of carbon credits.

Public access is granted at the discretion of the landowners, who welcome recreational users, and are exploring opportunities for further research with the University of Otago.

