



Forest type
Indigenous and mixed species



Emission Reductions
5,425 tCO_{2e} total stored
246 tCO_{2e} annual removals



Start date
1993



Project Type
Reforestation
21 hectares



Location
South Island,
Canterbury



Standard
Permanent Forest Sink Initiative (PFSI)

Stony Bay

Stony Bay is a family-owned property located in the stunning region of Banks Peninsula.

The property has been in the family since the 1870's, with the landowners implementing a philosophy of conservation since 1975. As part of this strategy, the property has been protected in perpetuity by registering 17 hectares of native bush land with the Bank Peninsula Conservation Trust, 21 hectares with the [PFSI](#) scheme and covenanting the land around the shore with an open space [QE II](#) covenant.

The on-farm business activities are diverse, from pastoral farming and private walking tracks. Banks Track, which was established in 1989 as New Zealand's first private track, gives access to the property and adjoins the 1,200 Hinewai native forest restoration project.

On top of acting as a permanent carbon sink, the additional income from the credit sale goes exclusively toward furthering native plantings which overall increases biodiversity and water quality. Pest and weed management has been ongoing for over fifty years as well as the implementation of a fire hazard management strategy.

The property is a key habitat for little blue penguins nesting in the bay, and also has the last remaining mainland sooty shearwater colony and one of the few remaining populations of spotted skinks.

