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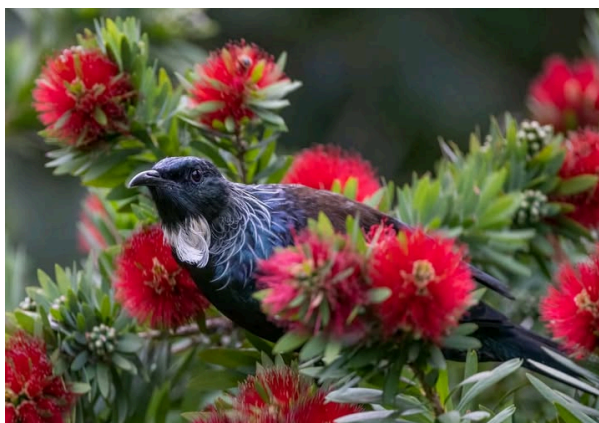
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Māori landowners at the top of the South Island will have more than 3000 hectares returned to them in a landmark agreement with the Crown. - [Read more](#)



Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu Kaiwhakahaere Justin Tipa and Milford Sound Tourism chief executive Haylee

Preston (source: RNZ)

Ngāi Tahu set to take 33% stake in Milford Sound Tourism

Mana whenua are set to take a major role in running Milford Sound, with Ngāi Tahu joining Milford Sound Tourism as a shareholder.

From 31 March, Ngāi Tahu Holdings and several Papatipu Rūnaka are set to take a 33 percent stake in the company that owns and operates Milford Sound's key infrastructure and visitor services

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David Seymour promises to reignite Treaty principles debate in 2026

ACT leader David Seymour is promising to reignite the Treaty principles debate next year, saying he'll never move on from his vision for equality in New Zealand.

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Schools commit to Te Tiriti anyway

“The relationships that schools and kura have with Māori endures despite directives from the right-wing.” — Awanui Te Huia. - [Read more](#)



Source Tania Waikato Instagram, E-Tangata

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“Māori institutions can't rely on formal mandates alone. If we want legitimacy that endures, we need to design institutions that reflect our own power dynamics.” — Sacha McMeeking - [Read more](#)

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The slow demolition of our democracy

“We have a government willing to reshape constitutional understandings without genuine consultation, careful process, or respect for long-standing norms.” — Mark Feary - [Read more](#)

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Former Te Pāti Māori leaders not prepared to walk away

Former co-leaders and presidents of Te Pāti Māori have signed a letter saying they want to salvage the divided party and are not prepared to walk away, according to a letter obtained exclusively by 1News, as supporters cancel memberships.

"We are not prepared to walk away," the letter reads. "We want to rebuild our party with you." (1News) - [Read more](#)

From the Amazon to Aotearoa: Māori rangatahi on the frontlines of Cop30

Two rangatahi share their experiences, insights and reflections on what it was like representing Aotearoa on the global climate stage. - [Read more](#)



Court of Appeal: Māori Land Court cannot rule on Porofī Springs water

In its judgement, the Court of Appeal confirmed the Māori Land Court has no jurisdiction to determine customary title or award damages, leaving the trustees to pursue recognition in a different forum. - [Read more](#)

Māori Queen launches multi-million-dollar investment platform

Māori Queen Te Arikinui Kuini Nga wai hono i te po has launched the 'Kotahitanga Fund', a new multi-million-dollar Māori investment platform. ... In her closing address, Te Arikinui said she was proud to launch the initiative as a "declaration" that Māori were ready to invest in "ourselves, in our



Summit delegates meet inside Te Pā at Waikato

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NWŌ recognises the text in te reo Māori as the Treaty.
No English language version was signed at Waitangi on 6 February 1840.
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