

Have you seen these snails?

The Kaweka Forest Park is home to two rare carnivorous snail species, but we don't know much about them.

Wainuia clarki



- Nationally endangered
- Only found in the Kawekas and Taupo
- Max of 30mm diameter
- Found in damp areas, under ferns and leaf litter
- Thrushes will break shells on 'anvil rocks', leaving piles of shells

Powelliphanta marchanti



- Serious decline
- Max of 50mm diameter
- Typically at high altitudes 1000-1470m a.s.l.
- Found under grass, leaf litter and scrub

Your sighting could help us to better understand where they are, and how best to protect them.

To record a sighting (snails and shell fragments); take a photo, note the location, leave the snail where you found it, and let us know at:

napier@doc.govt.nz or 06 834 3111.