



Sensational Survivors: an illustrated guide to New Zealand's remarkable wildlife - Sandra Morris

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Did you know that some of the oldest and oddest creatures in the world are found in New Zealand? Award-winning author and illustrator Sandra Morris shows young readers the wonders of New Zealand's unique wildlife.

Her graphite pencil and watercolour illustrations are showcased by eye-catching design and varied layout. The A4 format gives space for the superb drawings to spread across the pages. Morris brings animals, birds and insects to life in their natural environment.

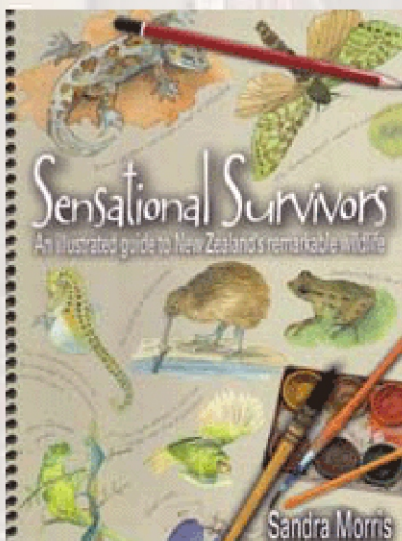
Information about wildlife behaviour and habitat is easy-to-read and at a suitable level for primary school children. Fascinating facts will encourage young people to appreciate the survival skills of New Zealand's creatures.

For example: "Brown gecko can drop a tail if attacked and grow a new one." About the kauri snail, "The snails lay their eggs through a hole in their neck." Then there's the plucky godwit, "In its lifetime the godwit can fly further than from Earth to the moon."

The glossary is a helpful ready reference for unfamiliar words. Plus, a detailed index makes information about specific creatures easy to find.

A well-deserved finalist in the 2011 New Zealand Post Children's Book Awards.

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