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Common Pheasant *Phasianus colchicus* (Linnaeus 1758)

1851 Mangonui, Northland

Introduced 1913, died out by c. 1940s Norfolk Island

It was repeatedly introduced from the 1840s onwards. In 1851 "Chinese Pheasants" were imported from China, and seven released at Waitakere (Lever 2005). The first successful liberation appears to be that of "English Pheasants" released at Mangonui by Walter Brodie about the same time. By 1868 they were numerous at Epsom, Auckland (Hutton 1869). Numbers are reinforced each year by captive-bred birds.

