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Great Shearwater *Puffinus gravis* (O'Reilly 1818), Vagrant (4)
31/12/2006 Pitt Island, Chatham Islands

One was seen 450 nm east of East Cape on 29/09/2006, but this record is probably outside New Zealand waters (Gaskin et al. 2008). Another was seen and photographed east of Pitt Island by Chris Gaskin, Karen Baird, Hadoram Shirihai and others on a subantarctic pelagic trip on the last day of 2006.

A third bird was photographed 12 nm off the Otago Peninsula on 13/10/2008. Jenkins (1968) had previously reported Great Shearwaters in the Tasman Sea, but these records have not been accepted. The fourth record is of one seen off Kaikoura on 14/02/2010.