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**Kermadec Storm Petrel** *Pelagodroma albiclunis* Murphy & Irving 1951, Endemic  
1951 Raoul Island, Kermadec Islands

Cheeseman (1890) recorded this storm petrel as being common around the Kermadecs in August 1887. It was subsequently recorded in spring 1908 by Iredale and also in 1925 by Beck of the Whitney South Seas Expedition. The latter expedition collected numerous seabirds in the name of science. Fifteen specimens were collected between 18-20 November 1925 close to the Kermadecs. Murphy & Irving described it in 1951.

Imber (1984) thought it might be the juvenile of *P. m. dulciae* but Holdaway et al. (2001), Miskelly et al. (2009) and Checklist Committee (OSNZ) (2010) considered it to be a distinct species. Scofield & Onley (2007) treated it as a subspecies.

It has recently been found breeding on Haszard Island, off Macauley Island in August 2006.