Orange-spotted gecko Mokopirirakau "Roys Peak"



Distribution Conservation **Main threats** status Habitat change Regional At Risk: Declining Introduced predators National At Risk: Declining (e.g. stoats, ferrets, possums, mice and hedgehogs) Identify me by my... V-shaped marking often present Broad stripes between eyes along back Body length: up to 95 mm Orange/orange-yellow mouth and tongue I look similar to...* I eat... I inhabit...

Steep, high mountain slopes with lots of exposed rock (e.g. scree slopes) and snow tussock.

1,800 m

1,100 m



Mostly small invertebrates, including insects (e.g. moths and weta) and spiders

Flower nectar and native fruits when available

*These species can look so alike they are very difficult to tell apart without genetic data.





Cascade gecko

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