

## Albatross Pre-School

This new programme for 4-5 year olds looks at the daily life of an albatross chick and how the young birds are looked after during the first year of their life. Find out how albatross chicks are fed, learn to fly and play. Dress up as an albatross and imagine what it would be like to soar over the ocean waves.

Time: 1 hour 20min  
 Age Focus: 3-4 yr olds  
 Availability: Mornings during May to October  
 Cost: \$4/person (under 2 years free)

Pre / post trip resources: Create your own albatross mask

<http://albatross.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/Alb-mask-colour.pdf>

### Programme Plan:

Time	Activity
	Arrive, meet guide at reception <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>please arrive 10 minutes early</i></li> </ul>
0 min	<b>Education Rm (30 min)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>What is a bird?</i></li> <li>- <i>Albatross dress-up (simplified)</i></li> <li>- <i>Build an albatross nest</i></li> <li>- <i>Care for an albatross chick</i></li> <li>- <i>Compare weight of chick at different ages</i></li> </ul>
30 min	<b>Observatory (20 min)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Flight practice on walk up/down hill (10 min)</i></li> <li>- <i>Look for birds and nests</i></li> <li>- <i>Make observations about their home</i></li> <li>- <i>Albatross Chicks – how do they spend their day?</i></li> </ul>
50 min	<b>Education Rm (30 min)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Introduce other wildlife at Taiaroa Head</i></li> <li>- <i>Seabird dress-ups</i></li> <li>- <i>Albatross / lighthouse puzzles</i></li> <li>- <i>Albatross story</i></li> <li>- <i>Albatross song (to the tune of Wheels on the Bus)</i></li> </ul>
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