

Whatu Kura Toi Glossary

Ahi kā – *keeping the fires burning*
Ahua moko – *form of the lizard*
Ariki – *High chief*
Hapū – *clan*
Hāpua – *hollow, lagoon*
Hau – *wind, breath*
Hawaiki – *the ancient homeland of the Pacific*
Hekenga – *migration*
Hinetitama – *The Dawn Maiden*
Hoe – *to paddle, paddle, oar*
Hōkioi – *Haast's eagle*
Hongi – *pressing of noses in greeting*
Hue – *gourd*
Hui – *gather, assemble*
Ihi – *spiritual power, spontaneous physical reactions*
Iwi – *tribe*
Kahikatea – *white pine*
Kai – *food*
Kai Tahu – *Southern Iwi*
Kāika nohoaka – *seasonal camp*
Kaitiaki – *Guardian*
Karakia – *prayer, incantation*
Karanga – *call out, welcoming call*
Kāti Mamoe – *Southern tribe*
Kati Ruahikihiki –
Kaumatua – *elder, adult, person of status within the whanau*
Kererū – *wood pigeon*
Kō – *digging stick*
Kōrero – *talk, speak, converse*
Korowai – *feathered cloak*
Kōrupe – *doorway lintel*
Kūmara – *sweet potato*
Kupu – *terms*
Kuri – *dog*
Kūwaha – *door entrance*
Maihi – *barge boards*
Mahamaha – *seat of emotions*
Mahinga kai – *garden, cultivation, food-gathering place*
Mahuika – *Goddess of the sacred fire*
Mamaku – *black tree fern*
Mana – *prestige, authority, spiritual power*
Manaia – *profile figure, mythological motif*
Manu – *bird*
Marae – *to be generous, ancestral grounds*
Matau – *fish hook*
Mātauranga – *specialised knowledge*
Maunga – *mountain*
Mauri – *active life force*
Māui – *Pacific demigod*
Moana-nui-a-kiwa – *The Pacific Ocean*
Moko-huruhuru – *personified glow worm*
Mokopuna – *grandchildren, descendant*
Mōteatea – *to grieve, lament*

Ngahere – *forest*
Nga karu – *eyes*
Ngarara – *germs, disease, bacteria*
Nikau – *Rhopalostylis sapida, a native palm*
Paepae – *horizontal beam of the whareniui*
Papatūānuku – *the Earth Mother*
Pātaka – *storehouse*
piwakawaka - *fantail*
Pokohiwi - *shoulders*
Pounamu – *greenstone native to the South Island*
Pūkana – *dilating of eyes and protruding of tongue*
Pūrākau – *Epic narratives*
Pūtōrino – *large flute*
Ranginui – *the Sky Father*
Rākaihautū – *Chief of the Uruaokapuarangi canoe*
Rākau – *wood, trees*
Rangatira – *highborn noble*
Ringatoi – *toi artist*
Rohe - *boundary*
Rongo – *God of Cultivated Crops*
Ruaumoko – *The God of Earthquakes*
Tāhei – *necklace ornament*
Tāhū – *the ridge beams of the whareniui, direct senior line of ancestry*
Taiao – *world, country, nature*
Takurua - *winter*
Tāne - *male*
Tāne Mahuta – *God of the Great Forests*
Tangaroa – *God of the Oceans*
Taonga – *treasure, goods, property*
Taonga pūoro – *musical instrument*
Tapu – *sacred, set apart*
Tāwhirimātea – *God of the Winds and Storms*
Te Ao Māori – *The World of Māori*
Te Awhio-Rangi – *The Encircler of Heaven*
Tekoteko – *figure post*
Te Kore – *The Realm of Untapped Potential*
Te Pātaka o Rākaihautū – *The storehouse of Rākaihautū*
Te Pati Māori – *The Māori Party*
Te Pō – *The Eternal Night*
Te Reo – *The Language*
Te Waipounamu – *The Island of Greenstone*
Te Whiro-Nui – *The Great Twirler*
Tīpuna – *ancestor(s)*
Toi – *tip, point, summit, origin, source, art, knowledge*
Toki – *axe or adze*
Toko – *supporting post, swelling of emotions, divorce*
Tōtara – *podocarpus Cunninghame*
Tūmatauenga – *The God of War and Human Activity*
Waharoa – *gateway*
Wāhine – *female*
Waiata – *to sing, song*
Wairoro - *brain*
Wairua – *one's double*
Waitaha – *the first tribe to inhabit the South Island*
Waka – *canoe*

Waka ama – *outrigger canoe*
Waka katea – *double-hulled canoe*
Wana – *authority, integrity, unquestioned competence*
Wehi – *to strike fear, awe, spine-tingling*
Whakairo – *wood carving*
Whakanoa – *the removal of tapu*
Whakapapa – *ancestry, genealogy*
Whakapono – *trust*
Whānau – *to be born, extended family*
Whareniui – *meeting house*
Wharetaonga – *museum*
Whatu Kura – *stones of knowledge*
Whenua – *placenta, land*
Whiro – *God of the Underworld, Disease, and Death*