

Matua Hautere



This waiata was written to remind our whānau of our tipuna Matua Hautere who followed the trail of his ancestor Kupe. He travelled across Raukawakawa on his waka Te Hoiere with Kaikaiāwaro, his companion and guardian.

Waiata

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I runga tōna waka i a Te Hoiere e
Kaikaiāwaro hei hoa haere, hei kaitiaki
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Aku whenua tīpuna, whenua taurikura
Ngā ipukarea, wai whakaika e tere nei
He tipua, he tangata Matua Hautere e (x2)
He tipua, he tangata, hi aue hi!*

Matua Hautere and Kaikaiāwaro are two significant Ngāti Kuia ancestors who help define us as Ngāti Kuia.

Matua Hautere was an explorer following the oral maps of his/our ancestor Kupe, discovering, exploring and naming parts of our rohe, recording resources and food and building Tūāhu.

Matua Hautere travelled with Ruamano (who eventually returned)

and Kaikaiāwaro who stayed and now lives in Te Ana a Kaikaiāwaro, protecting and guiding us today. When we fish down at the Sounds we offer some back as a way to say thank you for the protection.

Matua Hautere and Kaikaiāwaro are important because our ancestors recorded many pūrākau which means that they really wanted us to know all about them.

We can be like Matua Hautere. We too are brave, daring, discoverers, explorers, kaitiaki, adaptable, solid in who we are as people.

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He tīpuna whakahirahira a Matua Hautere rāua ko Kaikaiāwaro ki a Ngāti Kuia. Nā rāua mātou i whakatangatawhenua i te rohe nei o Te Taihū o te Waka o Māui.

He kaihōpara a Matua Hautere. Nāna i whakatewhatewha i ngā kōrero a tōna tipuna a Kupe. I toro atu ia ki Te Taihū tae atu ki Te Hoiere. Nāna ngā wāhi, ngā maunga, ngā

awa o te rohe nei i tapaina. Nāna hoki i whakatūria ngā tūāhu. Nō mai i te mauhanga a Matua Hautere ngā mōhiotanga mō ngā wāhi kai me ngā taonga o te wāhi mō te iwi.

I haere tahi mai a Matua Hautere me ngā taniwha a Ruamano rāua ko Kaikaiāwaro. Nā wai rā ka hoki a Ruamano, ka noho tonu a Kaikaiāwaro ki Te Ana a Kaikaiāwaro hei kaitiaki mā

mātou. Inā e hī ika ana tētahi, ētahi rānei o te iwi i Te Hoiere ka tuku whakawhetai atu ki a Kaikaiāwaro mō āna manaakitanga, mō āna atawhaitanga.

He nui ngā kōrero mō Matua Hautere rāua ko Kaikaiāwaro i ngā pūrākau o ngā mātua tīpuna. Koia i whakahirahira ai te tokorua nei ki te iwi.

Matua Hautere



Kia rite mātou ki a Matua Hautere. He māia, he hautoa, he kaihōpara, he kaitiaki, he tāwariwari, e whakapono ana ki te ahurea o tana iwi