

Title	Harvest and prepare kuta for kete		
Level	3	Credits	2

Purpose	<p>This unit standard is for people furthering their knowledge and practice in Ngā Mahi a te Whare Pora.</p> <p>People credited with this unit standard are able to: identify the natural habitat of kuta; harvest kuta and prepare kuta to complete kete.</p>
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Classification	Ngā Mahi a te Whare Pora > Raranga
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Available grade	Achieved, Merit and Excellence
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Criteria for Merit	Demonstrate proficient skills to harvest and prepare kuta for kete.
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Criteria for Excellence	Demonstrate artistic skills to harvest and prepare kuta for kete.
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Guidance Information

- 1 Recommended skills and knowledge
Unit 29711, *Demonstrate knowledge of weaving resources and tikanga of te Whare Pora*.
- 2 References
Pendergrast, M. (1987). *Te Aho Tapu - The Sacred Thread*. Auckland: Reed Publishing.
Manaaki Whenua Landcare Research. *Kuta and Kāpūngāwhā - Reeds and sedges used for weaving*. Downloaded from: <https://www.landcareresearch.co.nz/science/plants-animals-fungi/plants/ethnobotany/weaving-plants/information-sheets/kuta-and-kapungawha>. 26 Feb 2018.
Reed, A.W. (2002). *Taonga Tuku Iho - Illustrated Encyclopedia of Traditional Maori Life*. Auckland: New Holland Publishers.
Wehi, P & W. (2010). Traditional plant harvesting in contemporary fragmented and urban landscapes. *Conservation Biology* 24(2): 594-604.
Other – kaitohu raranga, kaumātua.

- 3 *Demonstrate proficient skills to harvest and prepare kuta for kete* will be evidenced through:
- detailed description of the stages of harvesting and preparing kuta for kete,
 - detailed description of where kuta grows is provided;
 - whenu are of similar widths;
 - prepared whenu is of a consistent standard.
- 4 *Demonstrate artistic skills to harvest and prepare kuta for kete* will be evidenced through:
- comprehensive description of kuta, where kuta can be found locally and or regionally and or nationally, including kaitiaki contact details is provided;
 - whenu are the same width and length;
 - prepared whenu is of an exceptional standard.
- 5 Ākonga will keep a fully documented visual diary or workbook to assist with assessment and authenticity.
- 6 Definitions
Environment refers to where kuta grows.
Location refers to where kuta to be harvested is located.
Quality ensures kuta is graded to complete a kete.
Quantity ensures enough kuta is prepared to complete a kete.
Seasonal refers to when kuta is harvested.
Size refers to whenu width and length.
Te Whare Pora – a house or place that is set aside to teach and conserve the art of weaving.
- 7 Referencing
 All sources of information must be referenced. Referencing will prepare ākonga for the requirements of academic writing.

Outcomes and performance criteria

Outcome 1

Identify the natural habitat of kuta.

Performance criteria

1.1 Areas where kuta can be found are identified.

Range	environment, location, seasonal; local, regional, national.
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Outcome 2

Harvest kuta.

Performance criteria

2.1 Permission to harvest kuta has been granted.

- 2.2 Kuta is harvested and processes explained in accordance with the tikanga of te whare pora and the bio-sustainability of the plant.

Outcome 3

Prepare kuta to complete a kete.

Range quality, quantity (minimum 80 whenu), size.

Performance criteria

- 3.1 Preparation processes are recorded.
- 3.2 Kuta are flattened to produce the desired state for usage.
- 3.3 Kuta are bundled in a manner that ensures minimal damage.
- 3.4 Kuta is stored.

Range darkened room and/or area.

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Status information and last date for assessment for superseded versions

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Comments on this unit standard

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