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NOTE: Different streams and rivers will have different combinations of plants and animals living there.

Plant eaters

Herbivores What they eat

Mayfly Algae

Water snail Algae, leaves

Animal eaters

Carnivores What they eat

Backswimmer Larvae
Dobson fly Larvae

Damsel fly Insects, larvae

Water spider Water boatman, backswimmer

Eel (young) Macro invertebrates

Eel (adult) Fish, ducklings
Inanga Insects, larvae
Banded kokopu Insects , larvae

Redfin bully Larvae, snails, crustaceans

Upland bully Larvae

Common bully Larvae, small fish, crustaceans, molluscs

Trout (young) Larvae

Trout (adult) Young eels, shrimps, bullies

Kingfisher (kōtare) Fish (e.g. young trout and eels, bullies), shrimps Fantail (pīwakawaka) Flying insects (e.g. Dobson Fly, Mayfly, Sandfly)

Blue duck (whio) Aquatic insects such as Caddis fly, Stonefly and Mayfly

Cat Birds, rats

Others

Omnivores & scavengers What they eat

Bacteria Dead plants and animals

Water boatman Algae, larvae

Flatworm Algae, dead animals Water flea Algae, dead animals

Bloodworms Dead plant and animal matter

Cased caddis fly nymphs Dead plant material

Net-building caddis fly nymphs Floating plant material, algae, small invertebrates

Stoneflies Larvae, algae Shrimps Dead animals

Fresh water crayfish (koura) Aquatic plants, invertebrates, dead plant and animal matter

Koi carp Plants, insects, young fish

Mallard ducks

Aquatic plants, land plants (e.g., grass), insects, plankton,

snails

Rat A wide range of plant and animal matter including water

spiders, ducklings, dead animals, berries, and seeds

NOTE: Omnivores eat plants and animals. Scavengers eat dead plant and animal material.

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