

# *Tihei Mauri Ora!*

*What I can do, I will do*

**E kore tana pūweru e mākū i te pata ua!**

*A shower of rain cannot wet her garment;  
She's a woman above average, not easily upset by problems*



Once the Gestapo's most wanted woman, Nancy Wake (1912-2011), the brave World War II heroine and French resistance leader upon witnessing first-hand Jews being whipped by Nazis' thought at the time, *I don't know what I'll do about it, but if I can do anything one day, I'll do it.* The journalist, and great-granddaughter of a Ngāpuhi woman, Pourewa, was code-named the 'white mouse' for her ability to elude capture in spite of immense odds. Hers is an amazing story of courage, defiance and optimism that still inspires decades after it was played out, just as she was an inspiration to the many men and women she led and saved.

*If you are not motivated, inspired and challenged in your daily life you run the risk of not reaching your full potential. Let's learn from Nancy Wake's I'll do it attitude. In so doing, you too will live a full life, and well on the way to being successful in everything you do. First, set your goals, be positive, walk the talk, and surround yourself with like-minded support – and stick at it. In the end, it's up to you to decide that you can do it, and of course you will. Kia pai tō wiki!*



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