

# Te Mātahi o te Tau

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***Ko Matariki te kaitō i te hunga pakeke ki te pō***  
*Matariki draws the frail into the night*

***Matariki hunga nui***  
*Matariki of many people*

***Hauhake tū, ka tō Matariki***  
*The harvest ends when Matariki sets*

Matariki, oh, Matariki  
It's the Māori New Year  
Te Mātahi o te Tau                      **x2**

Whakamaumahara, let's remember... *our loved ones gone before us*  
Whakanui, let's celebrate with our whānau... *have some kai and a kanikani*  
Whakariterite, let's prepare... *sow some seeds set some goals look ahead*

Whakamaumahara – Whakanui – Whakariterite, aue!

## CHORUS

Twinkling in the winter sky... *just before dawn*  
Matariki signals the Māori New Year... *Te Mātahi o te Tau*  
A time together with friends and whanau,  
to remember... *celebrate and prepare*

Whakamaumahara – Whakanui – Whakariterite, aue!

## CHORUS

Whakamaumahara – Whakanui - Whakariterite    **x3**