

# Simon Mannerling: Warrior - The Life and Times of a Kiwi Rugby Legend

By Angus Gillies

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Simon Mannerling is one of New Zealand's most decorated rugby league players. He played for the New Zealand Warriors for 16 seasons, captaining the team for a record 10 years. He also represented New Zealand in 20 Tests. In this biography, Angus Gillies tells the story of Mannerling's life and career, from his humble beginnings in Huntly to his rise to the top of the rugby league world.

**\*\*Early Life and Career\*\***

Simon Mannerling was born on March 3, 1984, in Huntly, New Zealand. He grew up in a rugby league family, and his father, John, played for the Huntly

Warriors. Mannering played rugby league from a young age, and he quickly showed promise. He was selected for the New Zealand Secondary Schools team in 2001, and he made his debut for the Waikato Chiefs in 2003.

### **\*\*The New Zealand Warriors\*\***

In 2005, Mannering signed with the New Zealand Warriors. He quickly became a regular in the team, and he was named captain in 2009. Mannering led the Warriors to the NRL Grand Final in 2011, and he was named the RLIF Golden Boot Award winner in 2012. He retired from the Warriors at the end of the 2020 season, having played a record 301 games for the club.

### **\*\*International Career\*\***

Mannering made his debut for New Zealand in 2006. He played in 20 Tests for New Zealand, including three World Cups. He was part of the New Zealand team that won the Rugby League World Cup in 2008, and he was named the New Zealand Rugby League Player of the Year in 2010.

### **\*\*Legacy\*\***

Simon Mannering is one of the most successful rugby league players of his generation. He is a two-time NRL Premiership winner, a World Cup winner, and a Golden Boot Award winner. He is also a member of the New Zealand Maori Sports Hall of Fame. Mannering is widely regarded as one of the greatest rugby league players of all time.

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Simon Mannering is a true warrior. He is a man who has never given up on his dreams, and he has always fought for what he believes in. He is an inspiration to everyone who knows him, and his story is one that will be told for generations to come. This biography provides a fascinating insight into the life and career of one of New Zealand's most successful rugby league players.

### \*\*Reviews\*\*

*"Simon Mannering: Warrior is a gripping and inspiring read. Angus Gillies has done a masterful job of capturing the essence of one of New Zealand's greatest rugby league players."* - **Sir Graham Henry**

*"This is a must-read for any rugby league fan. Simon Mannering is a true legend of the game, and his story is one that will inspire everyone who reads it."* - **Sonny Bill Williams**

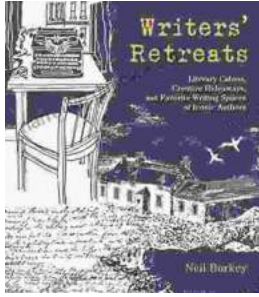


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