

BIRDS OF HERON ISLAND AND THE CAPRICORN AND BUNKER GROUPS

Common Name	Family	Genus species Notes
Breeding Populations		
Black Noddy Tern	LARIDAE	<i>Anous minutus</i>
Wedge-tailed Shearwater	PUFFINUS	<i>Puffinus pacificus</i>
Island Residents		
Eastern Reef Egret	ARDEIDAE	<i>Egretta sacra</i>
Buff Banded Rail	RALLIDAE	<i>Rallus philippensis</i>
Silver Eye	ZOSTEROPIDAE	<i>Zosterops lateralis</i>
Sacred Kingfisher	ALCEDINIDAE	<i>Todiramphus sanctus</i>
Black Faced Cuckoo Shrike	CAMPEPHAGIDAE	<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>
Silver Gull	LARIDAE	<i>Larus novaehollandiae</i>
Bar Shouldered Dove	COLUMBIDAE	<i>Geopelia humeralis</i>
Migratory Waders		
Pacific Golden Plover	CHARADRIIDAE	<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>
Mongolian Plover	CHARADRIIDAE	<i>Charadrius Mongolus</i>
Wandering Tattler	SCOLOPACIDAE	<i>Tringa brevipes</i>
Grey-tailed Tattler	SCOLOPACIDAE	<i>Tringa incana</i>
Bar-tailed Godwit	SCOLOPACIDAE	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>
Black-tailed Godwit	SCOLOPACIDAE	<i>Limosa limosa</i>
Ruddy Turnstone	SCOLOPACIDAE	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>
Red-necked Stint	SCOLOPACIDAE	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>
Whimbrel	SCOLOPACIDAE	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>

Breeding Populations: Birds that visit annually from October to March to breed.

Residents: Birds that live and breed on Heron Island.

Migratory Waders: Species that breed in the northern hemisphere summer and travel south to escape the northern hemisphere winter.

Visitors: Birds that roost on Heron Island but do not breed on the island. These birds may breed on the mainland or on nearby islands in the Capricorn and Bunker Group.