

Tyto Wetlands Bird Species

Brown Quail	R,S?	Nankeen Night-Heron	U,Sv
King Quail	R,S?	Glossy Ibis	R,Sv
Indian Peafowl	R,S?	Australian White Ibis	C,Sv
Magpie Goose	C,Sv	Straw-necked Ibis	C,Sv
Plumed Whistling-Duck	C,Sv	Royal Spoonbill	C,Sv
Wandering Whistling-Duck	C,Sv	Yellow-billed Spoonbill	R,Sv
Black Swan	R,Sv	Eastern Osprey	R,S?
Australian Wood Duck	U,Sv	Black-shouldered Kite	R,Sv
Cotton Pygmy-goose	U,Sv	Pacific Baza	U,Sv
Green Pygmy-goose	C,Sv	White-bellied Sea-Eagle	U,Sv
Grey Teal	R,Sv	Whistling Kite	C,Sv
Pacific Black Duck	C,Rs	Brahminy Kite	C,Rs
Hardhead	U,Sv	Black Kite	C,Rs
Australasian Grebe	C,Rs	Brown Goshawk	U,Rs
Great Crested Grebe	R,Sv	Collared Sparrowhawk	U,Rs
Hoary-headed Grebe	OR	Grey Goshawk	U,Rs
Rock Dove	R,S?	Spotted Harrier	R,Sv
Spotted Dove	C,Rs	Swamp Harrier	U,Sv
Emerald Dove	R,Sv	Wedge-tailed Eagle	R,Sv
Peaceful Dove	C,Rs	Little Eagle	R,Sv
Bar-shouldered Dove	C,Rs	Nankeen Kestrel	R,Sv
Wompoo Fruit-Dove	R,Sv	Brown Falcon	R,Sv
Superb Fruit-Dove	R,Sv	Australian Hobby	R,Sv
Rose-crowned Fruit-Dove	R,Sv	Brolga	R,Sv
Pied Imperial-Pigeon	U,Mn	Purple Swamphen	C,Rs
Topknot Pigeon	R,Sv	Buff-banded Rail	U,Rs
Tawny Frogmouth	R,Sv	Spotless Crane	U,Rs
Large-tailed Nightjar	R,Sv	White-browed Crane	C,Rs
Australian Swiftlet	U,Sv	Pale-vented Bush-hen	U,Rs
White-throated Needletail	R,Mn	Dusky Moorhen	R,Sv
Fork-tailed Swift	R,Mn	Bush Stone-curlew	C,Rs
Australasian Darter	U,Sv	Black-winged Stilt	U,Sv
Little Pied Cormorant	C,Rs	Pacific Golden Plover	R,Mn
Great Cormorant	R,Sv	Black-fronted Dotterel	C,Rs
Little Black Cormorant	C,Rs	Red-kneed Dotterel	R,Sv
Australian Pelican	U,Sv	Masked Lapwing	C,Rs
Black-necked Stork	U,Sv	Comb-crested Jacana	C,Rs
Australian Little Bittern	R,S?	Latham's Snipe	U,Mn
Black Bittern	U,Sv	Black-tailed Godwit	R,Mn
White-necked Heron	U,Sv	Common Sandpiper	R,Mn
Eastern Great Egret	C,Sv	Marsh Sandpiper	R,Mn
Intermediate Egret	C,Sv	Wood Sandpiper	U,Mn
Cattle Egret	U,Sv	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	U,Mn
White-faced Heron	C,Sv	Red-backed Button-quail	U,Rs
Little Egret	C,Sv	Whiskered Tern	U,Sv

Gull-billed Tern	R,Sv	White-gaped Honeyeater	C,Rs
Caspian Tern	R,Sv	Brown-backed Honeyeater	C,Mn
Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	C,Rs	Rufous-throated Honeyeater	C,Rs
Rainbow Lorikeet	C,Rs	Dusky Honeyeater	C,Rs
Scaly-breasted Lorikeet	C,Rs	Brown Honeyeater	C,Rs
Budgerigar	OR	White-throated Honeyeater	U,Rs
Red-winged Parrot	R,Sv	Blue-faced Honeyeater	R,Sv
Pheasant Coucal	C,Rs	Helmeted Friarbird	C,Rs
Eastern Koel	U,Mn	Noisy Friarbird	R,Sv
Channel-billed Cuckoo	R,Mn	Little Friarbird	R,Sv
Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo	C,Sv	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	C,Rs
Little Bronze-Cuckoo	C,Rs	White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike	C,Rs
Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	R,Sv	Cicadabird	R,Sv
Pallid Cuckoo	R,Sv	White-winged Triller	C,Rs
Fan-tailed Cuckoo	U,Sv	Varied Triller	C,Rs
Black-eared Cuckoo	OR	Golden Whistler	R,Sv
Brush Cuckoo	C,Rs	Grey Whistler	U,Rs
Oriental Cuckoo	R,Sv	Rufous Whistler	C,Rs
Eastern Grass Owl	R,S?	Little Shrike-thrush	C,Rs
Barking Owl	R,S?	Australasian Figbird	C,Rs
Southern Boobook	R,S?	Yellow Oriole	C,Rs
Spotted Nightjar	OR	Olive-backed Oriole	C,Rs
White-throated Nightjar	OR	White-breasted Woodswallow	C,Rs
Large-tailed Nightjar	U,Sv	Masked Woodswallow	OR
Azure Kingfisher	C,Rs	White-browed Woodswallow	OR
Little Kingfisher	C,Rs	Black-faced Woodswallow	U,Sv
Laughing Kookaburra	R,S?	Black Butcherbird	U,Rs
Blue-winged Kookaburra	C,Rs	Australian Magpie	R,Sv
Forest Kingfisher	C,Rs	Pied Currawong	R,Sv
Sacred Kingfisher	C,Sv	Spangled Drongo	U,Sv
Red-backed Kingfisher	OR	Rufous Fantail	U,Sv
Rainbow Bee-eater	C,Sv	Grey Fantail	U,Rs
Dollarbird	U,Mn	Northern Fantail	C,Sv
Noisy Pitta	R,Sv	Willie Wagtail	C,Rs
Red-backed Fairy-wren	C,Rs	Torresian Crow	C,Rs
Lovely Fairy-wren	R,S?	Leaden Flycatcher	C,Rs
Brown Gerygone	R,S?	Shining Flycatcher	C,Rs
Fairy Gerygone	C,Rs	White-eared Monarch	R,Sv
White-throated Gerygone	C,Rs	Black-faced Monarch	R,Sv
Yellow-spotted Honeyeater	U,Rs	Spectacled Monarch	C,Rs
Graceful Honeyeater	C,Rs	Magpie-lark	C,Rs
Lewin's Honeyeater	R,Sv	Lemon-bellied Flycatcher	R,Sv
Bridled honeyeater	OR	Red-capped Robin	R,Sv
Yellow-faced Honeyeater	R,Sv	White-browed Robin	U,Rs
Yellow Honeyeater	C,Rs	Golden-headed Cisticola	C,Rs

Australian Reed-Warbler	C,Rs	Olive-backed Sunbird	C,Rs
Tawny Grassbird	C,Rs	Crimson Finch	C,Rs
Little Grassbird	R,S?	Double-barred Fich	R,Sv
Rufous Songlark	R,Sv	Red-browed Finch	C,Rs
Silveryeye	C,Rs	Nutmeg Mannikin	C,Rs
Welcome Swallow	C,Rs	Chestnut-breasted Mannikin	C,Rs
Fairy Martin	C,Rs	Australasian Pipit	C,Rs
Tree Martin	U,Rs		
Metallic Starling	C,Sv	198 species	
Common Myna	C,Rs		
Mistletoebird	C,Rs		

LIST ANNOTATIONS

Abundance

C=Common

Likely to be recorded on most visits

U=Uncommon

Recorded regularly but not every visit

R=Rare

Recorded infrequently

OR=Out of Range

Does not usually occur in this area

Seasonal status

Rs=Resident, believed to occur in the area all year

Mn=Migrant from the North, approx Oct-Mar

Sv=Seasonal Visitor from within Australia

S?=Status uncertain

See over for further clarification of these annotations.

For more information see also:

www.tyto.com.au

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List Annotations

The **Abundance (C/U/R)** annotations give an indication of how easy or difficult it might be to find a species. They indicate the likelihood that an experienced birder might record the species, during a day bird-watching, at the right time of year, in the appropriate habitat, within the area described in this list.

The **Seasonal Status** annotations give a guide as how much time a species might spend in this area. Thus **Resident** species are believed to occur at least somewhere within the area all year round. **Seasonal Visitors** include migrants from within Australia, wandering nomadic species which move to the area when local conditions are suitable and also waterbirds such as ducks and egrets which may move out of the area to breed when conditions inland are suitable.

INFORMATION

The *Tyto Wetlands* are situated just South of the Ingham town Centre along the road to Townsville. The purpose of this list is to indicate to visitors the chances of seeing the various bird species during their visit.

The wetlands comprise about 120 hectares and include a series of lakes, swamps, grasslands and walking tracks. There is also a very good interpretive centre by the entrance.

It is a man made area, created by restoring a degraded swamp by the Hinchinbrook Shire Council, following awareness raised by John Young about its importance as a wildlife refuge. At the time it was also a local stronghold for the Eastern Grass Owl, which has again been recorded recently.

The swamp/wetland section never completely dries up and as such it is an important waterbird refuge in dry times. Some species not normally present may occur only in times of drought. Sections of the walking track may also be seasonally inundated. Indeed the entire area has experienced major wet season flooding in recent years.

A number of bird species are seasonal visitors and their occurrence depends on the availability of food inside the park and elsewhere. Other species such as the delightful Crimson Finch are usually present in good numbers throughout the year. More cryptic birds such as Little Bittern, Bush Hen and Spotless Crake might also be present all year but more luck and patience is needed to encounter them.

Bird information kindly provided by Tony Ashton.

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