



Bird List

Innes National Park is home to a diverse range of native and introduced birds, with 140 species in total. They thrive off the diverse range of habitat types, which provide refuge sites on the Lower Yorke Peninsula. Many of these species are of conservation significance, being listed as rare, endangered or vulnerable.

One species in particular is the Western Whipbird (*Psophodes nigrogularis*), which has played a significant role in the history of the park. The rediscovery of the Western Whipbird in 1962 resulted in Innes being dedicated as a National Park in 1970, to protect the bird's habitat.

A number of Field Guides are available to assist birdwatchers in South Australia. Use the detailed descriptions and illustrations in your field guide to identify species and confirm your sightings.

Take a pair of binoculars and your patience for best results. Please remain on designated trails at all times for your own safety and to protect valuable habitat.

The following annotated list of birds recorded from Innes National Park was compiled by Kent Treloar, Birds Australia Atlas Regional Organiser of the Yorke Peninsula, from confirmed sightings since 1998. They are listed in order of The New Atlas of Australian Birds 1998 to 2002 (Geoff Barrett, Andrew Silcocks, Simon Barry, Ross Cunningham, Rory Poulter, 2003).

Common Name	Species Name	Common Name	Species Name
Emu	<i>Dromaius novaehollandiae</i>	Whistling Kite	<i>Haliastur sphenurus</i>
Malleefowl	<i>Leipoa ocellata</i>	White-bellied Sea-Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>
Stubble Quail	<i>Coturnix pectoralis</i>	Spotted Harrier	<i>Circus assimilis</i>
Black Swan	<i>Cygnus atratus</i>	Brown Goshawk	<i>Accipiter fasciatus</i>
Cape Barren Goose	<i>Cereopsis novaehollandiae</i>	Collared Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter cirrhocephalus</i>
Australian Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadornoides</i>	Wedge-tailed Eagle	<i>Aquila audax</i>
Australian Wood Duck	<i>Chenonetta jubata</i>	Brown Falcon	<i>Falco berigora</i>
Pacific Black Duck	<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Australian Hobby	<i>Falco longipennis</i>
Grey Teal	<i>Anas gracilis</i>	Black Falcon	<i>Falco subniger</i>
Chestnut Teal	<i>Anas castanea</i>	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
Australasian Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus novaehollandiae</i>	Nankeen Kestrel	<i>Falco cenchroides</i>
Hoary-headed Grebe	<i>Poliiocephalus poliocephalus</i>	Australian Spotted Crake	<i>Porzana fluminea</i>
Little Penguin	<i>Eudyptula minor</i>	Black-tailed Native-hen	<i>Gallinula ventralis</i>
Flesh-footed Shearwater	<i>Puffinus cameipes</i>	Painted Button-quail	<i>Turnix varia</i>
Short-tailed Shearwater	<i>Puffinus tenuirostris</i>	Eastern Curlew	<i>Numenius madagascariensis</i>
Fluttering Shearwater	<i>Puffinus gavia</i>	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>
Black-browed Albatross	<i>Thalassarche melanophris</i>	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
Shy Albatross	<i>Thalassarche cauta</i>	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>
Australasian Gannet	<i>Morus serrator</i>	Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>
Little Pied Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax melanoleucos</i>	Red-necked Stint	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>
Black-faced Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax fuscescens</i>	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	<i>Calidris acuminata</i>
Pied Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>	Curlew Sandpiper	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>
Little Black Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	Pied Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus longirostris</i>
Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	Sooty Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus fuliginosus</i>
Australian Pelican	<i>Pelecanus conspicillatus</i>	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
White-faced Heron	<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>	Banded Stilt	<i>Cladorhynchus leucocephalus</i>

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Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	Red-necked Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra novaehollandiae</i>
Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>
Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	Red-capped Plover	<i>Charadrius ruficapillus</i>
Black-shouldered Kite	<i>Elanus axillaris</i>	Hooded Plover	<i>Thinornis rubricollis</i>
Banded Lapwing	<i>Vanellus tricolor</i>	Red Wattlebird	<i>Anthochaera carunculata</i>
Masked Lapwing	<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Spiny-cheeked Honeyeater	<i>Acanthagenys rufogularis</i>
Great Skua	<i>Catharacta skua</i>	Yellow-throated Miner	<i>Manorina flavigula</i>
Pacific Gull	<i>Larus pacificus</i>	Singing Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus virescens</i>
Silver Gull	<i>Larus novaehollandiae</i>	Purple-gaped Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus cratitius</i>
Caspian Tern	<i>Sterna caspia</i>	Yellow-plumed Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus ornatus</i>
Crested Tern	<i>Sterna bergii</i>	Brown-headed Honeyeater	<i>Melithreptus brevirostris</i>
Fairy Tern	<i>Sterna nereis</i>	New Holland Honeyeater	<i>Phylidonyris novaehollandiae</i>
Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>	White-fronted Honeyeater	<i>Phylidonyris albifrons</i>
Spotted Turtle-Dove *	<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	Tawny-crowned Honeyeater	<i>Phylidonyris melanops</i>
Common Bronzewing	<i>Phaps chalcoptera</i>	White-fronted Chat	<i>Ephthianura albifrons</i>
Brush Bronzewing	<i>Phaps elegans</i>	Scarlet Robin	<i>Petroica boodang</i>
Crested Pigeon	<i>Ocyphaps lophotes</i>	Southern Scrub-robin	<i>Drymodes brunneopygia</i>
Galah	<i>Cacatua roseicapilla</i>	White-browed Babbler	<i>Pomatostomus superciliosus</i>
Little Corella	<i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>	Western Whipbird	<i>Psophodes nigrogularis</i>
Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	Varied Sittella	<i>Daphoenositta chrysoptera</i>
Rainbow Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Crested Bellbird	<i>Oreoica gutturalis</i>
Purple-crowned Lorikeet	<i>Glossopsitta porphyrocephala</i>	Golden Whistler	<i>Pachycephala pectoralis</i>
Blue Bonnet	<i>Northiella haematogaster</i>	Rufous Whistler	<i>Pachycephala rufiventris</i>
Red-rumped Parrot	<i>Psephotus haematonotus</i>	Grey Shrike-thrush	<i>Colluricincla harmonica</i>
Mulga Parrot	<i>Psephotus varius</i>	Magpie-lark	<i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>
Elegant Parrot	<i>Neophema elegans</i>	Grey Fantail	<i>Rhipidura albiscapa</i>
Rock Parrot	<i>Neophema petrophila</i>	Willie Wagtail	<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>
Fan-tailed Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis flabelliformis</i>	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>
Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx basalis</i>	Dusky Woodswallow	<i>Artamus cyanopterus</i>
Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx lucidus</i>	Grey Butcherbird	<i>Cracticus torquatus</i>
Southern Boobook	<i>Ninox novaeseelandiae</i>	Australian Magpie	<i>Gymnorhina tibicen</i>
Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>	Grey Currawong	<i>Strepera versicolor</i>
Tawny Frogmouth	<i>Podargus strigoides</i>	Australian Raven	<i>Corvus coronoides</i>
Spotted Nightjar	<i>Eurostopodus argus</i>	Little Raven	<i>Corvus mellori</i>
Australian Owlet-nightjar	<i>Aegotheles cristatus</i>	Singing Bushlark	<i>Mirafra javanica</i>
Sacred Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus sanctus</i>	Skylark *	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>
Variegated Fairy-wren	<i>Malurus lamberti</i>	Richard's Pipit	<i>Anthus novaeseelandiae</i>
Spotted Pardalote	<i>Pardalotus punctatus</i>	House Sparrow *	<i>Passer domesticus</i>
Striated Pardalote	<i>Pardalotus striatus</i>	Welcome Swallow	<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>
White-browed Scrubwren	<i>Sericornis frontalis</i>	Tree Martin	<i>Hirundo nigricans</i>
Shy Heathwren	<i>Hylacola cauta</i>	Fairy Martin	<i>Hirundo ariel</i>
Weebill	<i>Smicronis brevirostris</i>	Silvereye	<i>Zosterops lateralis</i>
Inland Thornbill	<i>Acanthiza albiventris</i>	Common Blackbird *	<i>Turdus merula</i>
Yellow-rumped Thornbill	<i>Acanthiza chrysorrhoa</i>	Common Starling *	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>

* Denotes introduced species

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