

Weipa and District Bird Species

Australian Brush-turkey	Black Bittern	Australian Pied Oystercatcher	Crested Tern	Fairy Gerygone	Little Woodswallow
Orange-footed Scrubfowl	White-necked Heron	Black-winged Stilt	Silver Gull	White-throated Gerygone	Black Butcherbird
Brown Quail	Eastern Great Egret	Red-necked Avocet	Palm Cockatoo - C	Red-browed Pardalote	Black-backed Butcherbird - C
Magpie Goose	Intermediate Egret	Pacific Golden Plover	Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo	Striated Pardalote	Pied Butcherbird
Spotted Whistling-Duck - C	Great-billed Heron	Grey Plover	Galah	Yellow-spotted Honeyeater	Spangled Drongo
Plumed Whistling-Duck	Cattle Egret	Red-capped Plover	Long-billed Corella	Graceful Honeyeater	Rufous Fantail
Wandering Whistling-Duck	Striated Heron	Lesser Sand Plover	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	White-gaped Honeyeater	Arafura Fantail
Radjah Shelduck	Pied Heron	Greater Sand Plover	Rainbow Lorikeet	Yellow Honeyeater	Northern Fantail
Pink-eared Duck	White-faced Heron	Oriental Plover	Red-winged Parrot	Yellow-tinted Honeyeater	Willie Wagtail
Cotton Pygmy-goose	Little Egret	Black-fronted Dotterel	Pale-headed Rosella	Brown-backed Honeyeater	Torresian Crow
Green Pygmy-goose	Eastern Reef Egret	Red-kneed Dotterel	Pheasant Coucal	Bar-breasted Honeyeater	Broad-billed Flycatcher
Grey Teal	Nankeen Night-Heron	Banded Lapwing	Eastern Koel	Rufous-banded Honeyeater	Leaden Flycatcher
Pacific Black Duck	Glossy Ibis	Masked Lapwing	Channel-billed Cuckoo	Dusky Honeyeater	Satin Flycatcher
Hardhead	Australian White Ibis	Comb-crested Jacana	Horsfield's Bronze-Cuckoo	Red-headed Honeyeater	Shining Flycatcher
Australasian Grebe	Straw-necked Ibis	Latham's Snipe	Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	Banded Honeyeater	Black-faced Monarch
Great Crested Grebe	Royal Spoonbill	Black-tailed Godwit	Little Bronze-Cuckoo	Brown Honeyeater	Spectacled Monarch
Emerald Dove	Yellow-billed Spoonbill	Bar-tailed Godwit	Pallid Cuckoo	White-streaked Honeyeater - C	Magpie-lark
Common Bronzewing	Eastern Osprey	Little Curlew	Chestnut-breasted Cuckoo	White-throated Honeyeater	Frilled Monarch - C
Peaceful Dove	Black-shouldered Kite	Whimbrel	Fan-tailed Cuckoo	Blue-faced Honeyeater	Yellow-breasted Boatbill
Bar-shouldered Dove	Square-tailed Kite	Eastern Curlew	Brush Cuckoo	Helmeted Friarbird	Trumpet Manucock - C
Wompoo Fruit-Dove	Black-breasted Buzzard	Terek Sandpiper	Oriental Cuckoo	Silver-crowned Friarbird	Magnificent Riflebird - C
Superb Fruit-Dove	Pacific Baza	Common Sandpiper	Rufous Owl	Noisy Friarbird	Lemon-bellied Flycatcher
Rose-crowned Fruit-Dove	White-bellied Sea-Eagle	Grey-tailed Tattler	Southern Boobook	Little Friarbird	White-browed Robin
Pied Imperial-Pigeon	Whistling Kite	Common Greenshank	Eastern Barn Owl	Tawny-breasted Honeyeater - C	Golden-headed Cisticola
Topknot Pigeon	Brahminy Kite	Marsh Sandpiper	Eastern Grass Owl	Grey-crowned Babbler	Tawny Grassbird
Tawny Frogmouth	Black Kite	Asian Dowitcher	Azure Kingfisher	Varied Sittella	Welcome Swallow
Papuan Frogmouth	Brown Goshawk	Great Knot	Little Kingfisher	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	Fairy Martin
White-throated Nightjar	Collared Sparrowhawk	Red Knot	Laughing Kookaburra	White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike	Tree Martin
Spotted Nightjar	Grey Goshawk	Red-necked Stint	Blue-winged Kookaburra	Cicadabird	Mistletoebird
Large-tailed Nightjar	Spotted Harrier	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	Yellow-billed Kingfisher - C	White-winged Triller	Olive-backed Sunbird
Australian Swiftlet	Swamp Harrier	Curlew Sandpiper	Forest Kingfisher	Varied Triller	Double-barred Finch
White-throated Needletail	Little Eagle	Red-chested Button-quail	Red-backed Kingfisher	Mangrove Golden Whistler	Red-browed Finch
Fork-tailed Swift	Nankeen Kestrel	Australian Pratincole	Sacred Kingfisher	Grey Whistler	Nutmeg Mannikin §
Lesser Frigatebird	Brown Falcon	Common Noddy	Collared Kingfisher	Rufous Whistler	Chestnut-breasted Mannikin
Great Frigatebird	Australian Hobby	Bridled Tern	Rainbow Bee-eater	Little Shrike-thrush	Australasian Pipit
Red-footed Booby	Black Falcon	Little Tern	Dollarbird	Grey Shrike-thrush	
Brown Booby	Peregrine Falcon	Gull-billed Tern	Brown Treecreeper	Australasian Figbird	253 species
Australasian Darter	Sarus Crane	Caspian Tern	Great Bowerbird	Yellow Oriole	C - Cape York special birds
Little Pied Cormorant	Brolga	Whiskered Tern	Red-backed Fairy-wren	Olive-backed Oriole	§ - Introduced birds
Great Cormorant	White-browed Crake	White-winged Black Tern	Lovely Fairy-wren	White-breasted Woodswallow	
Little Black Cormorant	Eurasian Coot	Roseate Tern	Tropical Scrubwren - C	Masked Woodswallow	
Pied Cormorant	Australian Bustard	Black-naped Tern	Weebill	White-browed Woodswallow	
Australian Pelican	Bush Stone-curlew	Common Tern	Mangrove Gerygone		Updated January 2008
Black-necked Stork	Beach Stone-curlew	Lesser Crested Tern	Large-billed Gerygone		

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The BANQ area covers Queensland from Ayr north to the Torres Strait Islands and west to the Northern Territory border.

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INFORMATION

Weipa on the far north-west coast of Cape York Peninsula is a great birding location with access to a variety of habitats. There are coastal dunes, wetlands, mangroves, patches of vine forest, gallery forests along the major rivers as well as the tall open Darwin Stringybark forests of the Weipa plateau.

A highlight of visiting Weipa is the only known mainland roost of frigatebirds. Large numbers of both Great and Lesser Frigatebirds roost on the western Weipa peninsula. Many come down to roost after sunset, just on dark, along the main road into town between the port facilities and Evans Landing. Visitors also come to Weipa to see Spotted Whistling Ducks and Cape York specialities like Magnificent Riflebird. Local Stringybark forests are a refuge for the disappearing black-backed form of the Brown Treecreeper.

There are no national parks or public nature reserves in the vicinity of Weipa. Outside the township of Weipa, all land is either on mining lease or Aboriginal land.

Numbers for access information and permits:

Weipa Town Authority (07) 4030 9400
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Information including maps can be downloaded from the Weipa Visitor Centre website, www.weipavisitorcentre.com/ but the Centre buildings are currently closed. Note: in the Wet season (Dec-Mar) Weipa is accessible only by air or sea.

Location

12°37'48"S 141°52'43"E (AUS 84)

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