

Birds of Tin Can Bay Foreshore

Bird Walk (Site 11)



Brown Quail (*Coturnix australis*)



Local Status - Uncommon

Female

Status relates only to the relative abundance of species
on the Tin Can Bay Foreshore Bird Walk

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The most common quail of our region and most often flushed when walking through grassy paddocks. Its call is a thin ascending whistle, usually heard at dawn and dusk.

Bird Size - 18cm.

Food - Seeds and insects.

Nest style - A depression in the ground.

Material used - Grass as a lining.

Nest Site - In rank grass or the shelter of a grass tuft or small bush, generally close to a water source.

Breeding Season & Details - August to May, from four to as many as twenty eggs laid once to three times a year.

Habits - Usually in flocks, frequenting grasslands and cultivated pastures. It is nomadic, following food supplies.