Birds of Tin Can Bay Foreshore Bird Walk (Site 10)

Eastern Yellow Robin

(Eopsaltria australis)



Local Status – Very Rare

Status relates only to the relative abundance of species on the Tin Can Bay Foreshore Bird Walk (*Photography by Amelia Nielsen & Kev Bowring*)
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A confiding bird, grey on the back with yellow underparts. It has a habit of perching sideways on tree trunks, and often frequents bushland picnic grounds. Common names used are "Yellowbob" or "Bark Robin".

Bird Size - 15cm

Food - Insects.

Nest style - Neat and cup-shaped

Material used - Grasses and strips of bark bound by spider-webbing, lined with dry grasses, plant fibre, and small dry leaves. Quite well camouflaged, the outside is often decorated with lichen and/or strips of bark.

Nest Site - In saplings, shrubs, small trees or vines, up to fifteen metres above the ground. Sometimes amongst bracken or other low vegetation.

Breeding Season & Details - June to January with two to three eggs laid once, twice, or more a year.

Habits - Frequents heavier forests and woodlands, occasionally straying into forested gullies fringing urban areas. Usually the first bird to call in the morning and the last to call at night, it gives a persistent short whistle, or a faint piping call.