Birds of Tin Can Bay Foreshore Bird Walk (Site 11)

Peregrine Falcon

(Falco peregrinus)



Local Status – Uncommon

Status relates only to the relative abundance of species on the Tin Can Bay Foreshore Bird Walk (*Photography by Wayne Lock*) (*Birds Queensland*) For further information, email cooloolanature@spiderweb.com.au

One of the fastest birds of prey, and perhaps the most regal in appearance with its' black hood and yellow eye-ring.

Bird Size - Male 38cm, Female 48cm

Food - Birds

Nest style - None built

Material used - Not applicable

Nest Site - A ledge on a cliff face, a shallow hollow in a tree or trunk, or the abandoned nest of another raptor or crow. Nest sites used over many consecutive seasons.

Breeding Season & Details - July to November, varying throughout its' range with seasonal conditions. Two to rarely four eggs laid once a year.

Habits - All habitats throughout Australia, killing much of its' prey on the wing, generally in swooping dives. At times it takes prey much larger than itself, and has even been reported to have killed a Bustard.