Birds of Tin Can Bay Foreshore Bird Walk (Site 6)

Varied Triller (Lalage leucomela)



A black & white bird with a rufous undertail, and a distinctive trilling call. Sometimes referred to as "Caterpillar-eater".

Bird Size - 18-21cm

Food - Insects, native fruit & berries.

Nest style - Small, shallow, & saucer-shaped.

Material used - Rootlets, grasses, vine stems & bark, bound by spider-webbing.

Nest Site - A thin forked horizontal branch at heights from five to fifteen metres above the ground.

Breeding Season & Details - September to January, with one egg laid.

Habits - An inhabitant of the rainforest, heavier forests, and coastal vegetation, often encountered foraging in the outer foliage of trees.

Local Status – Uncommon

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