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

## White-throated Honeyeater

(Melithreptus albogularis)



**Local Status – Common** 

Status relates only to the relative abundance of species on the Tin Can Bay Foreshore Bird Walk (Photography by Kev Bowring)

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A small khaki-green backed white bellied honeyeater with a black head, white nape, & blue coloured wattle above the eye. This bird closely resembles it's cousin, the White-naped Honeyeater, which has a red eye wattle.

**Bird Size** - 13-15cm.

**Food** - Insects & nectar, also has been seen taking sap from Melaleucas.

Nest style - Cup shaped.

**Material used** - Shredded bark, bound by cobwebs and grass, lined with shredded bark, fine grass, fur or hair.

**Nest Site** - Prefers outer foliage of trees, (preferably tall), in the topmost branches. Depending on tree height availability, may be from three to twenty metres.

**Breeding Season & Details** - July to January, at times two hatchings, with two eggs.

**Habits** - Usually in small flocks, feeding mostly in the taller branches.