

Birds of Tin Can Bay Foreshore

Bird Walk (Site 7)



Bar-shouldered Dove (*Geopelia humeralis*)



Local Status - Uncommon

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

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A familiar bird of farm-yard & fowl pens in our region. It's "hop-off" call is a feature of our rural lands and coastal scrubs. An alternative common name is "Mangrove Dove", referring to another of it's habitats. Sometimes found in urban areas.

Bird Size - 27-29cm.

Food - Seeds, native fruits, & berries.

Nest style - Platform.

Material used - Thin dry twigs & grass.

Nest Site - Small, frail, and almost flat platform, placed in a small bush or tree at heights from eight to ten metres above the ground in mangroves or heavier inland vegetation.

Breeding Season & Details - From August to March with two eggs laid, but can be variable in nesting depending on seasonal conditions.

Habits - In pairs or small flocks, preferring heavier forests than it's cousin and smaller species, the Peaceful Dove, which also inhabits mangroves.