




Kangaroo Island Birds

Common Bronzewing



Large pigeon with glossy bronzed orange/green patch on wings, white curved line under eye

 Granivore
 Ground

Bush stone-curlew



Tall, nocturnal bird with white eyebrow, white chin and throat, grey/brown body with black flecks

 Insectivore, carnivore, granivore
 Ground

Nankeen kestrel



Small falcon with dark teardrop, orange/brown back with black flecks, white underparts, dark tail bar

 Insectivore, carnivore
 Trees, shrubs, ground, air


Wedge-tailed eagle





Large eagle, dark brown to black head and wings, legs feathered to feet, wedge-shaped tail

 Carnivore
 Trees, shrubs, ground, air


Southern boobook owl





Nocturnal owl with dark shading around eyes rimmed with white, brown upperparts with white spots

 Carnivore, insectivore
 Ground, air


KI glossy black-cockatoo





Small cockatoo with dark brown-black body, red panel on tail

 Granivore
 Trees


Yellow-tailed black-cockatoo





Large, black cockatoo with yellow cheek patches and yellow tail panel

 Granivore
 Trees, shrubs, ground

Galah





A parrot with pink chest and face, pale-pink crest and grey wings

 Granivore, herbivore
 Trees, ground

KI crimson rosella





A parrot with red head, upper and underparts, blue cheek patch, shoulders and upper tail

 Granivore, herbivore, nectarivore, insectivore
 Trees, shrubs, ground

Rainbow lorikeet



A parrot with bright blue head, green wings, yellow and orange chest

 Nectarivore, granivore, insectivore
 Trees, shrubs, ground

Laughing kookaburra



A large kingfisher with brown eye-stripe, brown back and wings with blue flecks, white underparts

 Carnivore, insectivore
 Trees, ground

KI brown thornbill



A thornbill with dark red eye, olive-brown upperparts, mottled cream underparts, cinnamon rump

 Insectivore
 Trees, ground

Silvereye



A small bird with a white ring around eye, olive-green head and wings, grey back, soft-grey underparts

 Omnivore
 Trees, shrubs

Striated pardalote



A small bird with black head, yellow and white eyebrow, grey-brown back, black wings with white stripe & red dot

 Insectivore and nectarivore
 Trees, shrubs


KI superb fairy-wren





Adult males have rich blue and black head, cheeks and back. Females and juveniles have grey-brown upperparts

 Insectivore
 Shrubs, ground

Golden whistler



Adult males have black head and breast band, white throat, yellow underparts. Females grey-brown

 Insectivore
 Trees, shrubs


Grey shrike-thrush




A thrush with grey upperparts, olive-brown saddle over back, paler underparts

 Insectivore, carnivore
 Trees, ground

Eastern spinebill



A honeyeater with long, fine, down-curved beak, black crown, white chest, rufous-buff underparts

 Nectarivore, insectivore
 Shrubs, air


New Holland honeyeater





A black and white honeyeater, with yellow wing patch and yellow sides on the tail and white striped chest

 Nectarivore, insectivore
 Trees, shrubs, air


Crescent honeyeater





A honeyeater with red eye, black or brown crescents across shoulder, grey head, white eyebrow, yellow wing panel

 Nectarivore, insectivore
 Shrubs

KI purple-gaped honeyeater



A honeyeater with grey head and upperparts, black mask, yellow ear tuft and throat, purple skin from beak to ear

 Nectarivore, insectivore
 Trees, shrubs

Red wattlebird




A large honeyeater with red wattles on throat (bare, drooping skin), black crown, grey-brown body, yellow belly

Nectarivore, insectivore

Trees, shrubs, air

Willie wagtail



A fantail with black upperparts, white belly, white eyebrow, long black tail waves from side to side

Insectivore

Ground, air

Grey fantail




A grey fantail with short white eyebrow and mark behind eye, white belly, grey tail with white tips often fanned

Insectivore

Trees, shrubs, air

Scarlet robin



Males have black head with white spot, red chest, white wing stripe. Females have pink chest, grey brown upperparts

Insectivore

Shrubs, ground

Little raven




A small corvid with all black body, beak and legs, white eye, inconspicuous throat hackles

Omnivore

Ground

Australian magpie



Black-and-white bird with wedge-shaped bill, red-brown eye, white back, black underparts

Omnivore

Ground

Welcome swallow




A swallow with metallic blue-black upperparts, grey underparts, rust-red forehead and chest, long forked tail

Insectivore

Air

Beautiful firetail



A finch with red beak and tail patch, lilac eye-ring, black mask, dark bars across underparts, fine bars upperparts

Granivore

Trees, ground

Red-browed finch




A finch with red beak, eyebrow and tail patch, olive-green upperparts, grey underparts

Granivore

Trees, ground

Australian pelican



Large bird with white head and underparts, black back and wings, long pink beak with pink pouch

Carnivore

Air, sea

Little pied cormorant



Large bird with black back, wings and tail, white face and underparts, hooked beak, often seen drying wings

Carnivore

Air, sea, ground

Australian shelduck




Large duck with black head, neck and back, white neck band, orange-brown chest, white and green on wings

Omnivore

Water, ground

Black swan



A swan with black body, white tipped wings, red beak with white stripe, black legs and feet

Herbivore

Water, ground

Australian white ibis



Large white bird with black head, tail patch and feet, long-curved black beak, bare black skin on head

Carnivore, insectivore

Water, ground

White-faced heron



A slender, blue-grey heron with white face, yellow legs, long beak

Carnivore, insectivore

Water

Masked lapwing



A large plover with black crown, yellow wattle on face and forehead, brown black-tipped wings, yellow wing spur

Insectivore

Ground, air

Hooded plover



A medium plover with black head and throat, red beak and eye ring, white collar and belly, grey-brown upperparts

Insectivore, carnivore

Ground

Australian pied oystercatcher



Large shorebird with black head back and breast and white belly, long red bill and eyes, red legs

Insectivore, carnivore

Ground, water

Pacific gull



A large white gull with black back and wings, big yellow beak with red tip, yellow legs

Insectivore, carnivore

Ground, water

Little penguin



Small penguin with blue-grey back, white underparts, grey-black beak, pink webbed feet

Carnivore

Water, ground

Types of food:

- Herbivore
- Insectivore
- Nectarivore
- Omnivore
- Granivore
- Carnivore

Where they feed:

- Tree
- Shrub
- Ground
- Air
- Water

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