

Black-browed Albatross. At sea off Cape Horn, South Atlantic. 9th February 2009.  
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# List of Albatrosses with References

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## Introduction

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## Laysan Albatross

***Phoebastria immutabilis*** [Rothschild].

Breeding: Torishima Island (S Izu Islands, Japan region, NW Pacific), Mukojima group (Bonin / Ogasawara Islands, Japan region, NW Pacific) and Kure Atoll, Midway Island, Laysan Island, Nihoa, Ni'ihau & Kaua'i (NW Hawaiian Islands), Moko Manu (off NE Oahu, Hawaii Islands) and Guadalupe Island (off Baja California, W Mexico) & Revillagigedo Islands (off S Baja California, W Mexico).  
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## **Black-footed Albatross**

***Phoebastria nigripes*** [Audubon].

Breeding: Torishima Island (S Izu Islands, Japan region, NW Pacific), Mukojima group (Bonin / Ogasawara Islands, Japan region, NW Pacific), Kita-ko-jima (S Ryukyu Islands, East China Sea) and Midway Island, Laysan Island, Lisianski Island, Pearl and Hermes Reef & French Frigate Shoals (NW Hawaiian Islands).

Non-breeding: Most of the N Pacific.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 as *Diomedea nigripes*.

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## Waved Albatross

***Phoebastria irrorata*** [Salvin].

Breeding: Española Island (Galapágos) & La Plata Island (off Ecuador).

Non-breeding: Seas between Galapágos and the coasts of Peru and Ecuador.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 as *Diomedea irrorata*.

Other name: Galapágos Albatross.

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## Short-tailed Albatross

*Phoebastria albatrus* [Pallas].

Breeding: Torishima Island (S Izu Islands, Japan region, NW Pacific) Minami Kojima (Senkaku Islands, East China Sea), Yomejima (Bonin / Ogasawara Islands, Japan region, NW Pacific) and Midway Island (NW Hawaii islands).

Non-breeding: Coast of Japan & E Russia across N Pacific & Bering Sea to North America.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 as *Diomedea albatrus*.

Other name: Steller's Albatross.

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## Wandering Albatross

### *Diomedea exulans* [Linnaeus]

Breeding: South Georgia Island (S Atlantic), Prince Edward & Marion Islands, Crozet & Kerguelen, Heard & McDonald Islands (S Indian Ocean) and possibly on Macquarie Island (Australia region).

Non-breeding: Circumpolar in the southern oceans.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 as polytypic with forms *exulans* & *dabbenena*.

Other name: Snowy Albatross.

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## New Zealand Albatross

***Diomedea antipodensis*** [Robertson & Warham].

[*D.a. antipodensis*] Breeding: Antipodes Islands, Campbell Island and Main Island & Pitt Island (Chatham Islands) (all New Zealand region).

[*D.a. gibsoni*] Breeding: Auckland Islands (New Zealand region).

Non-breeding: W to Tasman Sea and E across S Pacific towards coasts of E South America.

Both races considered by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 to be included in *D.e. exulans*.

Other name: Antipodean Albatross (*antipodensis*), Gibson's Albatross (*gibsoni*).

**John Douglas Gibson** (1924-1984), Australian ornithologist who became an internationally respected authority on the Albatrosses.

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### **Amsterdam Albatross**

***Diomedea amsterdamensis*** [Roux, Jouventin, Mouglin, Stahl & Weimerskirch].

Breeding: Plateau des Tourbières (Amsterdam Island, S Indian Ocean).

Non-breeding: Probably S Indian Ocean possibly as far E as Australia.

Other name: Amsterdam Island Albatross.

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## Tristan Albatross

***Diomedea dabbenena*** [Mathews].

Breeding: Inaccessible Island & Gough Island (Tristan da Cunha group, S Atlantic).

Non-breeding: S Atlantic and possibly SW Indian Ocean.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 as a race of Wandering Albatross.

Roberto Dabbene (1864-1938), Argentinian ornithologist.

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## Royal Albatrosses

### Southern Royal Albatross

***Diomedea epomophora*** [Lesson].

Breeding: Campbell Island (New Zealand region) and Auckland Island, Adams Island & Enderby Island (Auckland Islands, New Zealand region). Birds on Enderby Island include some Southern Royal x Northern Royal hybrids.

Non-breeding: Circumpolar in the southern oceans especially W & E coasts of South America.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 as polytypic with forms *epomophora* & *sanfordi*.

### Northern Royal Albatross

***Diomedea sanfordi*** [Murphy].

Breeding: Forty-fours Island, Big Sister Island & Little Sister Island (Chatham Islands, New Zealand region), Enderby Island (Auckland Islands, New Zealand region) & Taiaroa Head (Otago peninsula, South Island, New Zealand). Birds on Enderby Island include some Northern Royal x Southern Royal hybrids.

Non-breeding: Circumpolar in the southern oceans especially Indian Ocean and seas off South Africa & Australia.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 as a race of *D.e. epomophora*.

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## Sooty Albatross

*Phoebastria fusca* [Hilsenbergl].

Breeding: Tristan da Cunha group & Gough Island (S Atlantic), Prince Edward and Marion Islands, Crozet, Kerguelen, Amsterdam Island & St. Paul Island (S Indian Ocean).

Non-breeding: S Atlantic & S Indian Oceans N to about 30°S.

Other names: Dark-mantled Sooty Albatross, Dark-mantled Albatross.

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## Light-mantled Albatross

*Phoebetria palpebrata* [J.R. Forster].

Breeding: South Georgia Island (S Atlantic), Prince Edward and Marion Islands, Crozet, Kerguelen, Heard & McDonald Islands (S Indian Ocean) and Macquarie Island (Australia region), Auckland Island, Antipodes Islands & Campbell Island (New Zealand region).

Non-breeding: Southern oceans N to about 35°S.

Other name: Light-mantled Sooty Albatross, Grey-mantled Albatross.

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### **Black-browed Albatross**

*Thalassarche melanophris* [Temminck].

Breeding: Falkland Islands, South Georgia & South Sandwich Islands (S Atlantic), Crozet, Kerguelen, Heard and McDonald Islands (S Indian Ocean), Macquarie Island & Bishop & Clerk Islets (Australia region), Antipodes Islands, Campbell Island & Snares Islands (New Zealand region) and Islas Ildefonso, Diego De Almagro, Isla Evangelistas & Islas Diego Ramírez (Chile region, off Cape Horn). Non-breeding: N from breeding areas towards continental shelf waters in the southern oceans with a history of vagrancy to N Atlantic waters.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 as polytypic *Diomedea melanophris* with forms *melanophris* & *impavida*.

Other name: Black-browed Mollymawk.

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## Campbell Albatross

***Thalassarche impavida*** [Mathews].

Breeding: Campbell Island & Jeanette Marie Island (Campbell Islands, New Zealand region).

Non-breeding: S Pacific, Tasman Sea & Ross Sea.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 as a race of Black-browed Albatross.

Other name: Campbell Mollymawk.

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## Shy Albatross

***Thalassarche cauta*** [Gould].

[*T.c. cauta*] Breeding: Albatross Island (Hunter Island group, Bass Strait, Australia), Pedra Blanca & Mewstone (Pedra Blanca group, off S Tasmania).

[*T.c. steadi*] Breeding: Disappointment Island & Auckland Island (Auckland Islands group, New Zealand region), Bollons Island & Antipodes Island (Antipodes Islands group, New Zealand region).

Non-breeding: Throughout the southern oceans.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 as *Diomedea cauta* with forms *cauta*, *salvini* & *eremita*.

Other names: Tasmanian Albatross (*cauta*), White-capped Albatross/Mollymawk (*steadi*).

Form *steadi* possibly best treated as a full species.

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## Chatham Albatross

*Thalassarche eremita* [Murphy].

Breeding: The Pyramid Rock (S of Pitt Island, Chatham Islands, New Zealand region).

Non-breeding: E to waters off the coasts of Chile in S Pacific.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 as a race of Shy Albatross.

Other name: Chatham Island Albatross.

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## Salvin's Albatross

*Thalassarche salvini* [Rothschild].

Breeding: Bounty Islands & Snares Islands (New Zealand region), Crozet & Kerguelen (S Indian Ocean).

Non-breeding: Throughout the southern oceans with concentrations in waters off C Chile.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 as a race of Shy Albatross.

Other name: Grey-backed Albatross.

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### Grey-headed Albatross

***Thalassarche chrysostoma*** [J.R. Forster].

Breeding: South Georgia (S Atlantic), Prince Edward and Marion Islands, Crozet & Kerguelen (S Indian Ocean), Macquarie Island (Australia region), Campbell Island (New Zealand region) and Islas Diego Ramírez & Islas Idefonso (Chile region, off Cape Horn).

Non-breeding: Throughout the southern oceans N to about 45°S.

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Other name: Gray-headed Albatross.

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## Atlantic Yellow-nosed Albatross

*Thalassarche chlororhynchos* [Gmelin].

Breeding: Tristan da Cunha group & Gough Island (S Atlantic).

Non-breeding: S Atlantic N to about 45°S and some vagrancy to N Atlantic.

Treated by del Hoyo et al. 1992 as the polytypic Yellow-nosed Albatross with forms *chlororhynchos* & *carteri*.

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## Indian Yellow-nosed Albatross

*Thalassarche carteri* [Rothschild].

Breeding: Prince Edward Islands, Crozet, Kerguelen, Amsterdam Island & St. Paul Islands (S Indian Ocean).

Non-breeding: S Indian Ocean E to waters off Australia & New Zealand.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992 as a race of Yellow-nosed Albatross.

Other name: Carter's Albatross.

**Thomas Carter** (1863-1931), English ornithologist and collector who farmed and explored in Australia. He has numerous species and subspecies named in his honour.

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## **Buller's Albatross**

***Thalassarche bulleri*** [Rothschild].

[*T.b. bulleri*] Breeding: Snares Islands, Solander Island (New Zealand region) & islands surrounding Stewart Island (off South Island, New Zealand).

Non-breeding: Largely sedentary.

[*T.b. platei*] Breeding: The Sisters & The Forty-Fours (Chatham Islands, New Zealand region) and Three Kings Island (off North Island, New Zealand).

Non-breeding: S Pacific E to South America.

Although the form *platei* is considered valid by del Hoyo *et al.* 1992, Onley & Scofield 2007 point out that it is a junior synonym of *bulleri*, leaving the northern form currently unnamed and is used here for convenience only.

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