

>> BIRDS OF THE STRAND AND PALLARENDA

Construction of the Strand has created many available food sources and habitat for different bird species, due to the planting of trees and the abundance of people. Some birds, such as the gulls have learnt to scavenge from beach-goers while others simply come for the fruiting trees.



The Brahminy Kite (*Haliastur sphenurus*) is often seen cruising the skies, swooping down to take fish that are washed up by the waves.



Red Tailed Black Cockatoos (*Calyptorhynchus banksii*) often feed along the Strand where they leave large amounts of tree foliage littered around their feeding areas.



Torresian Pigeons (*Ducula bicolor*) are a migratory bird, breeding in the spring on major colony islands, building untidy stick nests. They feed on the seeds on native trees and some insects.
(Photo from Greg Calvert)



Blue Faced Honeyeaters (*Entomyzon cyanotis*) can be seen feeding on the nectar from palms and native bushes along the coastline and inland.

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