# **Birding Discovery Days – Coastal Birds**

## What to Expect from Each Season



Each season described below has a list of birds below which we would refer to as either seen regularly in East and North Yorkshire or scarce and rare. Please remember though nature is unpredictable and things can change every year, what was once rare may be common next year and visa versa.

## Winter; Nov - March

Great Northern Diver, Red-throated Diver, Snow Bunting, Lapland Bunting, Twite, Purple Sandpiper, Mediterranean Gull, Glaucous Gull, Iceland Gull, Eurasian Curlew, Common Redshank, Turnstone, many thousands of waders on the Humber Estuary including Grey Plover, Red Knot and Bar-tailed Godwit.







Bar-tailed Godwit © Steve Race

Scarce and Rare, seen on our Birding Discovery Days in last 3 years; Red-necked Grebe, Little Auk, Grey Phalarope, Bohemian Waxwing, Black-throated Diver, Shore Lark, Desert Wheatear, Rough-legged Buzzard



Grey Phalarope © Richard Baines



Rough-legged Buzzard © Richard Baines

# Spring and Summer; April - July

200,000 nesting seabirds; Atlantic Puffin, Guillemot, Razorbill, Northern Fulmar, European Shag, Northern Gannet, Black-legged Kittiwake. Barn Owl, Peregrine, Common Kestrel, Rock Pipit, Meadow Pipit, Eurasian Skylark, Eurasian Tree Sparrow, Corn Bunting.





European Shag © Dan Lombard

Atlantic Puffin © Dan Lombard

Scarce and Rare, seen on our Birding Discovery Days in last 3 years; Red-backed Shrike, Bluethroat, Firecrest, Rose-coloured Starling.



Firecrest © Richard Baines



Red-backed Shrike © Steve Race

## Autumn; August - October

Big east coast Thrush falls a fantastic natural spectacle with thousands of Redwings, Fieldfare, Eurasian Blackbird, Song Thrush and smaller numbers of Ring Ouzel. Black-tailed Godwit, Greenshank, gren Sandpiper, Wood Sandpiper, Jack Snipe, Eurasian Woodcock, Rock Pipit, Brambling, Yellow-browed Warbler, Lesser and Common Redpolls, Short-eared Owl.



Black-tailed Godwit © Mark Pearson



Redwing © Dan Lombard

Scarce and Rare, seen on our Birding Discovery Days in last 3 years; Curlew Sandpiper, Longeared Owl, Great Grey Shrike, Pallas's Warbler, Richards Pipit, Red-breasted Flycatcher, Siberian Chiffchaff, Siberian Accentor.



Pallas's Warbler © Richard Baines



Long-eared Owl © Richard Baines