



AUSTRALIAN PELICAN



Australian Pelican, <i>Pelecanus conspicillatus</i>
Length 160-180mm
Weight Up to 8kg
Wingspan Around 340mm
Identification Large unmistakable black and white bird with large bill and grey legs. Sexes similar with females being slightly smaller than males.
Behaviour Nomadic, shy and mostly diurnal. Usually feeds, travels and roosts in flocks. Often flies in a V formation and makes use of thermals reaching over 3000m.
Reproduction Breeds in dense colonies on the ground throughout the year if conditions ideal. Both parents construct the nest and raise 2-4 chicks, fledging around 12 weeks.
Habitat Birds are found throughout Australian in suitable habitat. Most common around permanent Waterways including, creeks, rivers and boat ramp as well as coastal areas.



NT Conservation Status						
Extinct	Threatened				Least Concern	
EX	EW	CR	EN	VU	NT	LC
Distribution						
Threats						
Nets	Feral Dogs	Humans	ATV	Feral Pigs		



Eggs



Hatchlings



Chicks



Fishing