

AUSTRALIAN OSPREY



OspreyPandion haliaetus

Length

60cm

Weight

1.3-1.8kg

Wingspan

180cm

Identification

The Osprey is a medium-sized fish-eating raptor (bird of prey) with dark brown upper parts and white under parts

Behaviour

The Osprey is unique among raptors, they are able to dive completely submerging itself about 1m below the surface

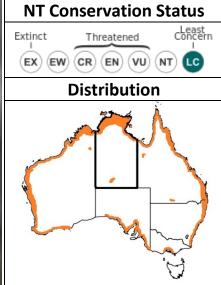
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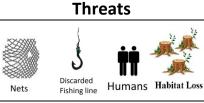
The birds will construct nests high on cliff faces, dead trees and even man-made structure made of sticks and driftwood and lined with seaweed. The nests will be used year after year by the pair.

Habitat

Osprey's are found in coastal areas throughout Australian and terrestrial wetlands of tropical and temperate Australia may also occur inland along major rivers and estuaries.











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