# Map of Canning River Regional Park AGRIGIT ICES

The Canning River Regional Park lies along the Conning

River between Shalley Stridge and Nichelson Road Bridge. It composes both freshwater and extuarine sections of river, two tidal lagouns and a consequeted wetland, as well as parkland and bushland remnants. The Park is just one area show the Consider Kent whose excellent and restabling to addition.

Note - a second guide is available, detailing bush birds found along the Coming River.

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## Waterbirds of the Canning River SERCUL birdlife

Many waders and sharebirds bread in the Northern Asian/Alaskan summer. Some fly to the west coast of Australia then disperse to coastal muditate or inland wetlands. Many which once came to Canning wetlands no larger crosses. Wader numbers are known to be diminishing world-wide, largely due to loss of suitable feeding grounds

BLACK-WINGED STILT >

Feeds on aquatic plants, insects and shrimps. Breeds in Australia. Often seen around Riverton Bridge in



### < RED-NECKED AVOCET

sweeping its upturned bill in search of food. Look for them near Riverton Bridge in the summer.

ANNING



Prefers shallow margins of mudflats. Bobs its head, tips and runs. Nests on ground, relying on cryptic colouring and distraction displays to protect its rest and young.



A COMMON SANDRIPER Occasionally seen wandering solitarily along river margins the downstream sections of the Park Bobs nervously Note white of breast forms a slight hook' round bend of wing

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COMMON GREENSHANK > Found solitarily along the water's edge, searching for insects and molluscs. More likely at Riverton Bridge or Adenia Lagoon. Call is

a haunting 'tew-tew-tew'. U. Mi. IA

### TERN, GULL

Gulls are broad-winged, with mainly white bodies and are longer-legged than terns. Terns generally have sharper, finer bills and slender wings. They take food by plunging below or skimming the surface of

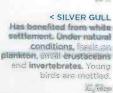
### CASPIAN TERN >

of our terms. Heavy red bill is diagnostic. Patrols downstream areas of the park. plunging for prey. More common

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< CRESTED TERN Note yellow bill and shaggy black fringe on the back of its head. Also plunges spectacularly. More likely around Riverton Bridge in summer.



### **RAPTOR**

Both these birds of prey are associated with water.



< EASTERN OSPREY Large reptor, diet of fish, which are caught in talons. Often seen cruising above the river; nests downstream from Shelley Bridge. MLU, I

### SWAMP HARRIER -

Large dark raptor with pale rump Cruises above swampy areas searching for prey. Nests on ground in dense reeds U, Res

### OLD WORLD WARBLER

Australian forms are meating to small birds with streaked or unstreaked brownish plumage. They favour grassy, swampy habitats and are usually

### AUSTRALIAN REED-WARBLER >

Livas among typha (bulrushes). In spring its rich, loud call is conspicuous at Adenia Lagoon, Nicholson Billabong, Liege Street Wetland.

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### < LITTLE GRASSBIRD

Secretive little bird. Sneaks to top of dense vegetation to view intruders. Presence indicated by a melancholy, three-note call Try Adenia Lagoon or Liege

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### BIRD WATCHING along the **CANNING RIVER**

- Birds are more active early in the morning.
- Stay on pathways so birds feeding or nesting on the ground are not disturbed.
- Be wary of disturbing waterbirds when
- Keep dogs on leads.
- Be tolerant of dead trees they are useful as perches, and often have vital hollows
- Resist feeding birds.
- Be aware that mosquitoes may be present

Injured birds - Wildcare Helpline 9474 9055

This brochure is dedicated to the late Allan Jones who, as a volunteer of Birds Australia WA (now BirdLife WA), worked tirelessly over many years to produce numerous guides to promote birds and birding.