

Mistletoe Bird



Description

The **mistletoe** (***Dicaeum hirundinaceum***) is a species of leafbird in the genus *Dicaeum* in the family Wormbirds . It is native to Australia (though absent from Tasmania and the driest desert regions), and east of Maluku island Indonesia to the Arafura Sea between Australia and New Guinea. They have to live where there are trees and bushes, to be able to build nests. Birds eat a variety of foods such as berries and insects . Genetic analysis of the mitochondrial of 70% of this bird shows that it and the red hat worm are relatively close to each other .