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Birds oiled at sea

Most of the seabirds off the east coast live in waters that are criss-crossed by the busiest shipping lanes off North America, largely due to the ship traffic with Europe as well as fishing vessels working in Canada's abundant fishing grounds.

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The fifteen species of crane hold a number of record breakers.

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Known variously as megabats, flying foxes or fruit bats, a number of tropical bats have also grown large. The adults use the light-emitting organs on their rears to coordinate mating. Herds of the migrating animals can grow to impressive numbers — as many as half a million individuals — rivaled only by Africa's great wildebeest migrations.

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In the right conditions, without human disruption and with plenty of prey, it could grow to a gargantuan size and we would be none the wiser. That could make all the difference to this species, which belongs to the most threatened family of birds on the planet. One adult female nick-named Nicole after Australian actress Nicole Kidman was tagged on 7 November 2003 by a team headed by Ramon Bonfil, a scientist with the Wildlife Conservation Society.

Ocean Wanderers: The Ultimate Resource for Pelagic Birding Enthusiasts

Footnote 7 several sources, including the authors' personal observations of beached birds, and: Pages 23-24 Table 5 in: Piatt, J. This oiling causes severe distress for individual birds and can have significant impacts at the population level. Their common name refers to the fact that baboons often eat them, and as a result they are highly defensive towards primates, including humans.

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These claws enable the young bird to climb up trees, and are lost when the bird is able to fly.

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