

Sanderlings ***(shorebird)***



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Calidris alba

diet: probes for tiny invertebrates left as waves recede.

size: 18-20cm (7-8 in)

Habitat: Rocky Shores - at Haystack Rock can be found (rarely) around the Needles during extreme low tides.

Related to: sand pipers

Fast runners as they constantly scurry from arriving and receding waves. Frequently seen flying past intertidal area in fast, erratic moving flocks. They are a white-grey with black legs.

Fun Fact: After foraging sometime regurgitate sand pellets with crushed shells