

BLACK WINGED STILT

Himantopus himantopus



This large black and white water bird, reaches nearly 37cm long and weighs as much as 180g, with long pink legs and long, thin black bill.

They eat aquatic invertebrates. They usually lay eggs on the ground in a nest made of sticks and mud between March and June.

EAD has been monitoring Abu Dhabi's resident and migratory bird populations for many years. Designation of protected areas ensuring the safety of this species is having a positive impact on their population numbers.

Black-winged stilt range throughout Australia, Central and South America, Africa, Southern and South-Eastern Asia and parts of North America and Eurasia.

