

Wildlife Protection for Alcatraz

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Alcatraz Island
Golden Gate National Recreation Area



Alcatraz Island in the San Francisco Bay is home to thousands of seabirds including Brandt's and Pelagic Cormorants, Pigeon Guillemots, Western and California Gulls, Black-crowned Night Herons and Snowy Egrets. These birds prefer to nest on islands where they are protected from predators and disturbance. On Alcatraz, they must cope with near constant boat and air traffic. Help ensure the continuing health of these jewels of the Bay by following these safe boating recommendations.



Pigeon Guillemot



Brandt's Cormorant



Western Gull

Boaters & Kayakers: Help Protect Seabirds on Alcatraz Island

PLEASE STAY 100 YARDS OFFSHORE
People and boats approaching too close, loud noise, and night lighting may cause seabirds to abandon nests during the months of March - September. Seabirds roost on southern, western, and northern sides of Alcatraz year round.



For more information please contact GGNRA wildlife ecologist at (415) 331-2894.
IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DISTURB WILDLIFE IN A NATIONAL PARK.



Learn more how you can help seabirds at www.prbo.org/seabirdaware