

Dusky Moorhen *Gallinula tenebrosa*

When to look:
Throughout the year

Size 35-40cm

Yellow-tipped red bill

Black body, white
under tail

Red legs

Similar species:

Purple Swamphen (*Porphyrio porphyrio*) is larger with a bright purple front and all red bill and shield.

Eurasian Coot (*Fulica atra*) is recognised by its snowy white bill and forehead shield.

Black-tailed Native-hen (*Tribonyx ventralis*) is mainly brownish-grey, with white spots on the flanks. The bill and frontal shield is green, with an orange-red lower mandible ('jaw').

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