

Great Northern Diver. Kilmore Quay, Co. Wexford, Ireland. 31st December 2006.  
Photo: Killian Mullarney.



# List of Divers with References

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## Introduction

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## Black-throated Diver

**Gavia arctica** [Linnaeus].

[*G.a. arctica*] Western Palearctic E to the R Lena (C Siberia). Winters along coasts of NW Europe and Black, Caspian & Mediterranean Seas.

[*G.a. viridigularis*] Eastern Palearctic E of R Lena (C Siberia). Winters NW Pacific.

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## **Pacific Diver**

### ***Gavia pacifica*** [Lawrence]

Extreme N & NW Nearctic. Winters Pacific coast of N America.

Treated by del Hoyo *et al.* as a race of Black-throated Diver.

Other name: Pacific Loon.

1st WP Record: [1st w.] 12th January 2007. Farnham Gravel Pit, Knaresborough, North Yorkshire, England. June Atkinson. Remained until the 4th February (Atkinson & Mather 2008, Mather 2007 & 2010, Taylor 2007).

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## Great Northern Diver

*Gavia immer* [Brünnich].

Between 48°N and the Arctic Circle mainly in the Nearctic with some in places S to c. 40°N and N to c. 78°N and Greenland, Iceland, Bear Island & Scotland (very occasionally). Winters mainly along coasts of N Atlantic & NE Pacific Oceans and Great Lakes of North America.

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### White-billed Diver

***Gavia adamsii*** [G.R.Gray].

Mainly along Arctic Ocean coasts as far N as 78°N in the Holarctic. Winters in coastal waters of NW & NE Pacific and NW Norway.

Other name: Yellow-billed Loon, Yellow-billed Diver.

**Edward Adams** (1824-1856), Royal Navy surgeon and naturalist who went on two expeditions to the Arctic.

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