

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.

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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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