Albatross ID guide



XGA - Greater Albatross







XMA - Smaller Albatross (Mollymawks)







Northern or Southern Buller's albatross XPB. Head light grey with white cap. Beak bright yellow strips top & bottom







White-capped albatross XWM. A larger Mollymawk. Head white. Beak light grey with a yellow tip.







Salvin's albatross, XSA. Head & neck grey with white cap. Beak dull grey/brown, yellow line at base & dark tip at end

Petrel, Prion or Shearwater ID guide

XXP - Petrel, Prion or Shearwater

(Note - not all species are included. Use XXP if you are unsure of the species)







White chinned petrel (XWC). White feathers under bill. Lighter tip of bill. Commonly found in Southern Ocean







Westland petrel (XWP). Dark tip of bill, more commonly found on west coast







Sooty shearwater (XSH). Dark narrow bill. Smaller than petrels







Fairy prion (XFP). Common deck strike bird, not often caught in fishing gear