

# **Agreement on the Conservation of Albatrosses and Petrels**

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### **Update of IUCN Red List for ACAP Species**

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### Submitted by: BirdLife International

As the Red List Authority for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Red List, BirdLife International has carried out three partial reviews of the status of bird species for the IUCN Red List since its comprehensive re-evaluation of all species in 2008. The 2011 update was released in June 2011.

The 2011 IUCN Red List has not resulted in any changes to the status of ACAP listed species. Discussions of the status of Northern Royal Albatross *Diomedea sanfordi* and Black-footed Albatross *Phoebastria nigripes* were carried out, but both had their reassessments pended as there was insufficient information available by this year's deadline – discussions remain open for input on <a href="www.birdlife.org/globally-threatened-bird-forums">www.birdlife.org/globally-threatened-bird-forums</a>, and these species will now be assessed as part of the next comprehensive re-evaluation of all species, due for release in May 2012.

In total, 17 of the 22 species of albatross are listed as threatened with extinction (three Critically Endangered (CR), six Endangered (EN) and eight Vulnerable (VU), with the remaining five all qualifying as Near Threatened (NT), together with four of the seven species of petrel listed under ACAP (all four being Vulnerable, with one Near Threatened and two Least Concern (LC)). Hence, overall 72% (21 of 29) ACAP-listed species are threatened.

The Table below gives the current (2011) Red List category for all species

Common name	Scientific name	IUCN Red List category
Waved Albatross	Phoebastria irrorata	CR
Short-tailed Albatross	Phoebastria albatrus	VU
Black-footed Albatross	Phoebastria nigripes	EN
Laysan Albatross	Phoebastria immutabilis	NT
Wandering Albatross	Diomedea exulans	VU
Antipodean Albatross	Diomedea antipodensis	VU
Amsterdam Albatross	Diomedea amsterdamensis	CR
Tristan Albatross	Diomedea dabbenena	CR
Northern Royal Albatross	Diomedea sanfordi	EN
Southern Royal Albatross	Diomedea epomophora	VU
Sooty Albatross	Phoebetria fusca	EN
Light-mantled Albatross	Phoebetria palpebrata	NT

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Black-browed Albatross	Thalassarche melanophrys	EN
Campbell Albatross	Thalassarche impavida	VU
Shy Albatross	Thalassarche cauta	NT
White-capped Albatross	Thalassarche steadi	NT
Chatham Albatross	Thalassarche eremita	VU
Salvin's Albatross	Thalassarche salvini	VU
Grey-headed Albatross	Thalassarche chrysostoma	VU
Atlantic Yellow-nosed Albatross	Thalassarche chlororhynchos	EN
Indian Yellow-nosed Albatross	Thalassarche carteri	EN
Buller's Albatross	Thalassarche bulleri	NT
Southern Giant-petrel	Macronectes giganteus	LC
Northern Giant-petrel	Macronectes halli	LC
White-chinned Petrel	Procellaria aequinoctialis	VU
Spectacled Petrel	Procellaria conspicillata	VU
Westland Petrel	Procellaria westlandica	VU
Parkinson's Petrel	Procellaria parkinsoni	VU
Grey Petrel	Procellaria cinerea	NT