

## Taxonomic List

### Noteworthy fauna:

The Rødsand area is a breeding area and haul-out for Common Seal (*Phoca vitulina*) and Grey Seal (*Halichoerus grypus*).

Breeding area for aquatic and salt marsh birds including several species redlisted nationally and/or included in Annex 1 of the EU Birds directive e.g. Bittern (*Botaurus stellaris*), Pintail (*Anas acuta*), Teal (*Anas crecca*), Garganey (*Anas querquedula*), Marsh Harrier (*Circus auriginosus*), White-tailed Eagles (*Haliaeetus albicilla*) (since 2005), Corn Crake (*Crex crex*), (Spotted Crake (*Porzana porzana*), Common Crane (*Grus grus*), Avocet (*Recurvirostra avocetta*), Baltic Dunlin (*Calidris alpina schinzii*), Sandwich Tern (*Sterna sandvicensis*), Arctic Tern (*Sterna paradisaea*), Common Tern (*Sterna hirundo*), Little Tern (*Sterna albifrons*), and Short-eared Owl (*Asio flammeus*). A single pair of White-tailed Eagles (*Haliaeetus albicilla*) breed nearby.

Latest published information about regular counts of breeding birds numbers generally dates back to the late 1990s (in Conservation Status Report 2006; Storstrøms Amt 2006).

A very important moulting area for Mute Swan (*Cygnus olor*) and also important for staging and wintering waterbirds (see tables below).

Table giving the most recent information about staging waterbirds in the Waters between Lolland and Falster including Rødsand, Guldborg sound, and Bøtø Nor area. Published and unpublished data from DCE. Numbers given are maxima of several species of waterbirds. Counting intensity varies over the years, with most comprehensive coverage 2008-09. For offshore species marked by \* the 2004 and 2008 total count from data presented by Petersen *et al.* (2006b, 2010) are the only comprehensive count available from the period 2003-2009.

Species \ Year	Annual Maxima							Average
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	
<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	-	-	-	-	-	24	-	24
<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>	-	-	-	-	90	134	55	93
<i>Podiceps griseigena</i>	-	-	-	-	-	37	-	37
<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	-	251	-	70	2000	1906	115	868
<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	-	-	-	8	8	14	11	8
<i>Cygnus olor</i>	-	2548	-	-	235	13295	11355	5487
<i>Cygnus cygnus</i>	-	283	-	-	-	747	-	515
<i>Anser fabalis</i>	4350	3482	1908	2146	400	657	-	2157
<i>Anser fabalis rossicus</i>	3	10	-	-	-	-	-	7
<i>Anser brachyrhynchus</i>	-	6	3	18	-	2	-	7
<i>Anser albifrons</i>	19	631	26	1607	523	1091	-	650
<i>Anser anser</i>	340	360	900	2075	1625	1695	4215	1601
<i>Branta canadensis</i>	607	270	183	295	45	34	-	239
<i>Branta leucopsis</i>	-	-	129	-	800	2450	3030	1602
<i>Branta bernicla bernicla</i>	25	328	238	265	1800	6	30	385
<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	-	-	-	2	-	320	-	161
<i>Anas penelope</i>	-	815	390	825	3870	1953	3125	1830
<i>Anas strepera</i>	-	3	-	-	88	7	-	33
<i>Anas crecca</i>	-	490	145	630	2575	425	1200	911
<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	-	644	555	1055	2270	3284	1960	1628
<i>Anas acuta</i>	-	28	4	-	30	20	50	26
<i>Anas chlypeata</i>	-	31	70	220	155	115	50	107
<i>Aythya ferina</i>	-	101	-	-	-	1	-	51
<i>Aythya fuligula</i>	-	3500	-	-	-	499	20	1340

<i>Somateria mollissima</i>	-	1107	-	-	-	251	-	679	*
<i>Clangula hyemalis</i>	-	83	-	-	-	18	-	51	*
<i>Melanitta nigra</i>	-	41	-	-	-	-	-	41	*
<i>Bucephala clangula</i>	-	4491	-	-	175	2715	50	1858	*
<i>Mergus serrator</i>	-	204	-	25	125	171	32	111	*
<i>Mergus merganser</i>	-	126	-	-	-	40	-	83	*
<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>	-	-	-	-	-	6	4	5	
<i>Circus cyaneus</i>	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	
<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	
<i>Fulica atra</i>	-	2160	-	850	7200	8716	2100	4205	
<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>	-	-	-	-	-	300	35	168	
<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	-	-	-	-	-	350	-	350	
<i>Calidris alpina</i>	-	-	-	-	-	190	-	190	
<i>Numenius arquata</i>	-	-	-	-	-	76	2	39	
Sum of annual maxima	5344	21997	4551	10091	24014	41552	27440		

Notes: - does not necessarily mean the species was absent – rather not counted/reported. Averages are thus computed based on years with numbers reported. Offshore species (\*) have been counted using transect surveys. Numbers mentioned are actual counted numbers, true numbers are probable 3-

**Ramsar Site: 164 – Waters between Lolland and Falster including  
Rødsand, Guldborg sound, and Bøtø Nor**

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