

Bali Mynah

Scientific Name: *Leucopsar rothschildi*

Class: Aves

Order: Passeriformes

Family: Sturnidae



This is a striking mynah. It is all white except for black wing tips and tail ends, a gold bill and a triangular light blue patch extending from the bill enclosing, and past the eye. The feathers at the top of the bill are ruffled, and from the back of the head thin, white streamers cascade down to the middle of the back. Weight can be up to 180 grams.

Range

Bali and Lesser Sunda Islands

Habitat

A restricted area on the island of Bali.

Gestation

Approximately 2 weeks

Litter

2 to 5 eggs. Several clutches a year are possible.

Behavior

This bird is not often seen. It tends to be somewhat antagonistic and belligerent, especially during the breeding season. This particular species of mynah does not seem to be a bird call mimic, like other mynahs.

Reproduction

Not much is known about breeding practices in the wild. Zoo breeding, however, requires segregation of the breeding pair to prevent undue pressure on egg-laying and brood raising.

Wild Diet

Fruits, green matter, insects