

Herring Gull

Larus argentatus

The Herring Gulls are white on head and below, grey on back and upper wings, wingtips are black with white spot. Bill is yellow with red spot on the lower mandible. Feet are pale pink, yellow with a red eye ring.



Breed in colonies on grassy slopes, cliffs, islands and sand near sea. Their nest is a pile of dry plant material, twigs and seaweed. Are the most common in the East Fjords. Are mostly local breeders but some birds migrate to the British Isles in the winter, they are largely immatures.

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