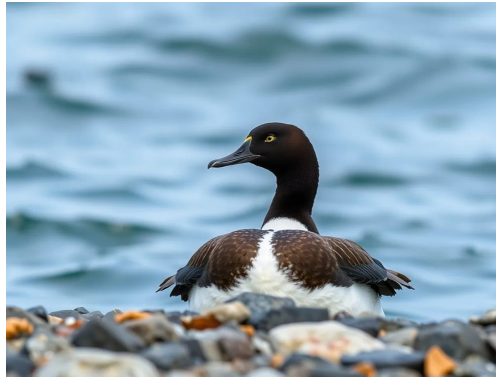


# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Common Eider

*Somateria mollissima*

The Common Eider is a large sea duck found along the northern coasts of Europe, North America, and eastern Siberia. Males are strikingly colored with bold black and white plumage and greenish napes, ...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Bird

**Family:** Anatidae

**Habitat:** Coastal marine environments, rocky seashores, and islands in subarctic and arctic regions

**Diet:** Carnivore

**Conservation status:** Least Concern

**Lifespan:** 10-20 years

**Weight:** 1.2–2.8 kg

**Scientific name:** *Somateria mollissima*

### Did you know?

- Eider females sometimes share parental duties, forming 'crèches' where several hens tend to their ducklings together.
- Common Eiders produce some of the warmest natural down in the world, which is harvested sustainably from their nests. Males perform elaborate courtsh...

### What I learned

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