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## Long-tailed Widowbird

*Euplectes progne*

The Long-tailed Widowbird is a strikingly beautiful bird native to the grasslands of southern Africa. Males are famous for their extraordinary breeding plumage, featuring a gleaming black body and a ...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Bird

**Family:** Ploceidae

**Habitat:** Grassland

**Diet:** Omnivore

**Conservation status:** Least Concern

**Lifespan:** 3-6 years

**Weight:** 25-35 grams

**Scientific name:** *Euplectes progne*

### Did you know?

- A male's tail can be up to three times the length of its body during the breeding season, making it one of the longest tail-to-body ratios of any bird...
- Male Long-tailed Widowbirds perform elaborate aerial displays during the breeding season, flying low over the grass with their long tails trailing behind...

### What I learned

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