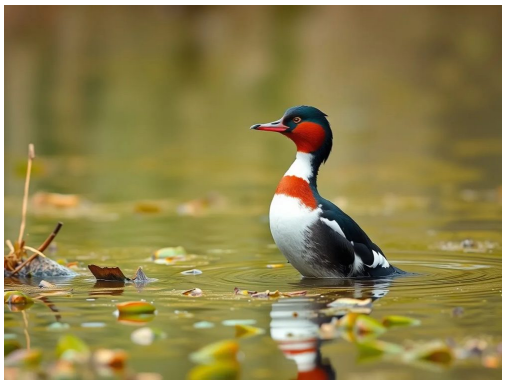
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Red-breasted Merganser

Mergus serrator

The Red-breasted Merganser is a striking diving duck known for its slender, serrated bill and spiky crest. Males display dramatic breeding plumage with a dark green head, rusty-red breast, and white …

Quick facts

Classification: Bird
Family: Anatidae
Habitat: Freshwater and coastal wetlands
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 8-13 years
Weight: 800-1350 g
Scientific name: Mergus serrator

Did you know?

- The Red-breasted Merganser has the fastest recorded level flight speed of any duck, clocked at 100 mph (160 km/h) by a pilot.
- Red-breasted Mergansers are among the fastest flying ducks, reaching speeds up to 100 km/h. Their serrated bills act like a saw, helping them grip sl…

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