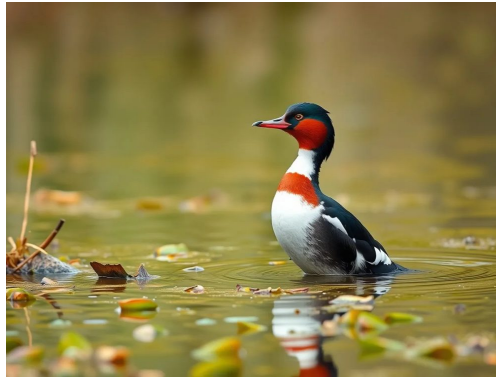


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## Red-breasted Merganser

*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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