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Violet-backed Starling

Cinnyricinclus leucogaster

The Violet-backed Starling, also known as the Plum-colored Starling, is a small, vividly colored bird native to sub-Saharan Africa. Males are easily recognized by their striking iridescent violet plu...

Quick facts

Classification: Bird

Family: Sturnidae

Habitat: Open woodland and forest edges

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 5-8 years

Weight: 34-44 grams

Scientific name: *Cinnyricinclus leucogaster*

Did you know?

- Despite their vivid coloration, Violet-backed Starlings are often overlooked in their natural habitat because females blend in so well with their sur...
- Male Violet-backed Starlings display brilliant purple feathers that appear metallic in sunlight. Unlike many starlings, this species exhibits strong ...

What I learned
