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Yellow-billed Oxpecker

Buphagus africanus

The Yellow-billed Oxpecker is a medium-sized bird native to sub-Saharan Africa, recognized by its brown plumage, striking yellow bill with a red tip, and pale rump. It is most often seen perched on l...

Quick facts

Classification: Bird

Family: Buphagidae

Habitat: Savanna

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 8-10 years

Weight: 45-57 g

Scientific name: *Buphagus africanus*

Did you know?

- Despite their beneficial reputation, Yellow-billed Oxpeckers sometimes peck at wounds to keep them open and feed on blood, which can slow healing for...
- Yellow-billed Oxpeckers can consume thousands of ticks in a single day, greatly benefiting their mammalian hosts. They have specially adapted feet th...

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