

## SPECIES MANAGEMENT PROFILE

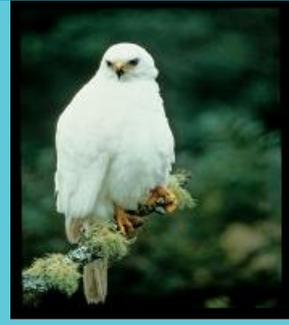
*Accipiter novaehollandiae* Grey Goshawk

**Group:** Chordata (vertebrates), Aves (birds), Falconiformes (raptors, birds of prey), Accipitridae (raptor, hawk, eagle, buzzard, harrier, kite,)

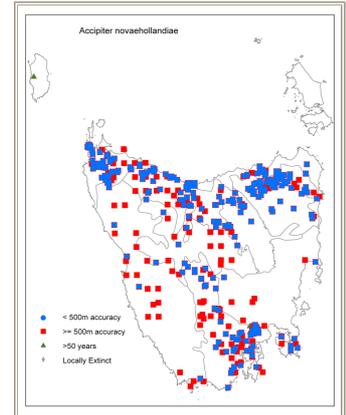
**Status:** *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995*: **endangered**  
*Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*: Not listed

**Endemic:** Found in Tasmania and elsewhere

**Status:**



In Tasmania, the Grey Goshawk is a large, pure white raptor, up to 55 cm long with a wingspan of up to 110 cm. Females are almost twice as heavy as males. The species nests in mature wet forest, usually in the vicinity of a watercourse. However birds can also be seen in more open woodland and around urban fringes. Most nests are located in the north and west of the State, but smaller breeding populations also occur in the south-east and north-east. They have big ranges, hunting from perches in the forest canopy and eating small mammals, birds and insects, and sometimes carrion. The Grey Goshawk is especially threatened by habitat loss, through reduction of mature wet forest - particularly blackwood swamps - by clearing for plantations or pasture. With a population currently estimated as less than 110 breeding pairs in Tasmania, the species is also at risk from deliberate shooting and accidents with powerlines, collision and poison. To assist with its recovery - retain mature native wet forest, forest along water courses and other connecting forest corridors; prevent disturbance within 100 m of an active nest; reduce the risk of birds coming into conflict with livestock and infrastructure.



Source; Bryant, S. L. and Jackson, J. (1999). *Tasmania's Threatened Fauna Handbook*. Threatened Species Unit, Parks and Wildlife Service, Hobart.

A complete species management profile is not currently available for this species. Check for further information on this page and any relevant Activity Advice.

### Key Points

- **Important:** Is this species in your area? Do you need a permit? Ensure you've covered all the issues by checking the Planning Ahead page.
- **Important:** Different threatened species may have different requirements. For any activity you are considering, read the Activity Advice pages for background information and important advice about managing around the needs of multiple threatened species.

### Further information

Check also for listing statement or notesheet pdf above (below the species image).

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**Permit:** A permit is required under the Tasmanian *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995* to 'take' (which includes kill, injure, catch, damage, destroy and collect), keep, trade in or process any specimen or products of a listed species. Additional permits may also be required under other Acts or regulations to take, disturb or interfere with any form of wildlife or its products, (e.g. dens, nests, bones). This may also depend on the tenure of the land and other agreements relating to its management.