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Snowy and Kentish Plovers

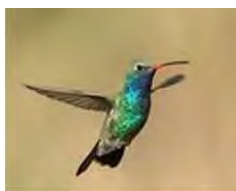


The snowy and the Kentish plover were long considered conspecific, in spite of their obvious plumage differences. What they do share, though, is a painful sensitivity to human disturbance, and both species, the one found only in the New World, the other only in the Old, are imperiled by careless beachgoers.



These tiny plovers may exhibit sequential polygamy, in which one member of a pair abandons the chicks of a first brood to the care of the other parent before finding another mate, often a considerable distance from the site of first breeding.

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Southwest Wings

