

Kittlitz's Murrelet *Brachyramphus brevirostris*

In the New World, Kittlitz's Murrelet is almost confined to Alaska. The single record for San Diego County is the only one south of northwestern Washington.

Migration: A juvenile "alive but in weakened condition" was picked up on the beach north of La Jolla (O7) 16 August 1969 (Devillers 1972, SDNHM 37215). The bird's being so far out its normal range no more than six weeks after fledging has raised the question whether its occurrence in San Diego was assisted by man. The specimen shows no sign of having been in captivity, however, and its wing feathers are fully grown.