

Manx Shearwater *Puffinus puffinus*

The Manx Shearwater, a close relative of the Black-vented Shearwater, nests on islands in the North Atlantic and winters along the coast of southern South America. Apparently some birds have rounded Cape Horn and migrated to the North Pacific, accounting for over 75 well-supported sightings off California through 2002. These records are all

since 1993, suggesting a shift in the species' distribution—possibly a still-undiscovered colonization of the Pacific Ocean—as well as birders' becoming aware of the species and its identification criteria.

Migration: The first Manx Shearwater conclusively identified near San Diego County was 16 miles off Oceanside 28 April 2004 (T. McGrath).