

Dear Valued Customer,

Namibia's avifauna (the birds of a particular region) is a source of endless inspiration and interest – for birdwatchers as well as stamp collectors. Close to 700 bird species have been recorded in Namibia. Snipes are amongst the lesser-known, more unusual and attractive.

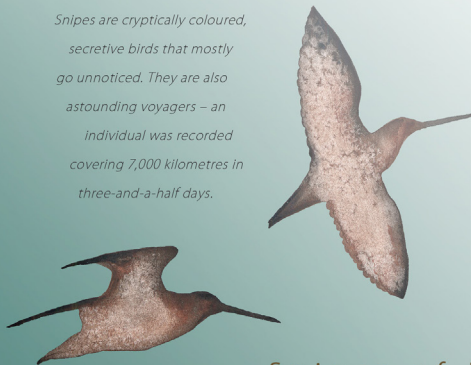
To think that some of these birds fly for thousands of kilometres in the space of just a few days is truly astounding.

Snipes are rarely seen in Namibia, making this stamp issue particularly fascinating.

Sincerely,
Hannelie Maasdorp

SNIPES OF NAMIBIA

Snipes are cryptically coloured, secretive birds that mostly go unnoticed. They are also astounding voyagers – an individual was recorded covering 7,000 kilometres in three-and-a-half days.



Snipes of Namibia



DID YOU KNOW?

Great snipes are long-distance migrants from the northern hemisphere, flying across thousands of kilometres to Africa in a short space of time to escape the harsh northern winter.



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