# Interesting facts about birds (Flamingo bird)

## 1. How many species of flamingo birds are there?

Flamingo birds exist in different parts of the world. The well-recognized species of flamingo birds are the <u>Chilean flamingo</u>, the <u>Caribbean flamingo</u>, the <u>Greater flamingo</u>, the <u>Andean flamingo</u>, the <u>Lesser flamingo</u> and the <u>James's flamingo</u>, which are native to tropical and subtropical regions of the world.

#### 2. Do you know what food flamingos eat?

Flamingos eat algae, <u>blue-green algae</u>, <u>brine shrimp</u>, insects, <u>mollusks</u>, and plant seeds in shallow waters. These food are enriched with <u>carotenoids</u>. and have red, yellow, and orange-colored pigments that are absorbed by flamingos.

#### 3. Do you know about the habitat of the flamingo?

Flamingos can survive in different kinds of conditions, including <u>lagoons</u>, <u>estuaries</u>, coastal and inland lakes, and mudflats. Flamingos also survive in the saltiest places in the world, where other animals cannot survive. They are found in tropical and subtropical regions.

### 4. Do you know the native place of the flamingos?

The American flamingo (Phoenicopterus ruber), Chilean flamingo (Phoenicopterus chilensis), Andean flamingo (Phoenicoparrus andinus), and James's flamingo (Phoenicoparrus jamesi) are four species of flamingos native to different regions of the Americas. The American flamingo, also called the Caribbean flamingo, is found on the Caribbean islands, Galápagos islands, parts of North America, and along the northern coast of South America. Chilean flamingos are found in South America. Andean flamingo and James's flamingo live in the Andes mountains of South America. The Greater Flamingo (Phoenicopterus roseus) and the Lesser Flamingo (Phoeniconaias minor) are two species that are native to Afro-Eurasia. The Greater flamingo is native to Africa, Southern Europe, and Southwest Asia. The Lesser flamingo is native to East Africa and Northwest India

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