

Identification

INDIAN MYNA (*Acridotheres tristis*) Introduced pest



- Indian Mynas are predominantly chocolate brown with a black head. In flight, white wing patches are clearly visible.
- They have a yellow beak and yellow eye patch with long yellow legs.
- Mynas spend much of their time foraging on the ground, where they can often be observed moving about with a distinctive 'hopping gait'.

NOISY MINER (*Manorina melanocephala*)

Native bird



- Indian Mynas are sometimes confused with the native Noisy Miner. Noisy Miners are a protected species and must be released if captured.
- The key difference between the two birds is the Indian Myna has a chocolate brown coloured body, whilst the Noisy Miner is mottled grey and white.
- The native Noisy Miner is a honeyeater with a much more limited diet. It forages for nectar and small insects.
- The Noisy Miner breeds rapidly, forming family groups which move around in search of food. They can exhibit aggressive and territorial behaviour, chirping boisterously and working together to chase other birds away.