

A Curlew's Habitat

Activity:

Fill in the Colour-By-Numbers Map to see where you might expect to find curlews in the Winter and in the Summer.

The curlew is an unusual animal in that it spends its year on two different habitats.

A Curlew's spring and summer

During the spring and summer months, curlews are busy breeding – hatching and raising their chicks. They do this on moorlands and grasslands usually in **upland areas**.

A Curlew's autumn and winter

During the autumn and winter many curlews move to the coast. **Estuaries** are places where a river joins the sea and these are favourite places for curlews. Estuaries have lots of areas of shallow water where the curlews can wade and use their long beak to find food in the sandy and muddy areas.