

Tufted Duck

Aythya fuligula

Fuligule morillon – Reiherente – Kuifeend - Vigg

Present all year, common in winter and breeds annually

Annual numbers of breeding pairs since 1970 have averaged 10, with a maximum of 20 pairs in 1971. Numbers are generally lowest around June and July, and typically reach a peak between January and March. Peak counts have been 264 in December 2005, 204 on 14 January 2001 and 196 on 19 December 1987. Two winter ringing recoveries indicate the origins of the large winter numbers. The birds had been ringed in the summer in Lithuania and Finland.



Breeding Tufted Duck at Rye Harbour

