

Found a Bird?

before you pick it up, please read carefully

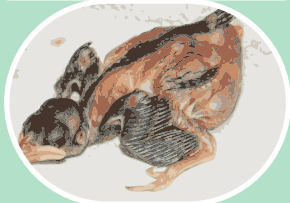
START

Does it have
feathers?

YES

NO

It is likely a **hatchling**.



Can you see the **nest**?

YES

NO

Return the bird **safely back** to the **nest**. The parents won't be able to "smell" you

Does it have **webbed feet**?

YES

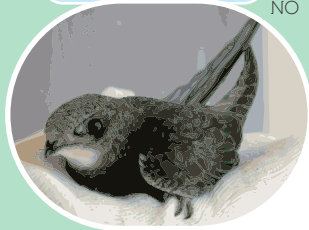
NO

Is it **small, black with pointy wings**?

YES

NO

It is likely a **swift**.



Is it **larger than 10cm**?

YES

NO

Is it a **sparrow fledgling**?

YES

They don't fly well at this stage, and still require parental care. If it's in **danger** of **cats** or **cars**, then move it to a **safe place** nearby. If not, it's best to **leave the bird alone**.



Is it a **duck**?



YES

Is it **injured**?

NO

It is likely an escaped pet. If it's in danger or causing a danger, **call Animal Welfare, 1717**.

YES

Is it a **seabird**?

NO

YES

Take a photo and call BirdLife Malta

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Is it a **pigeon**?

YES

Is it **injured**?

NO

Young pigeons still rely on their parents for food. It is **best** for the bird to be left alone.



Does it have a **ring**?

YES

It's a **racing pigeon**. Please **read** the **2-digit number** on the **leg ring** which denotes the pigeon **club number**. Go to <http://maltafederationofracingpigeons.com/#/clubs> and contact the responsible club directly.

NO

YES