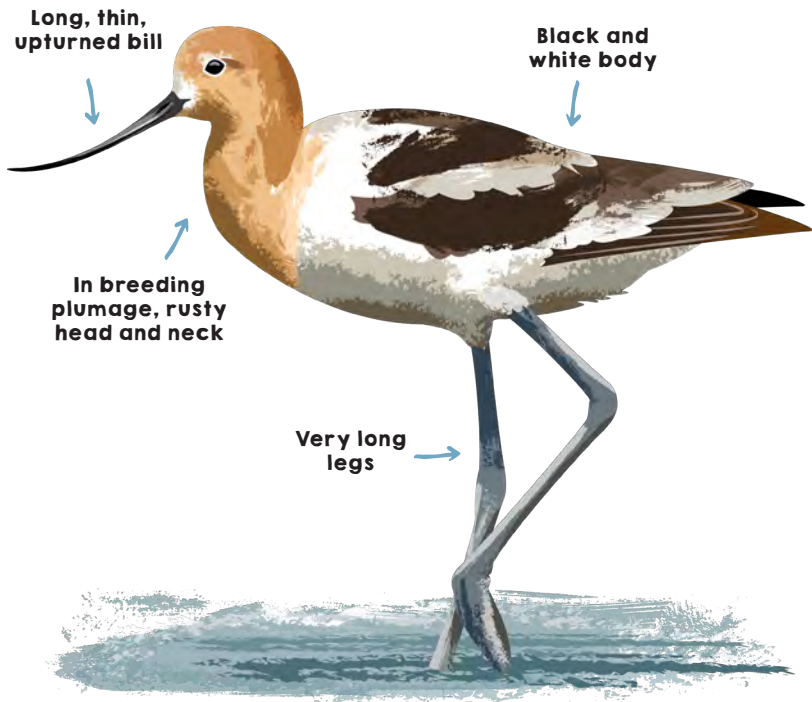


American Avocet

Recurvirostra americana

Size: 43-47 cm Weight: 275-350 g



This distinguished bird's rusty head and neck will be a pale gray in the nonbreeding season.

BREEDING

Chicks are not just able to walk, but also swim to avoid predators.

HABITAT

Fresh and saltwater wetlands, salt ponds, mudflats, fields

BEHAVIOR

Wades through water, moving bill back and forth to filter out prey.