Education Programme

Lapwing

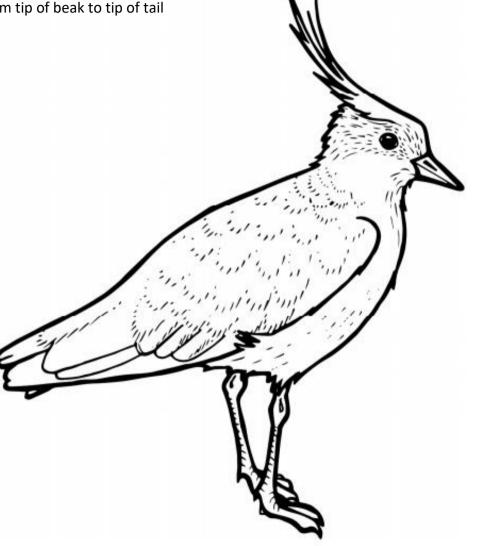
Scientific name: Vanellus vanellus

Manx name: Earkan

Length: 28cm - 31cm from tip of beak to tip of tail

Wingspan: 82cm - 87cm Weight: 140g - 320g







Lapwings are a farmland bird and they are in decline. They can sometimes be seen on wetlands with short vegetation. They like to nest in unimproved fields and meadows and eat cereals, root crops, worms and insects. In the winter they flock to ploughed fields.

Fun fact: Another name for a Lapwing is a Peewit.