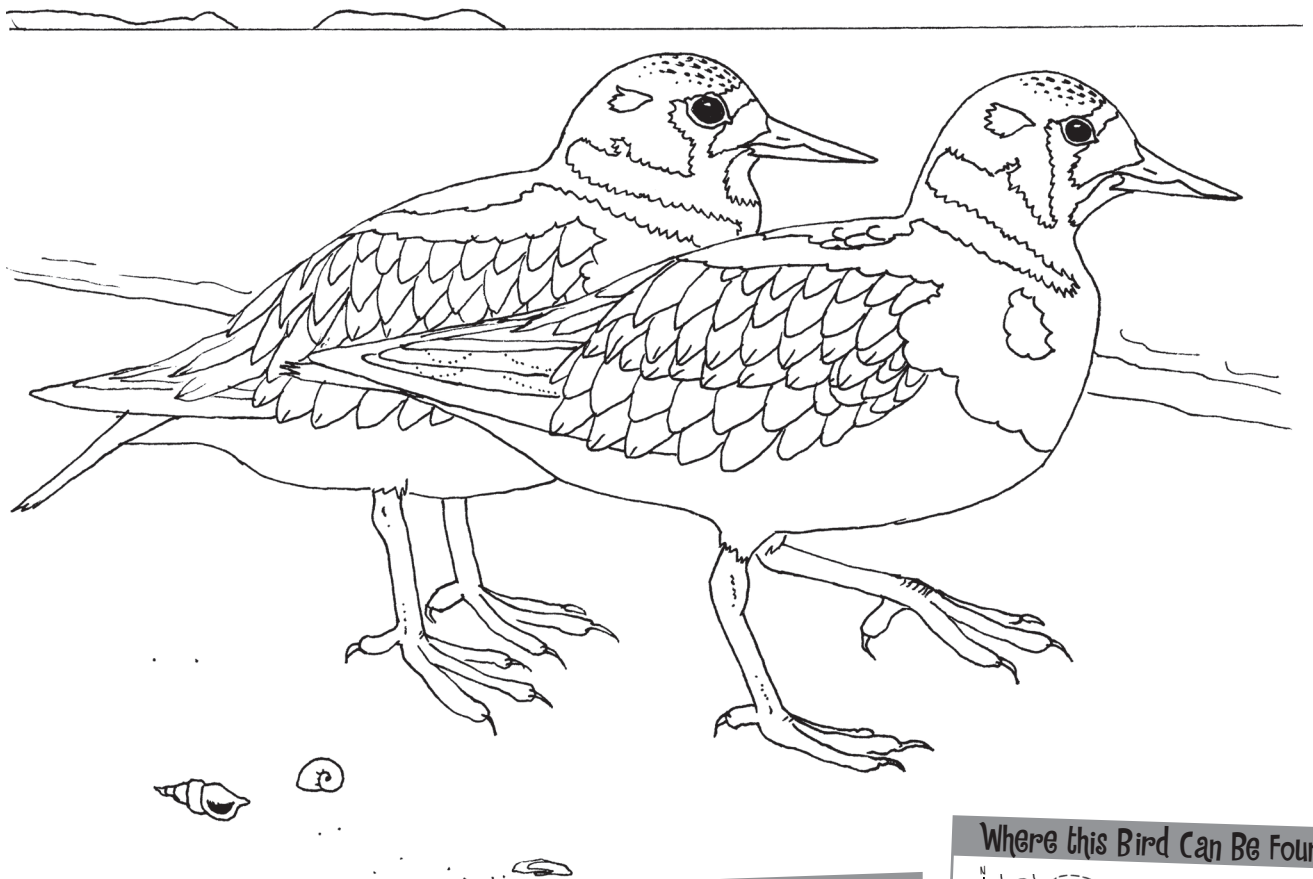
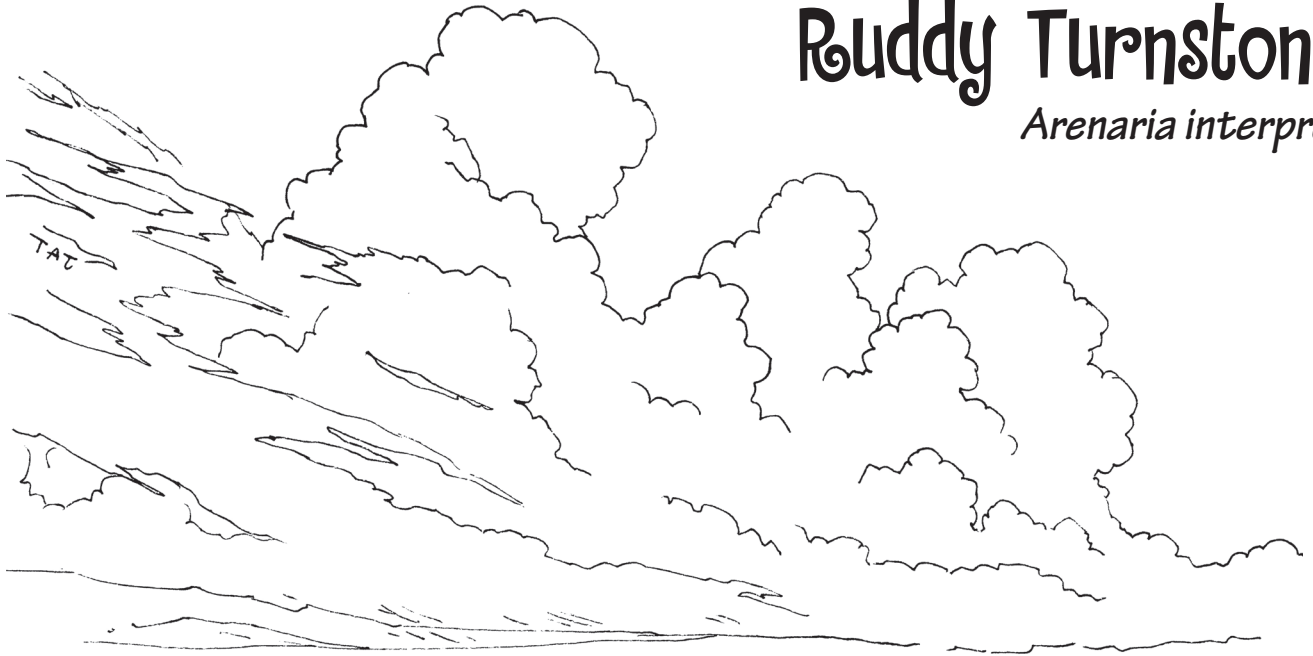


Ruddy Turnstone

Arenaria interpres



About this Bird

The Ruddy Turnstone is a chunky shorebird with a reddish-brown back, black bib, orange legs and small pointed bill. It is an amazing long distance migrant capable of covering thousands of miles in a few days on migration. It breeds in the Arctic and winters as far south as Argentina. In the Caribbean it is observed mainly from August to May on our beaches and mudflats. The name 'Turnstone' comes from the way it flips over small stones and shells in search of invertebrate food items in the sand.

Bird Size 24 cm, 9.5 in.

