

# Identifying the Red-billed Chough



Raven, Hooded Crow, Rook, Chough, Jackdaw, Eurasian Jay, Magpie

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Choughs are similar in size to hooded crows, rooks and jackdaws.

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Look out for their red beak, red legs, and their slender body shape!



Images: Ben Porter



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You may recognise their fingered wing tips, distinctive flight pattern, and piercing call.



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# Nesting Habitats of the Red-billed Chough



Choughs primarily nest on coastal cliffs, but also use mines, quarries, and ruins or buildings.



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# Foraging Habitats of the Red-billed Chough

Choughs forage for invertebrates in short maritime and agricultural grasslands.



Maritime Grasslands & Coastal Heath



Improved & Semi-improved Grassland

You will sometimes see choughs foraging on dune systems, or along the strandline at low-tide.

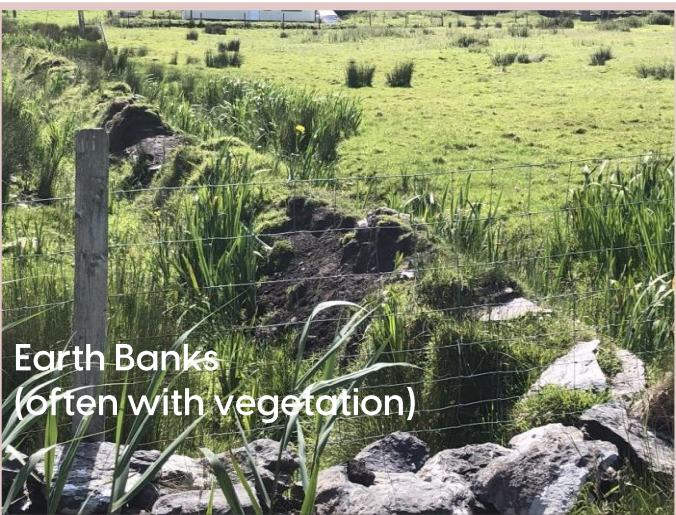


Beach & Strandline



Dune Systems

Choughs also forage on unique features of Iveragh's landscape, especially field boundaries.



Earth Banks (often with vegetation)



Ant Hills



Vegetation-rock Interface

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