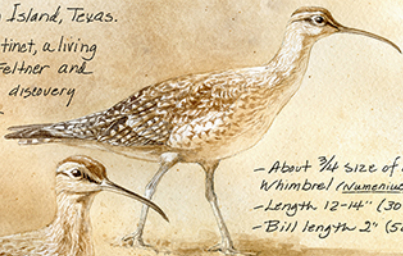


Eskimo Curlew
(*Numenius borealis*)

March 22, 1959. Galveston Island, Texas.

Previously thought to be extinct, a living bird was found by T. Ben Feltner and D.A. Deaver. This significant discovery sparked a global search for any remaining birds.



- About $\frac{3}{4}$ size of a Whimbrel (*Numenius phaeopus*)
- Length 12-14" (30-36cm)
- Bill length 2" (5cm)



- Summer habitat: arctic tundra in Northwest Canada & Alaska
- Winter habitat: pampas of Argentina



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Numbering in the hundreds of thousands, huge flocks once migrated through the Texas coastal region. The last confirmed record in the contiguous U.S. was on Galveston Island in early April, 1962.