Coorong, Lower Lakes & Murray Mouth
Waterbird Diversity and Distribution

North Lagoon

Both the level and salinity of water here varies greatly, and depends on seasonal sea level (higher in winter), flows from the Lower Lakes barrages and the extent of this lagoon’s connection with the South Lagoon. A diversity of habitats occur as a result of a strong salinity gradient, ranging from slightly less than sea water, to twice as salty as sea water.

The North Lagoon provides significant areas of permanent open water, and mudflat habitats. These important habitats are used by a large number of waterbirds, including migratory shorebirds in spring and summer.