

# *Apus caffer*

## WHITE-RUMPED SWIFT



**Non-SPEC** (1994: —) **Status** Secure

**Criteria** —

**European IUCN Red List Category** —▼▼▼

**Criteria** —

**Global IUCN Red List Category** —

**Criteria** —

*Apus caffer* has a predominantly African breeding distribution, which just extends into Europe in southern Spain and Portugal. Its European breeding population is very small (as few as 100 pairs), but increased markedly between 1970–1990. The species continued to increase in Iberia during 1990–2000, and underwent a large increase overall. Although the size of the European population could render it susceptible to the risks affecting small populations, it is marginal to a much larger non-European population. Consequently, the species is evaluated as Secure.



Country	Breeding pop. size (pairs)	Year(s)	Trend	Mag.%	References
Portugal	1 – 10	02	+	N	
Spain	100 – 150	98–02	+	>80	10,16
<b>Total (approx.)</b>	100 – 160				<b>Overall trend</b> Large increase
<b>Breeding range</b>	>20,000 km <sup>2</sup>				<b>Gen. length.</b> 7 % <b>Global pop.</b> <5

2000 population

100

1990 population

100

**Data quality (%) – *Apus caffer***

□ unknown □ poor ■ medium ■ good

1990–2000 trend

97

1970–1990 trend

100