

ENDANGERED SPECIES BOOKMARKS

Hawaiian Stilt or Ae'o

(*Himantopus mexicanus
knudseni*)



**Protected at
Ukumehame Firing
Range and Dillingham
Military Reservation
(both in Hawaii)**

Habitat: Marshes, mudflats and shallow brackish water ponds on most major islands in the Hawaiian chain

Grows to about 16 inches in length

Looks like it is walking on stilts because of its long, thin, bright pink legs

Parents will pretend they have a broken wing to attract predators away from their young in nests

Eats small fish, crabs, worms, water insects and water plants

Listed as endangered on October 13, 1970

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