

## LOOK OUT FOR COLOUR-MARKED STORKS

SAFRING has received the following notices from Zagreb, Yugoslavia, and Riga, Latvia, respectively:

### WING-MARKED WHITE STORKS

"I would like to inform you about the marking of about 50 White Stork pulli from Yugoslavia with red and orange plastic wing-markers with black and white numbers respectively. The birds were also ringed with standard rings."

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### COLOUR-RINGED BLACK STORKS

"In 1988 a research programme of the Black Stork was started in the Latvian SSR. In order to clear up different questions of the biology of the Black Stork, including migration, juvenile Black Storks were ringed with colour plastic rings. In the first year of the work two types of colour rings - 6 mm high rings in yellow, red and dark green colours and 10 mm high rings in pink and pale-green colours in different combinations, were used. The plastic rings in all the cases were used together with aluminium rings "LATVIA RIGA". All the rings were set on the shank of the bird.

If you or your colleagues observe Black Storks with colour rings, note please how many rings, in what colours and combinations, on which leg they are put, and inform us please about it."

Both Schemes have requested information on sightings. Should you observe any birds that fit these descriptions, please send full details to SAFRING for onward transmission to Yugoslavia or Lativa. Your help will be greatly appreciated.