

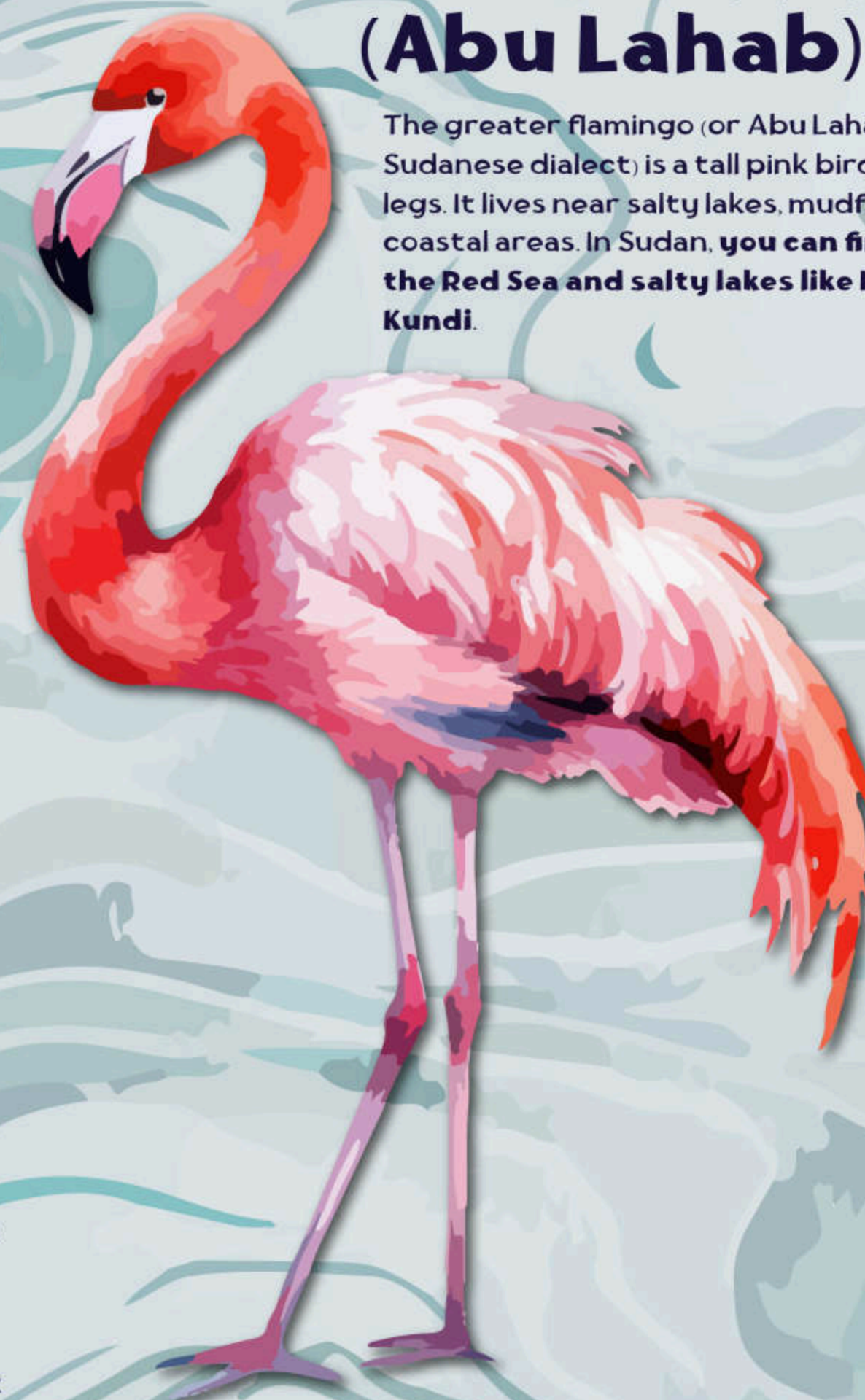
Birds in Sudan



Saddle-billed Stork (Mairum)

This tall bird with a colorful beak lives near big rivers and wetlands. It likes slow water and trees. In Sudan, it can be seen in the south near rivers like the **White Nile** and **Sobat river**.

The local name means "queen" or "strong woman." Another name means "son of the king."



Greater Flamingo (Abu Lahab)

The greater flamingo (or Abu Lahab in Sudanese dialect) is a tall pink bird with long legs. It lives near salty lakes, mudflats, and coastal areas. In Sudan, **you can find it near the Red Sea and salty lakes like Lake Kundi**.



Spur-winged Lapwing (Sugod)

In Sudan **Sugod** refers to the person that **doesn't sleep**, and this **Sugod** bird is a noisy bird with black, white, and brown feathers. It lives near rivers, lakes, and open fields and usually searches for food at night. **In Sudan, you can find it around the Nile and in farmlands.**



Cattle Egret

The cattle egret is a small white bird that **loves to walk near cows and sheep**. It eats insects and small animals that move when the animals walk. **In Sudan, it lives in farms, near rivers, and in grassy fields.** You can often see it near the Nile or in places with fresh water where animals graze.



White Wagtail (Um Girdon)

People say the wagtail is **very smart because they believe it rides on bigger birds to visit the Sacred House in Mecca**. children sing for its songs that rhymes with its tail movement.



The demoiselle crane (Arrahaw)

A tall and elegant bird with soft gray feathers. It is a migratory bird. In winter, **it comes to Sudan and lives in places like Al Jazira and the White Nile**. In summer, it flies back to Europe and Siberia to lay its eggs!



Marabou stork (Abu Assi'en)

Shoebill (Abu Markoub)

Abu Markoub is a large grey bird with a huge shoe-shaped beak. It lives in big swamps and marshes in the **south of Sudan**. Its name comes from its **big beak that looks like a Sudanese shoe called "markoub"**.

