The Pacific golden-plover, spotted with gold and black in the summer, is a mid-sized bird that eats insects, crustaceans, and some berries.

It nests on the ground in the Arctic tundra of Asia and western Alaska, then migrates to winter in Hawai‘i, where it is called the Kōlea.

They return to the same territory each winter, allowing scientists in Hawai‘i to study them easily. We have found that they fly 4,800 km, nonstop, between Alaska and Hawai‘i in 3–4 days!

Can you help this Kōlea find its way from its wintering grounds in Hawai‘i to its nesting grounds in Alaska in time to lay eggs and raise young this summer?