

## 5. Extreme Behavior

### Southern Giant Petrel (*Macronectes giganteus*)

**Behavior** - Two populations sharing the nesting burrows

In the bird-world, nest sites tend to be sacrosanct. Where possible, a good many species return to the same site each year to breed. A nest site stolen is a nest site violated. But what is different with this bird, is that it shares its burrows with another breeding pair of the same species. The two sets of owners, however do not actually meet in the burrow. It is because they have different breeding seasons; in effect, they time-share.

## 5.6 Oddest Time Share

EXTREME BIRDS

**Geographical Distribution** – sub-Antarctic and Antarctic



sometimes coming back from thousands of miles away, homing with complete accuracy.

1999. MS Issued to commemorate Charles Darwin, Theory of evolution, Petrel bird was included as a part of his research, while studying growth and development of fore limbs (wingspan) in skeleton of various animals including human being in an animal kingdom.



Once established, owners of sites don't usually take kindly to challengers and, where there is a conflict, it can be bloody and final.

