

# SOUTHERN THAILAND: JEWELS OF THE SOUTH SET DEPARTURE TRIP REPORT

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This spectacular **Mangrove Pitta** gave amazing views sat out in full view at eye-level not 12 feet (4 meters) away, for ten minutes. A bird of the trip contender very early in the tour!



#### Overview

This exciting Thailand birding tour covered a circuit of the south of this bird-rich country, starting in Phuket on the 28<sup>th</sup> of February 2023 and ending back there on the 13<sup>th</sup> of March 2023. We visited numerous top Thai birding sites during the tour, see the detailed itinerary and map <u>here</u>. We recorded 273 species (seven heard only) as well as numerous interesting reptiles, mammals, and amphibians during the tour, trip lists for all species identified follow the report.

Some of the non-passerine highlights included top-quality birds like Helmeted Hornbill, Bushycrested Hornbill, Great Hornbill, White-crowned Hornbill, Brown-winged Kingfisher, Stork-billed Kingfisher, Banded Kingfisher, Red-bearded Bee-eater, Orange-breasted Trogon, Scarlet-rumped Trogon, Little Bronze Cuckoo, Red-billed Malkoha, Back-bellied Malkoha, Raffles's Malkoha, Knob-billed Duck, Oriental Plover, Oriental Pratincole, River Lapwing, Pheasant-tailed Jacana, Lesser Fish Eagle, Black Baza, Bat Hawk, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, Blyth's Hawk-Eagle, Pied Harrier, Oriental Bay Owl, Buffy Fish Owl, Brown Wood Owl, Red-breasted Parakeet, Black-thighed Falconet, Oriental Hobby, Red-throated Barbet, Golden-whiskered Barbet, Sooty Barbet, White-browed Piculet, Rufous Piculet, Streak-breasted Woodpecker, Banded Woodpecker, and Buff-necked Woodpecker.



We were treated to multiple sightings of the Critically Endangered (<u>BirdLife International</u>) **Helmeted Hornbill** during the tour, with five magnificent birds seen from three locations.

Some of the many passerine highlights included Green Broadbill, Black-and-yellow Broadbill, Banded Broadbill, Mangrove Pitta, Malayan Banded Pitta, Scaly-breasted Bulbul, Greybellied Bulbul, Blyth's Paradise Flycatcher, Orange-headed Thrush, Amur Stonechat, Malayan Black-capped Babbler, Ferruginous Babbler, Pallas's Grasshopper Warbler,



Sakhalin Leaf Warbler, Rufous-chested Flycatcher, Green-backed Flycatcher, Large Blue Flycatcher, Blue-and-white Flycatcher, Pale Blue Flycatcher, Yellow-eared Spiderhunter, Greater Green Leafbird, Asian Golden Weaver, Red-throated Pipit, and Forest Wagtail.



We enjoyed close views of the rare Large Blue Flycatcher during the early part of the tour.



One of the best-looking bulbuls on the planet, Scaly-breasted Bulbul, gave great looks.



#### **Detailed Report**

# Day 1, 28th February 2023. Arrival in Phuket

The group assembled at Nai Yang Beach in Phuket. We met for a welcome dinner in the evening and discussed the plans for our upcoming birding in southern Thailand.

#### Day 2, 1st March 2023. Birding Khao Phra Thaeo and Phang Nga

We met up with our excellent local guide (David) and driver (Don), and left Nai Yang Beach after breakfast and drove the short distance to Khao Phra Thaeo. Some relaxed birding here gave us good views of our main target, two Forest Wagtails. We came across a fruiting fig tree near some pretty waterfalls and while we watched the tree, we noted Black-headed Bulbul, Asian Red-eyed Bulbul, Spectacled Bulbul, Olive (Baker's) Bulbul, Thick-billed Green Pigeon, and (female) Asian Fairy-bluebird all coming in for a snack. A few raptors were present too, and we saw Black Baza, Grey-faced Buzzard, Rufous-bellied Eagle, and Crested Serpent Eagle overhead.

Our next stop was the Phang Nga area, where we enjoyed some great birds throughout the afternoon. Top birds seen (and seen exceptionally well) included **Mangrove Pitta** (see trip report cover image), **Brown-winged Kingfisher**, and **Streak-breasted Woodpecker**. A large supporting cast included **Oriental Pied Hornbill**, **Ruby-cheeked Sunbird**, **Brown-throated Sunbird**, **Arctic Warbler**, **Eastern Crowned Warbler**, **Dark-backed Tailorbird**, and **Scarlet-backed Flowerpecker**. It was a great introductory day of relaxed birding and set the tone for the tour well!



We enjoyed excellent and prolonged views of a close **Brown-winged Kingfisher** out in the open while we were birding in the mangroves.



## Day 3, 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023. Phang Nga birding

We spent the first part of the morning birding in some open city parkland, where we notched up around 50 species in no time at all. It was a great location to get to grips with lots of common birds, and several special species provided fantastic highlights, with the excellent views we had of them. Probably the most interesting sighting involved two pairs of **Banded Woodpeckers** in a territorial dispute and, oblivious to our presence, showed down to mere few feet at times! Other rather colorful birds enjoyed included **Blue-tailed Bee-eater**, **Pink-necked Green Pigeon**, **Blue-eared Barbet**, **Coppersmith Barbet**, **Lineated Barbet**, **Vernal Hanging Parrot**, and **Rufous-bellied Swallow**. Further highlights here included **Black-thighed Falconet**, **Yellow Bittern**, **Blue Rock Thrush**, and **Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpecker**.



We watched in amazement as two pairs of **Banded Woodpeckers** had a territorial dispute right in front of us for a good five minutes!

Moving into an area of mangroves for the remainder of the morning we found Mangrove Whistler, Collared Kingfisher, Sakhalin Leaf Warbler, Eastern Crowned Warbler, Arctic Warbler, Brown-throated Sunbird, Ruby-cheeked Sunbird, and White-chested Babbler. One of the highlights involved a huge Buffy Fish Owl, seen perched briefly. In nearby farmland we got our first Oriental Dollarbird, Indochinese Roller, Jungle Myna, Great Myna, and Greater Coucal of the trip.

The afternoon was spent driving along the west coast to our next destination, but a couple of stops along the way gave us Chestnut-headed Bee-eater, Black-naped Oriole, White-bellied Sea Eagle, Pacific Reef Heron, Terek Sandpiper, Grey-tailed Tattler, Greater Sand Plover, Lesser (Tibetan) Sand Plover, Red-necked Stint, Bar-tailed Godwit, and several other shorebird species.



# Day 4, 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023. Si Phang Nga National Park and Khao Sok National Park

We spent a wonderful morning birding in Si Phang Nga National Park where we saw a scout jamboree and a whole host of great birds on a gentle walk through the forest. Wallace's Hawk Eagle was one of the first top birds seen, and was soon followed by some stunning hornbills, including a pair of Bushy-crested Hornbills. Working the forest, we found one of our main targets, the rare Large Blue Flycatcher, and after a bit of effort eventually got to grips with seeing Malayan Banded Pitta, the view of the male was fleeting but a female gave much appreciated prolonged views. Other species recorded during the morning included Orange-headed Thrush, White-rumped Shama, Chinese Blue Flycatcher, Raffles's Malkoha, Chestnut-breasted Malkoha, Red-billed Malkoha, Silver-rumped Spinetail, Buff-rumped Woodpecker, Greybellied Bulbul, Streaked Bulbul, Black-headed Bulbul, Velvet-fronted Nuthatch, Crow-billed Drongo, Lesser Green Leafbird, Blue-winged Leafbird, and many more!

In the afternoon we took a drive through some meadowland, and in addition to finding our target **River Lapwings**, we also found a real nice surprise in the form of three **Oriental Plovers**, two were in near full summer plumage and looked spectacular. More highlights here included **Oriental Pratincole**, **Pacific Golden Plover**, **Chestnut-headed Bee-eater**, **Black Drongo**, **Amur Stonechat**, **Richard's Pipit**, and **Red-throated Pipit**.



Excitement levels were high when we discovered a small flock of **Oriental Plovers**. Two of the birds were in stunning breeding plumage. This species is a rare passage migrant to Thailand.

## Day 5, 4th March 2023. Khao Sok National Park (including Lake Ratchaprapha)

During the morning we took a walk along the river trail at Khao Sok National Park, where we found some great birds. One of the first species seen was a pair of gorgeous **Banded Kingfishers** that gave prolonged views. Some of the other highlights from the morning walk included **Bamboo** 



Woodpecker, White-browed Piculet, Black-crested Bulbul, Blyth's Paradise Flycatcher, Black-naped Monarch, Raffles's Malkoha, Siberian Blue Robin, and Crimson Sunbird. The final stunning species of the morning was a Red-bearded Bee-eater, that eventually showed brilliantly. Several interesting animals were seen during the morning, including a couple of attractive Wagler's Keeled Green Pit Vipers.



**Red-bearded Bee-eater** was another gorgeous bird we enjoyed seeing during the tour.

After lunch we caught our longboat and made our way across Lake Ratchaprapha to our excellent floating resort. After quickly checking in we jumped back in the boat for what turned out to be an incredible boat-based birding trip. A pair of Lesser Fish Eagles gave some close perched views and then the fun really got going, when we had a flock of 24 Great Hornbills fly over us and drop into some fruiting trees, what a magnificent sight! As the excitement of this hornbill encounter subsided, we heard a White-crowned Hornbill calling from the next bay. A quick repositioning of our boat got us into position. We waited patiently and were rewarded when a bird hopped out on the top of a tree, allowing prolonged perched views. Next up, we found ourselves watching a pair of **Bat Hawks** foraging as the near-full moon rose, and then it got even crazier with the hawks attacking some very special hornbills! It was all rather chaotic in the airspace above us, but it was amazing to witness. Just as we were about to leave to get back to the resort for dinner, we picked up a pair of huge Stork-billed Kingfishers and a single Black-capped Kingfisher. The latter showed briefly, but the former put on a brilliant close showing. As we made our way back to the resort with the sun setting, we had a few final surprises with White-bellied Sea Eagle, Osprey, Crested Honey Buzzard, and best of all, a perched up Oriental Hobby! As far as boat trips go on Lake Ratchaprapha, this was seriously spectacular and the whole experience was one of the best on the entire tour.





We enjoyed the magical sight of 24 magnificent Great Hornbills flying over us to a fruiting tree.



The huge Stork-billed Kingfisher put on a great show for us just as the sun was setting.

# Day 6, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023. Khao Sok National Park (including Lake Ratchaprapha) to Tha Sala

We took another enjoyable boat ride on Lake Ratchaprapha before breakfast and had further views (our best yet) of some seriously stunning and rare hornbills. A **Great Hornbill** gave a fly-over



view before perching out in the open, as did the much smaller **Oriental Pied Hornbill**. We had prolonged views of a stunning **Blue-eared Kingfisher** that allowed a close approach and similar views of the equally attractive **Black-capped Kingfisher** as well.



Point blank views of **Blue-eared Kingfisher** provided an early morning highlight.



This male **Oriental Hobby** was displaying to a nearby female, and the pair gave excellent views.



A couple of **Ospreys** looking for their breakfast were noted, with **Crested Honey Buzzard** also seen again. After breakfast it was time to leave our resort. The boat ride back to meet our vehicle yielded a pair of **Oriental Hobbies**, these birds showed well as they sat on a bare tree snag in the impressive tall cliffs.

During the afternoon we drove to Tha Sala, our base for the next three nights. We spent the late afternoon birding near the local university, where we enjoyed watching a colony of breeding **Redbreasted Parakeets** and also picked up **Common Flameback**, **Red Collared Dove**, **Blue-tailed Bee-eater**, **Brown Shrike**, **Greater Racket-tailed Drongo**, **Black-naped Oriole**, and numerous common open-country birds.

## Day 7, 6th March 2023. Khao Luang (Krung Ching) National Park

Another enjoyable day birding in southern Thailand. We spent the day birding at the Krung Ching section of Khao Luang National Park. Most of the morning was spent mesmerized by a fruiting fig tree right in the car park. Somewhere in the region of 40 species visited the tree while we watched it, including a range of bulbuls, barbets, and pigeons, such as **Red-throated Barbet**, **Golden-whiskered Barbet**, **Blue-eared Barbet**, **Sooty Barbet**, **Scaly-breasted Bulbul**, **Black-crested Bulbul**, and **Thick-billed Green Pigeon**. Other stunning species noted here included **Black-and-yellow Broadbill**, **Sultan Tit**, **Asian Fairy-bluebird** (male!), **Dark-throated Oriole**, **Blue-and-white Flycatcher**, **Crimson-breasted Flowerpecker**, **Lesser Green Leafbird**, **Greater Green Leafbird**, **Green Iora**, **Grey-breasted Spiderhunter**, and **Yellow-eared Spiderhunter**.

As we walked into the forest, we picked up Blyth's Hawk-Eagle, Crested Serpent Eagle, Orange-breasted Trogon (a very showy male), Crimson Sunbird, Yellow-bellied Bulbul, Square-tailed Drongo-Cuckoo, White-bellied Erpornis, and Bar-winged Flycatcher-shrike.



The attractive **Orange-breasted Trogon** showed well for us at close range.



In the afternoon we had an enjoyable session in a bird blind (bird hide) at a nearby waterhole. Birds came through frequently and we got great close views of many species, including Rufouschested Flycatcher, Blyth's Paradise Flycatcher, Black-naped Monarch, Common Emerald Dove, Olive (Baker's) Bulbul, Spectacled Bulbul, Stripe-throated Bulbul, Ochraceous Bulbul, Asian Red-eyed Bulbul, White-rumped Shama, Chestnut-winged Babbler, and Malayan Black-capped Babbler. Some of the group also saw Rufous Piculet and Rufous-tailed Tailorbird. Our time in the blind/hide rounded off a long but fun day of Thai birding.



The bird blind (bird hide) we visited for an afternoon was a great spot for watching secretive species of bulbuls and babblers, including this **Malayan Black-capped Babbler**.

# Day 8, 7th March 2023. Khao Luang (Krung Ching) National Park

We spent the morning back at the Krung Ching section of Khao Luang National Park. Here we enjoyed more views of some of the birds we'd seen the previous morning that were attracted to a few fruiting trees, such as Golden-whiskered Barbet, Red-throated Barbet, Blue-eared Barbet, Sooty Barbet, Scaly-breasted Bulbul, Black-crested Bulbul, Greater Green Leafbird, Lesser Green Leafbird, Thick-billed Green Pigeon, Vernal Hanging Parrot, and Asian Fairy-bluebird (including more close views of a stunning male bird). We also picked up quite a few new birds and improved our looks at several other species, such as White-crowned Hornbill, Scarlet-rumped Trogon, Square-tailed Drongo-Cuckoo, Plaintive Cuckoo, Red-billed Malkoha, Swinhoe's Minivet, Dark-throated Oriole, Moustached Babbler, Taiga Flycatcher, Pale Blue Flycatcher, and Orange-bellied Flowerpecker.

In the afternoon we visited a wetland site near our accommodation in Tha Sala and found plenty of species, some of the highlights included Little Bronze Cuckoo, Siamese Pied Myna, Daurian Starling, Golden-bellied Gerygone, Pallas's Grasshopper Warbler, Oriental Reed Warbler,



Black-browed Reed Warbler, Yellow-bellied Prinia, Brown Shrike, Yellow Bittern, Purple Heron, Intermediate Egret, Asian Openbill, Oriental Pratincole, and Whiskered Tern.



The spectacular Scarlet-rumped Trogon gave some incredible low-level views.



A group of four **White-crowned Hornbills** were feeding in a fruiting tree and we were lucky to get some good views of this Endangered (<u>BirdLife International</u>) species (photo Tim Marshall).



# Day 9, 8th March 2023. Khao Luang (Krung Ching) National Park and Thale Noi

We had our final morning birding in the Krung Ching area and scored several new birds for our trip, such as Banded Broadbill, Violet Cuckoo, Black-bellied Malkoha, Buff-necked Woodpecker, Rufous Woodpecker, Large Woodshrike, Spectacled Spiderhunter, Bronzed Drongo, and White-rumped Munia. We also had further looks at Red-billed Malkoha (a prolonged sighting of a sunbathing bird), Chestnut-breasted Malkoha, Raffles's Malkoha, Black-and-yellow Broadbill, Buff-rumped Woodpecker, Streak-breasted Woodpecker, nesting Red-throated Barbet, Dark-throated Oriole, Black-crested Bulbul, Purple-naped Spiderhunter, Crimson Sunbird, and Blue-winged Leafbird. A great selection of birds.

In the afternoon we drove south to Thale Noi, our base for the next two nights. The afternoon was spent at leisure and relaxing around our pretty lakeside resort.

## Day 10, 9th March 2023. Thale Noi area

We had a pre-breakfast birding session at a site near our accommodation and it was great to see a huge expanse of excellent wetland habitat. Grey-headed Swamphens, Lesser Whistling Ducks, Whiskered Terns, and Asian Openbills were the most abundant species, and by scanning through them we also picked up Pheasant-tailed Jacana, Bronze-winged Jacana, Purple Heron, Yellow Bittern, Great Egret, Intermediate Egret, Little Egret, Eastern Cattle Egret, Cotton Pygmy Goose, Common Moorhen, and Little Grebe. The above species were occasionally spooked by raptors flying overhead, and these included Pied Harrier, Eastern Marsh Harrier, and Brahminy Kite.



We saw a few **Pheasant-tailed Jacanas** in various plumage stages during our wetland birding sessions. This individual gave a close flyby after spending some time feeding near our viewpoint.



Several small birds were noted in the emergent vegetation around the wetland, such as Yellow-bellied Prinia, Black-browed Reed Warbler, Pallas's Grasshopper Warbler, Oriental Reed Warbler, Jungle Myna, Crested Myna, Common Myna, Paddyfield Pipit, Brown Shrike, Chestnut Munia, and Amur Stonechat.

After breakfast we called in at a forested area near the lake and found a nesting pair of **Buffy Fish Owls**, a spectacular sight! We also got some good views of **Ashy Minivet**, **Golden-bellied Gerygone**, and **Brown-throated Sunbird** here, though the two **Black Bitterns** we saw were flighty and only gave brief views. After that we birded at some rice paddies, finding our first **Zitting Cisticolas**, **Scaly-breasted Munias**, and **Plain-backed Sparrows** of the trip.

Late in the afternoon we visited an interesting rice field nature reserve where we found our main target with ease and in good numbers, **Knob-billed Duck**. Here we also improved our views of many of the birds seen in the morning (such as close **Cotton Pygmy Geese** and **Indochinese Roller**) and added a few new ones for everyone, such as **Oriental Darter**, **Black-winged Stilt**, **Baya Weaver**, and the very localized (in southern Thailand) **Asian Golden Weaver**. We also had a soaring pair of locally uncommon **Painted Storks** and several **Grey Herons** during our journey.



An extremely confiding **Indochinese Roller** provided one of the highlights of the afternoon.

#### Day 11, 10th March 2023. Trang Peninsular Botanic Garden and Khao Nor Chu Chi

After a relaxed breakfast, featuring Indochinese Roller, Blue-tailed Bee-eater, and Blue-eared Kingfisher, we left our resort and made our way to Trang Peninsular Botanic Garden. Unfortunately, the wind was strong which made for very tough birding conditions and as a result we didn't see too much, though we did have our best views of the tour of Red-billed Malkoha, along with Banded Woodpecker, Spectacled Spiderhunter, Great Iora, Black-headed Bulbul,



Blue-eared Barbet, Sakhalin Leaf Warbler (a calling bird), Eastern Crowned Warbler, and several other species.

After lunch we visited a different section of the botanic garden and found a sheltered spot out of the wind that was quite productive. Here we enjoyed seeing a few new species and also improved views of some others we'd seen earlier in the day/tour, such as **Green-backed Flycatcher**, **Indian Cuckoo**, **Square-tailed Drongo-Cuckoo**, **Rufous Piculet**, **Van Hasselt's Sunbird**, **Great Iora**, **Green Iora**, and **Bar-winged Flycatcher-shrike**.

In the middle of the afternoon, we continued our journey to the Khao Nor Chu Chi area, ready for tomorrow morning's birding.

## Day 12, 11th March 2023. Birding Khao Nor Chu Chi

We had an early start to our birding today and were richly rewarded, with a prolonged sighting of a pair of stunning **Green Broadbills**. We spent a while watching them foraging and soaked in the fantastic views that they were giving us, definitely a trip highlight bird.

As we walked a forest road we found Ferruginous Babbler, Moustached Babbler, Creamvented Bulbul, Puff-backed Bulbul, Olive-winged Bulbul, Ochraceous Bulbul, Spectacled Bulbul, Crow-billed Drongo, Vernal Hanging Parrot, Crested Goshawk, Crested Honey Buzzard, Common Hill Myna, Sooty Barbet, Blue-eared Barbet, and Black-and-yellow Broadbill. Some alarm calling attracted a range of species, including Crimson-breasted Flowerpecker, Yellow-vented Flowerpecker, Van Hasselt's Sunbird, Red-throated Sunbird, Grey-breasted Spiderhunter, Blyth's Paradise Flycatcher, Black-naped Monarch, and Chinese Blue Flycatcher.



This male Green Broadbill put on quite the show for us during our early morning birding.



We spent some time relaxing around our accommodation during the heat of the day and then in the late afternoon visited a couple of different spots, where we found more good birds. Some of the top birds included Brown-backed Needletail, Grey-rumped Treeswift, Raffles's Malkoha, Red-billed Malkoha, Banded Bay Cuckoo, Blyth's Paradise Flycatcher, Cream-vented Bulbul, Yellow-breasted Flowerpecker, Crimson-breasted Flowerpecker, Yellow-vented Flowerpecker, Plain Sunbird, and Van Hasselt's Sunbird.

In the evening some of the group went owling and were handsomely rewarded with incredible, close views of an **Oriental Bay Owl**. The owl showed extremely well and proved yet another tour highlight, what a bird!



The exquisite **Oriental Bay Owl** is an attractive yet strange looking owl. It is an uncommon and rarely seen species in Thailand and so it was a real treat to see one during our tour.

#### Day 13, 12th March 2023. Khao Nor Chu Chi to Phuket

Our last full day in southern Thailand started with some final birding at Khao Nor Chu Chi. We covered a similar area to the previous morning, finding Abbott's Babbler, Cream-vented Bulbul, Hairy-backed Bulbul, Spectacled Bulbul, Grey-cheeked Bulbul, Streaked Bulbul, Puff-backed Bulbul, Blyth's Paradise Flycatcher, Yellow-breasted Flowerpecker, and Crimson-breasted Flowerpecker. Two Oriental Pratincoles flying over the forest was a bit of a surprise, however the displaying Crested Goshawk was a little more expected!

After a late breakfast we drove back to Phuket, where we arrived in the middle of the afternoon, here we said goodbye and a massive thank you to David and Don. We had our final evening dinner of the tour, which was great fun as usual, and discussed our "birds of the trip". Top votes went to Great Hornbill, Helmeted Hornbill, Oriental Bay Owl, Black-and-yellow Broadbill, Mangrove Pitta, and Van Hasselt's Sunbird.



## Day 14, 13th March 2023. Tour concludes with departure from Phuket

We had a brief pre-breakfast birding session near our accommodation at Nai Yang Beach, where we found **Peregrine Falcon**, **Eurasian Hoopoe**, and **Indochinese Roller** to provide a final splash of color and excitement for the trip.

After breakfast everyone said their goodbyes and departed Phuket for their international flights home or to join our <u>Vietnam birding tour</u>. Huge thanks to everyone for making this such a fun trip, full of amazing birds and great memories. I look forward to traveling with you all again soon.

#### **Bird List - Following IOC (13.1)**

Birds 'heard only' are marked with (H) after the common name, all other species were seen. The following notation after species names is used to show conservation status following <u>BirdLife</u> <u>International</u>: CR = Critically Endangered, EN = Endangered, and VU = Vulnerable.

Common Name	Scientific Name
Ducks, Geese, Swans (Anatidae)	
Lesser Whistling Duck	Dendrocygna javanica
Knob-billed Duck	Sarkidiornis melanotos
Cotton Pygmy Goose	Nettapus coromandelianus
Pheasants & Allies (Phasianidae)	
Great Argus - VU (H)	Argusianus argus
Red Junglefowl (H)	Gallus gallus
Nightjars (Caprimulgidae)	
Large-tailed Nightjar (H)	Caprimulgus macrurus
Treeswifts (Hemiprocnidae)	
Grey-rumped Treeswift	Hemiprocne longipennis
Swifts (Apodidae)	
Plume-toed Swiftlet	Collocalia affinis
Germain's Swiftlet	Aerodramus germani
Silver-rumped Spinetail	Rhaphidura leucopygialis
Brown-backed Needletail	Hirundapus giganteus
Asian Palm Swift	Cypsiurus balasiensis
Pacific Swift	Apus pacificus





Common Name	Scientific Name
Grey Plover	Pluvialis squatarola
Lesser (Tibetan) Sand Plover	Charadrius mongolus
Greater Sand Plover	Charadrius leschenaultii
Oriental Plover	Charadrius veredus
Jacanas (Jacanidae)	
Pheasant-tailed Jacana	Hydrophasianus chirurgus
Bronze-winged Jacana	Metopidius indicus
Sandpipers, Snipes (Scolopacidae)	
Eurasian Whimbrel	Numenius phaeopus
Bar-tailed Godwit	Limosa lapponica
Ruddy Turnstone	Arenaria interpres
Red-necked Stint	Calidris ruficollis
Sanderling	Calidris alba
Terek Sandpiper	Xenus cinereus
Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos
Grey-tailed Tattler	Tringa brevipes
Marsh Sandpiper	Tringa stagnatilis
Wood Sandpiper	Tringa glareola
Coursers, Pratincoles (Glareolidae)	
Oriental Pratincole	Glareola maldivarum
Gulls, Terns, Skimmers (Laridae)	
Whiskered Tern	Chlidonias hybrida
Storks (Ciconiidae)	1
Painted Stork	Mycteria leucocephala
Asian Openbill	Anastomus oscitans
Anhingas, Darters (Anhingidae)	
Oriental Darter	Anhinga melanogaster
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Cormorants, Shags (Phalacrocoracio	
Little Cormorant	Microcarbo niger
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Herons, Bitterns (Ardeidae)	LL
Yellow Bittern	Ixobrychus sinensis





Common Name	Scientific Name	
Owls (Strigidae)		
Buffy Fish Owl	Ketupa ketupu	
Brown Wood Owl	Strix leptogrammica	
Trogons (Trogonidae)		
Scarlet-rumped Trogon	Harpactes duvaucelii	
Orange-breasted Trogon	Harpactes oreskios	
Harman (Harmidan)		
Hoopoes (Upupidae)	77	
Eurasian Hoopoe	Upupa epops	
Hornbills (Bucerotidae)		
White-crowned Hornbill - EN	Berenicornis comatus	
Great Hornbill - VU	Buceros bicornis	
Helmeted Hornbill - CR	Rhinoplax vigil	
Oriental Pied Hornbill	Anthracoceros albirostris	
Bushy-crested Hornbill	Anorrhinus galeritus	
Rollers (Coraciidae)		
Indochinese Roller	Coracias affinis	
Oriental Dollarbird	Eurystomus orientalis	
Kingfishers (Alcedinidae)		
Banded Kingfisher	Lacedo pulchella	
Stork-billed Kingfisher	Pelargopsis capensis	
Brown-winged Kingfisher	Pelargopsis amauroptera	
Ruddy Kingfisher (H)	Halcyon coromanda	
White-throated Kingfisher	Halcyon smyrnensis	
Black-capped Kingfisher - VU	Halcyon pileata	
Collared Kingfisher	Todiramphus chloris	
Blue-eared Kingfisher	Alcedo meninting	
Oriental Dwarf Kingfisher (H)	Ceyx erithaca	
Bee-eaters (Meropidae)		
Red-bearded Bee-eater	Nyctyornis amictus	
Blue-tailed Bee-eater	Merops philippinus	
Chestnut-headed Bee-eater	Merops leschenaulti	





Common Name	Scientific Name
Australasian Warblers (Acanthizi	idae)
Golden-bellied Gerygone	Gerygone sulphurea
Vongos P. Allies (Vonsides)	
Vangas & Allies (Vangidae)  Dan winged Elyecteber shrike	Haminus niestus
Bar-winged Flycatcher-shrike	Hemipus picatus
Large Woodshrike	Tephrodornis virgatus
Rufous-winged Philentoma (H)	Philentoma pyrhoptera
Ioras (Aegithinidae)	
Common Iora	Aegithina tiphia
Green Iora	Aegithina viridissima
Great Iora	Aegithina lafresnayei
Cuckooshrikes (Campephagidae)	
Ashy Minivet	Pericrocotus divaricatus
Swinhoe's Minivet	Pericrocotus cantonensis
Lesser Cuckooshrike	Lalage fimbriata
Whistlers & Allies (Pachycephalic	dae)
Mangrove Whistler	Pachycephala cinerea
Shrikes (Laniidae)	
Brown Shrike	Lanius cristatus
Vireos, Greenlets, Shrike-babbler	rs (Vireonidae)
White-bellied Erpornis	Erpornis zantholeuca
White comed Exporms	21 portus guinnoteneu
Figbirds, Old World Orioles, Piop	pios (Oriolidae)
Dark-throated Oriole	Oriolus xanthonotus
Black-naped Oriole	Oriolus chinensis
Drongos (Dicruridae)	
Bronzed Drongo	Dicrurus aeneus
Crow-billed Drongo	Dicrurus annectens
Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	Dicrurus paradiseus
Ashy Drongo	Dicrurus leucophaeus
Black Drongo	Dicrurus macrocercus







Common Name	Scientific Name
Fairy-bluebirds (Irenidae)	
Asian Fairy-bluebird	Irena puella
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<b>Nuthatches (Sittidae)</b>	
Velvet-fronted Nuthatch	Sitta frontalis
Starlings, Rhabdornises (Sturnidae)	
Asian Glossy Starling	Aplonis panayensis
Common Hill Myna	Gracula religiosa
Great Myna	Acridotheres grandis
Jungle Myna	Acridotheres fuscus
Common Myna	Acridotheres tristis
Siamese Pied Myna	Gracupica floweri
Daurian Starling	Agropsar sturninus
Thrushes (Turdidae)	
Orange-headed Thrush	Geokichla citrina
Chats, Old World Flycatchers (Mus	cicapidae)
Oriental Magpie-Robin	Copsychus saularis
White-rumped Shama	Copsychus malabaricus
Asian Brown Flycatcher	Muscicapa dauurica
Pale Blue Flycatcher	Cyornis unicolor
Large Blue Flycatcher	Cyornis magnirostris
Chinese Blue Flycatcher	Cyornis glaucicomans
Fulvous-chested Jungle Flycatcher	Cyornis olivaceus
Blue-and-white Flycatcher	Cyanoptila cyanomelana
Siberian Blue Robin	Larvivora cyane
Chestnut-naped Forktail	Enicurus ruficapillus
Green-backed Flycatcher	Ficedula elisae
Taiga Flycatcher	Ficedula albicilla
Rufous-chested Flycatcher	Ficedula dumetoria
Blue Rock Thrush	Monticola solitarius
Amur Stonechat	Saxicola stejnegeri
Leafbirds (Chloropseidae)	
Greater Green Leafbird - EN	Chloropsis sonnerati
Lesser Green Leafbird	Chloropsis cyanopogon
Blue-winged Leafbird	Chloropsis moluccensis



Common Name	Scientific Name
Flowerpeckers (Dicaeidae)	
Yellow-breasted Flowerpecker	Prionochilus maculatus
Crimson-breasted Flowerpecker	Prionochilus percussus
Thick-billed Flowerpecker	Dicaeum agile
Yellow-vented Flowerpecker	Dicaeum chrysorrheum
Orange-bellied Flowerpecker	Dicaeum trigonostigma
Scarlet-backed Flowerpecker	Dicaeum cruentatum
Sunbirds (Nectariniidae)	
Ruby-cheeked Sunbird	Chalcoparia singalensis
Plain Sunbird	Anthreptes simplex
Brown-throated Sunbird	Anthreptes malacensis
Red-throated Sunbird	Anthreptes rhodolaemus
Van Hasselt's Sunbird	Leptocoma brasiliana
Olive-backed Sunbird	Cinnyris jugularis
Crimson Sunbird	Aethopyga siparaja
Purple-naped Sunbird	Kurochkinegramma hypogrammicum
Little Spiderhunter	Arachnothera longirostra
Spectacled Spiderhunter	Arachnothera flavigaster
Yellow-eared Spiderhunter	Arachnothera chrysogenys
Grey-breasted Spiderhunter	Arachnothera modesta
Old World Sparrows, Snowfinche	s (Passeridae)
Eurasian Tree Sparrow	Passer montanus
Plain-backed Sparrow	Passer flaveolus
Wooyeng Widowbinds (Placeidae)	
Weavers, Widowbirds (Ploceidae) Asian Golden Weaver	Ploceus hypoxanthus
Baya Weaver	Ploceus philippinus
Baya Weaver	T toccus printippinus
Waxbills, Munias & Allies (Estrilo	lidae)
Scaly-breasted Munia	Lonchura punctulata
White-rumped Munia	Lonchura striata
Chestnut Munia	Lonchura atricapilla
Wagtails, Pipits (Motacillidae)	
Forest Wagtail	Dendronanthus indicus
Eastern Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla tschutschensis



Common Name	Scientific Name
Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea
Richard's Pipit	Anthus richardi
Paddyfield Pipit	Anthus rufulus
Red-throated Pipit	Anthus cervinus

Total seen	266
Total heard only	7
Total recorded	273

# **Mammal List**

Common Name	Scientific Name	
Old World Monkeys (Cercopithecidae)		
Southern Pig-tailed Macaque	Macaca nemestrina	
Common Long-tailed Macaque	Macaca fascicularis	
Gibbons (Hylobatidae)		
Lar Gibbon	Hylobates lar	
Deer (Cervidae)		
Northern Red Muntjac	Muntiacus vaginalis	
Old World Fruit Bats (Pteropodid	· 1	
Lesser Dog-faced Fruit Bat	Cynopterus brachyotis	
Squirrels (Sciuridae)		
Slender Squirrel	Sundasciurus tenuis	
Grey-bellied Squirrel	Callosciurus caniceps	
Variable Squirrel	Callosciurus finlaysonii	
Plantain Squirrel	Callosciurus notatus	
Black Giant Squirrel	Ratufa bicolor	
Himalayan Striped Squirrel	Tamiops mcclellandii	
Treeshrews (Tupaiidae)		
Common Treeshrew	Tupaia glis	
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Mustelids (Mustelidae)		
Smooth-coated Otter	Lutrogale perspicillata	



Common Name	Scientific Name	
<b>Bovids</b> (Bovidae)		
Domestic Water Buffalo	Bubalus bubalis	

# **Reptile List**

Introduced reptiles are marked with (I) after the common name and deceased reptiles are marked with (D) after the common name.

Common Name	Scientific Name
Agamids (Agamidae)	
Gunung (Mount) Raya Green-crested Lizard	Bronchocela rayaensis
Changeable (Common Garden) Lizard	Calotes versicolor
Forest Garden Lizard	Calotes emma
Southern Short-horned Pricklenape	Acanthosaura meridiona
Common Gliding Lizard	Draco sumatranus
Barred Gliding Lizard	Draco taeniopterus
Gekkonidae (Geckos)	
Asian House Gecko	Hemidactylus platyurus
Flat-tailed House Gecko	Hemidactylus platyurus
Tokay Gecko	Gekko gecko
Monitors (Varanidae)	
Common Water Monitor	Varanus salvator
Clouded Monitor	Varanus nebulosus
Skinks (Scincidae)	
Grass Sun Skink	Eutropis macularia
Common Mabuya	Eutropis multifasciata
Spotted Forest Skink	Sphenomorphus maculatus
Banded Lipinia	Lipinia vittigera
Iguanas and Chuckwallas (Iguanidae)	
Green Iguana (I)	Iguana iguana



Common Name	Scientific Name	
Vipers (Viperidae)		
Wagler's Keeled Green Pit Viper	Tropidolaemus wagleri	
Mud Snakes (Homalopsidae)		
South Asian Bockadam (D)	Cerberus rynchops	
Eurasian Pond, River, and Neotropical Wood Turtles (Geoemydidae)		
Southeast Asian (Oldham's) Leaf Turtle	Cyclemys oldhamii	
Pond and Box Turtles (Emydidae)		
Yellow-bellied (Red-eared) Slider	Trachemys scripta elegans	

Total	20
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# **Amphibian List**

Common Name	Scientific Name	
Fork-tongued Frogs (Dicroglossidae)		
Crab-eating Frog	Fejervarya cancrivora	
Shrub Frogs (Rhacophoridae)		
Malayan Slender Tree Frog	Polypedates discantus	
Common Southeast Asian Tree Frog	Polypedates leucomystax	
Narrowmouth Toads (Microhylidae)		
Burmese Squat Frog	Glyphoglossus guttulatus	
Mukhlesur's Narrow-mouthed Frog	Microhyla mukhlesuri	
True Toads (Bufonidae)		
River Toad	Phrynoidis asper	
Lesser Toad	Ingerophrynus parvus	
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Total	7	



# **Notable Other Taxa List**

Common Name	Scientific Name
Orbweavers (Araneidae)	
Giant Golden Orbweaver	Nephila pilipes
Long-horned Orbweaver	Macracantha arcuata
<b>Huntsman Spiders (Sparassidae)</b>	
Huntsman sp.	Thelcticopsis orichalcea
Huntsman sp.	Heteropoda boiei
Swallowtails and Parnassians (Papili	onidae)
Great Mormon Swallowtail	Papilio memnon
Common Mormon Swallowtail	Papilio polytes
Common Clubtail	Losaria coon
Common Birdwing	Troides helena
Malayan Birdwing	Troides amphrysus
Common Bluebottle	Graphium sarpedon
Lesser Jay	Gtaphium evemon
Tailed Jay	Graphium agamemnon
Five-bar Swordtail	Graphium antiphates
Common Rose Swallowtail	Pachliopta aristolochiae
<b>Brush-footed Butterflies (Nymphalid</b>	ae)
Great Eggfly	Hypolimnas bolina
Lemon Pansy	Junonia lemonias
Grey Pansy	Junonia atlites
Chocolate Pansy	Junonia iphita
Common Archduke	Lexias pardalis
Palm King	Amathusia phidippus
Autumn Leaf	Doleschallia bisaltide
Common Tiger Butterfly	Danaus genutia
White Tiger Butterfly	Danaus melanippus
Ceylon Blue Glassy Tiger	Ideopsis similis
Blue Glassy Tiger	Ideopsis vulgaris
Common Five-Ring	Ypthima baldus
Tufted Jungle King	Thauria aliris



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Malay Yeoman	Cirrochroa emalea		
Wavy Maplet	Chersonesia rahria		
Giant Tree Nymph	Idea lynceus		
Blue-banded King Crow Butterfly	Euploea eunice		
Common Palmfly	Elymnias hypermnestra		
Rustic	Cupha erymanthis		
Horsfield's Baron	Tanaecia iapis		
Common Sailer	Neptis hylas		
Cruiser	Vindula erota		
Tawny Coster	Acraea terpsicore		
Whites, Yellows, and Sulphurs (Pieridae)			
Great Orange Tit	Hebomoia glaucippe		
Common Albatross	Appias albina		
Striped Albatross	Appias libythea		
Psyche	Leptosia nina		
Common Grass Yellow	Eurema hecabe		
Metalmark Butterflies (Riodinidae)	Metalmark Butterflies (Riodinidae)		
Lesser Harlequin	Laxita thuisto		
Gobies (Gobiidae)			
Boddart's Blue-spotted Mudskipper	Boleophthalmus boddarti		
Total	44		

