



**POLAND**  
**TRIP REPORT MAY 2018**

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Being able to watch Black Woodpecker at its nest was a definite tour highlight.

This two-week customized Poland tour commenced in Warsaw on the 13<sup>th</sup> of May 2018 and concluded back there on the 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2018. Although focusing on birds for the majority of the trip, some time was spent looking at a few historical sites of personal interest, and our route was formed around these sites. The weather was, unfortunately, poor for most of our time in the Białowieża Forest area (unseasonably wet and cool), but we still found most of the area's important species and really enjoyed exploring the Strict Reserve there.

The tour connected with many exciting birds and yielded a long list of European birding highlights, such as **Garganey, Black-throated Loon, Black and White Storks, Little Bittern, Lesser Spotted Eagle, Western Marsh, Montagu's, and Pallid Harriers, White-tailed Eagle, Corn Crake, Common Crane, Ruff, Caspian Gull, Little, White-winged, Black, and Whiskered Terns, Common Cuckoo, European Bee-eater, Eurasian Hoopoe, Eurasian Wryneck, Eurasian Three-toed, Middle Spotted, White-backed, Black, and Grey-headed Woodpeckers, Red-backed and Great Grey Shrikes, Eurasian Golden Oriole, Eurasian Jay, European Crested Tit, Eurasian Penduline Tit, Aquatic, Greenish, Savi's, Marsh, Icterine, Barred, and River Warblers, Fieldfare, Thrush Nightingale, European Pied, Collared, and Red-breasted Flycatchers, Black and Common Redstarts, Whinchat, Western Yellow (Blue-headed) Wagtail, Hawfinch, Common Rosefinch, Red Crossbill, European Serin, and Ortolan Bunting.**

A total of 165 bird species were seen (plus 5 species heard only), along with an impressive list of other animals. Species lists are at the end of this report.

## **Poland Custom Tour:**

### **Day 1, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Arrival into Warsaw and city visit**

After a morning arrival into Warsaw Chopin Airport we checked into our comfortable nearby hotel and freshened up. A late-morning visit was made to the Ghetto Heroes Monument and Museum of the History of Polish Jews. This was followed by an early-afternoon walk across the city, taking in the sights of the Old Town Market Square and numerous other impressive, old, beautifully-decorated buildings. As tiredness from the long journey caught up it was time for an early evening meal and bed!

### **Day 2, 14<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Warsaw to Białowieża (via Czyżew)**

We took a short pre-breakfast walk near Park Wilanowski, where we were greeted by some very vocal **Great Reed Warblers**, which eventually showed themselves – including the bright orange coloration of the inside of their mouths! It was a gentle introduction into Central European birding with **Eurasian Blue Tit, Great Tit, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Eurasian Nuthatch, and Eurasian Blackcap** all seen well. Many common and widespread species were also seen, such as **Common Blackbird, Hooded Crow, Grey Heron, and Common Wood Pigeon.** **Common Cuckoo** and **Eurasian Golden Oriole** were also heard but not seen on this first outing.

After breakfast we commenced our journey to the Białowieża Forest area, stopping along the way in Czyżew for some family history for a couple of hours. Although birding was not the focus during this time it was hard to ignore **Common Crane, White Stork, Western Marsh**

**Harrier, Eurasian Hobby, Eurasian Hoopoe, Red-backed Shrike, Spotted Flycatcher, and European Serin** all around in the village!

In the late afternoon we arrived at our lodgings and our base for the next five nights just in time for a heavy rain shower.

**Day 3, 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Białowieża Forest**

A very cold and misty morning greeted us, and the birding was slow as a result, though we still managed to pick up a few exciting birds either side of breakfast. Many birds were heard but not immediately visible, such as **Eurasian Pygmy Owl, Eurasian Golden Oriole, Eurasian Wryneck, and Corn Crane**, but we enjoyed very good views of **Red-backed Shrike, Thrush Nightingale, Black Redstart, Common Redstart, European Serin, Northern Goshawk, Western Marsh Harrier, Common Cuckoo, Marsh Warbler, Wood Warbler, Common Rosefinch, Yellowhammer, and Hawfinch**.



Common Rosefinch

A late-afternoon walk around the famous Palace Park and ponds produced some very skulking **Great Reed Warblers**, stunning **European Bee-eaters, Eurasian Golden Oriole**, and a brief **Collared Flycatcher**, with great views of **Fieldfare, Icterine Warbler**, and several **Spotted Flycatchers**. A post-dinner walk of a couple of hundred meters resulted in a brief view of **Corn Crane**, a gorgeous male **Common Reed Bunting**, a pair of singing **Marsh Warblers**, and a very approachable **White Stork**.

**Day 4, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Bialowieża Forest**

We had a much brighter start to the day, although it soon clouded over. Birds were generally more visible, and we enjoyed a brief walk around the town, finding **Common Crane**, **Hawfinch**, **Woodlark**, **Marsh Warbler**, **Red-backed Shrike**, **Garden Warbler**, **Thrush Nightingale**, **Common Cuckoo**, and **Eurasian Golden Oriole**.

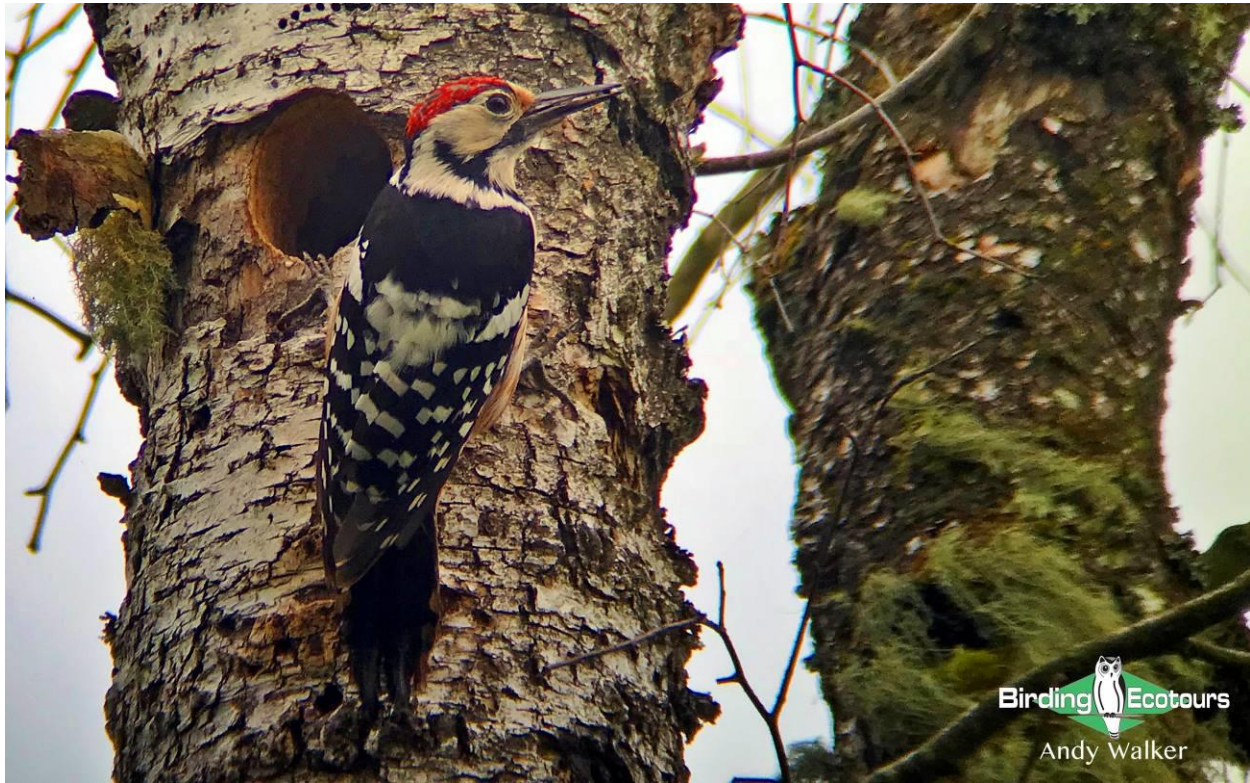
After breakfast a forest walk gave us some fantastic views of a male **Eurasian Three-toed Woodpecker**; we watched him for ages drumming on some very loud trees! Other birds seen in this area included **European Crested Tit**, a brief **Black Woodpecker**, **Eurasian Sparrowhawk**, and **Red (Common) Crossbill**. Unfortunately, **Hazel Grouse** remained a 'heard only' bird. The rain came down at lunchtime, so we spent some time relaxing in the hotel, listening to **Song Thrush** and **Eurasian Golden Oriole** singing in the rain!



Eurasian Three-toed Woodpecker

In the late afternoon the rain and wind eased off, and we managed to get in a couple of very enjoyable hours birding. One of the main highlights from this session was a pair of **White-backed Woodpeckers** that we were able to watch tending to their nest. A very special moment indeed! It looked as if the nestlings were close to fledging, as one of the young looked quite developed and was very much looking out of the nest hole. Other exciting birds seen in the last couple of hours of light included both **Lesser Spotted** and **Black Woodpeckers**, **Eurasian**

**Treecreeper**, several **Collared** and **Spotted Flycatchers**, **Common Crane**, and **Green Sandpiper**.



White-backed Woodpecker tending nest

#### **Day 5, 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Bialowieza Forest**

We were greeted by the unwelcome sight of low clouds and persistent rain on waking, again (it was also cold!), and this theme continued for most of the day. A visit to a hide was in order, so we could try to see some birds and stay dry! This worked for a while, and we got nice views of a displaying **Barred Warbler** along with a decent supporting cast of **Eurasian Wryneck**, **Red-backed Shrike**, **Savi's Warbler**, **Great Reed Warbler**, and **Common Rosefinch**.

Most of the rest of the morning and early-afternoon was spent dodging rain showers but still picking up good birds like **Grey-headed Woodpecker**, **Collared Flycatcher**, **Lesser Spotted Woodpecker**, **Eurasian Nuthatch**, **Eurasian Treecreeper**, and **Marsh Tit**, soon followed by **Red-breasted Flycatcher** and nesting **Black Woodpecker**! What a great view as the male looked at us out of his nest hole! The final stop of the day produced our best looks thus far at a drumming male **Great Spotted Woodpecker**, soon followed by another woodpecker, our seventh species of the day – **Middle Spotted Woodpecker**. Amazing success, given the poor weather! We left the forest very happy.

#### **Day 6, 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Bialowieza Forest**

An early start saw us meeting up with local guide Barbara for a hike into the Bialowieza Forest Strict Reserve (you can only enter this area of pristine forest with a local guide). Thankfully, it was actually dry this morning, and we enjoyed a four-hour walk, learning a great deal about the fascinating history of the forest and its people over the years. Birding took a bit of a back seat to

the proceedings, but we had excellent views of several species, including **Black, White-backed, Middle Spotted** and **Great Spotted Woodpeckers**, several pairs of **Collared Flycatchers** attending their nests, numerous **Wood Warblers, Hawfinch, Common Chaffinch, Eurasian Wren**, and **Fieldfare**. The sounds of **Common Cuckoo** and **Eurasian Golden Oriole** rang out too. Walking outside the Strict Reserve we found **Corn Crake, Whinchat, Greenish and Icterine Warblers, Tree Pipit**, and **Yellowhammer**.

A short rain shower (no surprise there, given the weather we'd been having) gave us a break and a late breakfast. Afterwards the sun broke out, and it finally got warm for the first time since our arrival in Warsaw almost a week earlier. We headed straight for a good viewpoint and were duly rewarded with flyover **Lesser Spotted Eagle, European Honey Buzzard, Common Buzzard**, and **White Stork**. Bushes nearby held a very showy (occasionally) **River Warbler** and **Icterine Warbler** present, while the nearby reedbed was full of singing **Savi's, Great Reed, Eurasian Reed**, and **Sedge Warblers**. **Red-backed Shrike**, nesting **White Wagtail**, and **Common Rosefinch** were also present and showing well.



The often skulking River Warbler was making the most of the good weather.

A short drive around the quiet roads and villages resulted in finding a very pretty male **Red-breasted Flycatcher** and several more **Collared Flycatchers** along with **Great Grey** and **Red-backed Shrikes, European Greenfinch, European Goldfinch, Eurasian Tree Sparrow**, and **Common Linnet**. We retired to our rooms as a thunderstorm approached and were rewarded with a relatively low flyover **Lesser Spotted Eagle**, with **Spotted Flycatcher, Icterine Warbler**, and **Lesser Whitethroat** in the tree right off the bedroom balconies! An evening stroll gave us some flyover **Eurasian Woodcocks** and several very vocal (and loud) **Common Cuckoos**.

**Day 7, 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Siemianówka Reservoir, Dojlidy Fish Ponds, and Biebrza Marshes**

We awoke to another cold and wet morning, had a quick breakfast, and headed north to the Siemianówka Reservoir for the morning. There were plenty of birds to look at straight away, with **White-tailed Eagle** being one of the first birds seen in addition to a range of waterfowl including **Mute** and **Whooper Swans**, **Greylag Goose**, **Garganey**, **Tufted Duck**, **Common Pochard**, **Great Egret**, and **Grey Heron**. Terns of four species were noted, **Black**, **White-winged**, **Whiskered**, and **Common Terns**, along with **Black-headed Gulls**. **Western Marsh Harriers** were evident, as were several **Eurasian Hobbies**, **European Honey Buzzard**, and further **White-tailed Eagles**. We also had fantastic looks at **Great Crested Grebes**. There were numerous passerines around the lake too, but most were keeping hidden from the wind and cold conditions. Species noted included **Marsh**, **Great Reed**, and **Garden Warblers**, **Red-backed** and **Great Grey Shrikes**, **Whinchat**, and **Common Reed Bunting**.

We continued our journey to Dojlidy Fish Ponds near Białystok, where the star bird was a summer-plumaged **Black-throated Loon**. What an absolutely stunning-looking bird, and a nice surprise! **Eurasian Bitterns** were booming but remained hidden, though we did get great views of two pairs of **Common Cranes**. Several ducks were present, and we had very nice observations of **Garganey**, **Tufted Duck**, and **Eurasian Wigeon**, while **Great Crested** and **Red-necked Grebes** were also seen. **Common Rosefinches** were very vocal, as were **Great Reed** and **Sedge Warblers**.



Black-throated Loon looking splendid in breeding plumage

Our arrival at our accommodation at Biebrza Marshes was timed perfectly for dinner. Thereafter we spent the last 20 minutes of light enjoying **Eurasian Wryneck**, **Black Redstart**, **European**

**Pied Flycatcher, Corn Bunting, Yellowhammer, Woodlark, and Eurasian Sparrowhawk** in our garden!

**Day 8, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Biebrza Marshes**

An early start (our first in glorious sunny weather for a week) was the order of the day to head into the marsh to target one particular bird, the globally threatened (Vulnerable) **Aquatic Warbler**. Approximately 85% of the global population of this species breed in Poland, with 25% of these breeding in the Biebrza Marshes. We found some suitable habitat and in no time at all were enjoying watching this small *Acrocephalus* warbler, along with its close relative, but much more common **Sedge Warbler**. Here we also had good views of reeling **Common Grasshopper Warbler**, **Common Reed Bunting**, **Whinchat**, **Common Snipe**, and **Northern Lapwing**, all set to the haunting calls of **Common Crane** and joyous calls of **Common Cuckoo**.



Aquatic Warbler, one of the star birds of the trip

After breakfast we headed north through the Biebrza valley. Before we left the car park we were enjoying a fine pair of **Black Redstarts**, when alarming calls of **Barn Swallows** drew our attention skywards, first for a **Eurasian Sparrowhawk** and then for a male **Montagu's Harrier**! A couple of stops over the course of the morning produced some fine birds, including **Lesser Spotted Eagle**, **Western Marsh Harrier**, **Northern Goshawk**, **Northern Raven**, **Eurasian Golden Oriole**, **Red-backed Shrike**, **Western Yellow (Blue-headed) Wagtail**, and **Ortolan Bunting**. The call of **Corn Crake** was ringing across several of the meadows we drove past too. What a wonderful sound!

After lunch we drove around a couple of towns and pretty, small villages for some family history activities before driving back to our accommodation for a few hours' rest.

**Day 9, 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018. Biebrza Marshes**

A late start was the order of the day, so after breakfast we headed north through the valley, where we took a nice walk along a boardwalk through a marsh, finding an array of interesting species such as **Eurasian Penduline Tit**, **Bluethroat**, **Marsh Warbler** (mimicking a range of other species), **Savi's Warbler**, **White-tailed Eagle**, **Western Marsh Harrier**, **Garganey**, and a very distant and high up **Black Stork**, conclusive but not the greatest of views of this beauty. Most interesting of the sightings above was that of the **Eurasian Penduline Tit**, which we found at its incredible nest – this has to be one of the best nest structures out there!



Eurasian Penduline Tit at its beautifully constructed nest

After a delicious lunch (where we watched a **Northern Raven** successfully raiding a **Eurasian Magpie** nest – insert something about karma here ...) we headed to the west side of the valley, where we found a high diversity of species. **White-winged**, **Black**, and **Whiskered Terns** were all looking fantastic, and there were plenty of other birds on offer here too, like breeding-plumaged **Ruff** (including black, white, and rufous birds), **Black-tailed Godwit**, **Common Ringed Plover**, **Northern Lapwing**, and **Common Redshank**. Every so often everything would get up in a state of panic, caused by the **White-tailed Eagles** and **Western Marsh Harriers** that were patrolling the skies. The sounds of **Common Cranes**, **Corn Crake**, **Eurasian Bittern**, and **Common Cuckoo** filled the air, and we soaked it all in within some impressive marsh scenery. A huge flock of **Great Egrets** were hunting in the marsh, along with a sizeable number of **White Storks**; however, one of the highlights of the afternoon was undoubtedly the couple of **Black Storks** observed on the ground feeding, then circling around before flying close past us. Great to

see! Also great to see, given the height of the vegetation, was a **Grey Partridge** that suddenly started calling from the field next to us and then showed well. Another enjoyable day in Poland!

#### **Day 10, 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2018. Biebrza Marshes to Gdansk**

This was essentially a travel day as we made our way from the Biebrza Marshes to Gdansk on the Baltic coast. A typical range of countryside birds were noted along the way; highlight, though, was a huge Moose seen as we were leaving the marshes, where the **Aquatic Warblers** were still singing away.

#### **Day 11, 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2018. The Baltic Coast**

After a long day in the vehicle the previous day it was nice to have a long walk through the countryside today. We headed along the west side of the mouth of the Vistula River to the point where this long river enters the Baltic Sea. Warblers were very much in evidence in the forest, scrub, and wetlands, with **Common Chiffchaff**, **Lesser** and **Common Whitethroats**, **Willow Wood**, **Icterine**, **Sedge**, **Eurasian Reed**, **Great Reed**, and **Garden Warblers**, and **Eurasian Blackcap** all seen. **Eurasian Golden Oriole** was singing and calling but elusive as ever. **Common Rosefinches** and **Red-backed Shrikes** were much more obliging, as were **European Serin**, visibly migrating **Coal Tits**, and **Spotted Flycatcher**.



Stunning male Red-backed Shrike showing very well

At the coast itself were hundreds of Grey Seals, and nearby we found **Common Merganser** (Goosander), **Common Shelduck**, **Little**, **Sandwich**, and **Common Terns**, and **Black-headed Mew**, **European Herring**, **Lesser Black-backed**, and **Great Black-backed Gulls**. Huge numbers of **Great Cormorants** were also noted, as were four seemingly migrating **Common**

**Cranes** and several **Grey Herons**. Also observed flying overhead were **White-tailed Eagle** (a nice adult), **Northern Goshawk**, **Western Marsh Harrier**, **Common Buzzard**, and a very smart dark-morph **European Honey Buzzard**.

An afternoon walk, in similar habitat but closer to our hotel, provided several of the same species, and one highlight was watching two female **Common Mergansers** (Goosanders) with 24 very young ducklings between them!

#### **Day 12, 24<sup>th</sup> May 2018. The Baltic Coast to Plock**

We went for an early morning walk in some wetlands and forest along the Baltic Coast, seeing many of the same birds as on the previous day, with a couple of new birds thrown in, such as **Common Goldeneye** and **Willow Tit**. A few birds gave nice photographic opportunities, particularly **Eurasian Jay**. Our walk through the alder/willow carr woodland was rapid due to the number of hungry mosquitoes, but we did note **Eurasian Golden Oriole**, **Icterine Warbler**, **Lesser Whitethroat**, **Marsh Warbler**, and **Tree Pipit**. A **Common Cuckoo** was lurking around the edge of the reedbed, presumably eyeing up the **Eurasian Reed Warblers** or **Sedge Warblers**, though the local **Common Chaffinches** were also very much on edge.



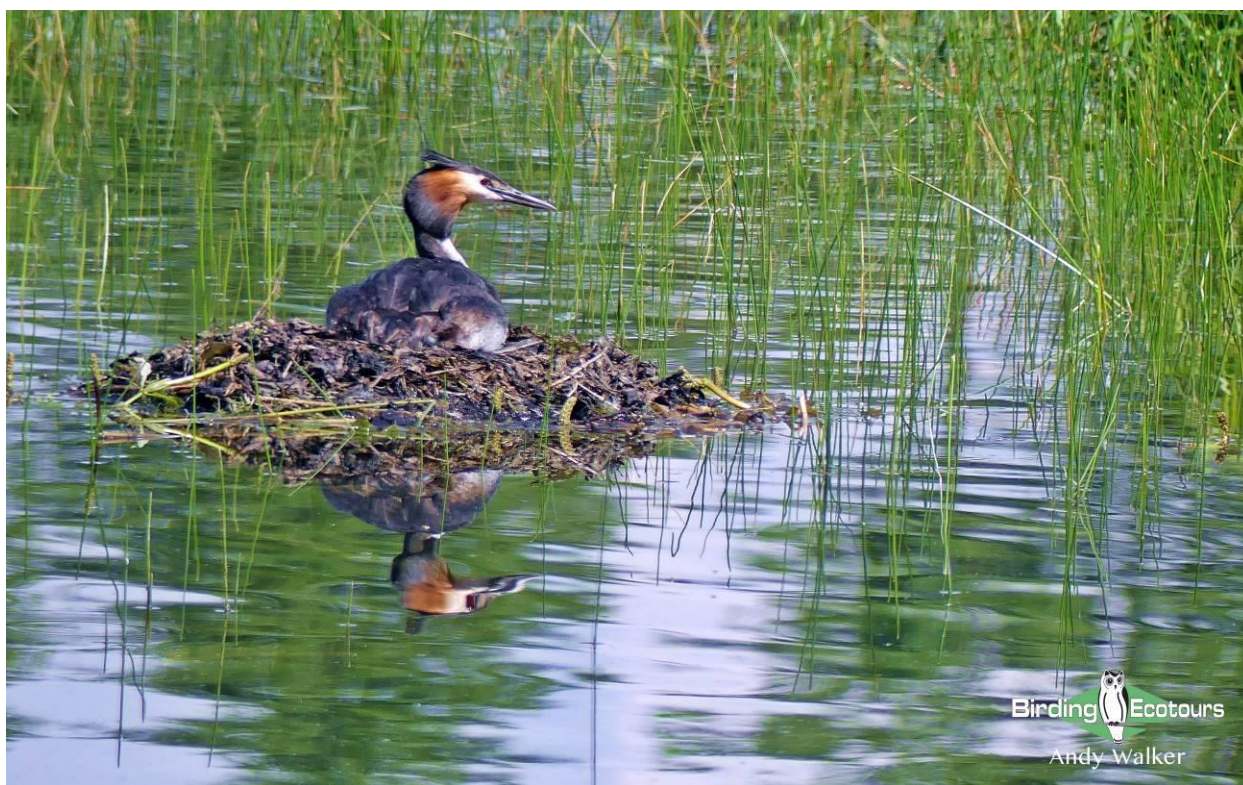
Very confiding Eurasian Jays were found along the Baltic Coast.

After lunch we spent the afternoon driving south from Gdansk to the Plock area. This was not a typical birding stop but part of this private tour route for family history reasons. A short walk near our lakeside accommodation gave us brief but extremely close views of **Black Woodpecker** as well as two pairs of **Great Spotted Woodpeckers** feeding very vocal young in

nests. We also enjoyed watching a **Great Crested Grebe** pair tending to young that were riding on the back of one of the adults.

### Day 13, 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Plock to Warsaw

We spent the morning driving around some sand and gravel pits near the city of Płock, adjacent to a dammed section of the mighty Vistula River. As was to be expected in this kind of habitat, we enjoyed watching a nesting colony of **Sand Martins** and a likely nesting pair of **Little Ringed Plovers**, while a **Woodlark** sat in a pine tree, watching our every move. A large number of **Black-headed Gulls** were present, with a large breeding colony soon found. Nesting near the gulls was a pair of **Great Crested Grebes**, which gave great views. Moving around the valley we also saw several species of butterflies, some showing well and allowing good photographic opportunities. On the riverbank we found **European Herring**, **Yellow-legged**, and **Caspian Gulls**. The sky started to turn threatening, so we made our way into Plock for a late lunch and a look around the city.



Great Crested Grebe on nest

After a delicious lunch (and a huge thunder/hail storm) we commenced our cross-country journey to Warsaw to complete our northeastern circuit of the country. It proved a good move with great views of **Montagu's Harriers** and numerous **Corn Buntings**. A marshy area along the route provided a couple of bonus birds with a surprise **Grey** (Black-bellied) **Plover** along with several **Black-tailed Godwits**, **Common Redshank**, and **Northern Lapwing**. However, the biggest surprise of the evening was a **Pallid Harrier** that flew through the marsh, a fantastic way to end our final full day's birding of the tour.

**Day 14, 26<sup>th</sup> May 2018. Warsaw and Departure**

After a series of thunderstorms during the early morning we managed to have a walk in a parkland near our hotel, getting great views of foraging **Black, Little, and Common Terns** at close quarters, as well as many birds we had become very familiar with, particularly **Great Reed Warbler**. The best bird of the day, and a fitting way to end the tour, was a stunning **Little Bittern** that gave prolonged eye-level flight views as it flew right past us into the reeds! With that it was time for lunch and then the airport to say our goodbyes until the next time...

A huge thank you to Bill and Jayne for making this a fun and interesting tour. It was great to explore some of the history of this part of Poland and see some very fine birds, wildlife, and scenery along the way.

**Bird List<sup>1</sup> Following IOC 8.1**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Trip
	<b>ANSERIFORMES</b>	
<b>Ducks, Geese and Swans</b>	<b>Anatidae</b>	
Greylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>	1
Mute Swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>	1
Whooper Swan	<i>Cygnus cygnus</i>	1
Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	1
Garganey	<i>Spatula querquedula</i>	1
Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>	1
Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>	1
Eurasian Wigeon	<i>Mareca penelope</i>	1
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	1
Common Pochard - VU	<i>Aythya ferina</i>	1
Tufted Duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>	1
Common Goldeneye	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>	1
Common Merganser	<i>Mergus merganser</i>	1
	<b>GALLIFORMES</b>	
<b>Pheasants and allies</b>	<b>Phasianidae</b>	
Hazel Grouse	<i>Tetrastes bonasia</i>	H
Grey Partridge	<i>Perdix perdix</i>	1
Common Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	1
	<b>GAVIIFORMES</b>	
<b>Loons</b>	<b>Gaviidae</b>	
Black-throated Loon	<i>Gavia arctica</i>	1
	<b>PODICIPEDIFORMES</b>	

<sup>1</sup> The following notation after species names is used to show conservation status following BirdLife International: VU = Vulnerable, NT = Near-threatened. Birds 'heard only' are marked with 'H' in the Trip column, all other species were seen.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Trip
<b>Grebes</b>	<b>Podicipedidae</b>	
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	1
Red-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps grisegena</i>	1
Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>	1
	<b>CICONIIFORMES</b>	
<b>Storks</b>	<b>Ciconiidae</b>	
Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>	1
White Stork	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>	1
	<b>PELECANIFORMES</b>	
<b>Hérons, Bitterns</b>	<b>Ardeidae</b>	
Eurasian Bittern	<i>Botaurus stellaris</i>	H
Little Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus minutus</i>	1
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	1
Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	1
	<b>SULIFORMES</b>	
<b>Cormorants, Shags</b>	<b>Phalacrocoracidae</b>	
Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	1
	<b>ACCIPITRIFORMES</b>	
<b>Kites, Hawks and Eagles</b>	<b>Accipitridae</b>	
European Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>	1
Lesser Spotted Eagle	<i>Clanga pomarina</i>	1
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>	1
Northern Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>	1
Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	1
Pallid Harrier - NT	<i>Circus macrourus</i>	1
Montagu's Harrier	<i>Circus pygargus</i>	1
White-tailed Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>	1
Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	1
	<b>GRUIFORMES</b>	
<b>Rails, Crakes and Coots</b>	<b>Rallidae</b>	
Corn Crake	<i>Crex crex</i>	1
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	1
Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	1
<b>Cranes</b>	<b>Gruidae</b>	
Common Crane	<i>Grus grus</i>	1
	<b>CHARADRIIFORMES</b>	
<b>Plovers</b>	<b>Charadriidae</b>	
Northern Lapwing - NT	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	1
Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	1

Common Name	Scientific Name	Trip
Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	1
Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>	1
<b>Sandpipers, Snipes</b>	<b>Scolopacidae</b>	
Black-tailed Godwit - NT	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	1
Ruff	<i>Calidris pugnax</i>	1
Dunlin	<i>Calidris alpina</i>	1
Eurasian Woodcock	<i>Scolopax rusticola</i>	1
Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	1
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	1
Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>	1
Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>	1
Spotted Redshank	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>	1
<b>Gulls, Terns and Skimmers</b>	<b>Laridae</b>	
Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>	1
Mediterranean Gull	<i>Ichthyaetus melanocephalus</i>	1
Mew Gull	<i>Larus canus</i>	1
Great Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>	1
European Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	1
Caspian Gull	<i>Larus cachinnans</i>	1
Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>	1
Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>	1
Sandwich Tern	<i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>	1
Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>	1
Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	1
Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>	1
White-winged Tern	<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>	1
Black Tern	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>	1
	<b>COLUMBIFORMES</b>	
<b>Pigeons, Doves</b>	<b>Columbidae</b>	
Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>	1
Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	1
Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	1
	<b>CUCULIFORMES</b>	
<b>Cuckoos</b>	<b>Cuculidae</b>	
Common Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>	1
	<b>STRIGIFORMES</b>	
<b>Owls</b>	<b>Strigidae</b>	
Eurasian Pygmy Owl	<i>Glaucidium passerinum</i>	H
	<b>APODIFORMES</b>	

Common Name	Scientific Name	Trip
<b>Swifts</b>	<b>Apodidae</b>	
Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	1
	<b>CORACIIFORMES</b>	
<b>Kingfishers</b>	<b>Alcedinidae</b>	
Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>	1
<b>Bee-eaters</b>	<b>Meropidae</b>	
European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>	1
	<b>BUCEROTIFORMES</b>	
<b>Hoopoes</b>	<b>Upupidae</b>	
Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	1
	<b>PICIFORMES</b>	
<b>Woodpeckers</b>	<b>Picidae</b>	
Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>	1
Eurasian Three-toed Woodpecker	<i>Picoides tridactylus</i>	1
Middle Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocoptes medius</i>	1
Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dryobates minor</i>	1
Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>	1
White-backed Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos leucotos</i>	1
Black Woodpecker	<i>Dryocopus martius</i>	1
Grey-headed Woodpecker	<i>Picus canus</i>	1
	<b>FALCONIFORMES</b>	
<b>Caracaras, Falcons</b>	<b>Falconidae</b>	
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	1
Eurasian Hobby	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>	1
	<b>PASSERIFORMES</b>	
<b>Shrikes</b>	<b>Laniidae</b>	
Red-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius collurio</i>	1
Great Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius excubitor</i>	1
<b>Figbirds, Orioles &amp; Turnagra</b>	<b>Oriolidae</b>	
Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>	1
<b>Crows, Jays</b>	<b>Corvidae</b>	
Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>	1
Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	1
Western Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>	1
Rook	<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>	1
Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>	1
Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	1
Northern Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	1
<b>Tits, Chickadees</b>	<b>Paridae</b>	

Common Name	Scientific Name	Trip
Coal Tit	<i>Parus ater</i>	1
European Crested Tit	<i>Lophophanes cristatus</i>	1
Marsh Tit	<i>Poecile palustris</i>	1
Willow Tit	<i>Poecile montanus</i>	1
Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>	1
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	1
<b>Penduline Tits</b>	<b>Remizidae</b>	
Eurasian Penduline Tit	<i>Remiz pendulinus</i>	1
<b>Larks</b>	<b>Alaudidae</b>	
Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>	1
Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	1
<b>Swallows, Martins</b>	<b>Hirundinidae</b>	
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	1
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	1
Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	1
<b>Bushtits</b>	<b>Aegithalidae</b>	
Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>	H
<b>Leaf Warblers and allies</b>	<b>Phylloscopidae</b>	
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	1
Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	1
Wood Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>	1
Greenish Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>	1
<b>Reed Warblers and allies</b>	<b>Acrocephalidae</b>	
Great Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>	1
Aquatic Warbler - VU	<i>Acrocephalus paludicola</i>	1
Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>	1
Eurasian Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>	1
Marsh Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus palustris</i>	1
Icterine Warbler	<i>Hippolais icterina</i>	1
<b>Grassbirds and allies</b>	<b>Locustellidae</b>	
Common Grasshopper Warbler	<i>Locustella naevia</i>	1
River Warbler	<i>Locustella fluviatilis</i>	1
Savi's Warbler	<i>Locustella luscinioides</i>	1
<b>Sylviid Babblers</b>	<b>Sylviidae</b>	
Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	1
Garden Warbler	<i>Sylvia borin</i>	1
Barred Warbler	<i>Sylvia nisoria</i>	1
Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>	1
Common Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>	1

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<b>Goldcrests, Kinglets</b>	<b>Regulidae</b>	
Common Firecrest	<i>Regulus ignicapilla</i>	1
Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>	1
<b>Wrens</b>	<b>Troglodytidae</b>	
Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>	1
<b>Nuthatches</b>	<b>Sittidae</b>	
Eurasian Nuthatch	<i>Sitta europaea</i>	1
<b>Treecreepers</b>	<b>Certhiidae</b>	
Eurasian Treecreeper	<i>Certhia familiaris</i>	1
<b>Starlings, Rhabdornis</b>	<b>Sturnidae</b>	
Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	1
<b>Thrushes</b>	<b>Turdidae</b>	
Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	1
Fieldfare	<i>Turdus pilaris</i>	1
Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	1
Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>	1
<b>Chats, Old World Flycatchers</b>	<b>Muscicapidae</b>	
Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>	1
European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	1
Bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>	H
Thrush Nightingale	<i>Luscinia luscinia</i>	1
European Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>	1
Collared Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula albicollis</i>	1
Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>	1
Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>	1
Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>	1
Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>	1
European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>	1
Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	1
<b>Old World Sparrows, Snowfinches</b>	<b>Passeridae</b>	
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	1
Eurasian Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>	1
<b>Accentors</b>	<b>Prunellidae</b>	
Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>	1
<b>Wagtails, Pipits</b>	<b>Motacillidae</b>	
Western Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>	1
White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	1
Tawny Pipit	<i>Anthus campestris</i>	1
Meadow Pipit - NT	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>	1

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Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>	1
<b>Finches, Euphonias</b>	<b>Fringillidae</b>	
Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	1
Hawfinch	<i>Coccothraustes coccothraustes</i>	1
Common Rosefinch	<i>Carpodacus erythrinus</i>	1
European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>	1
Common Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>	1
Red Crossbill	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>	1
European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	1
European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>	1
Eurasian Siskin	<i>Spinus spinus</i>	1
<b>Buntings</b>	<b>Emberizidae</b>	
Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>	1
Yellowhammer	<i>Emberiza citrinella</i>	1
Ortolan Bunting	<i>Emberiza hortulana</i>	1
Common Reed Bunting	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>	1
<b>Total Seen</b>		165
<b>Total Heard Only</b>		5
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>170</b>

### Mammal, Reptile, and Butterfly List

Common Name	Scientific Name	Trip
<b><u>MAMMALS</u></b>		
	<b>CARNIVORA</b>	
	<b>Phocidae</b>	
Grey Seal	<i>Halichoerus grypus</i>	1
	<b>Canidae</b>	
Red Fox	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	1
	<b>CETARTIODACTYLA</b>	
	<b>Cervidae</b>	
Moose	<i>Alces alces</i>	1
European Roe Deer	<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>	1
Fallow Deer	<i>Dama dama</i>	1
	<b>LAGOMORPHA</b>	
	<b>Leporidae</b>	

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European Hare	<i>Lepus europaeus</i>	1
	<b>EULIPOTYPHLA</b>	
	<b>Erinaceidae</b>	
Western European Hedgehog	<i>Erinaceus europaeus</i>	1
	<b>RODENTIA</b>	
	<b>Sciuridae</b>	
Eurasian Red Squirrel	<i>Sciurus vulgaris</i>	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>8</b>
<b>REPTILES</b>		
	<b>SQUAMATA</b>	
	<b>Lacertidae</b>	
Sand Lizard	<i>Lacerta agilis</i>	1
	<b>Natricidae</b>	
Grass Snake	<i>Natrix natrix</i>	1
	<b>Anguidae</b>	
Slow Worm	<i>Anguis fragilis</i>	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3</b>

<b>BUTTERFLIES</b>		
	<b>LEPIDOPTERA</b>	
	<b>Hesperiidae</b>	
Dingy Skipper	<i>Erynnis tages</i>	1
Mallow Skipper	<i>Carcharodus alceae</i>	1
Chequered Skipper	<i>Carterocephalus palaemon</i>	1
	<b>Papilionidae</b>	
Common Yellow Swallowtail	<i>Papilio machaon</i>	1
	<b>Pieridae</b>	
Common Wood White	<i>Leptidea sinapis</i>	1
Orange Tip	<i>Anthocharis cardamines</i>	1
Black-veined White	<i>Aporia crataegi</i>	1
Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>	1
Green-veined White	<i>Pieris napi</i>	1
Eastern Bath White	<i>Pontia edusa</i>	1
Brimstone	<i>Gonepteryx rhamni</i>	1
	<b>Lycaenidae</b>	
Green Hairstreak	<i>Callophrys rubi</i>	1
Small Blue	<i>Cupido minimus</i>	1
Amanda's Blue	<i>Polyommatus amandus</i>	1

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Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>	1
	<b>Nymphalidae</b>	
Queen of Spain Fritillary	<i>Issoria lathonia</i>	1
Pearl-bordered Fritillary	<i>Boloria euphrosyne</i>	1
Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>	1
European Peacock	<i>Aglaia io</i>	1
Small Tortoiseshell	<i>Aglaia urticae</i>	1
Map Butterfly	<i>Nymphalis antiopa</i>	1
Speckled Wood	<i>Pararge aegeria</i>	1
Wall Brown	<i>Lasiommata megera</i>	1
Small Heath	<i>Coenonympha pamphilus</i>	1
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>24</b>