



Birding Ecotours

Subtropical South Africa October 2012

Day 1, October 16th. Birding the Durban area

We started our morning birding in the gardens of the Gateway Country Inn, where we saw **Red-capped Robin-Chat**, **Southern Black Tit**, **Brown-hooded Kingfisher**, and a **Black Sparrowhawk** chasing **Black-bellied Starlings**.

After breakfast we stopped at a local site known for sightings of Red-headed Queleas. Unfortunately we could not find any of these, but we did see **Thick-billed** and **Holub's Golden Weavers**.

We then made our way to a local reserve, where **Southern Boubou**, **Yellow-bellied Greenbul**, **Olive Sunbird**, **Common Greenshank**, and **African Fish Eagle** were amongst the species seen.

An afternoon trip to the Umgeni river mouth produced **Great White Pelicans**, **White-breasted Cormorant**, **Grey** and **Goliath Herons**, and a couple of **Common Sandpipers**.

All in all a good start to the trip.

Day 2, October 17th. Birding Vernon Crookes Nature Reserve, transfer to Creighton

With an early start our focus today would be the Vernon Crookes Nature Reserve and Oribi Gorge. We arrived at Vernon Crookes just after 6:00am and were soon rewarded with a sighting of **Knysna Turaco** and then a pair of **African Pygmy Kingfishers**. Once at the top of the hill we found a termite emergence, which attracted a number of good species. Both **Cape** and **Yellow-throated Longclaws** were doing acrobatics, as they caught the flying insects.

In the forest we heard an **African Emerald Cuckoo** calling and soon had wonderful views of it sitting in the open. **Narina Trogon** was heard calling, and in the grasslands **Croaking** and **Pale-crowned Cisticolas** were calling and displaying.

At Oribi Gorge we tried for Knysna Woodpecker, but sadly did not connect with this species. The weather was deteriorating, and it soon started raining. No new species were added, and we decided to call it a day and head for Creighton.



Gurney's Sugarbird

Day 3, October 18th. Birding the Sani Pass

Today was a very productive day. We spent it heading up the Sani Pass, and it was a beautiful, clear, warm day. Almost all the specials were seen today, including **Bush Blackcap**, **Gurney's Sugarbird**, **Drakensberg Rockjumper**, **Drakensberg Siskin**, **Mountain Wagtail**, **Grey Tit**, **Layard's Warbler** (Tit-Babbler), **Southern Bald Ibis**, and may more. Unfortunately no Bearded Vultures were seen, but in total 43 new species were added to our fast-growing list



Ground Woodpecker

Day 4, October 19th. Birding Donnybrook forest, transfer to Eshowe

In sheer contrast to the previous day, we woke up this morning to thick mist and a soft drizzle. We still, however, drove out to the Donnybrook forest, with the hope of finding **Cape Parrot**. Our efforts were well rewarded, with good sightings of a few birds, both flying and temporarily perching in a dead Yellowwood tree.

Buff-spotted Flufftail was heard calling, along with **Narina Trogon**, but not seen. We did, however, see **Grey Cuckooshrike** and **Olive Woodpecker**. The Blue Swallow nesting sites were completely shrouded in mist, and we had no chance of seeing these.

Heading back for breakfast we had a moment's break in the rain, and the clouds lifted as we dropped in altitude. Two displaying **Denham's Bustards** were seen.

After breakfast we made our way north to Eshowe. Sadly the weather did not improve, but we still stopped off at the Amatikulu Nature Reserve, and a short walk in the grasslands flushed a male and female **Swamp Nightjar**.

The weather deteriorated with each passing hour, so we decided to call it a day after checking into our guest house.

Day 5, October 20th. Birding Eshowe, the Dlinza Forest, and Mtunzini

With rain through the night, we started the morning not knowing how much birding we were going to be doing. The cloud cover was thick, and a constant drizzle prevailed. Our attitude was nevertheless positive, and arriving at Dlinza Forest we made the most of the situation. All paid off when we had great views of a male and female **Lemon Dove**, then a couple of **Narina Trogons**, **Spotted Ground Thrush**, including a female on a nest, **Chorister Robin-Chat**, and of course we also had a little blue duiker pay us a visit.

After a successful morning we returned to our guest house for breakfast and were blown away by the birdlife in the garden. **Yellow-bellied Greenbul**, **Red-capped Robin-Chat**, **White-eared Barbet**, **Black-bellied Starling**, **Trumpeter Hornbill**, **African Firefinch**, and the list goes on.

After tearing ourselves away from this activity we drove out to Mtunzini to look for **Palm-nut Vulture**. It didn't take us long to find one sitting out in the open. Good scope views and photo opportunities were had, and our target bird had been found. We spent some time looking for Black-throated Wattle-eye, but unfortunately could not locate this species.

En route back to Eshowe we decided to pop in at Dlinza again and spent the next two hours at the canopy tower. We were being entertained by a variety of species. Great views of **Purple-crested Turaco**, **Cape Batis**, and another **Narina Trogon**, amongst many others, were enjoyed. All in all a very successful day!



Narina Trogon

Day 6, October 21st. Birding Dlinza Forest, Ongoye Forest, and St Lucia

This morning we decided to do a quick stop at Dlinza Forest once more to see if we could find any Eastern Bronze-naped Pigeons. Sadly the forest was almost completely covered in mist, and we soon realised it would be better to move on. An hour later we entered Ongoye Forest, and, with all the recent rains, driving on the dirt roads became somewhat of a challenge. We decided to leave the car and hike. The forest was surprisingly quiet, and the birds that did call proved to be more than just elusive. After spending our entire morning in the forest with the hope of finding Green Barbet and Eastern Bronze-naped Pigeon, and not doing so, we decided to move on to St Lucia. It was an unfortunate morning, with the only new species coming in the form of a **Plain-backed Pipit**.

Once at St Lucia we walked along the iGwalagwala trail in search of, among others, the resident **Livingstone's Turaco**. We managed glimpses of the turaco, but had exceptional views of **Red-capped Robin-Chat**, **Water Thick-knee**, and **Rudd's Apalis**.

Day 7, October 22nd. Birding Cape Vidal and St Lucia

Heading out early this morning, we made our way to the iSimangaliso Wetland Park. En route to Cape Vidal two **Southern Banded Snake Eagles** were found, along with **Grey Sunbird** and various mammal species. Once at Cape Vidal we walked through the campsite as well as the Log Cabin area, finding several species feasting on a termite emergence. **Yellow-bellied Greenbul**, **Black-bellied Starling**, **Dark-backed Weaver**, and **Woodward's Batis** were among the birds enjoying the easy meal. Further along our walk we then encountered a couple of **Green Twinspots** as well as **Yellow-breasted Apalis**.

We then returned to St Lucia to enjoy a boat trip on the estuary. The water level was very high, but we still managed good views of **African Swamphen**, **African Fish Eagle**, **Giant Kingfisher**, **Squacco Heron**, and **Great Egret**.

With just a couple of afternoon hours left, we quickly stopped off at the estuary and found a big group of **Swift Terns**, and among these a single **Arctic Tern** and **Grey-headed Gull**. Waders seen included **Whimbrel**, **Kittlitz's Plover**, and **Sanderling**.

We then tried our luck at getting better views of the **Livingstone's Turaco**, which was a success, and also stumbled across a **Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird** nest.



Southern Banded Snake Eagle

Day 8, October 23rd. Birding Muzi Pan and Mkhuze Game Reserve

With a packed breakfast we left St Lucia at 5:30am and made our way to the eastern entrance of the Mkhuze Game Reserve. En route we stopped at Muzi Pan. With all the rain the area

had had the floodplains were covered in water, and the only birds seen included **Pink-backed Pelican**, **Yellow-billed Stork**, **African Jacana**, and a few other common species.

After entering Mkhuze we were lucky to find a pair of **African Pygmy Geese**, followed by a **Crowned Eagle** and a white rhino bull in the road, and so things definitely improved. **Pink-throated Twinspot** was heard and seen at camp, along with **Eastern Nicator**, **Red-chested Cuckoo**, and **Violet-backed Starling**.

On the night drive **Fiery-necked Nightjar** made an appearance, along with **Spotted** and **Water Thick-knees** and **Southern White-faced Owl**.

Day 9, October 24th. Mkhuze Game Reserve

With a full day to spend in the reserve we tried to target the key species to be seen here. Good views were had of **Pink-throated Twinspot**, **Eastern Nicator**, **Gorgeous Bushshrike**, **Purple-banded Sunbird**, and **Broad-billed Roller**. Unfortunately we couldn't locate a Neergard's Sunbird, and **Red-fronted Tinkerbird**, although heard calling, would not show itself.

Other species seen included **African Cuckoo**, **Bearded Woodpecker**, **African Goshawk**, **European Bee-eater**, **Bearded Scrub Robin**, and **White-backed Vulture**.



Crowned Eagle

Day 10, October 25th. Transfer to Wakkerstroom

From Mkhuze our next stop was to be the highlands of Wakkerstroom. On our way out from Mkhuze we were held up by an elephant bull in musth, but thereafter found a **Red-fronted Tinkerbird** and a **White-fronted Bee-eater**, which were both new for our list.

Upon arrival in Wakkerstroom we searched for White-bellied Bustard, but had no success in finding this species. Fickland Pan produced a number of water birds, but our time there was short, as the temperature dropped and the wind had picked up. A quick stop on the bridge outside town overlooking the wetlands produced a great sighting of **Little Bittern**.

Day 11, October 26th. Wakkerstroom

With a full day in Wakkerstroom we had the opportunity to target the endemic species the area is known for. The morning did not start well, with rain and howling winds. It did, however, not stop us from looking for both Rudd's and Botha's Larks, but after spending quite some time hiking through suitable grasslands and not even hearing these species, we

decided to move on and try a different area. A pair of **Grey-winged Francolin** was a small consolation prize.

Other birds seen today included **Denham's Bustard**, large numbers of both **Blue** and **Grey Crowned Crane**, **Malachite Sunbird**, **Sentinel Rock Thrush**, and **Drakensberg Prinia**.

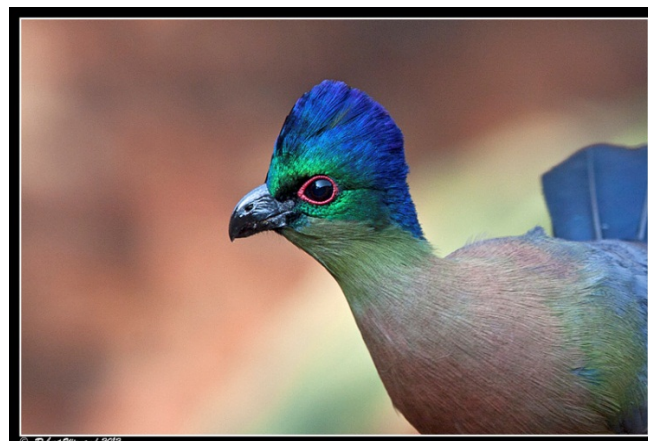


Grey-winged Francolin

Day 12, October 27th. Transfer to and birding at Kruger National Park

With excitement at what the Kruger would produce we left Wakkerstroom and entered Kruger National Park at Crocodile Bridge. A quick walk in the camp produced a pair of **African Pygmy Kingfishers** and an **African Black Duck** fly-by.

En route to Lower Sabie Camp we found **White-crowned Lapwing**, **African Openbill**, **European Bee-eater**, **Southern Yellow-billed** and **Red-billed Hornbills**, **Lilac-breasted Roller**, **Martial Eagle**, **White-backed Vulture**, and **Grey-rumped Swallow**.



Purple-crested Turaco

Day 13, October 28th. Birding Kruger National Park

Heading north through the park, we started finding some of the lark species. **Monotonous, Rufous-naped, Flappet, and Sabota Larks** were all singing and displaying. We also found three **Southern Ground Hornbills** feeding next to the road and booming in duet.

At our breakfast stop we added **Greater Blue-eared Starling, Black Crake, and Mourning Collared** (African Mourning) **Dove**. The drive up to Satara Camp was also productive, with us finding **Burnt-necked Eremomela, Wahlberg's Eagle, Purple Roller, Brown-headed Parrot, and Red-billed Buffalo Weaver**, to mention just a few.

Our afternoon drive to the Sweni Hide ended well, when we encountered a clan of spotted hyenas on the road. They were just getting ready for their night's activities and were very curious, coming right up to our car.

Day 14, October 29th. Transfer to Dullstroom, birding on the way

With a final early morning drive we made our way to the exit gate. Birding was most productive at the exit gate, with **African Paradise Flycatcher, Orange-breasted Bushshrike, and a Crested Barbet** at its nesting hole all being recorded.

We then headed towards Dullstroom, but first stopped to view several **Cape Vultures** resting on electric pylons. We then had great views of a **Taita Falcon** just outside the J. G. Strydom Tunnel, and also found a pair of **Lanner Falcons** perched in a dead tree.

We arrived at our accommodation in the early afternoon and quickly set out to find some of the local specials. Great views of **Red-winged Francolin**, a pair of **Jackal Buzzards**, and two **Blue Cranes** were enjoyed. We also found a pair of oribi and a young black-backed jackal. A pair of **African Wood Owls** were heard calling through the night.



Red-winged Francolin

Day 15, October 30th. Birding Verloren Valei and Mkhombo Dam Nature Reserves

We still had to find the endemic **Yellow-breasted Pipit**, and with a quick drive through Verloren Valei Nature Reserve we found first a single bird alongside the road, and then several more birds displaying a little further off the road while doing a short walk through the grasslands. More **Red-winged Francolins** were seen, as well as a displaying **Wing-snapping Cisticola**, and one of the highlights was an **African Rail** showing well.

After arriving at Rust de Winter Nature reserve we continued to nearby Mkhombo Dam Nature Reserve. Water levels were very low, and a huge thunderstorm was brewing. In the short time available we found **Black Heron, Goliath Heron, African Fish Eagle, Common Greenshank, Wood, Curlew, and Common Sandpipers, and Caspian Tern.**

Day 16, October 31st. Birding Zaagkuilsdrift, Kgomo Kgomo, and Marievale, departure

This was to be our final day together, and we not only set out to add several more new species to our list, but also to see how many individual species we could record on this day.

We headed out on the Zaagkuilsdrift Road to Kgomo Kgomo, and quickly added **Northern Black Korhaan, Southern Pied Babbler, Chestnut-vented Warbler (Tit-Babbler), Barred Wren-Warbler, Kalahari Scrub Robin, Crimson-breasted Shrike, Black-faced Waxbill, and Western Barn Owl**, to mention just a few. It was a productive morning, but there were more species that could be added, and we left the Kgomo Kgomo area for Marievale Bird Sanctuary. Once at the sanctuary we found **Pied Avocet, Greater Flamingo, Purple Heron, Lesser Swamp, Little Rush and African Reed Warblers**, as well as a few **African Snipes**. This, unfortunately, was all there was time for, and from here we headed to the Johannesburg airport to say our good-byes.

All in all we had a great and successful 16 days together, despite the weather not having played along. We finished the tour with a total of 384 species (with an additional two species heard only) and a final-day total of 134 species.

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Species marked with H were heard only.

Species marked with E are endemic to South Africa.

Species marked with SA are endemic to the Southern African region.

Species marked with NE are near-endemic to the Southern African region.

Common Name	Scientific Name	
PODICIPEDIFORMES		
Podicipedidae		
Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>	1
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	1
SULIFORMES		
Phalacrocoracidae		
White-breasted Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax lucidus</i>	1
Reed Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo africanus</i>	1
Anhingidae		
African Darter	<i>Anhinga rufa</i>	1
PELECANIFORMES		
Pelecanidae		
Great White Pelican	<i>Pelecanus onocrotalus</i>	1
Pink-backed Pelican	<i>Pelecanus rufescens</i>	1
Ardeidae		
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	1
Black-headed Heron	<i>Ardea melanocephala</i>	1

Goliath Heron	<i>Ardea goliath</i>	1
Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	1
Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	1
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	1
Yellow-billed Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>	1
Western Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	1
Black Heron	<i>Egretta ardesiaca</i>	1
Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>	1
Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>	1
Little Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus minutus</i>	1
Scopidae		
Hamerkop	<i>Scopus umbretta</i>	1
Threskiornithidae		
African Spoonbill	<i>Platalea alba</i>	1
Southern Bald Ibis SA	<i>Geronticus calvus</i>	1
African Sacred Ibis	<i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i>	1
Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	1
Hadada Ibis	<i>Bostrychia hagedash</i>	1
PHOENICOPTERIFORMES		
Phoenicopteridae		
Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>	1
Lesser Flamingo	<i>Phoeniconaias minor</i>	1
CICONIIFORMES		
Ciconiidae		
Yellow-billed Stork	<i>Mycteria ibis</i>	1
Woolly-necked Stork	<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>	1
African Openbill	<i>Anastomus lamelligerus</i>	1
Saddle-billed Stork	<i>Ephippiorhynchus senegalensis</i>	1
Marabou Stork	<i>Leptoptilos crumenifer</i>	1
ANSERIFORMES		
Anatidae		
South African Shelduck SA	<i>Tadorna cana</i>	1
Egyptian Goose	<i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>	1
Knob-billed Duck	<i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>	1
Spur-winged Goose	<i>Plectropterus gambensis</i>	1
White-faced Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>	1
Fulvous Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna bicolor</i>	1
White-backed Duck	<i>Thalassornis leuconotus</i>	1
Southern Pochard	<i>Netta erythrophthalma</i>	1
African Pygmy Goose	<i>Nettapus auritus</i>	1
Cape Shoveler NE	<i>Anas smithii</i>	1
Yellow-billed Duck	<i>Anas undulata</i>	1

African Black Duck	<i>Anas sparsa</i>	1
Hottentot Teal	<i>Anas hottentota</i>	1
Red-billed Teal	<i>Anas erythrorhyncha</i>	1
ACCIPITRIFORMES		
Pandionidae		
Western Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	1
Accipitridae		
Cape Vulture SA	<i>Gyps coprotheres</i>	1
White-backed Vulture	<i>Gyps africanus</i>	1
Lappet-faced Vulture	<i>Torgos tracheliotos</i>	1
Palm-nut Vulture	<i>Gypohierax angolensis</i>	1
Bateleur	<i>Terathopius ecaudatus</i>	1
African Fish Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus vocifer</i>	1
Brown Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus cinereus</i>	1
Southern Banded Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus fasciolatus</i>	1
Tawny Eagle	<i>Aquila rapax</i>	1
Martial Eagle	<i>Polemaetus bellicosus</i>	1
Crowned Eagle	<i>Stephanoaetus coronatus</i>	1
Long-crested Eagle	<i>Lophaetus occipitalis</i>	1
Wahlberg's Eagle	<i>Hieraaetus wahlbergi</i>	1
Jackal Buzzard SA	<i>Buteo rufofuscus</i>	1
Common (Steppe) Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo vulpinus</i>	1
African Harrier-Hawk	<i>Polyboroides typus</i>	1
Yellow-billed Kite	<i>Milvus aegyptius</i>	1
Black-winged Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	1
Black Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter melanoleucus</i>	1
African Goshawk	<i>Accipiter tachiro</i>	1
Sagittariidae		
Secretarybird	<i>Sagittarius serpentarius</i>	1
FALCONIFORMES		
Falconidae		
Lanner Falcon	<i>Falco biarmicus</i>	1
Taita Falcon	<i>Falco fasciinucha</i>	1
Lesser Kestrel	<i>Falco naumanni</i>	1
GALLIFORMES		
Phasianidae		
Natal Spurfowl NE	<i>Pternistis natalensis</i>	1
Swainson's Spurfowl	<i>Pternistis swainsonii</i>	1
Grey-winged Francolin E	<i>Scleroptila afra</i>	1
Red-winged Francolin	<i>Scleroptila levaillantii</i>	1
Crested Francolin	<i>Dendroperdix sephaena</i>	1
Numididae		

Helmeted Guineafowl	<i>Numida meleagris</i>	1
Crested Guineafowl	<i>Guttera pucherani</i>	1
STRUTHIONIFORMES		
Struthionidae		
Common Ostrich	<i>Struthio camelus</i>	1
GRUIFORMES		
Rallidae		
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	1
Red-knobbed Coot	<i>Fulica cristata</i>	1
Black Crake	<i>Amaurornis flavirostra</i>	1
African Swamphe	<i>Porphyrio madagascariensis</i>	1
African Rail	<i>Rallus caerulescens</i>	1
Gruidae		
Blue Crane SA	<i>Grus paradisea</i>	1
Grey Crowned Crane	<i>Balearica regulorum</i>	1
Sarothruridae		
Buff-spotted Flufftail	<i>Sarothrura elegans</i>	H
OTIDIFORMES		
Otididae		
Denham's Bustard	<i>Neotis denhami</i>	1
Blue Korhaan E	<i>Eupodotis coerulescens</i>	1
Northern Black Korhaan NE	<i>Afrotis afraoides</i>	1
Red-crested Korhaan NE	<i>Lophotis ruficrista</i>	1
Black-bellied Bustard	<i>Lissotis melanogaster</i>	1
CHARADRIIFORMES		
Jacanidae		
African Jacana	<i>Actophilornis africanus</i>	1
Recurvirostridae		
Pied Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	1
Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	1
Charadriidae		
Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	1
Kittlitz's Plover	<i>Charadrius pecuarius</i>	1
Three-banded Plover	<i>Charadrius tricollaris</i>	1
White-fronted Plover	<i>Charadrius marginatus</i>	1
Crowned Lapwing	<i>Vanellus coronatus</i>	1
Senegal Lapwing	<i>Vanellus lugubris</i>	1
Blacksmith Lapwing	<i>Vanellus armatus</i>	1
African Wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus senegallus</i>	1
White-crowned Lapwing	<i>Vanellus albiceps</i>	1
Scolopacidae		
Ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>	1

Curlew Sandpiper	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	1
Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>	1
Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>	1
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	1
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	1
Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>	1
Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	1
Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	1
African Snipe	<i>Gallinago nigripennis</i>	1
Glareolidae		
Collared Pratincole	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>	1
Burhinidae		
Spotted Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus capensis</i>	1
Water Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus vermiculatus</i>	1
Laridae		
Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	1
Hartlaub's Gull SA	<i>Larus hartlaubii</i>	1
Arctic Tern	<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>	1
Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>	1
Greater Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>	1
Grey-headed Gull	<i>Croicocephalus cirrocephalus</i>	1
PTEROCLIFORMES		
Pteroclididae		
Double-banded Sandgrouse NE	<i>Pterocles bicinctus</i>	1
COLUMBIFORMES		
Columbidae		
Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>	1
Speckled Pigeon	<i>Columba guinea</i>	1
African Olive Pigeon	<i>Columba arquatrix</i>	1
Lemon Dove	<i>Columba larvata</i>	1
Red-eyed Dove	<i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i>	1
Ring-necked Dove	<i>Streptopelia capicola</i>	1
Mourning Collared (African Mourning) Dove	<i>Streptopelia decipiens</i>	1
Laughing Dove	<i>Spilopelia senegalensis</i>	1
Namaqua Dove	<i>Oena capensis</i>	1
Emerald-spotted Wood Dove	<i>Turtur chalcospilos</i>	1
Tambourine Dove	<i>Turtur tympanistria</i>	1
African Green Pigeon	<i>Treron calvus</i>	1
PSITTACIFORMES		
Psittacidae		
Cape Parrot E	<i>Poicephalus robustus</i>	1

Brown-headed Parrot	<i>Poicephalus cryptoxanthus</i>	1
Rose-ringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	1
MUSOPHAGIFORMES		
Musophagidae		
Knysna Turaco E	<i>Tauraco corythaix</i>	1
Livingstone's Turaco	<i>Tauraco livingstonii</i>	1
Purple-crested Turaco	<i>Tauraco porphyreolophus</i>	1
Grey Go-away-bird	<i>Corythaixoides concolor</i>	1
CUCULIFORMES		
Cuculidae		
Red-chested Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus solitarius</i>	1
Black Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus clamosus</i>	1
African Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus gularis</i>	1
Great Spotted Cuckoo	<i>Clamator glandarius</i>	1
Levaillant's Cuckoo	<i>Clamator levaillantii</i>	1
Jacobin Cuckoo	<i>Clamator jacobinus</i>	1
African Emerald Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx cupreus</i>	1
Diederik Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx caprius</i>	1
Burchell's Coucal	<i>Centropus burchellii</i>	1
STRIGIFORMES		
Tytonidae		
Western Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>	1
Strigidae		
African Scops Owl	<i>Otus senegalensis</i>	1
African Wood Owl	<i>Strix woodfordii</i>	H
Southern White-faced Owl	<i>Ptilopsis granti</i>	1
Pearl-spotted Owlet	<i>Glaucidium perlatum</i>	1
CAPRIMULGIFORMES		
Caprimulgidae		
Fiery-necked Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus pectoralis</i>	1
Swamp Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus natalensis</i>	1
APODIFORMES		
Apodidae		
White-rumped Swift	<i>Apus caffer</i>	1
Horus Swift	<i>Apus horus</i>	1
Little Swift	<i>Apus affinis</i>	1
African Palm Swift	<i>Cypsiurus parvus</i>	1
COLIIFORMES		
Coliidae		
Speckled Mousebird	<i>Colius striatus</i>	1
Red-faced Mousebird	<i>Urocolius indicus</i>	1
TROGONIFORMES		

Trogonidae		
Narina Trogon	<i>Apaloderma narina</i>	1
CORACIIFORMES		
Alcedinidae		
Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>	1
Giant Kingfisher	<i>Megaceryle maxima</i>	1
African Pygmy Kingfisher	<i>Ispidina picta</i>	1
Brown-hooded Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon albiventris</i>	1
Meropidae		
European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>	1
White-fronted Bee-eater	<i>Merops bullockoides</i>	1
Coraciidae		
Lilac-breasted Roller	<i>Coracias caudatus</i>	1
Purple Roller	<i>Coracias naevius</i>	1
Broad-billed Roller	<i>Eurystomus glaucurus</i>	1
BUCEROTIFORMES		
Bucerotidae		
Trumpeter Hornbill	<i>Bycanistes bucinator</i>	1
Southern Red-billed Hornbill	<i>Tockus rufirostris</i>	1
Southern Yellow-billed Hornbill NE	<i>Tockus leucomelas</i>	1
African Grey Hornbill	<i>Tockus nasutus</i>	1
Crowned Hornbill	<i>Tockus alboterminatus</i>	1
Bucorvidae		
Southern Ground-Hornbill	<i>Bucorvus leadbeateri</i>	1
Upupidae		
African Hoopoe	<i>Upupa africana</i>	1
Phoeniculidae		
Green Wood-Hoopoe	<i>Phoeniculus purpureus</i>	1
Common Scimitarbill	<i>Rhinopomastus cyanomelas</i>	1
Black-collared Barbet	<i>Lybius torquatus</i>	1
PICIFORMES		
Lybiidae		
White-eared Barbet	<i>Stactolaema leucotis</i>	1
Crested Barbet	<i>Trachyphonus vaillantii</i>	1
Red-fronted Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus pusillus</i>	1
Yellow-fronted Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus chrysoconus</i>	1
Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus bilineatus</i>	1
Picidae		
Ground Woodpecker E	<i>Geocolaptes olivaceus</i>	1
Olive Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicos griseocephalus</i>	1
Red-throated Wryneck	<i>Jynx ruficollis</i>	1
Golden-tailed Woodpecker	<i>Campethera abingoni</i>	1

Cardinal Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicos fuscescens</i>	1
Bearded Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicos namaquus</i>	1
PASSERIFORMES		
Alaudidae		
Monotonous Lark NE	<i>Mirafra passerina</i>	1
Rufous-naped Lark	<i>Mirafra africana</i>	1
Flappet Lark	<i>Mirafra rufocinnamomea</i>	1
Sabota Lark NE	<i>Calendulauda sabota</i>	1
Large-billed Lark SA	<i>Galerida magnirostris</i>	1
Red-capped Lark	<i>Calandrella cinerea</i>	1
Spike-heeled Lark	<i>Chersomanes albofasciata</i>	1
Hirundinidae		
Greater Striped Swallow	<i>Cecropis cucullata</i>	1
Red-breasted Swallow	<i>Cecropis semirufa</i>	1
Lesser Striped Swallow	<i>Cecropis abyssinica</i>	1
South African Cliff-Swallow	<i>Petrochelidon spilodera</i>	1
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	1
White-throated Swallow	<i>Hirundo albigularis</i>	1
Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>	1
Grey-rumped Swallow	<i>Pseudhirundo griseopyga</i>	1
Black Saw-wing	<i>Psalidoprocne pristoptera</i>	1
Rock Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne fuligula</i>	1
Brown-throated Martin	<i>Riparia paludicola</i>	1
Banded Martin	<i>Riparia cincta</i>	1
Campephagidae		
Black Cuckooshrike	<i>Campephaga flava</i>	1
Grey Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina caesia</i>	1
Dicruridae		
Fork-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>	1
Square-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus ludwigii</i>	1
Oriolidae		
Black-headed Oriole	<i>Oriolus larvatus</i>	1
Corvidae		
Cape Crow	<i>Corvus capensis</i>	1
Pied Crow	<i>Corvus albus</i>	1
White-necked Raven	<i>Corvus albicollis</i>	1
Paridae		
Grey Tit SA	<i>Parus afer</i>	1
Southern Black Tit	<i>Parus niger</i>	1
Leiothrichidae		
Southern Pied Babbler SA	<i>Turdoides bicolor</i>	1
Arrow-marked Babbler	<i>Turdoides jardineii</i>	1

Pycnonotidae		
Dark-capped Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus tricolor</i>	1
Terrestrial Brownbul	<i>Phyllastrephus terrestris</i>	1
Sombre Greenbul	<i>Andropadus importunus</i>	1
Yellow-bellied Greenbul	<i>Chlorocichla flaviventris</i>	1
Nicatoridae		
Eastern Nicator	<i>Nicator gularis</i>	1
Turdidae		
Karoo Thrush SA	<i>Turdus smithi</i>	1
Olive Thrush	<i>Turdus olivaceus</i>	1
Kurrichane Thrush	<i>Turdus libonyana</i>	1
Spotted Ground Thrush	<i>Geokichla guttata</i>	1
Chaetopidae		
Drakensberg Rockjumper SA	<i>Chaetops aurantius</i>	1
Muscicapidae		
Cape Rock Thrush SA	<i>Monticola rupestris</i>	1
Sentinel Rock Thrush SA	<i>Monticola explorator</i>	1
Sickle-winged Chat SA	<i>Emarginata sinuata</i>	1
Mountain Wheatear NE	<i>Oenanthe monticola</i>	1
Capped Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe pileata</i>	1
African Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquatus</i>	1
Buff-streaked Chat SA	<i>Campicoloides bifasciata</i>	1
(Southern) Ant-eating Chat SA	<i>Myrmecocichla formicivora</i>	1
Chorister Robin-Chat E	<i>Cossypha dichroa</i>	1
White-browed Robin-Chat	<i>Cossypha heuglini</i>	1
Red-capped Robin-Chat	<i>Cossypha natalensis</i>	1
Cape Robin-Chat	<i>Cossypha caffra</i>	1
Kalahari Scrub Robin NE	<i>Erythropygia paena</i>	1
Brown Scrub Robin SA	<i>Erythropygia signata</i>	1
White-browed Scrub Robin	<i>Erythropygia leucophrys</i>	1
Bearded Scrub Robin	<i>Erythropygia quadrivirgata</i>	1
Fiscal Flycatcher SA	<i>Sigelus silens</i>	1
African Dusky Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa adusta</i>	1
Ashy Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa caerulescens</i>	1
Grey Tit-Flycatcher	<i>Myioparus plumbeus</i>	1
Southern Black Flycatcher	<i>Melaenornis pammelaina</i>	1
Marico Flycatcher NE	<i>Bradornis mariquensis</i>	1
Pale Flycatcher	<i>Bradornis pallidus</i>	1
Phylloscopidae		
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	1
Locustellidae		
Barratt's Warbler SA	<i>Bradypterus barratti</i>	1

Little Rush Warbler	<i>Bradypterus baboecala</i>	1
Acrocephalidae		
African Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus baeticatus</i>	1
Lesser Swamp Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus gracilirostris</i>	1
Dark-capped Yellow Warbler	<i>Iduna natalensis</i>	1
Macrosphenidae		
Cape Grassbird SA	<i>Sphenoeacus afer</i>	1
Long-billed Crombec	<i>Sylvietta rufescens</i>	1
Sylviidae		
Chestnut-vented Warbler (Tit-Babbler) NE	<i>Sylvia subcaerulea</i>	1
Layard's Warbler (Tit-Babbler) SA	<i>Sylvia layardi</i>	1
Bush Blackcap SA	<i>Lioptilus nigricapillus</i>	1
Stenostiridae		
Fairy Flycatcher SA	<i>Stenostira scita</i>	1
Cisticolidae		
Rudd's Apalis SA	<i>Apalis ruddi</i>	1
Yellow-breasted Apalis	<i>Apalis flavida</i>	1
Green-backed Camaroptera	<i>Camaroptera brachyura</i>	1
Stierling's Wren-Warbler	<i>Calamonastes stierlingi</i>	1
Barred Wren-Warbler NE	<i>Calamonastes fasciolatus</i>	1
Burnt-necked Eremomela	<i>Eremomela usticollis</i>	1
Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>	1
Wing-snapping Cisticola	<i>Cisticola ayresii</i>	1
Pale-crowned Cisticola	<i>Cisticola cinnamomeus</i>	1
Neddicky	<i>Cisticola fulvicapilla</i>	1
Wailing Cisticola	<i>Cisticola lais</i>	1
Rattling Cisticola	<i>Cisticola chiniana</i>	1
Croaking Cisticola	<i>Cisticola natalensis</i>	1
Lazy Cisticola	<i>Cisticola aberrans</i>	1
Levaillant's Cisticola	<i>Cisticola tinniens</i>	1
Black-chested Prinia	<i>Prinia flavicans</i>	1
Drakensberg Prinia E	<i>Prinia hypoxantha</i>	1
Tawny-flanked Prinia	<i>Prinia subflava</i>	1
Monarchidae		
African Paradise Flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone viridis</i>	1
Zosteropidae		
Cape White-eye SA	<i>Zosterops capensis</i>	1
Platysteiridae		
Cape Batis SA	<i>Batis capensis</i>	1
Chinspot Batis	<i>Batis molitor</i>	1
Woodward's Batis	<i>Batis fratrum</i>	1
Motacillidae		

African Pied Wagtail	<i>Motacilla aguimp</i>	1
Cape Wagtail	<i>Motacilla capensis</i>	1
Mountain Wagtail	<i>Motacilla clara</i>	1
African Rock Pipit SA	<i>Anthus crenatus</i>	1
Mountain Pipit (breeding endemic) E	<i>Anthus hoeschi</i>	1
Long-billed Pipit	<i>Anthus similis</i>	1
African Pipit	<i>Anthus cinnamomeus</i>	1
Plain-backed Pipit	<i>Anthus leucophrys</i>	1
Yellow-breasted Pipit E	<i>Anthus chloris</i>	1
Cape Longclaw SA	<i>Macronyx capensis</i>	1
Yellow-throated Longclaw	<i>Macronyx croceus</i>	1
Laniidae		
Common Fiscal	<i>Lanius collaris</i>	1
Magpie Shrike	<i>Urolestes melanoleucus</i>	1
Malaconotidae		
Southern Boubou SA	<i>Laniarius ferrugineus</i>	1
Crimson-breasted Shrike NE	<i>Laniarius atrococcineus</i>	1
Brown-crowned Tchagra	<i>Tchagra australis</i>	1
Black-crowned Tchagra	<i>Tchagra senegalus</i>	1
Bokmakierie NE	<i>Telophorus zeylonus</i>	1
Four-colored (Gorgeous) Bushshrike	<i>Telophorus quadricolor</i>	1
Orange-breasted Bushshrike	<i>Telophorus sulfureopectus</i>	1
Grey-headed Bushshrike	<i>Malaconotus blanchoti</i>	1
Black-backed Puffback	<i>Dryoscopus cubla</i>	1
Brubru	<i>Nilaus afer</i>	1
Prionopidae		
White-crested Helmet-Shrike	<i>Prionops plumatus</i>	1
Sturnidae		
Cape Starling	<i>Lamprotornis nitens</i>	1
Violet-backed Starling	<i>Cinnyricinclus leucogaster</i>	1
Greater Blue-eared Starling	<i>Lamprotornis chalybaeus</i>	1
Black-bellied Starling	<i>Notopholia corrusca</i>	1
Burchell's Starling NE	<i>Lamprotornis australis</i>	1
Red-winged Starling	<i>Onychognathus morio</i>	1
Pied Starling SA	<i>Lamprotornis bicolor</i>	1
Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	1
Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	1
Wattled Starling	<i>Creatophora cinerea</i>	1
Buphagidae		
Red-billed Oxpecker	<i>Buphagus erythrorhynchus</i>	1
Promeropidae		
Gurney's Sugarbird SA	<i>Promerops gurneyi</i>	1

Nectariniidae		
Malachite Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia famosa</i>	1
Grey Sunbird	<i>Cyanomitra veroxii</i>	1
Olive Sunbird	<i>Cyanomitra olivacea</i>	1
Scarlet-chested Sunbird	<i>Chalcomitra senegalensis</i>	1
Amethyst Sunbird	<i>Chalcomitra amethystina</i>	1
White-bellied Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris talatala</i>	1
Collared Sunbird	<i>Hedydipna collaris</i>	1
Greater Double-collared Sunbird SA	<i>Cinnyris afer</i>	1
Southern Double-collared Sunbird SA	<i>Cinnyris chalybeus</i>	1
Marico Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris mariquensis</i>	1
Purple-banded Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris bifasciatus</i>	1
Passeridae		
Cape Sparrow NE	<i>Passer melanurus</i>	1
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	1
Southern Grey-headed Sparrow	<i>Passer diffusus</i>	1
Yellow-throated Petronia	<i>Gymnoris superciliaris</i>	1
White-browed Sparrow-Weaver	<i>Plocepasser mahali</i>	1
Ploceidae		
Red-billed Buffalo-Weaver	<i>Bubalornis niger</i>	1
Thick-billed Weaver	<i>Amblyospiza albifrons</i>	1
Dark-backed Weaver	<i>Ploceus bicolor</i>	1
Spectacled Weaver	<i>Ploceus ocularis</i>	1
Village Weaver	<i>Ploceus cucullatus</i>	1
Southern Masked-Weaver	<i>Ploceus velatus</i>	1
Lesser Masked-Weaver	<i>Ploceus intermedius</i>	1
Cape Weaver SA	<i>Ploceus capensis</i>	1
Holub's Golden Weaver	<i>Ploceus xanthops</i>	1
Eastern Golden (Yellow) Weaver	<i>Ploceus subaureus</i>	1
Red-billed Quelea	<i>Quelea quelea</i>	1
Southern Red Bishop	<i>Euplectes orix</i>	1
Yellow Bishop	<i>Euplectes capensis</i>	1
Fan-tailed Widowbird	<i>Euplectes axillaris</i>	1
White-winged Widowbird	<i>Euplectes albonotatus</i>	1
Red-collared Widowbird	<i>Euplectes ardens</i>	1
Long-tailed Widowbird	<i>Euplectes progne</i>	1
Viduidae		
Pin-tailed Whydah	<i>Vidua macroura</i>	1
Long-tailed Paradise-Whydah	<i>Vidua paradisaea</i>	1
Village Indigobird	<i>Vidua chalybeata</i>	1
Estrildidae		
African Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta rubricata</i>	1

Jameson's Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta rhodopareia</i>	1
Red-billed Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta senegala</i>	1
Blue Waxbill	<i>Uraeginthus angolensis</i>	1
Common Waxbill	<i>Estrilda astrild</i>	1
Black-faced Waxbill	<i>Estrilda erythronotos</i>	1
Bronze Mannikin	<i>Lonchura cucullata</i>	1
Red-backed Mannikin	<i>Lonchura nigriceps</i>	1
African Quailfinch	<i>Ortygospiza fuscocrissa</i>	1
Pink-throated Twinspot SA	<i>Hypargos margaritatus</i>	1
Green Twinspot	<i>Mandingoa nitidula</i>	1
Fringillidae		
Yellow Canary NE	<i>Crithagra flaviventris</i>	1
Yellow-fronted Canary	<i>Crithagra mozambica</i>	1
Black-throated Canary	<i>Crithagra atrogularis</i>	1
Streaky-headed Seedeater	<i>Crithagra gularis</i>	1
Drakensberg Siskin SA	<i>Crithagra symonsi</i>	1
Cape Canary	<i>Serinus canicollis</i>	1
Emberizidae		
Cape Bunting NE	<i>Emberiza capensis</i>	1
Golden-breasted Bunting	<i>Emberiza flaviventris</i>	1
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