

## SOUTH CHINA IN WINTER

'There, there, the third bird from the right' were the spluttered instructions. There was much more than a hint of urgency in my voice – but this was justified as we'd just spotted the rarity of the tour. Scrambling for our 'scopes it was only a few seconds before we were all on it - our first Spoon-billed Sandpiper. We'd only been in the Minjiang Estuary a matter of minutes and had looked at less than ten other shorebirds before spotting our quarry. We went on to see seven others at this, perhaps the best and certainly the most accessible site, on the entire planet for this critically threatened, rapidly declining and fabulously bizarre shorebird. An early Christmas present for us all and, as if we needed an excuse, it was *ganbei* (Chinese for 'cheers') all round at dinner that evening. As if eight of one of the worlds rarest and most sought after birds wasn't enough we went on to see a first-winter Black-faced Spoonbill, two Relict and our first 25 Saunders's Gulls later in the day. A fabulous day's birding, and for many the best day of the tour – and our first full one in the Middle Kingdom!

It took us a lot longer to find the runner up in the end of tour 'Bird of the Trip' poll – but then that was probably why the diminutive Pied Falconet actually managed second place and came ahead of all six (and not the usual five) species of crane that we encountered. We needed two visits to see the falconet – but then we saw three, all together in the very tree where we expected them to perform...

Reed Parrotbill graces the spine of the *Field Guide to the Birds of China* and is arguably the most attractive parrotbill on the planet (but some preferred the Grey-headed that we encountered in Hangzhou). This year it was one of the introductory birds on the first of our two days at Yancheng on the coast north of Shanghai. Seeing a party of four early in the day we later went on to have some spectacular, scope-filling views of a bird in the garden of the reserve guest house. It sat, and sat and sat allowing one of us time to return to his room, grab the camera and return to photograph it! It came joint third, alongside Saunders's Gull in the end of tour poll while Red-crowned, our rarest crane, was voted the top *grus*, piping Siberian by one and White-naped by a massive 21 points.

Once again I thought that it would be very difficult, if not impossible, to improve on the birds that we had seen on the four previous *South China in Winter* tours but I was wrong. I'd revised the itinerary since last year, added the Minjiang Estuary and Spoon-billed Sandpiper to the itinerary and this year's tour surpassed all our previous offerings in several respects. Numerous people view our *South China in Winter* tour as a water bird special and in many ways it is – the spectacle of tens of thousands of swans, geese and ducks at Poyang Hu in particular must be one of Asia's premier avian attractions. But the tour's much, much more than just a water bird special.

While the final bird list was just over 196 species and isn't huge by any stretch this tour boasts an impressive array of speciality species such as Scaly-sided Merganser and passerines such as Bull-headed Shrike, Brown Dipper and that most elegant of buntings, Yellow-throated. But for many of us its not just the rarities that give this tour its unique appeal but the sheer spectacle of seeing tens of thousands of birds at a single site – and to this end the innumerable swans (9000+!), geese and ducks not to mention the spoonbills, storks and cranes that we saw at Poyang Hu will linger long in many of our minds. At one Poyang Hu site we had 69% of the world population of Oriental Storks in view at one time – an impressive but none the less alarming statistic in anyone's book!

This year's birding essentially started with an introductory walk around the gardens of Shanghai zoo where quality species such as our first Pale and White's Thrushes, Yellow-bellied Tit and both Tristram's and Yellow-browed Bunting tried hard to make us forget the low temperatures and biting wind. The following day saw us enjoying the aforementioned Spoon-billed Sandpipers while the next saw us adding both Dusky and Naumann's Thrushes, Chinese Penduline Tits and

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our only hirundine of the trip in the form of an unfortunate Red-rumped Swallow to our already burgeoning lists.

Flying north it got colder – but Hangzhou's Botanical Gardens still produced many more birds – particularly thrushes, bulbuls and an enjoyable encounter with a large party of Grey-headed Parrotbills. Our Christmas Eve picnic breakfast near Wuyuan was interrupted by our first encounter with our rarest duck and our primary quarry at this picturesque backwater of northern Jiangxi, a pair of magnificent Scaly-sided Mergansers. By the time we had lunch we'd also added Masked Laughingthrush, several very confiding Brown Crakes, three Long-billed Plovers, Black-collared Starling and, for a lucky few, a Spotted Wren Babbler while later than afternoon Mandarin Duck and Bull-headed Shrike also fell.

We managed to find the Pied Falconets first thing Christmas Day and our luck held at our next site as we again managed to avoid the fog that can plague Poyang Hu. Our first day there – when we saw Swan Goose as well as Siberian, White-naped and Hooded Crane feet from near our coach even before we'd boarded our boats was simply superb. The weather was probably close to being as good as it gets here mid-winter and we made full use of it enjoying fantastic views of four species of crane and also adding Falcated Duck and our only Lesser White-fronted Geese and Baikal Teal of the entire tour. We also managed to spot another Black-faced Spoonbill among the 5180 Eurasians present and enjoyed some superb looks at Oriental Stork several of which flew, bill clacking, right overhead! Our subsequent two days at Poyang Hu we plagued by the weather – a virtual white out forced an early return to the hotel on the 27<sup>th</sup> while the following day's planned visit to Nanjishan was scuppered when a tragic multiple vehicle pile up caused the closure of the entire expressway network!

It was colder in coastal Jiangsu but the birds didn't seem to mind and, as long as the new birds kept on coming, neither did we. The hoped for Red-crowned Cranes, only recently replaced by Golden Pheasant as China's 'National Bird', performed astonishingly well – so well in fact that we questioned whether several of them were feral! We'll probably never know just how many Great Bitterns there were in Yancheng's reed beds – but they were very conspicuous and there were undoubtedly more here than in the entire British Isles! Chinese Grey Shrike continued to prove elusive (we missed it entirely on the previous winter's trip) but our circuitous, near coastal journey back south yielded one cooperative individual as well as a fish pond seemingly full of China's rarest gull, Saunders's. We scored with a fabulous first-winter Grey-backed Thrush in a park on the edge of Shanghai the following morning and then went on to explore a tiny fraction of Shanghai city later that afternoon, rode at 431 km/hour on the high speed Maglev train, had a short walk along the famous Bund and even found time to go shopping in this mega city as its gearing up to host the World Expo later in 2010.

I wrote the following in last year's tour report 'How many of us knew, in advance of our trip, quite what to expect in modern day China and how many of us went home with altered opinions as to where the Middle Kingdom's heading? Now more than ever China's a land of incredible contrasts and accelerating social change, a land of considerable personal wealth juxtaposed with near grinding poverty, a land of thriving elitism, rampant ambition and a populace with an enviable work ethic. Right now's the time to visit China and we were privileged indeed to see some of the more impressive parts of it'. – *Paul Holt*.

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### BIRD LIST:

The order, English and scientific names mostly follow those used in the recommended field guide for this tour - MacKinnon, John and Karen Phillipps. 2000. *A Field Guide to the Birds of China*. Oxford University Press, Oxford.

As on all Sunbird tours species are only included on this list if they were seen, or heard, by the leader and at least one participant.

#### Key to the status codes:

Column A = Number of tour on which this species has been recorded.  
 Column B = Total number of days that the species was seen on the last tour.  
 Column C = Maximum daily count for this species on the last tour.  
 H = Heard only.  
 (H) = Mostly heard but some seen.

\* Indicates that this species was seen from 2009 onwards following a change in itinerary.

Codes against the bird names indicate globally threatened species as defined by BirdLife International (2004) *Threatened birds of the world 2004* CD-Rom Cambridge, U.K. BirdLife International as follows:

CR = Critically Endangered  
 EN = Endangered  
 VU = Vulnerable  
 NT = Near-threatened

A		B	C		
4	Chinese Bamboo Partridge	2	1	H	<i>Bambusicola thoracica</i>
4	Japanese Quail	2	2		<i>Coturnix japonica</i>
4	Common Pheasant	9	15		<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>
4	Tundra Swan	4	6410		<i>Cygnus columbianus</i>
4	Swan Goose EN	3	3150		<i>Anser cygnoides</i>
4	'Tundra' Bean Goose	7	1200		<i>Anser fabalis serrirostris</i>
1	'Taiga Bean Goose'	1	1		<i>Anser fabalis middendorffi</i>
1	Bean Goose sp.				<i>Anser fabalis</i>
4	Greater White-fronted Goose	3	120		<i>Anser albifrons</i>
4	Lesser White-fronted Goose VU	1	90		<i>Anser erythropus</i>
2	Greylag Goose	2	4		<i>Anser anser</i>
3	Ruddy Shelduck				<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>
4	Common Shelduck	2	50		<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>
4	Mandarin Duck	1	8		<i>Aix galericulata</i>
4	Gadwall	3	80		<i>Anas strepera</i>
4	Falcated Duck	2	1500		<i>Anas falcata</i>
4	Eurasian Wigeon	5	1500		<i>Anas penelope</i>
1	Apparent hybrid Eurasian x American Wigeon				<i>Anas penelope x Anas americana</i>
4	Mallard	5	100		<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>
4	Chinese Spot-billed Duck	8	150		<i>Anas zonorhyncha</i>
4	Northern Shoveler	6	80		<i>Anas clypeata</i>
4	Northern Pintail	5	400		<i>Anas acuta</i>
2	Garganey				<i>Anas querquedula</i>
4	Baikal Teal VU	1	2		<i>Anas formosa</i>
4	Common Teal	9	60		<i>Anas crecca</i>

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4	Common Pochard	5	680	<i>Aythya ferina</i>
1	Ferruginous Pochard NT			<i>Aythya nyroca</i>
3	Tufted Duck	2	30	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>
1	Common Goldeneye	1	13	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>
4	Smew	3	67	<i>Mergellus albellus</i>
3	Red-breasted Merganser	1	1	<i>Mergus serrator</i>
4	Scaly-sided Merganser EN	1	7	<i>Mergus squamatus</i>
4	Common Merganser	2	1150	<i>Mergus merganser</i>
4	Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	2	5	<i>Dendrocopos canicapillus</i>
4	Great Spotted Woodpecker	2	2	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>
4	Grey-headed Woodpecker	2	3	<i>Picus canus</i>
4	Great Barbet	2	7	<i>Megalaima virens</i>
4	Eurasian Hoopoe	7	12	<i>Upupa epops</i>
4	Common Kingfisher	10	5	<i>Alcedo meninting</i>
4	White-throated Kingfisher	7	4	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>
4	Crested Kingfisher	2	1	<i>Megaceryle lugubris</i>
4	Pied Kingfisher	6	10	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>
1	Collared Owlet			<i>Glaucidium brodiei</i>
4	Asian Barred Owlet	2	3	<i>Glaucidium cuculoides</i>
2	Short-eared Owl	1	1	<i>Asio flammeus</i>
4	Rock Pigeon	14	50	<i>Columba livia</i>
4	Oriental Turtle Dove	11	40	<i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>
4	Spotted Dove	13	50	<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>
4	Siberian Crane CR	2	620	<i>Grus leucogeranus</i>
4	White-naped Crane VU	2	110	<i>Grus vipio</i>
2	Sandhill Crane	1	2	<i>Grus canadensis</i>
4	Common Crane	4	400	<i>Grus grus</i>
4	Hooded Crane VU	4	30	<i>Grus monacha</i>
4	Red-crowned Crane EN	3	15	<i>Grus japonensis</i>
3	Water Rail	1	1	<i>Rallus aquaticus</i>
4	Brown Crake	5	5	<i>Amaurornis akool</i>
1	White-breasted Waterhen	2	3	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>
4	Common Moorhen	8	40	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
4	Eurasian Coot	5	500	<i>Fulica atra</i>
4	Common Snipe	7	4	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>
4	Black-tailed Godwit	3	3	<i>Limosa limosa</i>
4	Eurasian Curlew	4	860	<i>Numenius arquata</i>
1	Eastern Curlew NT			<i>Numenius madagascariensis</i>
4	Spotted Redshank	8	1000	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>
2	Marsh Sandpiper	1	2	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>
4	Common Greenshank	8	20	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>
4	Green Sandpiper	5	6	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>
4	Common Sandpiper	5	4	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
2	Sanderling	1	500	<i>Calidris alba</i>
1	Spoon-billed Sandpiper * CR	1	8	<i>Calidris pygmaeus</i>
1	Red-necked Stint *	1	5	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>
4	Dunlin	6	1500	<i>Calidris alpina</i>
3	Eurasian Oystercatcher	1	3	<i>Haematopus ostralegus osculans</i>
4	Pied Avocet	4	850	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>
4	Grey Plover	4	20	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>
4	Long-billed Plover	1	3	<i>Charadrius placidus</i>
4	Kentish Plover	4	400	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>
4	Kentish Plover	4	400	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>
1	Lesser Sand Plover	1	4	<i>Charadrius mongolus</i>
1	Greater Sand Plover	1	1	<i>Charadrius leschenaultii</i>

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4	Northern Lapwing	7	150	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>
3	Black-tailed Gull	2	6	<i>Larus crassirostris</i>
4	Mew Gull	2	4	<i>Larus canus</i>
4	Vega Gull	4	10	<i>Larus vegae</i>
4	Mongolian Gull	5	1000	<i>Larus mongolicus</i>
2	Pallas's Gull	2	1	<i>Larus ichthyaetus</i>
4	Black-headed Gull	7	3500	<i>Larus ridibundus</i>
4	Saunders's Gull VU	3	285	<i>Larus saundersi</i>
2	Relict Gull VU	1	2	<i>Larus relictus</i>
1	Black-legged Kittiwake			<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>
1	Caspian Tern	1	1	<i>Sterna caspia</i>
1	Whiskered Tern			<i>Chlidonias hybridus</i>
1	Osprey	1	2	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>
3	Black-shouldered Kite	2	2	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>
1	Black Kite			<i>Milvus migrans lineatus</i>
3	Eastern Marsh Harrier	5	4	<i>Circus spilonotus</i>
4	Hen Harrier	4	2	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>
4	Crested Goshawk	3	1	<i>Accipiter trivirgatus</i>
3	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	1	1	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>
1	Northern Goshawk	1	1	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>
4	accipiter sp.	2	2	<i>Accipiter sp.</i>
4	Common Buzzard	7	3	<i>Buteo buteo</i>
1	Upland Buzzard	1	1	<i>Buteo hemilasius</i>
3	Black Eagle	1	2	<i>Ictinaetus malayensis</i>
1	Bonelli's Eagle			<i>Hieraaetus fasciatus</i>
4	Pied Falconet	1	3	<i>Microhierax melanoleucos</i>
4	Common Kestrel	5	3	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
1	Merlin			<i>Falco columbarius</i>
4	Peregrine Falcon	6	3	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
4	Little Grebe	11	300	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
4	Great Crested Grebe	2	50	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>
3	Black-necked Grebe	1	11	<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>
4	Great Cormorant	4	150	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>
4	Little Egret	11	300	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>
1	Pacific Reef Heron *	1	1	<i>Egretta sacra</i>
4	Grey Heron	9	150	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>
4	Great Egret	5	100	<i>Casmerodius albus</i>
2	Cattle Egret	1	10	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>
3	Chinese Pond Heron	2	3	<i>Ardeola bacchus</i>
4	Black-crowned Night Heron	5	50	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>
4	Great Bittern	6	10	<i>Botaurus stellaris</i>
4	Eurasian Spoonbill	2	5180	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>
2	Black-faced Spoonbill EN	2	1	<i>Platalea minor</i>
1	Dalmatian Pelican CR			<i>Pelecanus crispus</i>
1	Black Stork			<i>Ciconia nigra</i>
4	Oriental Stork EN	3	2075	<i>Ciconia boyciana</i>
4	Orange-bellied Leafbird	1	7	<i>Chloropsis hardwickii</i>
4	Bull-headed Shrike	1	1	<i>Lanius bucephalus</i>
4	Long-tailed Shrike	14	50	<i>Lanius schach</i>
3	Chinese Grey Shrike	1	1	<i>Lanius sphenocercus</i>
2	Eurasian Jay			<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>
4	Red-billed Blue Magpie	4	12	<i>Urocissa erythrorhyncha</i>
4	Azure-winged Magpie	5	40	<i>Cyanopica cyanus</i>
3	Grey Treepie			<i>Dendrocitta formosae</i>
4	Black-billed Magpie	6	300	<i>Pica pica</i>

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1	Carrion Crow			<i>Corvus corone</i>
3	corvid sp.			<i>Corvus sp.</i>
3	Grey-chinned Minivet	1	2	<i>Pericrocotus solaris</i>
1	Bohemian Waxwing			<i>Bombycilla garrulus</i>
2	Japanese Waxwing NT			<i>Bombycilla japonica</i>
3	Brown Dipper	2	1	<i>Cinclus pallasii</i>
1	Blue Whistling Thrush			<i>Myophonus caeruleus</i>
1	Japanese Thrush			<i>Turdus cardis</i>
4	Grey-backed Thrush	1	1	<i>Turdus hortulorum</i>
4	Chinese Blackbird	12	50	<i>Turdus (merula) mandarinus</i>
4	Pale Thrush	6	7	<i>Turdus pallidus</i>
4	Rufous-tailed Thrush'			<i>Turdus naumanni</i>
4	Naumann's Thrush	8	3	<i>Turdus n. naumanni</i>
4	Dusky Thrush	6	50	<i>Turdus n. eunomus</i>
4	Intermediate Naumann's/Dusky Thrush	3	5	<i>T. naumanni/T. eunomus</i>
3	White's Thrush	3	2	<i>Zoothera dauma</i>
3	Siberian Rubythroat	2	1	H <i>Luscinia calliope</i>
2	Bluethroat			<i>Luscinia svecica</i>
4	Northern Orange-flanked Bush Robin	7	4	<i>Tarsiger cyanurus</i>
4	Oriental Magpie Robin	3	5	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>
4	Daurian Redstart	11	12	<i>Phoenicurus aureoreus</i>
1	White-capped Water Redstart			<i>Chaimarrornis leucocephalus</i>
4	Plumbeous Water Redstart	2	4	<i>Rhyacornis fuliginosus</i>
4	White-crowned Forktail	3	3	<i>Enicurus leschenaulti</i>
2	Common Stonechat	2	3	<i>Saxicola torquata</i>
4	Red-billed Starling	7	1000	<i>Sturnus sericeus</i>
4	White-cheeked Starling	7	100	<i>Sturnus cineraceus</i>
4	Black-collared Starling	4	5	<i>Sturnus nigricollis</i>
4	Crested Myna	11	100	<i>Acridotheres cristatellus</i>
2	Winter Wren			<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>
4	Chinese Penduline Tit	5	6	<i>Remiz consobrinus</i>
4	Yellow-bellied Tit	4	12	<i>Parus venustulus</i>
4	Great Tit	10	10	<i>Parus major</i>
2	Long-tailed Tit			<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>
4	Black-throated Tit	2	15	<i>Aegithalos concinnus</i>
1	Red-rumped Swallow *	1	1	<i>Cecropis daurica</i>
4	Collared Finchbill	2	20	<i>Spizixos semitorques</i>
2	Brown-breasted Bulbul			<i>Spizixos semitorques</i>
4	Light-vented Bulbul	13	80	<i>Pycnonotus sinensis</i>
1	Sooty-headed Bulbul *	1	2	<i>Pycnonotus aurigaster</i>
4	Chestnut Bulbul	2	8	<i>Hemixos castanonotus</i>
3	Mountain Bulbul			<i>Hypsipetes mccllellandii</i>
4	Black Bulbul	2	8	<i>Hypsipetes leucocephalus</i>
2	Goldcrest			<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>
4	Zitting Cisticola	2	4	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>
1	Yellow-bellied Prinia	1	2	<i>Prinia flaviventris</i>
4	Plain Prinia	8	10	<i>Prinia inornata</i>
3	Japanese White-eye	2	6	(H) <i>Zosterops japonica</i>
1	Manchurian Bush Warbler	1	1	<i>Cettia canturians</i>
4	Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler	2	2	<i>Cettia fortipes</i>
2	Japanese Swamp Warbler VU			<i>Locustella pryeri</i>
4	Dusky Warbler	4	5	(H) <i>Phylloscopus fuscatus</i>
4	Pallas's Warbler	6	6	<i>Phylloscopus proregulus</i>
4	Yellow-browed Warbler	2	3	<i>Phylloscopus inornatus</i>
1	Rufous-faced Warbler			<i>Abroscopus albogularis</i>

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2	Greater Necklaced Laughingthrush				<i>Garrulax pectoralis</i>
4	Masked Laughingthrush	2	10		<i>Garrulax perspicillatus</i>
3	Hwamei	2	2		<i>Garrulax canorus</i>
4	Spot-breasted Scimitar Babbler	2	2		<i>Pomatorhinus erythrocnemis</i>
4	Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler	1	1	H	<i>Pomatorhinus ruficollis</i>
1	Spotted Wren Babbler	1	2		<i>Spelaeornis formosus</i>
4	Rufous-capped Babbler	1	3		<i>Stachyris ruficeps</i>
2	Red-billed Leiothrix				<i>Leiothrix lutea</i>
3	Dusky Fulvetta				<i>Alcippe brunnea</i>
4	Grey-cheeked Fulvetta	1	8		<i>Alcippe morrisonia</i>
4	Striated Yuhina	1	20		<i>Yuhina castaniceps torqueola</i>
2	Grey-headed Parrotbill	1	20		<i>Paradoxornis gularis</i>
4	Vinous-throated Parrotbill	9	100		<i>Paradoxornis webbianus</i>
4	Reed Parrotbill NT	4	4		<i>Paradoxornis heudei</i>
4	Eurasian Skylark	4	10		<i>Alauda arvensis</i>
4	Oriental Skylark	1	2		<i>Alauda gulgula</i>
1	Fork-tailed Sunbird				<i>Aethopyga christinae</i>
4	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	13	400		<i>Passer montanus</i>
4	White Wagtail	14	10		<i>Motacilla alba</i>
4	" "	13	6		<i>Motacilla alba leucopsis</i>
2	" "	2	4		<i>Motacilla alba ocularis</i>
4	Eastern Yellow Wagtail	3	8		<i>Motacilla tschutschensis</i>
3	" " "	2	2		<i>Motacilla tschutschensis taivana</i>
4	Grey Wagtail	2	2		<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>
4	Richard's Pipit	3	15		<i>Anthus richardi</i>
4	Olive-backed Pipit	11	20		<i>Anthus hodgsoni</i>
4	Red-throated Pipit	2	3		<i>Anthus cervinus</i>
4	Water Pipit	4	3		<i>Anthus spinoletta</i>
4	Buff-bellied Pipit	6	6		<i>Anthus rubescens japonicus</i>
4	White-rumped Munia	4	30		<i>Lonchura striata</i>
4	Scaly-breasted Munia	3	10		<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>
4	Brambling	4	27		<i>Fringilla montifringilla</i>
4	Grey-capped Greenfinch	5	150		<i>Carduelis sinica</i>
4	Eurasian Siskin	1	1	H	<i>Carduelis spinus</i>
1	Hawfinch	1	1		<i>Coccothraustes coccothraustes</i>
4	Yellow-billed Grosbeak	11	40		<i>Eophona migratoria</i>
3	Meadow Bunting	2	5		<i>Emberiza cioides</i>
3	Tristram's Bunting	2	4		<i>Emberiza tristrami</i>
2	Chestnut-eared Bunting	2	3		<i>Emberiza fucata</i>
4	Little Bunting	4	4		<i>Emberiza pusilla</i>
4	Yellow-browed Bunting	2	6		<i>Emberiza chrysophrys</i>
4	Rustic Bunting	5	6		<i>Emberiza rustica</i>
3	Yellow-throated Bunting	3	6		<i>Emberiza elegans</i>
4	Black-faced Bunting	9	15		<i>Emberiza spodocephala</i>
2	" " "	4	2		<i>Emberiza spodocephala sordida</i>
4	Pallas's Bunting	2	10		<i>Emberiza pallasi</i>
4	Reed Bunting	1	2		<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>
1	Ochre-rumped Bunting NT				<i>Emberiza yessoensis</i>
3	Lapland Bunting				<i>Emberiza lapponicus</i>