

TAIWAN 2011

17th April – Arrival and night in Taipei.

18th April – Taipei – Dasyueshan: We started our birding at breakfast on the 12th floor of our hotel in Taipei where we had spectacular views along the river. Here we saw a pair of Spot-billed Ducks, all the usual herons and egrets along with a single Chinese Pond Heron in full breeding plumage and many Sacred Ibis (an introduced species doing very well in the Taipei area). We checked out and drove the short distance to the Botanical Gardens. A great place to become familiar with some of Taiwan's commoner birds. Our main targets were the endemic subspecies of Black-browed Barbet, split by some as Taiwan Barbet and also the interesting Malayan Night Herons which walk around on the grass in full view weaving their necks left to right. Other interesting birds seen were a lovely Common Kingfisher, White-breasted Waterhen and Common Moorhen. We also found some other endemic subspecies including a very active pair of Black-naped Monarchs, great views of Light-vented Bulbuls and a cracking pair of Grey Treepies that came down to eat bread that had been put out.

We were keen to get straight off to Dasyueshan, our base for the next two days and one of the top birding sites in the country. We stopped briefly in a town on the way to pick up our first local guide. We had our first birding lower down on the mountain at a bridge over a stream. As soon as we arrived, we saw our first full endemic, the Taiwan Whistling Thrush. Soon after we had added more endemic subspecies in the form of Plumbeous Water Redstart, Collared Finchbill and both prinias. A final bird here was a soaring Crested Serpent Eagle yet another endemic subspecies. It is especially important to keep track of endemic subspecies on Taiwan as many are liable to be elevated to full species in the future. On the walk back up the hill we got great views of Rufous-faced Warbler and Rufous-capped Babbler before our local guide pointed out the call of the Dusky Fulvetta, a rather uncommon and localised bird. It took us quite while to get good looks at this shy species but we didn't give up until everybody had seen it.

We continued our drive up, spotting a female Swinhoe's Pheasant shooting across the road. We hoped to get better views of this bird later. For now we were going to a spot where the stunning endemic Mikado Pheasant was being fed. It was misty and quite cold as we stood in the road waiting, but before long we had some entertaining endemic White-whiskered Laughingthrushes to keep us company along with two endemic species of squirrel. Then everything seemed to happen at once. A female pheasant appeared at the same time as the endemic Collared Bush Robin, more laughingthrushes and the endemic subspecies of Vinaceous Rosefinch. We didn't know which way to look. All of these birds seemed to have no fear of people and we watched them at our leisure. After this we walked down the road, adding endemic subspecies of White-browed Bush Robin and Spotted Nutcracker.

19th April: Driving down the road in the early morning we saw several Swinhoe's Pheasants including great views of a stunning male crossing, then standing in the road. It was absolutely beautiful and this would be one of the highlights of our trip. We had already seen our target pheasant but our local guide went to check on the feeding station anyway. A few minutes later, he came running back up huffing and puffing and saying something about Taiwan Partridge. I assumed he meant the much commoner bamboo partridge but when it became clear that he meant the much rarer species, we ran back down the road with him to join the throng of photographers for cracking views. We came back up and enjoyed a rather nice breakfast while watching some real beauties like Grey-chinned Minivet, Vivid Niltava, the endemic Taiwan Yuhina and Rufous-faced Warbler. All new for the trip. A stroll after breakfast got us more endemics in the shape of Steere's Liocichla, White-eared Sibia and other interesting species such as Chinese Bamboo Partridge and Grey-headed Woodpecker.

The afternoon was spent at the endemic packed higher elevation with great views of the delightful Flamecrest, an Alishan Bush Warbler, very confiding White-whiskered Laughingthrushes and Collared Bush Robin. Other endemic subspecies like White-browed Bush Robin, Streak-throated Fulvetta and Vinaceous Rosefinch stand a strong chance of being elevated to species level in the future. We had our first views of a group of Taiwan Macaques and a very smart looking Spotted Nutcracker with far fewer spots than other races. The bird of the afternoon though was the Mikado Pheasant. We waited at the

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feeding site for a full hour and were almost ready to give up when a spectacular male turned up. Four game bird species in a day! At night we went out owling but instead of owls, we found the beautiful White-faced Flying-Squirrel just near our cabins. A fitting end to an incredible day.

20th April: After birding a while around the hotel, picking up Oriental Honey-buzzard and Eurasian Jay, we gradually birded down the road finding Eurasian Siskin (rare in Taiwan) and a magnificent pair of soaring Black Eagles. At a rather productive spot lower down we added Coal, Green-backed Tit and the endemic Yellow Tit. Endemic races of White-backed Woodpecker, Rusty Laughingthrush and Grey-cheeked Fulvetta were uncooperative and gave us the run around but endemic Taiwan Yuhinas were everywhere and came straight in to whistled Collared Owlet impersonations. Lower still we had great views of Brown Bullfinch, White-tailed Robin and leaving Dasyueshan we found a Brown Dipper along with previously seen Taiwan Whistling Thrush and Plumbeous Water Redstart. Our last birding stop of the day was at Puli where we saw the bright-red endemic subspecies of Maroon Oriole. Quite different from its counterparts in SE Asia. After finding this gorgeous bird we took a walk through an area with long grass and scrub where we found the interesting and recently split Taiwan Hwamei and a Lesser Coucal before driving to our hotel in Chingjing.

21st April: We started our birding today in Chunyang. Lower down than Chingjing and home to several interesting endemic species and races. We arrived early and had some breakfast. Just as we had finished we heard the Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler. This distinctive endemic subspecies has recently been split by some authors as the Taiwan Scimitar-Babbler. They didn't take long to get good looks at but Spot-breasted Scimitar Babbler (also recently split at Black-necklaced) started to prove themselves as supreme skulkers. The local guide laughing, shaking his head and saying "Difficult..." didn't inspire our confidence. One member of the group got a tickable view but the rest of us were limited to movements and silhouette. Instead we spotted a pair of Rusty Laughingthrushes that we had struggled with so much yesterday and got much better views. Some other interesting birds seen over the course of the morning were White-bellied Green Pigeon (which also gave us a rendition of their distinctive call), a Crested Serpent Eagle flying over head, Grey Treepie perched in a tree nearby, Black-billed Magpie feeding on the ground plus the handsome Collared Finchbill. A delightful pair of the distinctive race of Vinous-throated Parrotbill proved unusually cooperative whereas Brownish-flanked Bush Warblers, true to form, were a complete pain in the neck. On the way back to Chingjing we stopped at a temple in Wushe where we saw a family of Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpeckers, a common bird that we had surprisingly managed to miss up until now.

On the way back to the higher elevations we had some very productive birding along the road with a soaring pair of Crested Goshawks, a gorgeous male Snowy-browed Flycatcher and the endemic Yellow Tits mating! We spent almost the whole afternoon on the trail looking for two particularly tricky endemics: Taiwan Blue Shortwing and Taiwan Wren Babbler. Both pretty common but real skulkers. Those patient enough to stick it out were rewarded with views of both. We heard the uncommon endemic Taiwan Barwing and some glimpsed a pair but we would strive for better views tomorrow.

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22nd April: We were back on the trail for an early picnic breakfast. Vivid Niltava, Steere's Liocichla and White-tailed Robin were a nice distraction but we tried to stay focussed on our main target, the Taiwan Barwing. Being familiar with their call was key and walking a short distance along we heard them, then had fine views close to the trail. Before leaving, one person saw a Taiwan Shortwing whilst relieving themselves behind a bush. There were no more targets here so we headed up higher looking for more new birds. At a nice view point we stopped to look for Grey-headed Bullfinch but instead saw a Eurasian Jay, lots of friendly White-whiskered Laughingthrushes and even more Taiwan Barwings at close range. Towards the highest point in the road, we stopped at some toilets which were particularly good for birding too. Here we picked up a gorgeous male Collared Bush-Robin and a female Vinaceous Rosefinch feeding on the ground.

The Wuling Pass is the highest road in East Asia at 3,275m (10,745ft) and is a well known site for the Alpine Accentor. It wasn't long before we had amazingly close views of this very attractive and confiding bird. Our first stop on the other side gave us rare views of displaying endemic Flamecrests with the hidden crest of the male fully raised. Going down a little further we tried again for Grey-headed Bullfinch but had to console ourselves with 'scope views of Ferruginous Flycatcher. Not an endemic, but a lifer for many. Most of the rest of the morning was driving although we had an unsuccessful stop to look for Little Forktail but only saw mating Plumbeous Redstarts.

We stopped at a fancy hotel in Hualien for an amazing lunch buffet. On leaving the restaurant, we had good views of the Styan's Bulbul in front. This locally common endemic species is threatened by hybridisation with the expanding Light-vented Bulbul. We picked up our next local guide and continued our long drive to Wulu. On the way, our guide spotted a coucal but when we got out we couldn't re-find it, although we did see Common Pheasant stalking in the grass - our final game bird of the trip. In the evening, we arrived at our comfortable hot spring resort where some of us took a soak after dinner.

23rd April: Today we were on steep, narrow mountain roads so we had two smaller vans with drivers to get us to the Wulu forest. On the way up we had great 'scope views of a perched Crested Goshawk and a pair of Chinese Bamboo Partridges crossing the road in front of us. Unfortunately they had blocked the road lower down than in previous years to stop illegal logging. Good for the birds but it meant we had to walk a little further. It was good birding all the way along although it was quite misty and not great visibility. As before, I tried to use owl imitations to bring in flocking species but today I actually managed to bring in a Collared Owllet itself. We had great views of this pint-sized owl with such an angry expression on its little face. We also had the usual flocking species like Green-backed and Yellow Tits, Black Bulbul and Vivid Niltava as well as another Taiwan Barwing. We saw some other interesting species such as Ashy Wood Pigeon and even a Reeve's Muntjac, jumping across the road and then barking like a dog. Rusty Laughingthrushes were common all the way along but Spot-breasted Scimitar Babbler still managed to elude most of us. At the lower elevation, the birds changed and we started to see Maroon Oriole, Black-naped Monarch, White-bellied Erpornis, and even got a fly over of a Large Hawk Cuckoo.

In the afternoon our main target was Taiwan Blue Magpie, our final (traditional) endemic. The workers in the hotel said you could see them in the car park just outside. None were evident to us so we walked along the road. We bumped into a policeman that had stopped us in the morning. He asked us what we were looking for, and when we told him, he showed us the nest of a Taiwan Blue Magpie just a few metres away. We noticed a number of different individuals visiting the nest and we heard from the local guide that the young from previous years help the parents in a cooperative breeding system. After another delicious dinner we walked along the road owling, but only managed to hear Mountain Scops-Owl. We did however have great views of yet another mammal species, the Red Giant Flying Squirrel.

24th April: We left Wulu early with a brief stop at a bridge to check for Little Forktail, which we found along with Taiwan Whistling Thrush, Plumbeous Redstart and even some Taiwan Macaques. Today we were flying to Lanyu (Orchid) Island but first we had some time at a river mouth in Taitung looking for shorebirds. For a relatively small area we found a remarkable number of shorebird species, including: Pacific Golden and Little Ringed Plovers, Greater and Lesser Sand Plovers, Red-necked and Long-toed Stints, Wood, Curlew and Terek Sandpipers, and Ruddy Turnstone. A walk to the beach netted us a

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Sanderling (a tricky bird in Taiwan), an Oriental Skylark on the ground, a flyover of a Grey-faced Buzzard and several Common Terns flying along the coast. On the other side of the river we spotted a Black-headed Gull. Another good bird in Taiwan. An Oriental Reed Warbler skulked in some short reeds and a couple of people were lucky enough to spot a Malayan Night Heron and a Cinnamon Bittern which flew across the path.

Driving from the airport on Lanyu, we saw Oriental Pratincoles and Red-rumped Swallows flying over the flooded sweet potato fields, typical of the island. After checking in and a quick lunch we set out birding along the coast where we added Pacific Reef Egret, Grey Plover, and Blue Rock Thrush. We met our local guide who showed us nests of Brown-eared Bulbul and Lowland White-eye. Neither of which are found on Taiwan's main island and both endemic subspecies to Lanyu. Driving around the island, we spotted a Whistling Green Pigeon, another endemic subspecies and split by some authors as Taiwan Green-Pigeon. We reached a forest patch in the north of the island where a few of us had brief views of Japanese Paradise-flycatcher, Philippine Cuckoo Dove and Emerald Dove. On our way back we stopped to look out to sea for Bottle-nosed Dolphin and had a bonus Humpback Whale floating belly up and flapping its flippers against the surface. After dinner we went for the most important species of stay time here, Elegant Scops Owl. Another endemic subspecies, split by some authors as the Lanyu Scops-Owl. Our local guide was waiting for us at the site but said a big group of tourists had just been there to see it and scared it off. We gave it some time before trying again. It took a couple of attempts and people were almost ready to accept flight views before we all got great views of one perched in the spotlight.

25th April: We set off early, passing several White-breasted Waterhens in the road, and went again to the Whistling Green Pigeon spot as some had not had decent views yesterday. Then onto the northern forest site where we all had 'scope views of Japanese Paradise-flycatcher, Whistling Green Pigeon, Emerald Dove and Philippine Cuckoo Dove. After a nice lunch in town we explored the nearby area finding Oriental Pratincole, Yellow Bittern and Wood Sandpiper. We also checked the harbour for Chinese Egret but had to make do with a Common Kingfisher. Next we took the road over island and walked up to a weather station where there was a spectacular view over the island. The last port of call was a cultural visit to some underground houses where we got some idea of the traditional lifestyle of the aboriginal people. We took one last drive around the coast towards the ferry terminal and finally spotted our hoped for Chinese Egret as it sat on some volcanic rocks next to the sea. We boarded our ferry and spent most of the time on deck scanning for pelagic birds. After what seemed like forever, we finally saw a bird flying above the water and looked to find not a sea bird but an Oriental Pratincole on migration!

26th April: We had a long drive today but before we left we visited some grasslands in Taitung where we saw Common Pheasant, Oriental Pratincole, Bright-headed and Zitting Cisticolas, Yellow-bellied Prinia and a flock of Indian Silverbills. The latter a fairly new introduction into Taiwan. We made it to Tainan for a picnic lunch in a nice area set up to observe waterbirds but saw little more than a Pacific Golden Plover. Afterwards we started our shorebirding with a vengeance. At the first pans we visited we found Little Grebe, Common Kingfisher, Black-crowned Night Heron, Lesser Sand Plover, Common Redshank and amongst a small flock of Sharp-tailed Sandpipers a lost Pectoral Sandpiper. Next we made our way to the Black-faced Spoonbill reserve, stopping at a few fish ponds on the way where the best bird was a Common Snipe. We were impressed by the facilities at the reserve but scanned the flats for late spoonbills without success. We added further to our wader list though, finding Whimbrel, Greater Sand Plover, Terek Sandpiper, Grey-tailed Tattler and a Bar-tailed Godwit. Another pond on our way to the next site gave us Yellow Bittern, a striking breeding-plumaged Spotted Redshank and dozens of Whiskered Terns. Our final port of call was a wonderfully productive wetland called Dingshan where we added Little Tern, dozens of Marsh and hundreds of Curlew Sandpipers in breeding plumage. We were all carefully scanning when our local guide gave out the cry of "Black-faced Spoonbill!". We all rushed over and had great views of two groups totalling 12 individuals. We had fine views before they started to leave and gave us a nice flyby. We were very relieved to have seen them and who knows, maybe these stragglers were just leaving for their breeding grounds.

27th April: The first site we checked this morning was disappointing but the second was incredible. The Aogu wetlands held large numbers of waders including Black-tailed Godwit, Marsh Sandpiper, Ruddy

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Turnstone, Great Knot, breeding plumage Dunlin, Sharp-tailed, Curlew Sandpiper and Broad-billed Sandpipers as well as our best views of a single Black-faced Spoonbill. We also had a pair of Spot-billed Ducks and even a female Garganey which took rather a while to identify as it had its head tucked away. Four Black-shouldered Kites were a surprise. These are an uncommon but expanding species on Taiwan.

We were now heading to our final mountain site of the tour, the magnificent Alishan. We made it for lunch at a hotel lower down on the mountain and after the lunch we heard the bad news that there had been a terrible accident higher up on the mountain where a falling branch had derailed the tourist train, killing 5 people and injuring many others. The disaster didn't affect our trip but we felt terrible for the people affected. We were staying at a guest house, the owner of which had set up a feeding station where pheasants and partridges attended. The plan for the afternoon was to sit in the blind and wait for these birds to come in. We filled the time watching Yellow Tit, Vivid Niltava, Steere's Liocichla, White-eared Sibia and Taiwan Yuhina coming in to drink at an artificial pond. We had to wait a long time and were almost ready to leave when a spectacular male Swinhoe's Pheasant came in to feed on grain that had been put out for it. The Taiwan Partridges were supposed to be regular here but we had luckily seen this difficult endemic very well on our first day. After dinner we went owling and had Mountain and Collared Scops Owls calling very close but unluckily neither of them were to be seen.

28th April: Today was our last day to pick up high elevation species. On our first birding stop, a bit of owl impersonation brought in the usual species ready to mob the intruder. We saw Vivid Niltava, Green-backed, and Coal Tits, and Yellowish-bellied Bush Warbler. Higher up we found our target Golden Parrotbill and Grey-headed Bullfinch, and while the bullfinches were practically hopping around by our feet, the parrotbill had us chasing it for a long time. Several other excellent birds were seen here, including: Taiwan Shortwing, Ferruginous Flycatcher, Flamecrest, Collared Bush-Robin, Streak-throated (Taiwan) Fulvetta and Vinaceous Rosefinch. With no more possible new additions at this altitude, we set off back down the hill to the lower elevation. We had lunch at the youth centre which, although surrounded by pine plantations, produced the endemic subspecies of Besra and we all had good looks at Alishan Bush Warbler in the gardens. We were now on our way but got stopped at road works where we got out to stretch our legs and had nice views of soaring Crested Serpent Eagles and some more skulking Rusty Laughingthrushes.

In the afternoon we managed some birding at the Bajhang River Mouth where we only added Caspian Tern and Red-throated Pipit but had more views of Whimbrel, Grey-tailed Tattler, Great Knot, Terek Sandpiper and Oriental Pratincole before time was up and we headed to Douliou - our last base before heading back to Taipei.

29th April: It was our last day of birding and we were up early to search for a very special bird, the Fairy Pitta. We had a picnic breakfast and met our local guide at a temple near to the birding sites. The pittas had arrived late here on their breeding grounds, just 3 days ago, but the guide had heard and seen individuals the evening before. During breakfast we saw plenty of nice birds, including Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpecker, Taiwan Blue Magpie, Grey Treepie and Collared Finchbill but we were focussed on seeing the bird we had come to find. He took us to the site where he had seen it yesterday and we stood around as he did his whistled imitations. Meanwhile we killed time by looking at some of the interesting birds around us, such as Rufous-capped Babbler, Dusky and Grey-cheeked Fulvettas. With no responses, we moved on to another possible site spotting Emerald Dove, Oriental Honey-buzzard, Crested Serpent Eagle and Crested Goshawk on the way. We even had a group of Taiwan Macaques, but no sign of the pitta. Their late arrival was unusual in itself but the complete silence of the birds was both surprising and very disappointing. And if these birds were not vocal, there was very little chance of seeing them. We continued birding for a short while and found Lesser Coucal and Streak-breasted (Taiwan) Scimitar Babbler whilst being observed by many amused school children. The one final bird we had a chance of picking up was the Spot-breasted (Black-necklaced) Scimitar Babbler. By now the group's arch-nemesis and one of the toughest skulkers in Taiwan. All credit to the group participants, local guide and leaders. We tried and tried to get on this bird, and finally we did, feeling a great sense of achievement.

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The tour had been a resounding success, with all 17 endemics found and almost 90% of endemic subspecies (several of which are likely to be split as full endemics in the future). Not only had we seen some amazing birdlife, we had also enjoyed the breathtaking scenery of Taiwan, tasted some mouth-wateringly delicious food and made some great friends.

Bird List:

English names, order & taxonomy mostly follow MacKinnon & Phillips.

Key to the status codes:

- Column 1 = total number of days that the species was recorded
 Column 2 = maximum daily count for that particular species
 H = denotes a species that was heard but was not seen
 (H) = denotes a species that was heard more often than it was seen
 E = endemic species.
 Essp = endemic subspecies.
 (I) = introduced subspecies.

5	Taiwan Partridge	E.	3	2		<i>Arborophila crudigularis</i>
5	Chinese Bamboo Partridge	Essp.	6	4	(H)	<i>Bambusicola thoracica sonorivox</i>
5	Swinhoe's Pheasant	E.	3	5		<i>Lophura swinhoii</i>
4	Mikado Pheasant	E.	2	1		<i>Syrmaticus mikado</i>
5	Common Pheasant	Essp.	3	7		<i>Phasianus colchicus formosanus</i>
1	Eurasian Wigeon					<i>Anas penelope</i>
1	Mallard					<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>
5	Chinese Spot-billed Duck		4	5		<i>Anas zonorhyncha</i>
3	Northern Shoveler					<i>Anas clypeata</i>
3	Garganey		1	1		<i>Anas querquedula</i>
2	Common Teal					<i>Anas crecca</i>
4	Tufted Duck					<i>Aythya fuligula</i>
5	Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpecker		3	4		<i>Dendrocopos canicapillus</i>
5	White-backed Woodpecker	Essp.	1	2		<i>Dendrocopos leucotos insularis</i>
5	Grey-headed Woodpecker		2	4		<i>Picus canus</i>
5	Black-browed Barbet	Essp.	7	7		<i>Megalaima oorti nuchalis</i>
5	Common Kingfisher		7	6		<i>Alcedo meninting</i>
5	Large Hawk Cuckoo		3	2	(H)	<i>Hierococcyx sparverioides</i>
5	Oriental Cuckoo		2	1	(H)	<i>Cuculus saturatus</i>
2	Cuckoo sp.					<i>Cuculus sp.</i>
5	Lesser Coucal		2	1		<i>Centropus bengalensis</i>
2	White-throated Needletail					<i>Hirundapus caudacutus</i>
2	Silver-backed Needletail					<i>Hirundapus cochinchinensis</i>
5	Pacific Swift		3	10		<i>Apus pacificus</i>
5	Little Swift		7	50		<i>Apus affinis</i>
4	Mountain Scops Owl	Essp.	2	4	H	<i>Otus spilocephalus hambroeki</i>
1	Oriental Scops Owl					<i>Otus sunia</i>
4	Elegant Scops Owl	Essp.	1	2		<i>Otus elegans botelensis</i>
2	Collared Scops Owl		1	1	H	<i>Otus bakkamoena glabripes</i>
4	Collared Owlet		2	1		<i>Glaucidium brodiei</i>
3	Brown Hawk Owl		1	1	H	<i>Ninox scutulata</i>
5	Ashy Wood Pigeon		2	2		<i>Columba pulchricollis</i>

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1	Rock Pigeon (I)	10	100	<i>Columba livia</i>
5	Oriental Turtle Dove Essp.	5	6	<i>Streptopelia orientalis orii</i>
5	Spotted Dove	9	20	<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>
5	Red Collared Dove	4	50	<i>Streptopelia tranquebarica</i>
5	Philippine Cuckoo Dove	2	10	<i>Macropygia tenuirostris</i>
5	Emerald Dove	3	2	<i>Chalcophaps indica</i>
5	White-bellied Green Pigeon Essp.	4	3	<i>Treron sieboldii sororius</i>
5	Whistling Green Pigeon Essp.	2	5	<i>Treron formosae formosae</i>
5	White-breasted Waterhen	4	5	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>
2	Ruddy-breasted Crake			<i>Porzana fusca</i>
5	Common Moorhen	4	20	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
3	Common Snipe	1	1	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>
5	Black-tailed Godwit	1	2	<i>Limosa limosa</i>
4	Bar-tailed Godwit	1	2	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>
4	Little Curlew			<i>Numenius minutus</i>
5	Whimbrel	2	1	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>
4	Eurasian Curlew			<i>Numenius arquata</i>
4	Curlew sp.			<i>Numenius sp.</i>
4	Spotted Redshank	1	3	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>
5	Common Redshank	2	5	<i>Tringa totanus</i>
5	Marsh Sandpiper	3	20	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>
5	Common Greenshank	4	20	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>
2	Green Sandpiper			<i>Tringa ochropus</i>
5	Wood Sandpiper	3	5	<i>Tringa glareola</i>
5	Terek Sandpiper	3	20	<i>Xenus cinereus</i>
5	Common Sandpiper	5	8	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
5	Grey-tailed Tattler	2	10	<i>Heteroscelus brevipes</i>
5	Ruddy Turnstone	2	2	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>
2	Asian Dowitcher			<i>Limnodromus semipalmatus</i>
5	Great Knot	3	10	<i>Calidris tenuirostris</i>
4	Red Knot			<i>Calidris canutus</i>
2	Sanderling	1	1	<i>Calidris alba</i>
5	Red-necked Stint	3	50	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>
1	Little Stint			<i>Calidris minutus</i>
5	Long-toed Stint	1	1	<i>Calidris subminuta</i>
5	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	2	8	<i>Calidris acuminata</i>
1	Pectoral Sandpiper	1	1	<i>Calidris melanotos</i>
5	Dunlin	1	20	<i>Calidris alpina</i>
5	Curlew Sandpiper	3	300	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>
5	Broad-billed Sandpiper	1	6	<i>Limicola falcinellus</i>
2	Greater Painted-snipe			<i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>
3	Red-necked Phalarope			<i>Phalaropus lobatus</i>
1	Ruff			<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>
5	Black-winged Stilt	4	40	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
1	Pied Avocet			<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>
5	Pacific Golden Plover	4	40	<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>
5	Grey Plover	2	1	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>
1	Common Ringed Plover			<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>
5	Little Ringed Plover	1	2	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>

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5	Kentish Plover	4	30	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>
5	Lesser Sand Plover	4	50	<i>Charadrius mongolus</i>
5	Greater Sand Plover	3	5	<i>Charadrius leschenaultii</i>
4	Oriental Pratincole	5	10	<i>Glareola maldivarum</i>
1	Pomarine Jaeger			<i>Stercorarius pomarinus</i>
2	Long-tailed Jaeger			<i>Stercorarius longicaudus</i>
1	Black-tailed Gull			<i>Larus crassirostris</i>
2	Black-headed Gull	1	1	<i>Larus ridibundus</i>
3	Gull-billed Tern			<i>Sterna nilotica</i>
5	Caspian Tern	1	16	<i>Sterna caspia</i>
4	Great Crested Tern			<i>Sterna bergii</i>
1	Black-naped Tern			<i>Sterna sumatrana</i>
5	Common Tern	2	18	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>
5	Little Tern	3	30	<i>Sterna albifrons</i>
5	Whiskered Tern	4	150	<i>Chlidonias hybridus</i>
3	White-winged Black Tern			<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>
3	Osprey			<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>
4	Oriental Honey-buzzard	2	1	<i>Pernis ptilorhyncus</i>
3	Black-shouldered Kite	1	4	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>
5	Crested Serpent Eagle Essp.	7	2	<i>Spilornis cheela hoya</i>
5	Crested Goshawk Essp.	4	2	<i>Accipiter trivirgatus formosae</i>
4	Chinese Sparrowhawk			<i>Accipiter soloensis</i>
5	Japanese Sparrowhawk	1	1	<i>Accipiter gularis</i>
3	Besra Essp.	1	1	<i>Accipiter virgatus fuscipectus</i>
3	Accipiter sp.			<i>Accipiter sp.</i>
4	Grey-faced Buzzard	1	2	<i>Butastur indicus</i>
3	Common Buzzard	1	1	<i>Buteo buteo</i>
3	Black Eagle	1	2	<i>Ictinaetus malayensis</i>
1	Mountain Hawk Eagle			<i>Spizaetus nipalensis</i>
2	Common Kestrel			<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
4	Peregrine Falcon			<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
5	Little Grebe	4	100	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
1	Brown Booby			<i>Sula leucogaster</i>
2	Great Cormorant			<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>
5	Little Egret	8	200	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>
5	Chinese Egret	1	1	<i>Egretta eulophotes</i>
5	Pacific Reef Egret	2	2	<i>Egretta sacra</i>
5	Grey Heron	5	20	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>
5	Great Egret	5	80	<i>Casmerodius albus</i>
5	Intermediate Egret	4	5	<i>Mesophoyx intermedia</i>
5	Eastern Cattle Egret	8	100	<i>Bubulcus [ibis] coromandus</i>
5	Chinese Pond Heron	1	1	<i>Ardeola bacchus</i>
1	Little Heron			<i>Butorides striatus</i>
5	Black-crowned Night Heron	6	20	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>
5	Malayan Night Heron	2	4	<i>Gorsachius melanolophus</i>
5	Yellow Bittern	2	1	<i>Ixobrychus sinensis</i>
5	Cinnamon Bittern	1	2	<i>Ixobrychus cinnamomeus</i>
1	Sacred Ibis (I)	1	10	<i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i>
5	Black-faced Spoonbill	2	12	<i>Platalea minor</i>

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3	Streaked Shearwater			<i>Calonectris leucomelas</i>
2	Streaked or Wedge-tailed Shearwater			<i>C. leucomelas</i> or <i>P. pacificus</i>
4	Sooty or Short-tailed Shearwater			<i>Puffinus griseus</i> / <i>P. tenuirostris</i>
2	Shearwater sp.			
4	Fairy Pitta			<i>Pitta nympa</i>
5	Brown Shrike	4	5	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>
5	Long-tailed Shrike	3	3	<i>Lanius schach</i>
5	Eurasian Jay Essp.	3	2	<i>Garrulus glandarius taivanus</i>
5	Taiwan Blue Magpie E.	2	5	<i>Urocissa caerulea</i>
5	Grey Treepie Essp.	5	4	<i>Dendrocitta formosae formosae</i>
5	Black-billed Magpie	5	3	<i>Pica pica</i>
5	Spotted Nutcracker Essp.	2	4	<i>Nucifraga caryocatactes owstoni</i>
5	Large-billed Crow	7	6	<i>Corvus macrorhynchos</i>
4	Maroon Oriole Essp.	2	5	<i>Oriolus traillii ardens</i>
3	Large Cuckooshrike			<i>Coracina macei</i>
1	Ashy Minivet			<i>Pericrocotus divaricatus</i>
5	Grey-chinned Minivet	5	4	<i>Pericrocotus solaris</i>
5	Black Drongo Essp.	7	10	<i>Dicrurus macrocercus harterti</i>
5	Bronzed Drongo Essp.	5	7	<i>Dicrurus aeneus braunianus</i>
5	Black-naped Monarch Essp.	5	4	<i>Hypothymis azurea oberholseri</i>
5	Japanese Paradise-flycatcher	2	4	<i>Terpsiphone caudatus</i>
5	Blue Rock Thrush	3	20	<i>Monticola solitarius philippensis</i>
1	" " "			" " <i>pandoo</i>
5	Taiwan Whistling Thrush E.	4	2	<i>Myophonus insularis</i>
1	White's or Scaly Thrush			<i>Zoothera aurea</i> or <i>Z. dauma</i>
2	Island Thrush Essp.			<i>Turdus poliocephalus niveiceps</i>
4	Eye-browed Thrush			<i>Turdus obscurus</i>
3	Pale Thrush	1	2	<i>Turdus pallidus</i>
1	Brown-headed Thrush			<i>Turdus chrysolaus</i>
5	Taiwan Blue Shortwing E.	7	3 (H)	<i>Brachypteryx goodfellowi</i>
3	Grey-streaked Flycatcher			<i>Muscicapa griseisticta</i>
1	Asian Brown Flycatcher			<i>Muscicapa latirostris</i>
4	Ferruginous Flycatcher	2	1	<i>Muscicapa ferruginea</i>
5	Snowy-browed Flycatcher Essp.	1	1	<i>Ficedula hyperythra innexa</i>
5	Vivid Niltava Essp.	7	6	<i>Niltava vivida vivida</i>
3	Siberian Rubythroat			<i>Luscinia calliope</i>
5	Collared Bush Robin E.	4	4	<i>Tarsiger johnstoniae</i>
1	White-browed Bush-Robin Essp.	3	2	<i>Tarsiger indicus formosana</i>
5	Plumbeous Water Redstart Essp.	4	5	<i>Rhyacornis fuliginosus affinis</i>
5	White-tailed Robin Essp.	6	7	<i>Myiomela leucura montium</i>
1	Oriental Magpie Robin (I)	1	2	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>
4	Little Forktail	1	1	<i>Enicurus scouleri</i>
2	Red-billed Starling			<i>Sturnus sericeus</i>
1	White-shouldered Starling	1	2	<i>Sturnia sinensis</i>
2	Crested Myna Essp.	1	2	<i>Acridotheres cristatellus formosanus</i>
1	Common Myna (I)	5	2	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>
1	Javan Myna (I)	7	20	<i>Acridotheres javanicus</i>
5	Eurasian Nuthatch	3	2	<i>Sitta europaea</i>
3	Winter Wren Essp.			<i>Troglodytes troglodytes taivanus</i>

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5	Coal Tit	Essp.	3	2	<i>Parus ater ptilosus</i>
5	Green-backed Tit	Essp.	6	4	<i>Parus monticolus inseperatus</i>
5	Yellow Tit	E.	4	8	<i>Parus holsti</i>
4	Varied Tit	Essp.			<i>Parus varius castaneoventris</i>
5	Black-throated Tit		8	20	<i>Aegithalos concinnus</i>
2	Sand Martin				<i>Riparia riparia</i>
5	Plain Martin		5	30	<i>Riparia paludicola</i>
5	Barn Swallow		8	120	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
5	Pacific Swallow		9	20	<i>Hirundo tahitica</i>
5	Red-rumped Swallow		6	8	<i>Hirundo daurica</i>
5	Asian House Martin		5	80	<i>Delichon dasypus</i>
5	Flamecrest	E.	3	8	<i>Regulus goodfellowi</i>
1	Brown Dipper		1	1	<i>Cinclus pallasii</i>
5	Collared Finchbill	Essp.	4	2	<i>Spizixos semitorques cinereicapillus</i>
5	Light-vented Bulbul	Essp.	7	40	<i>Pycnonotus sinensis formosae</i>
5	Styan's Bulbul	E.	3	10	<i>Pycnonotus xanthorrhous</i>
5	Brown-eared Bulbul	Essp.	2	40	<i>Ixos amaurotis harterti</i>
5	Black Bulbul	Essp.	8	15	<i>Hypsipetes leucocephalus nigerrimus</i>
5	Zitting Cisticola		2	2	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>
5	Bright-headed Cisticola	Essp.	1	1	<i>Cisticola exilis volitans</i>
5	Striated Prinia		2	2	<i>Prinia criniger striata</i>
5	Yellow-bellied Prinia		3	10	<i>Prinia flaviventris</i>
5	Plain Prinia	Essp.	7	4	<i>Prinia inornata flavirostris</i>
5	Japanese White-eye		6	10	<i>Zosterops japonica simplex</i>
5	" " "	Essp.	2	2	<i>Zosterops j. batanis</i>
5	Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler	Essp.	2	3	<i>Cettia fortipes robustipes</i>
5	Yellowish-bellied Bush Warbler	Essp.	4	10	<i>Cettia acanthizoides concolor</i>
5	Alishan Bush Warbler	E.	3	2	<i>Bradypterus alishanensis</i>
1	Rusty-rumped Warbler				<i>Locustella certhiola</i>
5	Oriental Reed Warbler		2	1	<i>Acrocephalus orientalis</i>
1	Dusky Warbler				<i>Phylloscopus fuscatus</i>
4	Yellow-browed Warbler				<i>Phylloscopus inornatus</i>
4	Arctic Warbler				<i>Phylloscopus borealis</i>
5	Rufous-faced Warbler		6	4	<i>Abroscopus albogularis</i>
4	White-throated Laughingthrush	Essp.			<i>Garrulax albogularis ruficeps</i>
5	Rusty Laughingthrush	Essp.	5	10	<i>Garrulax p. poecilorhynchus</i>
5	Hwamei	Essp.	1	4	<i>Garrulax canorus taewanus</i>
1	"				" " canorus
5	White-whiskered Laughingthrush	E.	5	20	<i>Garrulax morrisonianus</i>
5	Steere's Liocichla	E.	7	8	<i>Garrulax liocichla</i>
5	Spot-breasted Scimitar Babbler	Essp.	5	10	<i>Pomatorhinus e. erythrocnemis</i>
5	Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler	Essp.	3	2	<i>Pomatorhinus ruficollis musicus</i>
5	Taiwan Wren Babbler	E.	4	5 (H)	<i>Pnoepyga formosana</i>
5	Rufous-capped Babbler	Essp.	7	6	<i>Stachyris ruficeps praecognita</i>
5	Taiwan Barwing	E.	3	5	<i>Actinodura morrisoniana</i>
5	Streak-throated Fulvetta	Essp.	2	4	<i>Alcippe cinereiceps formosana</i>
5	Dusky Fulvetta	Essp.	2	2	<i>Alcippe b. brunnea</i>
5	Grey-cheeked Fulvetta	Essp.	6	30	<i>Alcippe m. morrisonia</i>
5	White-eared Sibia	E.	7	20	<i>Heterophasia auricularis</i>

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5	Taiwan Yuhina	E.	7	20	<i>Yuhina brunneiceps</i>
5	White-bellied Erpornis		2	5	<i>Erpornis zantholeuca</i>
4	Vinous-throated Parrotbill	Essp.	2	2	<i>Paradoxornis webbianus bulomachus</i>
2	Golden Parrotbill	Essp.	1	4	<i>Paradoxornis verreauxi morrisonianus</i>
4	Oriental Skylark		2	4	<i>Alauda gulgula</i>
2	Plain Flowerpecker	Essp.			<i>Dicaeum concolor uchidai</i>
5	Fire-breasted Flowerpecker	Essp.	3	3	<i>Dicaeum ignipectus formosum</i>
5	Eurasian Tree Sparrow		10	100	<i>Passer montanus</i>
5	White Wagtail		2	2	<i>Motacilla alba</i>
5	" "		2	2	<i>Motacilla alba leucopsis</i>
					<i>Motacilla alba ocularis</i>
5	Yellow Wagtail		1	1	<i>Motacilla flava</i>
					<i>Motacilla flava macronyx</i>
5	" "		1	4	<i>Motacilla flava taivana</i>
					<i>Motacilla flava simillima</i>
5	Grey Wagtail		2	2	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>
5	Richard's Pipit				<i>Anthus richardi</i>
4	Olive-backed Pipit		1	1	<i>Anthus hodgsoni</i>
3	Pechora Pipit				<i>Anthus gustavi</i>
1	Red-throated Pipit		1	1	<i>Anthus cervinus</i>
5	Alpine Accentor	Essp.	1	2	<i>Prunella collaris fennelli</i>
5	White-rumped Munia		4	10	<i>Lonchura striata</i>
5	Scaly-breasted Munia		4	6	<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>
1	Chestnut Munia				<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>
1	Indian Silverbill (I)		1	20	<i>Euodice malabarica</i>
2	Eurasian Siskin		2	2	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>
5	Vinaceous Rosefinch	Essp.	5	5	<i>Carpodacus vinaceus formosanus</i>
5	Brown Bullfinch	Essp.	1	4	<i>Pyrrhula nipalensis uchidai</i>
4	Grey-headed Bullfinch	Essp.	1	6	<i>Pyrrhula erythaca owstoni</i>
1	Chestnut-eared Bunting				<i>Emberiza fucata</i>
1	Little Bunting				<i>Emberiza pusilla</i>
1	Yellow-breasted Bunting				<i>Emberiza aureola</i>
4	Black-faced Bunting				<i>Emberiza spodocephala</i>
	" " "				<i>Emberiza s. spodocephala</i>
	" " "				<i>Emberiza s. sordida</i>
1	Japanese Yellow Bunting				<i>Emberiza sulphurata</i>