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Set Departure Tours Guide: Keith Barnes

After our brief flight to the island of Borneo we were on our way to the HQ at Mt Kinabalu National Park. This bare granite massif of Mount Kinabalu is a naturalist's paradise an island of montane forest in a sea of cultivated lowlands. Two-thirds of Borneo's endemic birds are found here. Based at the park headquarters, we radiated out on the network of trails surrounding the HQ. Noisy flocks appeared at first light at the roadside and contained large numbers of Chestnut-capped White-eyes. On the mountain we sought out the Little Cuckoo-Dove, Golden-naped Barbet, Crimson-winged Woodpecker, Black-and-crimson Oriole, Sunda Whistling-Thrush, White-crowned Forktail, Mountain Tailorbird, Bornean Whistler and Velvet-fronted Nuthatch and spent more time finding for the most elusive endemics, including Red-breasted and Crimson-headed Partridges, the vivid, electric-green Whitehead's Broadbill, the sedate and unobtrusive Whitehead's Trogon, and the diminutive Bornean Stubtail. On one of the days we headed down to Poring Hot Springs where the gardens game us Maroon-breasted Philentoma, as well as Red-eyed, Black-headed, and Streaked Bulbuls, Moustached Babbler, Grey-breasted Spiderhunter, Everett's White-eye, Orange-bellied Flowerpecker, and

This scarce Malaysian Honeyguide was watched near a Brown Barbet colony. This was a likely chick that had been hosted by one of the unfortunate barbets.

The Danum Valley Conservation Area contains some of the most accessible pristine lowland rainforest in Borneo. Gigantic trees, clambering lianas, strange-looking over the trees, but as the sun rises the chorus of broadbills, babblers, bulbuls and Whitecrowned Shamas is soon joined by the superbly evocative bubbles and trills of Bornean Gibbons. The numerous flowering and fruiting trees around the lodge attracted a good variety of birds, and the excellent network of trails led us deep into the shade of the forest. In our time at Danum Valley we saw a superb selection of species, including some cosmic endemics such as the gorgeous Blue-headed Pitta. We also saw the distinctive Black-headed Pitta as it sat calling in the deepest shadows, glowing like a hot coal. We also encountered a Bornean Bristlehead, and we nailed a party of these strawberry-headed enigmas moving through the tree tops late in our stay, which came as a great relief to several of the trip participants as they clinched their final world family! Both Rhinoceros and Helmeted Hornbills make their home in the valley and we saw both of these along with Bushy-crested, Wreathed and Asian Black which completed the hornbill show. Amongst the many other species we saw here were Rufous-bellied and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, White-fronted Falconet, Violet Cuckoo, Raffles's, Red-billed and Crested Serpent Eagles, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle, Wallace's Hawk-Eagle

The Orang-utan, the old man of the forests is a major non-birding highlight on this tour

During our stay at Danum Valley we were lucky to have the opportunity for several nocturnal excursions, and we saw a spectacular Buffy Fish Owl and Gould's Frogmouth during one of these. Many mammals inhabit the reserve and we were lucky to see many of the scarcer residents of the valley including no less than 9 Orang-utan's here. Other primates included Pigtail

Broadbills, Fiery and Scarlet Minivets, a host of bulbuls, babblers and leafbirds, Asian Fairy-Bluebird, Greater Racket-tailed Drongo, Crested Jay, Plain, Plain-throated, Ruby-cheeked and Purple-naped Sunbirds, Little and Yellow-eared Spiderhunters, and Hill Myna.

Macaque, Maroon Leaf Monkey and Bornean Gibbon. We also saw Lesser Mouse-Deer, Sambar Deer and Red Giant Flying Squirrels. Our luck held and we saw one or two of the scarcer species, including Common Palm and Malay Civets, Leopard Cat, and Slow Loris.

This list includes all the bird species that were recorded by at least one of us. Note that this is a group list. Taxonomy and nomenclature follow: Clements, James F. 2000. Birds of the World: A Checklist. Fifth Edition. Vista, CA: Ibis Publishing Co.

Arrival Kuala Lumpur KL – Kuala Selangor (full day) The Gap (KKB road) – Fraser's Hill (Telekom Loop) Fraser's Hill (Raub Road & Bishops Trail) p.m. New Road Fraser's Hill (Telekom Loop & Bishops Trail) p.m. Waterfall Trail Fraser's Hill (Gap Road) p.m. New Road Fraser's Hill (Gap – Raub Road) p.m. Taman Negara HQ Taman Negara HQ (Bukit Teresek – Jenet Muda – River Trail) Taman Negara HQ (River Trail – Swamp Loop) Taman Negara HQ (River Trail – Jenet Muda) Taman Negara HQ (Kuala Tahan – Boat to Jerantut) Jerantut – KLIA – Kota Kinabalu

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Mount Kinabalu National Park

Danum Valley (Borneo Rainforest Lodge)

1) Darter

2) Gray Heron

4) Great Egret

6) Little Egret

8) Cattle Egret

9) Striated Heron

11) Storm's Stork

13) Jerdon's Baza

17) Brahminy Kite

21) Black Eagle

19) Lesser Fish-Eagle

12) Milky Stork

15) Bat Hawk

3) Purple Heron

5) Intermediate Egret

7) Pacific Reef-Heron

10) Black-crowned Night-Heron

14) Oriental Honey-buzzard

16) Black-shouldered Kite

18) White-bellied Sea-Eagle

20) Crested Serpent-Eagle

22) Rufous-bellied Eagle

23) Wallace's Hawk-Eagle

25) Black-thighed Falconet

26) White-fronted Falconet

27) Red-breasted Partridge

28) Chestnut-necklaced Partridge

29) Crimson-headed Partridge

32) Malayan Peacock-Pheasant

33) White-breasted Waterhen

34) Red-wattled Lapwing

37) Ruddy Cuckoo-Dove

38) Barred Cuckoo-Dove

39) Little Cuckoo-Dove

42) Little Green-Pigeon

43) Pink-necked Pigeon

44) Thick-billed Pigeon

46) Jambu Fruit-Dove

49) Blue-rumped Parrot

51) Banded Bay Cuckoo

52) Plaintive Cuckoo

56) Indian Cuckoo

58) Violet Cuckoo

57) Oriental Cuckoo

53) Asian Koel

45) Yellow-vented Pigeon

47) Green Imperial-Pigeon

48) Mountain Imperial-Pigeon

50) Blue-crowned Hanging-Parrot

54) Moustached Hawk-Cuckoo

55) Hodgson's Hawk-Cuckoo

59) Asian Drongo-Cuckoo

60) Black-bellied Malkoha

62) Green-billed Malkoha

64) Red-billed Malkoha

63) Raffles' Malkoha

66) Greater Coucal

67) Lesser Coucal

68) Collared Owlet

70) Buffy Fish-Owl

72) Glossy Swiftlet

69) Barred Eagle-Owl

71) Gould's Frogmouth

73) Mossy-nest Swiftlet

74) Black-nest Swiftlet

77) Asian Palm-Swift

78) Fork-tailed Swift

79) House Swift

75) Edible-nest Swiftlet

76) Silver-rumped Needletail

80) Gray-rumped Treeswift

81) Whiskered Treeswift

82) Red-naped Trogon

84) Whitehead's Trogon

87) Red-headed Trogon

85) Cinnamon-rumped Trogon

86) Scarlet-rumped Trogon

88) Orange-breasted Trogon

89) Black-backed Kingfisher

90) Stork-billed Kingfisher

91) Collared Kingfisher

92) Blue-eared Kingfisher

93) Blue-banded Kingfisher

94) Stork-billed Kingfisher

95) White-throated Kingfisher

96) Rufous-collared Kingfisher

97) Red-bearded Bee-eater

98) Blue-throated Bee-eater

100) Oriental Pied-Hornbill

102) Rhinoceros Hornbill

104) Bushy-crested Hornbill

105) White-crowned Hornbill

110) Gold-whiskered Barbet

111) Red-throated Barbet

112) Black-browed Barbet

114) Blue-eared Barbet

116) Brown Barbet

117) Mountain Barbet

120) Rufous Piculet

121) Speckled Piculet

122) Sunda Woodpecker

124) Rufous Woodpecker

125) Banded Woodpecker

126) Greater Yellownape

115) Coppersmith Barbet

118) Golden-naped Barbet

119) Malaysian Honeyguide

123) Gray-capped Woodpecker

127) Crimson-winged Woodpecker

128) Checker-throated Woodpecker

129) Olive-backed Woodpecker

135) Orange-backed Woodpecker

136) Buff-rumped Woodpecker

137) Buff-necked Woodpecker

139) Great Slaty Woodpecker

141) Black-and-red Broadbill

143) Black-and-yellow Broadbill

140) Dusky Broadbill

142) Banded Broadbill

145) Green Broadbill

144) Long-tailed Broadbill

146) Whitehead's Broadbill

147) Blue-winged Pitta

148) Blue-headed Pitta 149) Hooded Pitta

150) Blue-banded Pitta

152) Black-headed Pitta 153) Pacific Swallow

154) Striated Swallow

156) Sunda Cuckoo-shrike

157) Large Cuckoo-shrike

158) Lesser Cuckoo-shrike

162) Gray-chinned Minivet

165) Straw-headed Bulbul

167) Black-headed Bulbul

168) Black-crested Bulbul

170) Gray-bellied Bulbul

171) Puff-backed Bulbul

173) Flavescent Bulbul

169) Scaly-breasted Bulbul

172) Stripe-throated Bulbul

174) Yellow-vented Bulbul

175) Olive-winged Bulbul

177) Red-eyed Bulbul

179) Finsch's Bulbul

178) Spectacled Bulbul

180) Ochraceous Bulbul

181) Gray-cheeked Bulbul

182) Yellow-bellied Bulbul

183) Hairy-backed Bulbul

184) Buff-vented Bulbul

185) Streaked Bulbul

187) Mountain Bulbul

192) Common Iora

198) Island Thrush

200) Lesser Shortwing

201) Rufescent Prinia

203) Bornean Stubtail

202) Yellow-bellied Prinia

204) Sunda Bush-Warbler

206) Mountain Tailorbird

207) Common Tailorbird

210) Ashy Tailorbird

211) Mountain Warbler

205) Friendly Bush-Warbler

208) Dark-necked Tailorbird

209) Rufous-tailed Tailorbird

212) Yellow-breasted Warbler

214) Yellow-bellied Warbler

218) Little Pied Flycatcher

219) Indigo Flycatcher

220) Hill Blue-Flycatcher

221) White-tailed Flycatcher

222) Long-billed Blue-Flycatcher

226) Gray-headed Canary-flycatcher

223) Malaysian Blue-Flycatcher

224) Bornean Blue-Flycatcher

225) Pygmy Blue-Flycatcher

227) Oriental Magpie-Robin

228) White-rumped Shama

230) Rufous-tailed Shama

232) Slaty-backed Forktail

233) White-throated Fantail

236) Black-naped Monarch

239) Black Laughingthrush

242) Sunda Laughingthrush

243) White-chested Babbler

244) Ferruginous Babbler

245) Abbott's Babbler

246) Horsfield's Babbler

247) Short-tailed Babbler

248) Temminck's Babbler

249) Buff-breasted Babbler

250) Black-capped Babbler

251) Moustached Babbler

256) Large Wren-Babbler

257) Pygmy Wren-Babbler

258) Bornean Wren-Babbler

259) Striped Wren-Babbler

261) Golden Babbler

260) Mountain Wren-Babbler

262) Gray-throated Babbler

263) Gray-headed Babbler

264) Black-throated Babbler

265) Chestnut-rumped Babbler

266) Chestnut-winged Babbler

268) Fluffy-backed Tit-Babbler

270) White-browed Shrike-Babbler

271) Black-eared Shrike-Babbler

267) Striped Tit-Babbler

269) Silver-eared Mesia

272) Blue-winged Minla 273) Brown Fulvetta

274) Mountain Fulvetta

276) White-bellied Yuhina

277) Chestnut-crested Yuhina

278) Golden-bellied Gerygone

281) Velvet-fronted Nuthatch

283) Ruby-cheeked Sunbird

285) Plain-throated Sunbird

286) Red-throated Sunbird

287) Purple-naped Sunbird

288) Olive-backed Sunbird

291) Temminck's Sunbird

295) Little Spiderhunter

290) Crimson Sunbird

289) Black-throated Sunbird

292) Thick-billed Spiderhunter

293) Spectacled Spiderhunter 294) Long-billed Spiderhunter

296) Streaked Spiderhunter

297) Gray-breasted Spiderhunter

298) Streaky-breasted Spiderhunter

299) Yellow-breasted Flowerpecker

300) Yellow-rumped Flowerpecker 301) Yellow-vented Flowerpecker

302) Orange-bellied Flowerpecker

303) Black-sided Flowerpecker

304) Fire-breasted Flowerpecker

306) Black-capped White-eye

311) Black-and-crimson Oriole

314) Rufous-winged Philentoma

315) Maroon-breasted Philentoma

319) Lesser Racket-tailed Drongo

320) Greater Racket-tailed Drongo

321) White-breasted Woodswallow

307) Oriental White-eye

308) Everett's White-eye

309) Mountain Black-eye

310) Dark-throated Oriole

312) Asian Fairy-bluebird

313) Large Woodshrike

316) Ashy Drongo

317) Bronzed Drongo

318) Hair-crested Drongo

322) Bornean Bristlehead

325) Short-tailed Magpie

328) Slender-billed Crow

329) Large-billed Crow

330) Asian Glossy Starling

335) Eurasian Tree Sparrow

337) Pin-tailed Parrotfinch

338) White-rumped Munia

340) Nutmeg Mannikin

Whitehead's Squirrel Plain Pygmy Squirrel Red Giant Flying Squirrel

Prevost's Squirrel

Sambar Deer Red Muntjac

Malay Civet Malay Weasel Collared Mongoose

Leopard Cat Slow Loris Orang-utan Bornean Gibbon

Mountain Treeshrew Large Treeshrew Common Treeshrew Lesser Mouse Deer

Bornean Yellow Muntjac Small-toothed Palm Civet Common Palm Civet Banded Palm Civet

Siamang (Black Gibbon) White-handed Gibbon Red Leaf Monkey (Langur) Banded Leaf Monkey (Langur) Silvered Leaf Monkey (Langur)

Long-tailed Macaque Pig-tailed Macaque

Small-clawed Oriental Otter

Bearded Pig Bearcat

Smooth Otter

341) Black-headed Munia

342) White-headed Munia

Bornean Black-banded Squirrel

Bornean Mountain Ground Squirrel

331) Common Hill Myna

326) Bornean Treepie

323) Crested Jay

324) Green Magpie

327) House Crow

332) Jungle Myna

333) Common Myna

334) Crested Myna

336) Baya Weaver

339) Dusky Munia

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305) Scarlet-backed Flowerpecker

275) Long-tailed Sibia

279) Great Tit

280) Sultan Tit

282) Blue Nuthatch

284) Plain Sunbird

252) Sooty-capped Babbler

253) Scaly-crowned Babbler

254) Rufous-crowned Babbler

255) Chestnut-backed Scimitar-Babbler

237) Asian Paradise-Flycatcher

240) Chestnut-capped Laughingthrush

241) Chestnut-crowned Laughingthrush

234) Pied Fantail

235) Spotted Fantail

238) Bornean Whistler

229) White-crowned Shama

231) White-crowned Forktail

213) Chestnut-crowned Warbler

215) Gray-chested Jungle-Flycatcher

216) Eyebrowed Jungle-Flycatcher

217) Snowy-browed Flycatcher

193) Green Iora

188) Greater Green Leafbird

189) Lesser Green Leafbird

190) Blue-winged Leafbird

191) Orange-bellied Leafbird

194) Malayan Whistling-Thrush

195) Blue Whistling-Thrush

196) Sunda Whistling-Thrush

199) White-browed Shortwing

197) Orange-headed Thrush

186) Ashy Bulbul

176) Cream-vented Bulbul

166) Black-and-white Bulbul

163) Bar-winged Flycatcher-shrike

164) Black-winged Flycatcher-shrike

155) Oriental Pipit

159) Pied Triller

161) Fiery Minivet

160) Scarlet Minivet

151) Garnet Pitta

138) Gray-and-buff Woodpecker

130) Bamboo Woodpecker

131) Maroon Woodpecker

132) Laced Woodpecker

134) Greater Flameback

133) Common Flameback

113) Yellow-crowned Barbet

103) Helmeted Hornbill

106) Wrinkled Hornbill

107) Wreathed Hornbill

108) Fire-tufted Barbet

109) Lineated Barbet

99) Dollarbird

101) Black Hornbill

83) Diard's Trogon

61) Chestnut-bellied Malkoha

65) Chestnut-breasted Malkoha

24) Blyth's Hawk-Eagle

30) Crested Fireback

31) Great Argus

35) Rock Dove

36) Spotted Dove

40) Emerald Dove

41) Zebra Dove

Dusky Munia. Before long it was time to move on to the trip highlight for most, the spectacular and amazing Danum Valley.

Anhinga melanogaster

Ardea cinerea

Ardea purpurea Ardea alba

Egretta sacra

Bubulcus ibis

Butorides striatus

Ciconia stormi

Aviceda jerdoni

Elanus caeruleus

Haliastur indus

Spilornis cheela

Hieraaetus kienerii

Spizaetus nanus

Spizaetus alboniger

Microhierax latifrons

Microhierax fringillarius

Arborophila hyperythra

Haematortyx sanguiniceps

Polyplectron malacense

Amaurornis phoenicurus

Streptopelia chinensis

Macropygia emiliana

Macropygia unchall

Macropygia ruficeps

Chalcophaps indica

Geopelia striata

Treron olax

Treron vernans

Treron curvirostra

Treron seimundi

Ptilinopus jambu

Psittinus cyanurus

Loriculus galgulus

Cuculus vagans

Cuculus fugax

Cacomantis sonneratii

Cacomantis merulinus

Eudynamys scolopacea

Cuculus micropterus

Chrysococcyx xanthorhynchus

Cuculus saturatus

Surniculus lugubris

Phaenicophaeus diardi

Phaenicophaeus tristis

Centropus sinensis

Glaucidium brodiei

Bubo sumatranus

Ketupa ketupu

Centropus bengalensis

Batrachostomus stellatus

Aerodramus esculenta

Aerodramus salangana

Aerodramus maximus

Aerodramus fuciphagus

Cypsiurus balasiensis

Apus pacificus

Apus nipalensis

Rhaphidura leucopygialis

Hemiprocne longipennis

Hemiprocne comata

Harpactes kasumba

Harpactes whiteheadi

Harpactes orrhophaeus

Harpactes erythrocephalus

Harpactes duvaucelii

Harpactes oreskios

Pelargopsis capensis

Todirhamphus chloris

Pelargopsis capensis

Halcyon smyrnensis

Actenoides concretus

Nyctyornis amictus

Buceros rhinoceros

Anorrhinus galeritus

Aceros comatus

Aceros corrugatus

Aceros undulatus

Megalaima lineata

Megalaima oorti

Megalaima henricii

Megalaima australis

Megalaima monticola

Megalaima pulcherrima

Indicator archipelagicus

Picumnus innominatus Dendrocopos moluccensis

Dendrocopos canicapillus

Sasia abnormis

Celeus brachyurus

Picus mineaceus

Picus flavinucha

Picus puniceus

Picus mentalis

Dinopium rafflesii

Gecinulus viridis

Picus vittatus

Blythipicus rubiginosus

Chrysocolaptes lucidus

Reinwardtipicus validus

Hemicircus concretus

Corydon sumatranus

Eurylaimus javanicus

Eurylaimus ochromalus

Psarisomus dalhousiae

Calyptomena whiteheadi

Calyptomena viridis

Pitta moluccensis

Pitta baudii

Pitta sordida

Pitta arcuata

Pitta granatina Pitta ussheri

Hirundo tahitica

Hirundo striolata

Anthus rufulus

Coracina larvata

Coracina macei Coracina fimbriata

Pericrocotus flammeus

Hemipus hirundinaceus

Pycnonotus zeylanicus

Pycnonotus atriceps

Pycnonotus melanoleucus

Pycnonotus melanicterus

Pycnonotus squamatus

Pycnonotus cyaniventris

Pycnonotus eutilotus

Pycnonotus finlaysoni

Pycnonotus goiavier

Pycnonotus simplex

Alophoixus finschii

Alophoixus bres

lole olivacea

Ixos malaccensis

Hemixos flavala

Ixos mcclellandii

Chloropsis sonnerati

Chloropsis hardwickii

Aegithina viridissima

Myophonus robinsoni

Myophonus caeruleus

Myophonus glaucinus

Turdus poliocephalus

Brachypteryx montana

Urosphena whiteheadi

Bradypterus accentor

Orthotomus cuculatus

Orthotomus atrogularis

Orthotomus sutorius

Orthotomus sericeus

Orthotomus ruficeps

Seicercus montis

Phylloscopus trivirgatus

Seicercus castaniceps

Rhinomyias umbratilis

Rhinomyias gularis

Ficedula hyperythra

Eumyias indigo

Cyornis banyumas

Cyornis concretus

Cyornis caerulatus

Cyornis turcosus

Cyornis superbus

Muscicapella hodgsoni

Culicicapa ceylonensis

Copsychus malabaricus

Copsychus stricklandii

Enicurus leschenaultia

Enicurus schistacea

Trichixos pyrropyga

Rhipidura albicollis

Rhipidura javanica

Hypothymis azurea

Terpsiphone paradisi

Pachycephala hypoxantha

Garrulax erythrocephalus

Trichastoma rostratum

Trichastoma bicolor

Malacocincla abbotti

Malacocincla sepiarium

Pellorneum pyrrogenys

Pellorneum capistratum

Malacopteron cinereum

Malacopteron magnum

Potamatorhinus montanus

Napothera macrodactyla

Ptilocichla leucogrammica

Malacopteron affine

Pnoepyga pusilla

Napothera crassa

Stachyris chrysaea

Stachyris nigriceps

Stachyris nigricollis

Stachyris maculata

Macronous gularis

Macronous ptilosus

Leiothrix argentauris

Pteruthius flaviscapis

Pteruthius melanotis Minla cyanouroptera

Alcippe brunneicauda

Heterophasia picaoides

Alcippe peracensis

Yuhina zantholeuca

Gerygone sulphurea

Melanochlora sultanea

Chalcoparia singalensis

Anthreptes malacensis

Anthreptes rhodolaema

Hypogramma hypogrammicum

Anthreptes simplex

Cinnyris jugularis

Aethopyga siparaja

Aethopyga saturate

Aethopyga temminckii

Arachnothera robusta

Arachnothera magna

Arachnothera modesta

Prionochilus maculatus Prionochilus xanthopygius

Dicaeum chrysorrheum

Dicaeum trigonostigma

Dicaeum monticolum

Dicaeum ignipectus

Zosterops everetti

Chlorocharis emiliae

Oriolus xanthonotus

Tephrodornis gularis

Philentoma velatum

Dicrurus aeneus

Dicrurus remifer

Dicrurus hottentottus

Dicrurus paradiseus

Artamus leucorynchus

Cissa chinensis

Cissa thalassina

Corvus splendens

Gracula religiosa

Ariidotheres fuscus

Acridotheres tristis

Passer montanus

Erythrura prasina

Lonchura striata

Lonchura fuscans

Lonchura malacca

Lonchura maja

Lonchura punctulata

Corvus enca

Pityriasis gymnocephala

Platylophus galericulatus

Dendrocitta cinerascens

Corvus macrorhynchos

Aplonis panayensis

Acridotheres cristatellus

Ploceus philippinus

Philentoma pyrhopterum

Dicrurus leucophaeus

Oriolus cruentus

Irena puella

Dicaeum cruentatum

Zosterops atricapillus

Zosterops palpebrosus

Arachnothera affinis

Arachnothera crassirostris Arachnothera flavigaster

Arachnothera longirostra

Yuhina everetti

Parus major

Sitta frontalis

Sitta azurea

Stachyris erythroptera

Stachyris poliocephala

Kenopia striata

Malacopteron magnirostre

Pellorneum tickelli

Malacocincla malaccensis

Rhipidura perlata

Garrulax lugubris

Garrulax palliatus

Garrulax mitratus

Copsychus saularis

Ficedula westermanni

Abroscopus superciliaris

Brachypteryx leucophrys

Aegithina tiphia

Zoothera citrina

Prinia rufescens

Prinia flaviventris

Cettia vulcania

Chloropsis cyanopogon

Chloropsis cochinchinensis

Pycnonotus plumosus

Pycnonotus brunneus

Alophoixus ochraceus

Tricholestes criniger

Pycnonotus erythropthalmos

Alophoixus phaeocephalus

Pycnonotus flavescens

Pericrocotus igneus

Pericrocotus solaris

Hemipus picatus

Lalage nigra

Mulleripicus pulverulentus

Cymbirhynchus macrorhynchos

Dinopium javanense

Meiglyptes tristis

Meiglyptes tukki

Psilopogon pyrolophus

Megalaima chrysopogon

Megalaima mystacophanos

Megalaima haemacephala

Calorhamphus fuliginosus

Eurystomus orientalis

Anthracoceros albirostris

Anthracoceros malayanus

Merops viridis

Buceros vigil

Alcedo meninting

Alcedo euryzona

Ceyx erithacus

Harpactes diardii

Phaenicophaeus sumatranus

Phaenicophaeus javanicus

Phaenicophaeus curvirostris

Phaenicophaeus chlorophaeus

Ducula aenea

Ducula badia

Arborophila charltonii

Lophura ignita

Vanellus indicus

Columba livia

Argusianus argus

Nycticorax nycticorax

Mycteria cinerea

Pernis ptilorhynchus

Macheiramphus alcinus

Haliaeetus leucogaster

Ichthyophaga humilis

Ictinaetus malayensis

Egretta intermedia

Egretta garzetta

Borneo and Malaysia are hard to beat as a rainforest birding destination in Asia. The amazing efficiency make for a wonderfully pleasant trip and the sublime forests combine with some of the most incredible birds remaining on the globe today including Great Slaty Woodpecker, Rhinoceros and Helmeted Hornbill, Long-tailed and Black-and-Red Broadbills and a band of eclectic and secretive pittas to make this perhaps the finest forest birding destination in the Orient. The real birding highlight though came in the form of a group of this tour's participants, a serious achievement. Then of course, there is the fabulous Orang-utan, of which we saw 13 on this tour along with a band of other mammals including Siamang, Bornean Gibbon, Leopard Cat and Banded Palm Civet. This tour encountered 342 bird species and 34 mammal species of Ape.... a rather incredible all round trip and one where we endured quite a bit of comfort in the fine facilities available throughout modern Malaysia!

the coastal road.

Rhinoceros Hornbill is one of the greatest birds of a trip to SE Asia

Inner Kuala Lumpur is pretty devoid of birds and our highlight of the first night was the amazing buffet at the hotel where we feasted on the finest Asian Tree Sparrow!! But much more exciting goodies were to follow and we were soon on our way up We arrived in Kuala Selangor and headed straight to the raised bunds in the reserve where we soon saw Brahminy Kite, White-bellied Sea Eagle, Smyrna Kingfisher and Laced Woodpecker as well as our first Common Flameback, a spectacular woodpecker. The moaning Asian Koels kept us entertained until they eventually materialised and the hill yielded another local specialty in the form of the Lineated Barbet. Other specialty birds we were able to catch up with included the tiny Flyeater, Chestnut-bellied Malkoha, Sunda Woodpecker, Mangrove Blue Flycatcher and Abbott's Babbler. This was only a one night stop and after we had viewed the straits over to Sumatra and enjoyed a spectacular local meal we headed off for Fraser's Hill birding the road up from the lowlands, and encountering a bunch of exciting goodies on our ascent, particularly as we approached the central Malay highlands near the Gap! The wonderfully cool hill station resort of Fraser's Hill has a charm of its own. We hit the trails as soon as possible picking up on a series of highly sought-after specialties including Green Magpie, Long-tailed Sibia, Silver-eared Mesia, Blue Nuthatch, Blyth's Hawk Eagle, Fire-tufted Barbet, Black-and-Crimson Oriole, Golden Babbler and Mountain Fulvetta. We also had time to explore the famous Bishop's trail where a Rusty-naped Pitta skilfully eluded us although we did encounter Pygmy Wren Babbler and Streaked Wren Babbler amongst some mixed flock gems such as Greater Yellownape, Crimson-winged Woodpecker, Malaysian Cuckooshrike, Blue-winged Leafbird, Chestnut-crowned and Chestnut-crowned laughing-thrushes, shrike-babblers, fulvettas, fantails and yuhinas. One day we walked the New Road encountering a phenomenal eight species of woodpecker on one walk, including amazing views of Orange-backed and the dainty Grey-and-Buff Woodpecker on one walk, including amazing views of Orange-backed and the dainty Grey-and-Buff Woodpeckers. Today's other highlight came in the form of a flock of 10 Long-tailed Broadbills that whistled their way through town and both Orange-breasted and Red-headed Trogon!! Because the trees were fruiting lower down at the Gap we made a sortie to lower altitudes were we found trees dripping with Barbets and Bulbuls! Here we cleaned up on these colourful forest dwellers scoring Black-browed, Yellow-crowned, Blue-eared, Coppersmith and Gold-whiskered Barbets as well as Black-headed, Black-crested, Scaly-breasted and Grey-bellied bulbuls amongst others. On the mammal front a group of wailing Siamang stopped us in our tracks as we were heading up the hill one day. The family was calling from right next to the road and we soaked up their splendour before we left this area we were ambushed by a spectacular male Rhinoceros Hornbill which flew from miles away only to alight on the tree we were watching and belt out its ridiculous call! Before long it was time to move off and so we started our journey through palm plantation was interrupted by a welcome Black-thighed Falconet.

Fraser's Hill

This spectacular Whiskered Tree-swift perched for a long time, allowing inspection of its spectacular whiskers We made our way to the lowland town of Jerantut before heading for Kuala Tembeling for the boat trip up river to Taman Negara. A huge area on the Malay peninsula. Aged some 130 million years old, it is touted as "the oldest rainforest in the world". The ancient

landscape supports over 300 bird species and is undoubtedly the most important birding site on the mainland. Access to Kuala Tahan, the park HQ, was via a three-hour boat journey snaking up the forest-fringed Tembeling River. The trip offered us our first views of the aptly named Stork-billed Kingfisher darting up the river and a Straw-headed Bulbuls as well as Red-wattled Lapwing on the riverbanks. On the next days we walked the trails around the HQ, and searched for fruiting trees where we watched birds coming in. Searching through the bulbuls and babblers, we scored Blue-rumped Parrot, Blue-crowned Hanging Parrot, Thick-billed and Little Green Pigeon and Asian Fairy Bluebird. The first of several pheasants came in the form of superb views of Crested Fireback and Malaysian peacock Pheasant. The trails also yielded our first displaying great Argus pheasant, which we enjoyed greatly. The trails also yielded our first displaying great Argus pheasant, which we enjoyed greatly. The trails also yielded our first displaying great Argus pheasant, which we enjoyed greatly. The trails also yielded Red-naped Trogon and the less spectacular but more difficult Large Wren-babbler. Although we had several hornbill encounters, none showed themselves too well and we would have to wait for Borneo for unforgettable

encounters with these amazing creatures. Malkohas dripped from the trees and the immaculate Chestnut-breasted Malkoha was voted the favourite by all. Drongo and Indian Cuckoos rang out their enchanting calls, whilst the spectacular Whiskered Treeswift spiralled above the canopy and Chestnut-backed Scimitar Babbler gave us a brief show. A brief sojourn by the river got us an immaculate perched Blue-banded Kingfisher and a swing via the swamp loop scored us Blue-winged Pitta and the seldom seen Rufous-collared Kingfisher. Broadbills abounded and we saw Dusky, Banded Black-and-yellow and Green within the space of an hour on the one day. Having had pretty much a field day with the local specialties we packed up and moved on to Borneo, where more excitement awaited.