

THAILAND SET DEPARTURE

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The stunning Common Green-Magpie at Kaeng Krachan National Park.

Introduction

From mountain top forest, to ocean shore, from steamy jungle, to thick mangroves, Thailand's rich bird diversity is attributed to the huge variety of habitats. Some of the best bird families in Asia are represented here with hulking Hornbills, spectacular Pittas, and the incredible Broadbills. Dozens of Palearctic and Himalayan migrants are also added to the bountiful colourful residents. Combine this with some of the best tasting food in the orient, the legendary Thai hospitality, the pleasing culture, with great accommodation and infrastructure, and you have yourself one of the most popular Asian birding destinations. Not to mention the perfect introduction to the birds of tropical Asia. This tour was highly successful with a bird list of 482 along with 20 species of mammals.

The first days of the tour were fast and furious, starting off in the salt pans of Pak Thale where we bagged 22 Nordmann's Greenshank, then getting everyone's favourite small shorebird, the infamous yet critically endangered, Spoon-billed Sandpiper. We also managed to get another 25 shorebird species from this prize site in the gulf. We then made it to Kaeng Krachan National Park where we watched Common Green-Magpie and a family of Bar-throated Partridge compete at the same waterhole against a less than sizable Lesser Mouse-Deer, all from a new bird hide close to the lodge. This site also got us a few gems such as Rusty-cheeked Hornbill, Black-thighed Falconet, Rachet-tailed Treepie, Spot-necked Babbler, and even the tricky yet stunningly beautiful Black-and-red Broadbill.

On to the famous Khao Yai National Park, land of the modern day Pterodactyl or Great Hornbill of which we saw many. Amazing targets here included in your face views of Silver Pheasant and Siamese Fireback, and seeing both turned out to be easy this trip, forgetting both, impossible. We journeyed north from here to the mountains of the north-west but first stopping of at Thailand's largest lake, Bueng Boraphet, to bag a few tricky ducks and other marsh birds on an enjoyable boat ride. The mountains of Doi Inthanon, Doi Chiang Dao, and Doi Ang Khang were productive this tour, with great weather and great sightings such as; Rufous-throated Partridge, 7 Hume's Pheasants, Black-headed Woodpecker, Collared Falconet, Grayheaded Parakeet, 6 species of Minivet, Giant Nuthatch, 13 species of Phylloscopus warbler, Spot-breasted & Black-throated Parrotbill, Crested Finchbill, and the blushing Red-faced Liocichla and stunning Red-flanked Bluetail at Doi Lang, near the Burmese border.

This tour also included the extension to the south of Thailand were we again cleaned up the targets. We started at the coastal tourist town of Krabi which also happens to have a huge mangrove estuary, meaning we picked up a whole host of mangrove specials including Mangrove Pitta and yet another Black-and-red Broadbill. At night we had great views of the rare Gould's Frogmouth, Spotted Wood-Owl, and Brown Boobook. In the hot forests of Khao Nor Chuchi we were treated to incredible views of both male and female Malayan Banded-Pitta among dozens of other broadbills, bulbuls, and babblers. At night we had great views of the rare Gould's Frogmouth, Spotted Wood-Owl, and Brown Boobook. Our final stop was at Krung Ching Waterfall where we found the stunning Banded Broadbill amongst many more great forest birds.

Now I am just mentioning the birds, I could go on and on about the very warm and welcoming people, the incredible food, the great infrastructure, and the cold beer. Need I say more? Thailand really is the perfect introduction into the diverse wildlife of tropical Asia.



Great Hornbill flying by at Khao Yai NP. The modern day Pterodactyl.

Itinerary	
1-Mar-14	Bangkok to Pak Thale
2-Mar-14	Pak Thale & Laem Pak Bia to Kaeng Krachan NP
3-Mar-14	Kaeng Krachan National Park
4-Mar-14	Kaeng Krachan to Khao Yai National Park
5-Mar-14	Khao Yai National Park
6-Mar-14	Khao Yai National Park
7-Mar-14	Khao Yai to Bueng Boraphet
8-Mar-14	Bueng Boraphet to Doi Inthanon National Park
9-Mar-14	Doi Inthanon National Park
10-Mar-14	Doi Inthanon National Park
11-Mar-14	Doi Inthanon to Doi Chiang Dao
12-Mar-14	Doi Chiang Dao
13-Mar-14	Doi Chiang Dao to Doi Ang Khang
14-Mar-14	Doi Ang Khang to Thaton
15-Mar-14	Doi Lang
16-Mar-14	Chiang Rai airport flight to Bangkok. End of main tour.
17-Mar-14	Bangkok to Krabi
18-Mar-14	Krabi to Khao Nor Chuchi
19-Mar-14	Khao Nor Chuchi
20-Mar-14	Khao Nor Chuchi to Tha Sala
21-Mar-14	Krung Ching
22-Mar-14	Nakhon Si Thammarat to Bangkok
23-Mar-14	Departure



The highly localized Chestnut-tailed Minla at the summit of Doi Inthanon.

March 1: Bangkok to Pak Thale

Leaving our hotel in Bangkok, and heading south, we had one thing in mind, shorebirds. Around 2 hours later we were in the thick of things at the salt pans of Pak Thale shorebird site, world famous for its great selection of wintering shorebirds. On arrival we were greeted by a few German's Swift flying overhead, also a close fly-by by a **Brahminy Kite**. Checking our first salt pan revealed the common stuff like; **Marsh** Sandpiper, Curlew Sandpiper, and Common Greenshank. The next pan we checked looked very promising since it was covered in **Red-necked Stints** a good place to start looking for a Spoon-billed. After 10 minutes we found the grand shorebird prize, **Spoon-billed Sandpiper!!** In total we found at least 2 individuals of these critically endangered sandpipers and were able to get fairly close with tantalized scope views. This is a very important wintering ground for them, and the protection of this area is of extreme importance. Once we calmed down from the Spoon-billed excitement we continued to sift through this flock finding multiple Broad-billed Sandpipers, a Long-toed and a Temminck's Stint. Looking further into the flats we could see both Eurasian and Far Eastern Curlews, and a few Ruff. Overhead a few Brahminy Kites we also scanning, while Brown-headed Gull, Little, and Gull-billed Terns glided by. At yet another pan we found our second major shorebird target of the tour when we came across a resting flock of 15 **Nordmann's Greenshanks!!** This is yet another endangered species with possibly only 500-1000 individuals remaining.



We enjoyed great views of Spoon-billed Sandpiper in nice morning light at Pak Thale.

After a great lunch by the beach at our resort we went to another shorebird site called the "abandoned building" here we found a great **Asian Dowitcher** as well as the elegant **Pied Avocet.** We finished the day birding the resort grounds and were quite pleased at finding **Plain-backed Sparrow**, **Collared Kingfisher**, www.tropicalbirding.com

Green Bee-eater, and **Indian Roller**. This marked the end of a great first day to the tour, and the pressure is now off in terms of finding the rare shorebirds.

March 2: Pak Thale & Laem Pak Bia to Kaeng Krachan NP

Back at Pak Thale in the early morning we weren't disappointed as we got better views of both Spoon-billed Sandpiper and Nordmann's Greenshank. We also had great views of a rare Thailand bird, a single **Dunlin** which was oddly mixed in amongst **Lesser** and **Great Sandplovers**.

Next we made our way to Laem Pak Bia where a boat, and our expert local guide and boatman, Mr. Daeng, was waiting for us. We were quickly whisked away through the mangroves where **Collared** and **Black-capped Kingfishers** perched near the banks. Once we arrived at out deserted sand spit we immediately came upon a mixed flock of perched Gulls and Terns. **Black-tailed, Pallas's**, and Vega **Herring Gull** were the best finds mixed among many **Lesser** and **Great Crested Terns**. After our Laridae flurry it was down to business finding **Malaysian** and future split **White-faced Plover** in no time at all, quickly flowed by an active pair of **Golden-bellied Gerygone** in the mangroves as well as a close by **Slaty-breasted Rail**.



The rare future split "White-faced" form of Kentish Plover.

Back in the harbour, and after a great lunch we were off to our final destination for the day, Kaeng Krachan National park. Upon arrival at the lodge we quickly dumped our bags and headed out to a nearby hide next to a drinking pool. This pioneering project encourages local hunters to stop hunting and instead, manage, and make money off these hides that are fantastic places for wildlife viewing and photography. This must be one of the best hides in Thailand, and the action never died after 2.5 hours. Only the fading light made us leave. The following species were highlights at the hide; **Bar-backed Partridge, Red Junglefowl, Emerald Dove, Laced Woodpecker, Black-naped Monarch, Common Green-Magpie, Racket-tailed Treepie, Stripe-throated Bulbul, Tickell's Blue-Flycatcher,** many **Brown-cheeked Fulvettas, Abbott's & Puff-throated Babblers, Pin-striped Tit-Babbler,** and **White-rumped Shama.** There were also some cool mammal highlights, namely the rarely seen **Lesser Mouse-Deer.** This tiny deer is classified as the worlds

smallest hoofed mammal, and indeed the wild Red Junglefowl seemed a bit bigger than this full grown deer. Alas the sunset was the end of our action packed, species rich, and very long day.

March 3: Kaeng Krachan National Park

A pre-dawn start had us getting into our 4WD vehicle for our full day in Kaeng Krachan NP. This mountainous tropical and subtropical park is the largest National Park in Thailand, and is right on the border of Burma. Even before getting into the park some of the open habitat produced; Green-eared Barbet, Great Hornbill, Greater Flameback, Greater Racket-tailed Drongo, and a Red-wattled Lapwing. Some quiet tapping high in a tree revealed a Black-and-buff Woodpecker, meanwhile 3 Rusty-cheeked Hornbills landed in the open for some great scope views, a major target bird for this park. At the main visitors center we parked the car once we heard the distinctive calls from a nearby group of Silver-breasted Broadbills, and no sooner were we looking at these cartoon-like broadbills foraging at eye level. Also near the main camp was a very active **Blue-bearded Bee-eater** sallying out for bees. Into the "3 streams" area we found a couple of cool mammals; the huge Black Giant Squirrel, and a party of Dusky Langurs. A couple of passing flocks gave us; Flavescent, Gray-eved Bulbul, Ashy Bulbul & Mountain Bulbuls, Yellow-bellied & Sulphur-breasted Warblers, Pin-striped Tit-Babblers, and best of all a single Spot-necked Babbler. Further up the slope we heard the grunting of a **Red-breaded Bee-eater** and soon found it high in the canopy. It is great to get the 2 species of *Nyctyornis* Bee-eaters for the tour already and in one afternoon! The drive back to the lodge got us a couple more flocks plus both Blue-winged and Orange-bellied Leafbirds, as well as a **Bamboo Woodpecker** and some **Black-throated Laughingthrushes**. Just before the park gate we pulled over to check a known nest-hole which was thankfully occupied by a beautifully tiny **Black**thighed Falconet! This rare falcon was a real surprise and we ended up seeing both male and female. This super productive day ended with delicious Thai cooking, cold beer, and a Collared Owlet.



Bar-backed Partridge and an Emerald Dove give us great views from the blind in Kaeng Krachan NP.

March 4: Kaeng Krachan National Park to Khao Yai National Park

This morning we headed straight back into the park to try for a bird we missed yesterday close to the main camp. Luckily it only took us a few minutes to track down 2 **Black-and-red Broadbills**! This is the most stunning broadbill in my opinion and was the first time I managed to get this bird on tour. A real treat! We also saw some more huge **Great Hornbills**, **Lesser Yellownape**, **Greater Flameback**, **Thick-billed Pigeon**, and a close **Changeable Hawk-Eagle**. We still had a long drive ahead of us so we strained to drag ourselves away from this super diverse park. Once at our resort just outside of Khao Yai we used the remaining daylight to find our target **Red-breasted Parakeet** using a few large dead trees as a pre-roost site. In total we found around 20 of these beautiful birds, a precursor to another great meal.

March 5: Khao Yai National Park

With very very dry conditions this year the birding dynamic was different in Khao Yai, few things were singing, so it took a little more work to find our targets. Once in the park we made our way up to the first viewpoint where we had great looks at a few Vernal Hanging-Parrots, Common Iora, Black-crested Bulbul, Gray-eyed Bulbul, Golden-fronted Leafbird, and both Oriental and Chestnut-flanked Whiteeves. This is also a great spot to see Great Hornbills in flight at close range, and we weren't disappointed. A few kilometres down the road further we came very very close to a singing **Blue Pitta**, but in true Pitta fasion we had to settle for fly away views. While stopping to look at a pair of **Chestnut-headed Bee-eaters** we found Golden-headed Cisticola and our first Red-whiskered Bulbul. The latter is in decline over much of Thailand due to the pet trade. Birding around the main camp we spent some time locating the tapping of a Laced Woodpecker, but also got into a nice flock which included; Bar-winged Flycatcher-Shrike, Stripethroated & Gray-eved Bulbuls, and White-bellied Erpornis. Here we had close encounters with the friendly Sambar Deer, and during lunch a huge Water Monitor was checking us out. After lunch we headed up to Heo Suwat waterfall (which was featured in the movie "The Beach"), which was beautiful, yet bird-less due to the tourists and the heat. So, we went back lower down to the Pah Gluay Mai campground where we were able to find a fruiting tree, a great place to hang out and watch the birds come to you, especially during the heat of the day. The best bird by far was a pair of Golden-crested Mynas which perched for an extended period in the open. The fruiting tree attracted the following; Green-eared, Moustached & Blue-eared Barbets, Thick-billed, Yellow-vented & Fire-breasted Flowerpeckers, Black-winged Cuckooshrike, and Asian Fairy-Bluebirds. It was amazing to watch these birds at close range without having to move anywhere. Nearing the end of the day we relaxed beside a small lake watching both Brown-backed, and even 2 Silver-backed Needletails drinking and bathing on the wing. It was amazing to watch these enormous swifts flying around us and hearing the whirr of their wings. As the day came to a close we sat and watched the sunset while **Great Eared-Nightjars** flew overhead.



Green-eared Barbet gorging on fruit in Khao Yai NP.

March 6: Khao Yai National Park

This morning the goal was to find Pheasants so we headed out in the dark back into the park, and stopped at the lower part of Khao Khieo road at a know spot where Firebacks cross early in the morning. Sure enough, like clockwork, two **Siamese Firebacks** were walking right beside the road. We stopped the car and had extended views as they foraged and eventually working their way back into the forest. The large red skin patch on their heads is beyond vibrant. Now overjoyed we moved up the road further slowly gaining some elevation when I had to suddenly stop our vehicle. There was a strange shape standing right in the middle of the road, then I realized what it was, a male Silver Pheasant!! In total shock I slowly inched the car forward until we were only 20 meters away, then we watched as this incredible white Pheasant began to display! Sure enough we saw the other adult and 5 juveniles cross the road as well. So with our two main targets for the day acquired before 7:30am we moved onto the next birding spot, Pha Deaw Dai viewpoint. At the viewpoint itself, on a steep rocky cliff, we watched 2 Black Eagles fly right by our faces, while in the distance a Wreathed Hornbill perched up on a dead snag. The bamboo forest itself was a little quiet, but we did find Davison's Leaf-Warbler, Plain-tailed Warbler, and a singing Hill Blue-Flycatcher. After lunch at the main camp we looked for the very difficult Ground-Cuckoo to no avail, and then spent some time at the fruiting tree where we had more great views of the Barbets, Bulbuls, and even a few Oriental Pied-Hornbills.



Two major highlights in Khao Yai were this Silver Pheasant and a few Silver-breasted Broadbills.

March 7: Khao Yai to Bueng Boraphet

After birding the resort grounds for another couple hours in the morning, and finding Common Hill Myna, White-throated Kingfisher, amongst others, we made our way to the city of Nakhon Sawan, our base for birding Bueng Boraphet Lake. In the afternoon we left the town to get to our boat for a 3 hour tour on Thailand's largest lake, Bueng Boraphet, in the Nok Nam No Hunting Zone. This no-hunting area is a haven for waterbirds, especially now with wintering waterfowl. Once onboard we quickly got onto birds such as a group of 15 Gray-headed Lapwings, the colourful Blue-tailed Bee-eater, White-breasted Waterhen, Purple Swamphen, and the massive Striated Grassbird. The morning onslaught of birds continued once we hit the dense lilly pad area with; Asian Openbill, both Bronze-winged and Pheasant-tailed Jacana, Intermediate Egreat, Lesser Whistling-Duck, multiple Cotton Pygmy-Goose, many Oriental Pratincoles, a hunting Eastern Marsh-Harrier, and a confiding White-browed Crake. Our expert boatman knew exactly where all the good birds were and he got us into an area where huge numbers of wintering ducks were spending the day. He eventually took us to the a spot where we found the very tricky Ferruginous Duck. We enjoyed great views of 4 of these, easy to miss, duck species. In the right area we found a flock of at least 5,000 Garganey with a Northern Shoveler and Green-winged Teal mixed in. After seeing these massive flocks of birds it is clear just how important this lake is for wintering Asian migratory bird

populations. On the way back in the light was fading at it was time for the Bitterns. In total we saw 6 **Yellow Bittern** and 1 **Cinnamon Bittern**!



The ever present, yet always beautiful, Pied Kingfisher, at Bueng Boraphet.

March 8: Bueng Boraphet to Doi Inthanon NP

In the morning we were off to a nearby crocodile farm on the north shore of Bueng Boraphet. For some reason we were able to get our target species extremely fast. Right away we saw the **Asian Golden Weavers** at their usual colony in the middle of the Crocodile pond, talk about security. Next we found a pair of the uncommon **Fulvous-breasted Woodpeckers**, then 6 **Pink-necked Pigeons** perching in the open at the top of a nearby tree. Finally a surprise **Stork-billed Kingfisher** called and then landed in front of us on a fence. All of these target birds within 20 minutes. After this we had a very long drive north all the way to Doi Inthanon with little birding in between. We had some time left once we arrived so we did some birding around the resort where we found a troop of **White-crested Laughingthrushes**, **Rufous Treepie**, and **Asian Barred Owlet.** Finally at a nearby stakeout we closed the day with 75 **Blossom-headed Parakeets**. This species is in decline so it was nice to see a good number of these birds perching in their staging area before they head off to their roost for the night. Finally, an unexpected **Burmese Shrike** closed out the day.

March 9: Doi Inthanon National Park

After a nice early breakfast went headed into the gate at Doi Inthanon NP, and with this as our highest elevation on the tour so far, we were geared for an onslaught of new birds. Our first stop was at a stream where we only heard **Black-backed Forktail**, an often tricky, river loving, flycatcher. From here we continued driving up the slope to the summit of Doi Inthanon. There are many birds on this tour you can only find on this mountain top, so it is important to do well here, so we did just that. To start things off we found

one of the toughest species, **Rufous-throated Partridge**, which has now decided to hang around at the baack of a kitchen eating rice scraps, easy. At the same time **Silver-eared Laughingthrush** and **Blue Whistling-Thrush** also came in. Next we birded the trail below the car park which easily produced; **Chestnut-tailed Minla, Black-backed Sibia, Rufous-winged Fulvetta, Yellow-browed Tit, Buff-barred** and **Ashy-throated Warblers**. Further down the steps we also had ridiculous views of the usually skulking **White-browed Shortwing**, a nice **Snowy-browed Flycatcher**, and a stunning **Gould's Sunbird**. Nearby the endemic subspecies of **Green-tailed Sunbird** was foraging on some overhanging flowers. This *angkaensis* subspecies is only found on Doi Inthanon. After enjoying a lunch at the famous Mr. Daeng's Bird Center, and then visiting a local market for some tasty dried fruit, we went to the Siriphum Waterfall, where we found a few flowering trees which brought in **Plain** and **Fire-breasted Flowerpeckers, Common Rosefinches**, and **Orange-bellied Leafbirds**. An extended search for White-capped Redstart turned up with nothing, we will try again tomorrow. One final stop at another waterfall was a success, not only for the view, but we had great looks at two **Slaty-backed Forktails** foraging in the torrent. Now back to our resort for more great Thai dishes, and a tour favourite, Passion Fruit Smoothies.



A Coppersmith Barbet in the middle of excavating a nest hole.

March 10: Doi Inthanon National Park

Back into the park early we headed straight up to the Km 34.5 trail which bisects some great forest. Once parked, we hoped out and were greeted by a group of **Yellow-cheeked Tits**. Further along, the under-story held a couple **Golden Babblers**, **Pin-striped Tit-Babblers**, **Mountain Tailorbird**, and a very nice pair of **Spectacled Barwing**. The next flock we got in to was great for both colour and variety. The 4 **Silver-eared Mesias** first caught our eye, but closer inspection revealed a **Grav-headed** and a couple tiny **Black-throated**

Parrotbills! Our first Parrotbills of the trip, which are always fun little birds, and have finally been put into a family called Paradoxornithidae! Suddenly I heard one of the prize birds of the region, the ultra shy, and notoriously tough, **Green Cochoa.** Unfortunately after quite a bit of time searching it had to remain a heard. Onward we went along the trail until we heard the strange song of a Tesia. Within minutes we all had looks at the skulking **Slaty-bellied Tesia**, which desided to do a very Manakin-like dance for us on a small branch. Higher up we went, into an area of pines, we found **Chestnut-vented Nuthatch**, **Hill Prinia**, **Russet Bush-Warbler**, **Hume's Warbler**, **Little Pied Flycatcher**, and a couple of **Golden-throated Barbets**. After another great lunch at Mr. Daeng's, and again a bit of shopping at the local market, we went to the Siriphum Waterfall, where we found our target **White-capped Redstart** which we had tried for the day before. This little beauty was resting just at the peak of the waterfall, what a great relief to find it!



A summit highlight of Doi Inthanon, this Green-tailed Sunbird really showed off for us.

March 11: Doi Inthanon to Doi Chiang Dao

Back into the park again for the third time, this morning we birded the dry woodland in the lower elevations of the park at km 13. Here birding can be slow even at the best of times, but some key specialties live here. www.tropicalbirding.com

Amazingly our first bird here was a beautiful and very difficult to find, White-rumped Falcon. This bird was simply calling its heart out at the top of a dead tree. Doesn't get easier than that! Further up we found our next target, a family group of 6 Black-headed Woodpeckers making a real racket, shortly followed by Gray-capped Woodpecker, Eurasian Jay, and a surprise Gray-headed Parakeet, the latter far out of its normal habitat. Finally we came to the area for our main target, and it didn't take us long before we had a pair of the tiny Collared Falconet in the scope. We were then off to the north to another mountain, Doi Chiang Dao, driving through Chiang Mai on route. After a great lunch near our lodge, we checked in, relaxed, and then enjoyed some birding at Wat Tam Pah Plong, a beautiful temple up a few (hundred) steps on the side of the mountain. On the way we found targets Black Bulbul, Striated Yuhina, and a Little Spiderhunter. On the temple itself the views of the surrounding forest are amazing, and makes a sort of canopy tour. From here we could scan the nearby fruiting trees, and were able to find such treats as Pintailed Pigeons, Asian Fairy-Bluebird, and various flowerpeckers and warblers. Back down the steps to the main center we came across the local, habituated, Silver Pheasant. It is believed to be a monk's former pet, so we are not counting this one! A night walk around the area only produced one heard Brown Boobook.

Follow this with another great dinner, and so ended a long and productive day.



This Velvet-fronted Nuthatch just might be the best looking "hatch' in the world.

March 12: Doi Chiang Dao

Today we had a 4WD trip up to the higher reaches of Doi Chiang Dao for more specialties. We had to leave very early to get up there at a good time in order to enjoy the morning chorus in the best habitat. On the way up we spotted a Large-tailed Nightjar sitting in the road, but quickly flew away. At the top we enjoyed breakfast and were able to find a singing Giant Nuthatch, one of the major targets for the day. This hulking nuthatch is the worlds largest, and was one of the trip highlights to watch it pry away the bark, looking for food. Our attempt at finding Hume's Pheasant was fruitless, but we did find the often difficult Slender-billed Oriole which were easy this morning, as was Indochinese Cuckoo-shrike, Gray-chinned Minivet, Common Woodshrike, and a Bar-winged Flycatcher-Shrike. Entering the clearing of the Den Ya Kat substation we found the target Burmese Shrikes as well as a large flowering tree which attracted more Slender-billed Orioles, a Gould's Sunbird, a few Common Rosefinches, and best of all a beautiful Lesser Yellownape, one of my favourite woodpeckers in the world. After a nice picnic lunch, and some more tree watching we started to make our way back down. We made a couple of stops on the way back seeing Great Tit, Stripe-breasted Woodpecker, and a White-browed Fantail. At the bottom we made a necessary ice cream stop before heading back to the lodge for another great dinner.

March 13: Doi Chiang Dao to Doi Ang Khang

This morning we had to leave very early again to make it to Doi Ang Khang to try for Hume's Pheasant again, at a staked out spot where they are known to cross the road. Unfortunately a few passes with the vehicle and a bit of waiting produced nothing. So we resorted to breakfast at a roadside viewpoint where we had our first Brown-breasted Bulbuls, Grey-breasted Prinia, and White-browed Laughingthrush. After this we tried a nearby trail in some nice forest. The birding here was pretty good for skulkers, and we had great views of a very responsive, and surprisingly striking, Chestnut-headed Tesia. A few Chestnutcrowned Warbler came in close to check us out, and even a small flock of Spot-breasted Parrotbills with their huge banana yellow beaks. Working our way back up to the road we came into a great feeding flock which consisted of; 2 stunning Rufous-backed Sibia, Black-backed Sibia, Silver-eared Mesia, Spectacled Barwing, Blue-winged Minla, Black-throated Sunbird, and Rufous-bellied Niltava. From here we drove to the nearby King's Project where were indulged on a great locally grown lunch. In the nearby gardens we enjoyed watching a migrant Gray-winged Blackbird, a single Pale Blue-Flycatcher, and more colourful Silver-eared Mesias. A couple hours off during the heat of the day had us back at the King's Project to bird the massive limestone garden for an often tricky target. It didn't much searching around the limestone boulders until we found 2 Limestone Wren-Babblers. We had brief but clear views of these small brown babblers before they scurried off into their rocky habitat.

March 14: Doi Ang Khang to Thaton

This morning we had a pheasant on our minds, and what a morning it was. Driving along the road in a known territory literally our first bird of the day was a male **Hume's Pheasant** crossing the road in front of us!! It stopped, looked at the vehicle, ruffled its feathers, and walked across the road. Soon after it gave a few quiet notes which then signalled the 5 females to also cross, followed by another male! Incredible views of a real prize bird. After our birding high we continued to bird this pine-scrub habitat finding such gems as; **Rusty-cheeked Scimitar-Babbler, Gray Bushchat, Crested Finchbill, Crested Bunting**, and **Mountain Hawk-Eagle**. Back at the King's Project for another great lunch, and a somewhat out of place **White-capped Redstart**, and we were on our way to Thaton having gotten our targets of this region. On arrival we checked into our beautiful resort on the shores of the Maekok River. In the later afternoon we birded the lodge

 $grounds\ finding\ our\ first\ \textbf{Eastern}\ \textbf{Crimson}\ \textbf{Sunbird}, \textbf{Black-collared}\ \textbf{Starling}, \ \text{and}\ \textbf{Plaintive}\ \textbf{Cuckoo}. \ With$

a sunset dinner over the river, the day was done.



To me this is one of the best looking bulbuls in the world, Red-whiskered Bulbul, at Doi Ang Khang.

March 15: Doi Lang

Another pre-dawn departure had us up the, now paved, road to the summit and ridge of Doi Lang. This site is directly on the Myanmar border so we could actually bird 2 countries at once! This mountain is also becoming more and more popular for Thai bird photographers, so there are now various sites and hides where meal worms are put out for the birds, making it easier to see a few difficult species. Although this practise is now prohibited, the birds still come in when they simply hear people. One of the first birds on the way up was a Large Niltava which joined us for breakfast in the field. At the summit we collected a few more beauties including the blushing Red-faced Liocichla, one of the best birds in Thailand in my opinion. Also here was the target Whiskered Yuhina, and a few Silver-eared Laughingthrushes. A little further down the road we stopped at a photographers clearing where, the migrant Red-flanked Bluetail came in, along with Large Niltava, and Spectacled Barwing. Yet another photo clearing produced a White-tailed Robin and a Siberian Rubythroat, both great birds which came be quite hard to find. Back at our River Lodge it was time to relax and do a bit of easy birding before another great Thai meal.

March 16: Thaton to Chiang Rai airport, flight to Bangkok

This morning we decided to do a boat cruise along the Maekok River from our hotel. This was very pleasant, and although the bird activity wasn't pumping, it was great to get a new perspective of the area. We did

however get a great trip bird in the form of a few **Small Pratincoles** among some **Oriental Pratincoles**. **White-throated Kingfisher, Pied Bushchat**, and **White-breasted Waterhen** were also in evidence. Back at the resort we enjoyed yet another delicious lunch, and then headed to Chiang Rai airport for our late afternoon flight back south to Bangkok.



Red-flanked Bluetail and Spectacled Barwing showing well at Doi Lang.

March 17: Bangkok to Krabi

The start of our southern extension had us on a flight from Bangkok to Krabi on the west shores of the Southern Peninsula. On arrival we grabbed our car and then drove to the mangrove edged estuary in Krabi itself. We started off birding the property at the Maritime Resort, which is surrounded by mangroves. Amazingly one of the first birds found was a major surprise, the utterly stunning **Black-and-red Broadbill**. The contrast of bright blue bill with the jet black and scarlet red makes this one of the top birds in Asia, in my opinion. We were also successful in finding **Asian Glossy Starling**, a very confiding **Brown-winged Kingfisher**, mangrove specialist **Ashy Tailorbird**, and heard at least 5 **Mangrove Pittas**. After a great lunch we escaped the extreme heat at our hotel and later in the afternoon we went to the Krabi Mangrove boardwalk were it turned out to be extremely quiet. We had one **White-bellied Sea-Eagle** fly by, and apart from that, only a troop of curious **Long-tailed Macaques** kept us company. So it was lucky we did so well in the morning Tonight we enjoyed some great seafood at a seaside restaurant.

March 18: Krabi to Khao Nor Chuchi

Back at the mangrove boardwalk early rewarded us with the secretive Mangrove Pitta, but only fleeting views. We then had to leave the boardwalk to catch our 8am boat ride through the mangroves and estuary. We met out boatman and set off into the mangroves for some more, great birding, this time floating along in a small boat where we could get into some less birded areas. First birds up were Brown-winged, Black-capped, and Collared Kingfishers. In the trees above we found some Ashy Minivets, more Ashy Tailorbirds, and Greater Racket-tailed Drongo, More Mangrove Pittas were singing tantalizingly close, but we just couldn't seem to get a clear, prolonged, view. We then turned around to bird the mudflats at the river mouth. Here we saw; Kentish Plover, Whimbrel, Eurasian Curlew, Bar-tailed Godwit and Common, 2 Roseate, and many Great Crested & Lesser Crested Terns. Back on shore it was time to head to Khao Nor Chuchi about one hour away to check in and grab some lunch. The banana feeders near the restaurant had a nice Orange-bellied Flowerpecker. For the afternoon we checked out some nearby forest where we had possibly my favourite world bird, Whiskered Treeswift. We watched as a pair of these striking birds caught insects from their open perch. Suddenly the rare Red-crowned Barbet started calling, and it took us 5 minutes to eventually find this little beauty. We also found a huge bees nest high in a tree

which attracted more **Ashy Minivets**, **Blue-tailed Bee-eater**, and a **Dark-sided Flycatcher**. Every once in a while an **Emerald Dove** would fly across the road, but again here the very dry conditions this year made it very quiet, yet we are still getting out target birds. Tonight's dinner was another great one as it always is at Morakot Resort.



Brown-winged Kingfisher and the Krabi mangroves, both beautiful.

March 19: Khao Nor Chuchi

This morning we armed ourselves with the local guide for the region to try and find a Pitta. After a bit of an adventurous walk through the forest we got to the blind which was set and ready to go for us early in the morning. Once settled the first thing we saw was a Fulvous-chested Jungle-Flycatcher, but shortly after our main prize came in, both male and female Malayan Banded-Pitta! The male of this species, to me, is one of the most striking Pitta species in the world. The vibrant, fiery, head pattern is far from camouflage, yet somehow they manage to blend right into their surroundings. We enjoyed 30 minutes with these beautiful birds. Sadly the Gurney's Pitta has not been seen in the area for nearly 9 months, hopefully it is still around. Next we birded the emerald pools area where the birding slowed down as the heat rose, but we did find; Crow-billed Drongo, Cream-vented Bulbul, Siberian Blue Robin, Ruby-cheeked and Plain Sunbirds, and a pair of Gray-breasted Spiderhunters. After a well earned lunch and afternoon rest, to avoid the sweltering heat of the area, we were off again down a different section of forest. The plan was to bird until dark and then start some night birding. Our first target was a stake out owl that our expert local guide got us onto. We enjoyed prolonged views of an adult and juvenile **Spotted Wood-Owl**, often a very tricky species. Next we got into the night birding, where we kicked things off with an in your face look at the rare **Gould's Frogmouth**, and then great looks at **Brown Boobook** calling high in a tree. This marked end to another great day of rare birds.

March 20: Khao Nor Chuchi to Tha Sala

Our final morning in KNC, and we still needed a couple more targets, like always, in this super diverse area. One of the first birds we heard was a real prize, **Black-and-yellow Broadbill**. After a bit of searching we ended of with incredible views of these funny looking birds, and was also the first time I had seen their display ritual, which involved rapid calling and many wing spreads. With a **Raffles' Malkoha** flying past, and a couple of Chestnut-winged Babblers foraging in a thick vine tangle, we moved on up the road. Next we heard the distinctive calls of **Green Broadbill** and before long we were watching both a male and female doing their thing. With their closest relatives in Africa, this amazing broadbill is always a trip highlight. Finally we got into a bit of an understory flock including; **Chestnut-winged Babbler**, **Moustached Babbler**, **Scaly-crowned Babbler**, and **Puff-throated Babbler**. Before getting back to our vehicle a Crested Serpent-

Eagle said goodbye. As the day started to heat up called it quits in Khao Nor Chuchi, said goodbye to our lodge hosts and made our way to the east side of the Peninsula to the town of Tha Sala.



Black-and-yellow Broadbill and a juvenile Spotted Wood-Owl kept us entertained in KNC.

On the way we decided to visit Krung Ching to get some more birds in for the day. On arrival the bird activity was high, and we only had to bird the entrance road. Here we had great views of the target Scalybreasted Bulbul, Red-eyed, Spectacled, and Cream-vented Bulbuls, Long-billed and Spectacled Spiderhunters, Van Hasselt's and Eastern Crimson Sunbirds, a few beautiful Greater Green Leafbirds, and even the great Wallace's Hawk-Eagle circling above us. Now off to the coastal area of Tha Sala to check into our resort on an isolated beach. Some of the best food on the tour is here, with amazing seafood on hand, always a great way to end a day.



Malayan Banded-Pitta, one of the tour highlights in Khao Nor Chuchi.

March 21: Krung Ching Waterfall

We left our resort very early in order to get inland to Krung Ching, and give ourselves lots of time to get up the steep slope. This season was very strange in that it was incredibly dry here, making the birding particularly tough this trip. That being said we still found a couple of targets. Once we climbed the slope we heard a pair of **Banded Broadbills** close by and eventually found them perched in a tree, yet another cartoon-like bird to add to our list. Nearby we could hear the haunting calls **Great Argus** in the distance, but nothing close. Scanning the canopy we found a couple of **Red-throated Barbets** foraging in a fruiting tree, soon joined by a **Black-hooded Oriole**. Working our way back down we enjoyed our box lunch by a trout filled stream. We decided to make our way back to the resort a little bit early to enjoy the beach and relax!

March 22: Tha Sala to Nakhon Si Thammarat to Bangkok

With the flight back to Bangkok in the early afternoon we had some time for birding around our hotel and the coast in the morning. New for the trip were **Blue-throated Bee-eaters**, and **Jungle Myna**, but we also enjoyed our best views of **White-shouldered Starling** and **Lineated Barbet**. It was now time for our flight and the end of this memorable tour, which got us 482 birds along with 20 species of mammal. A very memorable trip for everyone involved!



The rare Gould's Frogmouth, a prize nightbird in KNC.

Bird List

Taxonomy following Clements 6th Edition. (Updated 2013)

	DUCKS, GEESE AND WATERFOWL	: Anatidae
1	Lesser Whistling-Duck	Dendrocygna javanica
2	Cotton Pygmy-Goose	Nettapus coromandelianus
3	Northern Shoveler	Anas clypeata
4	Green-winged Teal	Anas crecca
5	Garganey	Anas querquedula
6	Ferruginous Duck	Aythya nyroca
0	PHEASANTS, GROUSE AND ALLIES	
7	Rufous-throated Partridge	Arborophila rufogularis
8	Bar-backed Partridge	Arborophila brunneopectus
9	Scaly-breasted Partridge	Arborophila chloropus
10	Red Junglefowl	Gallus gallus
11	Silver Pheasant	Lophura nycthemera
12	Kalij Pheasant	Lophura leucomelanos
13	Siamese Fireback	Lophura diardi
	Hume's Pheasant	Syrmaticus humiae
15	Great Argus	Argusianus argus
	GREBES: Podicipedidae	7 Ingulariae argue
16	Little Grebe	Tachybaptus ruficollis
17	Great Crested Grebe	Podiceps cristatus
	STORKS: Ciconiidae	
18	Asian Openbill	Anastomus oscitans
19	Painted Stork	Mycteria leucocephala
	CORMORANTS AND SHAGS: Phala	
20	Indian Cormorant	Phalacrocorax fuscicollis
21	Great Cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo
22	Little Cormorant	Phalacrocorax niger
	ANHINGAS: Anhingidae	,
23	Oriental Darter	Anhinga melanogaster
	HERONS, EGRETS AND BITTERNS	: Ardeidae
24	Yellow Bittern	Ixobrychus sinensis
25	Cinnamon Bittern	Ixobtychus cinnamomeus
26	Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea
27	Purple Heron	Ardea purpurea
28	Great Egret	Ardea alba
29	Intermediate Egret	Mesophoyx intermedia
30	Little Egret	Egretta garzetta
31	Cattle Egret	Bubulcus coromandus
32	Chinese Pond-Heron	Ardeola bacchus
33	Javan Pond-Heron	Ardeola speciosa
34	Striated Heron	Butorides striata
35	Black-crowned Night-Heron	Nycticorax nycticorax
	IBISES AND SPOONBILLS: Thresk	iornithidae
36	Glossy Ibis	Plegadis falcinellus
	OSPREY: Pandionidae	
37	Osprey	Pandion haliaetus
	HAWKS, EAGLES AND KITES: Acci	T .
38	Black Baza	Aviceda leuphotes
39	Oriental Honey-buzzard	Pernis ptilorhynchus

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40	Black-shouldered Kite	Elanus caeruleus
41	Black Kite	Milvus migrans
42	Brahminy Kite	Haliastur indus
43	White-bellied Sea-Eagle	Haliaeetus leucogaster
44	Crested Serpent-Eagle	Spilornis cheela
45	Eastern Marsh-Harrier	Circus spilonotus
46	Pied Harrier	Circus melanoleucos
47	Crested Goshawk	Accipiter trivirgatus
48	Shikra	Accipiter badius
49	Common Buzzard	Buteo buteo
50	Black Eagle	Ictinaetus malayensis
51	Booted Eagle	Hiraaetus pennatus
52	Bat Hawk	Macheiramphus alcinus
53	Changeable Hawk-Eagle	Nisaetus cirrhatus
54	Mountain Hawk-Eagle	Nisaetus nipalensis
55	Wallace's Hawk-Eagle	Nisaetus nanus
	RAILS, GALLINULES AND COOTS:	Rallidae
56	Slaty-breasted Rail	Gallirallus striatus
57	White-breasted Waterhen	Amaurornis phoenicurus
58	White-browed Crake	Porzana cinerea
59	Purple Swamphen	Porphyrio porphyrio
60	Eurasian Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus
61	Eurasian Coot	Fulica atra
	PLOVERS AND LAPWINGS: Charac	
62	Gray-headed Lapwing	Vanellus cinereus
63	Red-wattled Lapwing	Vanellus indicus
64	Black-bellied Plover	Pluvialis squatarola
65	Pacific Golden-Plover	Pluvialis fulva
66	Lesser Sand-Plover	Charadrius mongolus
68	Greater Sand-Plover	Charadrius leschenaultii
69	Malaysian Plover	Charadrius peronii
70	Kentish Plover	Charadrius alexandrinus
71	[White-faced Plover}	Charadrius a. dealbatus
72		Charadrius hiaticula
73	Little Ringed Plover	Charadrius dubius
7.4	STILTS AND AVOCETS: Recurviros	
74	Black-winged Stilt	Himantopus himantopus
75	Pied Avocet	Recurvirostra avosetta
70	Dhosont tailed Jacons	Hydrophosics as a shirt
76	Pheasant-tailed Jacana	Hydrophasianus chirurgus
77	Bronze-winged Jacana	Metopidius indicus
70	SANDPIPERS: Scolopacidae	Astitis burstours -
78	Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos
79	Green Sandpiper Spotted Redshank	Tringa ochropus
80	Common Greenshank	Tringa pobularia
81	Nordmann's Greenshank	Tringa nebularia
82		Tringa guttifer
83	Marsh Sandpiper	Tringa stagnatilis
84	Wood Sandpiper Common Redshank	Tringa glareola
85	Whimbrel	Tringa totanus
86		Numenius phaeopus
87	Far Eastern Curlew	Numenius madagascariensis

88	Eurasian Curlew	Numenius arquata
89	Black-tailed Godwit	Limosa limosa
90	Bar-tailed Godwit	Limosa lapponica
91	Ruddy Turnstone	Arenaria interpres
92	Great Knot	Calidris tenuirostris
93	Sanderling	Calidris alba
94	Red-necked Stint	Calidris ruficollis
95	Temminck's Stint	Calidris temminckii
96	Long-toed Stint	Calidris subminuta
97	Dunlin	Calidris alpina
98	Curlew Sandpiper	Calidris ferruginea
99	Spoon-billed Sandpiper	Eurynorhynchus pygmeus
100	Broad-billed Sandpiper	Limicola falcinellus
101	Ruff	Philomachus pugnax
102	Asian Dowitcher	Limnodromus semipalmatus
103	Common Snipe	Gallinago gallinago
104	Red-necked Phalarope	Phalaropus lobatus
	PRATINCOLES AND COURSERS: G	lareolidae
105	Oriental Pratincole	Glareola maldivarum
106	Small Pratincole	Glareola lactea
	GULLS, TERNS AND SKIMMERS: La	aridae
107	Brown-headed Gull	Chroicocephalus brunnicephalus
108	Pallas's Gull	Ichthyaetus ichthyaetus
109	Black-tailed Gull	Larus crassirostris
110	Herring (Vega) Gull	Larus argentatus
111	Little Tern	Sternula albifrons
112	Gull-billed Tern	Gelochelidon nilotica
113	Caspian Tern	Hydroprogne caspia
114	White-winged Tern	Chlidonias leucopterus
115	Whiskered Tern	Chlidonias hybrida
116	Roseate Tern	Sterna dougallii
117	Black-naped Tern	Sterna sumatrana
118	Common Tern	Sterna hirundo
119	Great Crested Tern	Thalasseus bergii
120	Lesser Crested Tern	Thalasseus bengalensis
	PIGEONS AND DOVES: Columbida	
121	Rock Pigeon	Columba livia
122	Ashy Wood-Pigeon	Columba pulchricollis
123	Oriental Turtle-Dove	Streptopelia orientalis
124	Red Collared-Dove	Streptopelia tranquebarica
125	Spotted Dove	Streptopelia chinensis
126	Barred Cuckoo Dove	Macropygia unchall
127	Emerald Dove	Chalcophaps indica
128	Zebra Dove	Geopelia striata
129	Pink-necked Pigeon	Treron vernans
130	Thick-billed Pigeon	Treron curvirostra
131	Pin-tailed Pigeon	Treron apicauda
132	Mountain Imperial-Pigeon	Ducula badia
	CUCKOOS: Cuculidae	
133	Banded Bay Cuckoo	Cacomantis sonneratii
134	Plaintive Cuckoo	Cacomantis merulinus
135	Asian Emerald Cuckoo	Chrysococcyx maculatus

136	Asian Koel	Eudynamys scolopaceus
137	Green-billed Malkoha	Phaenicophaeus tristis
138	Raffles' Malkoha	Phaenicophaeus chlorophaeus
139	Chestnut-breasted Malkoha	Phaenicophaeus curvirostris
140	Greater Coucal	Centropus sinensis
140	BARN-OWLS: Tytonidae	centropus sinensis
141	Barn Owl	Tyto alba
	OWLS: Strigidae	1,100
142	Collared Owlet	Glaucidium brodiei
143	Asian Barred Owlet	Glaucidium cuculoides
144	Spotted Wood-Owl	Strix seloputo
145	Brown Hawk-Owl	Ninox scutulata
	FROGMOUTHS: Podargidae	
146	Gould's Frogmouth	Batrachostomus stellatus
	NIGHTJARS AND ALLIES: Caprime	ulgidae
147	Great Eared-Nightjar	Eurostopodus macrotis
148	Large-tailed Nightjar	Caprimulgus macrurus
	SWIFTS: Apodidae	1
149	Silver-rumped Needletail	Rhaphidura leucopygialis
150	Silver-backed Needletail	Hirundapus cochinchinensis
151	Brown-backed Needletail	Hirundapus giganteus
152	Glossy Swiftlet	Collocalia esculenta
153	Himalayan Swiftlet	Aerodramus brevirostris
154	German's Swiftlet	Aerodramus germani
151	House Swift	Apus nipalensis
156	Pacific Swift	Apus pacificus
157	Asian Palm-Swift	Cypsiurus balasiensis
150	TREESWIFTS: Hemiprocnidae	Haminuana la naina nuia
158	Gray-rumped Treeswift Whiskered Treeswift	Hemiprocne longipennis
159	TROGONS: Trogonidae	Hemiprocne comata
160	Orange-breasted Trogon	Harpactes oreskios
161	Red-headed Trogon	Harpactes erythrocephalus
101	KINGFISHERS: Alcedinidae	Traipactes erythiocephalas
162	Common Kingfisher	Alcedo atthis
163	Stork-billed Kingfisher	Pelargopsis capensis
164	Brown-winged Kingfisher	Pelargopsis amauroptera
165	White-throated Kingfisher	Halcyon smyrnensis
166	Black-capped Kingfisher	Halcyon pileata
167	Collared Kingfisher	Todiramphus chloris
168	Pied Kingfisher	Ceryle rudis
	BEE-EATERS: Meropidae	
169	Red-bearded Bee-eater	Nyctyornis amictus
170	Blue-bearded Bee-eater	Nyctyornis athertoni
171	Green Bee-eater	Merops orientalis
172	Blue-tailed Bee-eater	Merops philippinus
173	Blue-throated Bee-eater	Merops viridis
174	Chestnut-headed Bee-eater	Merops leschenaulti
	ROLLERS: Coraciidae	
175	Indian Roller	Coracias benghalensis
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176	Dollarbird	Eurystomus orientalis
170	HOOPOES: Upupidae	
177	Eurasian Hoopoe	Ununa onone
177		Upupa epops
	HORNBILLS: Bucerotidae	
178	Oriental Pied-Hornbill	Anthracoceros albirostris
179	Great Hornbill	Buceros bicornis
180	Rusty-cheeked Hornbill	Anorrhinus tickelli
181	Wreathed Hornbill	Aceros undulatus
	ASIAN BARBETS: Megalaimidae	
182	Great Barbet	Megalaima virens
183	Lineated Barbet	Megalaima lineata
184	Green-eared Barbet	Megalaima faiostricta
185	Gold-whiskered Barbet	Megalaima chrysopogon
186	Red-crowned Barbet	Megalaima rafflesii
187	Red-throated Barbet	Megalaima mystacophanos
188	Golden-throated Barbet	Megalaima franklinii
	Blue-throated Barbet	
189		Megalaima asiatica
190	Moustached Barbet	Megalaima incognita
191	Blue-eared Barbet	Megalaima australis
192	Coppersmith Barbet	Megalaima haemacephala
	WOODPECKERS: Picidae	T
193	Gray-capped Woodpecker	Dendrocopos canicapillus
194	Fulvous-breasted Woodpecker	Dendrocopos macei
195	Stripe-breasted Woodpecker	Dendrocopos atratus
196	Lesser Yellownape	Picus chlorolophus
197 198	Greater Yellownape Laced Woodpecker	Picus flavinucha Picus vittatus
198	Black-headed Woodpecker	Picus erythropygius
200	Gray-faced Woodpecker	Picus canus
201	Common Flameback	Dinopium javanense
202	Greater Flameback	Chrysocolaptes lucidus
203	Bamboo Woodpecker	Gecinulus viridis
204	Bay Woodpecker	Blythipicus pyrrhotis
205	Black-and-buff Woodpecker	Meiglyptes jugularis
	FALCONS AND CARACARAS: Falc	onidae
206	White-rumped Falcon	Polihierax insignis
207	Collared Falconet	Microhierax caerulescens
208	Black-thighed Falconet	Microhierax fringillarius
209	Eurasian Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus
	PARROTS: Psittacidae	1
210	Gray-headed Parakeet	Psittacula finschii
211	Blossom-headed Parakeet	Psittacula roseata
212	Red-breasted Parakeet	Psittacula alexandri
213	Vernal Hanging-Parrot	Loriculus vernalis
211	Green Broadbills: Calyptomer	
214	Green Broadbill	Calyptomena viridis
<u> </u>	ASIAN AND GRAUER'S BROADBI	
215	Black-and-red Broadbill	Cymbirhynchus macrorhynchos
216	Long-tailed Broadbill	Psarisomus dalhousiae

217	Silver-breasted Broadbill	Serilophus lunatus
217	Banded Broadbill	Eurylaimus javanicus
219	Black-and-yellow Broadbill	Eurylaimus ochromalus
219	PITTAS: Pittidae	Luryiaimus ocmomaius
220	Blue Pitta	Pitta cyanea
221	Malayan Banded-Pitta	Pitta irena
222	Mangrove Pitta	Pitta megarhyncha
	THORNBILLS AND ALLIES: Acant	
223	Golden-bellied Gerygone	Gerygone sulphurea
_	HELMETSHRIKES AND ALLIES: PI	
224	Common Woodshrike	Tephrodornis pondicerianus
	WOODSWALLOWS: Artamidae	,
225	Ashy Woodswallow	Artamus fuscus
	IORAS: Aegithinidae	
226	Common Iora	Aegithina tiphia
227	Green Iora	Aegithina viridissima
228	Great Iora	Aegithina lafresnayei
	CUCKOO-SHRIKES: Campephagid	lae
229	Large Cuckoo-shrike	Coracina macei
230	Indochinese Cuckoo-shrike	Coracina polioptera
231	Black-winged Cuckoo-shrike	Coracina melaschistos
232	Brown-rumped Minivet	Pericrocotus cantonensis
233	Ashy Minivet	Pericrocotus divaricatus
234	Long-tailed Minivet	Pericrocotus ethologus
235	Short-billed Minivet	Pericrocotus brevirostris
236	Scarlet Minivet	Pericrocotus flammeus
237	Gray-chinned Minivet	Pericrocotus solaris
238	Bar-winged Flycatcher-Shrike	Hemipus picatus
	SHRIKES: Laniidae	T
239	Brown Shrike	Lanius cristatus
240	Burmese Shrike	Lanius collurioides
241	Long-tailed Shrike	Lanius schach
242	Gray-backed Shrike	Lanius tephronotus
242	VIREOS: Vireonidae Blyth's Shrike-Babbler	Dtowithing population
243	Clicking Shrike-Babbler	Pteruthius aeralatus
244	White-bellied Erpornis	Pteruthius intermedius
240	OLD WORLD ORIOLES: Oriolidae	Erpornis zantholeuca
246	Dark-throated Oriole	Oriolus xanthonotus
247	Black-naped Oriole	Oriolus chinensis
248	Slender-billed Oriole	Oriolus tenuirostris
249	Black-hooded Oriole	Oriolus xanthornus
250	Maroon Oriole	Oriolus traillii
	DRONGOS: Dicruridae	1 C.Totas Gamii
251	Black Drongo	Dicrurus macrocercus
252	Ashy Drongo	Dicrurus leucophaeus
253	Bronzed Drongo	Dicrurus aeneus
254	Lesser Racket-tailed Drongo	Dicrurus remifer
255	Hair-crested Drongo	Dicrurus hottentottus
256	Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	
230		Dicrurus paradiseus
	FANTAILS: Rhipiduridae	
257	White-throated Fantail	Rhipidura albicollis

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258	White-browed Fantail	Rhipidura aureola
259	Malaysian Pied-Fantail	Rhipidura javanica
	MONARCH FLYCATCHERS: Monarc	
260	Black-naped Monarch	Hypothymis azurea
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261	Asian Paradise-Flycatcher	Terpsiphone paradisi
	CROWS, JAYS AND MAGPIES: Cor	vidae
262	Eurasian Jay	Garrulus glandarius
263	Common Green-Magpie	Cissa chinensis
264	Rufous Treepie	Dendrocitta vagabunda
265	Gray Treepie	Dendrocitta formosae
266	Racket-tailed Treepie	Crypsirina temia
267	Ratchet-tailed Treepie	Temnurus temnurus
268	Large-billed Crow	Corvus macrorhynchos
	SWALLOWS: Hirundinidae	T
269	Bank Swallow	Riparia riparia
270	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica
271	Pacific Swallow	Hirundo tahitica
272	Red-rumped Swallow	Cecropis daurica
273	Striated Swallow	Cecropis striolata
274	Asian House-Martin	Delichon dasypus
	FAIRY FLYCATCHERS: Stenostirida	
275	Yellow-bellied Fairy-Fantail	Chelidorhynx hypoxantha
276	Gray-headed Canary-Flycatcher	Culicicapa ceylonensis
277	CHICKADEES AND TITS: Paridae Japanese Tit	Dames weight
277	Yellow-cheeked Tit	Parus minor
278	Yellow-browed Tit	Parus spilonotus
279 280	Sultan Tit	Sylviparus modestus Melanochlora sultanea
200	NUTHATCHES: Sittidae	Melanocinora sultanea
281	Chestnut-vented Nuthatch	Sitta nagaensis
282	Velvet fronted Nuthatch	Sitta frontalis
283	Giant Nuthatch	Sitta magna
200	BULBULS: Pycnonotidae	Sitta magna
284	Crested Finchbill	Spizixos canifrons
285	Black-headed Bulbul	Pycnonotus atriceps
286	Striated Bulbul	Pycnonotus striatus
287	Black-crested Bulbul	Pycnonotus flaviventris
288	Scaly-breasted Bulbul	Pycnonotus squamatus
289	Red-whiskered Bulbul	Pycnonotus jocosus
290	Brown-breasted Bulbul	Pycnonotus xanthorrhous
291	Sooty-headed Bulbul	Pycnonotus aurigaster
292	Stripe-throated Bulbul	Pycnonotus finlaysoni
293	Flavescent Bulbul	Pycnonotus flavescens
294	Yellow-vented Bulbul	Pycnonotus goiavier
295	Streak-eared Bulbul	Pycnonotus blanfordi
296	Cream-vented Bulbul	Pycnonotus simplex
297	Red-eyed Bulbul	Pycnonotus brunneus
298	Spectacled Bulbul	Pycnonotus erythropthalmos
299	Hairy-backed Bulbul	Tricholestes criniger
300	Puff-throated Bulbul	Alophoixus pallidus
301	Ochraceous Bulbul	Alophoixus ochraceus
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222	Cray chapted Bulley	Alambahas ber-
302	Gray-cheeked Bulbul	Alophoixus bres
303	Yellow-bellied Bulbul	Alophoixus phaeocephalus
304	Gray-eyed Bulbul	Iole propinqua
305	Buff-vented Bulbul	lole olivacea
306	Black Bulbul	Hypsipetes leucocephalus
307	Ashy Bulbul	Hemixos flavala
308	Mountain Bulbul	Ixos mcclellandii
	CUPWINGS: Pnoepygidae	T
309	Pygmy Cupwing	Pnoepyga pusilla
	BUSH-WARBLERS AND ALLIES: Co	
310	Chestnut-headed Tesia	Tesia castaneocoronata
311	Slaty-bellied Tesia	Tesia olivea
312	Yellow-bellied Warbler	Abroscopus superciliaris
313	Mountain Tailorbird	Phyllergates cucullatus
	LEAF-WARBLERS: Phylloscopidae	,
314	Dusky Warbler	Phylloscopus fuscatus
315	Buff-throated Warbler	Phylloscopus fuscatus
316	Yellow-streaked Warbler	Phylloscopus armandii
317	Radde's Warbler	Phylloscopus schwarzi
318	Buff-barred Warbler	Phylloscopus pulcher
319	Ashy-throated Warbler	Phylloscopus maculipennis
320	Pallas's Leaf-Warbler	Phylloscopus proregulus
321	Yellow-browed Warbler	Phylloscopus inornatus
322	Hume's Warbler	Phylloscopus humei
323	Arctic Warbler	Phylloscopus borealis
324	Greenish Warbler	Phylloscopus trochiloides
325	Pale-legged Leaf-Warbler	Phylloscopus tenellipes
326	Eastern Crowned Leaf-Warbler	Phylloscopus coronatus
327	Blyth's Leaf-Warbler	Phylloscopus reguloides
328	Davison's Leaf-Warbler	Phylloscopus davisoni
329	Sulphur-breasted Warbler	Phylloscopus ricketti
330	Gray-crowned Warbler	Seicercus tephrocephalus
331	Plain-tailed Warbler	Seicercus soror
332	Bianchi's Warbler	Seicercus valentini
333	Chestnut-crowned Warbler	Seicercus castaniceps
	REED-WARBLERS AND ALLIES: AC	rocephalidae
334	Black-browed Reed-Warbler	Acrocephalus bistrigiceps
335	Oriental Reed-Warbler	Acrocephalus orientalis
336	Thick-billed Warbler	Acrocephalus aedon
	GRASSBIRDS AND ALLIES: Locust	
337	Russet Bush-Warbler	Bradypterus mandelli
338	Striated Grassbird	Megalurus palustris
	CISTICOLAS AND ALLIES: Cisticol	idae
339	Golden-headed Cisticola	Cisticola exilis
340	Common Tailorbird	Orthotomus sutorius
341	Dark-necked Tailorbird	Orthotomus atrogularis
342	Ashy Tailorbird	Orthotomus ruficeps
343	Hill Prinia	Prinia superciliaris
1	Rufescent Prinia	Prinia rufescens
344		
344	Gray-breasted Prinia	Prinia hodgsonii
	Gray-breasted Prinia Yellow-bellied Prinia	Prinia hodgsonii Prinia flaviventris

	OLD WORLD WARBLERS: Sylviidae	•
348	Lesser Whitethroat	Sylvia curruca
349	Gray-headed Parrotbill	Paradoxornis gularis
350	Spot-breasted Parrotbill	Paradoxornis guitaticollis
	Black-throated Parrotbill	Paradoxornis guttaticollis Paradoxornis nipalensis
351	YUHINAS, WHITE-EYES AND ALLI	,
352	Striated Yuhina	Yuhina castaniceps
353	Whiskered Yuhina	Yuhina flavicollis
	Chestnut-flanked White-eye	
354 355	Oriental White-eye	Zosterops erythropleurus Zosterops palpebrosus
	Japanese White-eye	
356	FULVETTAS AND GROUND BABBLE	Zosterops japonicus
357	Brown-cheeked Fulvetta	Alcippe poioicephala
358	Gray-cheeked Fulvetta	Alcippe fratercula
359	Brown Fulvetta	Alcippe tratercula Alcippe brunneicauda
360	White-hooded Babbler	Gampsorhynchus rufulus
361	Rufous-winged Fulvetta	Schoeniparus castaneceps
	Abbott's Babbler	Malacocincla abbotti
362 363	Spot-throated Babbler	Pellorneum albiventre
364	Puff-throated Babbler	Pellorneum ruficeps
365	Moustached Babbler	Malacopteron magnirostre
366	Scaly-crowned Babbler	Malacopteron cinereum
367	Limestone Wren-Babbler	Napothera crispifrons
307	LAUGHINGTHRUSHES: Leiothrichi	
368	White-crested Laughingthrush	Garrulax leucolophus
369	White-necked Laughingthrush	Garrulax icacolophus Garrulax strepitans
370	Black-throated Laughingthrush	Garrulax strepitans Garrulax chinensis
371	White-browed Laughingthrush	Garrulax cannio
3/1	Chestnut-crowned	Garraiax Sammo
372	Laughingthrush	Garrulax erythrocephalus
373	Silver-eared Laughingthrush	Garrulax melanostigma
374	Silver-eared Mesia	Leiothrix argentauris
375	Rufous-backed Sibia	Heterophasis annectans
376	Black-backed Sibia	Heterophasia melanoleuca
377	Red-faced Liocichla	Liocichla phoenicea
378	Spectacled Barwing	Actinodura ramsayi
379	Blue-winged Minla	Minla cyanouroptera
380	Chestnut-tailed Minla	Minla strigula
	BABBLERS: Timaliidae	
381	Rufous-fronted Babbler	Stachyridopsis rufifrons
382	Golden Babbler	Stachyridopsis chrysaea
383	Pin-striped Tit-Babbler	Macronous gularis
384	Spot-necked babbler	Stachyris striolata
385	Chestnut-winged Babbler	Stachyris erythroptera
386	Rusty-cheeked Scimitar-Babbler	Pomatorhinus erythrogenys
387	White-browed Scimitar-Babbler	Pomatorhinus schisticeps
	FAIRY-BLUEBIRDS: Irenidae	
388	Asian Fairy-bluebird	Irena puella
	OLD WORLD FLYCATCHERS: Musc	icapidae
389	Dark-sided Flycatcher	Muscicapa sibirica
390	Asian Brown Flycatcher	Muscicapa dauurica
391	Brown-streaked Flycatcher	Muscicapa siamensis

392	Ferruginous Flycatcher	Muscicapa ferruginea
393	Oriental Magpie-Robin	Copsychus saularis
394	White-rumped Shama	Copsychus malabaricus
395	Hainan Blue-Flycatcher	Cyornis hainanus
396	Pale Blue-Flycatcher	Cyornis unicolor
397	Hill Blue-Flycatcher	Cyornis banyumas
398	Tickell's Blue-Flycatcher	Cyornis tickelliae
	Fulvous-chested Jungle-	
399	Flycatcher	Cyornis olivaceus
400	Large Niltava	Niltava grandis
401	Small Niltava	Niltava macgrigoriae
402	Rufous-bellied Niltava	Niltava sundara
403	Vivid Niltava	Niltava vivida
404	Blue-and-white Flycatcher	Cyanoptila cyanomelana
405	Verditer Flycatcher	Eumyias thalassinus
406	Lesser Shortwing	Brachypteryx leucophrys
407	Siberian Blue Robin	Larvivora cyane
	Blue Whistling-Thrush	
408	Black-backed Forktail	Myophonus caeruleus
409		Enicurus immaculatus
410	Slaty-backed Forktail	Enicurus schistaceus
411	Siberian Rubythroat	Calliope calliope
412	White-tailed Robin	Cinclidium leucurum
413	Red-flanked Bluetail	Tarsiger cyanurus
414	Little Pied Flycatcher	Ficedula westermanni
415	Taiga Flycatcher	Ficedula albicilla
416	Narcissus Flycatcher	Ficedula narcissina
417	Red-breasted Flycatcher	Ficedula parva
418	Slaty-backed Flycatcher	Ficedula hodgsonii
419	Snowy-browed Flycatcher	Ficedula hyperythra
420	White-capped Redstart	Phoenicurus leucocephalus
421	Blue Rock-Thrush	Monticola solitarius
422	Siberian Stonechat	Saxicola maurus
423	Pied Bushchat	Saxicola caprata
424	Gray Bushchat	Saxicola ferreus
	THRUSHES AND ALLIES: Turdidae	
425	Gray-winged Blackbird	Turdus boulboul
426	Eurasian Blackbird	Turdus merula
427	Gray-sided Thrush	Turdus feae
428	Green Cochoa	Cochoa viridis
	STARLINGS: Sturnidae	
429	Asian Glossy Starling	Applonis panayensis
430	Golden-crested Myna	Ampeliceps coronatus
431	Common Hill Myna Great Myna	Gracula religiosa Acridotheres grandis
432	Jungle Myna	Acridotheres fuscus
434	Common Myna	Acridotheres tristis
435	Black-collared Starling	Gracupica nigricollis
436	Asian Pied Starling	Gracupica contra
437	White-shouldered Starling	Sturnia sinensis

	LEAFRINGS, Chlorensoides	
420	LEAFBIRDS: Chloropseidae	Oblavansia samanati
438 439	Greater Green Leafbird Blue-winged Leafbird	Chloropsis sonnerati Chloropsis cochinchinensis
440	Golden-fronted Leafbird	Chloropsis aurifrons
441	Orange-bellied Leafbird	Chloropsis hardwickii
771	FLOWERPECKERS: Dicaeidae	emoropsis narawiekii
442	Yellow-breasted Flowerpecker	Prionochilus maculatus
443	Crimson-breasted Flowerpecker	Prionochilus percussus
444	Thick-billed Flowerpecker	Dicaeum agile
445	Yellow-vented Flowerpecker	Dicaeum chrysorrheum
446	Plain Flowerpecker	Dicaeum minullum
447	Fire-breasted Flowerpecker	Dicaeum ignipectum
448	Orange-bellied Flowerpecker	Dicaeum trigonostigma
449	Scarlet-backed Flowerpecker	Dicaeum cruentatum
	SUNBIRDS AND SPIDERHUNTERS	
450	Ruby-cheeked Sunbird	Chalcoparia singalensis
451	Plain Sunbird	Anthreptes simplex
452	Plain-throated Sunbird	Anthreptes malacensis
453	Red-throated Sunbird	Anthreptes rhodolaemus
454	Purple Sunbird	Cinnyris asiatica
455	Olive-backed Sunbird	Cinnyris jugularis
456	Van Hasselt's Sunbird	Leptocoma brasiliana
457	Gould's Sunbird	Aethopyga gouldiae
458	Green-tailed Sunbird	Aethopyga nipalensis
459	Black-throated Sunbird	Aethopyga saturata
460	Eastern Crimson Sunbird	Aethopyga siparaja
461	Little Spiderhunter	Arachnothera longirostra
462	Long-billed Spiderhunter	Arachnothera robusta
463	Spectacled Spiderhunter	Arachnothera flavigaster
464	Streaked Spiderhunter	Arachnothera magna
465	Gray-breasted Spiderhunter	Arachnothera modesta
	WAGTAILS AND PIPITS: Motacillie	
466	Eastern Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla tschutschensis
467	Citrine Wagtail	Motacilla citreola
468	Gray Wagtail Richard's Pipit	Motacilla cinerea Anthus richardi
469 470	Olive-backed Pipit	Anthus hodgsoni
471	Red-throated Pipit	Anthus rougsom Anthus cervinus
171	BUNTINGS, SPARROWS AND ALLI	
472	Crested Bunting	Melophus lathami
	SISKINS, CROSSBILLS AND ALLIE	
473	Common Rosefinch	Carpodacus erythrinus
474	Black-headed Greenfinch	Chloris ambigua
	OLD WORLD SPARROWS: Passerio	
475	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus
476	Russet Sparrow	Passer rutilans
477	Plain-backed Sparrow	Passer flaveolus
478	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	Passer montanus
	WEAVERS AND ALLIES: Ploceidae	

479	Streaked weaver	Ploceus manyar
480	Asian Golden Weaver	Ploceus hypoxanthus
	WAXBILLS AND ALLIES: Estrildidae	
481	White-rumped Munia	Lonchura striata
482	Nutmeg Mannikin	Lonchura punctulata

Mammal List

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1	White-handed Gibbon	Hylobates lar
2	Dusky Langur	Trachypithecus obscurus
3	Stump-tailed Macaque	Macaca arctoides
4	Long-tailed Macaque	Macaca fascicularis
5	Southern Pig-tailed Macaque	Macaca nemestrina
6	Northern Pig-tailed macaque	Macaca leonine
7	Burmese Hare	Lepus pengunesis
8	Northern Treeshrew	Tupia bekangeri
9	Gray-bellied Squirrel	Callosciurus caniceps
10	Variable Squirrel	Callosciurus finlaysonii
11	Pallas's Squirrel	Callosciurus erythraeus
12	Black Giant Squirrel	Ratufa bicolor
13	Western Striped Squirrel	Tamiops macclellandi
14	Cambonian Striped Squirrel	Tamiops rodolphei
15	Red-cheeked Squirrel	Dremomys rufigenis
16	Low's Squirrel	Sundasciurus Iowii
17	Crab-eating Mongoose	Herpestes urva
18	Sambar Deer	Cervus unicolor
19	Red Muntjak	Muntiacus muntjak
20	Lesser Mouse Deer	Tragulus kanchil