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TRIP REPORT



Photos:

Black-crowned Pitta (Steve Bird), Western Tarsier (Steve Bird), Giant Pitta (Steven Whitebread), Group at Mt Kinabalu

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HIGHLIGHTS

Either for rarity value, excellent views or simply a group favourite. **DV** – Danum Valley Extension

- Bornean Ground Cuckoo
- Black-crowned Pitta
- Whitehead's Broadbill
- Nankeen Night-Heron
- Sabah Partridge
- Rhinoceros Hornbill
- Diard's Trogon
- Red-bearded Bee-eater
- Bornean Falconet
- White-bellied Woodpecker
- Bornean Shortwing
- Mountain Blackeye
- Helmeted Hornbill
- Crimson Sunbird
- Black-and-Red Broadbill
- Buffy Fish Owl
- Bat Hawk
- Philippine Megapode
- Crimson-headed Partridge
- Whitehead's Trogon
- White-crowned Hornbill
- Orange-backed Woodpecker
- Malaysian Plover
- Rufous-collared Kingfisher
- Everett's Thrush
- Cinnamon Bittern
- Hooded Pitta
- Great Slaty Woodpecker
- Mangrove Blue Flycatcher
- Stork-billed Kingfisher
- Whiskered Treeswift (DV)
- Buff-banded Rail
- Black-and-yellow Broadbill
- Bushy-crested Hornbill
- Giant Pitta (DV)
- Great Argos (DV)
- Oriental Bay Owl (DV)
- Blue-headed Pitta (DV)
- Bornean Pygmy Elephant (DV)
- Red Giant Flying Squirrel
- Maroon Langur
- Least Pygmy Squirrel
- Bornean Gibbon
- Proboscis Monkey
- Pale Giant Squirrel
- Bornean Slow Loris
- Colugo
- Orangutang's
- Rafflesia (*Rafflesia pricei*)
- Western Tarsier
- Wall of Moths!

SUMMARY:

Our tour began in Kota Kinabalu where a tweak to our itinerary allowed us to visit a small offshore island for some specialties including the Philippine Megapode. Some other great birding was had around the city, before we moved on to the Crocker range and a whole new experience. Partridges came into a forest hide and numerous birds fed on the thousands of moths attracted to a light on a shed wall. Our next location saw us with three nights at Mount Kinabalu where again many specialty birds were sought and seen. The three whiteheads', namely Whitehead's Trogon, Whitehead's Broadbill and glimpses of Whiteheads Spiderhunter, Everett's Thrush and Bornean Green Magpie. From here we went to the Kinabatangan River and our wonderful lodge. Boat trips were order of the day with multiple trips to different areas of the river and its tributaries. All eight species of Sabah's hornbills were seen, the rarely seen Bornean Ground Cuckoo, Storms Stork and even Orangutan alongside other primates such as the absurd Proboscis Monkey. Our last destination was Sepilok where a stop along the way got us another two Orangutans. At Sepilok we searched for birds on forest trails and from the superb canopy walkway. Broadbills, Woodpeckers, and Oriental Dwarf Kingfisher showed wonderfully. A night walk was a highlight with the cute Western Tarsier, Bornean Slow Loris and a variety of other creatures. Our guides Lee and Dave did a fabulous job in finding many difficult and sought after species, and both were a delight to be with. We look forward to our return to this wonderfully friendly country.



Kota Kinabalu - 20th May

Today with everyone having arrived at our hotel in Kota Kinabalu by lunchtime, we were ready for our first introduction to Borneo birding. We met up in the afternoon and drove a short distance to an area beside some old houses on stilts. Over the road in a large tree was a heronry with Great Egrets and our target bird several



showy **Nankeen Night Herons**. We had superb views of one particular bird right above us. A Pied Triller was also seen along with our first White-breasted Wood-Swallows and Yellow-vented Bulbul. Our next stop was a small coastal park where we were soon watching huge Green Imperial Pigeons and some nice Blue-naped Parrots. Long-tailed Parakeets also showed well and within just a short walk we had added, Spotted and Zebra Doves, Asian Glossy Starlings, and Tree Sparrows. It was time to move on to an area of wetlands and pools. It had begun to rain and then the rain became torrential so we tried to make the most of it and birded from the vehicle. White-breasted Waterhens, were easily seen then flocks of Chestnut Munias with a few Scaly-breasted among them. Further searching revealed a few Baya Weavers and then some very attractive Java Sparrows. The rain eased and out in the fields we could see several Striated Grassbirds, plus Purple Heron, Javan Pond Heron and then a nice open view of a

Cinnamon Bittern. Two Buff-banded Rails were also spotted before we headed back to the city and our hotel. A great first day despite the heavy downpour, so now we were ready for our tour to begin properly tomorrow.

Manukan Island - Kota Kinabalu - 21st May

It's always nice to add something new, so this last-minute addition to our itinerary was to prove very popular and most enjoyable. After breakfast we set off on a short drive to a boat jetty where we took a 20-minute boat ride to Manukan Island. On arrival at this tropical beach island, we could see many other boats arriving with tourists who headed straight to the beach, while we started out on a pathed track into the forest. It was only 5 or 10 minutes before we spotted our main target a Philippine Megapode stood out on a side track. It then walked into the forest and started scratching around in the leaf litter. The views were tricky as the undergrowth was thick but the bird walked back and forth several times and gave reasonably views through the vegetation. Moving on a little, we saw Olive-winged Bulbuls and then our second target bird was heard calling. It was a



Mangrove Blue Flycatcher which we just could not see. As compensation a Mangrove Whistler started calling and was seen above us in the canopy. It moved around and gave better views before we moved on further and spotted another Megapode walking off the track and into the forest. Two more Mangrove Blue Flycatchers started calling and eventually showed high up in the canopy. A White-crowned Shama called and several Jungle Nymph butterflies lazily flapped around. A female Crimson Sunbird was briefly seen and then a Brown-throated Sunbird showed much better. We made



our way slowly back towards the beach and found Oriental Magpie Robins and a showy **Pied Triller**. A Striated Heron was seen and several fish were jumping out of the sea. After a nice refreshing drink, we then returned to the mainland and had lunch. Afterwards we had a short rest back at the hotel before meeting up for our afternoon excursion. First stop was beside some mudflats where we saw Pacific Reef Herons and then 5 **Malaysian Plovers**. One was in perfect breeding plumage while the other four were a

bit plainer in non-breeding colours. A distant Collard Kingfisher was seen on a tall wooden post and after getting closer to the plovers for photographs we then moved on. Our next stop was some sewerage ponds and we were soon looking at Wandering Whistling Ducks, three Whiskered Terns, and a variety of egrets including some Eastern Cattle Egrets. A Sunda Pygmy Woodpecker called and was then watched beside its nest hole. Both Yellow-bellied Prinia and Ashy Tailorbird showed well and then on the far side of the pond we watched two Ashy-browed Crakes. Finally moving on to another set of ponds we found Dusky Munias, and some Black-backed Swamphens. At the very last pool we found a Plaintive Cuckoo. After this great first day we then returned back to the hotel

Crocker Range - Mount Kinabalu - 22nd May

This morning we left the hotel and city early and drove up into the crocker range national park where our first stop was at the top of a small road. Here we checked out an area where nightlights attracted numerous moths which in turn attracted lots of birds first thing in the morning. Chestnut-headed laughingthrushes were easy to



see along with **Indigo Flycatchers** and Chestnut-crested Yuhinas. A Bornean Treepie showed up as did Sunda Laughingthrush, Little Pied Flycatcher, Blyths Shrike-Babbler and some Grey-headed Babbler. A Temminck's Sunbird blinded us with its intense red colours. We then checked out a thousand moths and some cool beetles before a short walk into the bamboo where patience rewarded us with views of both Red-breasted and Crimson-headed Partridges.

It did take a while but eventually they showed to us. Snowy-browed Flycatchers and Sunda Laughingthrushes were much easier to



see here. Back to the vehicle and we drove down hill a little way and found several species of pitcher plant and orchids. A Golden-naped Barbet was scoped and then we continued further down and walked an area alongside the road. Little Cuckoo Dove showed briefly then we found Bornean Barbet, Golden-whiskered Barbet and Mountain Barbet.

A pair of Bar-winged Shrike Flycatchers and some Bornean Leafbirds were also spotted. We then went for lunch in a roadside café where Plume-footed Swiflets were nesting under the eaves. Our next stop was in the forest park where a hike eventually took us to a flowering **Rafflesia plant (Rafflesia pricei)**, this beautiful flower was discovered by William Price in the 1960's on Mt Kinabalu, and was much appreciated by everyone in our group. Back beside the van a Dark Hawk-Cuckoo was scoped, before we left the area and drove toward our next destination of Mt Kinabalu. One targeted stop along the way got us superb views of a pair of Borneo Falconets. Putting out a moth light and white sheet tonight attracted an amazing 3,000 moths of maybe 300 or more species!

What a great day !

Mount Kinabalu NP - 23rd May

Today we had an early breakfast and then set off the short distance to Mount Kinabalu National Park. Stopping near the entrance one of the first birds we heard was a Temminck's Babbler. It was then seen briefly alongside Indigo Flycatcher, while we could hear a Bornean Whistling Thrush singing deep in the forest. As we started to walk the road a Whitehead's Broadbill was spotted and put in the scope and proved to be our only sighting of this magnificent bird. Next up and another target was a Whitehead's Trogon. We spotted a female sat out on a

bare branch. The male was heard calling nearby so we took a trail into the forest and located this stunning bird. We got good views but it was difficult to photograph as it kept moving around. Beside a forest stream a



Bornean Forktail was spotted, but we got much better views when it was later seen feeding around a drainage ditch beside the road. A little further up a Sunda Owlet called but despite extensive searching of the canopy we could not locate it. Mountain Wren Babbler showed briefly, and a **Borneo Stubtail** gave fantastic close views. At the top we found Pale-faced Babbler, a Bornean Whistling Thrush perched on the fence and some very inquisitive Squirrels. Working our way



down the road we got the briefest of views of a Whitehead's Spiderhunter. Several Yellow-bellied Warblers were seen, plus



Golden-naped Barbet, and then a Mountain Imperial Pigeon sat on a nest. We then headed out of the park for a nice lunch. In the car park we got great looks at a couple of **Pygmy White-eyes**. After this we returned to the hotel for a short break before heading out again for the afternoon. We decided to try a different area to target Mountain Black-eye as they had not been seen very much recently. We walked a road and saw Borneo Forktail on the river plus several Mountain Bush Warblers. Then after a bit of time we returned to our vehicle and there beside the road in a small fruiting tree were a pair of **Mountain Black-eyes**. Fabulous! The forktail showed again, before we moved to another area where Little Cuckoo Doves, and then a Sunda Cuckoo was heard and then seen after a short time. As we

returned, we also made a quick stop to get photos of Long-tailed Shrike on a wire.

Mount Kinabalu National Park - 24th May

After early breakfast we set off again to Mount Kinabalu National Park. Our target was to try and see Everett's Thrush a bird that is best looked for early morning when it can come out onto the roadside verges. A group of



Red-breasted Partridges were seen feeding in the verge and Borneo Forktail was spotted. Then we found the bird we were looking for, an Everett's Thrush beside the road. It didn't stay long, so we waited a while to see if it would come out again. It never did so we moved on a little and it wasn't too long before we heard another thrush. David spotted it in the forest at the base of a tree and Lee scoped it for everyone to see. Success!! We then continued on up the hill. A Shrew-faced Squirrel was seen, then a tiny Tufted Pygmy Squirrel, followed by a couple of Pale-faced Bulbuls. A couple of Black-and-crimson Orioles were a bit brief before they flew away, but we soon got distracted by a couple of nice orchids. We then moved higher making another stop. Here we got a coffee and checked out some of the moths on the building wall. Heading back down we got even better views of Pale-faced Bulbuls and a **Golden-naped Barbet**. White-throated

Fantails were seen and a male Black-sided Flowerpecker was scoped. In general, the morning was fairly quiet, but nothing unusual for this mountain habitat. We headed down with a quick photo stop of the cloudy

mountains at the new viewpoint. Next stop was at an area where a flowering tree might attract a Whitehead's Spiderhunter, but instead we got to see a Blyth's Hawk-Eagle rise out of valley in front to of us, and a weird person dressed in a full-size Gorilla suit. We then had another fabulous lunch before returning to the lodge and having a short time off. Later we went out and returned to the national park. The rains came down heavy but once cleared we checked along the road. It was pretty quiet but we did get to see a pair of Bornean Shortwings. Back at a fruiting tree we had already checked several times earlier, were a pair of Golden-naped Barbets. The fog was now thick so we tried to get away from this but without success, so we returned back to our lodge.

Poring Hot Springs - Kinabatangan River - 25th May

After an early breakfast we set off to Poring Hot Springs. On arrival and around the car park we started off with wonderful scope views of a pair of **Golden-whiskered Barbets**, and then both Brown-throated Sunbird and a



male Orange-bellied Flowerpecker. A couple of Silver-rumped Spinetails flew low overhead, and then a Little Cuckoo-Dove disappeared into a thickly leaved tree. Next up was a stunning Asian Fairy Bluebird which flew like a light bulb across to a very distant tree. We headed over that way and soon found Black-headed Bulbul, Yellow-bellied Warbler and a Chestnut-breasted Malkoha. As we viewed the gardens of two fabulous houses a Buff-rumped Woodpecker flew into the tree beside us and gave superb views. In the same tree a Crimson Sunbird appeared and Dave pointed out a Tree Bark Mantis. Amazing! A Little Spiderhunter flew over calling and then a Green Crested Lizard was spotted. We moved on a little a

found some very mobile Grey-headed Babblers, soon followed by a feeding Greater Green Leafbird and a Bornean Spiderhunter. Both Red-throated Barbet and Black-and-yellow Broadbill took a bit of finding but eventually they fell to Lee's amazing scope skills. Just one bird had eluded but perseverance paid off among the bamboo when we got good views of a **Fulvous-chested Jungle Flycatcher**. A few nice dragonflies and butterflies were seen, but now it was time to move on to our next destination of Kinabatangan. This was really quite a depressing drive as we passed many miles of endless Palm Olive Trees. A production of such enormity that it has wiped out hundreds, if not thousands of square kilometres of rainforest. Such a crime, and once seen may change your view on ever using anything made using Palm Oil. Anyway, eventually we got past this and arrived at the dock on the Kinabatangan River. Just a short journey on our boat and we arrived at our beautiful riverside lodge. Amazingly the first thing we saw as we made our way up towards reception was a Colugo and its baby clinging to a tree trunk. After settling in and a short rest we met up for our first boat ride. The very first bird we saw was a Lesser Adjutant flying in circles overhead. Cruising quietly along we soon found a group of Long-tailed Macaques playing around in some trees overhanging the river edge. We stayed watching the antics of this group before moving on and seeing our first Oriental Pied Hornbill and Crested



Serpent Eagle perched in a tree. A Ruby-cheeked Sunbird was spotted and then we got distracted by a pair of **Black-and-red Broadbills** posing on a dead tree. As we went further along the river a group of Oriental



Dollarbirds sat high in the treetops, and while we looked at these, Lee incredibly spotted an Orangutan feeding in a tree beside the opposite bank.

As we crossed the river toward it, it slowly disappeared into thick cover. Not one to give up, we waited it out and eventually the **Orangutan** was seen in another tree, but this time it



was just the top of its head and eyes looking at us and hanging on by one arm to a branch. It's always great to find an Orangutan in the wild. Most people and companies go to see them in Sepilok at a rehabilitation centre. That's a bit like seeing one in a free-range zoo, so we were very happy with our genuine find! Our next sighting was just as amazing when 11 Bushy-crested Hornbills flew across the river: what a sight! More monkeys, but



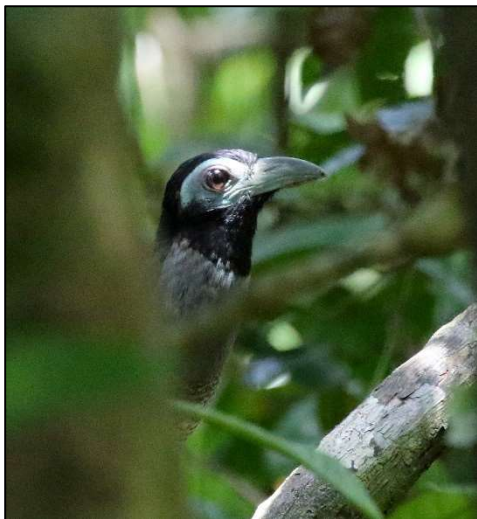
this time a group of the extraordinary **Proboscis Monkey**. We watched as mothers and babies sat together and big male (big noses) moved around the trees. Then the group decided to move and we witness the whole troop jumping from tree to tree, just fabulous! Our third and fourth species of hornbill appeared, firstly with a single **White-crowned Hornbill**, perched in a tree then a pair of huge Rhinoceros Hornbills flying almost right over our heads. We soon added Silvered Leaf Monkey, which also has other names such as Silvery Lutung and Sunda Silvery Langur.



Finally, as we returned at dusk toward our lodge we spotted a Stork-billed Kingfisher and then one of our main target birds the endangered Storm's Stork. With a population of probably fewer than 500 it is considered the rarest stork in the world, and with a decreasing population, we were privileged to see it perched high on a dead tree top. Well, you may have thought day over! But no, I had organised a night cruise in search of nocturnal creatures that may be seen along the river edge after dark. After a lovely dinner we met up and went out for a couple of hours cruise to see what we could find. We cruised slowly along and with the help of Gina's thermal camera and some spotlights we found roosting Stork-billed and Blue-eared Kingfishers, Yellow-bellied Prinia in the reeds and a superb Buffy Fish Owl. Lots of monkeys were asleep in the tree tops and a Rhinoceros Hornbill was found, but it seemed because of the high-water level the ground mammals were not visible. Our only good mammal was a Philippine Palm Civet that we had prolonged views as it fed in a small tree right in front of us. A spectacular few hours were rounded off with incredible views of the stars!

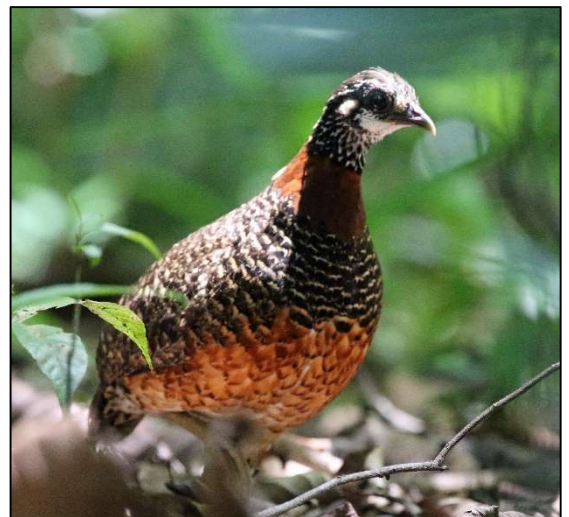
Kinabatangan River - 26th May

Our full day of river trips began with a pre-breakfast trip. We soon found the pair of showy Black-and red Broadbills again and then a couple of very smart Wrinkled Hornbills. Yet another hornbill species appeared with the sighting of 4 Black Hornbills. We went in to a small tributary where smaller birds were closer, and soon got views of Bold-striped Tit Babblers, Hairy-backed Bulbul, Black-naped Monarch, Red-eyed and Spectacled Bulbuls, Ashy Tailorbird and a very smart looking Scarlet-rumped Trogon. Blue-eared Kingfisher showed very nicely and a couple of tiny Least Pygmy Squirrels ran around in the tree roots. We turned around in the narrow stream and cruised back out to the main river. Here we spotted more Oriental Pied Hornbills and then perched in a tree was a Crested Goshawk. An immature Jerdon's Baza flew over and then was attacked by a very upset Bat Hawk. Both birds putting on quite an aerial show. After this excitement we moved along and found a group of Proboscis Monkeys jumping huge gaps in the trees and crashing into the bushes way below. We waited with cameras ready to catch the action of these amazing monkeys in flight. Below against the river bank we got reasonable looks at a White-chested Babbler as it appeared and disappeared from a small log. On again, and we soon spotted a Purple Heron followed by much better views of a **Storm's Stork**. More Silvered Leaf Monkeys were seen, plus an Ashy Tailorbird followed by a nice Wallace's Hawk-Eagle. It was time to return for breakfast. After breakfast we set off on the



morning boat trip with some specific targets in mind. This meant going quietly up a narrow tributary and stopping often and waiting to hear the call or calls of our targets. And there it was the call of one of the holy grails of Bornean birds, the **Bornean Ground Cuckoo**. Now hearing one is something, but trying to see one is a whole new game. Our boatman knew what he was doing and kept positioning and repositioning the boat in areas that allowed us our best views into the riverside forest. Sharp-eyed Lee then spotted the bird and slowly our group had to move up to the front of the boat to try and get a view. It was not easy and only a couple of people got a glimpse. However, this was a big bird for us, so we waited, repositioned

and tried again. A second bird was calling and this time Lee spotted one of them up in a tree, we moved to the front of the boat and after panic, most of us got to see this incredibly difficult bird. While watching head, tail, body and bits of the bird a **Sabah Partridge** started calling. With patience we waited and sure enough this spectacular bird slowly walked into view and even into open patches of sunlight where the views were amazing. Wow, well that was good! Moving a little we found a Great Slaty Woodpecker, 3 Rufous Woodpeckers, Blue-throated Bee-eater and amazing views of a Hooded Pitta as flew across the river and nearly hit us on the head. Time to head back to lodge for lunch and a short break. Later in the afternoon we met up again and headed out. Alongside the river were a few concrete strange



shaped buildings. It turns out these are artificial caves for Edible-nest Swiftlets, and sure enough we watched as several birds entered. The incredibly high price of the swiftlets nests for commercial sale has prompted a few



entrepreneurs to build these structures in order to make a very good living. Swiftlets nests have been priced much higher than gold, and are worked sustainably so as the swifts are not harmed and they re-build their nests after the first nest has been cropped. Cruising down river a huge White-bellied Sea Eagle flew over, and then a big flock of Little Green Pigeons were seen in a tree. We watched and waited hoping a different species or two would join them, but only Little Greens were seen. A Wallace's Hawk-Eagle showed well, Oriental Dollarbirds sat in tree tops, and then a Bushy-crested Hornbill was seen. We found a huge fruiting tree that on closer inspection had at least 10

Rhinoceros Hornbills happily feeding in it. We got incredible views of these huge and stunning looking birds as they fed, hopped around and flew

across the river. Proboscis Monkeys moved through and a couple of Common Hill Myna's showed up. Finally, after much scanning of the tree we found a showy Wrinkled Hornbill, in fact there were two. We manoeuvred the boat for better views of as the sun was setting, and then we returned to our lodge. An added optional night trip was offered with most of the group taking up the opportunity to see what we could find tonight. In fact, it was very quiet and the best we could do was roosting Stork-billed and **Blue-eared Kingfishers** as well as numerous trees full of monkeys.



Kinabatangan - Sepilok - 27th May

This morning was be our last boat trip, so we set out on a pre breakfast cruise with the view to finding a few different species. Lesser Adjutant perched in a tree started us off, soon followed by Stork-billed Kingfisher and then an excellent sighting of two Storm's Storks perched on a dead tree. We then motored on to check out yesterday's fruiting tree. As we arrived Oriental Pied Hornbills were seen flying in, then we found at least 12 huge Rhinoceros Hornbills. We thought we had searched the tree thoroughly but Lee was determined and rightly so when he called out Wreathed Hornbill! How could we all miss this bird with its super long white tail. Then there were two, and we moved around to get better views. Fantastic, we had now seen all 8 species of hornbill that occur in Sabah, and all from our very relaxing boat trips. Behind us a noisy pair of Great Slaty Woodpeckers flew past, as did Blue-eared Kingfisher and a Collared Kingfisher. Above us a Jerdon's Baza was spotted, before we decided to go and take a side tributary. Serenely quiet we, we drifted past Black Hornbills, and a Greater Coucal. Edging the nose of our boat into a patch of trees allowed us close looks at a Malaysian Blue Flycatcher and then a little further on we disturbed a Lesser Fish Eagle off its perch. After this wonderful



morning we returned to our lodge and had breakfast before packing and taking the boat back up river to the main dock, where David our driver awaited us. Time to move on and our first stop was along the road to the Gomantong Bat Cave, which is closed for renovation. The road however is a great birding spot. But it wasn't a

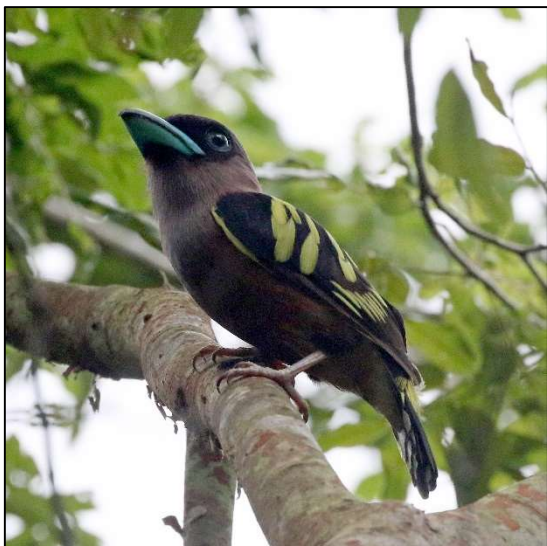
bird in Dave's sights!! We were soon watching a couple of Orangutans in a nearby tree. Once again real wild ones and not from the rehabilitation centre where they get fed. While we watched these and as they disappeared deep into a bush, we started seeing a few nice birds. A Rufous-chested Flycatcher was found and then a **Thick-billed Spiderhunter** showed off in front of us. Ruby-cheeked Sunbird and Green Iora were seen, an Oriental Dwarf Kingfisher flashed by, and several smart looking dragonflies were noted. More birds appeared and we added White-chested Babbler, Black-and-yellow Broadbill and then a Hooded Pitta which stayed out of the way on the other side of a stream. Next up were a Yellow-breasted Flowerpecker, Bronzed Drongo, and a puddle with numerous swallow-tailed butterflies. As we left the area a huge Water Monitor was seen crossing the road. Continuing on we made our way to Sepilok and our wonderful lodge. We had lunch and then met up in the afternoon for a walk around the adjacent forest and trails. A Pink-necked Pigeon was seen and in the same spot we found a Lesser Cuckooshrike. Blue-crowned Hanging Parrots flew over calling, and while trying to find one perched, we found a huge White-bellied Woodpecker which gave great views. A squirrel was seen scurrying around and then we walked a trail down towards some ponds. After hearing a Violet Cuckoo calling, we eventually had great views of it perched in a nearby tree. In the same spot there was a Little Spiderhunter, three Grey-and-buff Woodpeckers, a Blue-eared Barbet and finally a Lesser Tree Shrew. Another great day!!



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Sepilok Rainforest Discovery Centre - 28th May

Today was our first visit to the Rainforest Discovery Centre (RDC) a wonderful example of a protected reserve where trees, plants and animals of all sorts can be found. Its claim to fame is the 620m canopy walkway which allows tree top views and often close encounter with many of the birds that live here. We visited before breakfast and before the public were allowed in. One of the privileges of having guides in the know! Around the entrance car park, we found Olive-backed Sunbird, a perched Little Green Pigeon, Blue-eared Barbet and some nice looking Blue-throated Bee-eaters. We then set off on the canopy walkway. One of the first eyelevel birds we encountered was a **Banded Broadbill**, soon followed by a Rufous Woodpecker, Greater Racket-tailed Drongo, Yellow-vented Flowerpecker and finally a very smart Red-bearded Bee-eater. We returned for breakfast where a Stork-billed Kingfisher posed nicely from our



restaurant balcony. Then we returned to RDC for the rest of the day. We started with some great looks at Charlotte's Bulbul, but it was the next sighting that almost took our breath away.



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Everyone knows how difficult it can be to see pittas. With a few well-placed mealworms we were soon in disbelief as a stunning **Black-crowned Pitta** came out and fed on this little delicacy. We got great photos and even enjoyed the antics of a Bornean Anglehead Lizard which seemed to be telling the Pitta that it was his spot.



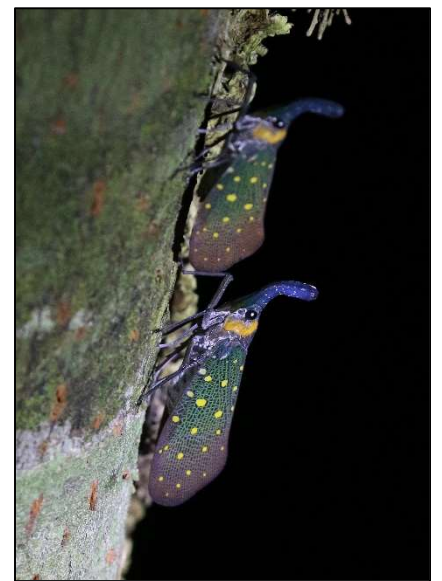
As we admired the pitta a Short-tailed Babbler came in and posed for us. Moving on from here we came across a lovely Orange-backed Woodpecker, and with it was a Rufous-winged Philentoma. From a small bridge over a stream, we found a small snake and then Lee called our attention to a **Buff-necked Woodpecker** which gave great views. Next was a Streaked Bulbul and fabulous looks at a perched Oriental Dwarf Kingfisher. We slowly returned to the car and found Purple-naped Sunbird (formerly Spiderhunter), Rufous-tailed Tailorbird, a secretive Bornean Black-capped Babbler, and then Rufous Woodpecker and a Raffle's Malkoha which worked its way up a tangled tree covered in vines. We had lunch and then returned for an afternoon walk. We walked in by a different entrance and in a fruiting tree we watched Blue-eared Barbet and a Common Iora. An Asian Fairy Bluebird was



watched perched high up in a tree, and then we walked on to the end of one of the tracks. A Velvet-fronted Nuthatch was found, but rather distant, and then a female Banded Kingfisher allow good scope views. We made



our way back and headed up to the canopy walkway. We saw a couple of Bornean Black Magpies and then settled down and waited for dusk. Our goal was to see **Red Giant Flying Squirrels**, and before it got dark one or two made an appearance from their nest box and gave us a flying show! We hadn't finished yet as a prearranged night walk was next on our agenda. With spotlights and Gina's thermal camera we set off. First thing was a big Black Scorpion, and



then a little further on, some eye-shine led us to two Lesser Mousedeer. Further we found some incredibly colourful **Lantern Bugs** and then the excitement picked up as a **Western Tarsier**, one of the cutest little primates you could imagine, was found. Just a foot off the ground on a small sapling we enjoyed watching this wonderful creature. If that was not enough, we then finished with great looks

at a Bornean Slow Loris and a Bornean Keeled Pit Viper resting beside a tree trunk. What a great day and very successful night walk.

Bat Caves - Lahad Datu 29th May

This morning we took a short walk just outside of our lodge and out to a quiet road. Lee soon found a pair of



Thick-billed Green Pigeons well camouflaged in a tree. A Black-bellied Malkoha flew across into a tree top where it soon disappeared, while above us a Grey-rumped Treeswift was seen and in the grasses a smart male Baya Weaver showed off. We then watched a wonderful **Maroon Woodpecker**, and in a flowering tree both Bornean and Yellow-eared Spiderhunters were seen. We then finished our walk with Common Iora, Crimson Sunbird, Scarlet-backed Flowerpecker and a Buff-vented Bulbul. Back for our final breakfast and then afterwards our final visit to RDC. We took a walk on the canopy walkway where the first bird we encountered was a Van Hasselt's Sunbird. Continuing on we made our way down of the walkway and onto a forest trail. Here we found a Plantain Squirrel, followed by super views of a White-crowned Shama and then a Pale Giant Squirrel working its way high through the forest canopy. As we slowly made our way back, we got to grips with a Yellow-rumped Flowerpecker, then Rufous-crowned Babbler, Chestnut-rumped Babbler, Grey-hooded Babbler and then finally another look at the **Bornean Keeled Pit Viper** we had seen last night, still in the same spot this morning. It was time to leave so we collected our

luggage from the lodge and set off to the city of Lahad Datu. A planned stop to break the journey was at the Agop Batu Tulug Caves. These caves built in the limestone cliffs were used 500 to 900 years ago as a burial place with about 125 wooden coffins inside. Many of the coffins which are still viewable inside are made from belian, a hardwood and decorated with carvings. The first cave we visited had a group of nesting Plume-toed Swiftlets plus hundreds of bats. We then took 390 wooden steps up to another cave where many carved coffins could be seen. On the way up a large tree held 3 **Bat Hawks**. We then made our way back down and continued our drive to Lahad Datu and our hotel for the night.



Silam Park - Kota Kinabalu - End of Main Tour 30th May

Today we set off toward Mount Silam just thirty minutes from the city. We first birded the lower road where we connected with Sooty-capped Babbler and then a pair of huge Rhinoceros Hornbills. Several Scaly-breasted Munias moved along the roadside grasses, and then we heard and eventually found a Banded Woodpecker high on a dead tree. The views through the scope made all the difference! Further along the road we came across Lesser Green Leafbird. A Bold-striped Tit-Babbler, Plaintive Cuckoo and then high up views of a Verditer Flycatcher. Turning around we headed back to the entrance to Mount Silam Park, and slowly drove up to a

higher altitude. We walked a short section of road and spotted an Emerald Dove and Buff-vented Bulbul before a Changeable Hawk-Eagle flew overhead. As we were already looking up, we then saw a Black Eagle glide effortlessly past. A Bornean Banded Pitta called from the forest but after a long wait we had to give up as it never came close enough to see. So, we moved a little higher and walked some more. A Temminck's Sunbird showed well, then a Long-billed Spiderhunter followed by a female Black-throated Oriole and then Large Woodshrike. A Blue-banded Pitta called close by but again we searched and waited to no avail. A nice group of Pitcher Plants were found and of course photographed. Finally, we drove to the top and walked into the forest. Another Blue-banded Pitta called, but due to the thick understory, there was no chance of seeing it. It was time to leave and head back to the city for our final lunch. Most of the group then departed for the local airport for their flights back to Kota Kinabalu, while Steven, Christine and Lee awaited their transport to take them on our extension to Borneo Rainforest Lodge in the famous Danum Valley. We had all had a wonderful trip seeing a great variety of special birds, plus mammals, butterflies, reptiles, plants and moths.

We thank Lee and Dave for their incredible perseverance and knowledge on how to find us the best wildlife of Borneo. We have so many great memories and far too many photographs to sort out!

Steve & Gina – For Bird's Wildlife & Nature & Sunrise Birding LLC



Bornean (White-fronted) Falconet



Chestnut-crested Yuhina



Diard's Trogon

EXTENSION to BORNEO RAINFOREST LODGE, DANUM VALLEY

Borneo Rainforest Lodge - 30th to 02nd June

After lunch, those of us continuing on the extension we were taken to the offices of the Bornean Rainforest Lodge in Lahad Datu. Here we had to sign some paperwork, had our passports photocopied and were given a beautiful Aluminium drinking bottle with fresh water for the journey. The Rainforest Lodge is totally plastic free!

We set out on our journey at 13:30. About an hour into what is supposed to be a 2.5-hour drive, we inevitably stopped for some birding. There was quite a flock of birds: Brown and Yellow-crowned Barbet, Dark-throated Oriole, Spectacled, Cream-eyed, Hairy-backed and Finsch's Bulbul, Gray-hooded and Sooty-capped Babbler, Brown Fulvetta, Velvet-fronted Nuthatch, Little Spiderhunter all species we would encounter frequently throughout our time there. Highlights were great looks at a Buff-rumped Woodpecker, Lesser Cuckooshrike and two Large Woodshrike. Reluctantly we tore ourselves away and stopped a couple more times listening for the Bornean Bristlehead. About 2 hours into our journey Mr. Lee shouted Elephant! There were a couple of **Bornean Pygmy Elephants** just on the side of the road, making their way into the brush. We got several photos of their rear end and counted ourselves lucky to have seen them at all. No sooner had we driven round the next bend in the road there was a Female with her calf right on the road, slowly more and more elephants emerged,



we counted about 15 in all. Steven and Lee got out and started taking photos. Eventually Mother elephant obviously had enough and started moving towards us – ears flapping. The photographers got back into the car, but the elephants were not going anywhere! Our driver inched forward a bit, no luck getting them to move. Finally, the elephants started to move away from the road so we could pass. This whole episode delayed us for over half an hour and made us arrive after dark – which is why Lee and Steven saw a Malay Civet just before we reached the lodge.

After a quick visit to our room, we enjoyed the first of many great buffet meals at the Rainforest lodge. At dinner we were joined by a Buffy Fish-Owl, sitting just a few feet away in a tree showing off her dinner (a rodent). After all this excitement, we went out again for a drive in some golf-carts to see what we could find along the road at night. Sleeping birds seen were Rhinoceros Hornbill, Black-hooded Pitta and Yellow-bellied Prinia. A Blyth's Frogmouth called but was not seen. Mammals seen well, included a couple of Thomas's Giant Flying Squirrels.

Breakfast was at 05:30 every morning, we then set out with Mr. Lee and our guide from the Lodge, Sabinus, for



the morning walk. Almost 40 species of birds were seen this first morning – with one standing out among all others: We spent about 45 mins in awe watching a **Great Argus** tidying up his lek, calling, preening, tidying up some more, tossing sticks and leaves about, calling, preening – all seemingly totally oblivious to our presence. He eventually hopped onto a log just 10 meters away from us. We would have loved to wait long enough to see him perform for a female... A walk on the skywalk was interesting, but did not yield any more exciting birds until we were getting to the end and were very close to a pair of Whiskered Treeswift. What funky and beautiful birds!

After lunch and a short break, we went out again just in time for the usual afternoon rain. Sightings were difficult in the dark dense forest, but some of us saw a male Crested Fireback scurrying along a slippery trail.

This evening after dinner we walked some trails at the back of the lodge. Our hope was to find some Frogmouths on this night walk. We found a frog, but no Frogmouth! However, the Buffy Fish Owl was around, we had brief views of a Brown Wood-Owl and a most cooperative **Oriental Bay Owl** sat still to be photographed from all angles.

We followed the same early morning routine the following day, walking along the road and listening and calling for many more species still waiting to be seen well. Among the 40 species



seen this morning were a cute pair of Striped Wren-Babblers sitting together on a branch and a group of three Crested Jayshrikes were certainly a much wished for species. The surprise of this morning however was a **Giant Pitta**. Both our guides heard it and made every effort to make sure both Steven and I got good looks through the dense vegetation, and eventually Steven even managed an almost clear photo of this fabulous and elusive bird. The afternoon walk provided among others, great looks at Rufous Piculet, Gray-cheeked Bulbul, Thick-billed Green-Pigeon, a pair of Helmeted Hornbills using their bills to find a suitable nesting site, and just before we

returned to the lodge a Bornean Crested Fireback female crossing the road slowly in front of us.

Tonight, we had a combo of golf-cart ride and walk, the hope was to actually see a Blyth's Frogmouth, unfortunately we only heard it yet again.

On our last morning when we left our cabin, we had a large swarm of termites flying around the lights! We'd had a most impressive thunderstorm overnight lasting several hours. Presumably this made the termites fly! On our last walk we got marvellous looks at three species of Malkoha: Chestnut-breasted, Black-bellied and Red-billed. A new species for us was the White-bellied Erpornis, we also had



good looks at Ruby-cheeked and Red-throated Sunbirds and Little Spiderhunter and – drumroll - were finally able to briefly see a Blue-headed Pitta!

After lunch we were driven out to Lahad Datu airport – stopping a couple of times for even more birding – still trying to find Bornean Bristlehead – and finally caught the plane back to KK by the skin of our teeth!

Steven & Christine

(Photos – Bornean Pygmy Elephants – Great Argus – Oriental Bay Owl – Giant Pitta) All Steven Whitebread.

BIRDLIST FOR BORNEO 2023

A = Number of species recorded on tour

B = Number of days out of 11 recorded – Main Tour C = Highest daily count

D = Number seen in Danum Valley 4 days E = Highest Count Danum Valley H = Heard Only N/C = No Count

C=Common

This list follows IOC WORLD BIRD LIST v (13.1) as such names may be different from some other taxonomy's

A	SPECIES	E = Endemic	SCIENTIFIC NAME	B	C	D	E
1	Philippine Megapode		<i>Megapodius cumingii</i>	1	3		
2	Wandering Whistling Duck		<i>Dendrocygna arcuata</i>	1	7		
3	Red-breasted Partridge	E	<i>Arborophila hyperythra</i>	1	2		
4	Sabah Partridge		<i>Tropicoperdix graydoni</i>	1	2	2	H
5	Crimson-headed Partridge	E	<i>Haematoryx sanguinceps</i>	1	3		
6	Bornean Crested Fireback		<i>Lophura ignita</i>			2	1
7	Great Argus		<i>Argusianus argus</i>			3	1

8	Storm's Stork	<i>Ciconia stormi</i>	3	2		
9	Lesser Adjutant	<i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>	3	4		
10	Nankeen Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i>	2	6		
11	Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	1	2		
12	Javan Pond Heron	<i>Ardeola speciosa</i>	1	1		
13	Striated Heron	<i>Botorides striata</i>	1	1		
14	Cinnamon Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus cinnamomeus</i>	1	1		
15	Eastern Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis ssp. coromandus</i>	2	8		
16	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	5	3		
17	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	6	200		
18	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	3	10		
19	Pacific Reef Heron	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	1	2		
20	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	1	2		
21	Black-backed Swampphen	<i>Porphyrio indicus</i>	1	4		
22	White-browed Crake	<i>Amaurornis cinerea</i>	1	2		
23	Buff-banded Rail	<i>Hypotaenidia philippensis</i>	1	2		
24	Oriental Darter	<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>	3	2		
25	Crested (Oriental) Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>			1	1
26	Jerdon's Baza	<i>Aviceda jerdoni</i>	2	2		
27	Crested Serpent Eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>	3	3		
28	Bat Hawk	<i>Macheiramphus alcinus</i>	2	3		
29	Changeable Hawk-Eagle	<i>Nisaetus cirrhatous</i>	2	1		
30	Blyth's Hawk-Eagle	<i>Nisaetus alboniger</i>	1	1		
31	Wallace's Hawk-Eagle	<i>Nisaetus nanus</i>	2	2	1	2
32	Black Eagle	<i>Ictinaetus malaiensis</i>	1	1	1	1
33	Crested Goshawk	<i>Accipiter trivirgatus</i>	2	1		
34	Brahminy Kite	<i>Haliastur indus</i>	4	2		
35	White-bellied Sea Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>	1	1		
36	Lesser Fish Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus humilis</i>	1	1		
37	White-breasted Waterhen	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>	5	15		
38	Malaysian Plover	<i>Charadrius peronii</i>	1	5		
39	Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>	1	3		
40	Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>	5	N/C		
41	Spotted Dove	<i>Spilopelia chinensis</i>	6	8		
42	Little Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia ruficeps</i>	4	2		
43	Common (Asian) Emerald Dove	<i>Chalcophaps indica</i>	4	1		
44	Zebra Dove	<i>Geopelia striata</i>	3	10		
45	Little Green Pigeon	<i>Treron olax</i>	4	20		
46	Pink-necked Green Pigeon	<i>Treron vernans</i>	5	4		
47	Green Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula aenea</i>	5	10	3	2
48	Thick-billed Green Pigeon	<i>Treron curvirostra</i>	1	2	1	2
49 2	Mountain Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula badia</i>	1	1		
50	Greater Coucal	<i>Centropus sinensis</i>	2	1	2	1
51	Bornean Ground Cuckoo	E <i>Carpococcyx radiceus</i>	1	1		
52	Raffles's Malkoha	<i>Rhinortha chlorophaea</i>	1	1	2	1
53	Red-billed Malkoha	<i>Zanlostomus javanicus</i>			1	1
54	Chestnut-breasted Malkoha	<i>Phaenicophaeus curvirostris</i>	2	1	2	1

55	Black-bellied Malkoha	<i>Phaenicophaeus diardi</i>	1	2	1	1
56	Violet Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx xanthorhynchus</i>	1	2		
57	Banded Bay Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis sonneratii</i>	1	H		
58	Plaintive Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis merulinus</i>	2	1	1	1
59	Dark Hawk-Cuckoo	<i>Hierococcyx bocki</i>	1	2		
60	Square-tailed Drongo Cuckoo	<i>Surniculus lugubris</i>			1	1
61	Indian Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus micropterus</i>	1	H		
62	Sunda Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus lepidus</i>	2	1		
63	Oriental Bay Owl	<i>Phodilus badius</i>			1	1
64	Sunda Owlet	<i>Taenioptynx sylvaticus</i>	1	H		
65	Buffy Fish Owl	<i>Ketupa ketupu</i>	1	1	3	1
66	Brown Wood-Owl	E <i>Strix leptogrammica</i>			1	1
67	Blyth's Frogmouth	<i>Batrachostomus affinis</i>			2	H
68	Large Frogmouth	<i>Batrachostomus auritus</i>	1	H		
69	Whiskered Treeswift	<i>Batrachostomus affinis</i>			3	3
70	Grey-rumped Treeswift	<i>Hemiprocne longipennis</i>	1	1		
71	Plume-toed Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia affinis</i>	4	200	2	6
72	Bornean Swiflet	E <i>Collocalia dodgei</i>	3	N/C		
73	Edible-nest (White-nest) Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus fuciphagus</i>	2	2		
74	Silver-rumped Spinetail	<i>Rhaphidura leucopygialis</i>	2	1	1	4
75	Diard's Trogon	<i>Harpactes diardii</i>	2	4		
76	Whitehead's Trogon	E <i>Harpactes whiteheadi</i>	1	2		
77	Scarlet-rumped Trogon	<i>Harpactes duvaucelii</i>	1	2	1	1
78	Oriental Dollarbird	<i>Eurystomus orientalis</i>	4	8		
79	Rufous-collared Kingfisher	<i>Actenoides concretus</i>	1	1		
80	Banded Kingfisher	<i>Lacedo pulchella</i>	1	1		
81	Stork-billed Kingfisher	<i>Pelargopsis capensis</i>	5	1		
82	Collared Kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus chloris</i>	2	1		
83	Blue-eared Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo meninting</i>	3	2		
84	Oriental Dwarf Kingfisher	<i>Ceyx erithaca</i>	2	1		
85	Red-bearded Bee-eater	<i>Nyctornis amictus</i>	1	1		
86	Blue-throated Bee-eater	<i>Merops viridis</i>	4	5	2	1
87	White-crowned Hornbill	<i>Berenicornis comatus</i>	1	1		
88	Rhinoceros Hornbill	<i>Buceros rhinoceros</i>	4	15		
89	Helmeted Hornbill	<i>Rhinoplax vigil</i>	1	2	1	2
90	Oriental Pied Hornbill	<i>Anthracoceros albirostris</i>	4	6		
91	Black Hornbill	<i>Anthracoceros malayanus</i>	4	4		
92	Bushy-crested Hornbill	<i>Anorrhinus galeritus</i>	2	11		
93	Wreathed Hornbill	<i>Rhyticeros undulatus</i>	1	2		
94	Wrinkled Hornbill	<i>Rhabdotorrhinus corrugatus</i>	1	2	2	1
95	Golden-whiskered Barbet	<i>Psilopogon chrysopogon</i>	2	2	1	2
96	Red-throated Barbet	<i>Psilopogon mystacophanus</i>	1	1	1	1
97	Mountain Barbet	E <i>Psilopogon monticola</i>	1	2		
98	Yellow-crowned Barbet	<i>Psilopogon henricii</i>			2	1
99	Golden-naped Barbet	E <i>Psilopogon pulcherrimus</i>	3	2		
100	Blue-eared Barbet	<i>Psilopogon duvaucelii</i>	4	2	1	2
101	Bornean Barbet	E <i>Psilopogon eximius</i>	1	2		

102	Brown Barbet	E	<i>Caloramphus fuliginosus</i>	2	1	2	2
103	Rufous Piculet		<i>Sasia abnormis</i>			2	1
104	Sunda Pygmy Woodpecker		<i>Yungipicus moluccensis</i>	1	1		
105	Grey-and-buff Woodpecker		<i>Hemicircus concretus</i>	1	3		
106	White-bellied Woodpecker		<i>Dryocopus javensis</i>	1	1		
107	Banded Woodpecker		<i>Chrysophlegma miniaceum</i>	1	1		
108	Checker-throated Woodpecker		<i>Chrysophlegma mentale</i>	1	1		
109	Crimson-winged Woodpecker		<i>Picus puniceus</i>	1	3		
110	Maroon Woodpecker		<i>Blythipicus rubiginosus</i>	1	1	1	1
111	Orange-backed Woodpecker		<i>Reinwardtipicus validus</i>	1	2		
112	Rufous Woodpecker		<i>Micropternus brachyurus</i>	2	3		
113	Buff-rumped Woodpecker		<i>Meiglyptes tristis</i>	1	1	2	1
114	Buff-necked Woodpecker		<i>Meiglyptes tukki</i>	1	2		
115	Great Slaty Woodpecker		<i>Mulleripicus pulverulentus</i>	2	2		
116	White-fronted Falconet (Bornean)	E	<i>Microhierax latifrons</i>	1	2		
117	Long-tailed Parakeet		<i>Psittacula longicauda</i>	5	10		
118	Blue-crowned Hanging Parrot		<i>Loriculus galgulus</i>	2	2	1	1
119	Blue-naped Parrot		<i>Tanygnathus lucionensis</i>	1	4		
120	Whitehead's Broadbill	E	<i>Calyptomena whiteheadi</i>	1	1		
121	Black-and-red Broadbill		<i>Cymbirhynchus macrorhynchos</i>	3	2	2	1
122	Banded Broadbill		<i>Eurylaimus javanicus</i>	1	1		
123	Black-and-yellow Broadbill		<i>Eurylaimus ochromalus</i>	2	2	3	2
124	Giant Pitta		<i>Hydrornis caeruleus</i>			1	1
125	Blue-headed Pitta	E	<i>Hydrornis baudii</i>			3	1+3H
126	Bornean Banded Pitta	E	<i>Hydrornis schwaneri</i>	1	H		
127	Blue-banded Pitta	E	<i>Erythropitta arquata</i>	1	H		
128	Black-crowned Pitta	E	<i>Erythropitta ussheri</i>	1	1	1	1
129	Hooded Pitta		<i>Pitta sordida</i>	2	1		
130	Golden-bellied Gerygone		<i>Gerygone sulphurea</i>	1	1	1	1
131	Bar-winged Flycatcher-shrike		<i>Hemipus picatus</i>	1	2		
132	Black-winged Flycatcher-shrike		<i>Hemipus hirundinaceus</i>	2	2	2	1
133	Large Woodshrike		<i>Tephrodornis virgatus</i>	2	3	1	2
134	Rufous-winged Philentoma		<i>Philentoma pyrhoptera</i>	1	1		
135	Maroon-breasted Philentoma		<i>Philentoma velata</i>			1	2
136	White-breasted Woodswallow		<i>Artamus leucorhynchus</i>	7	4		
137	Common Iora		<i>Aegithina tiphia</i>	3	1		
138	Green Iora		<i>Aegithina viridissima</i>			2	1
139	Pied Triller		<i>Lalage nigra</i>	2	2		
140	Lesser Cuckooshrike		<i>Coracina fimbriata</i>	1	2	3	1
141	Grey-chinned Minivet		<i>Pericrocotus solaris</i>	1	6		
142	Bornean Whistler	E	<i>Pachycephala hypoxantha</i>	1	1		
143	Mangrove Whistler		<i>Pachycephala cinerea</i>	1	2		
144	Long-tailed Shrike		<i>Lanius schach</i>	3	4	1	1
145	White-bellied Erpornis		<i>Erpornis zantholeuca</i>			1	1
146	Blyth's Shrike-babbler		<i>Pteruthius aeralatus</i>	1	1		
147	Dark-throated Oriole		<i>Oriolus xanthonotus</i>	1	1	2	2
148	Black-and-crimson Oriole		<i>Oriolus cruentus</i>	1	2		

149	Ashy Drongo		<i>Dicrurus leucophaeus</i>	3	1		
150	Hair-crested Drongo		<i>Dicrurus hottentottus</i>	2	2		
151	Greater Racket-tailed Drongo		<i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i>	1	2	1	1
152	Bronzed Drongo		<i>Dicrurus aeneus</i>	1	1		
153	White-throated Fantail		<i>Rhipidura albicollis</i>	3	2		
154	Malaysian Pied Fantail		<i>Rhipidura javanica</i>	5	2	3	4
155	Spotted Fantail		<i>Rhipidura perlata</i>			2	4
156	Black-naped Monarch		<i>Hypothymis azurea</i>	1	1	1	1
157	Crested Jayshrike		<i>Platylophus galericulatus</i>			1	3
158	Bornean Black Magpie		<i>Platysmurus leucopterus aterrimus</i>	1	2		
159	Bornean Green Magpie	E	<i>Cissa jefferyi</i>	1	1		
160	Bornean Treepie	E	<i>Dendrocitta cinerascens</i>	3	3		
161	Slender-billed Crow		<i>Corvus enca</i>	5	2	2	7
162	House Crow		<i>Corvus splendens</i>	1	2		
163	Black-headed Bulbul		<i>Pycnonotus atriceps</i>	1	2		
164	Bornean Bulbul	E	<i>Pycnonotus montis</i>	1	1		
165	Pale-faced Bulbul		<i>Pycnonotus leucops</i>	2	2		
166	Yellow-vented Bulbul		<i>Pycnonotus goiavier</i>	4	1		
167	Olive-winged Bulbul		<i>Pycnonotus plumosus</i>	3	4		
168	Asian Red-eyed Bulbul		<i>Pycnonotus brunneus</i>	5	2	1	2
169	Spectacled Bulbul		<i>Pycnonotus erythrophthalmos</i>	3	1	2	3
170	Finsch's Bulbul		<i>Alophoixus finschii</i>			3	2
171	Cream-eyed Bulbul		<i>Pycnonotus pseudosimplex</i>			2	1
172	Ochraceous Bulbul		<i>Alophoixus ochraceus</i>	1	1		
173	Grey-cheeked Bulbul		<i>Alophoixus bres</i>			1	1
174	Yellow-bellied Bulbul		<i>Alophoixus phaeocephalus</i>			1	3
175	Hairy-backed Bulbul		<i>Tricholestes criniger</i>	2	1	2	2
176	Buff-vented Bulbul		<i>Lole olivacea</i>	2	1		
177	Charlotte's Bulbul		<i>Iole charlottae</i>	1	1	1	1
178	Streaked Bulbul		<i>Ixos malaccensis</i>	1	1		
179	Pacific Swallow		<i>Hirundo tahitica</i>	8	4	3	3
180	Yellow-bellied Warbler		<i>Abroscopus superciliaris</i>	1	2		
181	Sunda Bush Warbler		<i>Horornis vulcanius</i>	2	3		
182	Bornean Stubtail	E	<i>Urosphena whiteheadi</i>	1	1		
183	Mountain Leaf Warbler		<i>Phylloscopus trivirgatus</i>	2	1		
184	Yellow-breasted Warbler		<i>Seicercus montis</i>	2	4		
185	Yellow-bellied Prinia		<i>Prinia flaviventris</i>	3	1	3	1
186	Dark-necked Tailorbird		<i>Orthotomus atrogularis</i>			1	2
187	Mountain Tailorbird		<i>Phyllergates cuculatus</i>	2	1		
188	Rufous-tailed Tailorbird		<i>Orthotomus sericeus</i>	2	2	2	1
189	Ashy Tailorbird		<i>Orthotomus ruficeps</i>	4	2	2	1
190	Grey-throated Babbler		<i>Stachyris nigriceps</i>	3	6		
191	Grey-headed Babbler		<i>Stachyris poliocephala</i>	2	2		
192	Chestnut-rumped Babbler		<i>Stachyris maculata</i>	1	1	1	1
193	Black-throated Babbler		<i>Stachyris nigricollis</i>	1	H		
194	Grey-hooded Babbler		<i>Cyanoderma bicolor</i>	3	2	1	1
195	Rufous-fronted Babbler		<i>Cyanoderma rufifrons</i>			1	1

196	Bold-striped Tit-Babbler		<i>Macronus bornensis</i>	2	1	2	2
197	Fluffy-backed Tit-Babbler		<i>Macronus ptilosus</i>			1	1
198	Brown Fulvetta		<i>Alcippe brunneicauda</i>			4	1
199	Temminck's Babbler		<i>Pellorneum pyrogenys</i>	1	1		
200	Puff-backed Bulbul		<i>Euptilotus eutilotus</i>			1	1
201	Charlotte's Bulbul		<i>Iole charlottae</i>	1	1		
202	Streaked Bulbul		<i>Ixos malaccensis</i>	1	1		
203	Bornean Wren-Babbler	E	<i>Ptilocichla leucogrammica</i>			2	1
204	Black-throated Wren-Babbler	E	<i>Napothera atrigularis</i>			1	1
205	Mountain Wren-Babbler	E	<i>Napothera crassa</i>	1	1		
206	Striped Wren-Babbler		<i>Kenopia striata</i>			2	2
207	Horsfield's Babbler		<i>Malacocincla sepiaria</i>			1	2
208	Short-tailed Babbler		<i>Malacocincla malaccensis</i>	1	1		
209	Sooty-capped Babbler		<i>Malacopteron affine</i>	1	4	4	3
210	Scaly-crowned Babbler		<i>Malacopteron cinereum</i>			1	1
211	Rufous-crowned Babbler		<i>Malacopteron magnum</i>	1	1		
212	White-chested Babbler		<i>Trichastoma rostratum</i>	2	1		
213	Ferruginous Babbler		<i>Trichastoma bicolor</i>			1	2
214	Black-capped Babbler		<i>Pellorneum capistratum</i>	1	2	1	2
215	Sunda Laughingthrush		<i>Garrulax palliatus</i>	2	6		
216	Chestnut-hooded Laughingthrush	E	<i>Garrulax treacheri</i>	3	10		
217	Bare-headed Laughingthrush	E	<i>Garrulax calvus</i>	1	2		
218	Chestnut-crested Yuhina	E	<i>Yuhina everetti</i>	3	15		
219	Pygmy White-eye	E	<i>Oculocincta squamifrons</i>	2	2		
220	Mountain Blackeye	E	<i>Chlorocharis emiliae</i>	1	2		
221	Black-capped White-eye		<i>Zosterops atricapilla</i>	3	2		
222	Asian Fairy-bluebird		<i>Irena puella</i>	2	1	1	1
223	Velvet-fronted Nuthatch		<i>Sitta frontalis</i>	1	1	2	3
224	Asian Glossy Starling		<i>Aplonis panayensis</i>	4	N/C		
225	Common Hill Myna		<i>Gracula religiosa</i>	2	1	1	1
226	Javan Myna		<i>Acridotheres javanicus</i>	5	N/C		
227	Everett's Thrush	E	<i>Zoothera everetti</i>	1	2		
228	Oriental Magpie-Robin		<i>Copsychus saularis</i>	5	3		
229	Rufous-tailed Shama		<i>Copsychus pyrropygus</i>			1	1
230	White-crowned Shama	E	<i>Copsychus stricklandii</i>	3	1	2	2
231	Sunda Blue Flycatcher		<i>Cyornis caeruleus</i>			1	1
232	Bornean Blue Flycatcher	E	<i>Cyornis superbus</i>			1	1
233	Malaysian Blue Flycatcher		<i>Cyornis turcosus</i>	2	1		
234	Mangrove Blue Flycatcher		<i>Cyornis rufigastra</i>	1	3		
235	Verditer Flycatcher		<i>Eumyias thalassinus</i>	1	1		
236	Indigo Flycatcher		<i>Eumyias indigo</i>	3	3		
237	Bornean Shortwing	E	<i>Brachypteryx erythrogyna</i>	1	2		
238	Eyebrowed Jungle Flycatcher	E	<i>Vauriella gularis</i>	1	1		
239	Fulvous-chested Jungle Flycatcher		<i>Cyornis olivaceus</i>	1	1		
240	White-crowned Forktail		<i>Enicurus leschenaulti</i>			2	1
241	Bornean Forktail	E	<i>Enicurus borneensis</i>	2	2		
242	Bornean Whistling Thrush	E	<i>Myophonus borneensis</i>	2	1		

243	Rufous-chested Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula dumetoria</i>	1	1		
244	Snowy-browed Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hyperythra</i>	2	2		
245	Little Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula westermanni</i>	2	1		
246	Greater Green Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis sonnerati</i>	2	2	1	2
247	Lesser Green Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis cyanopogon</i>	2	1	3	2
248	Bornean Leafbird E	<i>Chloropsis kinabaluensis</i>	2	3		
249	Yellow-breasted Flowerpecker	<i>Prionochilus maculatus</i>	2	1		
250	Yellow-rumped Flowerpecker E	<i>Prionochilus xanthopygius</i>	2	1	3	1
251	Orange-bellied Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum trigonostigma</i>	2	1		
252	Black-sided Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum monticolum</i>	2	1		
253	Scarlet-backed Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum cruentatum</i>	2	1		
254	Scarlet-breasted Flowerpecker	<i>Prionochilus thoracicus</i>	1	1		
255	Ruby-cheeked Sunbird	<i>Chalcoparia singalensis</i>	4	1	1	1
256	Plain Sunbird	<i>Anthreptes simplex</i>	1	1	2	1
257	Brown-throated Sunbird	<i>Anthreptes malacensis</i>	3	2		
258	Red-throated Sunbird	<i>Anthreptes rhodolaemus</i>	1	1	1	1
259	Purple-naped Sunbird	<i>Kurochkinogramma hypogrammicum</i>	1	1		
260	Olive-backed Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris jugularis</i>	5	2		
261	Van Hasselt's Sunbird	<i>Leptocoma brasiliana</i>	2	1		
262	Crimson Sunbird	<i>Aethopyga siparaja</i>	3	1		
263	Temminck's Sunbird	<i>Aethopyga temminckii</i>	2	2		
264	Little Spiderhunter	<i>Arachnothera longirostra</i>	2	1	4	2
265	Long-billed Spiderhunter	<i>Arachnothera robusta</i>	1	1		
266	Thick-billed Spiderhunter	<i>Arachnothera crassirostris</i>	1	1		
267	Yellow-eared Spiderhunter	<i>Arachnothera chrysogenys</i>	1	1		
268	Spectacled Spiderhunter	<i>Arachnothera flavigaster</i>	1	1		
269	Bornean Spiderhunter E	<i>Arachnothera everetti</i>	1	1		
270	Whitehead's Spiderhunter E	<i>Arachnothera juliae</i>	1	1		
271	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>	8	N/C		
272	Scaly Breasted Munia	<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>	2	4		
273	Dusky Munia	<i>Lonchura fuscans</i>	1	1	2	3
274	Chestnut Munia	<i>Lonchura atricapilla</i>	6	60	1	4
275	Java Sparrow	<i>Padda oryzivora</i>	1	10		
276	Striated Grassbird	<i>Megalurus palustris</i>	1	3		
277	Baya Weaver	<i>Ploceus philippinus</i>	2	4		
	Other sightings					
1	Long-tailed Macaque	<i>Macaca fascicularis</i>	3	50	1	2
2	Southern Pig-tailed Macaque	<i>Macaca nemestrina</i>	5	10		
3	Proboscis Monkey E	<i>Nasalis larvatus</i>	4	30		
4	Maroon Langur	<i>Presbytis rubicunda</i>			3	2
5	Bornean Gibbon E	<i>Hylobates muelleri</i>	1	H	1	H
6	Bornean Orangutan E	<i>Pongo pygmaeus</i>	2	2		
7	Sunda Silvery Langur	<i>Trachypithecus cristatus</i>	2	6		
8	Philippine Palm Civet	<i>Paradoxurus philippinensis</i>	1	1		
9	Malay Civet	<i>Viverra zangalunga</i>			1	1
10	Western Tarsier	<i>Cephalopachus bancanus</i>	1	1		
11	Philippine Slow Loris	<i>Nycticebus menagensis</i>	1	1		

12	Lesser Mouse Deer		<i>Tragulus kanchil</i>	1	2	1	1
13	Sambar Deer		<i>Rusa unicolor</i>			1	3
14	Crab-eating Mongoose		<i>Urva urva</i>			1	1
15	Bornean Pygmy Elephant		<i>Elephas maximus borneensis</i>			1	15
16	Prevost's Squirrel		<i>Callosciurus prevostii</i>	2	3	2	2
17	Plaintain Squirrel	E	<i>Callosciurus notatus</i>	3	2		
18	Bornean Black-banded Squirrel	E	<i>Callosciurus orestes</i>	2	4		
19	Bornean Mountain Ground Squirrel	E	<i>Dremomys everetti</i>	1	1		
20	Kinabalu Squirrel	E	<i>Callosciurus baluensis</i>	1	1		
21	Jentink's Squirrel	E	<i>Sundasciurus jentinki</i>	1	1		
22	Shrew-faced Squirrel		<i>Rhinosciurus laticaudatus</i>	1	1		
23	Least Pygmy Squirrel	E	<i>Exilisciurus exilis</i>	2	2	1	1
24	Tufted Pygmy Squirrel	E	<i>Exilisciurus whiteheadi</i>	1	1		
25	Red Giant Flying Squirrel		<i>Petaurista petaurista</i>	1	3		
26	Thomas's Flying Squirrel	E	<i>Aeromys thomasi</i>			1	2
27	Pale Giant Squirrel		<i>Ratufa affinis</i>	1	3		
28	Lesser Treeshrew		<i>Tupaia minor</i>	1	1		
29	Common Treeshrew		<i>Tupaia glis</i>	1	1		
30	Short-tailed Gymnure		<i>Hylomys suillus</i>	1	1		
31	Sunda Colugo		<i>Galeopterus variegatus</i>	1	1.5		
32	Asian Water Monitor		<i>Varanus salvator</i>	3	2		
33	Green Crested Lizard		<i>Bronchocela cristatella</i>	1	1		
34	Bornean Forest Dragon	E	<i>Gonocephalus bornensis</i>	1	1		
35	Bornean Keeled Pit Viper		<i>Tropidolaemus subannulatus</i>	1	1		
36	Common Birdwing		<i>Troides helena</i>	2	2	1	1
37	Raja Brooke's Birdwing		<i>Trogonoptera brookiana</i>			1	1
38	Flying Lizard sp		<i>Sp?</i>	1	1		
39	Rafflesia		<i>Rafflesia pricei</i>	1	1		
40	Last Minute Lantern Bug		<i>Pyrops whiteheadi</i>	1	3		
41	Painted Mock Viper		<i>Psammodynastes pictus</i>	1	1		
42	Bornean Bark Mantis		<i>Theopompa borneana</i>	1	1		

There were lots of butterflies, dragonflies, moths and flowers including orchids seen. These will take a long time to try and get sorted, we will update this list as and when they get identified.



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