

LESVOS - 2013

27th April – 04rd May 2013

HIGHLIGHTS

Either for rarity value, excellent views or simply a group favourite.

- Krüper's Nuthatch
- White-winged Terns
- Collared Pratincole
- 4 Rufous Bush Robins
- Little Bittern
- Sombre Tit
- Isabelline Wheatear
- Short-toed Eagle
- Lesser Grey Shrike
- Western Rock Nuthatch
- Red-footed Falcon
- Roller
- Rüppell's Warbler
- Cinereous Bunting
- Collared Flycatcher
- European Bee-Eater
- Hobby
- Black-headed Bunting
- Yelkouan Shearwater
- Black-headed Bunting
- Little Crake
- Masked Shrike
- Curlew Sandpipers
- Long-eared Owl with chick
- Scops Owl
- Black Storks
- Holy Orchid
- Eastern Festoon
- Rock Sparrow
- Cretzmar's Bunting
- Great Reed Warblers
- Dark Spreadwing
- Blue Rock Thrush
- Endemic Bush Cricket
- *Poecilimon mytelensis*
- Spur-thighed Tortoise
- Persian Squirrel
- Glass Lizard
- Starred Agama

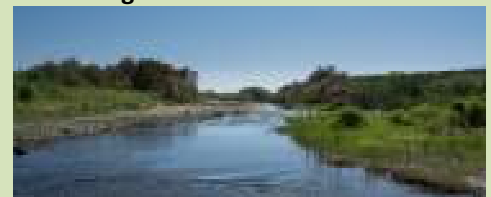
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SUMMARY:

The magical island of Lesvos lived up to its name once again. This year's unseasonal good weather was an excellent break from the harsh British and US weather but meant there were fewer birds than normal for this time of year. We did however see most of our target birds and of course many sought after migrants that readily pass through this beautiful island. Add to this rare butterflies, dragonflies, orchids and flowers then it's no wonder people come back time and time again. Our tour was once again timed to get a good variety of the spring migrants that are heading north from their wintering grounds. We were not disappointed and enjoyed superb views of most of the birds we saw. The two star birds, Krüper's Nuthatch and Cinereous Bunting were easily seen, and a wealth of other sought after species duly obliged. Of special note was the four Rufous-tailed Robins we found with three sat next to each other on a fence! Three Scops-Owls in one spot and a Long-eared Owl with chicks was a delight as was the evening light and ever changing birds around the salt-pans, all adding wonderful memories to this wonderful holiday. As ever the tour was enriched by the camaraderie of many of our fellow birders. We will return again next year to see what wonderful surprises await us. Zoothera currently offer the very best price for their inclusive tour to this fabulous Greek Island.



One of three superb Rufous Bush Robins seen together near the Tsiknias River



Part of the Tsiknias River that we regularly checked – Vaughan Ryall

27th April 2013

Most of our group arrived on an early morning flight where we were greeted by the beginnings of a warm sunny and clear day. After working our way through the narrow streets of Mytilini we were on our way toward to small fishing village of Skala Kalloni. After an hour we arrived at our hotel and were soon tucking into a very welcome breakfast. We then went out for a couple of hours introductory birding. It soon became apparent that both **Corn Buntings** and **Crested Larks** were common and were to be seen almost anywhere and every day. We first drove to the Tsiknias River (East River) and soon found our first groups of **Squacco Herons** feeding out in the open shallow water. A **Black Stork** stood out amongst the many **Yellow-legged Gulls** in the river mouth and several **Common Terns** flew past while our first **Eastern Olivaceous Warbler** sang from a nearby bush. Moving slowly along we located plenty of **Wood Sandpipers**, and then a brief stop had us out of the minibus to get superb views of **Black-headed Wagtails**, a **Red-backed Shrike** and our first stunning looking male **Black-headed Bunting**. At another spot we watched up to six **Red-throated Pipits**, most in their fine breeding colours. A **Little Ringed Plover** was found and nearby on the main salt pans a huge flock of several hundred **Greater Flamingos** looked superb in the morning light. Scanning this area we soon found **Little Terns**, **Common Terns** and a flock of **Pied Avocets**. We then returned to the hotel for lunch. After a little rest, well we had been up for some 24hrs, we went out for a few more hours. On the Tsiknias River we watched a female **Little Bittern**, then further on a nice group of **Collared Pratincoles** flying overhead, and several **Whinchat**, before getting to the sheep fields where we enjoyed perfect light conditions as we found 2 **Stone-curlew**, several **Black Storks**, a **Greater Short-toed Lark** in song flight and then perched. Then 30 or so Glossy Ibis came in and landed in the distant grasses. Also in the grassy areas were **Little and Temminck's Stints**, **Kentish Plover**, a **Spoonbill** that flew over, four or more **Black Storks**, two **Ruddy Shelduck**, **Grey Heron**, **Red-backed Shrikes** including a nice male, and on closer inspection we found good numbers of **Dark Spreadwings** and a few **Red-veined Darters** in and around the grasses. We returned to the hotel later in the day, tired from the journey to Lesvos but delighted with the sightings from our first day and filled with anticipation of what the next days could hold.

28th April 2013

This morning before breakfast we made a visit to Metochi Lake (Inland Lake). It's always best to visit early morning and we were not disappointed as we found at least 10 **Little Bitterns**, 4 **Little Crakes**, **Red-rumped Swallows**, **Little Grebe**, 12 or more **Black-crowned Night Herons**, **Squacco Herons**, several **Sedge Warblers**, and a couple of **Great Reed Warblers** that showed well. After a while, one



One of the commoner birds on the island we saw Crested larks everyday – photo by Pete Gilbert



A great year for Black Storks which showed well to us on many occasions



A group of Red-throated Pipits look fantastic in their brick red breeding plumage – photo Pete Gilbert

of the **Little Crakes**, a nice male sat right out in open preening on top of some flattened reeds. After breakfast we headed west. Our first stop though was just five minutes away where we found a fluffy white **Long-eared Owl** chick sat on its nest. Nearby we found the adult bird and after working out where we could get a clear view of it, we enjoyed super views as it sat out in the morning sun. In the same area a **Scops-Owl** was showing itself off as it roosted against a tree trunk, and on another tree a cute **Persian Squirrel** put on a show. After this we continued our journey west with our first stop offering **Woodchat Shrike**, **Subalpine Warbler**, and some flyover **Black Storks**. Next we visited an area nicknamed the Grand Canyon where we checked out the rocky crags and soon found a male **Blue Rock Thrush**, several **Eurasian Crag Martins** flying around and giving great views, a **Western Rock Nuthatch** was found and then a singing **Rock Sparrow** posed on top of one of the crags. Others birds here included **Black-eared Wheatear**, **Cirl Bunting**, and a singing **Cretchmar's Bunting**. Moving on toward Ipsilou we stopped to look at a hillside with scattered boulders and ideal habitat for our target bird the **Isabelline Wheatear**. While watching these, a **Short-toed Eagle** soared by and a **Peregrine Falcon** was seen. We soon found a couple of **Isabelline Wheatears** and while watching these performing their song flights we also saw a **European Roller** and plenty more **Black-eared Wheatears**, **Long-legged Buzzard** and a **Common Kestrel**.

Moving on again we drove to quiet secluded beach at Sigrí where we had our picnic lunch. Along the beach and surrounding scrub were two **Lesser Grey Shrikes**, **Red-backed Shrikes**, **Black-headed Buntings** and a **Tawny Pipit**, while on a beach pool were some **Little Stints**, **Yellow Wagtails** and a **Little Ringed Plover**. Nearby a small ford crossing a stream was surprisingly quiet except for a **Little Bittern** and a couple of **Wood Sandpipers**. We made a short walk along a track but it was birdless and our only creature of note was a **Giant Peacock Moth**.

Leaving the area we worked our way slowly back toward Skala Kalloni stopping for a group of 6 **Lesser Kestrels** performing exceptionally well as they hovered and hunted over the grassy hills. Also here were a few **Common Kestrels** for comparison and a **Marsh Harrier** flew high above. Our last stop of the day near the Petrified Forest produced a **Woodchat Shrike**, a superb male **Montagu's Harrier**, as well as **Little Owl** and then by Ipsilou Monastery we watched some **Masked Shrikes** and a couple of **Alpine Swifts**.

29th April 2013

Today we checked the Tsiknias (West) River before breakfast getting good views of a singing **Nightingale**, a



Little Bitterns were easy to see and we had as many as 10 in one place – Photo Vaughan Ryall



What great views we got of this adult Long-eared Owl – photo Gina Nichol



A cute looking Persian Squirrel

few **Kentish Plovers**, **Black Storks** and 13 **Little Stints**. After breakfast we worked our way to the Tsiknias (East) River seeing a **Grey Heron**, lots of **Squacco Herons**, **Little Ringed Plovers**, and both **Common** and **Scarce Swallowtail Butterflies**. A few male **Black-headed Buntings** posed nicely on riverside bushes and a **Cetti's Warblers** sat in open view proved that they are not always elusive. We got good views of **Eastern Olivaceous Warbler** sat out and a distant **Little Owl** sat on a wire. From the hide overlooking the salt pans we watched a flock of **Ruff**, plus the usual **Wood Sandpipers**, **Black-winged Stilts**, **Little Ringed Plovers**, **Flamingos** and **Pied Avocets**. Further searching revealed a couple of **Whinchats** and a **Eurasian Spoonbill**.

Today we took our lunch overlooking the bay from a tavern in the pleasant fishing village of Skala Kalloni. We returned to the hotel and enjoyed the antics of the nesting House Martins and then later set off to Achladeri Forest. We logged three **Common Buzzards** along the way. On our arrival in the small patch of pine forest we were greeted by one of the star breeding birds of the island a male **Krüper's Nuthatch** which called in the tree right above heads. We then watched the female sticking her head out of the nest hole in an old stump nearby. After an hour or so of watching the birds we decided to take a walk through the woods. Here we had to track down a pair of calling **Short-toed Treecreepers** which we eventually saw well. On our way back to Kalloni we made a stop in the salt pans where the afternoon light was stunning an lit up the **Flamingos**, **Ruff** and **Avocets**. Four **White-winged Terns** were a highlight and a couple of **Little Terns** flew along the waterway beside us.

30th April 2013

This morning we did our pre breakfast walk around the sheep fields. Highlights were a pair of **Stone-curlew** seen well amongst the sheep, while the bushes held a **Lesser Whitethroat**, and nearby **Greater Short-toed Lark**, and a couple of **Red-throated Pipits** flying over. A **Eurasian Oystercatcher** was seen in the surf just offshore and was the first ever seen on this tour. After breakfast we drove north to a site for breeding **Rüppell's Warblers**. We enjoyed great views of a male plus a female **Eastern Orphean Warbler**, singing **Subalpine Warblers**, a fine looking **Black-eared Wheatear** and a surprise **Harbour Porpoise** close inshore. A quick roadside stop allowed great views of some perched **Red-rumped Swallows**. We moved on along the north coastal track where there were a few **Red-backed Shrikes**, **Cretzschmar's Buntings**, **Eurasian Turtle Doves**, (wild) **Rock Doves**, **Eurasian Collared Doves**, **Black-eared Wheatears**, and nice looks at a **Black-headed Bunting** perched on a power line. Butterflies were in evidence here taking advantage of the



This was one of several Common Swallowtails seen – photo Pete Gilbert



The best place in the world to see the special Krüper's Nuthatch and we were not disappointed – photo Pete Gilbert



A beautiful photo of Poppies in a Barley field – by Vaughan Ryall

warmth of the sun and here we saw **Painted Lady**, **Eastern Frestoon**, **Scarce Swallowtail**, **Common Blue**, **Clouded Yellow**, and even a **Broad-bodied Chaser** dragonfly.

We enjoyed a fabulous taverna lunch in the seaside village of Skala Sikaminias in the company of countless cats before continuing inland traversing the middle of the island. We stopped for a **White Stork** nesting on a chimney stack and then drove to the Napi Valley where roadside stops produced **Common Cuckoo**, **Eurasian Hoopoe**, a colourful flock of **European Bee-eaters**, **Cretzschmar's Buntings**, a female **Cirl Bunting** and a **Sombre Tit**. At one point we checked a small stream only to find an **Ortolan Bunting** that flew in and drank briefly before disappearing. We also checked the salt pans and sheep fields on the way back to the hotel and added **Cormorant** for the day and had good views of up to six **Black Storks**. A **Spur-thighed Tortoise** was found in the grasses and on closer inspection some of us got to see the spurs!

01st May 2013

Before breakfast we revisited the inland Metochi Lake. As expected there were several **Little Bitterns** plus a very showing female **Little Crake** and brief views of two others. There were **Black-crowned Night Herons** at the far end of the lake and **Reed, Sedge** and **Great Reed Warblers** were seen and heard. A **Blackcap** was new for the trip and we were treated to amazing views of some low flying **Common Swifts**.

After breakfast we drove the coastal road west towards Sigri picking up a few **Little Owls** enroute (at least five seen today). Roadside stops produced **Cinereous Bunting**, lots of **Cretzschmar's Buntings**, a **Common Cuckoo**, **Long-legged Buzzards** and a **Short-toed Eagle**. **Black-eared Wheatears** were seen, a male **Red-backed Shrike** showed well, and another **Sombre Tit** was seen. In another spot we got great views of a male **Collared Flycatcher**, fleeting views of **Orphean Warbler** and many more **Red-backed Shrikes** and a few **Stonechats**.

Moving on to a fig orchards we had several **Spotted Flycatchers**, **Pied Flycatcher** and a **Collared Flycatcher** that got away. Two **Lesser Grey Shrikes** were seen well and there was another **Sombre Tit** and an unusually pale headed **Short-toed Eagle**. We stopped for a quick ice cream break in Sigri and then headed toward the ford stopping to see a perched **Red-footed falcon**. Here there were also **Lesser Kestrels** overhead and a flock of 40+ **European Bee-eaters** perched and flying around a large tree. Down by the ford were **Wood Sandpipers**, a **Ruff**, a **Temminck's Stint** and some more perched **European Bee-eaters**. Pleased with our discoveries here, we drove



These Bee-eaters were a pleasure to watch – photo Pete Gilbert



The common Cretzschmar's Bunting was seen a lot – photo Pete Gilbert



This perched Red-footed Falcon posed wonderfully for us – Vaughan Ryall

back to the salt pans in time for a flock of 30 **Whiskered Terns**, at least two **White-winged Terns**, and a **Eurasian Spoonbill** amongst the **Greater Flamingos**. A large flock of shorebirds included **Wood Sandpipers**, countless **Ruff**, at least 40 **Little Stints**, and two brightly coloured **Curlew Sandpipers**.

02nd May 2013

This morning we went to the Tsiknias River (East River). In addition to the usual **Black-headed** and **Corn Buntings**, there were at least eight **Temminck's Stints** and a few **Purple Herons** seen from the west side of the river. A black headed **Yellow Wagtail** foraged along the river edge and some **Little Ringed Plovers** were seen by the muddy edges. We moved around to the other side and found a **Little Gull** flying along the beach near the river mouth. A **Greater Short-toed Lark** foraged in the grass and a **Red-backed Shrike** was perched up. We scanned the vegetation in the distance and came up with a **Rufous Bush Robin** perched on a distant tree singing. Scope views confirmed it though it was far away. We then moved back toward the river and were surprised to find three more **Rufous Bush Robins** and watched them at amazingly close range as they interacted and then landed on a fence wire all together. Fantastic! Our pre-breakfast walk was capped off by two **White Storks** that flew over Skala Kalloni village.

After breakfast we headed along the eastern side of the Gulf of Kalloni toward Polichnitos.

A number of **Great** and **Little Egrets** were seen along the way as well as a **Grey Heron**. A stop just past Achladeri Forest found us a **Serin** at the top of an evergreen and some **European Greenfinches**. We made our way into an olive tree plantation and had varying views of an **Olive Tree Warbler** that was nesting in one of the groves. A **Black-billed Magpie** made a very brief appearance in another tree but otherwise the olive grove was quiet. On the way out we had two female and two male **Red-footed Falcons** perched on some power lines showing very nicely. At the salt pans we had nice views of **Curlew Sandpipers**, **Little Stints** and **Ruff** and then we continued on toward the coastal village of Vatera. A tavern lunch overlooking the sea in Vatera had us looking at some very active **Bottle-nosed Dolphins** and several groups of **Yelkouan Shearwaters** flying just off shore. After lunch we moved up along the coast and found a couple of **Sardinian Warblers** and an **Eastern Olivaceous Warbler** that showed well for us. A couple of nice **Holy Orchids** were a good find. Heading back through the Polichnitos Salt pans we had good looks at the waders again and then we returned to the Kalloni Salt Pans to bird in the fantastic afternoon light. The light was indeed glorious and the salt pans were full of birds including several gorgeous **Curlew Sandpipers**, more than a dozen **Black-tailed Godwits**, many **Ruff**, **Little Stints**, two **Spotted**



Great views of White-winged Terns as they flew along the channel



The song of the Black-headed Bunting could be heard throughout the island – photo Vaughan Ryall



One of three Rufous Bush Robins seen together by the Tsiknias River – photo by Gina Nichol

Redshank, Grey Plover, Pied Avocets, Gull-billed Tern, Little Tern, White-winged and Whiskered Terns, Spotted Redshanks, Spoonbill, Black Storks, Yellow-legged Gulls, Ruddy Shelduck, and Common Shelduck. Finally seven **White Storks** flew over adding to the spectacle. We ended this splendid day with dinner at a Taverna in town and a review of some of the fabulous birds seen.

03rd May 2013

This morning before breakfast we once again visited the Tsiknias River (East River) and the sheep fields and found **Temminck's Stints, Black Storks, Greater Short-toed Larks,** and a **Common Chiffchaff** among other things. There were three **Eurasian Curlew** working the sand bar at the mouth of the river and a **Tree Pipit** and a few **Red-throated Pipits** on the way out. A **Common Snipe** was hanging around with several **Wood Sandpipers** in the marsh and most people got on it before it did a disappearing act in grass. After breakfast we stopped at the Kalloni Raptor Watch Point where we scanned across the valley and found **Eurasian Sparrowhawk, Common Kestrel, Long-legged Buzzard, Common Buzzard, Eurasian Hobby,** and **Short-toed Eagle.** A **Northern Goshawk** flew across and swung up above the horizon giving definitive views. There were **Cirl Buntings** singing from the tops of bushes and an **Orphean Warbler** showed well for us. We then made our way to the Soccer Field where we found three **Scops Owls** perched up in the trees. Moving on to the Fila masts we had nice looks at **Subalpine Warbler, Red-backed Shrike,** and **Cirl Bunting,** and with patience, a **Bonelli's Warbler,** a close **Hobby,** several nice butterflies, a dung beetle, and an active group of **Long-tailed Tits.** Our lunch stop was at Skala Kalloni beach and then we drove slowly along the upper Tsiknias River (East River) and had more views of **Temminck's Stint, White Stork,** and some **European Bee-eaters** flitting around the power lines. We next moved up to the Napi Valley and found more **Hoopoes** before heading back to the Kalloni Salt Pans to enjoy a last evening there. Again the light was stunning and lit up **White-winged Terns, Whiskered Terns,** at least four **Purple Herons,** an interesting identification challenge of a 1st year **Montagu's Harrier, Common Greenshanks, Ruddy Turnstones, Grey Plover,** and the gorgeous flock of pink **Flamingos.** Working back toward the hotel along the river we had a lovely **Little Bittern.** Our final dinner at the hotel included a review of the highlights of the trip which are noted at the beginning of this report.

04th May 2013

After an early breakfast we set off to Mytilini airport for our flights home. It was a great week full of good birds, butterflies, good food, good fun, picturesque villages and some wonderful sunshine!

We can't wait to return. Steve & Gina



These Holy Orchids were found near the beach - photo Vaughan Ryall



Subalpine Warbler by Pete Gilbert



One of the Scops Owls that showed well to us – photo Vaughan Ryall

BIRDLIST FOR LESVOS 2013

A = Number of species recorded on tour D = Number of days out of 7 recorded
E = Highest daily count

A	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME	D	E
1	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	2	3
2	Yelkouan Shearwater	<i>Puffinus yelkouan</i>	1	200
3	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo sinensis</i>	2	1
4	European Shag	<i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis desmarestii</i>	2	1
5	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	7	60+
6	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	7	1
7	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	6	6
8	Great Egret	<i>Casmerodius alba</i>	3	2
9	Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>	7	20
10	Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	2	12
11	Little Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus minutus</i>	6	10
12	Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>	7	21
13	White Stork	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>	3	9
14	Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	1	40
15	Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>	6	200
16	Ruddy Shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>	4	4
17	Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	6	4
18	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	4	3
19	Short-toed Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>	3	3
20	Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	1	1
21	Montagu's Harrier	<i>Circus pygargus</i>	1	1
22	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>	1	2
23	Northern Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>	1	1
24	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	5	6
25	Long-legged Buzzard	<i>Buteo rufinus</i>	4	4
26	Lesser Kestrel	<i>Falco naumanni</i>	2	6
27	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	4	5
28	Red-footed Falcon	<i>Falco vespertinus</i>	3	5
29	Eurasian Hobby	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>	1	2
30	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	2	1
31	Little Crake	<i>Porzana parva</i>	2	4
32	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	7	8
33	Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	1	1
34	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	6	20+
35	Pied Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	6	100+
36	Stone Curlew	<i>Burhinus oedicephalus</i>	4	2
37	Collared Pratincole	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>	1	12
38	Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	2	1
39	Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>	7	6
40	Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>	4	6
41	Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	1	1
42	Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	2	13
43	Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	1	3
44	Spotted Redshank	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>	1	2
45	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	1	3
46	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	7	100
47	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	3	2

48	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	1	2
49	Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>	6	60+
50	Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>	4	8
51	Curlew Sandpiper	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	2	50+
52	Ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>	4	500+
53	Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>	7	C _{common}
54	Little Gull	<i>Larus minutus</i>	2	1
55	Gull-billed Tern	<i>Sterna nilotica</i>	2	2
56	Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	6	20+
57	Little Tern	<i>Sterna albifrons</i>	5	10
58	Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybridus</i>	5	30+
59	White-winged Tern	<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>	3	30+
60	Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>	3	10
61	European Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>	4	6
62	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	7	C _{common}
63	Common Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>	5	1+ ^{Heard}
64	Common Scops Owl	<i>Otus scops</i>	2	3
65	Little Owl	<i>Athene noctua</i>	4	5
66	Long-eared Owl	<i>Asio otus</i>	1	2
67	Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>	1	2
68	Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	7	C _{common}
69	European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>	4	60
70	European Roller	<i>Coracias garrulus</i>	1	2
71	Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	2	8
72	Greater Short-toed Lark	<i>Calandrella brachydactyla</i>	4	2
73	Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>	7	C _{common}
74	Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	2	1
75	Eurasian Crag Martin	<i>Hirundo rupestris</i>	1	10
76	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	7	C _{common}
77	Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Hirundo daurica</i>	5	12
78	House Martin	<i>Delichon urbica</i>	7	C _{common}
79	Tawny Pipit	<i>Anthus campestris</i>	1	1
80	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>	1	2
81	Red-throated Pipit	<i>Anthus cervinus</i>	3	6
82	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	5	2
83	Yellow Wagtail species	<i>Motacilla flava</i>	6	30+
84	<i>Black-headed Wagtail</i>	<i>Motacilla flava feldegg</i>	6	20+
85	<i>Blue-headed Wagtail</i>	<i>Motacilla flava flava</i>	5	6
86	Rufous-tailed Scrub Robin	<i>Cercotrichas galactotes</i>	1	4
87	Common Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>	7	1 + ^{heard}
88	Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>	4	4
89	Common Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquata</i>	3	6
90	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	3	2
91	Black-eared Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe melanoleuca</i>	5	30+
92	Isabelline Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe isabellina</i>	1	4
93	Blue Rock-thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>	1	2
94	Eurasian Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	6	8
95	Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>	7	4
96	Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>	4	20
97	Eurasian Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>	5	2
98	Great Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>	6	2
99	Eastern Olivaceous Warbler	<i>Hippolais elaeica</i>	7	6

100	Olive-tree Warbler	<i>Hippolais olivetorum</i>	1	1
101	Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	1	1
102	Common Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>	2	1
103	Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>	1	1
104	Eastern Orphean Warbler	<i>Sylvia crassirostris</i>	3	1
105	Rüppell's Warbler	<i>Sylvia rueppelli</i>	1	2
106	Sardinian Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>	1	4
107	Subalpine Warbler	<i>Sylvia cantillans</i>	3	10
108	Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	1	1
109	Eastern Bonelli's Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus (bonelli) orientalis</i>	1	1
110	Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>	1	20
111	Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>	1	2
112	Collared Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula albicollis</i>	1	2
113	Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>	1	10
114	Sombre Tit	<i>Parus lugubris</i>	2	2
115	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	7	8
116	Blue Tit	<i>Parus caeruleus</i>	4	3
117	Krüper's Nuthatch	<i>Sitta krueperi</i>	1	2
118	Western Rock Nuthatch	<i>Sitta neumayer</i>	2	2
119	Short-toed Treecreeper	<i>Certhia brachydactyla</i>	1	2
120	Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>	1	H _{ead}
121	Red-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius collurio</i>	7	30
122	Lesser Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius minor</i>	2	2
123	Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>	6	10
124	Masked Shrike	<i>Lanius nubicus</i>	5	2
125	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>	5	2
126	Black-billed Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	1	1
127	Eurasian Jackdaw	<i>Corvus monedula</i>	1	30
128	Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>	7	C _{ommon}
129	Common Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	4	3
130	Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	3	1
131	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	7	C _{ommon}
132	Spanish Sparrow	<i>Passer hispaniolensis</i>	7	C _{ommon}
133	Rock Sparrow	<i>Petronia petronia</i>	1	1
134	Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	6	C _{ommon}
135	European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>	1	2
136	European Greenfinch	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>	2	1
137	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	7	6
138	Eurasian Linnet	<i>Carduelis cannabina</i>	2	2
139	Cirl Bunting	<i>Emberiza cirrus</i>	4	4
140	Cinereous Bunting	<i>Emberiza cineracea</i>	2	3
141	Ortolan Bunting	<i>Emberiza hortulana</i>	1	1
142	Cretzschmar's Bunting	<i>Emberiza caesia</i>	4	6+
143	Black-headed Bunting	<i>Emberiza melanocephala</i>	7	C _{ommon}
144	Corn Bunting	<i>Miliaria calandra</i>	7	C _{ommon}

Mammals, Reptiles and Amphibians

1.	Bottle-nosed Dolphin	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	1	8
2.	Harbour Porpoise	<i>Phocoena phocoena</i>	1	1
3.	Red Fox	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	1	1
4.	Persian Squirrel	<i>Sciurus anomalus</i>	1	3
5.	Eastern Hodgehog	<i>Erinaceus concolor</i>	2	D _{ead}

6.	Stripe-necked Terrapin	<i>Mauremys rivulata</i>	5	Common
7.	Starred Agama	<i>Laudakia stellio</i>	4	Common
8.	Balkan Green Lizard	<i>Lacerta trilineata</i>	5	1
9.	Spur-thighed Tortoise	<i>Testudo graeca</i>	1	1
10.	Glass Lizard	<i>Psuedopus apodus</i>	2	1
11.	Marsh Frog	<i>Pelophylax ridibundus</i>	5	Common

Butterflies, Moths & Dragonflies

No. Days recorded

1.	Common Swallowtail	<i>Papilio machaon</i>	6
2.	Scarce Swallowtail	<i>Iphichides podalirius</i>	6
3.	Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>	2
4.	Painted Lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>	5
5.	Spotted Fritillary	<i>Melitaea didyma</i>	3
6.	Brimstone	<i>Opisthograptis luteolata</i>	1
7.	Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias crocea</i>	6
8.	Bath White	<i>Pontia daplidice</i>	4
9.	Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>	4
10.	Black-veined White	<i>Aporia crataegi</i>	1
11.	Eastern Festoon	<i>Allancastris cerisy</i>	2
12.	Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>	1
13.	Small Heath	<i>Coenonympha pamphilus</i>	4
14.	Orange Tip	<i>Anthocharis cardamines</i>	3
15.	Small Tortoiseshell	<i>Aglais urticae</i>	1
16.	Giant Peacock Moth	<i>Saturnia pyri</i>	1
17.	Red-winged Grasshopper	<i>Oedipoda germanica</i>	3
18.	Egyptian Grasshopper	<i>Anacridium aegyptum</i>	2
19.	Endemic Bush Cricket	<i>Poecilimon mytelensis</i>	2
20.	Red-veined Darter	<i>Sympetrum fonscolombii</i>	1
21.	Dark Spreadwing	<i>Lestes macrostigma</i>	1
22.	Common Emperor	<i>Anax imperator</i>	1
23.	Lesser Emperor	<i>Anax parthenope</i>	2
24.	Broad-bodied Chaser	<i>Libellula depressa</i>	2
25.	Four-spotted Chaser	<i>Libellula quadrimaculata</i>	1
26.	Rainbow Chafer (<i>Rose chafer sp</i>)	<i>Cetonia aurata</i>	1
27.	Dung Beetle	subfamily Scarabaeinae	1

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