

BIRDLIST FOR MADAGASCAR 3rd - 25th October 2003

SPECIES E = Endemic es = endemic subspecies eb = endemic breeder re = regional endemic		Scientific Name	No of days out of 21 recorded	Highest daily count C.= Common LC = Locally Common H / h.= Heard only N/C.= No count	
1	Little Grebe		<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	4	35
2	Madagascar Little Grebe	E	<i>Tachybaptus pelzelinii</i>	1	2
3	Red-tailed Tropicbird		<i>Phaethon rubricauda</i>	1	30+
4	Long-tailed Cormorant	es	<i>Phalacrocorax africanus pictilis</i>	1	1
5	African Darter		<i>Anhinga rufa vulsini</i>	3	3
6	Black-crowned Night Heron		<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	5	4
7	Squacco Heron		<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>	3	8+
8	Madagascar Pond Heron	eb	<i>Ardeola idea</i>	5	4+
9	Cattle Egret		<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	13	LC
10	Green-backed Heron		<i>Butorides striatus rutenbergi</i>	16	8+
11	Black Egret		<i>Egretta ardesiaca</i>	3	6
12	Dimorphic Egret		<i>Egretta dimorpha</i>	12	30
13	Great Egret		<i>Egretta alba melanorhynchos</i>	12	31
14	Purple Heron	es	<i>Ardea purpurea madagascariensis</i>	13	3
15	Grey Heron		<i>Ardea cinerea firsasa</i>	4	6
16	Humblot's Heron	E	<i>Ardea humbloti</i>	3	5
17	Hamerkop		<i>Scopus umbretta bannermani</i>	6	4
18	Madagascar White Ibis	re	<i>Threskiornis bernieri</i>	1	30
19	Glossy Ibis		<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	2	6
20	Madagascar Crested Ibis	E	<i>Lophotibis cristata</i>	2	1
21	White-faced Whistling Duck		<i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>	4	100
22	Comb Duck		<i>Sarkidiornis melanotus</i>	3	7
23	African Pygmy Goose		<i>Nettapus auritus</i>	2	20
24	Meller's Duck	E	<i>Anas melleri</i>	1	4
25	Bernier's Teal	E	<i>Anas bernieri</i>	1	8
26	Red-billed Teal		<i>Anas erythrorhyncha</i>	4	10
27	Hottentot Teal		<i>Anas hottentota</i>	3	2
28	Madagascar Cuckoo-Hawk	E	<i>Aviceda madagascariensis</i>	3	1
29	Yellow-billed Kite		<i>Milvus aegyptius parasitus</i>	17	40+
30	Madagascar Fish Eagle	E	<i>Haliaeetus vociferoides</i>	1	2
31	Madagascar Harrier-Hawk	E	<i>Polyboroides radiatus</i>	6	3
32	Reunion Harrier	re	<i>Circus maillardi macrosceles</i>	1	1
33	Henst's Goshawk	E	<i>Accipiter henstii</i>	2	1 + 1h
34	Madagascar Sparrowhawk	E	<i>Accipiter madagascariensis</i>	1	1
35	Frances's Sparrowhawk	re	<i>Accipiter francesii</i>	4	3
36	Madagascar Buzzard	E	<i>Buteo brachypterus</i>	13	4
37	Madagascar Kestrel	re	<i>Falco newtoni</i>	20	20+
38	Eleonora's Falcon		<i>Falco eleonora</i>	1	1
39	Peregrine Falcon		<i>Falco peregrinus radama</i>	1	1
40	Madagascar Partridge	E	<i>Margaroperdix madagascarensis</i>	2	6
41	Helmeted Guineafowl		<i>Numida meleagris</i>	6	6
42	White-breasted Mesite	E	<i>Mesitornis variegata</i>	1	4
43	Brown Mesite	E	<i>Mesitornis unicolor</i>	1	2
44	Subdesert Mesite	E	<i>Mesitornis benschi</i>	1	7
45	Madagascar Buttonquail	E	<i>Turnix nigricollis</i>	5	4
46	Madagascar Flufftail	E	<i>Sarothrura insularis</i>	4 - 2h	1
47	Madagascar Wood Rail	E	<i>Canirallus kioloides</i>	3 - 1h	2
48	Madagascar Rail	E	<i>Rallus madagascariensis</i>	1	1
49	White-throated Rail	re	<i>Dryolimnas cuvieri</i>	4	1
50	Common Moorhen		<i>Gallinula chloropus pyrrhorhoa</i>	6	8
51	Madagascar Jacana	E	<i>Actophilornis albinucha</i>	2	4
52	Crab Plover		<i>Dromas ardeola</i>	1	29
53	Black-winged Stilt		<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	6	12+

54	Madagascar Pratincole	eb	<i>Glareola ocularis</i>	1	2
55	Ringed Plover		<i>Charadrius hiaticula tundrae</i>	2	12
56	Kittlitz's Plover		<i>Charadrius pecuarius</i>	7	12+
57	Madagascar Plover	E	<i>Charadrius thoracicus</i>	2	2
58	Three-banded Plover	es	<i>Charadrius tricollaris bifrontatus</i>	2	6
59	White-fronted Plover		<i>Charadrius marginatus tenellus</i>	3	5
60	Greater Sand Plover		<i>Charadrius leschenaultii crassirostris</i>	2	150
61	Grey Plover		<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	3	15+
62	Madagascar Snipe	E	<i>Gallinago macrodactyla</i>	2	2
63	Bar-tailed Godwit		<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	1	2
64	Whimbrel		<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	5	60
65	Common Greenshank		<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	10	50+
66	Wood Sandpiper		<i>Tringa glareola</i>	1	1
67	Terek Sandpiper		<i>Tringa cinereus</i>	1	2
68	Common Sandpiper		<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	9	4
69	Ruddy Turnstone		<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	2	4
70	Sanderling		<i>Calidris alba</i>	2	3
71	Little Stint		<i>Calidris minuta</i>	1	2
72	Curlew Sandpiper		<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	4	100
73	Kelp Gull		<i>Larus dominicanus</i>	3	6
74	Caspian Tern		<i>Sterna caspia</i>	2	5
75	Greater Crested Tern		<i>Sterna bergii enigma</i>	3	5
76	Lesser Crested Tern		<i>Sterna bengalensis</i>	2	2
77	Common Tern		<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	2	40
78	Saunders' Tern		<i>Sterna saundersi</i>	2	30
79	Whiskered Tern		<i>Chlidonias hybridus sclateri</i>	2	3
80	Madagascar Sandgrouse	E	<i>Pterocles personatus</i>	3	7
81	Rock Dove/Feral Pigeon		<i>Columba livia</i>	16	L/C
82	Madagascar Turtle Dove	re	<i>Streptopelia picturata</i>	16	10+
83	Namaqua Dove	es	<i>Oena capensis aliena</i>	12	15+
84	Madagascar Green Pigeon	re	<i>Treron australis xenia</i>	5	6
85	Madagascar Blue Pigeon	E	<i>Alectroenas madagascariensis</i>	5	2
86	Greater Vasa Parrot	re	<i>Coracopsis vasa</i>	9	6
87	Lesser Vasa Parrot	re	<i>Coracopsis nigra</i>	13	8+
88	Grey-headed Lovebird	E	<i>Agapornis canus</i>	12	20+
89	Madagascar Lesser Cuckoo	eb	<i>Cuculus rochii</i>	6 + 5h	2
90	Giant Coua	E	<i>Coua gigas</i>	4	4
91	Coquerel's Coua	E	<i>Coua coquereli</i>	2	2
92	Running Coua	E	<i>Coua cursor</i>	2 + 1h	1
93	Red-breasted Coua	E	<i>Coua serriana</i>	1 + 1h	1
94	Red-fronted Coua	E	<i>Coua reynaudii</i>	2 + 1h	4
95	Crested Coua	E	<i>Coua cristata</i>	8	6
96	Verreaux's Coua	E	<i>Coua verreauxi</i>	1 + 1h	1
97	Blue Coua	E	<i>Coua caerulea</i>	9	4
98	Red-capped Coua	E	<i>Coua oliviceps</i>	2	2
99	Green-capped Coua	E	<i>Coua ruficeps</i>	1	2
100	Madagascar Coucal	re	<i>Centropus toulou</i>	17	8+
101	Rainforest Scops-owl	re?	<i>Otus rutilus</i>	2 + 1h	1
102	Torotoroka Scops-owl	re?	<i>Otus rutilus madagascariensis</i>	1 + 1h	1
103	White-browed Owl	E	<i>Ninox superciliaris</i>	2	3
104	Madagascar Long-eared Owl	E	<i>Asio madagascariensis</i>	2	1 + 3 chicks
105	Madagascar Nightjar	re	<i>Caprimulgus madagascariensis</i>	11	4
106	Madagascar Spinetail	re	<i>Zoonavena grandidieri</i>	6	6
107	African Palm Swift	es	<i>Cypsiurus parvus</i>	10	10+
108	Alpine Swift	es	<i>Apus melba willsi</i>	5	6
109	African Black Swift	es	<i>Apus barbatus balstoni</i>	12	8+
110	Madagascar Malachite Kingfisher	re	<i>Alcedo vintsioides</i>	13	4
111	Madagascar Pygmy Kingfisher	E	<i>Ceyx madagascariensis</i>	1 + 1h	1
112	Madagascar Bee-eater		<i>Merops superciliosus</i>	17	20+
113	Broad-billed Roller		<i>Eurystomus glaucurus</i>	8	5
114	Short-legged Ground-roller	E	<i>Brachypteracias leptosomus</i>	1	1
115	Scaly Ground-roller	E	<i>Brachypteracias squamigera</i>	1	3 + 1h
116	Pitta-like Ground-roller	E	<i>Atelornis pittoides</i>	1 + 2h	3

117	Rufous-headed Ground-roller	E	<i>Atelornis crossleyi</i>	1	2
118	Long-tailed Ground-roller	E	<i>Uratelornis chimaera</i>	1	1
119	Cuckoo-Roller	re	<i>Leptosomus discolor</i>	7 + 7h	6
120	Madagascar Hoopoe	E	<i>Upupa marginata</i>	8	4
121	Velvet Asity	E	<i>Philepitta castanea</i>	3	5
122	Schlegel's Asity	E	<i>Philepitta schlegeli</i>	1	1
123	Common Sunbird-Asity	E	<i>Neodrepanis coruscans</i>	2 + 1h	1
124	Madagascar Bush Lark	E	<i>Mirafra hova</i>	16	L/C
125	Mascarene Martin	re	<i>Phedina borbonica madagascariensis</i>	16	20+
126	Brown-throated Sand Martin	es	<i>Riparia paludicola cowani</i>	6	6
127	Madagascar Wagtail	E	<i>Motacilla flaviventris</i>	14	4+
128	Madagascar Cuckoo-shrike	re	<i>Coracina cinerea</i>	9	2
129	Madagascar Bulbul	re	<i>Hypsipetes madagascariensis</i>	20	C
130	Long-billed Greenbul	E	<i>Phyllastrephus madagascariensis</i>	10	6
131	Spectacled Greenbul	E	<i>Phyllastrephus zosterops</i>	6	8
132	Appert's Greenbul	E	<i>Phyllastrephus apperti</i>	1	3
133	Grey-crowned Greenbul	E	<i>Phyllastrephus cinereiceps</i>	1	2
134	Red-tailed Vanga	E	<i>Calicalicus madagascariensis</i>	9	4
135	Red-shouldered Vanga	E	<i>Calicalicus rufocarpalis</i>	1	1
136	Rufous Vanga	E	<i>Schetba rufa</i>	4	3
137	Hook-billed Vanga	E	<i>Vanga curvirostris</i>	5 + 3h	1
138	Lafresnaye's Vanga	E	<i>Xenopirostris xenopirostris</i>	3 + 1h	2
139	Pollen's Vanga	E	<i>Xenopirostris polleni</i>	1 + 3h	2
140	Van Dam's Vanga	E	<i>Xenopirostris damii</i>	1	1
141	Sickle-billed Vanga	E	<i>Falcoea palliata</i>	5	8
142	White-headed Vanga	E	<i>Artamella viridis</i>	4	4
143	Chabert's Vanga	E	<i>Leptopterus chabert</i>	10	8
144	Blue Vanga	re	<i>Cyanolanius madagascarinus</i>	5 + 2h	5
145	Nuthatch Vanga	E	<i>Hypositta corallirostris</i>	2	2
146	Tylas Vanga	E	<i>Tylas eduardi</i>	1 + 3h	1
147	Littoral Rock Thrush	E	<i>Monticola imerinus</i>	1	2
148	Forest Rock Thrush	E	<i>Monticola sharpei</i>	1 + 2h	3
149	Benson's Rock Thrush	E	<i>Monticola bensoni</i>	1	1
150	Madagascar Magpie-Robin	E	<i>Copsychus albospecularis</i>	18	C
151	Common Stonechat	es	<i>Saxicola torquata sibilla</i>	10	L/C
152	White-throated Oxylabes	E	<i>Oxylabes madagascariensis</i>	3	2
	Madagascar Yellowbrow	E	<i>Crossleyia xanthophrys</i>	1	H
153	Crossley's Babbler	E	<i>Mystacornis crossleyi</i>	2	2
154	Brown Emutail	E	<i>Dromaeocercus brunneus</i>	1	1
155	Grey Emutail	E	<i>Amphilais seebohmi</i>	1	3
156	Madagascar Brush Warbler	re	<i>Nesillas typical</i>	8	4
157	Subdesert Brush Warbler	E	<i>Nesillas lantzii</i>	4	4+
158	Madagascar Swamp Warbler	E	<i>Acrocephalus newtoni</i>	5	1
159	Thamnornis Warbler	E	<i>Thamnornis chloropetoides</i>	2	2
160	Rand's Warbler	E	<i>Randia pseudozosterops</i>	8	2
161	Common Newtonia	E	<i>Newtonia brunneicauda</i>	11	5+
162	Dark Newtonia	E	<i>Newtonia amphichroa</i>	5	1
163	Archbold's Newtonia	E	<i>Newtonia archboldi</i>	1 + 1h	3
164	Red-tailed Newtonia	E	<i>Newtonia fanovanae</i>	1	2 – found with nest
165	Madagascar Cisticola	re	<i>Cisticola cherina</i>	14	4
166	Common Jery	E	<i>Neomixis tenella</i>	17	C
167	Green Jery	E	<i>Neomixis viridis</i>	3 + 1h	2
168	Stripe-throated Jery	E	<i>Neomixis striatigula</i>	7 + 2h	2
169	Cryptic Warbler	E	<i>Cryptosylvicola randrianasoloi</i>	1	2
170	Wedge-tailed Jery	E	<i>Hartertula flavoviridis</i>	2	3
171	Ward's Flycatcher	E	<i>Pseudobias wardi</i>	2	2
172	Madagascar Paradise Flycatcher	re	<i>Terpsiphone mutata</i>	19	4+
173	Souimanga Sunbird	re	<i>Nectarinia souimanga</i>	20	C
174	Long-billed Green Sunbird	re	<i>Nectarinia notata</i>	10	4
175	Madagascar White-eye	re	<i>Zosterops maderaspatana</i>	14	10
176	Madagascar Mannikin	E	<i>Lonchura nana</i>	8	10
177	Nelicourvi Weaver	E	<i>Ploceus nelicourvi</i>	7	6
178	Sakalava Weaver	E	<i>Ploceus sakalava</i>	9	40+

179	Madagascar Red Fody	E	<i>Foudia madagascariensis</i>	18	C
180	Forest Fody	E	<i>Foudia omissa</i>	4	2
181	Common Myna		<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	18	C
182	Madagascar Starling	E	<i>Hartlaubius auratus</i>	3	2
183	Crested Drongo	re	<i>Dicrurus forficatus</i>	18	L/C
184	Pied Crow		<i>Corvus albus</i>	18	C

MAMMALS

1	Indri	<i>Indri indri</i>	Several seen well
2	Grey Mouse Lemur	<i>Microcebus murinus</i>	At least one seen well
3	Brown Mouse Lemur	<i>Microcebus fufus</i>	4 – 5 Seen very well at night
4	Greater Dwarf Lemur	<i>Cheirogaleus major</i>	2 seen very well on several days
5	White-footed Sportive Lemur	<i>Lepilemur leucopus</i>	Seen very well on 2 days
6	Milne Edwards Sportive Lemur	<i>Lepilemur edwardsi</i>	3 seen well during daytime
7	Golden Bamboo Lemur	<i>Hapalemur griseus</i>	2 seen reasonably well
8	Greater Bamboo Lemur	<i>Hapalemur simus</i>	4 seen very well
9	Ring-tailed Lemur	<i>Lemur catta</i>	Lots seen very well
10	Common Brown Lemur	<i>Eulemur fulvus fulvus</i>	Seen well
11	Red-fronted Brown Lemur	<i>Eulemur fulvus rufus</i>	Seen well on 2 days
12	Red-bellied Lemur	<i>Eulemur rubriventer</i>	2 seen very well on 1 day
13	Mongoose Lemur	<i>Eulemur mongoz</i>	2 seen well on 1 day
14	Black-and-white Ruffed Lemur	<i>Varecia variegata variegata</i>	4 seen from distance
15	Eastern Avahi	<i>Avahi laniger</i>	3 seen during daytime in tree
16	Western Avahi	<i>Avahi occidentalis</i>	2 difficult to see resting in tree
17	Milne-Edwards Sifaka	<i>Propithecus diadema edwardsi</i>	1 seen well from coach – beside road
18	Verreaux's Sifaka	<i>Propithecus verreauxi verreauxi</i>	Many seen very well
19	Coquerel's Sifaka	<i>Propithecus verreauxi coquereli</i>	Seen very well on 2 days
20	Fanaloka	<i>Fossa fossana</i>	2 seen – 1 very confiding
21	Ring-tailed Mongoose	<i>Galidia elegans</i>	Seen on 1 occasion
22	Red Forest Rat	<i>Nesomys rufus / audeberti ?</i>	Seen several times in different forests
23	Brown Rat	<i>Rattus norvegicus</i>	Seen
24	Madagascar Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus rufus</i>	Large roost seen well
25	Bats (insectivorous)		Several small unidentified bats seen
26	Humpback Whale	<i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>	Up to 20 seen well on 2 days
27	Short-finned Pilot Whale	<i>Globicephala macrorhynchus</i>	2 seen from boat to Nosy Ve

REPTILES & AMPHIBEANS

1	Nile Crocodile	<i>Crocodilus niloticus</i>	Up to 4 seen on 2 days
2	Giant Hog-nosed Snake	<i>Leioheterodon madagascariensis</i>	1 seen very close – 6ft long
3	Boa	<i>Acrantophis madagascariensis</i>	2 seen very close – 1 in Les's hands
4	Snake	<i>Liopholadophis thieli</i>	Small orange/brown – often smelly
5	Iguanid Lizard	<i>Ophurus quadrimaculata</i>	Seen
6	Iguanid Lizard	<i>Ophurus cuvieri</i>	Seen
7	Three-eyed Lizard	<i>Chalarodon madagascariensis</i>	Seen
8	Lizard	<i>Tracheloptychus madagascariensis</i>	Seen
9	Lizard	<i>Zonosuarus madagascariensis</i>	Seen
10	Lizard	<i>Z. sp?</i>	Seen
11	Chameleon	<i>Furcifer lateralis</i>	Seen
12	Chameleon	<i>Furcifer verrucosus</i>	Seen
13	Chameleon	<i>Furcifer oustaleti</i>	Seen
14	Chameleon	<i>Calumma nasuta</i>	Seen
15	Chameleon	<i>Calumma brevicornis</i>	Seen
16	Parson's Chameleon	<i>Calumma parsonii</i>	Seen
17	Chameleon	<i>Brookesia sp</i>	Seen
18	Green Gecko	<i>Phelsuma quadriocellata</i>	Seen
19	Green Gecko	<i>Phelsuma lineate</i>	Seen

20	Green Gecko	<i>Phelsuma standingi</i>	Seen
21	Green Gecko	<i>Phelsuma sp</i>	Seen
22	Green Gecko	<i>Phelsuma sp</i>	Seen
23	Bark Gecko	<i>Ebenavia innaguis?</i>	Seen
24	House Gecko	<i>Gehyra multilata</i>	Seen
25	House Gecko	<i>Hemidactylus inercatorius?</i>	Seen
26	Tree Frog	<i>Boophis albilatris</i>	Seen
27	Tree Frog	<i>Boophis luteus</i>	Seen
28	Tree Frog	<i>Heterixalus alboguttatus</i>	Seen
29	Tree Frog	<i>Heterixalus beottgeri</i>	Seen
30	Tree Frog	<i>Mantidactylus pulcher</i>	Seen
31	Rock Frog	<i>Mantidactylus lugutris</i>	Seen
32	Brown Frog	<i>Aglyptodactylus madagascariensis</i>	Seen
33	Brown Frog	<i>Aglyptodactylus sp?</i>	Seen
34	Striped Frog	<i>Ptychadena sp?</i>	Seen
35	Warty Frog	?	Seen

DRAGONFLIES

1	Green Noaktail	<i>Paragomphus genei</i>	Seen
2	Blue Emperor	<i>Anax imperator</i>	Seen
3	Evening Hawker	<i>Anaciaeschna triangulifera</i>	Seen
4	Forest Watcher	<i>Notiothemis jonesii</i>	Seen
5	Machado's Skimmer	<i>Orthetrum machadoi</i>	Seen
6	Abbott's Skimmer	<i>Orthetrum abbotti</i>	Seen
7	Julia Skimmer	<i>Orthetrum julia</i>	Seen
8	St Lucia Widow	<i>Palpopleura lucia</i>	Seen
9	Pintail	<i>Acisoma panorpoides</i>	Seen
10	Black Percher	<i>Diplacodes lefebvrii</i>	Seen
11	Little Percher	<i>Diplacodes deminuta</i>	Seen
12	Broad Scarlet	<i>Crocothemis erythraea</i>	Seen
13	Little Scarlet	<i>Crocothemis sanguinolenta</i>	Seen
14	Banded Groundling	<i>Brachythemis leucosticta</i>	Seen
15	Kirby's Groundling	<i>Trithemis kirbyi</i>	Seen
16	Violet Dropwing	<i>Trithemis annulata</i>	Seen
17	Hecate Dropwing	<i>Trithemis hecate</i>	Seen
18	Jaunty Dropwing	<i>Trithemis stictica</i>	Seen
19	Twister (crepuscular darter)	<i>Tholyaiis tillarae</i>	Seen
20	Phantom Flutterer	<i>Rhyothemis semithyalina</i>	Seen
21	Pantala (Globe Skimmer)	<i>Pantala flavescens</i>	Seen
22	Ferruginous Glider	<i>Tramea limbata</i>	Seen
23	Blue Basker	<i>Urothemis edwardsii</i>	Seen
24	Red Basker	<i>Urothemis assigrata</i>	Seen

Please note that our checklists do not include species seen by leaders only.

We also do not include single observer sightings or very poor views.

We do not count heard only or subspecies, although they are noted.

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