

## SPECIES LIST

I have used the following abbreviations to denote endemic species and subspecies:

(E) Designates species endemic to Sri Lanka

(ESP) Designates subspecies endemic to Sri Lanka

(RE) Designates regional endemic species shared with India

I have noted the Threat Status Category as defined by Bird Life International in *Threatened Birds of the World (2000)*:

Endangered: Facing a high risk of extinction in the wild in the near future

Vulnerable: Facing a high risk of extinction in the wild in the medium-term future

Near Threatened: Not Conservation Dependent but close to qualifying for Vulnerable

Where possible I have denoted subspecies as there is a possibility that some of these will be elevated to species status thus creating additional endemics. As always when birding in rain forests a small number of species were heard but not seen. I have listed only species actually seen.

- 1. Little Grebe** **Tachybaptus ruficollis capensis**  
2 pairs nest building on pond near Kalamatiya 19th; 1 pair at nest near Tissamaharama 21st
- 2. Little Cormorant** **Phalacrocorax niger**  
Common in wetlands and paddy
- 3. Indian Cormorant** **Phalacrocorax fuscicollis**  
Common in Dry Zone wetlands
- 4. Oriental Darter** **Anhinga melanogaster**  
**Near threatened**  
Common in Dry Zone wetlands
- 5. Spot-billed Pelican** **Pelecanus philippensis**  
**Vulnerable**  
2 near Kalamatiya 19th; 1 Yalla N P 20th
- 6. Lesser Whistling-Duck** **Dendrocygna javanica**  
Common in the Dry Zone wetlands with flocks of over 100
- 7. Cotton Pygmy-goose** **Nettapus coromandelianus coromandelianus**  
6 Pannegamuwa Tank, Tissamaharama 19th
- 8. Northern Pintail** **Anas acuta**  
50 Tissa Tanks 19th; 15,000 Bundala N P 20th
- 9. Garganey** **Anas querquedula**  
500 Karagan Lewaya 19th; 5000 Yala NP 20th
- 10. Little Egret** **Egretta garzetta garzetta**  
Common in wetlands and paddy.
- 11. Intermediate Egret** **Mesophoyx intermedia intermedia**  
Fairly common in wetlands and paddy
- 12. Grey Heron** **Ardea cinerea cinerea**  
Common in Dry Zone wetlands
- 13. Great Egret** **Ardea alba modesta**  
Common in wetlands and paddy
- 14. Purple Heron** **Ardea purpurea manilensis**

Fairly common in small numbers in wetlands of Dry Zone and occasionally in paddy

**15. Cattle Egret** **Bubulcus ibis coromanous**

Common and widespread

**16. Indian Pond-Heron** **Ardeola grayii**

Very common and present in every habitat that includes water down to small ponds in parks and gardens

**17. Striated Heron** **Butorides striatus chloriceps**

1 Kalamatiya 19th

**18. Black-crowned Night-Heron** **Nycticorax nycticorax nycticorax**

1 on road to Kitulgala 14th; 1 Kalamatiya 19th; 5 near Yala 21st

**19. Yellow Bittern** **Ixobrychus sinensis**

1 Kalamatiya 19<sup>th</sup>

**20. Cinnamon Bittern** **Ixobrychus cinnamomeus**

1 Pannegamuwa Tank, Tissamaharama 19th

**21. Black Bittern** **Ixobrychus flavicollis flavicollis**

1 near Hambantota 19th

**22. Black-headed Ibis** **Threskiornis melanocephalus**

**Near threatened**

Common in small numbers in the Dry Zone wetlands

**23. Eurasian Spoonbill** **Platalea leucorodia leucorodia**

Common in Dry Zone wetlands with flocks of up to 20 birds

**24. Painted Stork** **Mycteria leucocephala**

**Near threatened**

Common in Dry Zone wetlands with flocks of up to 16 birds

**25. Asian Openbill** **Anastomus oscitans**

1 in paddy near airport 14th; singles seen in various wetland habitats in the Dry Zone 19th, 20th & 21st

**26. Woolly-necked Stork** **Ciconia episcopus episcopus**

1 Yala N P 20th; 1 near Yala 22nd

**27. Black-necked Stork** **Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus asiaticus**

**Near threatened**

2 Yala NP 20th

**28. Jerdon's Baza** **Aviceda jerdoni ceylonensis**

1 near Nuwara Eliya 22nd

**29. Oriental Honey-buzzard** **Pernis ptilorhynchus ruficollis**

Fairly common in Wet Zone forests; 1 Horton Plains 22nd

**30. Black-shouldered Kite** **Elanus caeruleus vociferus**

4 Uda Walawe N P 18th

**31. Brahminy Kite** **Haliastur indus indus**

4 Uda Walawe N P 18th; fairly common in Dry Zone wetlands

**32. White-bellied Sea-Eagle** **Haliaeetus leucogaster**

1 Tissa Tanks 19th; 2 Yala N P 20th

- 33. Grey-headed Fish-Eagle** *Ichthyophaga ichthyaetus*  
Near threatened  
1 Yala N P 20th
- 34. Crested Serpent-Eagle** *Spilornis cheela spilogaster*  
1 on road to Kitulgala 14th; 3 Sinharaja 17th; 6 Uda Walawe N P 18th; 1 Yala N P 20th
- 35. Montagu's Harrier** *Circus pygargus*  
1 Uda Walawe N P 18th; 1 Tissa Tanks 19th; 2 Yala N P 20th
- 36. Western Marsh-Harrier** *Circus aeruginosus aeruginosus*  
1 Tessa Tanks 19th
- 37. Shikra** *Accipiter badius badius*  
1 Kitulgala 15th; 1 Bundala N P 20<sup>th</sup>
- 38. Besra** *Accipiter virgatus besra*  
3 Sinharaja 17th
- 39. Common Buzzard** *Buteo buteo vulpinus*  
3 Horton Plains 22nd
- 40. Black Eagle** *Ictinaetus malayensis perniger*  
1 Horton Plains 22nd
- 41. Booted Eagle** *Hieraaetus pennatus*  
1 near Kandy 23rd
- 42. Rufous-bellied Eagle** *Hieraaetus kienerii kienerii*  
1 Sinharaja 17th
- 43. Changeable Hawk-Eagle** *Spizaetus cirrhatus ceylanensis*  
5 Uda Walawe NP18th; 2 Yala NP 20th; 1 Bundala N P 20th; 2 Yala 21st
- 44. Eurasian Kestrel** *Falco tinnunculus objurgatus*  
1 Bundala N P 20th; 1 Horton Plains 22nd
- 45. Ceylon Spurfowl (E)** *Galloperdix bicalcarata*  
Pair Sinharaja 18th
- 46. Ceylon Junglefowl (E)** *Gallus lafayetii*  
Common in both Wet Zone forests and Dry Zone National Parks
- 47. Indian Peafowl** *Pavo cristatus*  
Common in the Dry Zone
- 48. Barred Buttonquail** *Turnix suscitator leggei*  
5 Uda Walawe N P 18th; 1 Yala N P 20th
- 49. White-breasted Waterhen** *Amaurornis phoenicurus phoenicurus*  
Common in paddy and wetland habitats
- 50. Watercock** *Gallicrex cinerea*  
1 near Kalamatiya 19th
- 51. Purple Swamphen** *Porphyrio porphyrio poliocephalus*  
Common on the Tissa Tanks 19th
- 52. Common Moorhen** *Gallinula chloropus chloropus*  
2 near Hamabantota 19th

- 53. Pheasant-tailed Jacana**                      **Hydrophasianus chirurgus**  
Common on the Tessa Tanks and other Dry Zone wetlands
- 54. Pintail Snipe**                                **Gallinago stenura**  
1 Kalamatiya 19<sup>th</sup>; 2 Bundala N P 20<sup>th</sup>
- 55. Black-tailed Godwit**                      **Limosa limosa limosa**  
1000+ Bundala N P 20<sup>th</sup>
- 56. Eurasian Curlew**                          **Numenius arquata**  
1 Bundala N P 20<sup>th</sup>
- 57. Common Redshank**                      **Tringa totanus**  
Common in small numbers in Dry Zone wetlands
- 58. Marsh Sandpiper**                         **Tringa stagnatilis**  
100s in Dry Zone wetlands
- 59. Common Greenshank**                      **Tringa nebularia nebularia**  
Common in Dry Zone wetlands
- 60. Green Sandpiper**                         **Tringa ochropus**  
1 Kalamatiya 19<sup>th</sup>
- 61. Wood Sandpiper**                         **Tringa glareola**  
Common in Dry Zone wetlands
- 62. Common Sandpiper**                      **Actitis hypoleucos**  
Widespread in small numbers in the Dry Zone and around Nuwara Eliya but not recorded in the Wet Zone
- 63. Ruddy Turnstone**                         **Arenaria interpres interpres**  
Small numbers in suitable wetlands in the Dry Zone
- 64. Little Stint**                                 **Calidris minuta**  
Very common in Dry Zone wetlands with flocks in the 100s
- 65. Curlew Sandpiper**                         **Calidris ferruginea**  
Common in Dry Zone wetlands
- 66. Broad-billed Sandpiper**                      **Limicola falcinellus**  
10 Karagan Lewaya 19<sup>th</sup>; 40+ Bundala N P 20<sup>th</sup>
- 67. Red-necked Phalarope**                      **Phalaropus lobatus**  
1 Bundala N P 20<sup>th</sup>
- 68. Great Thick-knee**                         **Burhinus recurvirostris**  
Common in Dry Zone, usually in flocks of 3 or 4 but one flock of 7 birds
- 69. Black-winged Stilt**                         **Himantopus himantopus**  
Common in small numbers in wetland habitats and paddy
- 70. Small Pratincole**                         **Glareola lactea**  
10 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>
- 71. Pacific Golden-Plover**                      **Pluvialis fulva**  
50 Kalamatiya 19<sup>th</sup> and smaller numbers at other Dry Zone wetlands
- 72. Black-bellied Plover**                      **Pluvialis squatarola**  
Scattered in small numbers in Dry Zone wetlands
- 73. Little Ringed Plover**                      **Charadrius dubius**

5 Bundala N P 20<sup>th</sup>

**74. Snowy Plover** **Charadrius alexandrinus seebohmi**

Common in the Dry Zone wetlands

**75. Mongolian Plover** **Charadrius mongolus atriphrons**

One of the commonest shorebirds in the Dry Zone wetlands

**76. Greater Sandplover** **Charadrius leschenaultii**

1 Karagan Lewaya 19<sup>th</sup>

**77. Yellow-wattled Lapwing** **Vanellus malabaricus**

Common in the Dry Zone wetlands in ones and twos

**78. Red-wattled Lapwing** **Vanellus indicus lankae**

Common, usually in pairs

**79. Brown-headed Gull** **Larus brunnicephalus**

1 Maya Lewaya 19<sup>th</sup>; 10 Bundala N P 20<sup>th</sup>

**80. Whiskered Tern** **Chlidonias hybridus**

Common in the Dry Zone wetlands

**81. White-winged Tern** **Chlidonias leucopterus**

Small numbers in the Dry Zone wetlands

**82. Gull-billed Tern** **Sterna nilotica**

Common in the Dry Zone wetlands

**83. Caspian Tern** **Sterna caspia**

Common in the Dry Zone wetlands

**84. Great Crested-Tern** **Sterna bergii velox**

Common in the Dry Zone wetlands

**85. Lesser Crested-Tern** **Sterna bengalensis**

Common in the Dry Zone wetlands

**86. Common Tern** **Sterna hirundo**

1 Karagan Lewaya 19<sup>th</sup>; 5 Bundala N P 20<sup>th</sup>

**87. Little Tern** **Sterna albifrons pusilla**

10 Tissa Tanks 19<sup>th</sup>; 5 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>; 6 Bundala N P 20<sup>th</sup>

**88. Rock Dove** **Columba livia**

Small numbers in urban settings

**89. Ceylon Wood-Pigeon (E)** **Columba torringtoni**

**Vulnerable**

A difficult bird to see as it sits under the canopy but we obtained good views of Horton Plains N P 22nd, a brief flight view of a second and heard two others

**90. Spotted Dove** **Streptopelia chinensis suratensis**

Common and widespread - the ubiquitous dove of Sri Lanka

**91. Emerald Dove (ESP)** **Chalcophaps indica robinsoni**

Fairly common in Wet Zone forests and at Uda Walawe N P

**92. Orange-breasted Pigeon (ESP)** **Treron bicincta leggei**

10 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>; 1 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>; 5 Yala 21<sup>st</sup>

- 93. Pompadour Green-Pigeon (ESP)**      *Treron pompadora pompadora*  
8 Yala 21<sup>st</sup>
- 94. Green Imperial-Pigeon**                      *Ducula aenea pusilla*  
Fairly common and widespread
- 95. Ceylon Hanging-Parrot (E)**                      *Loriculus beryllinus*  
Small noisy parties seen in the Wet Zone usually in flight
- 96. Alexandrine Parakeet**                      *Psittacula eupatria eupatria*  
3 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>; 2 Tissa Tanks 19<sup>th</sup>
- 97. Rose-ringed Parakeet**                      *Psittacula krameri manillensis*  
The commonest parakeet and widespread.
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- 98. Plum-headed Parakeet**                      *Psittacula cyanocephala*  
4 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>; 2 Yala 21<sup>st</sup>
- 99. Layard's Parakeet (E)**                      *Psittacula calthropae*  
2 Kitulgala 15<sup>th</sup>; 1 Sinharaja 17<sup>th</sup>
- 100. Lesser Cuckoo**                      *Cuculus poliocephalus*  
1 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>
- 101. Grey-bellied Cuckoo**                      *Cacomantis passerinus malulatus*  
1 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>; 1 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>
- 102. Asian Koel**                      *Eudynamys scolopacea scolopacea*  
Fairly common in the Dry Zone
- 103. Blue-faced Malkoha (RE)**                      *Phaenicophaeus viridirostris*  
Fairly common in the Dry Zone
- 104. Sirkeer Malkoha**                      *Phaenicophaeus leschenaultii leschenaultii*  
2 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>
- 105. Red-faced Malkoha (E)**                      *Phaenicophaeus pyrrhocephalus*  
**Vulnerable**  
3 Sinharaja 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>
- 106. Greater Coucal**                      *Centropus sinensis parroti*  
Fairly common and widespread in suitable habitat but heard more often than seen
- 107. Green-billed Coucal (E)**                      *Centropus chlororhynchus*  
**Vulnerable**  
1 Sinharaja 17<sup>th</sup>
- 108. Indian Scops-Owl**                      *Otus bakkamoena bakkamoena*  
1 Bandagiri Road 19<sup>th</sup>
- 109. Brown Wood-Owl (ESP)**                      *Strix leptogrammica ochrogenys*  
1 Surrey Estate 21<sup>st</sup>
- 110. Chestnut-backed Owlet (E)**                      *Glaucidium castanonotum*  
**Near threatened**  
1 Kitulgala 15<sup>th</sup>
- 111. Ceylon Frogmouth (RE)**                      *Batrachostomus moniliger*

1 Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>

**112. Indian Nightjar (ESP)** *Caprimulgus asiaticus eidos*

8 Bundala 20<sup>th</sup>

**113. Crested Treeswift** *Hemiprocne coronata*

Small numbers seen on three days in each of the main habitat zones

**114. Indian Swiftlet (RE)** *Aerodramus unicolor*

The common swift of Sri Lanka

**115. Brown-backed Needletail** *Hirundapus giganteus indicus*

5 Sinharaja 17<sup>th</sup>

**116. Asian Palm-Swift** *Cypsiurus balasiensis balasiensis*

3 Kitulgala 15<sup>th</sup>; 2 Tissa Tanks 19<sup>th</sup>

**117. Malabar Trogon (RE & ESP)** *Harpactes fasciatus fasciatus*

1 Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup>; 5 Sinharaja 16<sup>th</sup> & 1 on 17<sup>th</sup>

**118. Common Kingfisher** *Alcedo atthis taprobana*

1 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>

**119. Stork-billed Kingfisher** *Pelargopsis capensis capensis*

2 Tessa Tanks 19<sup>th</sup>; 1 on road to coast 23<sup>rd</sup>

**120. White-throated Kingfisher** *Halcyon smyrnensis fusla*

The common kingfisher of Sri Lanka seen in a variety of habitats

**121. Pied Kingfisher** *Ceryle rudis*

Fairly common in the Dry Zone wetlands

**122. Green Bee-eater** *Merops orientalis orientalis*

Common in the Dry Zone especially at Yalla and Bundala

**123. Blue-tailed Bee-eater** *Merops philippinus*

Common and wide spread and even seen on overhead wires in urban areas

**124. Chestnut-headed Bee-eater** *Merops leschenaulti leschenaulti*

8 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>

**125. Indian Roller** *Coracias benghalensis indica*

1 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>; 1 roadside 19<sup>th</sup>; 5 Bundala 20<sup>th</sup>

**126. Dollarbird** *Eurystomus orientalis orientalis*

1 Kitulgala 15<sup>th</sup>

**127. Eurasian Hoopoe** *Upupa epops ceylonensis*

3 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>

**128. Ceylon Grey Hornbill (E)** *Ocyroceros gingalensis*

2 Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup>

**129. Malabar Pied-Hornbill (RE)** *Anthracoceros coronatus*

Near threatened

2 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>

**130. Brown-headed Barbet** *Megalaima zeylanica zeylanica*

Common

**131. Yellow-fronted Barbet (E)** *Megalaima flavifrons*

Fairly common in the Wet Zone forests

- 132. Crimson-fronted Barbet** *Megalaima rubricapilla*  
4 Kandy 23rd
- 133. Coppersmith Barbet** *Megalaima haemacephala indica*  
1 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>
- 134. Brown-capped Woodpecker (ESP)** *Dendrocopos nanus gymphthalmus*  
1 Bundala 20<sup>th</sup>
- 135. Yellow-crowned Woodpecker** *Dendrocopos mahrattensis mahrattensis*  
1 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>
- 136. Rufous Woodpecker** *Celeus brachyurus jerdonii*  
1 Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup>
- 137. Lesser Yellownape (ESP)** *Picus chlorolophus wellsi*  
1 Sinharaja 17<sup>th</sup>
- 138. Black-rumped Flameback (ESP)** *Dinopium benghalense psaropes*  
Fairly common in Dry Zone
- 139. Greater Flameback (ESP)** *Chrysocolaptes lucidus stricklandi*  
Fairly common in Wet Zone and 1 Horton Plains 22<sup>nd</sup>
- 140. White-naped Woodpecker (ESP)** *Chrysocolaptes festivus tantus*  
1 Tessa Tanks 19<sup>th</sup>
- 141. Indian Pitta** *Pitta brachyura*  
3 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>
- 142. White-browed Fantail** *Rhipidura aureola compressirostris*  
Fairly common in the Dry Zone
- 143. Black-naped Monarch (ESP)** *Hypothymis azurea ceylonensis*  
1 Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup>; 1 Sinharaja 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>
- 144. Asian Paradise-Flycatcher** *Terpsiphone paradisi*  
*Sri Lanka Paradise-Flycatcher (ESP)* *T p ceylonensis*  
Fairly common throughout  
*Indian Paradise-Flycatcher* *T p paradisi*  
1 juv Sinharaja 16<sup>th</sup>; 1 adult Sinharaja 17<sup>th</sup>
- 145. Ashy Drongo** *Dicrurus leucophaeus leucophaeus*  
4 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>; 1 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>; 2 Yala 21<sup>st</sup>
- 146. White-bellied Drongo (ESP)** *Dicrurus caeruleus*  
*White-vented Drongo* *D c leucopygialis*  
Common in Wet Zone forests  
*White-bellied Drongo* *D c insularis*  
I on road to coast 23<sup>rd</sup>
- 147. Greater Racket-tailed Drongo (ESP)** *Dicrurus paradiseus lophorinus*  
“Crested Drongo” common in Wet Zone forests
- 148. Ceylon Magpie (E)** *Urocissa ornata*

**Vulnerable**



4 Sinharaja 17<sup>th</sup>

**149. House Crow (ESP)**

**Corvus splendens protegatus**

Abundant

**150. Large-billed Crow**

**Corvus macrorhynchos culminatus**

Common

**151. Ashy Woodswallow**

**Artamus fuscus**

1 on road to Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup>

**152. Common Iora**

**Aegithina tiphia multicolor**

Small numbers Sinharaja, Yala N P and Bundala N P

**153. Black-hooded Oriole (ESP)**

**Oriolus xanthornus ceylonensis**

1 Kitulgala 15<sup>th</sup>; 1 Sinharaja 17<sup>th</sup>; 2 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>; 1 Tissa Tanks 19<sup>th</sup>

**154. Large Cuckoo-shrike (ESP)**

**Coracina macei layardi**

1 near Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup>; 1 near Nuwara Eliya 21<sup>st</sup>

**155. Black-headed Cuckoo-shrike**

**Coracina melanoptera sykesi**

1 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>

**156. Small Minivet**

**Pericrocotus cinnamomeus cinnamomeus**

2 Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup>; 1 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>

**157. Scarlet Minivet**

**Pericrocotus flammeus flammeus**

Common in Wet Zone forests

**158. Bar-winged Flycatcher-shrike (ESP)**

**Hemipus picatus leggei**

3 Horton Plains N P 22<sup>nd</sup>

**159. Blue-winged Leafbird**

**Chloropsis cochinchinensis jerdoni**

2 Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup>; 2 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>;

**160. Brown Shrike**

**Lanius cristatus cristatus**

*Brown Shrike*

*L c cristatus*

Common and widespread, seen on most days

*Philippine Shrike*

*L c luvionensis*

1 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>

**161. Bay-backed Shrike**

**Lanius vittatus**

1 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup> Fourth Sri Lankan record – this bird having winter at Yala for last four years

**162. Ceylon Whistling-Thrush (E)**

**Myiophonus blighi**

**Endangered**

1 Horton Plains N P 22<sup>nd</sup>

**163. Pied Thrush**

**Zoothera wardii**

1 Victoria Park 21<sup>st</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>

**164. Spot-winged Thrush (E)**

**Zoothera spiloptera**

**Near threatened**

1 Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup>; 2 Sinharaja 17<sup>th</sup>

**165. Eurasian Blackbird (ESP)**

**Turdus merula kinnisii**

1 Horton Plains 22<sup>nd</sup>

**166. White-faced Starling (E)**

**Sturnus senex**

**Vulnerable**

1 Sinharaja 16<sup>th</sup> & 3 on 17<sup>th</sup>

**167. Brahminy Starling** *Sturnus pagodarum*

4 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>

**168. Rosy Starling** *Sturnus roseus*

10,000 near Hambantota 19<sup>th</sup>

**169. Common Myna (ESP)** *Acridotheres tristis melanosternus*

Common and widespread

**170. Ceylon Myna (E)** *Gracula ptilogenys*

**Near threatened**

10 Sinharaja 17<sup>th</sup>

**171. Hill Myna** *Gracula religiosa*

2 Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup>

**172. Asian Brown Flycatcher** *Muscicapa dauurica*

1 Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup>; 1 Tissa Tanks 19<sup>th</sup>

**173. Brown-breasted Flycatcher** *Muscicapa muttui*

Common in Kitulgala and Sinharaja forests

**174. Kashmir Flycatcher** *Ficedula subrubra*

**Vulnerable**

1 Victoria Park 21st

**175. Dull-blue Flycatcher (E)** *Eumyias sordida*

**Near threatened**

1 Horton Plains 22nd

**176. Tickell's Blue-Flycatcher (ESP)** *Cyornis tickelliae jerdoni*

1 female Sinharaja 17<sup>th</sup>; 1 male Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>

**177. Headed-headed Canary-flycatcher** *Culicicapa ceylonensis ceylonensis*

6 Horton Plains 22nd

**178. Indian Blue Robin** *Luscinia brunnea brunnea*

2 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>; 1 Victoria Park 21<sup>st</sup>

**179. Oriental Magpie-Robin** *Copsychus saularis ceylonensis*

Common and widespread

**180. White-rumped Shama (ESP)** *Copsychus malabaricus leggei*

1 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>

**181. Indian Robin (ESP)** *Saxicoloides fulicata leucoptera*

Fairly common Uda Walawe N P and Yala N P

**182. Pied Bushchat (ESP)** *Saxicola caprata atrata*

Common at Nuwara Eliya and Horton Plains N P

**183. Velvet-fronted Nuthatch** *Sitta frontalis*

1 Sinharaja 16<sup>th</sup>; 1 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>

**184. Pale Martin** *Riparia diluta*

2 Tissa Tanks 119<sup>th</sup> The second record for Sri Lanka

- 185. Barn Swallow** **Hirundo rustica**  
Common
- 186. Hill Swallow (RE)** **Hirundo domicola**  
2 Horton Plains 22nd; 3 Nuwara Eliya 22nd
- 187. Red-rumped Swallow** **Hirundo daurica**  
*Sri Lanka Swallow (ESP)* *H d hyperythra*  
Common in small numbers  
*Indian Red-rumped Swallow* *H d erythrogygia*  
1 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>
- 188. Black-crested Bulbul (ESP)** **Pycnonotus melanicterus melanicterus**  
3 Sinharaja 16<sup>th</sup> & 2 on 17<sup>th</sup>
- 189. Red-vented Bulbul (ESP)** **Pycnonotus cafer cafer**  
Common
- 190. Yellow-eared Bulbul (E)** **Pycnonotus penicillatus**  
**Near threatened**  
2 Victoria Park 21st; 8 Horton Plains N P 22nd
- 191. White-browed Bulbul (RE & ESP)** **Pycnonotus luteolus insulae**  
2 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>
- 192. Yellow-browed Bulbul (RE & ESP)** **Iole indica gugielmi**  
Common in Sinharaja and Kitulgala forests
- 193. Black Bulbul (ESP)** **Hypsipetes leucocephalus humii**  
1 Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup>
- 194. Ceylon White-eye (E)** **Zosterops ceylonensis**  
Fairly common Sinharaja, Victoria Park and Horton Plains
- 195. Oriental White-eye** **Zosterops palpebrosus egreria**  
6 Kitulgala 14<sup>th</sup>; 1 Bundala 20<sup>th</sup>
- 196. Zitting Cisticola (ESP)** **Cisticola juncidis cursitans**  
Common in the Dry Zone and at Horton Plains N P
- 197. Grey-breasted Prinia (ESP)** **Prinia hodgsonii leggei**  
1 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>; 1 Bundala N P 20<sup>th</sup>
- 198. Jungle Prinia (ESP)** **Prinia sylvatica valida**  
1 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>
- 199. Ashy Prinia (ESP)** **Prinia socialis brevicauda**  
2 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>; 1 Tissa Tanks 19<sup>th</sup>; 1 near Yala 21<sup>st</sup>
- 200. Plain Prinia (ESP)** **Prinia inornata insularis**  
1 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>; 1 Tissa Tanks 19<sup>th</sup>; 1 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>; 1 near Yala 21<sup>st</sup>
- 201. Ceylon Bush-Warbler (E)** **Bradypterus palliseri**  
**Near threatened**  
2 Horton Plains N P 22nd
- 202. Blyth's Reed-Warbler** **Acrocephalus dumetorum**  
1 Kitulgala 15<sup>th</sup>; 1 Nuwara Eliya 23<sup>rd</sup>; 1 Victoria Park 23<sup>rd</sup>

- 203. Clamorous Reed-Warbler (ESP)**      **Acrocephalus stentoreus meridionalis**  
1 Tissa Tanks 19<sup>th</sup>
- 204. Booted Warbler**      **Hippolais caligata caligata**  
1 Horton Plains N P 22<sup>nd</sup>
- 205. Common Tailorbird (ESP)**      **Orthotomus sutorius**  
*O s sutorius*  
Fairly common Kitulgala, Yala N P and Bundala N P  
*O s fernandonis*  
2 Victoria Park 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>
- 206. Green Warbler**      **Phylloscopus nitidus**  
Common in suitable habitat
- 207. Large-billed Leaf-Warbler**      **Phylloscopus magnirostris**  
Common in suitable habitat
- 208. Ashy-headed Laughingthrush (E)**      **Garrulax cinereifrons**  
**Vulnerable**  
2 Sinharaja 16<sup>th</sup>
- 209. Brown-capped Babbler (E)**      **Pellorneum fuscicapillum scortillum**  
1 Kitulgala 15<sup>th</sup>; 1 Sinharaja 16<sup>th</sup>
- 210. Indian Scimitar-Babbler (RE & ESP)**      **Pomatorhinus horsfieldii melanurus**  
2 Sinharaja 16<sup>th</sup> & 1 on 17<sup>th</sup>
- 211. Tawny-bellied Babbler (ESP)**      **Dumetia hyperythra phillipsi**  
1 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>; 2 Tissa Tanks 19<sup>th</sup>
- 212. Dark-fronted Babbler (RE & ESP)**      **Rhopocichla atriceps nigrefrons**  
Fairly common Kitulgala and Sinharaja; 1 Horton Plains 22<sup>nd</sup>
- 213. Yellow-eyed Babbler (ESP)**      **Chrysomma sinense nasale**  
2 Uda Walawe N P 18<sup>th</sup>;
- 214. Orange-billed Babbler (E)**      **Turdoides rufescens**  
**Near threatened**  
Common in Kitulgala and Sinharaja where it was one of the core species in feeding flocks
- 215. Yellow-billed Babbler (RE & ESP)**      **Turdoides affinis taprobanus**  
Common and widespread
- 216. Great Tit**      **Parus major mahrattarum**  
3 Victoria Park 21<sup>st</sup>; 4 Horton Plains N P 22<sup>nd</sup>
- 217. Rufous-winged Bushlark**      **Mirafra assamica affinis**  
2 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>; 2 Bundala N P 20<sup>th</sup>
- 218. Ashy-crowned Sparrow-Lark**      **Eremopterix grisea**  
1 Kalamatiya 19<sup>th</sup>; 6 Yala N P 20<sup>th</sup>
- 219. Oriental Lark**      **Alauda gulgula gulgula**  
1 Kalamatiya 19<sup>th</sup>; 3 Tissa Tanks 19<sup>th</sup>
- 220. House Sparrow**      **Passer domesticus**

Seen only on six days in small numbers around human habitation, commonest at Nuwara Eliya

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| <b>221. White-throated Munia</b><br>3 Uda Walawe N P 18 <sup>th</sup>  | <b>Lonchura malabarica</b>                |
| <b>222. White-rumped Munia</b><br>5 Uda Walawe N P 18 <sup>th</sup> ; 3 near Yala 21 <sup>st</sup>                               | <b>Lonchura striata striata</b>           |
| <b>223. Black-throated Munia (RE &amp; ESP)</b><br>2 Kitulgala 15 <sup>th</sup> ; 2 near Yala 21 <sup>st</sup>                   | <b>Lonchura kelaarti kelaarti</b>         |
| <b>224. Nutmeg Mannikin</b><br>Common and widespread in small flocks   | <b>Lonchura punctulata punctulata</b>     |
| <b>225. Black-headed Munia</b><br>5 Uda Walawe N P 18 <sup>th</sup> ; 2 near Yala 21 <sup>st</sup>                               | <b>Lonchura malacca malacca</b>           |
| <b>226. Forest Wagtail</b><br>2 Kitulgala 15 <sup>th</sup> ; 2 Uda Walawe N P 18 <sup>th</sup>                                   | <b>Dendronanthus indicus</b>              |
| <b>227. Yellow Wagtail</b><br>1 Kalamatiya 19 <sup>th</sup>  | <b>Motacilla flava thunbergi</b>          |
| <b>228. Grey Wagtail</b><br>Fairly common throughout in suitable habitat   | <b>Motacilla cinerea</b>                  |
| <b>229. Richard's Pipit</b><br>1 Uda Walawe N P 18 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>Anthus richardi</b>                    |
| <b>230. Oriental Pipit</b><br>Common Uda Walawe N P, Yala N P and Bundala N P  | <b>Anthus rufulus</b>                     |
| <b>231. Streaked Weaver</b><br>Small colony near Yala 21 <sup>st</sup>   | <b>Ploceus manyar flaviceps</b>           |
| <b>232. Baya Weaver</b><br>Small colony Tissa Tanks 19 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>Ploceus philippinus philippinus</b>    |
| <b>233. Thick-billed Flowerpecker (ESP)</b><br>1 Uda Walawe N P 18 <sup>th</sup>   | <b>Dicaeum agile zeylonicum</b>           |
| <b>234. White-throated Flowerpecker (E)</b><br><b>Near threatened</b><br>Fairly common Kitulgala and Sinharaja                   | <b>Dicaeum vincens</b>                    |
| <b>235. Pale-billed Flowerpecker (ESP)</b><br>2 Kitulgala 15 <sup>th</sup> ; 2 Horton Plains 22 <sup>nd</sup>                    | <b>Dicaeum erythrorhynchos ceylonense</b> |
| <b>236. Purple-rumped Sunbird (ESP)</b><br>Common  | <b>Nectarinia zeylonica zeylonica</b>     |
| <b>237. Purple Sunbird</b><br>1 Kalamatiya 19 <sup>th</sup> ; 2 Yala N P 20 <sup>th</sup>  | <b>Nectarinia asiatica asiatica</b>       |
| <b>238. Long-billed Sunbird (RE &amp; ESP)</b><br>2 Kitulgala 14 <sup>th</sup> ; Common Uda Walawe N P, Yala N P and Bundala N P | <b>Nectarinia lotenia lotenia</b>         |

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