

# ANNOTATED SPECIES LIST, Taiwan, May (7)8–20, 2007

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Taxonomy, names and sequence follow *Birds of the World, a Checklist*, 5<sup>th</sup> edition, 2000, by James F. Clements, updated to December, 2005. Where the name in Clements differs from that in *Birds of Taiwan*, 1991, the Clements name is given first, followed by the *Birds of Taiwan* name in brackets. Species endemic to Taiwan are shown in bold all caps. Some birds were not seen by every person. Birds that were “heard only” or “leader only,” are indicated as “H” or “L”.

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For itinerary, see *TRIP REPORT: BIRDING IN TAIWAN, May 7–20, 2007*

## Place names

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Alishan (A Li Shan): Alishan National Forest Recreation Area

Aowanda: Aowanda National Forest Recreation Area

Blue Gate Trails: Meifeng (Meifong) area

Chihpen (Jihiben): Chihpen National Forest Recreation Area, southwest of Taitung city

Chihsang Chihsang (Chrshang): city in northern Taitung County

Hehuanshan (Hewan Shan, Ho Huan Shan): Mountain on western edge of Taroko National Park

Huisun: Huisun National Forest Recreation Area

Kenting (Kending): Kenting National Park

Kwanghua (Guanghua): village and private forest

Kwangtselín (Kwang Tse Lin, Kwantzuling, Guangzihling): hot spring area southeast of Chiayi city.

Kwantien (Guantien): Pheasant-tailed Jacana Restoration Area, Tainan County.

Lanyu: Lanyu (Orchid) Island, 49 nautical miles (approximately 90 km; 56 miles) east of Taiwan island

Long Luan Tan (Lungluantan): 175 hectare lake in Kenting National Park

Pachang River mouth: north of Beimen city, Tainan County

Sansia (Sanchia, Sanhsia, San Xia): city in southwest Taipei county

Sihcao (Cihtao): Sihcao Wildlife Preserve (wetland), near Tainan city

Taroko: Taroko National Park

Tchonglin (Cyonclin): town in Hsinchu County

Thaushan: village in Chiayi County

Tsengwen (Zengwen) River estuary: north of Tainan city

Wufeng (Wufong): town east of Changhua city

Wushe (Ren-ai): town on Highway #14, Nantou County

Yushan (Yuchan): Yushan National Park

## PODICIPEDIDAE; GREBES

**Little Grebe**, *Tachybaptus ruficollis* [*Podiceps ruficollis*] – Sihcao Reserve.

## PROCELLARIIDAE; SHEARWATERS

**Bulwer’s Petrel**, *Bulweria bulwerii* – 3, at sea between Lanyu and Taiwan Islands, May 14.

**Streaked Shearwater**, *Calonectris leucomelas* – 3, at sea between Lanyu and Taiwan Islands, May 14.

**Wedge-tailed Shearwater**, *Puffinus pacificus* – 30, at sea between Lanyu and Taiwan Islands, May 14.

**Short-tailed Shearwater**, *Puffinus tenuirostris* – 1, at sea between Lanyu and Taiwan Islands, May 14.

**Matsudaira’s Storm-Petrel**, *Oceanodroma matsudairae* – 2, at sea between Lanyu and Taiwan Islands, May 14.

**Brown Booby**, *Sula leucogaster* – 1, at sea between Lanyu and Taiwan Islands, May 14. It followed the ferry for about 10 minutes.

## ARDEIDAE; HERONS, EGRETS AND BITTERNES

**Grey Heron**, *Ardea cinerea* – several in freshwater habitat.

**Great Egret**, *Ardea alba* [*Egretta alba*] – 20 in various fresh-water habitats.  
**Little Egret**, *Egretta garzetta* – Abundant in both freshwater and saltwater habitats.  
**Chinese Egret**, *Egretta eulophotes* – 2, Sihcao, May 15. *Rare*.  
**Pacific Reef Heron [Eastern Reef Heron]**, *Egretta sacra* – 5, Lanyu Island, May 14.  
**Cattle Egret**, *Bubulcus ibis* – Abundant in lowland habitat.  
**Striated Heron**, *Butorides striatus* – 1, Sihcao.  
**Black-crowned Night-Heron**, *Nycticorax nycticorax* – many, associated with freshwater habitats.  
**Malayan Night-Heron [Tiger Bittern]**, *Gorsachius melanolophus* – 3, Kwangtselin.  
**Cinnamon Bittern**, *Ixobrychus cinnamomeus* – 1, Long Luan Tan.

THRESKIORNITHIDAE; IBISES AND SPOONBILLS

**Black-faced Spoonbill**, *Platalea minor* – 11, Sihcao. *Late. Globally threatened.*  
**Sacred Ibis**, *Threskiornis aethiopicus* – 1, Tchonglin, Hshinchu County. *Introduced.*

ANATIDAE; DUCKS, GEESE AND SWANS

**Mandarin Duck**, *Aix galericulata* – 1 female, on a pond in Tchonglin.  
**Spot-billed Duck**, *Anas poecilorhyncha zonorhyncha* – 10 in wetland habitat. (Sometimes called Chinese Spotbill. It lacks any red on the bill; there are also plumage differences. *A. p. zonorhyncha* is widespread over Palaearctic east Asia.)

PANDIONIDAE; OSPREY

**Osprey**, *Pandion haliaetus* – 1, over Long Luan Tan, May 14.

ACCIPITRIDAE; HAWKS, EAGLES AND KITES

**Black Kite**, *Milvus migrans* – 1, Sihcao.  
**Crested Serpent-Eagle**, *Spilornis cheela* – 18 in mountain habitat.  
**Crested Goshawk**, *Accipiter trivirgatus* – 1, between Wushe and Aowanda; 1, Kwanghua; 1, Thausan village; 1, Tchonglin.  
**Besra**, *Accipiter virgatus* – 7, in various wooded habitats.  
**Gray-faced Buzzard**, *Butastur indicus* – 1, on the way to Aowanda. *Late.*  
**Black Eagle [Indian Black Eagle]**, *Ictinaetus malayensis* – 1 on May 11; 1, May 17.  
**Mountain Hawk-Eagle [Hodgson's Hawk Eagle]**, *Spizaetus nipalensis* – 1, Alishan.

PHASIANIDAE; PHEASANTS AND PARTRIDGES

**TAIWAN PARTRIDGE [TAIWAN HILL PARTRIDGE]**, *Arborophila crudigularis* – Heard on 5 mornings in mountain habitat; 2 seen at Kwanghua, May 16.  
**Chinese Bamboo-Partridge [Bamboo Partridge]**, *Bambusicola thoracica* – 3, Huisun; 12 others heard only, in mountain habitat.  
**SWINHOE'S PHEASANT**, *Lophura swinhoii* – 1 L, Kwanghua, May 16.  
**MIKADO PHEASANT**, *Syrnaticus Mikado* – 2, Yushan; 1 Alishan, May 18.  
**Ring-necked Pheasant**, *Phasianus colchicus* – 14, Chihshiang.  
**Barred Buttonquail [Bustard Quail]**, *Turnix suscitator* – 1, in a taro field, Lanyu, May 13.

RALLIDAE; RAILS, GALLINUES AND COOTS

**White-breasted Waterhen**, *Amaurornis phoenicurus* – 1 seen, several others heard, Lanyu Island.  
**Ruddy-breasted Crane**, *Porzana fusca* – 1, Long Luan Tan.  
**Common Moorhen [Moorhen]**, *Gallinula chloropus* – Common in marsh habitat.

JACANIDAE; JACANAS

**Pheasant-tailed Jacana**, *Hydrophasianus chirurgus* – 3, Kwangtien. *Very rare resident.*

RECURVIROSTRIDAE; AVOCETS AND STILTS

**Black-winged Stilt**, *Himantopus himantopus* – 20 at Sihcao.

CHARADRIIDAE; PLOVERS AND LAPWINGS

**Oriental Pratincole**, *Glareola maldivarum* – 1, Lanyu; 6, Kwantien; 2 others, May 19 and 20.  
**Pacific Golden-Plover [American Golden Plover]**, *Pluvialis fulva* [*Pluvialis dominica*] – Many in mudflats of Chiku.

**Little Ringed Plover**, *Charadrius dubius* – 1, May 12.  
**Snowy Plover [Kentish Plover]**, *Charadrius alexandrinus* – 10, Sihcao.  
**Lesser Sandplover [Mongolian Plover]**, *Charadrius mongolus* – many, Sihcao and Chiku wetland.  
**Greater Sandplover**, *Charadrius leschenaultii* – 1, Lanyu Island, May 7; many, Sihcao and Chiku wetland.

SCOLOPACIDAE: SANDPIPERS AND ALLIES

**Black-tailed Godwit**, *Limosa limosa* – 1, Sihcao.  
**Spotted Redshank**, *Tringa erythropus* – 2, Sihcao.  
**Common Greenshank [Greenshank]**, *Tringa nebularia* – 6, Sihcao.  
**Common Sandpiper**, *Actitis hypoleucos* [*Tringa hypoleucos*] – 5 in wetland habitats.  
**Gray-tailed Tattler**, *Heterosceles brevipes* – 12, Chiku wetland.  
**Sharp-tailed Sandpiper**, *Calidris acuminata* – 20 at Sihcao.  
**Curllew Sandpiper**, *Calidris ferruginea* – 3, Sihcao.  
**Broad-billed Sandpiper**, *Limicola falcinellus* – 2, Sihcao.

COLUMBIDAE: PIGEONS AND DOVES

**Rock Pigeon [Rock Dove]**, *Columba livia* – many in varied habitats.  
**Ashy Wood-Pigeon**, *Columba pulchricollis* – small numbers in mountain habitat.  
**Oriental Turtle-Dove [Rufous Turtle-Dove]**, *Streptopelia orientalis* – Small numbers in various locations.  
**Red Collared-Dove [Red Turtle Dove]**, *Streptopelia tranquebarica* – seen almost every day, in various habitats.  
**Spotted Dove**, *Streptopelia chinensis* – fairly common in lowlands.  
**Philippine Cuckoo-Dove**, *Macropygia tenuirostris* – 8, Lanyu.  
**Emerald Dove**, *Chalcophaps indica* – 4, Lanyu; 1, Huben village.  
**White-bellied Pigeon [Japanese Green Pigeon]**, *Treron sieboldii* [*Sphenurus sieboldii*] – 1, Taroko; 9, on the way to Alishan.  
**Whistling Green-Pigeon [Red-capped Green-Pigeon]**, *Treron formosae* [*Sphenurus formosae*] – 6, Lanyu.

CUCULIDAE: CUCKOOS

**Large Hawk-Cuckoo**, *Cuculus sparverioides* – several heard in mid-elevation habitat.  
**Oriental Cuckoo**, *Cuculus saturatus* – 1, Wufeng; 2, Tsengwen Dam Road; several others heard.  
**Lesser Coucal**, *Centropus bengalensis* – 11, Lanyu Island; 2, Sihcao.

STRIGIDAE: OWLS

**Mountain Scops-Owl [Scops Owl]**, *Otus spilocephalus* – 1, Huisun; others heard only.  
**Collared Scops-Owl**, *Otus lettia* [*Otus bakkamoena*] – 1 heard, Tienshiang; 1 seen, Tchonglin.  
**Ryukyu Scops-Owl**, *Otus elegans botelensis* – 1 seen; 5 heard only. *Subspecies endemic to Lanyu.*  
**Brown Wood-Owl**, *Strix leptogrammica* – 1, heard, Huisun.  
**Collared Owlet [Collared Pygmy Owlet]**, *Clauvidium brodiei* – 1 seen, Blue Gate Trail #1.

CAPRIMULGIDAE: NIGHTJARS AND ALLIES

**Savanna Nightjar**, *Caprimulgus affinis* – 1 heard, Huisun.

APODIDAE: SWIFTS

**Fork-tailed Swift [Northern White-rumped Swift]**, *Apus pacificus* – hundreds in Taroko Gorge; 17, Lanyu; 5, Hshinchu.  
**House Swift**, *Apus nipalensis* [*Alpus affinis*] – large numbers in open areas.

ALCEDINIDAE: KINGFISHERS

**Common Kingfisher**, *Alcedo atthis* – 1, Tchonglin.  
**Ruddy Kingfisher**, *Halcyon coromanda* – 1, Wufeng; 1 Lanyu.

CAPITONIDAE: BARBETS

**Black-browed Barbet [Muller's Barbet]**, *Megalaima oorti nuchalis* – Common; encountered almost daily except on Lanyu.

PICIDAE: WOODPECKERS

**Gray-capped Woodpecker [Gray-headed Pygmy Woodpecker]**, *Dendrocopos canicapillus* – 1, Huisun; 5, Tsengwen Dam area and Kwanghua; 1, Thaushan.  
**White-backed Woodpecker**, *Dendrocopos leucotos* – 2, Yushan.

PITTIDAE; PITTAS

**Fairy Pitta [Indian Pitta]**, *Pitta nymphea* [*Pitta brachyura*] – Heard only, Wufeng; Chihpen, Huben.

ALAUDIDAE; LARKS

**Oriental Skylark**, *Alauda gulgula* – 2, Chihshiang, 1, Sihcao.

HIRUNDINIDAE; SWALLOWS

**Plain Martin**, *Riparia paludicola* – 2, Aowanda

**Barn Swallow**, *Hirundo rustica* – common in lowlands.

**Pacific Swallow**, *Hirundo tahitica* – very common in lowlands.

**Striated Swallow**, *Hirundo striolata* – common in lowlands. (See footnote <sup>1</sup>.)

**Asian Martin [House Martin]**, *Delichon dasypus* – 25, in appropriate habitat.

MOTICILLIDAE; WAGTAILS AND PIPITS

**White Wagtail**, *Motacilla alba* – 10, in lowland habitats.

**Black-backed Wagtail**, *Motacilla lugens* – 8, in lowland habitats.

CAMPEPHAGIDAE; CUCKOO-SHRIKES

**Gray-chinned Minivet [Yellow-throated Minivet]**, *Pericrocotus solaris* – fairly common in appropriate habitat; mostly mid-elevation.

PYCNONOTIDAE; BULBULS

**Collared Finchbill**, *Spizixos semitorques* – 20, several locations in mid-elevation scrub.

**STYAN'S BULBUL [Taiwan Bulbul]**, *Pycnonotu taivanus* – 42; endemic species restricted to the extreme east and south of Taiwan.

**Light-vented Bulbul [Chinese Bulbul]**, *Pycnonotus sinensis* – abundant almost everywhere except extreme east and south.

**Brown-eared Bulbul [Chestnut-eared Bulbul]**, *Ixos amaurotis* [*Hyupsipetes amaurotis*] – common on Lanyu.

**Black Bulbul**, *Hypsipetes leucocephalus* [*H. madagascariensis*] – common in wooded habitats.

REGULIDAE; KINGLETS

**FLAMECREST [TAIWAN FIRECREST]**, *Regulus goodfellowi* – 1, Hehuanshan, in conifers in Taroko.

CINCLIDAE; DIPPERS

**Brown Dipper**, *Cinclus pallasii* – 2, Chihpen Hsi, Chihpen.

TROGLODYTIDAE; WRENS

**Winter Wren [Wren]**, *Troglodytes troglodytes* – 2, Hehuanshan.

PRUNELLIDAE; ACCENTORS

**Alpine Accentor**, *Prunella collaris* – 1, Hehuanshan, Taroko.

TURDIDAE; THRUSHES AND ALLIES

**Blue Rock-Thrush**, *Monticola solitarius* – 1, Taroko Gorge; 1 Hualien city; 7, Lanyu; 1, Kwangtselin.

**FORMOSAN WHISTLING-THRUSH [TAIWAN WHISTLING-THRUSH]**, *Myophonus insularis* – 2, Aowanda; 5, Taroko Gorge; 3, Chihpen.

**Island Thrush**, *Turdus poliocephalus* [*Turdus niveiceps*] – 1, Thaushan.

**White-browed Shortwing [Blue Shortwing]**, *Brachypteryx montana* – 2, Blue Gate Trail #1; others heard only, Alishan.

CISTICOLIDAE; CISTICOLAS AND ALLIES

**Zitting Cisticola [Fan-tailed Warbler]**, *Cisticola juncidis* – 1, Chihpen; 5, Lanyu; 5, Sihcao; 1, Long Luan Tan.

**Striated Prinia [Brown Hill Warbler]**, *Prinia criniger* [*Prinia polychroa*] – 2, farming area between Aowanda and Wushe; 1 Thaushan.

**Yellow-bellied Prinia**, *Prinia flaviventris* – 2, Sihcao.

**Plain Prinia [Tawny-flanked Prinia]**, *Prinia inornata* [*Prinia subflava*] – fairly common in low wetland habitat.

#### SYLVIIDAE: OLD WORLD WARBLERS

**Brownish-flanked Bush-Warbler [Strong-footed Bush Warbler]**, *Cettia fortipes* – 3 seen, Hehuanshan; May 11; 8 others heard only.

**Yellowish-bellied Bush-Warbler [Verreaux's Bush Warbler]**, *Cettia acanthizoides* – 5, Hehuanshan..

**Russet Bush-Warbler [Mountain Scrub Warbler]**, *Bradypterus seebohmi* – 1, Tataka Recreation Area, Yushan.

**TAIWAN BUSH-WARBLER**, *Bradypterus alishanensis* – 1 seen, Tataka Recreation Area, Yushan; others heard only.

**Oriental Reed-Warbler**, *Acrocephalus orientalis* – 1, Long Luan Tan.

**Rufous-faced Warbler [White-throated Flycatcher Warbler]**, *Abroscopus albogularis* – 13 in forest habitat.

#### MUSCICAPIDAE: OLD WORLD FLYCATCHERS

**Ferruginous Flycatcher**, *Muscicapa ferruginea* – 6, Taroko; 1, Yushan.

**Snowy Browed Flycatcher [Thicket Flycatcher]**, *Ficedula hyperythra* – 1, Blue Gate Trail; 1 Alishan.

**Vivid Niltava**, *Niltava vivida* – 4, Blue Gate Trails; 6, Kwanghua and Alishan.

**COLLARED BUSH-ROBIN**, *Tarsiger johnstoniae* [*Erithacus johnstoniae*] – 6, Blue Gate Trails; 2, Kwanghua; 8, Alishan.

**Daurian Redstart**, *Phoenicurus aureus* – 3, Blue Gate Trail #1.

**Plumbeous Redstart [Plumbeous Water Redstart]**, *Rhyacornis fuliginosus* [*Phoenicurus fuliginosus*] – 4, Aowanda; 8, Taroko; 2, Chihpen Hsi.

**White-tailed Robin [White-tailed Blue Robin]**, *Cinclidium leucurum* – 11, Blue Gate Trails; 24, A Li Shan.

**Little Forktail**, *Enicurus scouleri* – 2, Galloping Waterfall, Naoliao Creek, Aowanda.

#### MONARCHIDAE: MONARCH FLYCATCHERS

**Black-naped Monarch [Black-naped Blue Monarch]**, *Hypothymis azurea* – 3, Huisun; 3, Blue Gate Trail #1; 1, Huben area.

**Japanese Paradise-Flycatcher**, *Terpsiphone atrocaudata* – 7 (5 adults, 2 chicks), Lanyu Island.

#### TIMALIIDAE: BABBLERS

**White-throated Laughingthrush**, *Garrulax albogularis* – 3, Blue Gate Trail #1.

**Rusty Laughingthrush [Gray-sided Laughing Thrush]**, *Garrulax poecilorynchus* [*Garrolax caerulatus*] – 1, Huben; 2 near Thaushan village, 1200 m elev.

**Hwamei**, *Garrulax canorus taewanus* – 3, Wufeng area.

**WHITE-WHISKERED LAUGHINGTHRUSH [TAIWAN LAUGHING THRUSH]**, *Garrulax morrisonianus* – 7, Hehuanshan; 1, Alishan; 12, Yushan.

**STEERE'S LIOCICHLA**, *Liocichla steerii* – 3, Blue Gate Trails; 25, Hehuanshan; 3, Kwanghua; 30, Alishan and Yushan.

**Spot-breasted Scimitar-Babbler [Rusty-cheeked Scimitar Babbler]**, *Pomatorhinus erythrocnemis* [*Pomatorhinus erythrognis*] – 3, Tsengwen Dam area; 1, Kwanghua..

**Streak-breasted Scimitar-Babbler**, *Pomatorhinus ruficollis* – 1, Wufeng; 4, Huisun NFRA; 5, Kwanghua; 2, Alishan; 2, Hsinchu.

**Pygmy Wren-Babbler**, *Pnoepyga pusilla* – 2, seen, Blue Gate Trail #2; 2, heard only, Alishan.

**Rufous-capped Babbler [Red-headed Tree Babbler]**, *Stachyris ruficeps* – 4, Wufeng; 8, Blue Gate Trails; 3, Tsengwen Dam area; 4, Kwanghua; 4, Alishan.

**TAIWAN BARWING**, *Actinodura morrisoniana* – 2, Blue Gate #2; 5, Alishan.

**Streak-throated Fulvetta**, *Alcippe cinereiceps* – 3, Tataka Recreation Area, Yushan.

**Dusky Fulvetta [Gould's Fulvetta]**, *Alcippe brunnea* – 3, Huisun NFRA; 1, Tsengwen Dam area.

**Gray-cheeked Fulvetta**, *Alcippe morrisonia* – Fairly common, mid- to high elevation.

**WHITE-EARED SIBIA [TAIWAN SIBIA]**, *Heterophasia auricularis* – many, along Blue Gate Trails, Kwanghua, Alishan and Yushan N. Pk.

**TAIWAN YUHINA**, *Yuhina brunneiceps* – many, Blue Gate Trails, Alishan and Yushan.

**White-bellied Yuhina**, *Yuhina zantholeuca* – 2, Tsengwen Dam area; 2, Kwanghua; 1, Thaushan.

PARADOXORNITHIDAE: PARROTBILLS

**Vinous-throated Parrotbill**, *Paradoxornis webbianus* – 5, Wufeng; 4, Chingjing.

PARIDAE: CHICKADEES AND TITS

**Black-throated Tit**, *Aegithalos concinnus* – 30 in small flocks, Blue Gate Trails, Meifeng; 4, Kwanghua; 16, Alishan.

**Coal Tit**, *Periparus ater* [*Parus ater*] – 1, Blue Gate Trail #1; 3, Yushan.

**Green-backed Tit**, *Parus monticolus* – 8, Blue Gate Trails, Meifeng; 4, Taroko; 11, Alishan and Yushan.

**Varied Tit**, *Sittiparus varius* [*Parus varius*] – 1, Huisun; 3, Blue Gate Trails.

SITTIDAE; NUTHATCHES

**Eurasian Nuthatch**, *Sitta europaea* – 2, Blue Gate Trails; 1, Kwanghua.

DICAEIDAE; FLOWERPECKERS

**Plain Flowerpecker**, *Dicaeum concolor* – 2, Huisun; 1, Taushan.

**Fire-breasted Flowerpecker**, *Dicaeum ignipectus* – 4, Blue Gate Trails; 1, Alishan.

ZOSTEROPIDAE; WHITE-EYES

**Japanese White-eye**, *Zosterops japonicus* – very common everywhere except highest elevation.

**Lowland White-eye**, *Zosterops meyeri batanis* – 35, Lanyu. *At this time, the status of the white-eye on Lanyu and Ludao (Green) Islands is not definitive. To some authors, including those of the Chinese-language Field Guide to the Birds of Taiwan (1991) and Clements' Birds of The World: A Checklist (with updates to Dec. 2005), it is a sub-species of Zosterops japonicus. Others consider it to be Zosterops meyeri batanis, variously called Lowland White-eye, Batan White-eye and Philippine White-eye. The case for the latter scientific name is persuasive and we use it here.*

ORIOLIDAE; OLD WORLD ORIOLES

**Black-naped Oriole**, *Oriolus chinensis* – 1 male, Shedding Nature Park, Kenting.

**Maroon Oriole**, *Oriolus trailii* – 1 male, Huisun; 1 male, a “fly-by” over the highway, near Hualien.

LANIIDAE; SHRIKES

**Brown Shrike**, *Lanius cristatus* – 6, Lanyu; 2, Huben area. *Migrant.*

**Long-tailed Shrike [Black-headed Shrike]**, *Lanius schach* – 1, Chihshiang area.

DICRUIDAE; DRONGOS

**Black Drongo**, *Dicrurus macrocercus* – common at low elevation.

**Bronzed Drongo**, *Dicrurus aeneus* – 2, Huisun; 20, Blue Gate Trails and Chingjing areas.

CORVIDAE; CROWS, JAYS AND MAGPIES

**Eurasian Jay [Jay]**, *Garrulus glandarius* – 3, Blue Gate Trail #1, Meifeng; 1, Hehuanshan; 4, Alishan.

**FORMOSAN MAGPIE [TAIWAN BLUE MAGPIE]**, *Urocissa caerulea* – 18 (family groups) Huisun.

**Gray Treepie [Himalayan Tree Pie]**, *Dendrocitta formosae* – Fairly common in mid-elevation habitats.

**Eurasian Magpie [Magpie]**, *Pica pica* – 1, East Coast lowlands.

**Eurasian Nutcracker [Nutcracker]**, *Nucifraga caryocatactes* – 1, Tataka Recreation Area, Yushan.

**Large-billed Crow [Jungle Crow]**, *Corvus macrorhynchos* – fairly common at mid- to high elevation.

STURNIDAE; STARLINGS

**Crested Myna**, *Acridotheres cristatellus* – fairly common in open habitats at low elevation, but decreasing.

**Javan Myna**, *Acridotheres javanicus* – 12 in lowland, open areas. *Introduced; has spread widely and range is still expanding. Aggressive; will attack Crested Mynas. Often confused with White-vented Myna, Acridotheres grandis, which has a bushier crest and reddish eye (adult).*

**Common Myna**, *Acridotheres tristis* – common in open lowland habitats. *Introduced.*

PASSERIDAE; OLD WORLD SPARROWS

**Eurasian Tree Sparrow [Tree Sparrow]**, *Passer montanus* – abundant in towns.

ESTRILDIDAE; WAXBILLS AND ALLIES

**White-rumped Munia**, *Lonchura striata* – 2, nesting, Huisun; 2, Tsengwen Dam area.  
**Nutmeg Mannikin**, *Lonchura punctulata* – common in grassy, scrubby habitats at low elevation.  
**Chestnut Munia [Black-headed Munia]**, *Lonchura atricapilla* [*Lonchura malacca*] – 1, Sihcao.

FRINGILLIDAE; SISKINS, CROSSBILLS AND ALLIES

**Vinaceous Rosefinch**, *Carpodacus vinaceus* – 1, Hehuanshan; 3, Yushan.  
**Eurasian Siskin**, *Carduelis spinus* – 1 heard, Chingjing.  
**Brown Bullfinch**, *Pyrrhula nipalensis* – 2, Alishan.  
**Gray-headed Bullfinch [Beavan's Bullfinch]**, *Pyrrhula erythaca* – 3, Hehuanshan.

**TOTAL SPECIES:** 165; 157 seen by two or more participants, 5 heard only, 2 seen by only one participant, 1 seen by leader only.  
**Endemic species:** 14 (of 15) seen.      **Endemic missed:** [Taiwan] Yellow Tit.

Other Wildlife Observed		
<b>TAIWAN MACAQUE</b>	<i>Macaca cyclopis</i>	May 9 – 1; May 12 – 8; May 13 – 4; May 18 - 5
Crab-eating Mongoose	<i>Herpestes urva</i>	May 16 - 1
Formosan Red-bellied Squirrel	<i>Callosciurus erythraeus taivanensis</i>	May 10, 13, 15 – one per day; May 18, 19 – two per day
Formosan Striped Squirrel	<i>Tamias maritimus formosanus</i>	May 10 – 3
White-faced Flying Squirrel	<i>Petaurista alborufus lena</i>	May 16 – 2
Hairy-footed Flying Squirrel	<i>Belomys pearsonii</i>	May 16 – 1
<b>TAIWAN RICEFROG</b>	<i>Microhyla heymenzi</i>	May 16 – 1
<b>MOLTRECHT'S GREEN TREE FROG</b>	<i>Rhacophorus moltrechti</i>	May 17 – 1; May 8, 16 - heard only
Spectacled Toad	<i>Bufo melanostictus</i>	May 12 - 50
<b>SWINHOE'S JAPALURA</b>	<i>Japalura swinhonis</i>	May 16, 19 – one per day
<b>TAIWAN CHUNK-HEAD SNAKE</b>	<i>Pareas formosanus</i>	May 16 – one dead on road
Giant Wood Spider	<i>Nephila pilipes</i>	May 8 – 1; May 9 - 4
Cross-striped Human-faced Spider	<i>Nephila clavata</i>	May 13 – 1
butterfly species	<i>Byasa polyeuctes termessus</i>	May 10 - 20

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**NOTES:** <sup>1</sup> Striated and Red-rumped Swallows are very similar in appearance. Red-rumped appears in Taiwan only in migration, whereas Striated is a resident species.  
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