

## **SYSTEMATIC LIST OF SPECIES OBSERVED**

Taxonomy, sequence and nomenclature follow “**A Field Guide to the Birds of South-East Asia**” by Robson (2000) with some recent taxonomic changes included. Especially Rasmussen & Anderton (2005)

### *PHASIANIDAE*

#### **Scaly-breasted Partridge** *Arborophila chloropus*

A total of 11 birds seen on 2 dates along the Bau Sau Trail, Cat Tien. Some were seen very well. On 8-03 Frans saw 1 bird in the bamboo near Heaven's Rapids.

#### **Chestnut-necklaced Partridge** *Arborophila charltonii*

Heard twice at Cuc Phuong N.P. Birds flushed and glimpsed along the Valley Trail were probably this species.

#### **Red Junglefowl** *Gallus gallus*

Daily and easily observed at Cat Tien. Also a few at Cuc Phuong.

#### **Silver Pheasant** *Lophura nycthemera*

On 2-03 1 ex. briefly seen at Ho Tuyen Lam. This is the dark-backed ssp. *annamensis*

On 11-03 1 male flushed along the Valley Trail, Cuc Phuong.

On 13-03 astonishing and lengthy views of a male along the main road near Bong.

#### **Siamese Fireback** *Lophura diardi*

On 6-03 1 pair and later another male perfectly seen along the main road towards Dac Lua.

#### **Grey Peacock Pheasant** *Polyplectron bicalcaratum*

On 12-03 1 heard along the Loop Trail, Cuc Phuong.

#### **Germain's Peacock Pheasant** *Polyplectron germaini*

On 5-03 1 pair and another male seen very well along the Uncle Dong Trail, Cat Tien.

On 6-03 1 pair seen right on the Bau Sau Trail, Cat Tien. Several more birds were heard.

#### **Green Peafowl** *Pavo muticus*

In the early morning on 7-03 we had excellent views in the scope of a displaying, adult male from the platform at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien. A immature male was also observed nearby.

### *ANATIDAE*

#### **Lesser Whistling-Duck** *Dendrocygna javanica*

On 6 and 7-03 200+ at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

#### **Eurasian Wigeon** *Anas Penelope*

On 10-03 20+ Xuan Thuy.

**Eurasian Teal** *Anas crecca*

On 10-03 10 exx. Xuan Thuy.

**Burmese Spot-billed Duck** *Anas poecilorhyncha*

20-30 exx. Xuan Thuy.

**Northern Shoveler** *Anas clypeata*

On 10-03 3 exx. Xuan Thuy.

*PICIDAE*

**Speckled Piculet** *Picumnus innominatus*

On 28-02 1 ex. observed at Ta Nung.

**White-browed Piculet** *Sasia ochracea*

On 5-03 1 ex. at Cat Tien.

On 11-03 1 ex. Cuc Phuong.

On 16-03 1 ex. Tam Dao.

**Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpecker** *Dendrocopos canicapillus*

A total of 9 birds observed near Da Lat, Cat Tien and Cuc Phuong.

In Cuc Phuong the darker ssp. *kaleensis* was seen.

**White-bellied Woodpecker** *Dryocopus javensis*

A total of 3 exx. seen at Cat Tien.

**Lesser Yellownape** *Picus chlorophus*

On 6-03 1 ex. at Cat Tien.

Twice observed at Cuc Phuong.

**Greater Yellownape** *Picus flavinucha*

A total of 5 exx. observed at Cuc Phuong.

**Laced Woodpecker** *Picus vittatus*

On 4-03 1 ex. and on 5-03 2 exx. Cat Tien.

**Grey-headed Woodpecker** *Picus canus*

During both visits to Ho Tuyen Lam 1 ex. seen.

**Common Flameback** *Dinopium javanense*

A total of 5 exx. seen at Cat Tien.

**Greater Flameback** *Dinopium lucidus*

On 7-03 2 exx. scrubby area, Cat Tien.

During every visit 2/3 exx. seen along the Valley Trail, Cuc Phuong.

**Pale-headed Woodpecker** *Cecinulus grantia*

On 8-03 excellent views of a taped-in bird along the Heaven's Rapids Track, Cat Tien.

**Bay Woodpecker** *Blythipicus pyrrhotis*

On both visits to Deo Nui San we observed a pair near the jeep track.

On 13 and 14-03 3 to 4 exx. along the Valley Trail, Cuc Phuong. Very vocal.

**Black & Buff Woodpecker** *Meiglyptes jugularis*

On 5-03 1 pair along the main road near the HQ area, Cat Tien.

Another 4 exx. seen on 2 dates, Cat Tien.

**Heart-spotted Woodpecker** *Hemicircus canente*

On 7-03 1 ex. near the platform at Crocodile Lake.

On 8-03 1 ex. along the Heaven's Rapids Track, Cat Tien

*MEGALAIMIDAE*

**Great Barbet** *Megalaima virens*

On 22-03 heard along the dead-end road, O Qui Ho Track and 1 ex. seen well by Frans.

**Red-vented Barbet** *Megalaima lagrandieri*

Regularly heard at the various sites around Da Lat, Cat Tien and Cuc Phuong.

At least 3 exx. seen well. 1 at Ho Tuyen Lam, 1 at Cat Tien and 1 at Bong, Cuc Phuong.

**Lineated Barbet** *Megalaima lineate*

Commonly and daily recorded at Cat Tien.

**Green-eared Barbet** *Megalaima faiostricta*

A few seen at Cat Tien and daily recorded at Cuc Phuong.

**Golden-throated Barbet** *Megalaima franklinii*

On 1-03 heard at Mount Lang Bian.

Daily heard at Tam Dao and on 15-03 1 ex. seen very well along the Watertank Trail.

**Black-browed Barbet** *Megalaima oorti*

Common around Da Lat and Deo Nui San.

This is the Indochinese race, *annamensis*

**Blue-eared Barbet** *Megalaima australis*

Only heard a few times at Cat Tien.

**Coppersmith Barbet** *Megalaima haemacephala*.

Heard and 2 exx. seen on 8-03 at Cat Tien.

*BUCEROTIDAE*

**Oriental Pied Hornbill** *Anthracoceros albirostris*

Commonly and daily encountered at Cat Tien. Up to 20 near Crocodile Lake.

**Great Hornbill** *Buceros bicornis*

Heard on 2 dates at Deo Nui San.

A total of 6 exx. seen on 3 dates at Cat Tien. Very good views of 2 exx. near Crocodile Lake.

**Wreathed Hornbill** *Aceros undulates*

On 7-03 1 perched bird near Crocodile lake.

*TROGONIDAE*

**Orange-breasted Trogon** *Harpactes oreskios*

On 8-03 we observed twice a male at Cat Tien. One bird was seen very well near the HQ.

**Red-headed Trogon** *Harpactes erythrocephalus*

Only observed at Cuc Phuong NP where it was common. Up to 8 exx. a day observed.

*CORACIIDAE*

**Indian Roller** *Coracias benghalensis*

Mostly observed on transit and also a few at Cat Tien.

**Dollarbird** *Eurystomus orientalis*

A few daily at Cat Tien.

*ALCYONIDAE*

**Common Kingfisher** *Alcedo atthis*

A few observed at Cat Tien and one was present daily at the swimmingpool, Bong substation.

*HALCYONIDAE*

**Stork-billed Kingfisher** *Halcyon capensis*

On 9-03 1 ex. flew over the river at Cat Tien.

**White-throated Kingfisher** *Halcyon smyrnensis*

Regularly observed in the south.

*CERYLIDAE*

**Pied Kingfisher** *Ceryle rudis*

A few birds were present at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

3-4 exx. observed at Xuan Thuy.

*MEROPIDAE*

**Blue-bearded Bee-eater** *Nyctyornis athertoni*

On 4-03 2 exx. at Deo Nui San.

Twice 1 ex. seen along the main road at Cat Tien.

**Chestnut-headed Bee-eater** *Merops leschenaultia*

On 7-03 5 exx. scrubby habitat at Cat Tien.

On 9-03 2 exx. at the jetty, Cat Tien.

*CUCULIDAE*

**Large Hawk Cuckoo** *Hierococcyx sparverioides*

Commonly heard around Sapa. 1 ex. seen briefly in flight along the O Qui Ho track.

**Indian Cuckoo** *Cuculus micropterus*

On 1-03 1 ex. heard at Datanla Waterfall area, Da Lat.

**Oriental Cuckoo** *Cuculus saturatus*

On both visits heard at the O Qui Ho track, Sapa.

**Banded Bay Cuckoo** *Cacomantis sonneratii*

On 12-03 1 ex. heard at Cuc Phuong.

**Asian Emerald Cuckoo** *Chrysococcyx maculates*

On 13-03 very good views of a male near Bong substation, Cuc Phuong.

**Asian Koel** *Eudynamis scolopacea*

A total of 3 exx. observed at Cat Tien.

**Green-billed Malkoha** *Phaenicophaeus tristis*

On 28-02 3 exx. Ta Nung.

A total of 21 exx. on 5 dates at Cat Tien.

A total of 4 exx. on 3 dates at Cuc Phuong.

**Greater Coucal** *Centropus sinensis*

A few daily at Cat Tien.

**Lesser Coucal** *Centropus bengalensis*

Only 1 bird seen on 7-03 in the grassland area of Cat Tien.

*PSITTACIDAE*

**Red-breasted Parakeet** *Psittacula alexandri*

Common at Cat Tien.

**Vernal Hanging-Parrot** *Loriculus vernalis*

Small numbers daily at Cat Tien.

*APODIDAE*

**Himalayan Swiftlets** *Collocalia brevirostris*

On 7-03 a large flock observed at Crocodile Lake.

**Germain's Swiftlet** *Collocalia germani*

When waiting at the jetty at Cat Tien we saw 3-4 birds on 9-03

**Silver-backed Needletail** *Hirundapus cochinchinensis*

On 5-03 3 exx. Cat Tien. On 8 and 9-03 15 and 10 exx. Cat Tien.

On 12-03 30 exx. Cuc Phuong.

**Brown-backed Needletail** *Hirundapus giganteus*

On 12-03 2 exx. Cuc Phuong.

**Asian Palm Swift** *Cypsiurus balasiensis*

Rather scarce. Twice observed at Cat Tien and once at the HQ area of Cuc Phuong.

**Fork-tailed Swift** *Apus pacificus*

On 18-03 5 exx. along the O Qui Ho track, Sapa.

**House Swift** *Apus nipalensis*

Common Da Lat.

*STRIGIFORMES*

**Mountain Scops Owl** *Otus spilocephalus*

On 12-03 heard at Cuc Phuong.

**Collared Scops Owl** *Otus bakkamoena*

A pair with 2/3 recently fledged juvenile birds present at the HQ area of Cat Tien.

**Collared Owlet** *Glaucidium brodiei*

On 3-03 heard at Ho Tuyen Lam. Regularly heard at Cuc Phuong.

On 16-03 excellent and close views of 1 ex. along the Watertank Trail, Tam Dao.

*EUROSTOPODIDAE*

**Great-eared Nightjar** *Eurostopodus macrotis*

Heard and seen every evening at Cat Tien.

*CAPRIMULGIDAE*

**Grey Nightjar** *Caprimulgus indicus*

On 1-03 good views of 2 flushed birds in the scrub opposite Datanla Waterfall, Da Lat.

**Large-tailed Nightjar** *Caprimulgus macrurus*

On 5-03 1 ex. observed at Cat Tien.

*COLUMBIDAE*

**Rock Pigeon** *Columba livia*

Observed

**Spotted Dove** *Streptopelia chinensis*

Common at the sites around Da Lat and a few at Cat Tien.

**Red-collared Dove** *Streptopelia tranquebarica*

Commonly seen around Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien. And at the grassland areas of Cat Tien.

**Emerald Dove** *Chalcophaps indica*

A total of 9 exx. observed on 4 dates at Cat Tien.

**Orange-breasted Pigeon** *Treron bicincta*

Up to 20 exx. seen near Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

**Ashy-headed Green Pigeon** *Treron phayrei*

A total of 14 exx. identified on 3 dates, Cat Tien. Note: A recent split from Pompadour Green Pigeon *T. pompadora*

**Thick-billed Pigeon** *Treron curvirostra*

Some 20 exx. observed on 2 dates, Cat Tien.

**Wedge-tailed Green Pigeon** *Treron sphenura*

On 28-02 6 exx. Ta Nung.

**Green Imperial Pigeon** *Ducula aenea*

Common at Cat Tien.

**Mountain Imperial Pigeon** *Ducula badia*

Common at the various sites around Da Lat.

On 21-03 1 ex. Sapa.

*RALLIDAE*

**White-breasted Waterhen** *Amourornis phoenicurus*

Common at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

**Grey-headed Swamphen** *Porphyrio*

**Black-backed Swamphen** *Porphyrio melanotus ssp. viridis*

On 10-03 2 exx. Xuan Thuy.

On 6 and 7-03 20+ at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien. I am not quite sure that these are the same (sub) species as the birds in the north.

**Common Moorhen** *Gallinula chloropus*

On 6-03 exx. Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

*SCOLOPACIDAE*

**Pintail Snipe** *Gallinago stenura*

On 2-03 1 ex. Ho Tuyen Lam.



**Black-tailed Godwit** *Limosa limosa*

50+ Xuan Thuy.

**Common Redshank** *Tringa tetanus*

30+ at Xuan Thuy.

**Marsh Sandpiper** *Tringa stagnatilis*

3 exx. at Xuan Thuy.

**Common Greenshank** *Tringa nebularia*

30+ at Xuan Thuy.

**Green Sandpiper** *Tringa ochropus*

On 7-03 1 ex. Crocodile Lake at Cat Tien.

**Common Sandpiper** *Actitis hypoleucos*

A few at Xuan Thuy.

**Sanderling** *Calidris alba*

2 exx. at Xuan Thuy.

**Dunlin** *Calidris alpina*

100+ at Xuan Thuy.

*CHARADRIIDAE*

**Grey Plover** *Pluvialis squatarola*

20+ at Xuan Thuy.

**Little Ringed Plover** *Charadrius dubius*

10+ at Xuan Thuy.

**Kentish Plover** *Charadrius alexandrinus*

A few at Xuan Thuy.

**Lesser Sandplover** *Charadrius mongolus*

A few at Xuan Thuy.

**Greater Sandplover** *Charadrius leschenaultia*

10+ at Xuan Thuy.

**Grey-headed Lapwing** *vanellus cinereus*

1 ex. present at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

**Red-wattled Lapwing** *Vanellus indicus*

On 6-03 2 exx. Crocodile lake, Cat Tien.

*LARIDAE*

**Black-headed Gull** *Larus ridibundus*

Common at Xuan Thuy.

**Whiskered Tern** *Chlidonias hybridus*

On 7-03 2 exx. at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

*ACCIPITRIDAE*

**Osprey** *Pandion haliaetus*

Single birds at Ho Tuyen Lam and Cat Tien.

**Jerdon's Baza** *Aviceda jerdoni*

On both visits to HoTuyen Lam 1 ex. observed.

**Black Baza** *Aviceda leuphotes*

On 27-03 1 ex. Ho Tuyen Lam. (FH only)

**Black-shouldered Kite** *Elanus caeruleus*

On 7-03 1 ex. grasslands of Cat Tien.

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

Twice observed on both visits to Ho Tuyen Lam.

**Lesser Fish Eagle** *Ichthyophaga humilis*

On 6-03 1 ex. along the river at Cat Tien. Uncommon.

**Grey-headed Fish Eagle** *Ichthyophaga ichthyaetus*

On 6-03 1 ex. Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien. Perched and in flight.

**Crested Serpent Eagle** *Spilornis cheela*

Single birds Cat Tien and 5 exx. on 3 dates at Cuc Phuong.

**Eastern Marsh Harriër** *Circus spilonotus*

On 7-03 1 ex. at Crocodile lake, Cat Tien.

On 10-03 5 exx. at Xuan Thuy.

**Crested Goshawk** *Accipiter trivirgatus*

On 5-03 1 pair at Cat Tien. On 8-03 1 ex. Cat Tien.

A total of 4 exx. observed on 3 dates at Cuc Phuong.

**Shikra** *Accipiter badius*

Twice observed at Cat Tien.

**Grey-faced Buzzard** *Bustastur indicus*.

On 4-03 1 ex. at Ho Tuyen Lam.

On 12-03 3 migrating over Cuc Phuong.

**Himalayan Buzzard** *Buteo burmanicus*

On 14-03 1 ex. HQ area of Cuc Phuong.

A recent split from Common Buzzard *Buteo buteo*, *Rasmussen 2005*

**Black Eagle** *Ictinaetus malayensis*

On 1-03 1 ex. at Lang Bian.

On 4-03 1 ex. Deo Nui San.

On 12-03 1 ex. at Cuc Phuong.

**Changeable Hawk-Eagle** *Spizaetus cirrhatus*

On 4-03 1 ex. at Deo Nui San.

*FALCONIDAE*

**Collared Falconet** *Microhierax caeruleus*

On 8-03 2 exx. along the Heaven's Rapids track at Cat Tien

**Pied Falconet** *Microhierax melanoleucos*

On 3 consecutive days 1 bird was perched on a bare branch in a tree just opposite our bungalow at Bong sub-station, Cuc Phuong.

*PODICIPEDIDAE*

**Little Grebe** *Podiceps ruficollis*

Common on Ho Tuyen Lam Lake.

*ANHINGIDAE*

**Darter** *Anhinga melanogaster*

On 6-03 1 ex. in flight at Crocodile lake, Cat Tien.

*ARDEIDAE*

**Little Egret** *Egretta garzetta*

Observed at Xuan Thuy and on transit in the paddyfields in the north.

**Grey Heron** *Ardea cinerea*

On 7-03 1 ex. Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

Common at Xuan Thuy.

**Purple Heron** *Ardea purpurea*

4 to 5 birds observed at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

**Great Egret** *casmerodius alba*

A few at Crocodile lake, Cat Tien and 10+ at Xuan Thuy.

**Eastern Cattle Egret** *Bubulcus coromandus*

Only scattered observations in the south, mostly on transit.

On the northern paddyfields locally common.

Note: A recent split from (Western) Cattle Egret *B. ibis* (See Rasmussen & Anderton 2005)

**Intermediate Egret** *Mesophoyx intermedia*

5 to 6 exx. observed at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

**Chinese Pond Heron** *Ardeola bacchus*

Commonly observed throughout.

**Striated Heron** *Butorides striatus*

On 27-02 1 ex. Ho Tuyen Lam.

**Yellow Bittern** *Ixobrychus sinensis*

On 27-02 3 exx. Ho Tuyen Lam.

A total of 6 exx. on 2 dates at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

*THRESKIORNITHIDAE*

**Black-faced Spoonbill** *Platalea minor*

On 10-03 a flock of 32 exx. at the shrimp ponds of Xuan Thuy. Considered "Endangered".

*CICONIIDAE*

**Lesser Adjutant** *Leptoptilos javanicus*

On 6-03 2 exx. soaring above Crocodile lake, Cat Tien. Also 1 perched.

*PITTIDAE*

**Eared Pitta** *Pitta phayrei*

On 3-03 we flushed 2 times a male Eared Pitta at Deo Nui San.

Not listed for southern Annam, according to Robson (2000).

**Blue-rumped Pitta** *Pitta soror*

On 5-03 heard along the Uncle Dong Trail, Cat Tien.

On 6-03 views of 2 different males along the Bau Sau Trail and on 7-03 astonishing close views of a pair along the Bau Sau Trail, Cat Tien. Not heard/seen at Cuc Phuong.

**Blue Pitta** *Pitta cyanea*

On 3-03 1 ex. briefly heard at Deo Nui San.

**Bar-bellied Pitta** *Pitta ellioti*

On 4 and 5-03 1 pair along the Lagerstroemia Trail.

On 6 and 7-03 a total of 11 exx. observed along the Bau Sau Trail, Cat Tien.

Some birds were seen very good and close.

At Cuc Phuong surprisingly only heard twice.

**Blue-winged Pitta** *Pitta moluccensis*

On 4-03 1 ex. flew in while taping in a Bar-bellied Pitta and was seen perched on a branch in full view.

**Pitta spec.**

A Pitta observed in the Grid, Cuc Phuong on 13-03 was either a Blue-rumped or a Rusty-naped Pitta.

*EURYLAIMIDAE*

**Black & Red Broadbill** *Cymbirhynchus macrorhynchos*

Twice a bird observed at Cat Tien.

**Long-tailed Broadbill** *Psarisomus dalhousiae*

On 28-02 1 ex. at Ta Nung. On 4-03 2 exx. at Deo Nui San.

**Silver-breasted Broadbill** *Serilophus lunatus*

Common at Cuc Phuong where daily small flocks were recorded. A total of 22 exx. on 5 dates.

**Dusky Broadbill** *Corydon sumatranus*

On 8-03 good views of 1 ex. along the Heaven's Rapids Trail, Cat Tien.

*IRENIDAE*

**Asian Fairy Bluebird** *Irena puella*

A total of 15 birds seen in the south. Ta Nung, Deo Nui San and Cat Tien.

**Blue-winged Leafbird** *Chloropsis cochinchinensis*

A total of 4 exx. at Cat Tien and 5 exx. at Cuc Phuong.

**Golden-fronted Leafbird** *Chloropsis aurifrons*

Only on 4-03 3 exx. at a fruiting tree, Cat Tien.

*LANIIDAE*

**Brown Shrike** *lanius cristatus*

On 7-03 5 exx. Xuan Thuy.

**Burmese Shrike** *Lanius colluroides*

Regularly observed at the various sites around Da Lat. Endemic ssp. *nigricapillus*

**Long-tailed Shrike** *Lanius schach*

On 27-02 2 exx. Ho Tuyen Lam and on 28-02 2 exx. near Ta Nung.

Scattered observations in the north.

**Grey-backed Shrike** *Lanius tephronotus*

4 exx. at Cuc Phuong and 1 ex. at Tam Dao

*CORVIDAE*

**Eurasian Jay** *Garrulus glandarius*

On 27-02 and 2-03 3-4 exx. Ho Tuyen Lam.

On 1-03 2 exx. Mount Lang Bian. This is the black-capped ssp. *leucotis*.

**Red-billed Blue Magpie** *Urocissa erythrorhyncha*

On 19-03 1 ex. and on 21-03 3 exx. at Hoag Lien N.R.

**White-winged Magpie** *Urocissa whiteheadi*

After we failed to find the species around the Bong-substation we finally scored lower down.

On 14-03 6 exx. and on 15-03 4 exx. HQ area, Cuc Phuong. Excellent views.

**Common Green Magpie** *Cissa chinensis*

Single birds seen on 12 and 14-03 at Cuc Phuong.

**Indochinese Green Magpie** *Cissa hypoleuca*

On 14-03 at least 2 exx. in a flock with Green Magpies in the Grid, Cuc Phuong.

**Racket-tailed Treepie** *Crypsirina temia*

Regularly seen at Cat Tien and also 4 exx. on 2 dates at Cuc Phuong.

**Ratchet-tailed Treepie** *Temnurus temnurus*

A total of 6 exx. observed on 3 dates at Cuc Phuong., mostly close to Bong.

**Ashy Woodswallow** *Artamus fuscus*

On 7-03 3 exx. grassland area , Cat Tien.

**Black-naped Oriole** *Oriolus chinensis*

Regularly observed at Cat Tien.

**Slender-billed Oriole** *Oriolus tenuirostris*

On 1-03 1 ex. in pine forest of Mount Lang Bian.

On 2-03 2 exx. in the pine forest of Ho Tuyen Lam.

**Black-hooded Oriole** *Oriolus xanthornus*

A total of 4 exx. seen at Cat Tien.

**Maroon Oriole** *Oriolus traillii*

A few observed on both visits to Ho Tuyen Lam.

A total of 8 exx. observed on 2 visits to Deo Nui San.

6 exx. seen on 2 dates at Cuc Phuong.

**Large Cuckooshrike** *Coracina macei*

On 1-03 3 exx. Mount Lang Bian.

Single birds at Cat Tien.

**Indochinese Cuckooshrike** *Coracina polioptera*

Only seen at Deo Nui San on 4-03 (3 exx.)

**Black-winged Cuckooshrike** *Coracina melaschistos*

A total of 9 birds seen on 3 dates at Cuc Phuong.

**Grey-chinned Minivet** *Pericrocotus solaris*

On 3-03 2 exx. Deo Nui San.

**Long-tailed Minivet** *Pericrocotus ethologus*

A few identified at Ho Tuyen Lam and Mount Lang Bian.

**Scarlet Minivet** *pericrocotus flammeus*

Regularly observed in the south..

Common at Cuc Phuong and 4 exx. at Tam Dao.

**Swinhoe's Minivet** *Pericrocotus cantonensis*

On 8-03 1 pair observed along the Heaven's Rapids Track. Cat Tien.

**Bar-winged Flycatcher-Shrike** *Hemipus picatus*

Regularly observed.

**White-throated Fantail** *Rhipidura albicollis*

Commonly observed in the south.

Also small numbers at Tam Dao and Sapa.

**Black Drongo** *Dicrurus macrocercus*

On 3-03 4/5 exx. in the grassland area of Cat Tien.

In the north mainly on transit. Between Xuan Thuy and Cuc Phuong for instance.

Also a few at the edge of Cuc Phuong.

**Ashy Drongo** *Dicrurus leucophaeus*

Observed throughout.

**Bronzed Drongo** *Dicrurus aeneus*

Observed at Deo Nui San and Cat Tien.

**Lesser racket-tailed Drongo** *Dicrurus remifer*

Common at the various sites near Da Lat.

**Spangled Drongo** *Dicrurus hottentottus*

Scarce. Twice a single bird observed at Cat Tien.

A total of 3 exx. on 2 dates at Cuc Phuong.

**Greater racket-tailed Drongo** *Dicrurus paradiseus*

Common at Cat Tien and Cuc Phuong.

**Black-naped Monarch** *Hypothymis azurea*

On 7-03 1 pair along the Bau-Sau Trail, Cat Tien.

**Asian Paradise-Flycatcher** *terpsiphone paradise*

10+ daily at Cuc Phuong. Mainly in mixed flocks.

**Common Iora** *Aegithina tiphia*

Scarce. A total of 4 exx. at Cuc Phuong.

**Great Iora** *Aegithina lafresnayei*

3 birds on 3 dates at Cat Tien.

On 14-03 3 exx. at Cuc Phuong.

**Large Woodshrike** *Tephrodornis gularis*

Common at sites around Da Lat.

Also common at Cuc Phuong. The race here is *mekongensis*



*MUSCICAPIDAE*

**Blue Rock Thrush** *Monticola solitarius*

On 20-03 1 ex. Hamrong Gardens, Sapa.

**Blue Whistling Thrush** *Myophonus caeruleus*

On 21-03 2 exx. at The Tac Bac Waterfall near Sapa.

**Lesser Shortwing** *Brachypteryx leucophrys*

On 1-03 1 ex. heard at Mount Lang Bian.

**Asian Brown Flycatcher** *Muscicapa latirostris*

Up to 5 exx. daily at Cat Tien.

Also a few observed at Cuc Phuong.

**Mugimaki Flycatcher** *Ficedula mugimaki*

Single birds at Ho Tuyen Lam, Mount Lang Bian and a beautiful male at Deo Nui San.

**Red-throated Flycatcher** *Ficedula parva*

A total of 6 birds at the various sites around Da Lat.

**White-gorgeted Flycatcher** *Ficedula monileger*

On 17-03 1 ex. low down in the bamboo and the end of the Watertank Trail, Tam Dao.

**Snowy-browed Flycatcher** *Ficedula hyperethra*

On 1-03 1 male at Mount Lang Bian.

On 13-03 1 male at Cuc Phuong.

**Little Pied Flycatcher** *Ficedula westermanni*

A total of 9 birds seen at Ho Tuyen Lam, Mount Lang Bian and Deo Nui San.

**Verditer Flycatcher** *Eumyias thalassina*

Common at the various site around Da Lat. Also 2 exx. at Cuc Phuong.

Up to 6 exx. daily at Tam Dao and around Sapa.

**Large Niltava** *Niltava grandis*

A total of 12 birds were observed at the various sites around Da Lat.

**Small Niltava** *Niltava macgrigoriae*

On 4-03 1 ex. at Deo Nui San.

On 22-03 1 singing male along the O Qui Ho Track, Sapa.

**Fujian Niltava** *Niltava davidi*

On 12-03 brief but good views of a male along the Loop Trail, Cuc Phuong.

**White-tailed Flycatcher** *Cyornis concretus*.

On 14-03 1 ex. observed along the Valley Trail, Cuc Phuong.

On 15-03 1 male near the HQ, Cuc Phuong. This bird was singing and displaying by fanning its tail. Very good and close views.

**Hainan Blue Flycatcher** *Cyornis hainanus*

A total of 8 exx. on 3 dates at Cuc Phuong.

**Tickell's Blue Flycatcher** *Cyornis tickelliae*

On 9-03 good views of a male at Cat Tien.

**Grey-headed Canary Flycatcher** *Culicicapa ceylonensis*

Daily observed at the various sites around Da Lat, daily a few at Cuc Phuong, Tam Dao and around Sapa. Not at Cat Tien .

**Japanese Robin** *Erithacus akahige*

On 11-03 1 female observed along the Valley Trail, Cuc Phuong. Vagrant.

**Siberian Rubythroat** *Luscinia calliope*

On 10-03 1 male at Xuan Thuy.

On 20-03 2 exx. Hamrong Gardens, Sapa

**Siberian Blue Robin** *Luscinia cyane*

On 6-03 twice observed along the Bau Sau Trail, Cat Tien.

**Red-flanked Bluetail** *Tarsiger cyanurus*

On 4-03 1 ex. at Deo Nui San.

On 17-03 2 exx. along the Water Tank Trail, Tam Dao.

On 22-03 1 ex. Hamrong Gardens, Sapa.

**Oriental Magpie Robin** *Copsychus saularis*

A few observed around the platform at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

Daily observed at Cuc Phuong and twice near Sapa.

**White-rumped Shama** *Copsychus malabaricus*

Common at Cat Tien and Cuc Phuong.

**White-tailed Robin** *Myiomela leucura*

On both visits to Ho Tuyen Lam 1 ex. observed.

**Slaty-backed Forktail** *Enicurus schistaceus*

On 28-02 1 ex. at Ta Nung.

**White-crowned Forktail** *Enicurus leschenaultia*

On 19-03 2 exx. near Sapa.

**Little Forktail** *Enicurus scouleri*

On 22-03 excellent views of 1 bird at The Tac Bac Waterfall, Sapa.

**Spotted Forktail** *Enicurus maculatus ssp. robinsoni*

On both visits to Deo Nui San 2/3 birds were seen along the stream uphill of the teastall.

**Green Cochoa** *Cochoa viridis*

On 3-03 1 ex. heard at Deo Nui San. On 4-03 1 ex. seen in flight who came in in response of playback and which gave brief, unsatisfying perched views. Unfavourable light conditions.

**Siberian Stonechat** *Saxicola maura*

A few at the grassland area, Cat Tien.

Single observations around Tam Dao and Sapa.

**Pied Bushchat** *Saxicola caprata*

At least 5 exx. in the grasslands of Cat Tien.

Twice observed along the O Qui Ho Track, Sapa.

**Grey Bushchat** *Saxicola ferrea*

Small numbers in scrubby habitat around Da Lat, Tam Dao and Sapa.

*STURNIDAE*

**Red-billed Starling** *Sturnus sericeus*

On 10-03 2 exx. at Xuan Thuy.

**Black-collared Starling** *Sturnus nigricollis*

Common around Da Lat. Also 10+ at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

**Vinous-breasted Starling** *Sturnus burmannicus*

Common around Crocodile Lake and at the grasslands of Cat Tien.

**Golden-crested Mynah.** *Ampeliceps coronatus.*

A total of 26 exx. seen on 5 dates at Cat Tien. Some very good views.

**Common Hill Mynah** *Gracula religiosa*

Only 2 at Cat Tien and 10+ at Cuc Phuong.

**Crested Mynah** *Acridotheres cristatellus*

2 exx. at Xuan Thuy and common at Cuc Phuong.

**Common Mynah** *Acridotheres tristis*

10+ around Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien??

*SITTADAE*

**Chestnut-vented Nuthatch** *Sitta nagaensis*

Common at Ho Tuyen Lam. Also a few at Datanla Waterfall, Da Lat.

On 19-03 1 ex. at Ward's Valley, Sapa.

**White-tailed Nuthatch** *Sitta himalayensis*

On 21-03 1 ex. in a bird flock at Ward's Valley, Sapa.

**Yellow-billed Nuthatch** *Sitta solangiae*

On 2-03 excellent, close and lengthy views of 2 birds in a flock in the evergreen forest at Ho Tuyen Lam.

*PARIDAE*

**Green-backed Tit** *Parus monticolus ssp. legendrei*

A total of 5 birds seen at Ho Tuyen Lam and Datanla Waterfall, Da Lat.

**Yellow-cheeked Tit** *Parus sibilans*

On 1-03 2 exx. at Mount Lang Bian and on 2-03 1 ex. at Ho Tuyen Lam. *ssp. basileus*

On both visits to Ward's Valley 4-6 exx. observed.

**Sultan Tit** *Melanochlora sultanea*

Up to 10 daily observed at Cuc Phuong. Also a few at Tam Dao.

**Yellow-browed Tit** *Sylviparus modestus*

On 27-02 1 ex. Datanla Waterfall, Da Lat.

On 19-03 1 ex. and on 21-03 6 exx. Ward's Valley, Sapa

**Grey-crowned Tit** *Aegithalos annamensis*

On 1-03 3 exx. at Mount Lang Bian. On 2-03 2 exx. At Ho Tuyen Lam.

**Black-throated Tit** *Aegithalos concinnus*

On 18 and 22-03 resp. 4 and 2 exx. along the O Qui Ho Track, Sapa.

On 19-03 4 exx. near the Tan Trong pass, Sapa.

*HIRUNDINIDAE*

**Barn Swallow** *Hirundo rustica*

Observed.

**Pacific Swallow** *Hirundo tahitica*

On 9-03 30+ at Cat Tien.

**Red-rumped Swallow** *Hirundo daurica*

Twice 10+ observed at Cat Tien.

On 15-03 a small flock at Tam Dao.

**Asian House Martin** *Delichon dasypus*

On 1-03 10+ at Mount Lang Bian.

Regularly observed at Cat Tien

*PYCNONOTIDAE*

**Black-crested Bulbul** *Pycnonotus melanicterus*

Commonly encountered in the south.

On 14-03 4 exx. Cuc Phuong.

**Red-whiskered Bulbul** *Pycnonotus jocosus*

Up to 10 exx. on both visits to Ho Tuyen Lam. A few at Datanla Waterfall, Da Lat.

Common at Cuc Phuong and a few near Tam Dao.

**Brown-breasted Bulbul** *Pycnonotus xanthorrhous*

Common around Sapa.

**Light-vented Bulbul** *Pycnonotus sinensis*

On 10-03 2 exx. at Xuan Thuy.

**Sooty-headed Bulbul** *Pycnonotus aurigaster*

On 27-02 2 exx. Ho Tuyen Lam.

On 2 dates 5 exx. recorded at Cuc Phuong.

On 15-03 1 ex. Tam Dao.

**Stripe-throated Bulbul** *Pycnonotus finlaysoni*

Regular at Cat Tien and a few only at Cuc Phuong.

**Flavescent Bulbul** *Pycnonotus flavescens race sordidus*

Up to 6 exx. observed on each visit to Ho Tuyen Lam.

Common at Deo Nui San and Ta Nung.

**Streak-eared Bulbul** *Pycnonotus blanfordi*

Only 2 identified at Cat Tien. Probably overlooked.

**Puff-throated Bulbul** *Alophoixus pallidus*

Common at Cuc Phuong.

**Ochraceous Bulbul** *Alophoixus ochraceus ssp.hallae*

A few at Mount Lang Bian, Ta Nung and regularly observed at Cat Tien.

**Grey-eyed Bulbul** *Iole propinqua*

A total of 6 exx. on 2 dates at Cuc Phuong.

**Ashy Bulbul** *Hemixos flavala*

We observed 2 exx. at Datanla Waterfall and 4 exx. at Ta Nung.

**Chestnut Bulbul** *Hemixos castanonotus*

On 15-03 4 exx. along the Water Tank Trail, Tam Dao.

**Mountain Bulbul** *Hypsipetes mcclllandii*

Common around Da Lat.

**Black Bulbul** *Hypsipetes leucocephalus*

Common around Da Lat, Cuc Phuong and Tam Dao.

Several times we recorded the white-headed race.

**Collared Finchbill** *Spizixos semitorques*

On 22-03 good views of 3 exx. along the O Qui Ho Track, Sapa.

*CISTICOLIDAE*

**Hill Prinia** *Prinia atrogularis*

Common at the various sights around Da Lat. *ssp.klossi*

Common around Sapa.

**Rufescent Prinia** *Prinia rufescens*

3 exx. identified on 2 dates at Cuc Phuong.

**Yellow-bellied Prinia** *Prinia flaviventris*

A few at the grasslands/scrub at Cat Tien

**Plain Prinia** *Prinia inornata*

A few observed at Crocodile Lake and grasslands, Cat Tien.

At the grasslands near the HQ, Cuc Phuong we observed several *ssp.extensicauda*

*ZOSTEROPIDAE*

**Japanese White-eye** *Zosterops japonica*

Common at Cuc Phuong. Flocks of up to 100 exx. were encountered.

Also a few around Sapa, Hamrong Gardens.

*SYLVIIDAE*

**Slaty-bellied Tesia** *Tesia olivea*

Heard twice along the Transmitter Trail, Tam Dao.

On both visits to Ward's Valley, Sapa commonly heard and at least 5 exx. seen very well.

**Grey-bellied Tesia** *Tesia cyaniventer*

On 28-02 a few heard and 2 birds taped in at Ta Nung.

On 1-03 commonly heard at Mount Lang Bian and 1 seen.

**Asian Stubtail** *Urosphena squameiceps*

A total of 4 birds seen on 2 dates at Cuc Phuong Valley Trail.

On 19-03 1 ex. observed at Ward's Valley.

**Pale-footed Bush Warbler** *Cettia pallidipes*

On 15-03 1 ex. observed in the grassland area near the HQ, Cuc Phuong.

**Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler** *Cettia fortipes*

Commonly heard around Sapa. A few seen very well at Hamrong Gardens and O Qui Ho.

**Aberrant Bush Warbler** *Cettia flavolivacea*

Regularly heard around Sapa and on 19-03 1 ex. seen very well near the Tram Ton pass.

**Brown Bush Warbler** *Bradypterus luteoventris*

A few heard in the grassland above Ward's valley. On 21-03 1 ex. taped out and seen well.

**Russet Bush Warbler** *Bradypterus mandelli*

A few heard along the O Qui Ho Track but not seen.

**Lanceolated Warbler** *Locustella lanceolata*

On 28-02 1 ex. seen at Ta Nung.

On 2-03 1 ex. in grassland/scrub at Ho Tuyen Lam

**Black-browed Reed Warbler** *Acrocephalus bistrigiceps*

On 6-03 3 exx. at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien

**Oriental Reed Warbler** *Acrocephalis orientalis*

On 6-03 2 exx. at Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

**Mountain Tailorbird** *Orthotomus cuculatus*

On 1-03 3 exx. at Mount Lang Bian.

On 22-03 2 exx. along the O Qui Ho Track, Sapa.

**Common Tailorbird** *Orthotomus sutorius*

Observed at Tam Dao and Sapa area.

**Dark-necked Tailorbird** *Orthotomus atrogularis*

Observed at Cat Tien and a few at Cuc Phuong.

**Dusky Warbler** *Phylloscopus fuscatus*

A few observed around Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien and at the grassland/scrub near the HQ.

Common at Xuan Thuy.

**Buff-throated Warbler** *Phylloscopus subaffinis*

On 18-03 2 exx. at Hamrong Gardens, Sapa. Near the top of the hill.

**Radde's Warbler** *phylloscopus schwarzi*

One only. On 11-03 1 ex. Cuc Phuong??

**Ashy-throated Warbler** *phylloscopus maculipennis*

On 1-03 1-2 exx. at Mount Lang Bian.

**Pallas's Warbler** *Phylloscopus proregulus*

A total of 5 birds at Tam Dao. A few around Sapa.

**Chinese Leaf Warbler** *Phylloscopus sichuanensis*

On 21-03 twice a bird identified at Ward's Valley, Sapa.

**Yellow-browed Warbler** *Phylloscopus inornatus*

Commonly encountered throughout. Most common in the south.

**Two-barred Warbler** *Phylloscopus plumbeitarsus*

A few on 2 dates at Cat Tien.

**Pale-legged Leaf Warbler** *Phylloscopus tenellipes*

Twice observed at Cuc Phuong. Surprisingly none at Cat Tien.

**Eastern Crowned Warbler** *Phylloscopus coronatus*

On 13-03 1 ex. at Cuc Phuong.

1 ex. at Hamrong Gardens and 6 exx.(2 visits) at Ward's valley, Sapa.

**Blyth's Leaf Warbler** *Phylloscopus reguloides*

On 1-03 2 exx. at Mount Lang Bian. *spp. ticehursti*

On 19 and 21-03 6 and 4 exx. at Ward's Valley.

**White-tailed Leaf Warbler** *Phylloscopus reguloides*

A total of 6 exx. observed on 2 visits to Ho Tuyen Lam.

On 4-03 3 exx. at Deo Nui San.

On 19 and 21-03 4 exx. at Ward's Valley, Sapa.



**Sulphur-breasted Warbler** *Phylloscopus ricketti*

Single birds were observed at Cuc Phuong (3 exx.), Tam Dao (1 ex.) and Ward's valley at Sapa (2 exx.)

**Grey-crowned Warbler** *Seicercus tephrocephalus*

On 20-03 2 exx. at Hamrong's Garden, Sapa.

On 22-03 4 exx. along the O Qui Ho Track, Sapa. Several birds were singing.

Song was recorded.

**Bianchi's Warbler** *Seicercus valentine*

A total of 4 exx. observed on 3 dates at Cuc Phuong.

On 17-03 2 exx. at Tam Dao.

**White-spectacled Warbler** *Seicercus affinis*

On 1-03 2 exx. observed higher up in the evergreen forest of Mount Lang Bian.

On 2-03 1 ex. Ho Tuyen Lam.

**Grey-cheeked Warbler** *Seicercus poliogenys*

Single birds seen at Ho Tuyen Lam and Ta Nung.

**Chestnut-crowned Warbler** *Seicercus castanceps*

Daily up to 4 exx. recorded at the various sites around Da Lat. *Ssp.annamensis*

**Broad-billed Warbler** *Tickellia hodgsoni*

On 19-03 good views of 1 ex. in a warbler flock at Ward's Valley, Sapa.

**Black-faced Warbler** *Abroscopus schisticeps*

On 19-03 3 exx. and on 21-03 6 exx. at Ward's Valley, Sapa

**Yellow-bellied Warbler** *Abroscopus superciliaris*

Twice observed on 2 dates in a bamboo patch along the Valley Trail, Cuc Phuong.

**White-crested Laughingthrush** *Garrulax leucolophus*

On 3-03 1 ex. deo Nui San. More were heard at this site.

Flocks of up to 8 exx. were encountered on 3 dates at Cat Tien.

Heard a few times and on 15-03 4 exx. seen HQ area, Cuc Phuong.

**Black-hooded Laughingthrush** *Garrulax mileti*

On both visits heard at Deo Nui San.

On 28-02 heard and also 4 exx. seen after tape playback at Ta Nung.

**Grey Laughingthrush** *Garrulax maesi*

Commonly heard at Tam Dao and also several flocks seen very well.

**White-cheeked Laughingthrush** *Garrulax vassali*

Up to 15 exx. daily recorded at the various sites around Da Lat.

**Orange-breasted Laughingthrush** *Garrulax merulinus*

This endemic laughingthrush was observed at 3 sites around Da Lat.

On 28-02 1 ex. taped in at Ta Nung.

On 2-03 2 exx. observed at Ho Tuyen Lam.

On 3-03 7 exx. and on 4-03 2 exx. at Deo Nui San.

**Hwamei** *Garrulax canorus*

On 21-03, while looking for White-browed Laughingthrushes we found 2 exx. in the scrub just below the transmitter area.

**White-browed Laughingthrush** *Garrulax sannio*

We struggled with this one. Finally I tracked down a flock of 6-8 birds on the scrubby hillside just below the transmitter area on 21-03. Again 3 exx. seen the next day in the same area.

On 22-03 3 exx. in the scrub along the O Qui Ho Track.

**Collared Laughingthrush** *Garrulax yersini*

This beautiful endemic laughingthrush was found at the usual site of Mount Lang Bian.

First a single bird was taped in and later we had excellent views of a small flock of 6 exx.

**Abbott's Babbler** *Malacocincla abbotti*

On 8-03 1 ex. at Cat Tien.

**Spot-throated Babbler** *Pellorneum albiventre*

On 1-03 2 exx. at Mount Lang Bian.

On 2-03 2 exx. at Ho Tuyen Lam.

**Puff-throated Babbler** *Pellorneum ruficeps*

A total of 14 exx. on 4 dates recorded at Cat Tien. *spp. dilloni*.

On 15-03 2 exx. seen at Cuc Phuong. *Ssp. vividum*

**Scaly-crowned Babbler** *Malacopteron cinereum*

On 8-03 1 ex. at Cat Tien.

On 14-03 1 ex. at Cuc Phuong.

**Large Scimitar Babbler** *Pomatorhinus hypoleucos*

Twice heard at Cuc Phuong but unfortunately not tape responsive.

**Spot-breasted Scimitar Babbler** *Pomatorhinus erythrocnemis*

On 22-08 unsatisfying views (fog) of 1 ex. along the O Qui Ho Track.

I came to this identification because of the habitat and the absence of a white eye-brow of this Scimitar Babbler .(HH only)

**White-browed Scimitar Babbler** *Pomatorhinus schisticeps*

On 1-03 excellent views of a pair, apparently nestbuilding, along the left-hand trail at Mount Lang Bian.

**Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler** *Pomatorhinus ruficollis*

On 18-03 1 ex. briefly seen along the O Qui Ho Track, Sapa (HH only)

**Red-billed Scimitar Babbler** *Pomatorhinus ochraceiceps*

On both visits heard at Deo Nui San.

On 16-03 a flock of 5-6 exx. along the Transmitter Trail, Tam Dao.

Probably also a **Coral-billed S.Babbler** *P. ferruginosus* was present in this flock but not enough details seen.

**Limestone Wren Babbler** *Napothera crispifrons*

On 11-03 1 pair was seen very well along the Valley Trail, Cuc Phuong.

**Streaked Wren Babbler** *Napothera brevicaudata*

On 4-03 1 pair along the trail at Deo Nui San.

On 11-03 3 exx. was observed along the Valley Trail, Cuc Phuong. *ssp.stevensi*

**Eye-browed Wren Babbler** *Napothera epilepidota*

On 3-03 1 pair was observed along the trail at Deo Nui San.

On 12-03 1 ex. was seen along the Loop Trail at Cuc Phuong. *ssp.amyae*

**Pygmy Wren Babbler** *Pnoepyga pusilla*

On 1-03 good views of 1 ex. at Mount Lang Bian.

On 19-03 heard at Ward's Valley, Sapa and on 21-03 excellent views of 1 ex. here.

**Rufous-capped Babbler** *Stachyris ruficeps*

Rather common at the various sites around Da Lat.

A total of 7 exx. on 2 dates at Cuc Phuong.

A few around Sapa.

**Golden Babbler** *Stachyris chryseae*

A total of 5 exx. on 2 dates recorded at Tam Dao.

On 22-03 1 ex. along the O Qui Ho Track.

**Grey-throated Babbler** *Stachyris nigriceps*

Only 2 exx. observed at Cuc Phuong and 4 exx. at Tam Dao.

**Spot-necked Babbler** *Stachyris striolata*

On 16-03 1 pair along the Water tank Trail, Tam Dao and 1 ex. along the Transmitter Trail.

**Striped Tit Babbler** *Macronous gularis*

Common at Cat Tien and Cuc Phuong.

**Grey-faced Tit Babbler** *Macronous kelleyi*

At least 6 exx. identified. We found this species generally more inside the forest than the previous one.

**Chestnut-capped Babbler** *Timalia pileata*

On 2-03 a group of 6 exx. was observed at the first tourist camp, Ho Tuyen Lam.

On 8-03 1 ex. at Cat Tien.

**Silver-eared Mesia** *Leiothrix argenteauris*

On 16-03 3 exx. along the Transmitter Trail, Tam Dao.

On 22-03 2-3 exx. along the O Qui Ho Track, Sapa.

**Red-billed Leiothrix** *Leiothrix lutea*

On 18-03 1 ex. along the O Qui Ho Track, Sapa.

On 19 and 21-03 2-3 exx. observed at Hoang Lien .

**Cutia** *Cutia nipalensis ssp.legalleni*

Possible future split.

On 27-02 3-4 exx. at Ho Tuyen Lam.

On 1-03 3 exx. at Mount Lang Bian.

**White-browed Shrike Babbler** *Pteruthius flaviscapis*

On 27-02 1 ex. at Ho Tuyen Lam.

On 17-03 1 ex. along the Water Tank Trail, Tam Dao.

**Black-eared Shrike Babbler** *Pteruthius melanotis*

On 19-03 2 exx. at Ward's Valley, Sapa.

**Chestnut-fronted Shrike Babbler** *Pteruthius aenobarbus*

Single birds at Ho Tuyen Lam, Datanla waterfall and Mount Lang Bian.

**White-hooded Babbler** *Campsorhynchus rufulus ssp.torquatus*

On 15-03 a flock of 7-8 exx. along the Water Tank Trail, Tam Dao.

On 16-02 2 exx. in a mixed flock with Red-billed Scimitar Babbler along the Transmitter Trail, Tam Dao. On 17-02 also 2 exx. seen here.

**Spectacled Barwing** *Actinodura ramsayi*

On 19-03 poor, distant views along the main road, near the Tram Ton Pass, Sapa.

On 21-03 2 exx. on the scrubby hill side below the transmitter at Sapa.

**Blue-winged Minla** *Minla cyanouroptera*

A total of 4 exx. observed at Ho Tuyen Lam. 2 exx. Datanla Waterfall, Da lat

On 1-03 2 exx. at Mount Lang Bian. *Ssp. orientalis* without blue in the wing.

Around Sapa daily 3-4 exx. observed. *Ssp. sordida*

**Red-tailed Minla** *Minla ignotincta*

On 18-03 1 ex. along the O Qui Ho Track.

Single birds seen at Hoang Lien NR on both visits.

**Chestnut-tailed Minla** *Minla strigula*

A total of 5 exx. seen on 2 visits to the O Qui Ho Track, Sapa.

**Golden-breasted Fulvetta** *Alcippe chrysotis*

On 19-03 2 exx. and on 21-03 4 exx. at Ward's Valley.

**Rufous-winged Fulvetta** *Alcippe castaneiceps*

On 1-03 we observed briefly in the understory 2 exx. at Mount Lang Bian. *Ssp. klossi*.

Note: A possible future split.

On 21-03 2 exx. at Ward's valley, Sapa.

**White-browed Fulvetta** *Alcippe vinipectus*

On 19-03 2 exx. at Ward's Valley, Sapa.

**Rufous-throated Fulvetta** *Alcippe rufogularis*

Surprisingly common at Cuc Phuong. Recorded daily 4-7 exx.

Mostly low down in the vegetation and very vocal. *Ssp. stevensi*.

**Rusty-capped Fulvetta** *Alcippe dubia*

A total of 5 exx. observed at Hamrong Gardens.(2 visits)

On 21-03 1 ex. at Ward's Valley.

**Black-browed Fulvetta** *Alcippe grotei*

Common in Cuc Phuong.

**Mountain Fulvetta** *Alcippe peracensis*

Common at the sites around Da Lat. *ssp. annamensis*

**Grey-cheeked Fulvetta** *Alcippe morrisonia*

Common at Tam Dao. *Ssp. schaefferi*

**Grey-crowned Crocias** *Crocias langbianis*

A flock of 5-6 exx. was seen extremely well at Ta Nung. Superb close views.

This species is considered "Endangered".

**Rufous-backed Sibia** *Heterophasia annectens*

A total of 5 exx. on 2 visits observed at Ho Tuyen Lam. On 28-02 6 exx. at Ta Nung. *Ssp. eximia* which is dark-backed.

**Black-headed Sibia** *Heterophasia desgodinsi*

On 1-03 4 exx. at Mount Lang Bian. Up to 10 exx. observed at Deo Nui San. *race robinsoni* with a white eyering.

**Striated Yuhina** *Yuhina castaniceps*

On 16-03 a flock of 20+ at Tam Dao. On 17-03 4 exx. seen. *Ssp.torquelo*.

**White-naped Yuhina** *Yuhina bakeri*

On 18-03 2 exx. along the O Qui Ho Track, Sapa. On 22-03 here 1 ex.

On 19-03 6 exx. along the main road near the Tram Ton Pass.

**Whiskered Yuhina** *Yuhina flavicollis*

Daily recorded around Sapa.

**Black-chinned Yuhina** *Yuhina nigrimenta*

A total of 13 exx. on 2 dates at Tam Dao.

**White-bellied Yuhina** *Yuhina zantholeuca*

On 2 exx. seen at Ta Nung.

Regularly encountered in the north.

**Grey-headed Parrotbill** *Paradoxornis gularis Ssp. margaritae*

A total of 6 birds on 2 visits to Deo Nui San. Along the main road. This endemic Black-capped/white-throated subspecies is likely a future split.

**Vinous-throated Parrotbill** *Paradoxornis webbianus*

Flocks were encountered at Hamrong Gardens, scrub below the transmitter and along the road to Tram Ton. (flock of 60+)

**Ashy-throated Parrotbill** *Paradoxornis alphonsianus*

Careful scanning the Vinous-throated Parrotbill flocks gave us several Ash-throated Parrotbills. At least 5 birds identified.

**Golden Parrotbill** *Paradoxornis verreauxi*

On 18-03 2 exx. in bamboo scrub some 4 km. along the O Qui Ho Track, Sapa (HH only)

**Short-tailed Parrotbill** *Paradoxornis davidianus*

On 17-03 1 ex. along the Transmitter Trail, Tam Dao. (HH only)

**Greater Rufous-headed Parrotbill** *Paradoxornis ruficeps*

On 16-03 1 ex. briefly seen in a mixed flock along the Transmitter Trail, Tam Dao.

*NECTARINIIDAE*

**Plain Flowerpecker** *Dicaeum concolor*

On 14 and 15-03 1-3 exx. observed HQ area of Cuc Phuong.

**Fire-breasted Flowerpecker** *Dicaeum ignipectus*

On 3-03 1 ex. at Deo Nui San.

**Scarlet-backed Flowerpecker** *Dicaeum cruentatum*

Regular sightings at Cat Tien.

**Ruby-cheeked Sunbird** *Anthreptes singalensis*

A total of 5 exx. seen at Cat Tien.

**Olive-backed Sunbird** *Nectarinia jugularis*

On 15-03 2 exx. Cuc Phuong.

**Mrs.Gould's Sunbird** *Aethopyga gouldiae*

Common around Da Lat. *Race annamensis*

A total of 4 exx. seen around Sapa.

**Green-tailed Sunbird** *Aethopyga nipalensis*

A total of 5 exx. observed around Sapa.

**Fork-tailed Sunbird** *Aethopyga christinae*

2 males and 1 pair observed at Cuc Phuong. Some very good views.

**Black-throated Sunbird** *Aethopyga saturate*

On 28-02 2 fine males at Ta Nung. The red-breasted *ssp.johnsi*

Single birds around Sapa especially Hamrong Gardens.

**Crimson Sunbird** *Aethopyga siparaja*

A total of 5 exx. at Cuc Phuong.

**Little Spiderhunter** *Arachnothera longirostra*

On 27-02 2 exx. Datanla Waterfall, Da Lat.

On 2-03 6-7 exx. at Ho Tuyen Lam.

**Streaked Spiderhunter** *Arachnothera magna*

Regular observed at the various sites around Da Lat.

A total of 5 exx. observed in Cuc Phuong.

*PASSERIDAE*

**Eurasian Tree Sparrow** *Passer montanus*

Regularly seen around villages and towns.

**Yellow Wagtail** *Motacilla flava ssp.macronyx*

On 6/03 1 ex. Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

**Amur Wagtail** *Motacilla leucopsis*

On 11 03 1 male at Bong, Cuc Phuong.

**Grey Wagtail** *Motacilla cinerea*

Recorded on 12 days throughout the country. On 4-03 up to 5 exx. at Deo Nui San.

**Paddyfield Pipit** *Anthus rufulus*

Only on 6-03 2-3 exx. Crocodile lake, Cat Tien.

**Olive-backed Pipit** *Anthus hodgsoni*

Recorded throughout.

**Red-throated Pipit** *Anthus cervinus*

On 10-03 1 flushed at Xuan Thuy. Heard calling.

**Asian Golden Weaver** *Ploceus hypoxanthus*

On 6-03 20+ present in the grassland in front of the platform Crocodile Lake, Cat Tien.

In this flock we observed 2-3 males in breeding plumage.

**White-rumped Munia** *Lonchura striata*

Small numbers at Ho Tuyen Lam and Deo Nui San.

*FRINGILLIDAE*

**Vietnamese Greenfinch** *Carduelis monguilloti*

Rather common in the pine forest of Ho Tuyen Lam and Mount Liang Bian. Some were seen very well.

**Black-headed Greenfinch** *Carduelis ambigua*

Common around Sapa.

**Common Rosefinch** *carpodacus erythrinus*

On 18-03 3 males and 1 fem. At Hamrong Gardens, Sapa.

**Vietnamese Crossbill** *Loxia meridionalis*

On 2-03 2 exx. showed very well at Ho Tuyen Lam.

On 3-03 another one was observed at Mount Lang Bian. Note: split from Red Crossbill *Loxia curvirostra*

**Tristram's Bunting** *Emberiza tristrami*

On 16-03 2 exx. at the end of the Water Tank Trail, Tam Dao.

**Little Bunting** *Emberiza pusilla*

Common around Sapa. 20+ along the O Qui Ho Track and 100+ at the scrubby hillside below the transmitter, Sapa.

**A total of ?? species observed**