

South Africa

Mega II

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Trip Report



Livingstone's Turaco by Gareth Robbins

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Tour Summary

Today was the first full day of the South African Mega II Tour. We left our lodge an hour before sunrise to get the maximum amount of birding time in the Zaagkuildrift area. Once we were on the road



Northern Black Korhaan by Gareth Robbins

and past Pretoria (the capital city of South Africa), we stopped for a large number of Amur Falcons perched on the powerlines close to the road. We finally arrived at the start of the Zaagkuildrift Road and immediately started to see birds like the ever-vocal Rufous-naped Lark, Lesser Grey and Red-backed Shrikes, as well as Black-chested Prinia and Desert Cisticola. We then continued along the road, stopping for the stunning White-throated Robin-Chat, Crested Barbet, Red-faced and Speckled Mousebirds, Rattling Cisticola and Tawny-flanked Prinia. In the background we heard the Northern Black Korhaan calling, and as we continued along the road we decided to get out of the vehicle and search for this noisy and well-hidden bird. Finally, we saw the bird standing on top of a termite mound! Another interesting and unexpected sighting was of two Marsh Owls flying over the grass being chased by a couple of Red-billed Teals, and we are able to get some great views of these normally difficult birds.

Further along the way we got views of Lilac-breasted Roller, a bird not commonly seen in this area. We stopped near a wetland and here we saw an African Fish Eagle, African Jacana, Woodland Kingfisher, Red-billed Teal, Squacco Heron and plenty of Cattle Egrets perched on the dead trees. From the roadside, we also had a brief look at a Pearl-spotted Owlet and great looks at a Levaillant's Cuckoo. We then started to get plenty of views of White-winged Widowbirds, as well as Pin-tailed Whydahs,

Southern Masked Weavers, Black-throated Canaries, Shaft-tailed Whydah, Village Indigobirds, Long-tailed Paradise Whydah, Green-winged Pytilia, Blue Waxbills and the stunning Crimson-breasted Shrike! The only birds of prey we managed to see were a few more Amur Falcons, Common Buzzard and a Black-winged Kite feeding on a rat. Another interesting sighting was of a Black-headed Heron devouring a huge rat!



Violet-eared Waxbill by Gareth Robbins

We finally arrived at the Kgomo-Kgomo Wetlands and were very fortunate to see a Temminck's Courser, as well as a few Scaly-feathered Weavers, Yellow-crowned Bishops, Red-billed Teals and an African Spoonbill. We then stopped at the bridge overlooking the main wetland and here we saw

White-faced Whistling Ducks, Black-winged Pratincoles, Reed Cormorants, and Wood Sandpiper, as well as Blue-cheeked Bee-eaters and a Giant Kingfisher. We then visited another dirt road and here we had brief looks at a Barred Wren-Warbler and Marico and White-bellied Sunbirds. We also had good



Woodland Kingfisher by Gareth Robbins

views at an Acacia Pied Barbet. We then headed back along the dirt road, getting excellent looks at a pair of Red-breasted Swallows and we also got good views of Red-billed Firefinches and brief looks at Violet-eared Waxbills. We finally arrived back on the N1 (National Road of South Africa) and made our two-hour drive to the city of many one-way streets: Polokwane. On a bit of a detour, we managed to get excellent sightings of a pair of Groundscraper Thrushes before checking into our hotel and enjoying a lovely and entertaining dinner with an Impala Surprise!

We woke to a cloudy and wet morning in Polokwane; but this did not deter us, as a warm

buffet breakfast was waiting. We checked out of our luxurious lodge and made our way to the Polokwane Game Reserve. Unfortunately, due to all the rain, we were not able to drive in the reserve; however, we were able to walk! We birded in the campsite first, managing to see several bird parties consisting of Chinspot Batis, Black-backed Puffback, African Paradise Flycatcher, Black Cuckooshrike, a pair of Bearded Woodpeckers, Spotted Flycatchers, Arrow-marked Babblers, Little Sparrowhawk, Yellow-fronted and Black-throated Canaries and a few more Groundscraper Thrushes. We then walked in the reserve and managed to spot a few animals, such as Red Hartebeest, Common Wildebeest and Giraffe. On the bird side of things, we saw two male Golden-tailed Woodpeckers, Ashy Tit and had a brief look at the Crimson-breasted Shrike. We then left the reserve and made our way

through Polokwane and on to Magoebaskloof. En route we stopped for a take-away lunch and a few birds along the way, such as Southern Fiscal, White-browed Sparrow-Weavers, Pied Crows and great looks at a male Violet-eared Waxbill.

After an exciting muddy drive to our lodge up the mountainside in the rain, we finally arrived at our farmhouse in the forest. We met David, our guide for the afternoon, and after settling in we went out for a walk. Even though it was wet and cold, David still managed to find us a few birds, such as Cape Batis, Yellow-streaked Greenbul, Square-tailed Drongo, Olive Woodpecker, Grey Cuckooshrike and we had one quick look at a very shy Black-fronted Bushshrike. At the end of the walk, we spent some time in a bird blind and here we were very lucky to see two Lemon Doves chasing each other, as well as a couple of



Male Cape Batis by Gareth Robbins

African Firefinches and a female Green Twinspot. We returned to our lodge with a lit fireplace and had a wonderful dinner!



European Roller by Gareth Robbins

We left our farmhouse in the rain at 6 AM. Unfortunately, we had a very slippery forest drive and bird activity was at a minimum. We found an open clearing where we finally managed to see two Short-clawed Larks. We then continued back towards Polokwane, taking a shortcut through the University of Limpopo, and then driving towards the town of Tzaneen. On the way down the hill, we stopped at a biltong shop where we managed to see Bronze Mannikins, White-browed Robin-Chat and a Dusky Indigobird. We stopped for a quick cup of coffee and made our way through the town of Tzaneen to a plantation where we saw two Bat Hawks sitting out in the open. We also saw a couple of Swee Waxbills and a male Yellow Bishop. We then ventured towards the Abel Erasmus Pass, and en route we saw a few European Rollers and a Brown Snake Eagle. We finally stopped along a large cliff face to search for the very rare and localised Taita Falcon. With some local help, we saw two birds. We got to see these lovely birds fly overhead and

managed some excellent scope views of these highly endangered birds. This was definitely one of the highlights of the trip so far, and it gave us enough boost to get through a long drive to the town of Wakkerstroom. Once we got into the Highveld, we started to see a good variety of different birds, such as Southern Ant-eating Chats, Long-tailed and Red-collared Widowbirds and large numbers of Amur Falcons. We finally checked into our stunning lodge before having a delicious dinner at a local restaurant in the town of Wakkerstroom. We then went on a short night drive and we were very

fortunate to see one Spotted Eagle-Owl sitting on a fence post close to the road.

We met Lucky, our expert guide in the Wakkerstroom area, at 6 AM sharp and drove to our first birding hotspot for the day. This was the town of Dirkiesdorp and here we hoped to see the White-bellied Bustard. We finally arrived at Dirkiesdorp and drove on some community farmland searching the area for the White-bellied Bustards. We saw good numbers of Red-capped Larks and Crowned Lapwings before finally finding three bustards sitting in the tall grass. We found another two White-bellied Bustards as we circled back, and we also managed to get some



White-bellied Bustard by Gareth Robbins

great close looks at a couple of Southern Bald Ibises. After a successful find we drove back to Wakkerstroom, spotting a couple of Yellow-billed Kites, Jackal Buzzards and two Oribi on the way.

We then visited a tiny wetland outside the town, and here we saw a family of White-backed Ducks and a pair of South African Shelducks. After a delicious breakfast, we headed back out into the farmlands of Wakkerstroom. We drove to Fickland Pan for our next target bird, spotting an adult Montagu's Harrier on the way. Once we arrived at Fickland Pan, it did not take us long before Lucky spotted a Rudd's Lark in the road, and after getting out the vehicle we managed to get some close views and



Botha's Lark by Gareth Robbins

photos of this rare and endangered bird. We then drove to the village of Daggakraal, and here we found an adult Botha's Lark with a young bird tagging alongside. We then headed back to Wakkerstroom, getting views of two Grey-winged Francolins and an Eastern Clapper Lark on the way back. After lunch, we headed back out and visited the eastern plain outside Wakkerstroom, managing to see many Red-capped Larks, as well as Sentinel Rock Thrushes, Buff-streaked Chats and two out of breeding plumage Yellow-breasted Pipits. We then drove past the wetlands, seeing three Blackcrowned Night Herons and two Yellow-billed Ducks. The light was perfect by this time of the day, and we spent the last bit of daylight getting some great photos of perching Amur Falcons.

Today, we left the lodge after sunrise and made our way to some farmlands outside the town of Wakkerstroom in search of Eastern Long-billed Lark. We had a few attempts before we finally saw one bird fly and land on a small rock before joining a couple more Eastern Long-billed Larks, where they called and displayed on the field right next to the road for all of us to see. We then drove down to the wetlands, and by this time the mist had burned off and the light was perfect. As soon as we got out of the car, we saw an African Snipe, Hottentot Teal and Little Bittern. We also managed to see Black

Crake, Common Moorhen, Southern Red Bishop, Little Rush Warbler, African Marsh Harrier, Threebanded Plover, Yellow-billed Duck, Cape Shoveler, a male Giant Kingfisher and an African Harrier-Hawk sitting in a Willow Tree. We then left the wetlands to have one more delightful breakfast before packing the tour vehicle. As we were packing the vehicle, two Red-throated Wrynecks were spotted coming in and out of a hole in a tree! Our next destination was Hluhluwe, and on our way we passed the busy towns of Piet Retief and Pongola, spotting birds such as Amur Falcons, White Storks, Common Buzzards, White-backed Storks, European Rollers and Yellow-billed Kites along the way. We finally arrived at our lodge, hearing the call of Rudd's Apalis as we drove through the automated gate. After parking the vehicle, we met our lovely



African Snipe by Gareth Robbins

hosts and took a short break. When the temperature cooled down, we went out for a short walk. We managed to find Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird, Sombre and Yellow-bellied Greenbuls, African Paradise Flycatcher, White-throated Robin-Chat, Rudd's Apalis, Orange-breasted Bushshrike and a very vocal Grey Sunbird before calling it a day. Just as soon as we were about to start the checklist at the upstairs bar, we heard a Fiery-necked Nightjar calling and then we saw two individuals flying right past us.



Rudd's Apalis by Gareth Robbins

We left before sunrise and made our way back along the National Highway towards Mkuze Game Reserve. As we neared the reserve, we noticed that there had been a decent amount of rain – and a few weeks before, most of the area had flooded. Along the way, we had seen a couple of Long-tailed Paradise Whydahs and a Brown-hooded Kingfisher. We finally arrived at the Western Gate of the Mkuze Game Reserve and stopped for breakfast at a camping site. While we enjoyed our packed breakfast, we saw Red-fronted Tinkerbirds, Bearded Scrub Robin, a family of four Cardinal Woodpeckers and a pair of Yellow-breasted Apalises. We then drove through the

reserve, spotting Giraffe and Impalas as well as a Striped Kingfisher. We then visited the KuMasinga Hide and here we saw a pair of Little Grebes building a nest in the flooded waterhole. We then drove through the reserve, getting views of a Long-crested Eagle, and a couple of Red-billed Oxpeckers sitting on some Impala. We also saw a couple of Common Wildebeest too! We visited the very full Nsumo Pan and here we got to see African Darter, Pied Kingfisher, and plenty of Blue-cheeked Beeeaters. We then drove to the KuMahala Hide, and here we had lots of luck in getting great looks at Little Bee-eaters, Golden-breasted Bunting, Emerald-spotted Wood Doves, Jameson's and Red-billed Firefinches, and we were very lucky to get a view of a Lesser Moorhen too! We left the reserve and

made our way to Muzi Pan, where the water level was extremely high, and here we saw a few White-winged Terns and Pink-backed Pelicans. We drove to another pan and here we saw African Quailfinch, Temminck's Coursers and Crowned, Black-winged and Senegal Lapwings! Another great sighting was of two Lemon-breasted Canaries, and we also saw three Western Yellow Wagtails! We finally called it a day and headed back to the lodge.

We woke up to a wet morning, due to some overnight rain. As we walked along the wet path to our tour vehicle, we came across a



Jameson's Firefinch by Gareth Robbins

family of Crested Guineafowl, which seemed to be enjoying catching bugs under the floor spotlights.

We hopped into the tour vehicle and made our way to the False Bay Park. It was still raining once we arrived in the park, so we drove down to the bay and commenced with some shorebird biding, where we saw Common Greenshank, White-fronted, Three-banded and Common Ringed Plovers, as well as



Red-headed Quelea by Gareth Robbins

Little Stints and Wood Sandpiper. We also managed to see a few groups of Greater Flamingos, Woolly-necked Storks, Red-billed and Cape Teals and a large group of Caspian Terns. We then continued along the edge of the bay, spotting Rufous-winged Cisticola, Rudd's Apalis and a very wet Purple-crested Turaco. We then made our way back to the entrance gate and along the way, we made an important stop and walked into the Sand Forest. In the forest, we successfully saw a male Neergaard's Sunbird bathing in the wet leaves, as well as Dark-backed Weavers and a Grey Tit-Flycatcher. A little further down the track, one of the guests skilfully spotted a wet green bird fly past, which eventually turned out to be a Green Malkoha. The bird showed well and then disappeared into the tangle of leaves.

We then returned to our lodge for a delicious breakfast, getting some great look at a few male Nyala. After breakfast, we packed the tour vehicle and made our way back in the direction of False Bay Park, this time stopping for Pink-

throated Twinspots calling, and we finally saw three birds fly overhead and sit in a tree briefly. We then stopped at a section of tall reeds, seeing Eastern Yellow Weavers and Red Bishops. The main

highlight here came when one of the guests spotted a male Red-headed Quelea, which is a very rare bird to see. We continued with the loop, getting better looks at Purple-crested Turaco, as well as views of a Lizard Buzzard perched in a tree and two Crowned Hornbills flying overhead. We then drove to St Lucia and stopped for looks at a Southern Brownthroated Weaver. Once we arrived at our lodge, we checked in and then drove to get some lunch and had a look at the estuary. Even though there was some noisy construction happening behind us, we still saw a couple of Grey Herons, a male Thick-billed Weaver and an African Marsh Harrier. We then drove back to the lodge and commenced with walking in the forest. Just as we were about to leave, we heard a Livingstone's Turaco calling and then we managed to get some decent views of these striking birds. Further along the path, we saw Red Bush Squirrel, Blue-mantled Crested Flycatcher and a few better looks at a Livingstone's Turaco. As we neared the end of the trail, we heard Blue-mantled Crested Swallows. As we gradually made our way up a slightly steep pathway, we got excellent views of Sand Martins and we also had another great close look at a very



Purple-crested Turaco by Gareth Robbins

inquisitive Livingstone's Turaco. We then called it a day, and after dinner we were entertained by four humangous Hippopotamus feeding on the lawns. What a great day!

We woke up to yet another wet and rainy morning, but this still did not deter us, and we hopped into the tour vehicle and made our way to the St Lucia Estuary. Along the way, we saw a couple of Red-



Black-chested Snake Eagle by Gareth Robbins

capped Robin-Chats and around fifty Banded Mongooses running through the streets. Once we got to the estuary, we had long-distance views of a Goliath Heron and a Yellow-billed Stork. We also saw a couple of Thick-billed Weavers and a Lesser Swamp Warbler too! The rain had stopped so we made our way back to the lodge, getting great views of Trumpeter Hornbills and Purple Crested Turacos! We then walked back in the forest and were fortunate enough to see Brown Scrub Robin and Woodward's Batis. After a delicious breakfast, we drove to Richards Bay and visited the Enseleni Nature Reserve. Even though it was very hot, we managed to get a fantastic look at a Tambourine Dove! We then drove up to the town of Eshowe, where we would spend the night, hoping for a rain-free morning in the Dlinza Forest.

We woke up to the call of a Purple-crested Turaco and packed our bags into the tour vehicle, at the same time having a look at a very vocal Olive Sunbird. We then drove to the Dlinza Aerial Board Walk, and as soon as we arrived we made our way up to the tower at the end of it. Once we got to the tower, an Eastern Bronze-naped Pigeon was posing for us across the valley. After some decent scope

views, the bird finally flew to the other side of the valley. We also managed to see African Paradise Flycatcher and a Grey Cuckooshrike from the tower. We then headed back down and had a quick breakfast before walking in the forest. We started with a view of a Chorister Robin-Chat and with some local help, we were put onto two Spotted Ground Thrushes as they moved quietly along the leaf-covered forest floor. We walked a bit further down the trail, getting phenomenal views of a tiny Blue Duiker. We then walked to the bird blind, where we saw another Chorister Robin-Chat, and Tambourine and Lemon Doves before leaving the forest. We then took a drive to the Ongove Forest, spotting a Black-chested Snake Eagle along the way. The forest had a lot of activity, ranging from White-eared Barbets to Black-bellied Starlings, and after some serious searching and almost calling it a day a Green Barbet finally landed close enough for us to eventually see the



Bush Blackcap by Gareth Robbins

bird before it was mobbed by a White-eared Barbet. A little further down the road, we came across a Zululand Dwarf Chameleon, as well as a Martial Eagle and a vocal Crowned Eagle before driving to our next lodge, nestled at the foot of the Drakensberg Mountains.



Gurney's Sugarbird by Gareth Robbins

Today was one of the most anticipated days of the tour so far. We met our expert guides, Aldo and Stuart, and made our way to Sani Pass. There was some thick cloud-cover to start with, and then as we got higher up we finally got to see the impressive Drakensberg Mountains appear before us. We managed to see Cape Grassbird, White-necked Ravens, Long-crested Eagle, Bokmakierie, Cape Rock Thrush and Drakensberg Prinia as we made our way up. Just before we stopped for breakfast, we got a great look at a Gurney's Sugarbird and our first and only look at a Bearded Vulture flying overhead at a close enough distance for us to get a decent look at this spectacular bird. After breakfast, our sightings only got better. We stopped at the

South African Border Post and saw a male Greater Double-collared Sunbird, and as we headed up the steeper sections of the pass we got great views of Bush Blackcap, Cape Vulture, Drakensberg Siskin, Jackal Buzzards, Verreaux's Eagle, Ground Woodpeckers and finally a Drakensberg Rockjumper at close range. We then continued into Lesotho, getting views of Slogget's Vlei (Ice) Rat at the border post and at the Sani Mountain Lodge, we got closer views of Drakensberg Siskins and an unexpected view of an African Rock Pipit. We had our lunch close by and spotted a Mountain Pipit before heading back down the pass, where we stopped for a large flock of swifts, swallows and martins. In the flock,

we spotted Horus, White-rumped, Alpine and African Black Swifts. We also saw Greater Striped Swallows and Rock Martins. At this point, we also managed to get excellent looks at a Fan-tailed Grassbird before heading back down the pass. Once we were back in Himeville, there was a lot of lightning and there had clearly been a decent downpour, so we took a short drive and saw around fifty Grey Crowned Cranes and two Blue Cranes.

Today we woke up to another wet morning. Undeterred, we made our way to the Himeville Nature Reserve, where we tried



Drakensberg Rockjumper by Gareth Robbins

our luck for African Rail and Red-chested Flufftail, only managing to hear these secretive birds. We then drove alongside some farms in the area and spotted a couple of Blue Cranes and another large number of Grey Crowned Cranes. On our drive back down the R617, we stopped at Marutswa Forest.

Just before we entered the reserve, we saw one Cape Parrot land in a dead tree. Through the spotting scope, we had decent looks at two birds before driving into the reserve to finally relocate the birds which had flown onto another dead tree. We then continued to the town of Howick to get some lunch



Grey Crowned Crane by Gareth Robbins

and head into the Karkloof. We tried our luck looking for Wattled Cranes but came up short, so we visited Benvie Gardens and after a few walks on the property we finally managed to see Forest Canary and Knysna Turaco. We left the gardens and visited a few more farmlands, this time we were lucky! We found a pair of Wattled Cranes and had excellent spotting scope views.

Today was mainly a travel day, starting by leaving our luxurious lodge in Hilton early to dodge the traffic. After a few traffic jams, we finally made it to King Shaka International Airport, where we caught our flight to Cape Town. Once we arrived and collected the new tour vehicle, we headed in the direction of the small river town of Malagas. We cut through the Hottentot Mountains via the Sir Lowry's Pass and entered the Overberg region, where we saw

a couple of Jackal Buzzards and a few Blue Cranes. The drive to the lodge lived up to expectations, producing sightings of birds such as Denham's Bustard, Large-billed Larks, Capped Wheatear and plenty of Blue Cranes. We finally arrived at our lodge situated next to the Breede River, and had a lovely evening at the restaurant inside the hotel.

We left our lodge as the sun was rising and made our way up to some farmlands in the hope of finding some Blue Cranes and larks. As soon as we were about to get into the tour vehicle, we spotted a Southern Tchagra sitting in the bush right beside the vehicle. We finally arrived at the farmlands and it did not take us long to hear the whistling call of the Agulhas Long-billed Lark, which we then managed to get in the spotting scope. We then headed back to the lodge, stopping near some Bitter Aloes to look at Karoo Scrub Robins, Southern Doublecollared Sunbirds and Cape Bulbuls. After a delicious breakfast, we packed the tour vehicle and made our way to De Hoop Nature Reserve. Along the way, we had plenty of close views of Blue Cranes and Large-billed Larks. After



Karoo Korhaan by Gareth Robbins

arriving at De Hoop Nature Reserve, we were welcomed by the beautiful Fynbos endemic, Orangebreasted Sunbird. We then drove down to the main farmhouse area, getting great looks at the once almost extinct Fynbos endemic, Bontebok! We also saw a couple of Cape Mountain Zebras, and at a small pool of water we found African Snipe, Marsh Sandpiper, Ruff and two small flocks of Namaqua Sandgrouse. We visited the garden area near the restaurant and found Cardinal Woodpeckers and some tame Cape Spurfowl. Suddenly, one of the guests spotted the bird we were really hoping to see, Knysna



Blue Crane by Gareth Robbins

Woodpecker! We managed to get looks at two birds before they disappeared. From the edge of the farmhouse, we overlooked the estuary, managing to see Kelp Gulls and Great Crested Grebes. We then hopped back into the tour vehicle and made our way along the dirt road towards Bredasdorp, getting another great look at Blue Cranes, some bright Yellow Canaries and a Denham's Bustard. We made our way through Bredasdorp and then eventually found ourselves at Rooiels, where we tried our luck for the Cape Rockjumper, but came short. We then made the arduous journey to our guesthouse in Noordhoek, situated near Chapman's Peak in the southern suburbs of Cape Town.

Today we drove back to Rooiels and made our way along the beach road leading to Somerset West. We passed the main Cape Town landfill and, naturally, we saw large amounts of Kelp Gulls! We then commenced with our Cape Rockjumper search, and this time we found one male bird rather quickly before it flew back up the hill and disappeared. We also got some brief views of Cape Siskins, Ground Woodpeckers and a Neddicky too! Harold Porter Botanical Reserve was our next stop, and here we had

some great looks at Cape Sugarbirds, and Orange-breasted and Southern Double-collared Sunbirds on the various Erica and Protea species. A Victorin's Warbler called, but we unfortunately only managed to get partial views of this skulking bird. African Dusky and Fiscal Flycatchers were also seen in the gardens. We then had lunch at Stony Point Penguin Colony before heading into the colony to get some fantastic looks at these endangered birds. We also got to look at four different species of cormorants and watched a pair of African Black Oystercatchers mating. We then made a stop back at Rooiels and got to see three Cape Rockjumpers and had better looks at a Cape Siskin.

Due to the annual Cape Argus Cycle Race, we had to change our schedule so that we were able to get out of the city in time before the race started – which blocked off most of the roads in the Mother City. So, we left before sunrise and made our way to the West Coast



African Penguin by Gareth Robbins

National Park. We stopped for breakfast in Table View and had a great panoramic view of Table Mountain and Table Bay. We then drove onto the West Coast National Park and stopped at a small dam on the side of the road to have a look at a couple of African Swamphens and Common Moorhens.



African Oystercatchers by Gareth Robbins

We continued to the park, and once we entered it did not take us long to locate our first new birds for the trip: a couple of White-backed Mousebirds.

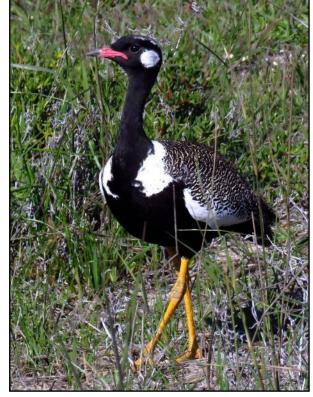
We continued through the park until we reached Seeberg lookout point; luckily managing to find a male Southern Black Korhaan walking in the sand near some Thatching Reed. We then visited a blind near the estuary, getting decent looks at Little Tern, White-fronted Plover, Eurasian Curlew, Common Whimbrel and many Grey Plovers. We circled back to another inland bird blind, where we saw a couple of Cape Shovelers, many Yellow-

billed Ducks, and Little Grebes. We then visited the main Geelbek area and had lunch while being entertained by a few hungry Cape Weavers and Cape Wagtails. After some good food in our stomachs, we visited another blind along the boardwalk, where we saw many Little Stints, Kittlitz's Plovers and a Lesser Sand Plover. On our final drive, we saw a pair of Southern Black Korhaans sitting on the road.

We returned to our lodge in Noordhoek, managing to successfully avoid the rest of the Cape Argus Cycle Race.

We woke to another beautiful Cape Town day the following morning, without a breath of wind, and took a slow drive to the Strandfontein Sewage Works. The light was perfect by the time we arrived, and we managed to get good photographs and views of birds such as Pied Avocets and Black-winged Stilts; and enjoyed great looks at Greater Flamingos. We also saw a couple of Black-necked Grebes, Maccoa Duck, Great White Pelican, Sandwich and Common Terns and an African Marsh Harrier. After getting some great photos, we decided to head to Langebaan via the Paarl Mountain Reserve. Just outside the reserve, we got views of Streaky-headed Seedeater and Brimstone Canary. We then continued through to Langebaan for the evening.

Today we had a lengthy drive ahead of us, so we left our lodge in Langebaan before sunrise and made our



Male Southern Black Korhaan by Gareth Robbins

way to Calvinia. We had a couple of stops to make along the way, and the first stop was at Paleisheuwel, where were very successful in finding a pair of Verreaux's Eagles soaring above us, as well as a couple of Layard's Warblers, Grey Tit and a Protea Canary! We then decided to visit the coastal fishing town of Lambert's Bay to have a look at the Cape Gannet Colony. En route to Lamberts Bay, we saw three very shy Bat-eared Foxes before finally arriving at the entrance to the colony. The Cape Gannet colony, run by Cape Nature, was alive with Cape Gannets of all shapes and sizes, and we were entertained by these elegant birds flying in and out of the colony. We were notified that there was a whale in the bay, and we all saw this large Southern Right Whale poking its head out the water



Pied Avocet by Gareth Robbins

(Known as Spyhopping) a couple of times. Just near the colony, there were also good numbers of Cape, White-breasted Crowned Cormorants, as well as Common and Great Crested Terns. We drove along the coast for a while in search of Chestnut-banded Plovers and finally managed to find one bird mixed in with some White-fronted Plovers. After all the good finds, we decided to have a sit-down lunch in the harbour and enjoyed some freshly-caught fish! We then drove to Calvinia via the Vanrhyns Pass and were finally in the Karoo. We managed to spot Pale Chanting Goshawks and a Greater Kestrel along the roadside. We arrived at our quirky guesthouse in Calvinia, and were treated to some traditional cuisine for dinner!

An hour before sunrise the next morning, we were already on the road to Brandvlei. Finally, as the lazy Karoo Sun rose, we started to bird. We tried one area to get brief looks at one Karoo Eremomela. Afterwards, we made it into the town of Brandvlei and took a few dirt roads. One dirt road produced

excellent sightings of both the Karoo Longbilled and Red Lark species. We then continued with our drive, getting close looks at a pair of co-operative Namaqua Sandgrouse as well as our first look at a Tractrac Chat and a Dusky Sunbird. We stopped for a late breakfast and got some lovely views of a Pririt Batis and brief views of a Southern Black Korhaan. We then explored more of the area, getting views of Chat Flycatchers before we made the long drive back, getting a look at a Greater Kestrel and a couple of Karoo Chats along the way. After lunch and a short break, we headed back into Calvinia, visiting the Akkerendam Nature Reserve, but with no luck in finding any new species. So we drove



Cape Gannet by Gareth Robbins

around the town, getting fantastic looks at a pair of Fairy Flycatchers.

Today we left Calvinia after a typical full buffet Karoo breakfast. We made our way to Springbok via the Vanrhyn's Pass and the town of Vanryhnsdorp. We then made our way to Springbok, spotting a



Hartman's Mountain Zebra by Gareth Robbins

couple of Jackal Buzzards, Pale Chanting Goshawks and Greater Kestrel. We finally arrived in the town of Springbok, and temperatures were high! We visited the Goegap Nature Reserve and managed to get some great panoramic photos and some good looks at the national animal of South Africa, the Springbok. We also saw the beautiful Gemsbok and shy Hartman's Mountain Zebra. We headed back to the lodge and had a lovely dinner in town before heading out on a short drive, where we were very lucky to see an Aardwolf and a Porcupine!

Today we left before sunrise and made our way down to the town of Port Nolloth. We made it to the town and, thankfully, there was not a breath of wind and no cloud cover. We took a few interesting dirt tracks and positioned ourselves to try and get the Cape Long-billed Lark. After a long wait, we managed to hear one Cape Long-billed Lark call and then get a great view of two birds. We then continued a little bit further up the main road, where we

stopped at another site and managed to get even better views of a Barlow's Lark. We then decided to head back to Springbok, knowing that the temperature would still be a bit cool. After arriving, we re-entered the Goegap Nature Reserve. This time around, the animals were scarcer than the day before, but the birdlife was better. After having a good look at two very inquisitive Karoo Eremomelas, we continued on the tourist track and stopped at a rocky outcrop. It was here that we heard the call of a Cinnamonbreasted Warbler; and with great excitement we raced up to the rocky outcrop, jumped out of the car and eventually got to see the bird sitting on top of a sharp rock. We managed to watch the bird and see how easily it jumps between all the rocks, making it rather difficult to locate if you don't understand the habits. We continued through the reserve and made our way back to lodge in time to enjoy a relaxing afternoon of birding in the gardens. Red-eyed Bulbuls and Orange River White-eyes were seen in the garden.



Bokmakierie by Gareth Robbins

Today we left the town of Springbok before sunrise and made our way to Augrabies Falls National Park. Our first stop was at the mining town of Aggeneys, knowing well that there was a large Sociable Weaver nest waiting for us. Once we got to the nest we could see that there was activity, and we spent some time watching these birds flying in and out of the nest with building material. We drove around the town and got stunning views of Swallow-tailed Beeeaters that were attracted to some beehives placed in an open field. We also saw around thirty Namaqua Sandgrouse feeding on the lush green lawns and got our first views of Pale-winged Starlings before making our way to Pofadder. This area is known for having a good variety of lark species, and the first



Namaqua Sandgrouse by Gareth Robbins

group of larks that we saw for the day were Black-eared Sparrow-Larks. We then headed down another dirt road, which turned out to be very productive. We managed to get a sighting of a couple more Black-eared Sparrow-Larks, as well as Grey-backed Sparrow-Larks, Lark-like Buntings and Karoo Korhaans. Another interesting sighting was enjoyed while we were looking at the Karoo Korhaans: we noticed a couple of birds moving around in the background, which turned out to be Burchell's Coursers! After all the excitement, we decided to continue a little further along this road, where we came across a couple of Starke's Larks.

Finally realising that our luck may run out, we decided to turn around and made our way to Augrabies Falls National Park. After checking into our lodge, we took a short drive to the park. After settling the entrance fees, we hopped back into the tour vehicle and then drove along a short loop, getting views of Malachite Kingfisher, Swallow-tailed Bee-eater, Wattled Starlings and a couple of Cape Spurfowl. We then drove back to the reception area and followed the trail leading us down to the falls. There was a decent amount of water coming down the falls, making it very impressive and also living up to its name of "Ankoerebis" which means 'place of big noises'. We were also entertained by the local reptiles, the

colourful Augrabies Flat Lizards.

Today we left Augrabies Falls Lodge and made our way back to the national park for a couple of hours. We were very lucky this time, because from one viewpoint we managed to get great views of two Booted Eagles catching the thermals and one flying directly in line with us. We also managed to get views of a Purple Heron down by the water. We then turned around and headed back towards the lodge and stopped at the local picnic site, which had some birding activity ranging from Brubru, Pririt Batis, Cape Starlings, Bearded Woodpeckers and the noisy Namaqua Warbler. We left the National



Gemsbok/Oryx by Gareth Robbins

Park for the final time and made the long trip to Kimberley. During our drive, we passed through a large thunderstorm with lots of lightning, seeing a couple of Leopard Tortoises along the roadside enjoying the water. After the storm, we saw a Pale Chanting Goshawk and a Shaft-tailed Whydah. We finally arrived at our game lodge outside Kimberley, where we checked in and had a wonderful dinner,



Eastern Clapper Lark by Gareth Robbins

and then headed out on a much-anticipated night drive. We met Johnny, our guide, and even though there was some tall grass and it was a bit cool, we were very lucky to be able to spot one Aardvark, three Aardwolves, Double-banded Courser, Rufous-cheeked Nightjar, Smith's Red Rock Rabbit, and plenty of Spring and Scrub Hares.

Today we left the game reserve and made our way to Mokala National Park. There was a huge thunderstorm the day before, so we gingerly made our way through the puddles, getting a good sighting of a Fawn-colored Lark along the way. We were greeted by the

displaying of Eastern Clapper Larks, and other birds that we saw were Ant-eating Chat, Northern Black Korhaan and plenty of Grey-backed Sparrow-Larks. There was also quite a decent amount of game, including Gemsbok, Red Hartebeest, Black and Common Wildebeest, Plains Zebra, Greater Kudu, and plenty of energetic Springbok. We topped off the day with a beautiful sighting of a Roan Antelope. Due to all the rain over the last couple of days, we could not travel on most of the roads; however, everywhere we turned around we got to see more new birds, such as Secretarybird, Cut-throat Finches, Kalahari Scrub Robins, Common Scimitarbill, Violet-eared Waxbills and a sleepy pair of African

Black Ducks at a very full waterhole.

Towards the end of the day, we were still getting some great sightings, with another good look at a Secretarybird and a new bird in the form of Orange River Francolins hiding in the tall grass. One of the mammal highlights was watching a family of Meerkat on top of a Termite mound. We arrived back at the lodge, where some people took the time to take a bit of a rest; while others walked around the gardens, getting views of Black-faced and Violet-eared Waxbills, Bradfield's Swifts and a Goldenbreasted Bunting.



Meerkats by Gareth Robbins

Today was set aside as a travel day, as some guests needed to make their flights from OR Tambo International Airport in Johannesburg. We left the game farm after sunrise and took a relaxing drive to

Johannesburg, passing the city of Bloemfontein in the Free State Province. Along the way we saw a couple of Temminck's Coursers, Crowned Lapwings, Jackal Buzzard and Pale Chanting Goshawks. We arrived in the city right in the middle of a huge downpour. After some careful navigating, we finally made it to the airport and then the guest staying on for the Kruger Extension made it safely to our guesthouse in Kempton Park.

Annotated List of species recorded

Note: Number in brackets () indicate number of days on the tour the species was recorded. List powered through the report generator of our partner iGoTerra.

Birds (457 in total: 457 seen)

Nomenclature and taxonomy follows Gill, F and D Donsker (Eds). 2017. IOC World Bird List (v 7.3).

Status codes: E = Endemic, NE = Near-endemic, I = Introduced

 $IUCN\ codes:\ CR=Critically\ endangered,\ EN=Endangered,\ VU=Vulnerable,\ EW=Extinct\ in\ the$

Wild, NT = Near Threatened, DD = Data Deficient

South Africa

Ostrich Struthionidae

Common Ostrich

Struthio camelus australis

(3) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3 and 1 Calvinia 13.3.

Ducks, Geese, and Waterfowl Anatidae

White-faced Whistling Duck

Dendrocygna viduata

(5) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 St Lucia - Estuary 4.3 and 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3.

White-backed Duck

Thalassornis leuconotus leuconotus

(1) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2.

Spur-winged Goose

Plectropterus gambensis niger

(10) 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3, 1 St Lucia - Estuary 3.3, 1 St Lucia - Estuary 4.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Rietvlei Wetlands (WC) 11.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Egyptian Goose

Alopochen aegyptiaca

(14) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 Himeville 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Sani Pass 10.3, 1 Rietvlei Wetlands (WC) 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3, 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

South African Shelduck

Tadorna cana

(8) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Himeville 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3, 1 Calvinia 15.3, 1 Springbok 16.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Cape Teal

Anas capensis

(4) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 Rietvlei Wetlands (WC) 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Springbok 16.3.

African Black Duck

Anas sparsa sparsa

(1) 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Yellow-billed Duck

Anas undulata undulata

(5) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Cape Shoveler

Anas smithii

(4) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Springbok 16.3.

Red-billed Teal

Anas erythrorhyncha

(5) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 Himeville 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Hottentot Teal

Anas hottentota

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Maccoa Duck (NT)

Oxyura maccoa

(1) 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Guineafowl Numididae

Helmeted Guineafowl

Numida meleagris

(13) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Sani Pass

6.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works

12.3, 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3, 1 Kimberley 18.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Crested Guineafowl

Guttera pucherani edouardi

(2) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 3.3 and 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3.

Pheasants, Grouse, and Allies *Phasianidae*

Grey-winged Francolin

Scleroptila afra

(3) 1 Daggakraal 28.2, 1 Sani Pass 6.3 and 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Orange River Francolin

Scleroptila gutturalis levalliantoides

(1) 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Crested Francolin

Dendroperdix sephaena sephaena

(1) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2.

Cape Spurfowl

Pternistis capensis

(6) 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Paarl 12.3, 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3.

Natal Spurfowl

Pternistis natalensis natalensis

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Polokwane GR 26.2.

Red-necked Spurfowl

Pternistis afer castaneiventer

(1) 1 Marutswa NR 7.3.

Swainson's Spurfowl

Pternistis swainsonii swainsonii

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Ermelo 27.2.

Penguins Spheniscidae

African Penguin (EN)

Spheniscus demersus

(1) 1 Sani Pass 10.3.

Grebes Podicipedidae

Little Grebe

Tachybaptus ruficollis capensis

(7) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 Noordhoek 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Pofadder 17.3.

Great Crested Grebe

Podiceps cristatus infuscatus

(1) 1 De Hoop NR 9.3.

Black-necked Grebe

Podiceps nigricollis gurneyi

(1) 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Flamingos Phoenicopteridae

Greater Flamingo

Phoenicopterus roseus

(3) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Storks Ciconiidae

Yellow-billed Stork

Mycteria ibis

(1) 1 St Lucia - Estuary 4.3.

Black Stork

Ciconia nigra

(2) 1 Richards Bay 4.3 and 1 Kimberley 18.3.

Abdim's Stork

Ciconia abdimii

(2) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2 and 1 Kurisa Moya 27.2.

Woolly-necked Stork (VU)

Ciconia episcopus microscelis

(3) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 Richards Bay 4.3 and 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3.

White Stork

Ciconia ciconia ciconia

(7) Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Underberg 5.3, 1 Himeville 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Ibises and Spoonbills Threskiornithidae

African Sacred Ibis

Threskiornis aethiopicus

(13) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Daggakraal 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3, 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3 and 1 Springbok 16.3.

Southern Bald Ibis (VU)

Geronticus calvus

(4) 1 Dirkiesdorp 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3 and 1 Himeville 7.3.

Hadada Ibis

Bostrychia hagedash hagedash

(18) 1 Johannesburg 24.2, 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 3.3, 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3, 1 Durban 5.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3, 1 Springbok 15.3 and 1 Springbok 16.3.

Glossy Ibis

Plegadis falcinellus

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

African Spoonbill

Platalea alba

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2.

Herons, Egrets, and Bitterns Ardeidae

Little Bittern Ixobrychus minutus payesii

(1) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3.

Black-crowned Night Heron Nycticorax nycticorax nycticorax

(1) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2.

Squacco Heron Ardeola ralloides

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Muzi Pan 2.3.

Western Cattle Egret Bubulcus ibis

(10) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Muzi Pan 2.3, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3 and 1 Kimberley 18.3.

Grey Heron Ardea cinerea cinerea

(7) 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 St Lucia - Estuary 3.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 De Hoop NR

9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Black-headed Heron Ardea melanocephala

(6) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Pongola 1.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works

12.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Goliath Heron Ardea goliath

(1) 1 St Lucia - Estuary 4.3.

Purple Heron Ardea purpurea purpurea

(1) 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Great Egret Ardea alba melanorhynchos

(2) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 St Lucia - Estuary 3.3.

Intermediate Egret Ardea intermedia brachyrhyncha

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Little Egret Egretta garzetta garzetta

(2) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 Sani Pass 10.3.

Hamerkop Scopidae

Hamerkop Scopus umbretta umbretta

(5) 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Pelicans Pelecanidae

Great White Pelican Pelecanus onocrotalus

(2) 1 Rietvlei Wetlands (WC) 11.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Pink-backed Pelican Pelecanus rufescens

(1) 1 Muzi Pan 2.3.

Boobies and Gannets Sulidae

Cape Gannet (VU)

Morus capensis

(1) 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Cormorants and Shags Phalacrocoracidae

Reed Cormorant Microcarbo africanus africanus

(10) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 St Lucia - Estuary 3.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3.

Crowned Cormorant (NT) Microcarbo coronatus

(2) 1 Sani Pass 10.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Bank Cormorant (EN)

Phalacrocorax neglectus

(1) 1 Sani Pass 10.3.

White-breasted Cormorant Phalacrocorax lucidus

(5) 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 Sani Pass 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Cape Cormorant (NT) Phalacrocorax capensis

(4) 1 Rooi-Els 9.3, 1 Sani Pass 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Anhingas Anhingidae

African Darter Anhinga rufa rufa

(1) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Secretarybird Sagittariidae

Secretarybird (VU)

Sagittarius serpentarius

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Hawks, Eagles, and Kites Accipitridae

Black-winged Kite

Elanus caeruleus caeruleus

(8) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3, 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

African Harrier-Hawk Polyboroides typus typus

(1) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3.

Palm-nut Vulture Gypohierax angolensis

(1) 1 Mtunzini 4.3.

Bearded Vulture (NT) *Gypaetus barbatus meridionalis*

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

White-backed Vulture (NT) Gyps africanus (3) 1 Pongola 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 St Lucia - Estuary 3.3.

Cape Vulture (VU)

Gyps coprotheres

(3) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2 and 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Black-chested Snake Eagle Circaetus pectoralis

(1) 1 Ongoye FR 5.3.

Brown Snake Eagle Circaetus cinereus

(2) 1 Tzaneen 27.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Bateleur (NT) *Terathopius ecaudatus*

(1) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Bat Hawk Macheiramphus alcinus anderssoni

(1) 1 Tzaneen 27.2.

Crowned Eagle (NT) Stephanoaetus coronatus

(1) 1 Ongoye FR 5.3.

Martial Eagle (NT)

Polemaetus bellicosus

(1) 1 Ongoye FR 5.3.

Long-crested Eagle Lophaetus occipitalis

(5) 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Underberg 5.3 and 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Booted Eagle Hieraaetus pennatus

(2) 1 Caledon 8.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Verreaux's Eagle Aquila verreauxii

(2) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Lizard BuzzardKaupifalco monogrammicus meridionalis

(1) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Pale Chanting Goshawk Melierax canorus

(4) 1 Calvinia 13.3, 1 Springbok 15.3, 1 Port Nolloth 16.3 and 1 Kimberley 18.3.

African Goshawk Accipiter tachiro tachiro

(2) 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3 and 1 Paarl 12.3.

Little Sparrowhawk Accipiter minullus minullus

(1) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2.

African Marsh Harrier Circus ranivorus

(4) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 St Lucia - Estuary 3.3, 1 Himeville 7.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Montagu's Harrier Circus pygargus

(1) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2.

Yellow-billed Kite Milvus aegyptius parasitus

(6) 1 Dirkiesdorp 28.2, 1 Pongola 1.3, 1 Richards Bay 4.3, 1 Underberg 5.3 and 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3.

African Fish Eagle Haliaeetus vocifer

(4) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Enseleni NR 4.3, 1 Caledon 8.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Common Buzzard Buteo buteo vulpinus

(14) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2, 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 Enseleni NR 4.3, 1 Underberg 5.3, 1 Caledon 8.3, Sani Pass 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3 and 1 Langebaan 12.3.

Forest Buzzard Buteo trizonatus

(1) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2.

Jackal Buzzard Buteo rufofuscus

(15) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Ongoye FR 5.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Caledon 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Noordhoek 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Langebaan 12.3, 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Calvinia 15.3, 1 Port Nolloth 16.3, 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Bustards Otididae

Denham's Bustard (NT)Neotis denhami stanleyi

(2) 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3 and 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3.

White-bellied Bustard Eupodotis senegalensis barrowii

(1) 1 Dirkiesdorp 28.2.

Karoo Korhaan Eupodotis vigorsii

(2) 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3 and 1 Pofadder 17.3.

Red-crested KorhaanLophotis ruficrista

(1) 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Southern Black Korhaan (VU)

Afrotis afra

(3) 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Langebaan 12.3 and 1 Brandvlei 14.3.

Northern Black Korhaan

Afrotis afraoides afraoides

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Rails, Gallinules, and Coots Rallidae

Black Crake

Amaurornis flavirostra

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3.

African Swamphen

Porphyrio madagascariensis

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3.

Common Moorhen

Gallinula chloropus meridionalis

(6) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Springbok 16.3.

Red-knobbed Coot

Fulica cristata

(8) 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 Noordhoek 10.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Springbok 16.3.

Cranes Gruidae

Grey Crowned Crane (VU)

Balearica regulorum regulorum

(3) 1 Underberg 5.3, 1 Himeville 6.3 and 1 Himeville 7.3.

Wattled Crane

Grus carunculata

Observed 1 day in total.

Blue Crane (VU)

Grus paradisea

(7) 1 Himeville 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Langebaan 12.3, 1 Calvinia 13.3 and 1 Calvinia 15.3.

Thick-knees Burhinidae

Spotted Thick-knee

Burhinus capensis

(1) 1 Muzi Pan 11.3.

Oystercatchers Haematopodidae

African Oystercatcher (NT)

Haematopus moquini

(5) 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3, 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3 and 1 Port Nolloth 16.3.

Stilts and Avocets Recurvirostridae

Black-winged Stilt

Himantopus himantopus

(5) 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3, 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Pied Avocet

Recurvirostra avosetta

(2) 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Plovers and Lapwings Charadriidae

Blacksmith Lapwing

Vanellus armatus

(10) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1

Strandfontein Sewage Works 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3, 1

Lambert's Bay 13.3, 1 Sani Pass 16.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Senegal Lapwing Vanellus lugubris

(1) 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3.

Black-winged Lapwing Vanellus melanopterus minor

(1) 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3.

Crowned Lapwing Vanellus coronatus

(5) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3 and 1

Mokala NP 19.3.

African Wattled LapwingVanellus senegallus lateralis

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2.

Grey Plover Pluvialis squatarola squatarola

(1) 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Common Ringed Plover Charadrius hiaticula tundrae

(2) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3 and 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Kittlitz's Plover Charadrius pecuarius

(1) 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Three-banded Plover Charadrius tricollaris tricollaris

(5) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

White-fronted Plover Charadrius marginatus

(3) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Chestnut-banded Plover (NT) Charadrius pallidus pallidus

(1) 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

<u>Jacanas Jacanidae</u>

African Jacana Actophilornis africanus

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Sandpipers and Allies Scolopacidae

African Snipe Gallinago nigripennis nigripennis

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3 and 1 De Hoop NR 9.3.

Bar-tailed Godwit Limosa lapponica lapponica

(1) 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Whimbrel Numenius phaeopus phaeopus

(1) 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Eurasian Curlew (NT) *Numenius arquata*

(1) 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Marsh Sandpiper Tringa stagnatilis

(1) 1 De Hoop NR 9.3.

Common Greenshank Tringa nebularia

(3) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Wood Sandpiper Tringa glareola

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3 and 1 De Hoop NR 9.3.

Ruddy Turnstone Arenaria interpres interpres

(1) 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Ruff Calidris pugnax

(2) 1 De Hoop NR 9.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Sanderling Calidris alba alba

(1) 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Little Stint Calidris minuta

(3) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Pratincoles and Coursers *Glareolidae*

Burchell's Courser Cursorius rufus

(1) 1 Paleisheuwel 17.3.

Temminck's Courser Cursorius temminckii ruvanensis

(4) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane 27.2, 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3 and 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3.

Double-banded CourserRhinoptilus africanus

(1) 1 Marrick GL 18.3.

Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers Laridae

Grey-headed Gull Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus poiocephalus

(4) Johannesburg 24.2, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 Richards Bay 4.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Hartlaub's Gull Chroicocephalus hartlaubii

(4) 1 Sani Pass 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Kelp Gull Larus dominicanus

(5) 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 9.3, 1 Sani Pass 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Caspian Tern Hydroprogne caspia

(3) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 De Hoop NR 8.3 and 1 West Coast NP 11.3. **Greater Crested Tern**Thalasseus bergii bergii

(3) 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Sandwich Tern Thalasseus sandvicensis

(1) 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Little Tern Sternula albifrons albifrons

(1) 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Common Tern Sterna hirundo hirundo

(3) 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Whiskered Tern Chlidonias hybrida

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3 and 1 Muzi Pan 2.3.

White-winged Tern Chlidonias leucopterus

Observed 1 day in total.

Sandgrouse *Pteroclidae*

Namaqua Sandgrouse Pterocles namaqua

(3) 1 De Hoop NR 9.3 and 1 Brandvlei 14.3.

Pigeons and Doves Columbidae

Rock Dove

Columba livia var. domestica

(8) 1 Johannesburg 24.2, Polokwane 26.2, 1 Polokwane 27.2, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 10.3.

Speckled Pigeon

Columba guinea phaeonota

(10) 1 Johannesburg 24.2, 1 Durban 5.3, 1 Himeville 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3, 1 Calvinia 15.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

African Olive Pigeon

Columba arquatrix

(1) 1 Marutswa NR 7.3.

Eastern Bronze-naped Pigeon

Columba delegorguei delegorguei

(1) 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3.

Lemon Dove

Columba larvata larvata

(2) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2 and 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3.

Red-eyed Dove

Streptopelia semitorquata

(8) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Enseleni NR 4.3, 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Ring-necked Dove

Streptopelia capicola

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3.

Laughing Dove

Spilopelia senegalensis senegalensis

(9) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Calvinia 14.3, 1 Springbok

15.3, 1 Springbok 16.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Emerald-spotted Wood Dove

Turtur chalcospilos

(2) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Tambourine Dove

Turtur tympanistria

(2) 1 Enseleni NR 4.3 and 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3.

Namaqua Dove

Oena capensis capensis

(5) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and Mokala NP 19.3.

Turacos Musophagidae

Livingstone's Turaco

Tauraco livingstonii reichenowi

(2) 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 3.3 and 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3.

Knvsna Turaco

Tauraco corythaix

(1) 1 Benvie Farm, Karkloof 7.3.

Purple-crested Turaco

Tauraco porphyreolophus porphyreolophus

(4) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3 and 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3.

Grey Go-away-bird

Corythaixoides concolor

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Polokwane GR 26.2.

Cuckoos Cuculidae

Burchell's Coucal

Centropus burchellii burchellii

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Green MalkohaCeuthmochares australis

(1) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Levaillant's Cuckoo Clamator levaillantii

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Jacobin Cuckoo Clamator jacobinus serratus

(2) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and Mokala NP 19.3.

Diederik Cuckoo Chrysococcyx caprius

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Owls Strigidae

Spotted Eagle-Owl Bubo africanus africanus

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 27.2 and 1 Marrick GL 18.3.

Pearl-spotted Owlet Glaucidium perlatum licua

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Marsh Owl Asio capensis capensis

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Nightjars and Allies Caprimulgidae

Rufous-cheeked Nightjar Caprimulgus rufigena

(1) 1 Marrick GL 18.3.

Fiery-necked Nightjar Caprimulgus pectoralis

(1) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3.

Swifts Apodidae

African Palm Swift Cypsiurus parvus

(7) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Tzaneen 27.2, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1

Vanrhynsdorp 15.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Alpine Swift Tachymarptis melba

(4) 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Calvinia 14.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

African Black Swift

Apus barbatus barbatus

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Bradfield's Swift Apus bradfieldi deserticola

(1) 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Little Swift Apus affinis

(3) 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Horus Swift Apus horus horus

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

White-rumped Swift Apus caffer

(5) 1 Daggakraal 27.2, 1 Enseleni NR 4.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Mousebirds Coliidae

Speckled MousebirdColius striatus

(11) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Benvie Farm, Karkloof 7.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3 and 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3.

White-backed Mousebird

Colius colius

(8) 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Springbok 15.3, 1 Springbok 16.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Red-faced Mousebird

Urocolius indicus

(6) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Rollers Coraciidae

Lilac-breasted Roller

Coracias caudatus caudatus

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

European Roller (NT)

Coracias garrulus garrulus

(4) 1 Tzaneen 27.2, 1 Hluhluwe Town 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 3.3.

Kingfishers Alcedinidae

Brown-hooded Kingfisher

Halcyon albiventris

(4) 1 Tzaneen 27.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 3.3 and 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3.

Striped Kingfisher

Halcyon chelicuti chelicuti

(1) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Woodland Kingfisher

Halcyon senegalensis cyanoleuca

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Polokwane GR 26.2.

Malachite Kingfisher

Corythornis cristatus cristatus

(1) 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3.

Giant Kingfisher

Megaceryle maxima maxima

(4) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3 and 1 Hilton 8.3.

Pied Kingfisher

Ceryle rudis rudis

(2) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 St Lucia - Estuary 4.3.

Bee-eaters *Meropidae*

Swallow-tailed Bee-eater

Merops hirundineus hirundineus

(3) 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Little Bee-eater

Merops pusillus

(1) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Blue-cheeked Bee-eater

Merops persicus persicus

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 3.3.

European Bee-eater

Merops apiaster

(5) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Tzaneen 27.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Hoopoes *Upupidae*

African Hoopoe

Upupa africana

(8) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Calvinia 14.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Woodhoopoes and Scimitar-bills *Phoeniculidae*

Common Scimitarbill

Rhinopomastus cyanomelas

(3) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Hornbills Bucerotidae

Southern Red-billed Hornbill

Tockus rufirostris

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Southern Yellow-billed Hornbill

Tockus leucomelas leucomelas

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Crowned Hornbill

Lophoceros alboterminatus

(1) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

African Grey Hornbill

Lophoceros nasutus epirhinus

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Trumpeter Hornbill

Bycanistes bucinator

(1) 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3.

African Barbets Lybiidae

White-eared Barbet

Stactolaema leucotis leucotis

(2) 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 3.3 and 1 Ongoye FR 5.3.

Green Barbet

Stactolaema olivacea woodwardi

(1) 1 Ongoye FR 5.3.

Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird

Pogoniulus bilineatus bilineatus

(3) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3, 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 3.3 and 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3.

Red-fronted Tinkerbird

Pogoniulus pusillus pusillus

(2) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Acacia Pied Barbet

Tricholaema leucomelas

(8) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Marrick GL 9.3, 1 Langebaan 12.3, 1

Springbok 15.3, 1 Springbok 16.3, 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Black-collared Barbet

Lybius torquatus torquatus

(2) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Crested Barbet

Trachyphonus vaillantii vaillantii

(3) 1 Johannesburg 24.2, 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Woodpeckers Picidae

Red-throated Wryneck

Jynx ruficollis ruficollis

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3 and 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Golden-tailed Woodpecker

Campethera abingoni

(2) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Knysna Woodpecker (NT)

Campethera notata

(1) 1 De Hoop NR 9.3.

Ground Woodpecker

Geocolaptes olivaceus

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Bearded Woodpecker

Chloropicus namaquus

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Cardinal Woodpecker

Dendropicos fuscescens

(3) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 De Hoop NR 9.3.

Olive Woodpecker

Dendropicos griseocephalus griseocephalus

(2) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2 and 1 Marutswa NR 7.3.

Falcons and Caracaras Falconidae

Lesser Kestrel

Falco naumanni

(2) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2 and 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3.

Rock Kestrel

Falco rupicolus

(5) 1 Caledon 8.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Springbok 15.3, 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Greater Kestrel

Falco rupicoloides rupicoloides

(4) 1 Calvinia 13.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Calvinia 15.3 and 1 Pofadder 17.3.

Amur Falcon

Falco amurensis

(7) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Ongoye FR 5.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3 and 1 Himeville 7.3.

Lanner Falcon

Falco biarmicus biarmicus

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2 and 1 Sani Pass 15.3.

Peregrine Falcon

Falco peregrinus

(1) 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3.

Taita Falcon (NT)

Falco fasciinucha

Observed 1 day in total.

African & New World Parrots Psittacidae

Cape Parrot

Poicephalus robustus

(1) 1 Marutswa NR 7.3.

Wattle-eyes and Batises *Platysteiridae*

Cape Batis

Batis capensis

(2) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2.

Woodward's Batis

Batis fratrum

(1) 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3.

Chinspot Batis

Batis molitor

(3) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Pririt Batis

Batis pririt

(3) 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Bushshrikes and Allies *Malaconotidae*

Black-fronted Bushshrike

Chlorophoneus nigrifrons sandgroundi

(1) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2.

Orange-breasted Bushshrike

Chlorophoneus sulfureopectus similis

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3.

Bokmakierie

Telophorus zeylonus

(8) 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3, 1 Calvinia 14.3, 1 Springbok 16.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Brown-crowned Tchagra

Tchagra australis

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Polokwane GR 26.2.

Southern Tchagra

Tchagra tchagra

(1) 1 Marrick GL 9.3.

Black-crowned Tchagra

Tchagra senegalus

(1) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Black-backed Puffback

Dryoscopus cubla

(5) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 3.3 and 1 Ongoye FR 5.3.

Southern Boubou

Laniarius ferrugineus

(4) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 2.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Benvie Farm, Karkloof 7.3 and 1 Paarl 12.3.

Crimson-breasted Shrike

Laniarius atrococcineus

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Brubru Nilaus afer

(1) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2.

Cuckoo-shrikes Campephagidae

Grey Cuckooshrike

Coracina caesia caesia

(3) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2, 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3 and 1 Benvie Farm, Karkloof 7.3.

Black Cuckooshrike

Campephaga flava

(3) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Shrikes *Laniidae*

Magpie Shrike

Urolestes melanoleucus

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Red-backed Shrike

Lanius collurio

(6) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Kimberley 18.3.

Lesser Grey Shrike

Lanius minor

(4) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3, 1 Kimberley 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Southern Fiscal

Lanius collaris

(15) 1 Polokwane 26.2, Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Langebaan 12.3, 1 Calvinia 14.3, 1 Springbok 16.3, 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Old World Orioles Oriolidae

Black-headed Oriole

Oriolus larvatus larvatus

(1) 1 Marutswa NR 7.3.

Drongos *Dicruridae*

Square-tailed Drongo

Dicrurus ludwigii ludwigii

(4) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2, 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Fork-tailed Drongo

Dicrurus adsimilis

(4) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, Kurisa Moya 26.2, 1 Benvie Farm, Karkloof 7.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Monarch Flycatchers Monarchidae

Blue-mantled Crested Flycatcher

Trochocercus cyanomelas

(2) 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 3.3 and 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3.

African Paradise Flycatcher

Terpsiphone viridis

(4) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3, 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3 and 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Crows, Jays, and Magpies Corvidae

Cape Crow

Corvus capensis capensis

(11) 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Underberg 5.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Caledon 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3 and up to 1 Calvinia 13-15.3.

Pied Crow

Corvus albus

(17) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane 26.2, Polokwane 27.2, 1 Pongola 1.3, 1 Ongoye FR 5.3, 1 Caledon 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Langebaan 12.3, 1 Calvinia 13.3, 1 Calvinia 14.3, 1 Springbok 15.3, 1 Springbok 16.3, 1 Pofadder 17.3, 1 Kimberley 18.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

White-necked Raven

Corvus albicollis

(6) 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Caledon 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Rooi-Els 10.3, 1 Calvinia 13.3 and 1 Springbok 15.3.

Rockjumpers Chaetopidae

Cape Rockjumper

Chaetops frenatus

(1) 1 Rooi-Els 10.3.

Drakensberg Rockjumper

Chaetops aurantius

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Fairy Flycatchers Stenostiridae

Fairy Flycatcher

Stenostira scita

(2) 1 Calvinia 14.3 and 1 Springbok 15.3.

Chickadees and Tits *Paridae*

Southern Black Tit

Melaniparus niger

(2) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Ashy Tit

Melaniparus cinerascens cinerascens

(1) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2.

Grey Tit

Melaniparus afer

(1) 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Penduline-Tits Remizidae

Cape Penduline Tit

Anthoscopus minutus

(1) 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Nicators Nicatoridae

Eastern Nicator

Nicator gularis

Observed 1 day in total.

Larks Alaudidae

Spike-heeled Lark

Chersomanes albofasciata

(5) 1 Dirkiesdorp 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Calvinia 14.3, 1 Calvinia 15.3 and 1 Springbok 16.3.

Short-clawed Lark Certhilauda chuana

(1) 1 Polokwane 27.2.

Karoo Long-billed Lark Certhilauda subcoronata

(1) 1 Brandvlei 14.3.

Eastern Long-billed Lark Certhilauda semitorquata

(1) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3.

Cape Long-billed Lark Certhilauda curvirostris

(1) 1 Springbok 16.3.

Agulhas Long-billed LarkCerthilauda brevirostris

(1) 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3.

Black-eared Sparrow-Lark Eremopterix australis

(1) 1 Pofadder 17.3.

Chestnut-backed Sparrow-Lark Eremopterix leucotis smithi

(1) 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Grey-backed Sparrow-Lark *Eremopterix verticalis*

(2) 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Sabota Lark Calendulauda sabota

(4) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Fawn-colored Lark Calendulauda africanoides

(1) Mokala NP 19.3.

Karoo Lark Calendulauda albescens

(2) 1 Brandvlei 14.3 and 1 Goegap NR 16.3.

Red Lark Calendulauda burra

(1) 1 Brandvlei 14.3.

Barlow's Lark Calendulauda barlowi

(1) 1 Port Nolloth 16.3.

Rudd's Lark (VU) Heteromirafra ruddi

(1) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2.

Eastern Clapper Lark Mirafra fasciolata fasciolata

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Rufous-naped Lark *Mirafra africana*

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2.

Stark's Lark Spizocorys starki

(1) 1 Pofadder 17.3.

Botha's Lark (EN) Spizocorys fringillaris

(1) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2.

Large-billed Lark Galerida magnirostris

(4) 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3 and 1 Port Nolloth 16.3.

Red-capped LarkCalandrella cinerea cinerea

(4) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3 and 1 Brandvlei 14.3.

Bulbuls Pycnonotidae

African Red-eyed Bulbul

Pycnonotus nigricans

(4) 1 Springbok 15.3, 1 Springbok 16.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Cape Bulbul

Pycnonotus capensis

(5) 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3 and 1 Langebaan 12.3.

Dark-capped Bulbul

Pycnonotus tricolor layardi

(11) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Tzaneen 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3, 1 Ongoye FR 5.3 and 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Sombre Greenbul

Andropadus importunus

(4) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3 and 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3.

Yellow-bellied Greenbul

Chlorocichla flaviventris

(4) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3 and 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3.

Terrestrial Brownbul

Phyllastrephus terrestris

(2) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Yellow-streaked Greenbul

Phyllastrephus flavostriatus flavostriatus

(1) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2.

Swallows Hirundinidae

Black Saw-wing

Psalidoprocne pristoptera holomelas

(4) 1 Tzaneen 27.2, 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 3.3, 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3 and 1 Paarl 12.3.

Brown-throated Martin

Riparia paludicola paludicola

(6) 1 Dirkiesdorp 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3.

Sand Martin

Riparia riparia riparia

(1) 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 3.3.

Banded Martin

Riparia cincta cincta

(3) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Barn Swallow

Hirundo rustica rustica

(12) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Tzaneen 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

White-throated Swallow

Hirundo albigularis

(5) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Himeville 7.3 and 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Pearl-breasted Swallow

Hirundo dimidiata

(4) 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Rock Martin

Ptyonoprogne fuligula

(7) 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Pofadder 17.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Common House Martin

Delichon urbicum

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Greater Striped Swallow

Cecropis cucullata

(7) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 Kimberley 18.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Lesser Striped Swallow

Cecropis abyssinica unitatis

(2) 1 Tzaneen 27.2 and 1 Brandvlei 14.3.

Red-breasted Swallow

Cecropis semirufa semirufa

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

South African Cliff Swallow

Petrochelidon spilodera

(2) 1 Dirkiesdorp 28.2 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Crombecs, African warblers Macrosphenidae

Cape Grassbird

Sphenoeacus afer

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Long-billed Crombec

Sylvietta rufescens

(8) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Springbok 15.3, 1 Springbok 16.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Victorin's Warbler

Cryptillas victorini

(1) 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3.

Leaf-Warblers Phylloscopidae

Yellow-throated Woodland Warbler

Phylloscopus ruficapilla

(1) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2.

Reed-Warblers and Allies *Acrocephalidae*

Lesser Swamp Warbler

Acrocephalus gracilirostris

(1) 1 St Lucia - Estuary 4.3.

African Yellow Warbler

Iduna natalensis natalensis

(2) 1 Sani Pass 6.3 and 1 Himeville 7.3.

Grassbirds and Allies Locustellidae

Little Rush Warbler

Bradypterus baboecala

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Fan-tailed Grassbird

Schoenicola brevirostris brevirostris

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Cisticolas and Allies Cisticolidae

Rattling Cisticola

Cisticola chiniana

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Grey-backed Cisticola

Cisticola subruficapilla

(3) 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3 and 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Wailing Cisticola

Cisticola lais

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Rufous-winged Cisticola

Cisticola galactotes galactotes

(1) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Levaillant's Cisticola

Cisticola tinniens

(4) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Neddicky

Cisticola fulvicapilla

(3) 1 Polokwane 27.2, 1 Rooi-Els 10.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Zitting Cisticola

Cisticola juncidis terrestris

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3.

Desert Cisticola

Cisticola aridulus

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Pale-crowned Cisticola

Cisticola cinnamomeus egregius

Observed 1 day in total.

Wing-snapping Cisticola

Cisticola ayresii ayresii

(1) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2.

Tawny-flanked Prinia

Prinia subflava

(4) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2 and 1 Tzaneen 27.2.

Black-chested Prinia

Prinia flavicans

(4) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Karoo Prinia

Prinia maculosa

(8) 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Paarl 12.3, 1 Calvinia 15.3 and 1 Port Nolloth 16.3.

Drakensberg Prinia

Prinia hypoxantha

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Namaqua Warbler

Phragmacia substriata

(2) 1 Brandvlei 14.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Bar-throated Apalis

Apalis thoracica

(3) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2 and 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3.

Rudd's Apalis

Apalis ruddi fumosa

(2) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3 and 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 3.3.

Yellow-breasted Apalis

Apalis flavida

(2) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Green-backed Camaroptera

Camaroptera brachyura

(3) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3 and 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3.

Barred Wren-Warbler

Calamonastes fasciolatus

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Cinnamon-breasted Warbler

Euryptila subcinnamomea

(1) 1 Goegap NR 16.3.

Karoo Eremomela

Eremomela gregalis

(2) 1 Brandvlei 14.3 and 1 Goegap NR 16.3.

Burnt-necked Eremomela

Eremomela usticollis usticollis

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Laughingthrushes Leiothrichidae

Arrow-marked Babbler

Turdoides jardineii jardineii

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Polokwane GR 26.2.

Southern Pied Babbler

Turdoides bicolor

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Old World Warblers Sylviidae

Bush Blackcap (NT)

Lioptilus nigricapillus

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Chestnut-vented Warbler

Sylvia subcoerulea

(4) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 West Coast NP 11.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Layard's Warbler

Sylvia layardi

(3) 1 Goegap NR 16.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Yuhinas, White-eyes, and Allies Zosteropidae

Cape White-eye

Zosterops virens

(8) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2, 1 Ongoye FR 5.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3 and 1 Paarl 12.3.

Orange River White-eye

Zosterops pallidus

(2) 1 Springbok 15.3 and 1 Springbok 16.3.

African Yellow White-eye

Zosterops senegalensis

(1) 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 3.3.

Sugarbirds Promeropidae

Cape Sugarbird

Promerops cafer

(1) 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3.

Gurney's Sugarbird

Promerops gurneyi gurneyi

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Starlings Sturnidae

Common Myna

Acridotheres tristis tristis

(6) 1 Johannesburg 24.2, 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3, 1 Ongoye FR 5.3 and 1 Durban 8.3.

Common Starling

Sturnus vulgaris vulgaris

(4) 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 10.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Port Nolloth 16.3.

Wattled Starling

Creatophora cinerea

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3.

Black-bellied Starling

Notopholia corrusca corrusca

(2) 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 3.3 and 1 Ongoye FR 5.3.

Cape Starling

Lamprotornis nitens

(7) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Port Nolloth 16.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Burchell's Starling

Lamprotornis australis

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Pied Starling

Lamprotornis bicolor

(11) 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Langebaan 12.3, 1 Calvinia 13.3 and 1 Brandvlei 14.3.

Violet-backed Starling

Cinnyricinclus leucogaster verreauxi

(2) 1 Tzaneen 27.2 and 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Red-winged Starling

Onychognathus morio morio

(6) 1 Polokwane 26.2, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Marrick GL 9.3 and 1 Rooi-Els 10.3.

Pale-winged Starling

Onychognathus nabouroup

(2) 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Oxpeckers Buphagidae

Red-billed Oxpecker

Buphagus erythrorynchus

(1) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Thrushes and Allies Turdidae

Spotted Ground Thrush

Geokichla guttata guttata

(1) 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3.

Groundscraper Thrush

Turdus litsitsirupa litsitsirupa

(2) 1 Polokwane 25.2 and 1 Polokwane GR 26.2.

Olive Thrush

Turdus olivaceus

(4) 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3, 1 Benvie Farm, Karkloof 7.3, 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3 and 1 Paarl 12.3.

Karoo Thrush

Turdus smithi

(4) 1 Springbok 15.3, 1 Springbok 16.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Old World Flycatchers Muscicapidae

Karoo Scrub Robin

Cercotrichas coryphoeus

(7) 1 Marrick GL 9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Springbok 16.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Bearded Scrub Robin

Cercotrichas quadrivirgata quadrivirgata

(2) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Kalahari Scrub Robin

Cercotrichas paena

(1) 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

White-browed Scrub Robin

Cercotrichas leucophrys leucophrys

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Brown Scrub Robin

Cercotrichas signata

(1) 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3.

Grey Tit-Flycatcher

Myioparus plumbeus

(1) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Chat Flycatcher

Melaenornis infuscatus

(3) 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Marico Flycatcher

Melaenornis mariquensis

(4) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Kimberley 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Fiscal Flycatcher

Melaenornis silens

(5) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Marrick GL 9.3, 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3, 1 Paarl 12.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Spotted Flycatcher

Muscicapa striata

(5) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

African Dusky Flycatcher

Muscicapa adusta

(4) 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3 and 1 Paarl 12.3.

Cape Robin-Chat

Cossypha caffra

(12) 1 Johannesburg 24.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Marutswa NR 7.3, 1 Marrick GL 9.3, 1 Noordhoek 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Paarl 12.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

White-throated Robin-Chat

Cossypha humeralis

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3 and 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

White-browed Robin-Chat

Cossypha heuglini

(1) 1 Tzaneen 27.2.

Red-capped Robin-Chat

Cossypha natalensis

(3) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3, 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3 and 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3.

Chorister Robin-Chat

Cossypha dichroa

(1) 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3.

Cape Rock Thrush

Monticola rupestris

(2) 1 Sani Pass 6.3 and 1 Rooi-Els 10.3.

Sentinel Rock Thrush

Monticola explorator

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2 and 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

African Stonechat

Saxicola torquatus

(7) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3 and 1 Port Nolloth 16.3.

Buff-streaked Chat

Campicoloides bifasciatus

(4) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3 and 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Sickle-winged Chat

Emarginata sinuata

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Karoo Chat

Emarginata schlegelii

(3) 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Springbok 16.3 and 1 Pofadder 17.3.

Tractrac Chat

Emarginata tractrac

(1) 1 Brandvlei 14.3.

Ant-eating Chat

Myrmecocichla formicivora

(4) 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Mountain Wheatear

Myrmecocichla monticola monticola

(6) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Goegap NR 16.3 and 1 Pofadder 17.3.

Capped Wheatear

Oenanthe pileata

(6) 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 Langebaan 12.3, 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3, 1 Calvinia 15.3 and 1 Marrick GL 18.3.

Familiar Chat

Oenanthe familiaris

(7) 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Hilton 7.3, 1 Rooi-Els 9.3, 1 Rooi-Els 10.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3 and 1 Springbok 16.3.

Sunbirds and Spiderhunters Nectariniidae

Collared Sunbird

Hedydipna collaris

(1) 1 Ongoye FR 5.3.

Orange-breasted Sunbird

Anthobaphes violacea

(2) 1 De Hoop NR 9.3 and 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3.

Olive Sunbird Cyanomitra olivacea

(1) 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3.

Grey Sunbird *Cyanomitra veroxii*

(1) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3.

Amethyst Sunbird Chalcomitra amethystina amethystina

(3) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2 and 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3.

Malachite Sunbird Nectarinia famosa famosa

(5) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3 and 1 Rooi-Els 10.3.

Southern Double-collared SunbirdCinnyris chalybeus

(8) 1 Tzaneen 27.2, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1

Paarl 12.3, 1 Springbok 15.3 and 1 Springbok 16.3.

Neergaard's Sunbird Cinnyris neergaardi

(1) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3.

Greater Double-collared Sunbird *Cinnyris afer*

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Marico Sunbird Cinnyris mariquensis mariquensis

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Polokwane GR 26.2.

Purple-banded Sunbird Cinnyris bifasciatus microrhynchus

(2) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

White-bellied Sunbird Cinnyris talatala

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Dusky SunbirdCinnyris fuscus fuscus

(3) 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Old World Sparrows Passeridae

White-browed Sparrow-Weaver

Plocepasser mahali mahali

(3) 1 Polokwane 26.2, 1 Polokwane 27.2 and 1 Kimberley 18.3.

Sociable Weaver Philetairus socius

(3) 1 Kimberley 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

House Sparrow Passer domesticus

(5) 1 Johannesburg 24.2, Polokwane 26.2, 1 Daggakraal 28.2 and 1 Pofadder 17.3.

Cape Sparrow Passer melanurus

(14) 1 Johannesburg 24.2, 1 Polokwane 26.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Agulhas Plains

8.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Springbok 16.3, 1 Augrabies Falls

NP 17.3, 1 Kimberley 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Southern Grey-headed Sparrow Passer diffusus

(4) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 Kimberley 18.3.

Yellow-throated PetroniaGymnoris superciliaris

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Weavers and Allies *Ploceidae*

Red-billed Buffalo WeaverBubalornis niger niger

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Scaly-feathered Weaver Sporopipes squamifrons

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Thick-billed Weaver Amblyospiza albifrons

(3) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 St Lucia - Estuary 3.3 and 1 St Lucia - Estuary 4.3.

Spectacled Weaver

Ploceus ocularis ocularis

(1) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Cape Weaver

Ploceus capensis

(5) 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Eastern Golden Weaver

Ploceus subaureus subaureus

(2) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 3.3 and 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3.

Southern Brown-throated Weaver

Ploceus xanthopterus marleyi

(1) 1 St Lucia - Estuary 3.3.

Southern Masked Weaver

Ploceus velatus

(8) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Paarl 12.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Village Weaver

Ploceus cucullatus

(3) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Dark-backed Weaver

Ploceus bicolor

(3) 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3 and 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3.

Red-headed Quelea

Quelea erythrops

(1) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 3.3.

Red-billed Quelea

Quelea quelea lathamii

(4) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Yellow-crowned Bishop

Euplectes afer taha

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2.

Southern Red Bishop

Euplectes orix

(12) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 3.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Himeville 7.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Yellow Bishop

Euplectes capensis

(3) 1 Tzaneen 27.2, 1 Sani Pass 6.3 and 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3.

Fan-tailed Widowbird

Euplectes axillaris axillaris

(6) 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3, 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 3.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3 and 1 Himeville 7.3.

White-winged Widowbird

Euplectes albonotatus albonotatus

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Ermelo 27.2 and 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3.

Red-collared Widowbird

Euplectes ardens ardens

(2) 1 Ermelo 27.2.

Long-tailed Widowbird

Euplectes progne progne

(5) 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3 and 1 Himeville 6.3.

Waxbills and Allies Estrildidae

Green-winged Pytilia

Pytilia melba melba

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Red-headed Finch

Amadina erythrocephala

(2) 1 Johannesburg 24.2 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Cut-throat Finch

Amadina fasciata

(1) 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Green Twinspot

Mandingoa nitidula nitidula

(2) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2 and 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3.

Pink-throated Twinspot

Hypargos margaritatus

(1) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 3.3.

Red-billed Firefinch

Lagonosticta senegala rendalli

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

African Firefinch

Lagonosticta rubricata rubricata

(1) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2.

Jameson's Firefinch

Lagonosticta rhodopareia jamesoni

(1) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Blue Waxbill

Uraeginthus angolensis

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Violet-eared Waxbill

Uraeginthus granatinus

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane 26.2 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Swee Waxbill

Coccopygia melanotis

(2) 1 Tzaneen 27.2 and 1 Harold Porter Botanical Garden 10.3.

Common Waxbill

Estrilda astrild

(8) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3 and 1 Brandvlei 14.3.

Black-faced Waxbill

Estrilda erythronotos erythronotos

(1) 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Quailfinch

Ortygospiza atricollis digressa

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Bronze Mannikin

Lonchura cucullata scutata

(2) 1 Tzaneen 27.2 and 1 Himeville 7.3.

Indigobirds Viduidae

Village Indigobird

Vidua chalybeata amauropteryx

(1) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2.

Dusky Indigobird

Vidua funerea funerea

(2) 1 Tzaneen 27.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Pin-tailed Whydah

Vidua macroura

(7) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Ermelo 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3 and 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Shaft-tailed Whydah

Vidua regia

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Kimberley 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Long-tailed Paradise Whydah

Vidua paradisaea

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Polokwane 26.2.

Wagtails and Pipits Motacillidae

Western Yellow Wagtail

Motacilla flava

(1) 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3.

Cape Wagtail

Motacilla capensis capensis

(15) 1 Johannesburg 24.2, 1 Tzaneen 27.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3,

1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Sani Pass 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3, 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3, 1 Springbok 15.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

African Pied Wagtail

Motacilla aguimp

(5) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 St Lucia - Estuary 3.3, 1 St Lucia - Estuary 4.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Cape Longclaw

Macronyx capensis

(5) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

African Pipit

Anthus cinnamomeus

(7) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3, 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Mountain Pipit

Anthus hoeschi

(1) 1 XXX Duplicate Location - (Sani) 6.3.

African Rock Pipit

Anthus crenatus

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Yellow-breasted Pipit (VU)

Anthus chloris

(1) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2.

Finches, Euphonias Fringillidae

Forest Canary

Crithagra scotops

(1) 1 Benvie Farm, Karkloof 7.3.

Black-throated Canary

Crithagra atrogularis

(4) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Polokwane 27.2 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Lemon-breasted Canary

Crithagra citrinipectus

(1) 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3.

Yellow-fronted Canary

Crithagra mozambica

(3) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Pongola 1.3 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Cape Siskin

Crithagra totta

(1) 1 Rooi-Els 10.3.

Drakensberg Siskin

Crithagra symonsi

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Yellow Canary

Crithagra flaviventris

(7) 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Springbok 16.3, 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Brimstone Canary

Crithagra sulphurata

(2) 1 Strandfontein Sewage Works 12.3.

Streaky-headed Seedeater

Crithagra gularis

(4) 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Marrick GL 9.3 and 1 Paarl 12.3.

White-throated Canary

Crithagra albogularis

(7) 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Springbok 16.3, 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Protea Canary Crithagra leucoptera

Observed 1 day in total.

Cape Canary Serinus canicollis

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2 and 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Buntings, Sparrows and Allies Emberizidae

Lark-like Bunting

Emberiza impetuani

(3) 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Cinnamon-breasted Bunting

Emberiza tahapisi tahapisi

(1) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Cape Bunting

Emberiza capensis

(9) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 De Hoop NR 9.3, 1 Rooi-Els 10.3, 1 West Coast NP 11.3, 1 Calvinia 14.3 and 1 Springbok 16.3.

Golden-breasted Bunting

Emberiza flaviventris

(3) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Marutswa NR 7.3 and 1 Marrick GL 19.3.

Mammals (50 in total: 50 seen)

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South Africa

Aardvarks Orycteropodidae

Aardvark

Orycteropus afer

(1) 1 Marrick GL 18.3.

<u>Hyraxes *Procaviidae*</u>

Rock Hyrax

Procavia capensis

(9) 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Rooi-Els 9.3, 1 Sani Pass 10.3, 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Vanrhynsdorp 15.3, 1 Goegap NR 16.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Galagos Galagidae

Thick-tailed Greater Galago

Otolemur crassicaudatus crassicaudatus

(1) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Old World monkeys Cercopithecidae

Blue Monkey

Cercopithecus mitis

(2) 1 Kurisa Moya 26.2 and 1 Ongoye FR 5.3.

Vervet

Chlorocebus pygerythrus

(9) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Tzaneen 27.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3, 1 St Lucia - Estuary 4.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Chacma Baboon

Papio ursinus ursinus

(8) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Rooi-Els 10.3, 1 Calvinia 13.3, 1 Vanrhynsdorp 15.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3.

Springhares *Pedetidae*

Spring Hare

Pedetes capensis

(1) 1 Marrick GL 18.3.

Old World Porcupines Hystricidae

Cape Porcupine

Hystrix africaeaustralis

(1) 1 Springbok 15.3.

True Mice and Rats, Gerbils, Spiny Mice, Crested Rat Muridae

Sloggett's Vlei Rat

Otomys sloggetti

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Squirrels Sciuridae

Smith's Bush Squirrel

Paraxerus cepapi

(2) 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3 and 1 Ongoye FR 5.3.

Red Bush Squirrel

Paraxerus palliatus

(2) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 2.3 and 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 3.3.

Eastern Gray Squirrel

Sciurus carolinensis

Observed 1 day in total.

South African Ground Squirrel

Xerus inauris

(2) 1 Pofadder 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Cats Felidae

Wild Cat

Felis silvestris

(1) 1 Marrick GL 18.3.

Mongooses Herpestidae

Yellow Mongoose

Cynictis penicillata

(5) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3, 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Cape Grey Mongoose

Herpestes pulverulentus

(2) 1 Agulhas Plains 9.3 and 1 Sani Pass 10.3.

Slender Mongoose

Herpestes sanguineus

(2) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2 and 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2.

Banded Mongoose

Mungos mungo

(2) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 3.3 and 1 St Lucia - Estuary 4.3.

Meerkat

Suricata suricatta

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Hyaenas, Aardwolf Hyaenidae

Aardwolf

Proteles cristata

(2) 1 Springbok 15.3 and 1 Marrick GL 18.3.

Wolves, Coyote, Foxes, Jackals Canidae

Black-backed Jackal

Canis mesomelas

(2) 1 Sani Pass 6.3 and 1 Marrick GL 18.3.

Bat-eared Fox

Otocyon megalotis megalotis

(2) 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3 and 1 Marrick GL 18.3.

Weasels, Skunks, Otters Mustelidae

Spotted-necked Otter

Lutra maculicollis

(1) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3.

Sea Lions Otariidae

Afro-Australian Fur Seal

Arctocephalus pusillus

(2) 1 Rooi-Els 9.3 and 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Zebras, Horse, Asses Equidae

Plains Zebra

Equus quagga

(3) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Enseleni NR 4.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Mountain Zebra

Equus zebra

(2) 1 Rooi-Els 9.3.

Pigs Suidae

Common Warthog

Phacochoerus africanus sundevallii

(2) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Bowhead and Right Whales Balaenidae

Southern Right Whale

Eubalaena australis

(1) 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3.

Hippopotamuses Hippopotamidae

Hippopotamus

Hippopotamus amphibius capensis

(2) 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3 and 1 St Lucia - Estuary 3.3.

Cattle, Antelopes, Sheep, Goats Bovidae

Impala

Aepyceros melampus melampus

(1) 1 Mpempe Pan 2.3.

Hartebeest

Alcelaphus buselaphus

(2) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Springbok

Antidorcas marsupialis

(8) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3, 1 Calvinia 13.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Goegap NR 16.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Natal Red Duiker

Cephalophus natalensis

(3) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 1.3, 1 iSimangaliso WP - False Bay Park 3.3 and 1 St Lucia - iGwalaGwala Trail 4.3.

Black Wildebeest

Connochaetes gnou

(3) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Common Wildebeest

Connochaetes taurinus

(4) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Blesbok Damaliscus pygargus

(5) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2, 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Himeville 7.3 and 1 De Hoop NR 9.3.

Roan Antelope Hippotragus equinus

(1) 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Gemsbok Oryx gazella

(3) 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Oribi Ourebia ourebi

(1) 1 Wakkerstroom 28.2.

Grey Rhebok Pelea capreolus

(3) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3 and 1 Agulhas Plains 8.3.

Blue Duiker Philantomba monticola

(1) 1 Dlinza Forest NR 5.3.

Steenbok Raphicerus campestris campestris

(4) 1 Lambert's Bay 13.3, 1 Brandvlei 14.3, 1 Vanrhynsdorp 15.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Southern Reedbuck Redunca arundinum

(2) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Common Duiker Sylvicapra grimmia

(2) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 Springbok 16.3.

African Buffalo Syncerus caffer caffer

(2) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Nyala Tragelaphus angasii

(3) 1 Wakkerstroom 1.3, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 3.3.

Common Eland Tragelaphus oryx

(1) 1 West Coast NP 11.3.

Bushbuck Tragelaphus scriptus

(1) 1 Enseleni NR 4.3.

Greater Kudu Tragelaphus strepsiceros

(3) 1 Polokwane GR 26.2, 1 Hluhluwe Town 1.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Giraffe, Okapi Giraffidae

Giraffe Giraffa camelopardalis giraffa

(3) 1 Zaagkuilsdrift Road 25.2, 1 Polokwane GR 26.2 and 1 Mkuze GR 2.3.

Reptiles (7 in total: 7 seen)

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Tortoises *Testudinidae*

Leopard TortoiseStigmochelys pardalis

(1) 1 Kimberley 18.3.

Afro-American Sideneck Turtles Pelomedusidae

Helmeted Turtle

Pelomedusa subrufa nigra

(2) 1 Mkuze GR 2.3 and 1 Mokala NP 19.3.

Agamas Agamidae

Southern Rock Agama

Agama atra atra

(3) 1 Sani Pass 6.3 and 1 Sani Pass 10.3.

Spinytail Lizards Cordylidae

Highveld Crag Lizard

Cordylus melanotus

(1) 1 Sani Pass 6.3.

Augrabies Flat Lizard

Platysaurus broadleyi

(2) 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 18.3.

Skinks Scincidae

African Striped Skink

Trachylepis striata striata

(4) 1 Johannesburg 24.2, 1 Mkuze GR 2.3, 1 Sani Pass 6.3 and 1 Augrabies Falls NP 17.3.

Colubrid snakes *Colubridae*

Spotted Bush Snake

Philothamnus semivariegatus

(1) 1 Umkhumbi Lodge 3.3.

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