



TOUR REPORT
ESTONIA
4TH – 11TH JUNE 2025

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WEDNESDAY 4th JUNE - *mild and still, 18C*

Today was a travel day and everything went very smoothly with us taking off from Luton airport just a few minutes behind schedule and landing in Tallin just two hours and fifteen minutes later.

Perhaps the most frustrating part of the travel was the queue for Estonian passport control which was moving at snail's pace! Eventually we all got through, picked up our bags and met up with Tarvo.

There was still a couple of hours of daylight left as we drove westwards towards the Altmõisa Guesthouse in Matsalu National Park. Our progress was briefly interrupted by a **Long-eared Owl** quartering a meadow close to the road as we had to stop the van and take a look. As we continued we saw our first **White Storks** and **Woodcocks** of the trip and several groups of **Grey Herons** flying to roost were joined by three **Great White Egrets**. Finally, we reached the picturesque guesthouse and were serenaded by singing **Thrush Nightingales** as we unloaded the van and settled into our rooms after a busy day of travel.

THURSDAY 5th JUNE – *dull and drizzly start clearing to a bright sunny afternoon, 19C*

We woke to a rather overcast and slightly drizzly start to the day but we needn't have worried as today turned out to be a superb day of Eastern European summer birding. It started before we'd even finished breakfast as a **Spotted Flycatcher** flitted around outside the guesthouse window. In fact those who opted for a bit of a walk before breakfast had already seen species such as **Common Rosefinch**, **Montagu's Harrier**, **Hawfinch** and **Whinchat**, and a male **Tree Pipit** sang its heart out from the small trees in the guesthouse garden.

It wasn't a long drive to our first stop of the day overlooking the bay at Põgari-Sassi. Here **Little Gulls** were immediately obvious with over 150 birds feeding over the water and sat along the shore. Most were in their second calendar year, but a few really smart adults were noted too. A few waders were scattered about and included three **Avocet**, **Greenshank**, *limosa* **Black-tailed Godwits**, **Bar-tailed Godwit**, a few **Red Knot**, and best of all, a summer plumage **Curlew Sandpiper**. Our first **White-tailed Eagles** of the trip were also sat on the far shore of the bay.

The weather was starting to brighten so we continued down the peninsula to have a look for **Barred Warblers**. We were greeted by a **Common Rosefinch** as got out of the van and a **Marsh Warbler** sang nearby. It took a little while before we managed to pin down one of these chunky sylvias but eventually we had superb views of two males as they sang from the tops of bushes and made regular song flights. Great to see! We also saw a smart male **Red-backed Shrike** here and a couple of **Thrush Nightingales** were singing away.



Barred Warbler

Once back in the van we began the journey towards Haeska viewing tower. We were about halfway there when a raptor appeared circling over a wood by the road. We scrambled out of the van and were pleased to see it was our first **Lesser Spotted Eagle** of the tour. We watched it for a while and eventually it flew directly towards us and right over our heads giving a stunning view!



Lesser Spotted Eagle

By the time we reached the tower the sun was blazing down and it was feeling rather warm! Even so, there was still plenty of avian activity as we scanned the bays from the top of the tower. We managed to pick out several groups of **Cranes**, a **White-tailed Eagle** sunning itself on a rock, several **Little Terns** and a distant group of **Whooper Swans** among many other waterbirds. A **Hobby** flashed through the resting terns and a **Lesser Whitethroat** was singing from the vegetation below us.

After leaving the tower we arrived in Haapsalu for a very tasty lunch and a nice break. A scan of Väike Viik revealed six very smart summer plumage **Slavonian Grebes** snoozing out on the middle of the lake, plus further additions to the trip list in the form of **Pochard**, **Tufted Duck** and **Great Crested Grebe**.

Given the promising raptor weather, we decided to head to the Variku area to scan for them. Sure enough, we didn't even have time to step out of the van before a male **Montagu's Harrier** started quartering the fields. Over the next hour or so we probably saw over half a dozen 'Monties' including an interesting second calendar year male. Even more exciting was an immature **Golden Eagle** which we picked up in flight being mobbed by **Marsh Harriers**. Just before we left the eagle reappeared and landed in a tall spruce tree and we all had some really nice views through the scopes.



Male Montagu's Harrier

Eventually we decided it was time to move on, although we paused to listen for a **Corncrake** which we'd heard singing on our way in. We watched and listened for a few minutes when all of a sudden the crane walked into a bare area of crop and showed itself completely in the open! Remarkable! Four **Woodlarks** were also in the same field and a **Camberwell Beauty** flashed past the van as we began driving back towards Almoisa.



Corncrake

We did still have a bit of time to spare before heading back to the guesthouse so we had a short walk around the pond in Võnnu Park (pausing to admire a pair of **Red-backed Shrikes** en route!). Here we heard an **Icterine Warbler** and **Golden Oriole** singing, and a **Moorhen** was calling unseen from the reeds. A pair of **Common Rosefinches** included a very smart red male and a male **Red-backed Shrike** and **Whinchat** perched in the nearby trees. It was soon time to head back to the guesthouse and on arrival we could hear another **Golden Oriole** singing and a **Fieldfare** landed in a tree above our heads. It had been an excellent day, but we were all ready for our evening meal and an early night ahead of another busy day tomorrow.

FRIDAY 6TH JUNE - *cool on the coast first thing but later bright and warm, 19C*

We set our alarms early this morning as we were planning to make it to the point near Spithami for the peak of the day's seabird passage. Sure enough, we left the guesthouse at 05:30 and arrived an hour later. Tucking ourselves out of the wind behind the shelter, it wasn't long before a group of divers made their way west overhead. This first group consisted of ten **Black-throated Divers** and two **Red-throated. Common Scoters** and **Goldeneye** were passing in good numbers, and we picked up a few new ducks for the trip list including **Common Eider**, **Velvet Scoter** and three **Scaup**. Scanning the gulls on the rocks in front of us revealed a smart third calendar year **Caspian Gull**, and a shout from Tarvo alerted us to a **Caspian Tern** flying past calling. Divers continued to move and over the ninety minutes we were watching, we managed to see a total of twenty-five **Black-throats** and eight **Red-throats** including a spectacular flyby from a group flying over the van as we departed.

Happy with our seawatching session we drove around to the forest near Dirhami harbour. The trip ticks kept on coming with a few showy **Crested Tits**, **Firecrest** and some flyover **Common Crossbills**. Pairs of **Common Redstarts** and **Northern Bullfinches** were looking very smart and appreciated by all. We were also able to hear a **Red-breasted Flycatcher** singing but we were unable to see it among

the thick forest. It had been a very productive walk, but it was soon time to move on to make to the viewing platform overlooking Sutlepa meri before lunch.

This proved to be a great stop with a really nice selection of birds viewable in and around the lake. On reaching the viewing platform **Black Terns** were immediately obvious and there were at least 60 of them dip feeding across the water. A number of summer plumage **Red-necked Grebes** were visible and we had good views of both **Great Reed** and **Savi's Warblers** in the reeds below. As we scanned the reeds looking for the warblers we noticed hundreds, if not thousands, of **Four-spotted Chaser** dragonflies roosting. As the day warmed up and the sun came out many of these became active and made for quite the spectacle as they clouded around the viewing tower. Among the chasers we also managed to pick out **Downy Emeralds**, **Northern** and **Large White-faced Darters** and before we knew it, it was time for lunch in Haapsalu!

After the now expected delicious and filling lunch we made the call to head back to our guesthouse for a few hours of rest after the early start! A few of the group took the opportunity to explore around the villa and were rewarded with species including **Icterine Warbler**, **Grey Plover** and **Marsh Fritillary**. Our evening meal was booked in Haapsalu so late afternoon we headed back in that direction stopping at a few sites in the hope of an Ortolan Bunting or Turtle Dove. We didn't have any luck with these (despite Tarvo hearing the former briefly) but a pair of **Montagu's Harriers** doing a food pass and some smart **Common Redstarts** and **Northern Wheatears** were ample compensation!

After enjoying yet another excellent meal in Haapsalu there was still a little time for birding on the way back to the guesthouse and we spent it checking some forest near Palivere. Unfortunately it was rather quiet here with little more than a couple of **Robins** and **Goldcrests** singing. However, we did enjoy several **Woodcocks** which flew over calling and a couple of **Chequered Skippers** were snoozing in the grass. And then it was time to head back to the guesthouse and reflect on another really good day of Estonian birding.

SATURDAY 7TH JUNE - *bright but very breezy and occasional showers, 18C*

After a later breakfast today we headed out with our suitcases ready to head southwards towards Parnu with several stops for birding on the way. Our first call was to check the Ortolan site again but unfortunately it quickly became apparent that it'd be difficult in the strong wind! We did hear it but we couldn't pick it out in the scattered trees and fields. A nearby site which Tarvo knew to be good for Turtle Doves produced another male **Montagu's Harrier** feeding on the track in front of the van but the doves also eluded us.

Moving south, the boardwalk in Tuhi National Park was much more productive. As we walked into the bog, we were soon hearing **Wood Sandpipers** singing and a few flying in the distance. A male **Montagu's Harrier** began hunting and this drew in a minimum of five **Wood Sands** to mob it. Eventually a **Wood Sand** perched in a pine right above where some of the group were standing and gave excellent views! As we walked back to the van a pair of *limosa* **Black-tailed Godwits** got up calling and dropped in right next to where we were stood. Particularly good views were had of the female which was colour-ringed too. And to top it all off a distant raptor turned out to be our first **Honey Buzzard** of the tour!



Wood Sandpiper



***limosa* Black-tailed Godwit**

We continued making our way towards Parnu but spent some time birding around the wetlands at Audru hoping for Marsh Sandpiper or Citrine Wagtail. Unfortunately, the wind meant that only Pete glimpsed a Citrine and there was no sign of any Marsh Sands, but a nice selection of other wetland birds kept us entertained. A few **Garganey** were new for the trip list and plenty of **Black Terns** gave

us spectacular views. A group of five **Caspian Terns** also treated us to a close flypast and a couple of male **Ruff** were looking resplendent.



Caspian Tern

After packing up here we headed to Parnu for some lunch. The Zander served to us certainly disappoint and we were all very full as we made our way to Pikla Fish Ponds. As we exited the van here a male **Bearded Tit** showed really well and a couple of **Savi's Warbler** were very vocal. A handful of waders on the pools included a two **Red Knot** and a **Black-tailed Godwit**. An ominous looking storm encouraged us to take a couple of rest at our spectacular guesthouse overlooking the fish ponds, although not all of got much rest as a **Marsh Sandpiper** appeared on the small pool right outside and was joined by **Ruff**, **Little** and **Common Ringed Plovers** and several **Wheatears**!

After dinner we headed out to Soomaa National Park in pursuit of owls. We paused briefly to admire a very close calling pair of **Cranes** then arrived to find excellent conditions for owling. And sure enough it wasn't long before we had the first of two awesome **Ural Owl** sightings, as one gave us a prolonged overhead flypast still in the daylight. Later a male showed really well along the edge of the forest and there was still enough light to get a great view of it. Without a doubt one of the highlights of the trip so far and all while many **Woodcocks** displayed overhead! Great stuff!



Common Cranes



Ural Owl

SUNDAY 8TH JUNE - *bright and warm, light breeze, 19C*

We were pleased to see that the calm weather continued this morning and headed towards Soomaa National Park for some forest birding. As usual we ended up stopping several times before reaching

our first intended viewpoint! First of all, we stopped by a bridge on the outskirts of the park to listen for **River Warbler**. One was singing and remained unseen, but it was a showy singing **Blyth's Reed Warbler** which stole the show. Through the scopes we could see all the key ID features, and it was surprisingly distinctive with such good views. We also had close views of three *caudatus* **Long-tailed Tits** with their striking white heads and *europaea* **Nuthatch** was new for the tour list.



Blyth's Reed Warbler



***caudatus* Long-tailed Tit**

As we made our way further into the park we picked up a **Red-breasted Flycatcher** by the road which showed well although wasn't a red male unfortunately! Lots of **Wood Warblers** were singing and a **Goshawk** gave a superb fly past. Eventually we reached the viewing tower at Lāti where a male **White-backed Woodpecker** was drumming quietly by the car park. Eventually we all managed good views of it working up a dead trunk. A showy **Wood Warbler** was much appreciated and we spent some time watching the many dragonflies making the most of the shelter of the forest ride including **Broad-bodied Chaser**, **Hairy Dragonfly** and **Common Clubtail**. We checked a couple more spots on the way back towards Parnu finding a nice pale **Willow Tit** and a singing **Pied Flycatcher**.



White-backed Woodpecker

Once we'd eaten our lunch in Parnu we decided to head back to Audru Wetlands as it didn't feel like we'd done it justice in yesterday's wind. Today proved much more fruitful! It took us just a minute or two to see our first **Citrine Wagtail** of the day with a female collecting nesting material and a search for **Penduline Tits** went well as we had superb views of a pair attending their nest low in a birch. It's a wonder how they make such a sturdy nest out of seed hair! Making our way down the western track, more **Citrine Wagtails** flew over calling, another **Penduline Tit** was feeding in the willows and flyovers included **Marsh Sandpipers**, **Spotted Redshank**, many **Black Terns** and an immature **White-tailed Eagle**.



Penduline Tits

However, we still hadn't had a really good look at a male **Citrine Wagtail**. This changed as we slowly drove down the eastern track. Here we saw at least three striking males not far from the van and they looked stunning with their bright yellow heads glowing in the sun. Nearby, one of the floods proved very attractive for waders. Looking through the scopes we could see a stunning male **Ruff** displaying to a couple of reeves, three **Marsh Sandpipers**, two **Spotted Redshanks** and several **Black-tailed Godwits** feeding alongside a **Garganey**. We could have stayed for much longer but, before we knew it, it was time to head back into Parnu for an excellent evening meal. Later, another **White-backed Woodpecker** flew past as we arrived at the guesthouse and a **Green Sandpiper** on the pools behind rounded off a very successful day.



Male Citrine Wagtail

MONDAY 9TH JUNE - heavy showers and overcast, slightly drier in the afternoon, 14C

Rain was a key theme today and from the moment we woke up to a torrential downpour we knew birding may be a little trickier than the last few days! However, we were still keen to make the most of it and headed out in the direction of Tartu. We did take a small diversion to Kabli where we managed to see a few nice birds before the heavens opened once again. A **Marsh Warbler** was in good voice and we had close views of a **Blyth's Reed Warbler** while attempting to see the Marsh! Another highlight was a showy male **Serin** with its yellow rump still glowing despite the rain. Down on the beach a couple of drake **Pintail** were new for the trip list and seemed to have bred with one of the local Mallards given the drake hybrid also present! We paused to admire a close **Little Ringed Plovers** and two **Green Sandpipers** but soon the rain became very heavy and we retreated to the van and began the drive towards Tartu.

As we neared Estonia's second largest city it was a nice surprise to see the forecast was wrong and the rain had completely stopped. Keen to make the most of the clear weather we made our way straight to Toomemägi Park hoping to pick up a Greenish Warbler or two. As we wandered around the park, the song of **Icterine Warbler** was a near constant backdrop and one bird showed particularly well. **Fieldfares** were all around us including a number of recently fledged juveniles, and we finally managed to see a *familiaris* **Treecreeper** making its way up an old tree trunk. Slightly surprisingly given that three had been here yesterday we couldn't find any Greenish Warblers so made a note to come back later.

Lunch in Tartu was excellent, in particular the cakes which were really something! Next up was a look for **Booted Warblers** on the edge of the city. It didn't take us long to find one at the first site we checked although it did prove rather elusive and rarely showed itself for long. A superb red male **Common Rosefinch** and several **Whinchats** were also seen here. We left still wanting better views so made our way to another nearby location where Tarvo had heard one had been seen. Sure enough,

we were soon watching another **Booted Warbler** here and this one was much showier as it sang from umbellifers right by the road, alongside several **Whinchats** at times, and with a backdrop of more calling **Corncrakes**.



Booted Warbler

We were keen to carry on our run of good fortune so headed back to Toomemägi Park for another go at the seeing a **Greenish Warbler**. As we pulled up the park a bird flew out of a pink nest box which turned out to be a pair of **Pied Flycatchers** nesting right by the road! At first our search for a Greenish was looking like another unsuccessful one but finally we heard the song of a male overhead. It went on to give us a spectacular show down to just a few metres and at eye level and eventually we walked away with it still singing overhead. We really couldn't have asked for a better experience with Greenish Warbler! A nearby **Marsh Tit** was also new for the tour list.



Greenish Warbler

Eventually the rain returned and we navigated road closures to make it to our hotel for dinner and a rest before venturing back out into the weather for a go at the Great Snipe lek. We left in plenty of time and made a diversion along a road not too far from the lek site hoping for mammals. This proved very successful as we came across a female **Elk** (Moose) standing with a calf in about the tenth forest clearing we checked! They were completely unphazed by us as we quietly watched them from the van. It was really nice to catch up with one of Estonia's most spectacular mammals! Unfortunately, we weren't quite so lucky at the **Great Snipe** site as the weather closed in again and while they were almost constantly audible, only a couple of us got brief glimpses of them as they jumped up in display. Despite the near constant chorus of **Corncrakes**, **Thrush Nightingales** and **Grasshopper Warbler**, we made a note to come back tomorrow once the weather has improved.



Elk

TUESDAY 10TH JUNE - *overcast and cool morning, brighter later with a very still evening, 15C*

We started today's birding in the Järvselja forest where it was a relief to find drier weather if a bit overcast! Our focus was on finding some more woodpeckers for our trip list, and it didn't take us long to find one. This one turned out to be another **White-backed** - good to see but not new for the list. We were also hoping for **Eurasian Pygmy Owl** here and, sure enough, we had great views of one being mobbed by a variety of tits and warblers. These included seeing **Crested Tit** and **Wood Warbler** right alongside the owl!



Pygmy Owl and Crested Tit

It took a while before we managed to find any woodpeckers other than Great Spots but eventually a **Black Woodpecker** dropped in calling not far from where we were all stood. We had to work to find a gap between the leaves, but we all managed to see the male bird really well as it perched on top of a dead tree. Not long after, a **Eurasian Three-toed Woodpecker** flew in too, but it landed on the back of a tree right by where some of us were stood. Unfortunately, the close proximity didn't help us as it soon flew before some were able to get a clear view of it and, despite much searching, we didn't manage to find it again. It was a shame not to see it better but we were all pleased to have seen the Black Woodpecker and Pygmy Owl so well, as well as a calling **Hazel Grouse** which went unseen.



Black Woodpecker

From here we drove towards Lake Peipus and the small town of Mehikoorma, stopping to admire a pair of **Whooper Swans** and a few **Common Cranes** on the way. On reaching the town we wandered over to the lake shore to view the lake and across to Russia on the far shore less than 2km away. **White-tailed Eagles** were one of the most obvious birds here and at any time at least half a dozen could be seen over the distant trees. A flock of **Little Gulls** moved through and by the end of our watch we'd seen at least 13 species across the Russian side of the border buoys!

We had time for one more birding stop before lunch which we made in the small woodland at Mooste. We didn't even have time to step out of the van before we'd seen both **White-backed** and **Middle Spotted Woodpeckers** in the park with the latter being new for the tour list. A couple of **Common Rosefinches** and a **Pied Flycatcher** were singing as we walked down towards the lake but the highlight here was a very showy **Thrush Nightingale**. As it sang we were able to see the dark molar stripes, streaked breast and undertail coverts, as well as the dull earthy brown colouration which separate them from the similar Common Nightingale.



Thrush Nightingale

We stopped nearby for a tasty soup lunch and to try the cinnamon buns which we'd heard so much about from Tarvo in recent days! Unsurprisingly they were excellent! Having eaten we made our way over to Taevaskoja to have a walk through the riverside woodland. We'd only just began our walk when we heard **Lesser Spotted Woodpeckers** calling. These proved to be surprisingly difficult to spot but eventually we did all manage some good views of a male overhead. As we continued through the forest, we heard a number of singing **Wood Warblers**, and both **Pied** and **Spotted Flycatchers** were seen. On the river we unearthed a party of **Grey Wagtails** including a juvenile - a very scarce breeder in Estonia. A male **Firecrest** was also admired as we walked back towards the van and it was soon time to head back to Tartu for a break before an evening at the Great Snipe lek.

Feeling refreshed after some rest and food we arrived at the lek site just after 10pm. We were relieved to find a completely still and clear evening, hopefully much better conditions for seeing the snipes! However, we were a little concerned by the mist which was rising from the meadow in the still weather. In the end this worked completely in our favour! It took a while before the **Great Snipe** started calling but eventually we heard several giving their unusual clicking song and began scanning through binoculars hoping to see them. This is where the mist came in, as it stayed so low that the snipe were silhouetted when they flew and much were easier to spot. We enjoyed lots of decent views of the Great Snipes as they jumped up in display and chased each other around over the meadow, and the white tail sides were often striking as they came into land. The soundscape was excellent too and included a singing **Spotted Crake**, **Savi's** and **Grasshopper Warblers**, **Corncrakes** and **Thrush Nightingales**.

It had been quite the evening, but we weren't done yet as Tarvo took us to the lake at Ilmatsalu where a couple of Little Bitterns had been reported earlier in the day. We walked down to the lake shore and could indeed hear two **Little Bitterns** giving their barking song from the reeds on the opposite side. They didn't sound far away but it was now too dark to see them. Still a national description species in Estonia, there has been a record influx of Little Bitterns into Estonia this year. The time was now after midnight so we headed back to our hotel after a very successful evening.

WEDNESDAY 11TH JUNE - *heavy rain easing slightly in the afternoon, 14C*

Given our late finish last night and a less than promising weather forecast, we opted for a lie in this morning! Sure enough, we woke to heavy rain which was forecast to continue for much of the day. Still, we were keen to make the most of our last day in Estonia so loaded our suitcases into the van and set off to look for a red male Red-breasted Flycatcher as we'd only manage to see first-summer males so far. This took us into the forest at Selli-Sillaotsa where after a few stops we did indeed find a singing adult male **Red-breasted Flycatcher**! We had some great views of it as it darted around us in the rain. **Wood Warblers** are seemingly ubiquitous in Estonia's forests, and we heard several, along with **Common Rosefinch** and flyover **Hawfinch**. On the way into the forest, we paused to admire a pair of very confiding **Common Sandpipers** perched on the railings of a bridge.



Red-breasted Flycatcher

As we began our drive back in the direction of Tallinn, the rain eased slightly so we called in at the parking area for Kirna matkarada. We finally added **Redwing** to the trip list here with a couple of birds singing above the van. Three **Honey Buzzards** circling over the clearing were good to see and they were joined by a pair of **Lesser Spotted Eagles**. Two **Corncrakes** could be heard, and a flock of four **Hawfinches** flew over calling. It was a very pleasant stop but soon we needed to continue to Tallinn in time for lunch.

As we ate the rain became torrential, but it did ease enough to tempt us out for a last birding session before heading to the airport. We opted for the excellent Paljassaare hoiuala on the north side of the city. We made our way through the reserve towards the coastal viewpoint, passing areas of reed bed, pools and scrub. It's an impressive site to have right on the edge of the city! In the scrub before the viewing tower, we noted a singing **Blyth's Reed Warbler**, **Thrush Nightingale**, several **Common Rosefinches** and a **Penduline Tit**. From the tower we had a good view over the pools and reed beds which held a **Red-necked Grebe**, several singing **Great Reed Warblers**, and perhaps most impressively, hundreds of **Swifts** feeding low.

As we continued around the reserve, the reeds cleared to wet coastal grassland which was covered in breeding **Lapwing** and **Redshank**. **Yellow Wagtails** were very evident too, and among the **Blue-headed flava wagtails** we picked out a single male **Grey-headed (*thunbergi*) Wagtail**. We reached the coast viewpoint where plenty of **Goosanders** and **Common** and **Arctic Terns** were loafing on the rocks. A **Spotted Redshank** and a couple of **Ruff** were among the waders before a commotion among the **Lapwings** grabbed our attention. A few of us glimpsed a mammal making its way over a bank which we expected to be another Red Fox as we'd seen several during the tour. However, it didn't look quite right being slightly larger with a shorter tail. Could it have been a Golden Jackal? It looked like one but typically it had disappeared straight into a reed bed tall enough to almost hide the nearby Highland cattle! Luckily for us it was constantly being mobbed by the breeding waders so we could track its progress through the reeds and wait on top of the nearby viewing tower hoping for a view. Eventually it emerged on onto the bank at the edge of the reeds and it was indeed a **Golden Jackal**! A remarkable sighting in the middle of the day and one we really weren't expecting to see! It was a great final sighting before we needed to tear ourselves away and head to the airport, reflecting on what had been a truly excellent week of birding in Estonia.



Golden Jackal

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#	Common name	Scientific name		4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11		Comments
	Anatidae (Ducks, Geese, and Waterfowl)												
1	Greylag Goose				X	X	X	X	X		X		
2	Greater White-fronted Goose	<i>Anser albifrons</i>											
3	Taiga Bean Goose	<i>Anser fabalis</i>											
4	Tundra Bean Goose	<i>Anser serrirostris</i>						X					
5	Brent Goose	<i>Branta bernicla</i>											
6	Barnacle Goose	<i>Branta leucopsis</i>			X						X		
7	Mute Swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
8	Bewick's Swan	<i>Cygnus columbianus</i>											
9	Whooper Swan	<i>Cygnus cygnus</i>			X		X			X	X		
10	Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>			X	X			X				
11	Garganey	<i>Spatula querquedula</i>					X	X					
12	Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>			X	X	X	X			X		
13	Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
14	Eurasian Wigeon	<i>Mareca penelope</i>			X		X				X		
15	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
16	Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>							X				
17	Eurasian Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>				X	X				X		
18	Common Pochard	<i>Aythya ferina</i>			X								
19	Tufted Duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>			X	X	X	X			X		

20	Greater Scaup	<i>Aythya marila</i>				X							
21	Common Eider	<i>Somateria mollissima</i>				X					X		
22	Velvet Scoter	<i>Melanitta fusca</i>				X							
23	Common Scoter	<i>Melanitta nigra</i>				X							
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24	Long-tailed Duck	<i>Clangula hyemalis</i>											
25	Common Goldeneye	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
26	Goosander	<i>Mergus merganser</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
27	Red-breasted Merganser	<i>Mergus serrator</i>			X	X					X		
Phasianidae (Pheasants, Grouse, and Allies)													
28	Grey Partridge	<i>Perdix perdix</i>			X	X		X			X		
29	Western Capercaillie	<i>Tetrao urogallus</i>											
30	Black Grouse	<i>Tetrao tetrix</i>					X						
31	Hazel Grouse	<i>Tetrastes bonasia</i>								H			
Podicipedidae (Grebes)													
32	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>											
33	Red-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps grisegena</i>				X					X		
34	Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>			X	X	X			X	X		
Columbidae (Pigeons and Doves)													
35	Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>			X		X	X	X	X	X		
36	Stock Dove	<i>Columba oenas</i>					X	X					
37	Common Woodpigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
38	European Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>											
39	Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>											
Cuculidae and Apodidae (Cuckoos and Swifts)													
40	Common Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>			X	H	H	X	H	H	H		
41	Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Rallidae and Gruidae (Rails, Coots and Cranes)													
42	Water Rail	<i>Rallus aquaticus</i>									H		

43	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>			H								
44	Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>			X	X	X	X			X		
45	Common Crane	<i>Grus grus</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
<i>Recurvirostridae and Charadriidae (Stilts, Avocets, Plovers and allies)</i>													
46	Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>			X	X	X		X		X		
47	Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>			X	X	X				X		
48	European Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>											
49	Northern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
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50	Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>			X	X	X	X	X		X		
51	Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>					X		X		X		
<i>Scolopacidae (Sandpipers and Allies)</i>													
52	Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>											
53	Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>			X		X			X			
54	Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>			X								
55	Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>			X		X	X					
56	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>											
57	Red Knot	<i>Calidris canutus</i>			X		X	X					
58	Ruff	<i>Calidris pugnax</i>					X	X			X		
59	Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>											
60	Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>											
61	Dunlin	<i>Calidris alpina</i>			X								
62	Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>											
63	Jack Snipe	<i>Lymnocyptes minimus</i>											
64	Eurasian Woodcock	<i>Scolopax rusticola</i>		X		X	X	X	X	X	X		
65	Great Snipe	<i>Gallinago media</i>						X	X				
66	Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>					X	X			X		
67	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>					X	X	X	X			
68	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>					X	X	X		H		

69	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>			X									
70	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>					X	X	H					
71	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>			X	X	X	X	X			X		
<i>Stercoraridae, Alcidae and Laridae (Skuas, Auks, Gulls and Terns)</i>														
72	Arctic Skua	<i>Stercorarius parasiticus</i>												
73	Razorbill	<i>Alca torda</i>				X								
74	Black Guillemot	<i>Cepphus grylle</i>												
75	Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
76	Little Gull	<i>Hydrocoloeus minutus</i>			X	X				X				
77	Common Gull	<i>Larus canus</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
78	Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
79	Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>												
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80	Great Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>			X	X	X	X	X		X			
81	Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>			X	X		X	X					
82	Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>				X	X							
83	Black Tern	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>				X	X	X						
84	Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
85	Arctic Tern	<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>			X	X	X	X			X			
86	Sandwich Tern	<i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>				X	X	X	X					
<i>Gaviidae (Divers)</i>														
87	Red-throated Diver	<i>Gavia stellata</i>				X								
88	Black-throated Diver	<i>Gavia arctica</i>				X								
<i>Ciconiidae and Phalacrocoracidae (Storks, Cormorants and Shags)</i>														
89	Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>												
90	White Stork	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
91	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>			X	X		X		X	X			
<i>Ardeidae (Herons, Egrets, and Bitterns)</i>														
92	Great Bittern	<i>Botaurus stellaris</i>				H	H	H		H	X			

93	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
94	Great White Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Accipitridae (Hawks, Eagles, and Kites)													
95	Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>											
96	European Honey-buzzard	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>					X				X		
97	Lesser Spotted Eagle	<i>Clanga pomarina</i>			X	X					X		
98	Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>			X								
99	Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
100	Hen Harrier	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>											
101	Montagu's Harrier	<i>Circus pygargus</i>			X	X	X						
102	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>						X	X				
103	Northern Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>						X					
104	White-tailed Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X			
105	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Tytonidae and Strigidae (Owls)													
106	Eurasian Pygmy-Owl	<i>Glaucidium passerinum</i>								X			
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107	Tawny Owl	<i>Strix aluco</i>			X								
108	Ural Owl	<i>Strix uralensis</i>					X						
109	Long-eared Owl	<i>Asio otus</i>		X									
110	Short-eared Owl	<i>Asio flammeus</i>											
111	Tengmalm's Owl	<i>Aegolius funereus</i>											
Alcedidae and Picidae (Kingfishers and Woodpeckers)													
112	Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>						H					
113	Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>											
114	Eurasian Three-toed Woodpecker	<i>Picoides tridactylus</i>								X			
115	Middle Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocoptes medius</i>								X			
116	White-backed Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos leucotos</i>						X		X			
117	Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>			X			X		X	H		

118	Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dryobates minor</i>								X			
119	Grey-headed Woodpecker	<i>Picus canus</i>											
120	Black Woodpecker	<i>Dryocopus martius</i>								X			
	Falconidae (Falcons)												
121	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>			X		X		X				
122	Merlin	<i>Falco columbarius</i>											
123	Eurasian Hobby	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>			X		X			X	X		
	Laniidae (Shrikes)												
124	Red-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius collurio</i>			X	X	X	X	X				
125	Great Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius excubitor</i>											
74	Oriolidae and Corvidae (Orioles, Crows, Jays, and Magpies)												
126	Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>			H								
127	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>					X	X	X	X			
128	Common Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
129	Spotted Nutcracker	<i>Nucifraga caryocatactes</i>											
130	Eurasian Jackdaw	<i>Corvus monedula</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
131	Rook	<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>			X	X	X		X	X			
132	Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
133	Common Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>			X		X		X	X	X		
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	Panuridae (Bearded Reedling)												
134	Bearded Tit	<i>Panurus biarmicus</i>			X	H	X	X			H		
	Alaudidae (Larks)												
135	Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>			X								
136	Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Hirundinidae (Swallows)												
137	Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>					X	X			X		
138	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		

139	Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Paridae (Tits)												
140	Coal Tit	<i>Pariparus ater</i>											
141	Crested Tit	<i>Lophophanes cristatus</i>				X		H	X	X	X		
142	Marsh Tit	<i>Poecile palustris</i>							X	X			
143	Willow Tit	<i>Poecile montanus</i>						X			X		
144	Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
145	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
146	Eurasian Penduline Tit	<i>Remiz pendulinus</i>						X			X		
147	Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>				X		X					
	Sittidae and Certhiidae (Nuthatches and Treecreepers)												
148	Eurasian Nuthatch	<i>Sitta europaea</i>						X		H	H		
149	Eurasian Treecreeper	<i>Certhia familiaris</i>				X			X	H	H		
	Troglodytidae, Cinclodidae and Regulidae (Wrens, Dippers and Kinglets)												
150	Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>				X	H	H	H	H			
151	White-throated Dipper	<i>Cinclus cinclus</i>											
152	Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>			X	X	H	H	H	H			
	Phylloscopidae (Leaf Warblers)												
153	Wood Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>						X		X	H		
154	Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X			
155	Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	H		
156	Greenish Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>							X				
	Sylviidae (Sylviid Warblers)												
157	Icterine Warbler	<i>Hippolais icterina</i>			X	X		H	X	H			
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158	Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>			H	X	X	X	X	H	H		
159	Blyth's Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus dumetorum</i>						X	X		H		
160	Marsh Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus palustris</i>			H				X	H			
161	Eurasian Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>				X	X	X	H	X			

162	Great Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>				X	H	X	H		X		
163	River Warbler	<i>Locustella fluviatilis</i>						H					
164	Savi's Warbler	<i>Locustella luscinioides</i>				X	X	H	H	H	H		
165	Common Grasshopper Warbler	<i>Locustella naevia</i>							H	H			
166	Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>			H	X		H	H	X	H		
167	Garden Warbler	<i>Sylvia borin</i>			H	H		H	H	H	H		
168	Barred Warbler	<i>Sylvia nisoria</i>			X								
169	Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>			H	X	H	H	H	H			
170	Common Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Muscicapidae (Old World Flycatchers)												
171	Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>			X	X			X	X	X		
172	European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>			H	H	X	X	X	X			
173	Thrush Nightingale	<i>Luscinia luscinia</i>		H	X	H	H	H	H	X	H		
174	Bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>											
175	Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>				H		X		H	X		
176	European Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>				X		H	X	X	H		
177	Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>				X			X	H			
178	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>			X			H		X			
179	Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>			X	X	X	X	X				
180	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Turdidae and Sturnidae (Thrushes and Starlings)												
181	Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>				X	X	X			X		
182	Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>					H	H	H	X	X		
183	Redwing	<i>Turdus iliacus</i>									X		
184	Eurasian Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
185	Fieldfare	<i>Turdus pilaris</i>			X		X	X	X	X	X		
186	Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
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	Prunellidae (Accentors)												
187	Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>			H			X					
	Motacillidae (Wagtails and Pipits)												
188	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>								X			
189	Western Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>			X		X	X			X		
190	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>		H	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
191	Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
192	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>			X	X	X	H		H			
193	Rock Pipit	<i>Anthus petrosus</i>											
	Fringillidae (Finches)												
194	Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
195	Hawfinch	<i>Coccothraustes coccothraustes</i>			X	X		X	X	X	X		
196	Common Rosefinch	<i>Carpodacus erythrinus</i>			X	H	X	H	X	H	X		
197	Eurasian Bullfinch	<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>				X	X	X		X			
198	European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X			
199	Common Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
200	Common Redpoll	<i>Acanthis flammea</i>			X	X							
201	Parrot Crossbill	<i>Loxia pytyopsittacus</i>											
202	Common Crossbill	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>				X							
203	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
204	Eurasian Siskin	<i>Spinus spinus</i>			X	X		H		H	H		
	Emberizidae (Old World Buntings)												
205	Yellowhammer	<i>Emberiza citrinella</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X			
206	Ortolan Bunting	<i>Emberiza hortulana</i>					H						
207	Common Reed Bunting	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	Passeridae (Old World Sparrows)												
208	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
209	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>			X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
	ADDITIONAL SPECIES												

210	Corncrake			X				H	H	H	H		
211	Slavonian Grebe			X									
212	Curlew Sandpiper			X									
213	Firecrest				X					X			
214	Caspian Gull				X								
215	Marsh Sandpiper					X	X						
216	Spotted Redshank						X				X		
218	Booted Warbler							X					
219	Serin							X					
220	Pintail x Mallard hybrid							X					
221	Spotted Crake									H			
222	Little Bittern									H			
223													
#	Other wildlife												
1	Brown Hare			X	X	X	X			X			
2	Roe Deer		X		X		X	X	X	X	X		
3	Red Fox			X	X		X	X	X				
4	Four-spotted Chaser			X	X		X						
5	Large Red Damselfly			X			X						
6	Small Blue			X									
7	Common Blue			X	X								
8	Pale Clouded Yellow			X									
9	Orange-tip			X									
10	Wood White			X									
11	Camberwell Beauty			X									
12	Downy Emerald			X									
13	Variable Damselfly			X									
14	Large White-faced Darter			X									
15	Northern White-faced Darter			X									

16	Green-eyed Hawker			X									
17	Marsh Fritillary				X								
18	Beech Marten					X							
19	Common Clubtail						X		X				
20	Broad-bodied Chaser						X						
21	Grizzled Skipper						X						
22	Red Admiral						X		X				
23	Comma						X						
24	Brimstone						X						
25	Banded Demoiselle						X			X			
26	Azure Damselfly					X	X						
27	Lackey						X						
28	Elk							X					
29	Pine Marten								X				
30	Beatiful Demoiselle								X				