

List of species recorded in Dhofar 2-6 September 1992

Seabirds were recorded at Ras Mirbat, Ras Khaysa or Ras Janjali unless otherwise stated. Commoner, or birds judged less interesting by the author, are listed at the end without localities. Subspecies' names have been taken from Gallagher & Woodcock.

Little Grebe *Tachybaptus ruficollis*
Maximum 15 Khor Ruri 2.9.

Jouanin's Petrel *Bulweria fallax*
13 2.9, 24 3.9, 8 4.9 and 1 5.9.

Cory's Shearwater *Calonectris diomedea*
1 Ras Janjali 5.9.

Pale-footed Shearwater *Puffinus carneipes*
13 2.9, 16 3.9, 182 4.9, 324 5.9.

Audobon's Shearwater *Puffinus lherminieri persicus*
43 2.9, 74 3.9, 344 4.9, 125 5.9.

Wilson's Petrel *Oceanites oceanicus*
24 2.9, 33 3.9, 25 4.9, 7 5.9.

Red-billed Tropicbird *Phaeton aethereus indicus*
6 2.9, 14 3.9, 23 4.9, 14 5.9.

Masked Booby *Sula dactylatra melanops*
16 2.9, 10 3.9, 84 4.9, 634 5.9.

Brown Booby *Sula leucogaster*
1 3.9, 3 4.9, 3 5.9.

Socotra Cormorant *Phalacrocorax nigrogularis*
1 3.9.

Striated Heron *Butorides striatus brevipes*
1 Ras Khaysa 3.9.

Squacco Heron *Ardeola ralloides*
1 Khor Ruri 2.9.

Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis*
3 Khor Ruri 2.9.

Western Reef Heron *Egretta gularis*
Singles during seawatches and in Khors.

Little Egret *Egretta garzetta*
Maximum 20 Khor Ruri 2.9.

Purple Heron *Ardea purpurea*
1 Khor Ruri 2.9.

Glossy Ibis *Plegadis falcinellus*
1 Ras Mirbat 2.9, 13 Khor Ruri 2.9.

Spoonbill *Platalea leucorodia*

11 Khor Ruri 2.9.

Bonelli's Eagle *Hieraetus fasciatus*

Recorded in singles or pairs at Wadi Hinna, Khor Ruri, Ayn Sahanawt and Ayn Hamran.

Unid Harrier *Circus macrourus/pygargus*

1 Khaysa 3.9.

Barbary Falcon *Falco (peregrinus) pelegrinoides*

1 adult Ras Janjali 3.9.

Arabian Red-legged Partidge *Alectoris melanocephala*

1 in the road to Wadi Hinna 2.9, several calling in the hills at Ayn Hamran 6.9.

Broad-billed Sandpiper *Limicola falcinellus*

2 Khor Setima 3.9.

Black-tailed Godwit *Limosa limosa*

4 Khor Ruri 2.9.

Pomarine Skua *Stercorarius pomarinus*

3 3.9.

Arctic Skua *Stercorarius parasiticus*

1 adult light phase 5.9.

White-cheeked Tern *Sterna repressa*

2 second-summer with Common Terns at Khor Taqa 5.9.

Bridled Tern *Sterna anathaetus antarctica*

2 2.9, 35 3.9, 4 4.9.

Common Noddy *Anous stolidus*

1 Ras Khaysa 3.9, 4, including a second-summer bird, Ras Janjali 4.9.

Chestnut-bellied Sandgrouse *Pterocles exustus erlangeri*

10 on the plain at Mirbat 3.9.

Bruce's Green Pigeon *Treron waalia*

Singles at Wadi Hinna and Ayn Hamran.

Didric Cuckoo *Chrysococcyx caprius*

Fairly common in the mountains. Not as many calling as earlier in the summer.

Jacobin Cuckoo *Clamator jacobinus serratus*

1 Ayn Hamran 6.9.

Grey-headed Kingfisher *Halcyon leucocephala semicerulea*

Singles in the mountains.

Singing Bush Lark *Mirafra cantillans simplex*

Common especially at Ayn Sahanawt.

Long-billed Pipit *Anthus similis arabicus*

2 Ayn Sahanawt 5.9.

South Arabian Wheatear *Oenanthe (lugens) lugentoides*

A pair at Ayn Sahanawt as usual.

Arabian Warbler *Sylvia leucomelana*
Fairly common in the mountains.

Upcher's Warbler *Hippolais languida*
1 Ayn Sahanawt 5.9.

African Paradise Flycatcher *Terpsiphone viridis harterti*
Singles at Wadi Hinna and Ayn Sahanawt.

Shining Sunbird *Nectarinia habessinica hellmayeri*
Common in the mountains.

Palestine Sunbird *Nectarinia osea*
Singles in the mountains.

White-breasted Whiteeye *Zoosterops abessinicus arabs*
Common in the mountains.

Black-headed Bush Shrike *Tchagra senegala percivali*
Singles in the mountains, especially at Ayn Hamran.

Isabelline Shrike *Lanius isabellinus*
Single migrants in wadis and mountains.

Fan-tailed Raven *Corvus rhipidurus*
Common, especially around settlements.

Tristram's Grackle *Onychognathus tristramii*
Common in mountains and on adjacent plains.

Ruppell's Weaver *Ploceus galbula*
Common in mountains and Salalah.

African Silverbill *Eudice cantinans orientalis*
Fairly common in Salalah and mountains.

African Rock Bunting *Emberiza tahapisi arabica*
Common in mountains.

Other species:

Grey Heron, Garganey, Shoveler, Osprey, Kestrel, Moorhen, Coot, Oystercatcher, Black-winged Stilt, Lesser Sandplover, Greater Sandplover, Kentish Plover, Sanderling, Ruff, Whimbrel, Curlew, bar-tailed Godwit, Redshank, Greenshank, Green Sandpiper, Wood Sandpiper, Terek Sandpiper, Common Sandpiper, Turnstone, Sooty Gull, Slender-billed Gull, Lesser Black-backed Gull, Yellow-legged Gull, Gull-billed Tern, Sandwich Tern, Lesser Crested Tern, Swift Tern, Common Tern, Saunder's Little Tern, Whiskered Tern, White-winged Black Tern, Rock Dove, Collared Dove, Palm Dove, Swift, Bee-eater, Little Green Bee-eater, Roller, Hoopoe, Desert Lark, Crested Lark, Sand Martin, African Rock Martin, Swallow, Tree Pipit, Yellow Wagtail, Yellow-vented Bulbul, Rufous Bushchat, Blackstart, Graceful Warbler, Whitethroat, Olivaceous Warbler and Spotted Flycatcher.