

# AUSTRALIA 2-23/2 2013

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(With overnight stays in **Singapore 1/2 and 24/2** (see separate species list at the end of the trip report).



Koala and Laughing Kookaburra, maybe Australia's most famous mammal and bird.

## Introduction

This trip to "down under" was made in three legs. The first one was to **Queensland, (2-8/2)** where we visited Lamington National Park and Noosa. We stayed 3 nights at each place.

The second leg was an 8-night stay on **Tasmania (8-16/2)** and the final leg was a drive along Great Ocean Road, **Victoria (16-23/2)**. From Melbourne to Port Fairy, then up to the Grampians National Park (Halls Gap) and back to Melbourne via Ballarat.

*To the hardcore birder we put out a warning here – **this was a family vacation** –* with quite a lot of birding and other nature experiences, such as animals, or rather marsupials. We only arranged with one private guided bird walk and that was the final morning in Lamington N.P. Then we joined a penguin tour in Bicheno, Tasmania and a boat trip from Coles Bay, Tasmania. All the rest we birded all by ourselves.

Pre our departure from Sweden a severe tropic storm hit Queensland with the area from Bundaberg and north flooded. On Tasmania there were some huge bush fires before we arrived, but none during our stay. At the end of our trip there was a huge bush fire out of control in the north western part of Grampians N.P. This bush fire had no impact of our journey.

These weather conditions together with the time of the year, late summer or maybe early autumn, made our trip list not as long as thought. Add to this also a very limited knowledge of calls, behavior and noticing of habitat changes and differences. We recorded a total of 230 species.

## **General information**

The flight tickets, both long distance and domestic, as well as the tourist visa was bought from a Swedish travel agency named Australienresor. They had very good rates for the whole package. In this package was also the overnight stays in Singapore included.

The accommodation and car rental was arranged of Ms Erika Strömberg working at that time for an Australian travel agency named Southern Crossings in Sydney.

Her arrangement was later transferred to Ms Debbie Bollen as Erika moved back to Sweden during the process. We are very grateful for all their help and the professional way to arrange this trip. Outstanding accommodation to a very fair price level and excellent cars with navigator included.

Also thanks to my friend Mat Gilfedder, Brisbane for answering questions and giving some general advice at the early stage of the planning of this trip.

All our hotels/lodges/houses did not offer breakfast included, so some extra was to be paid for food and beverage.

Food was expensive, prices on at least Swedish level, sometimes even higher. Especially the price for a breakfast was remarkable high. Also buying the supplies from the local shop was expensive. The petrol was about 30% cheaper than in Sweden for regular unleaded.

One Australian dollar did cost 6,75 Swedish krona at the time of our visit.

Driving was actually fairly easy although it was on the wrong side of the road, but with an automatic gearbox it even felt comfortable. The speed limits were looked after much better here than in Europe, by most drivers. It is also very well signed and together with the navigator there were no problems to find the way out of or through the bigger cities.

## **Accommodations**

Comments to some of the places we stayed at are also included. No comment, nothing special.

**2-5/2. O'REILLY'S RAINFOREST GUESTHOUSE**  
LAMINGTON NATIONAL PARK RD, QUEENSLAND  
TELEPHONE: (07) 5544 0644 FAX: (07) 5544 0638  
[www.oreillys.com.au](http://www.oreillys.com.au)

There are two options at Lamington N.P, either this or Binna Burra. O'Reillys is not cheap at all, quite pricy meals. The familiar atmosphere and the surroundings is a great plus. Visit their web site where there is a lot of information about activities such as walks and private guiding.

**5-8/2. SEBEL RESORT NOOSA**  
NOOSA HEADS, QUEENSLAND 4567  
TELEPHONE: (07) 5474 6400 FAX: (07) 5447 2410  
[www.sebelnoosa.com](http://www.sebelnoosa.com)

**8-9/2. THE SEBEL LAUNCESTON**

LAUNCESTON, TASMANIA 7250

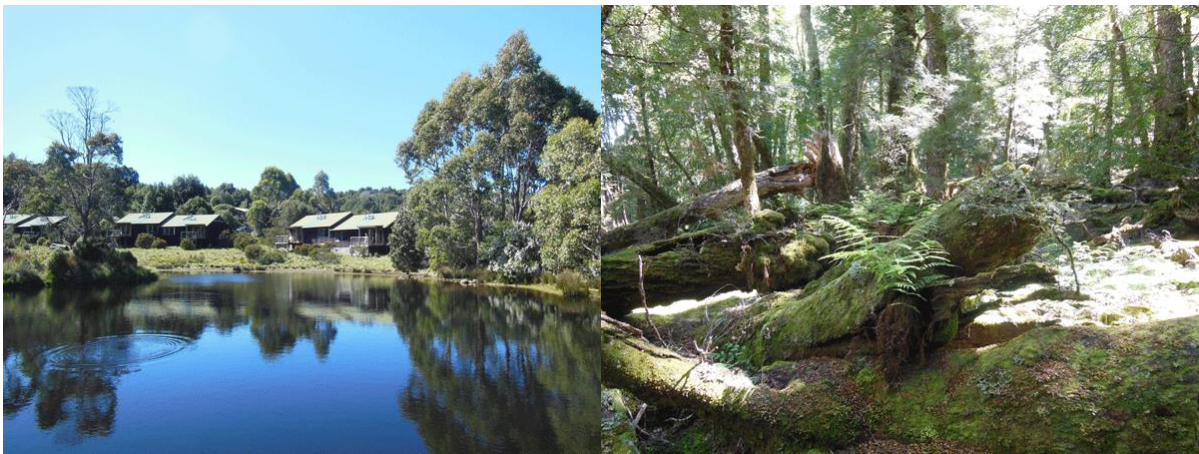
TELEPHONE: (03) 6333 7555 FAX: (03) 6333 7559

**9-11/2. PEPPERS CRADLE MOUNTAIN LODGE**

TELEPHONE: (03) 6492 2100 FAX: (03) 6492 1309

[www.cradlemountainlodge.com.au](http://www.cradlemountainlodge.com.au)

This is an absolutely stunning place to stay at. Small cozy cabins with two apartments each, a lovely fireplace to use during the chilly nights. The surroundings with their tracks through old moss laden forest and over heathland was a pleasure to walk. Even though there were a lot of people at breakfast it never felt crowded outside because of so many areas to visit in the neighborhood.



Peppers Lodge

moss laden forest in Cradle Mountain

**11-14/2. FREYCINET LODGE**

FREYCINET NATIONAL PARK, COLES BAY

TELEPHONE: (03) 6257 0101 FAX: (03) 6257 0278

[www.freycinetlodge.com.au](http://www.freycinetlodge.com.au)

This was another stunning place to stay at, with breath taking views. We stayed in one spacious cabin per family, breakfast included.

**14-16/2. THE HENRY JONES ART HOTEL**

HOBART, TASMANIA 7001

TELEPHONE: (03) 6210 7700 FAX: (03) 6231 6393

[www.thehenryjones.com](http://www.thehenryjones.com)

**16-18.2 CHOCOLATE GANNETS ,6180 GREAT OCEAN ROAD**

APOLLO BAY, VICTORIA 3928

TELEPHONE: 1300 500 139 FAX: (03) 5989 6494

[www.chocolategannets.com.au](http://www.chocolategannets.com.au)

This was maybe THE place we stayed at. We had a huge villa with two separate bedrooms with on suite bathroom. The view over the ocean is hard to beat and with Hooded Plover on the beach just on the other side of the main road. There were just a few km to Apollo Bay and lots of eating options. Also quite a few places to visit in the nearby area, like Great Otway N.P and the bird rich road named Wild Dog Creek.

**18-20/2. OSCAR'S WATERFRONT BOUTIQUE HOTEL**  
PORT FAIRY, VICTORIA  
TELEPHONE: (03) 5568 3022 FAX: (03) 5568 3042

[www.oscarswaterfront.com](http://www.oscarswaterfront.com)

This was a small hotel along the canal and just 10 minutes' walk to Griffith Island and a colony of muttonbirds (Short-tailed Shearwater). Port Fairy itself was a small and calm town.

**20-22/2. DULC CABINS,**  
HALLS GAP, VICTORIA 3381  
TELEPHONE: 03 5356 4711 FAX: 03 5356 4799

Dulc consisted of 4 huge villas and we had one each. No paperwork when we arrived or left. We were greeted with the words that we were expected and that was it. Just a few km into Halls Gap itself with a few restaurants and grocers' shop. The Grampians itself got lots of places to visit. (See below under useful links).

**23/2. PARK ROYAL**  
MELBOURNE AIRPORT, VICTORIA 3045  
TELEPHONE: 03 8347 2000 FAX: 03 8347 2001

In Singapore we stayed at a Chinese managed hotel named Riverview Hotel, Havelock Road.

### **Litterature and useful links**

For birds we used Birds of Australia, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> edition, K. Simpson & N. Day.  
Also The Complete Guide to Finding the Birds of Australia for birding hot spots along our way.

We bought 3 CD: s with bird calls, covering the areas we intended to visit, from Lloyd Nelson. Visit his web page. [www.birdingaustralia.com.au](http://www.birdingaustralia.com.au)

Very easy to order from and pay to over the internet. Shipments arrived safely in just about a week.

For mammals we used A Field Guide to the Mammals of Australia, P. Menkhorst & F. Knight.

For Australia as a tourist destination we used The Rough Guide to Australia, 10<sup>th</sup> edition, published in September 2011.

For national parks on Tasmania visit [www.parks.tas.gov.au](http://www.parks.tas.gov.au)

Link below presents a lot of close to Noosa birding places, those we visited was very good signed and easy to find and bird.

[http://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/addfiles/documents/sport/noosa\\_bird\\_trail.pdf](http://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/addfiles/documents/sport/noosa_bird_trail.pdf)

A lot of info about Grampians and surroundings

<http://atn.com.au/topdestinations/victoria/grampians.html>

Great Ocean Road

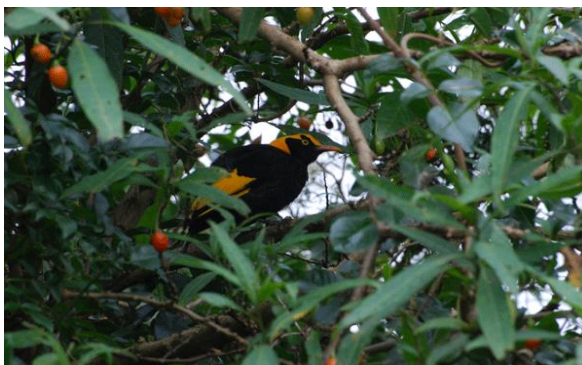
<http://www.visitvictoria.com/Regions/Great-Ocean-Road.aspx>

## Visited Sites and places

### Queensland

#### Lamington National Park

Situated some 165 km south of Brisbane and a must for birders. We had been advised a very spacious house with a large kitchen/reception room and two bedrooms with en suite bathrooms at O'Reillys. They have a free morning bird walk for guests which we joined once. Good for birders not been in Australia before, they showed some common species and the bowerbirds. It was also easy to get info where to go from those guides. We also booked a private birding tour (must be booked in advance) and had a lovely morning, break for breakfast and then another two hours with Duncan. There are a short cut from the villa's to the reception building through nice forest, several tracks and a canopy walk near the main building. A short drive back along the road also provided more tracks like Moran Falls Trail and Python Rock Trail.



Regent Bowerbird, O'Reillys logo



Satin Bowerbird

#### Tamborine Wetland

We paid a short visit here on the drive from Lamington to Noosa, just a short drive from the main road and well worth a visit. One of just two places we recorded Comb-crested Jacana and also seen was a Black-backed Bittern together with common wetland species.

#### Noosa Head, Spit and Town

A touristy seaside town with a nice beach and lots of birding options (see link above), located some 200 km north of Brisbane along the Sunshine Coast.

Maybe most famous for the chance of black-cockatoos, though we just recorded a small flock in pouring rain on our way to Noosa, but we had no chance to stop and id those because of the traffic. We visited Lake McDonald and some nearby places one morning and of course the National Park and the spit.

## Tasmania

### **Tamar Wetlands, Launceston**

This huge wetland just a 10 minute drive outside Launceston and is well used time for birding. Easy to find just off the main road towards Beaconsfield along the West Tamar Highway. The wetland consists of pools, reed beds and parts of the Tamar River. Very easy access to different hides along a very good board walk.

### **Narawntapu National Park** (former Asbestos N.P)

Narawntapu is also called Australia's Serengeti. We did not see much of that in the middle of the day. Had a short walk to the bird hide, nothing special seen here, although we had hoped for Cape Barren Goose. On the far side of the lake some 20 Eastern Grey Kangaroos were having a lazy day. Back to the center we found our first Wombat feeding on a nearby lawn. At a small waterhole along the entrance road we had a large flock of Yellow-tailed Black-cockatoos (at least 75). This is said to be an area with still a chance to see Tasmanian Devil, according to earlier trip reports.

### **Cradle Mountain-Lake Clair N.P**

This mountainous area is maybe most famous for its scenery and hiking tracks, but also for a fair chance to see some of the Tasmanian endemics, like Scrubtit, Tasmanian Scrubwren and Tasmanian Thornbill. There are also a lot of mammals around and the only Platybus of the trip lived in the pond behind our cabin. The tracks around was well marked and maintained. Some of them are really worth the walk just for the nature and scenery. An hour night safari trip helped us to sort out the wallabies. The second night we walked along the main road by ourselves equipped with a torch each and we sure did see loads of mammals.



Scrubtit, one of Tasmania's twelve endemic species.

### **Bicheno**

This is a lovely little seaside village/town most famous (from a birders point of view) for its Penguin Tours. We joined such a walk one evening and were not disappointed. It was actually very educational and they also worked hard to give the penguins more breeding options, information to the locals about these lovely small fellows. The town itself had a lot of excellent gardens, a seaside foot walk and the beach was home to two species of Oystercatcher as well as Hooded Plover (although we did not see the plover).

### **Freycinet Peninsula**

This is a National Park with a lot of things to do close to the lodge. Visit the small and charming town of Bicheno where one can join a penguin walk or follow the foot path along the shore and enjoy the scenery and all the small houses and their gardens. Visit Coles Bay, take a boat trip to Wineglass bay or try your sea bird luck at the light house Cape Tourville or give Moulting Lagoon a try.

### **Triabunna Wetland**

This is a hard to miss wetland or lake beside the Tasman Highway just outside Triabunna. Parking was easy at the far end (coming from the north) of the lake. There was a fence signing private property but we entered the area though we did not see anyone to ask for permission. After a while a man came driving along the lake side, but he had no objections to our visit.

### **Peter Murrell Reserve**

A small reserve outside Hobart (in the community of Kingston). Famous for the pardalotes. We went there twice and saw all 3 species of them.



Spotted Pardalote

## **Mt Wellington**

Most famous for its scenery but there are also some tracks that is good for the same high altitude birds as in Cradle Mountain. We did not walk these trails.

## **Victoria**

### **Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay**

A couple of km's before Apollo Bay take to right just before a small bridge. The road is signposted to a spice plantation. We walked here and also drove further up with good result. An elderly lady with bins told us it was a good road for Rufous Bristlebird, they should even nest around the spice plantation. We drove the road to the first crossing, kept right and just a few hundred meters up the road we had 2+1 bristlebirds feeding along the roadside. Wonderful scope views we had. The whole area was full of birds and if we have had time we should have gone up to spice plantation. This can be a good place, especially in the spring.

### **Great Otway National Park**

Here we took the dirt road towards the lighthouse. Excellent area for Koalas, we saw 20-25 animals by just walking along the main road. Drive a few km's, pass an obvious clearing with fields on both sides, over a grid and in to the eucalyptus forest and park.

### **Twelve Apostles lookout**

Fantastic scenery, we visited the place in the middle of the day with +40 degrees. Behind the small café there is a waste water pool where we had our first Australian Crake and also an Australian Grebe.



Twelve Apostles, a famous landmark along the Great Ocean Road.

### **Curdie River, Peterborough**

Very hard to miss as it is a huge river mouth with loads of wetland birds along the main road. We arrived there in the middle of the day and the light was not good. To



get better light we drove across the bridge, turned immediately to the right around some houses to a boat landing place. From there one also got a very good view over the river mouth.

### **Tower Hill State Game Reserve**

This is a volcano crater with a large lake full of ducks, we encountered at least 225 Pink-eared Ducks here. It is also a good reserve also for mammals, a few Koalas hang around the visitor center and we also had a Short-beaked Echidna along the road. There are also some Emu's in this reserve.

### **Grampians National Park, Halls Gap**

This is a huge Nation park with a lot of things to do, lookouts, lakes, walking tracks and so on. We just scratched on the surface but we did see some good wildlife. A lot of nice birds were seen in the village itself or in the vicinity.

### **Lake Fyans, Pomonal**

We just drove inland one day to look at a little more arid area and paid a short visit to the lake. Not actually crowded with birds but a few new ones were seen along the shore.

### **Lake Wendouree, Ballarat**

The town Ballarat is most famous for being the center of the Australian gold rush 150-160 years ago. Today one can visit the Sovereign Hill (quite pricy) and have a look at the way the miners lived. It is said that there were more than 40,000 Chinese people living there at the peak of the gold rush.

The lake is easily found in the city center and it is easy to walk along the edges seeing a lot of good birds.

### **Point Henry Saltworks, Geelong**

The very last birding was done here because it is a relatively high chance of seeing Banded Stilt and Red-necked Avocet. A little challenging place though one have to realize that it's along a road with heavy traffic, there are not many places to pull over the car and get out of it safely. The area is also fenced off even though we found a part where the barbed wire was possible to climb over. The area is quite huge, the ponds are many and a lot of them seemed to be pretty bird less.



Some of the Banded Stilts at point Henry Saltwork.

## Daily log

This trip started already on Wednesday 30/1 with train transport to Arlanda airport, flight in the afternoon to London/Heathrow and an overnight flight with Qantas Airways to Singapore, where we landed late afternoon local time on Thursday 31/1.

**1/2.** The whole Friday was spent in Singapore, mostly at the wonderful botanic garden, with their excellent orchid section. Late evening we flew with Qantas on an overnight flight to Brisbane where we landed about 07.00 am on Saturday 2/2.

**2/2.** After the luggage was picked up (one bag was reported missing) and all paperwork was done, we went straight to Hertz car rental and picked up our pre booked full size wagon. This turned up to be a very spacy Toyota Kluger 4WD, with automatic gear. Loaded our bags, set up the navigator for the drive Lamington N.P and drove up there in 3 hours, "brunch" in Canungra included. After check in to our 2-family mountain villa we started to bird in the surroundings.

**3/2.** We went out early and birded in around the reception and feeding area, also participated in a guided bird walk for an hour, free for overnight guests. After breakfast we walked the Python Rock Trail, bird activity low. In the evening we had a pre booked and overpriced Glow Worm Walk (30AuD/each) – not worth it unless you are very interested in glow worms.



Albert's Lyrebird.

**4/2.** Morning birding on our own, we walked the Tree Top Trail, a part of Border Track before breakfast. After a nice but expensive breakfast we tried the Moran Falls Trail. Also there it was very low activity. After lunch we drove down the road for

about 10 km to Camerun lookout and back. In the late evening we tried for night birds but it was far too windy for hearing anything.

**5/2.** For today's morning we had pre booked private guiding for three hours, met local guide Duncan and off we go. The birding rather expensive but in the end well worth the money. Duncan even took us out for more than an hour after the breakfast brake.

Checked out around 11.30 pm and started our journey to a seaside town named Noosa some 165 km north of Brisbane. Made some stops along the road for lunch and birding. The last two hours in pouring rain. Arrived late afternoon so there was not much time for birding.

**6/2.** Got up early and had a pre breakfast birding for a couple of hours. Then we went on to a local market in Eumundi, stayed until lunchtime when we went back to Noosa. In the afternoon we paid a visit to the beach and ended the day in the National Park at Noosa Heads.

**7/2.** Up early and away we went to Lake Mcdonald, some 20 km from Noosa. On the way back for lunch we stopped at some more birding areas. Afternoon on the beach. Ended the day with some hours of desperate search for Glossy Black-Cockatoos that we never found.

**8/2.** Early breakfast and then off we went towards Brisbane Airport for our flight to Launceston on Tasmania, where we arrived around 4 pm. Arranged with luggage and car before driving in to the town. Checked in, had dinner and took a short an evening drive outside town. Found Tamar Island Wetlands, where we birded for half an hour before continuing along the road another 20 km before we drove back to the hotel.

**9/2.** Pre breakfast birding at the wetlands a couple of hours. Packed the car, checked out and drove towards Cradle Mountain. Stopped at Narawntapu N.P for birding and in Sheffield for lunch. Arrived late afternoon to Peppers Lodge.

Joined a night safari from the lodge between 9-10 pm.

**10/2.** After a late breakfast we drove to the visitor center and further up the road to Dove Lake, windy and freezing cold. Headed back to the lodge and walked Knyvet Falls Trail and also King Billy Trail. Both to be recommended for the nature itself. Knyvet Falls goes through some mossy rain forest with Scrubtit. In the late afternoon some went for a trip to see the rescue program of the Tasmanian Devil, others birded along the main road.

**11/2.** Pre breakfast birding walk, then check out and the drive to Freycinet Peninsula. Arrived early afternoon, check in, late lunch and then a short drive to Bicheno for the Penguin Tour that started 08.45 pm.

**12/2.** We all had a lazy morning after yesterday's night event, so after a rather late breakfast we did some sightseeing in Coles Bay. Here we also had lunch. On our way back to the lodge we visited Moulting Lagoon. Found a gravel road signed Flacks Road/Andreas Cottage that went all the way to the lagoon. Late afternoon we went to Cape Tourville lighthouse where we did some sea bird watching.

**13/2.** After breakfast we had a pre booked boat trip with Wineglass Bay Cruises. The tour lasted four hours with a lot of nice scenery but also some good birding. They did tell us quite a lot about both bird and marine life. This was an excellent trip that can be highly recommended. Afterwards we went to Bicheno for some sight-seeing and a good dinner.

**14/2.** Pre breakfast birding in the surroundings. After packing and saying goodbye to this lovely place we drove to Hobart for the last two nights on Tasmania. We had a good stop at the wetlands just outside Triabunna. In the late afternoon the ladies did some shopping while the birders went to Peter Murrell Reserve for a chance of ticking off pardalotes.

**15/2.** Woke up to a beautiful day, no wind and a clear blue sky. After breakfast we drove up to the lookout at the top of Mount Wellington. Did some birding on our way down. After lunch we went to Peter Murrell Reserve again and on our way back to the hotel we drove from Kingston into town via the "old" way.



Hobart, seen from Mt Wellington.

**16/2.** Departure from Hobart airport 10.15 and an hour later we found ourselves in Melbourne. Picked up the rental car and drove west towards Geelong and Torquay – the start of the Great Ocean Road. Arrived late afternoon to our villas a few km's before Apollo Bay. The beach just opposite our villa had a fenced off area for breeding Hooded Plover, and sure they were there. Had a late afternoon walk a short bit up the Wild Dog Creek Road.

**17/2.** We started our first full day in Victoria State with a pre breakfast walk along the Wild Dog Creek Road. Met a local birding lady and had a short talk with her. She gave us good news where to find Rufous Bristlebird.

After breakfast some went to the beach and other did some birding along the road to the lighthouse in Great Otway N.P.

After lunch we all went back to the national park and had a close look at the Koalas. Late in the evening we had a drive up the Wild Dog Creek Road and looked for night active birds and animals.

**18/2.** Started the morning with an early drive up the same road and for sure, after some km's we had found 3 different bristlebirds feeding out in the open. Went back for breakfast, packed the car and left for a very warm drive (partially +40) along the Great Ocean Road all the way to Port Fairy. A lot of sightseeing, for example the Twelve Apostles, which is a must. Arrived late afternoon to our hotel, Oscar's Boutique Hotel at the waterfront. Another of those lovely places Southern Crossings had booked for us. We ended the day with some birding in the surroundings.

**19/2.** Pre breakfast walk to a small reserve called George Dodd's Reserve. A chilly morning with around +14, compared with yesterday it felt cold. After breakfast some went for shopping and others went birding. Drove 15 km back along the road to Tower Hill State Reserve and birded until lunch. In the afternoon we all went back there. In the evening we walked out to the muttonbird (Short-tailed Shearwater) rookery on Griffith Island, did see some dark things falling down from the sky.

**20/2.** A new day with packing the car and changing location. First we had some pre breakfast birding around Griffith Island. Another day with a lot of cold winds and low temperature. Drove inland up to the Grampians and Hall's Gap. Made a stop at the tourist information in Dunkeld to pick up latest news about the ongoing huge bush fire in the western part of the Grampians. The main road to Halls Gap was closed yesterday. We also bought some stuff for an outdoor picnic lunch.

**21/2.** Morning walk along Victory Road, Halls Gap. After breakfast we drove Victory Road to Reid's lookout and had a distance look of the bush fire. Scary.....Visited some more places in the area. In the afternoon we took the car a bit further inland and visited lake Fyans and the surroundings of the small village Pomonal. Ended the day with a night safari and searched for Tawny Frogmouth and had a second look at the bush fire, even more scary in the dark.

**22/2.** Walked early in the morning around the surroundings of our rented house, The Dulc. After breakfast we made our final drive in Australia, back to Melbourne airport with a stop in the old gold rush town Ballarat. Had lunch at Lake Wendouree in the middle of the town, then we paid a visit to the built up gold mine center at Sovereign Hill. Last stop on our trip was at Point Henry Saltworks, Geelong where we ticked off the last two species before leaving the car at the airport.

**23/2.** Full day travelling to **Singapore**, we arrived there late in the evening local time.

**24/2.** Breakfast around 8 and then some went shopping along Orchard Road while others took a taxi to Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve and walked around for a couple of hours. Returned to the hotel by bus and taxi, packed and had the airport transfer late afternoon for the overnight flight to London/Heathrow where we landed 06.55, local time **25/2**, had a couple of hours wait for our connection to Stockholm/Arlanda and then finally to catch the train back to Sundsvall in the evening.

## Species list

### **Emu** (*Dromaius novaehollandiae*)

6 Tower Hill State Reserve, Port Fairy 19/2, 1 female with 3 juveniles Lake Bellfield, Grampians 20/2 and 7 Pomonal 21-22/2.

### **Magpie Goose** (*Anseranas semipalmata*)

5 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2.

### **Freckled Duck** (*Stictonetta naevosa*)

1 Tamar Island Wetland, Tasmania 9/2.

### **Black Swan** (*Cygnus atratus*)

3 Noosa Head and 2 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2, were the only ones seen in Queensland. Common on Tasmania, especially around Freycinet with several hundreds in Moulting Lagoon and also common in Victoria, for example hundreds at Curdie River Lagoon, Peterborough 18/2.



Black Swan

### **Australian Shelduck** (*Tadorna tadornoides*)

1 Tamar Island Wetland 8/2 and 10 there 9/2, 5 Moulting Lagoon 12/2, 50 Triabunna Wetland 14/2, 2 Port Fairy 18/2 and 50 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2.

### **Maned Duck** (*Chenonetta jubata*)

Common.

### **Pacific Black Duck** (*Anas superciliosa*)

Common.

**Australian Shoveler** (*Anas rhynchos*)

7 Tamar Island Wetland 9/2, 5 Triabunna Wetland 14/2 and 20 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2.

**Gray Teal** (*Anas gracilis*)

Common, thousands Tamar Island Wetland 9/2, Curdie River Lagoon, Peterborough 18/2.

**Chestnut Teal** (*Anas castanea*)

Common, but not as common as previous species. Thousands only seen at Tamar Island Wetland 9/2.

**Pink-eared Duck** (*Malacorhynchus membranaceus*)

225 (counted, but could have been more) Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2.

**White-eyed Duck (Hardhead)** (*Aythya australis*)

6 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2, 5 Triabunna Wetland 14/2, 1 Princetown Wetland 18/2, 1 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2 and 1 Lake Wendouree, Ballarat 22/2.

**Blue-billed Duck** (*Oxyura australis*)

10 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2.

**Musk Duck** (*Biziura lobata*)

4 (1 male+3 female) Triabunna Wetland 14/2, 1 female Apollo Bay 19/2, 1 female Port Fairy 19-20/2, 3 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2, 1 female Lake Fyans, Pomonal 21/2 and 2 female Lake Wendouree, Ballarat 22/2.



Musk duck, female



Maned Duck, male

**Australian Brush-Turkey** (*Alectura lathami*)

Common Lamington N.P and Noosa.

**Australasian Grebe** (*Tachybaptus novaehollandiae*)

3 (1ad+2juv) Lamington N.P 4/2, 6 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2, 1 Twelve Apostles 18/2, 1 Lake Fyans, Pomonal 21/2 and at least 10 Lake Wendouree, Ballarat 22/2.

**Hoary-headed Grebe** (*Poliiocephalus poliocephalus*)

1 Tamar Island Wetland 8-9/2, 20 Narawntapu N.P 9/2, 20 Triabunna Wetland 14/2, 5 Freycinet-Hobart 14/2, 5 Peter Murell Reserve 14/2, 10 Princetown Wetland 18/2, 12 Nullawarre Wetland (5km west) 18/2, 4 Apollo Bay 19/2, 200+ Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2, 2 Lake Fyans, Pomonal 21/2 and 5 Lake Wendouree, Ballarat 22/2.

**Great Crested Grebe** (*Podiceps cristatus*)

5 Lake Wendouree, Ballarat 22/2.

**Little Penguin** (*Eudyptula minor*)

100+ Bicheno 11/2. Including both adults and juveniles.

**White-capped (Shy) Albatross** (*Thalassarche cauta*)

Several hundreds Cape Tourville 12/2 and 15 on the Wineglass Bay Boat Trip 13/2.



White-capped Albatross

**Wandering Albatross** (*Diomedea exulans*)

1 (3k+) Cape Tourville 12/2.

*Appeared together with 25+ White-capped Albatrosses that was following a small group of dolphins and feeding on the left overs. This was taking place quite close to the shore.*

**Short-tailed Shearwater** (*Puffinus tenuirostris*)

Hundreds Cape Tourville 12/2 and thousands Port Fairy 18-19/2.



**Fluttering Shearwater** (*Puffinus gavia*)

2 Cape Tourville 12/2 and 1 Apollo Bay 19/2.

*Was most probably this species, passing quite close to the shore.*

**Black-necked Stork** (*Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus*)

1 adult seen in a roadside wetland just outside Canungra 5/2.



Black-necked Stork.

**Australasian Gannet** (*Morus serrator*)

40 Cape Tourville 12/2, 1 Freycinet N.P 13/2, 2 Twelve Apostles 18/2, 3-5 seen Port Fairy 18-20/2.

**Little Black Cormorant** (*Phalacrocorax sulcirostris*)

Common.

**Great Cormorant** (*Phalacrocorax carbo*)

1 Brisbane-Lamington 2/2, 3 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2, 8 Tamar Island Wetland 9/2, 1 Lake St. Clair N.P, Cradle Mountain 10/2, 3 Moulting Lagoon 12/2, 5 Triabunna wetland 14/2, 5 Apollo Bay 19/2 and 5 Lake Fyans, Pomonal 21/2.

**Pied Cormorant** (*Phalacrocorax varius*)

3 Noosa Spit 7/2, 1 Triabunna wetland 14/2, 3 Port Fairy 18-20/2.

**Black-faced Cormorant** (*Phalacrocorax fuscescens*)

40 Freycinet N.P 13/2, 2 Twelve Apostles 18/2 and 1 Apollo Bay 19/2.

**Little Pied Cormorant** (*Phalacrocorax melanoleucos*)

Fairly common.

**Australasian Darter** (*Anhinga novaehollandiae*)

1 road side bird Lamington-Noosa 5/2, 3 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2, 1 Weyba Mangrove Trail, Noosa 7/2 and 1 Lake Wendouree, Ballarat 22/2.

**Australian Pelican** (*Pelecanus conspicillatus*)

1 Brisbane-Lamington 2/2, 1 Tamborine wetland 5/2, 8 Tamar Island Wetland 9/2, 45 Moulting Lagoon 12/2, 55 Curdie River Lagoon, Peterborough 18/2, 10 Port Fairy 18/2, 1 Port Fairy 19/2 and 10 Lake Wendouree, Ballarat 22/2.

**Black-backed Bittern** (*Ixobrychus dubius*)

1 seen briefly Tamborine wetland 5/2.

**Pacific Heron** (*Ardea pacifica*)

1 Nullawarre Wetland (5km west of) 18/2 and 1 Halls Gap, Grampians 21/2.



Pacific Heron



Australian Pelican

**Great Egret** (*Ardea alba*)

8 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2, up to 20 Tamar Island Wetland 8-9/2, 3 Moulting Lagoon 12/2, 1 Triabunna Wetland 14/2, 3 Painkalac Creek, Torquay 16/2, 2 Princetown Wetland 18/2, 10 Curdie River Lagoon, Peterborough 18/2, 1 Port Fairy 18/2 and 2 Apollo Bay 19/2.

**White-faced Heron** (*Egretta novaehollandiae*)

1 Noosa Head 6-7/2, 8 Tamar Island Wetland 9/2, 1 Rosvears Road 9/2, 1 Freycinet N.P 11/2, 75 Moulting Lagoon 12/2, 4 Triabunna Wetland 14/2, 1 Apollo Bay 17/2, 1 Nullawarre Wetland (5km west) 18/2, 1+5 Port Fairy 18+19/2, 2 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2 and 1 Halls Gap, Grampians 21/2.

**Little Egret** (*Egretta garzetta*)

20 Tamborine wetland 5/2, 1 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2 and 5 Curdie River Lagoon, Peterborough 18/2.

**Cattle Egret** (*Bubulcus ibis*)

30 Brisbane-Lamington 2/2, 50 Lamington-Noosa 5/2 and 10 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2.

**Striated Heron** (*Butorides striata*)

1 Weyba Mangrove Trail 7/2.

**Rufous Night-Heron** (*Nycticorax caledonicus*)

1 Port Fairy 18/2 and 5 there 19/2.

**Australian Ibis** (*Threskiornis molucca*)

Common.

**Straw-necked Ibis** (*Threskiornis spinicollis*)

10 in a wetland outside Canungra 5/2, 4 Princetown Wetland 18/2, 55 Curdie River Lagoon, Peterborough 18/2, 5 Nullawarre Wetland (5km west) 18/2, 5 Apollo Bay 19/2, 2 Port Fairy 19/2 and 50 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2.

**Royal Spoonbill** (*Platalea regia*)

8 Curdie River Lagoon, Peterborough 18/2 and 18 Port Fairy 18/2.

**Yellow-billed Spoonbill** (*Platalea flavipes*)

2 roadside birds was seen Brisbane-Lamington 2/2.

**Osprey** (*Pandion haliaetus*)

1 Noosa Head 6/2 and 1 Cooribah Lake, Noosa 7/2.

**Australian Kite** (*Elanus axillaris*)

1 roadside Lamington-Noosa 5/2, 2 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 16/2 and 2 Port Fairy 18-20/2.

**Black Kite** (*Milvus migrans*)

1 Geelong 16/2 and 23/2.

**Whistling Kite** (*Haliastur sphenurus*)

1 Weyba Mangrove trail 7/2, 1 Noosa Spit 7/2 and 2 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2.

**Brahminy Kite** (*Haliastur indus*)

1 adult Noosa Spit 7/2.

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

1 adult Bicheno 11/2, 1 adult Cape Tourville 12/2, 2 Freycinet N.P 13/2 and 1 Freycinet-Hobart 14/2.

**Swamp Harrier** (*Circus approximans*)

1 adult Tamar Island Wetland 9/2, 1 younger bird Rosvears road 9/2, 1 Launceston-Cradle Mountain 9/2, 2 Peter Murell Reserve 15/2, 1 younger bird Great Otway N.P 17/2, 2 Princetown Wetland 18/2, 2 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2 and 2 Port Fairy-Halls Gap, Grampians 20/2.

**Spotted Harrier** (*Circus assimilis*)

1 younger bird Great Otway N.P 17/2.

**Gray Goshawk** (*Accipiter novaehollandiae*)

1 white morph Mt Wellington 15/2.

*An absolutely stunning bird!*

**Brown Goshawk** (*Accipiter fasciatus*)

1 Noosa Head 6/2 and 1 Moulting Lagoon 12/2.

**Collared Sparrowhawk** (*Accipiter cirrocephalus*)

2 Mt Wellington 15/2 and 1 young bird Great Otway N.P 17/2.

**Wedge-tailed Eagle** (*Aquila audax*)

1 roadside bird Brisbane-Lamington 2/2, 1 Lamington N.P 3-4/2 and 1 near Narawntapu N.P 9/2.

**Australian Kestrel** (*Falco cenchroides*)

1 Tamborine Wetland 5/2, 1 Twelve Apostles 18/2, 3 Port Fairy 18/2 and 1 Port Fairy-Halls Gap, Grampians 20/2.

**Australian Hobby** (*Falco longipennis*)

1 Tamborine Wetland 5/2 and 1 Port Fairy 19/2.

**Brown Falcon** (*Falco berigora*)

4 seen haunting together on the drive Launceston-Cradle Mountain 9/2.

**Peregrine Falcon** (*Falco peregrinus*)

1 Lamington N.P 3/2.

**Australian (Spotted) Crake** (*Porzana fluminea*)

1 Twelve Apostles and 1 Port Fairy 18/2, 1 Apollo Bay 19/2 and 1 Lake Wendouree, Ballarat 22/2.

**Purple Swamphen** (*Porphyrio porphyrio*)

Common.

**Dusky Moorhen** (*Gallinula tenebrosa*)

20 Tamborine wetland 5/2, 2 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2, 3 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 16/2, 4 Twelve Apostles 18/2 and common Lake Wendouree, Ballarat 22/2.

**Black-tailed Native-hen** (*Tribonyx ventralis*)

2 Port Fairy 18-20/2, 5 Lake Bellfield, Grampians 20/2, 8 Lake Fyans, Pomonal 21/2 and 15 Lake Wendouree, Ballarat 22/2.

**Tasmanian Native-hen** (*Tribonyx mortierii*)

Common.

*Endemic to Tasmania.*



Tasmanian Native-hen



Black-tailed Native-hen

**Eurasian Coot** (*Fulica atra*)  
Common.

**Banded Lapwing** (*Vanellus tricolor*)  
2 near Launceston Airport 8/2.

**Masked Lapwing** (*Vanellus miles*)  
Common.

**Red-kneed Dotterel** (*Erythrogonys cinctus*)  
7 Lake Fyans, Pomonal 21/2.

**Pacific Golden-Plover** (*Pluvialis fulva*)  
1 Noosa Spit 7/2 and 2 Moulting Lagoon 12/2.

**Red-capped Plover** (*Charadrius ruficapillus*)  
3 Curdie River Lagoon, Peterborough 18/ and 2 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2.

**Hooded Plover** (*Thinornis cucullatus*)  
2 Freycinet N.P 13/2 and 1-2 Apollo Bay 16-17/2.

**Black-fronted Dotterel** (*Elseyaornis melanops*)  
2 Lake Fyans, Pomonal 21/2.



Black-fronted Dotterel



Red-kneed Dotterel

**Pied Oystercatcher** (*Haematopus longirostris*)

1 Tamar Island Wetland 9/2, 2 Bicheno 11 and 13/2, 2 Coles Bay 12/2, 9 Moulting Lagoon 12/2 and 1 Port Fairy 20/2.

**Sooty Oystercatcher** (*Haematopus fuliginosus*)

4 Bicheno 11/2, 3 Freycinet N.P 13/2, 2 Bicheno 13/2 and 2 Port Fairy 20/2.



Pied and Sooty Oystercatcher (and some Silver Gulls)

**Black-winged Stilt** (*Himantopus himantopus*)

5 Point Henry Saltwork, Geelong 22/2.

**Banded Stilt** (*Cladorhynchus leucocephalus*)

At least 300 Point Henry Saltwork, Geelong 22/2.

**Red-necked Avocet** (*Recurvirostra novaehollandiae*)

35 Point Henry Saltwork, Geelong 22/2.

**Comb-crested Jacana** (*Irediparra gallinacea*)

1 Tamborine Wetland 5/2 and 2 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2.

**Common Sandpiper** (*Actitis hypoleucos*)

1 Port Fairy 19/2.

**Common Greenshank** (*Tringa nebularia*)

1 Port Fairy 19/2, 3 Point Henry Saltwork, Geelong 22/2

**Far Eastern Curlew** (*Numenius madagascariensis*)

2 Noosa Spit 7/2 and 4 Moulting Lagoon 12/2.

**Bar-tailed Godwit** (*Limosa lapponica*)

15 Noosa Spit 7/2.

**Sanderling** (*Calidris alba*)

50 Curdie River Lagoon, Peterborough 18/2.

**Pectoral Sandpiper** (*Calidris melanotos*)

1 Curdie River Lagoon, Peterborough 18/2.

**Sharp-tailed Sandpiper** (*Calidris acuminata*)

1 Moulting Lagoon 12/2 at 200 Curdie River Lagoon, Peterborough 18/2.

**Curlew Sandpiper** (*Calidris ferruginea*)

5 Curdie River Lagoon, Peterborough 18/2.

**Painted Buttonquail** (*Turnix varius*)

1 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 17/2.

**Silver Gull** (*Chroicocephalus novaehollandiae*)

Common.

**Pacific Gull** (*Larus pacificus*)

Common Tamar Island Wetland 9/2, 2 (1 ad+1 juv) Rosvears Road, Launceston 9/2, 1 adult Freycinet N.P 11/2, 2 adult Bicheno 11/2, 2 adult Coles Bay 12/2, 10 Cape Tourville 12/2, 20 Freycinet N.P 13/2 and 2 Apollo Bay 16/2.



Pacific Gull.

**Kelp Gull** (*Larus dominicanus*)

2 Bicheno 11/2, 1 Coles Bay 12/2, 5 Cape Tourville 12/2, 5 Freycinet N.P 13/2, 5 Hobart 15/2 and 10 Port Fairy 18-20/2.

**Caspian Tern** (*Hydroprogne caspia*)

1 Noosa Spit 7/2, 2 Moulting Lagoon 12/2, 5 Cape Tourville 12/2 and 2 Port Fairy 18/2.

**Whiskered Tern** (*Chlidonias hybrida*)

10+ Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2.

**Common Tern** (*Sterna hirundo*)

1 Noosa Head 6/2, 10+ Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2 and 15 Noosa Spit 7/2.

**Great Crested Tern** (*Thalasseus bergii*)

Up to 80 Noosa Spit 6-7/2, 15 Freycinet N.P 13/2, common Curdie River Lagoon, Peterborough 18/2 and 5 Port Fairy 19/2.

**Feral Pigeon** (*Columba livia*)

Common.

**White-headed Pigeon** (*Columba leucomela*)

1 Lamington N.P 5/2.

**Spotted Dove** (*Streptopelia chinensis*)

Up to 10 Noosa Head 6-7/2 and 2 Hobart 15/2.

**Brown Cuckoo-Dove** (*Macropygia phasianella*)

1 roadside bird between Brisbane-Lamington 2/2 and common Lamington N.P 2-5/2.

**Common Bronzewing** (*Phaps chalcoptera*)

1 Bicheno 11 and 13/2, 1 Coles Bay 13/2, 2 Peter Murell Reserve 14/2 and 7 Halls Gap, Grampians 20-21/2.

**Crested Pigeon** (*Ocyphaps lophotes*)

5 Brisbane-Lamington 2/2, 2 Canungra 5/2, 10 Lamington-Noosa 5/2, 2 Eumundi 6/2, 6 Noosa Head 7/2, 2 Halls Gap, Grampians 20-21/2 and 1 Pomonal 21/2.

**Wonga Pigeon** (*Leucosarcia melanoleuca*)

1-2 Lamington N.P 2-3/2.



Wonga Pigeon



Crested Pigeon



**Bar-shouldered Dove** (*Geopelia humeralis*)

2 (1+1 heard) Tewantin Forest, Noosa 7/2.

**Topknot Pigeon** (*Lopholaimus antarcticus*)

7 flying by Lamington N.P 3/2 and 2 seen 4/2.

*Seen from our veranda, flying through the valley below.*

**Yellow-tailed Black-Cockatoo** (*Calyptorhynchus funereus*)

6 roadside birds Launceston-Cradle Mountain 9/2, 75 in one flock along the entrance road to Narawntapu N.P 9/2, 1 Freycinet-Hobart 14/2, 4 flying by Peter Murell Reserve 14/2, 2 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 17/2, 3 Great Otway N.P 17/2, 3 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 18/2, 7 roadside birds Port Fairy-Halls Gap, Grampians 20/2 and 2 Halls Gap, Grampians 21/2.



Yellow-tailed Black-cockatoo



Galah

**Gang-gang Cockatoo** (*Callocephalon fimbriatum*)

12 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 17/2, 30 Great Otway N.P 17/2, 10 Halls Gap, Grampians 20/2 and 3 there 21/2.

**Galah** (*Eolophus roseicapilla*)

20 Canungra 5/2, 5 Eumundi 6/2, 7 Noosa Head 7/2, 2 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2, 10 Tamar Island Wetland 8/2, 40 Rosvears Road 9/2, 50 Apollo Bay 17/2, 10 Great Otway N.P 17/2 and 2 Halls Gap, Grampians 22/2.

**Long-billed Corella** (*Cacatua tenuirostris*)

50 Port Fairy 18-20/2, 30 Halls Gap, Grampians 20-21/2, 75 Halls Gap, Grampians 22/2 and around 500 in two flocks Pomonal 22/2.

**Little Corella** (*Cacatua sanguinea*)

3 Lamington-Noosa 5/2, up to 10 Noosa 6-7/2, 20 near Tewantin Forest 7/2, 20 Apollo Bay 17/2, 50 Port Fairy 18-20/2 and 10 Dunkeld 20/2.



Little and Long-billed Corella

**Sulphur-crested Cockatoo** (*Cacatua galerita*)

Up to 10 along the entrance road to Lamington N.P 4-5/2, 10 roadside birds Lamington-Noosa 5/2, 1 seen between Launceston-Cradle Mountain 11/2, 8 Apollo Bay 16/2, 2 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 17/2, 1 Dunkeld 20/2, 30 Halls Gap, Grampians 20-21/2, 30 Dulc Lodge, Grampians 22/2.

**Cockatiel** (*Nymphicus hollandicus*)

2 on a feeder near Tewantin Forest, Noosa 7/2.

**Rainbow Lorikeet** (*Trichoglossus haematodus*)

2 Lamington N.P 4-5/2, 10 Tamborine Wetland 5/2, common Noosa 5-7/2 and 2 Halls Gap, Grampians 22/2.

**Scaly-breasted Lorikeet** (*Trichoglossus chlorolepidotus*)

25 Noosa Head 7/2, 10 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2 and 10 Tewantin Forest 7/2.

**Musk Lorikeet** (*Glossopsitta concinna*)

20-25 Bicheno 11 and 13/2, 5 Coles Bay 12/2, very common Port Fairy 18-19/2 and 10 Dunkeld 20/2.

**Green Rosella** (*Platycercus caledonicus*)

4 Lake St. Clair N.P, Cradle Mountain 11/2, 2 Freycinet N.P 11-12/2, 2 Moulting Lagoon 12/2 and 1 Mt Wellington 15/2.

*Endemic to Tasmania.*

**Crimson Rosella** (*Platycercus elegans*)

Common Lamington N.P 2-5/2, 2 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 17/2, 20 Great Otway N.P 17/2, 20 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 18/2, 1 Dunkeld 20/2, 6 Lake Bellfield, Grampians 20/2, Up to 10 seen at several different locations around Halls Gap, Grampians 20-22/2 and 10 Pomonal 21/2.

**Eastern Rosella** (*Platycercus eximius*)

5 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 17/2.

**Pale-headed Rosella** (*Platycercus adscitus*)

6 (5 ad+1 juvenile) Lamington N.P and 1 Canungra 5/2.



Australian King-parrot



Crimson Rosella

**Australian King-Parrot** (*Alisterus scapularis*)

Up to 6 seen Lamington N.P 2-5/2 and 4 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 18/2.

**Red-winged Parrot** (*Aprosmictus erythropterus*)

1 Canungra 5/2.

**Pallid Cuckoo** (*Cacomantis pallidus*)

1 Peter Murell Reserve 14/2, 1 juvenile Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 16/2 and probably another one there 17/2.

**Shining Bronze-Cuckoo** (*Chrysococcyx lucidus*)

1 Lamington N.P 5/2.

**Pheasant Coucal** (*Centropus phasianinus*)

1 Canungra 5/2.

**Southern Boobook** (*Ninox novaeseelandiae*)

2 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 17/2.

**Australian Owlet-Nightjar** (*Aegotheles cristatus*)

1 heard Lamington N.P 3/2.

**Tawny Frogmouth** (*Podargus strigoides*)

1 Halls Gap, Grampians 21/2.

**White-throated Needletail** (*Hirundapus caudacutus*)

1 Lamington N.P 3/2 and 3 there 4/2.

**Laughing Kookaburra** (*Dacelo novaeguineae*)

1 roadside bird Brisbane-Lamington 2/2, 1 Eumundi 6/2, 1 Pinnaroo Park, Noosa 7/2, 2 Tewantin Forest 7/2, 2 Weyba Mangrove trail 7/2, 2 Moulting Lagoon 12/2, 1 Coles Bay 13/2, 2 roadside birds Freycinet-Hobart 14/2, 2 Peter Murell Reserve 15/2, 1

Apollo Bay 16-17/2 and fairly common around Halls Gap, Grampians 20-22/2.

**Sacred Kingfisher** (*Todiramphus sanctus*)

1 Brisbane-Lamington 2/2 and 1 Noosa 5/2.

**Dollarbird** (*Eurystomus orientalis*)

2 Canungra 5/2 and 1 Noosa 6/2.

**Noisy Pitta** (*Pitta versicolor*)

1 seen twice along Moran Falls Track, Lamington N.P 4/2.

**Albert's Lyrebird** (*Menura alberti*)

2 (a pair) late in the afternoon along Main Border Track, Lamington N.P 3/2.

**Green Catbird** (*Ailuroedus crassirostris*)

2 heard at our very first stop before reaching O'Reillys, Lamington N.P 2/2, then commonly heard 2-5/2 and with a little patience also seen well most days.

**Regent Bowerbird** (*Sericulus chrysocephalus*)

3 female Lamington N.P 2/2, 6 (1 adult male+5 female) Lamington N.P 3/2 and 4 (2 adult male+2 female) Lamington N.P 4/2.

**Satin Bowerbird** (*Ptilonorhynchus violaceus*)

4 (3 ad male+1 heard) Lamington N.P 2/2, up to 10 Lamington N.P 3-4/2 and 3 female seen in different parts of Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 17 and 18/2.

**White-throated Treecreeper** (*Cormobates leucophaea*)

4 along Python Rock Trail, Lamington N.P 4/2 and 1 Lamington N.P 5/2.

**Superb Fairywren** (*Malurus cyaneus*)

Common.

**Variegated Fairywren** (*Malurus lamberti*)

8 Noosa Head N.P 6/2.



Superb and Variegated Fairywren

**Eastern Spinebill** (*Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris*)

Up to 4 Lamington N.P 2-5/2, 1 Halls Gap, Grampians 20/2 and 3 along Victory Road, Halls Gap, Grampians 21/2.

**Lewin's Honeyeater** (*Meliphaga lewinii*)

Common Lamington N.P 2-5/2, 5 Noosa Head N.P 6/2 and 2 Tewantin Forest 7/2.

**Yellow-faced Honeyeater** (*Lichenostomus chrysops*)

5 Lamington N.P 5/2, 3-5 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 17-18/2, 3 Great Otway N.P 17/2, 5 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2 and up to Halls Gap, Grampians 20-21/2.

**Singing Honeyeater** (*Lichenostomus virescens*)

1 the Arch Lookout, Great Ocean Road 18/2, 5 Port Fairy 18/2 and 2 there 19/2.

**White-eared Honeyeater** (*Lichenostomus leucotis*)

Up to 3 seen Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 16-17/2, 2 Great Otway N.P 17/2 and 1 Halls Gap, Grampians 21/2.

**Yellow-throated Honeyeater** (*Lichenostomus flavicollis*)

Common, most seen Freycinet N.P.

*Endemic to Tasmania.*

**Noisy Miner** (*Manorina melanocephala*)

Common Lamington and Noosa. 5 seen during a stop between Launceston-Cradle Mountain 11/2.

**Red Wattlebird** (*Anthochaera carunculata*)

5 Apollo Bay 17/2, 10 Great Otway N.P 17/2, 2 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 18/2, 2 Port Fairy 18-19/2, 4 Lake Bellfield, Grampians 20/2 and 5 Halls Gap, Grampians 20-21/2.

**Little Wattlebird** (*Anthochaera lunulata*)

1 Eumundi 6/2, 1 Cooribah Lake, Noosa 7/2, 10 Bicheno 11 and 13/2, 10 Coles Bay, Freycinet 12/2, 10 Peter Murell Reserve 14-15/2, 4 Mt Wellington 15/2 and 10 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 16-18/2.

**Yellow Wattlebird** (*Anthochaera paradoxa*)

Up to 5 Lake St. Clair N.P, Cradle Mountain 10-11/2, 5 seen and more heard Lake St. Clair N.P, Cradle Mountain 11/2, 5 Freycinet N.P 11-14/2 and 2 Peter Murell Reserve 14/2.

*Endemic to Tasmania.*

**White-fronted Chat** (*Epthianura albifrons*)

5 Moulting Lagoon 12/2.

**Brown Honeyeater** (*Lichmera indistincta*)

2 Noosa Head N.P 6/2.

**Crescent Honeyeater** (*Phylidonyris pyrrhopterus*)

1-3 Lake St. Clair N.P, Cradle Mountain 10-11/2.

**New Holland Honeyeater** (*Phylidonyris novaehollandiae*)

Common on Tasmania and along Great Ocean Road.

**White-naped Honeyeater** (*Melithreptus lunatus*)

10 Lamington N.P 5/2, 3-4 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 16-18/2 and common Halls Gap, Grampians 21/2.



New Holland Honeyeater

Little Wattlebird

**Black-headed Honeyeater** (*Melithreptus affinis*)

Common Peter Murell Reserve 14-15/2.

*Endemic to Tasmania.*

**Blue-faced Honeyeater** (*Entomyzon cyanotis*)

5 Noosa Head 6/2, 2 Tewantin Forest 7/2 and 2 Cooribah Lake, Noosa 7/2.

**Little Friarbird** (*Philemon citreogularis*)

1 Canungra 5/2.

**Noisy Friarbird** (*Philemon corniculatus*)

1 Cooribah Lake, Noosa 7/2.

**Rufous Bristlebird** (*Dasyornis broadbenti*)

3 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 18/2.

**Spotted Pardalote** (*Pardalotus punctatus*)

5 Peter Murell Reserve 15/2, 1 Dunkeld 20/2 and 3 Halls Gap, Grampians 21/2.

**Forty-spotted Pardalote** (*Pardalotus quadragintus*)

2 Peter Murell Reserve 14/2.

*Endemic to Tasmania and most likely seen on Bruny Island, although Peter Murrell Reserve, Kingston, just outside Hobart, also is a reliable place. During this time of the year it seems that a lot of patience is necessary.*

**Striated Pardalote** (*Pardalotus striatus*)

3+2 Peter Murell Reserve 14+15/2.

**Yellow-throated Scrubwren** (*Sericornis citreogularis*)

Common Lamington N.P 2-5/2.

**White-browed Scrubwren** (*Sericornis frontalis*)

Common.

**Tasmanian Scrubwren** (*Sericornis humilis*)

15 Lake St. Clair N.P, Cradle Mountain 10/2 and 2 Mt Wellington 15/2.

*Endemic to Tasmania.*

**Large-billed Scrubwren** (*Sericornis magnirostra*)

2 Lamington N.P 3/2 and 4 there 4/2.

**Scrubtit** (*Acanthornis magna*)

2 Lake St. Clair N.P, Cradle Mountain 10/2 and 1 Mt Wellington 15/2.

*Endemic to Tasmania.*

**Speckled Warbler** (*Pyrrholaemus sagittatus*)

2 Lamington N.P 2/2.

**Brown Thornbill** (*Acanthiza pusilla*)

Common.

**Tasmanian Thornbill** (*Acanthiza ewingii*)

3 Lake St. Clair N.P, Cradle Mountain 10/2 and 5 Mt Wellington 15/2.

*Endemic to Tasmania.*

**Yellow-rumped Thornbill** (*Acanthiza chrysorrhoa*)

2 Port Fairy 20/2 *was the only ones we found, a species supposed to be everywhere!!!!*

**Yellow Thornbill** (*Acanthiza nana*)

2 Lamington N.P 5/2.

**Striated Thornbill** (*Acanthiza lineata*)

2 Lamington N.P 5/2 and 1 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 17/2 *was the only ones we really did id.*

**Brown Gerygone** (*Gerygone mouki*)

Common Lamington N.P 2-5/2.

**White-browed Babbler** (*Pomatostomus superciliosus*)

15 Halls Gap, Grampians 22/2.

*A nice finds our very last morning, seen just a few hundred meters from Dulc Lodge.*

**Southern Logrunner** (*Orthonyx temminckii*)

2 pairs seen on different locations Lamington N.P 3-5/2.



Southern Logrunner

**Eastern Whipbird** (*Psophodes olivaceus*)

2 heard Lamington N.P 2/2 and then 3-4 was seen on various places around O'Reillys 3-5/2.

**Dusky Woodswallow** (*Artamus cyanopterus*)

1 flying by Peter Murell Reserve 15/2.

**Gray Butcherbird** (*Cracticus torquatus*)

5 roadside birds Brisbane-Lamington 2/2, 2 roadside birds Lamington-Noosa 5/2 and 1 Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2.

**Australasian Magpie** (*Gymnorhina tibicen*)

Common.

**Pied Currawong** (*Strepera graculina*)

1-2 Lamington N.P 3-5/2, 1 roadside bird Lamington-Noosa 5/2, 1 Weyba Mangrove Trail 7/2 and 10 Halls Gap, Grampians 20-21/2.

**Black Currawong** (*Strepera fuliginosa*)

Up to 6 Lake St. Clair N.P, Cradle Mountain 9-11/2 and 6 Mt Wellington 15/2.  
*Endemic to Tasmania.*

**Gray Currawong** (*Strepera versicolor*)

1 Freycinet N.P 13-14/2, 1 Mt Wellington 15/2, 1 Great Otway N.P 17/2, 5 Halls Gap, Grampians 20-21/2.

**Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike** (*Coracina novaehollandiae*)

1 Canungra 5/2 and 1 Mt Wellington 15/2.



**Cicadabird** (*Coracina tenuirostris*)

1 heard Lamington N.P 5/2 and 1 heard Lake Macdonald, Noosa 7/2.

**Varied Sittella** (*Daphoenositta chrysoptera*)

1 juvenile Lamington N.P 5/2 and 1 Halls Gap, Grampians 21/2.

**Crested Shrike-tit** (*Falcunculus frontatus*)

1 Lamington N.P 2/2.

**Olive Whistler** (*Pachycephala olivacea*)

1 Mt Wellington 15/2 and 1 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 17-18/2.

**Golden Whistler** (*Pachycephala pectoralis*)

1-5 seen Lamington N.P 2-5/2, 1 Freycinet N.P 14/2, 1 Mt Wellington 15/2 and 1 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 16/2.

**Gray Shrike-Thrush** (*Colluricincla harmonica*)

Up to 5 Lamington N.P 3-5/2, 2 Lake St. Clair N.P, Cradle Mountain 11/2, 1 Freycinet N.P 14/2, 3 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 17-18/2 and 1 Halls Gap, Grampians 20/2.

**Olive-backed Oriole** (*Oriolus sagittatus*)

2 Noosa 6/2 and 1 there 7/2.

**Australian Figbird** (*Sphecotheres vieilloti*)

9 Lamington N.P 4/2 and 2 Noosa Head 6/2.

**Spangled Drongo** (*Dicrurus bracteatus*)

2 Eumundi 6/2 and 1 Weyba Mangrove Trail, Noosa 7/2.

**Willie-wagtail** (*Rhipidura leucophrys*)

2 Brisbane-Lamington 2/2, 2 Lamington-Noosa 5/2, 1 Noosa Head 6/2, 1 Weyba Mangrove Trail 7/2, 1-2 Apollo Bay 16-17/2, 1 Twelve Apostles 18/2, 10 Port Fairy 19/2 and 2 Halls Gap, Grampians 22/2.

**Gray Fantail** (*Rhipidura albiscapa*)

Common.

**Rufous Fantail** (*Rhipidura rufifrons*)

1-3 Lamington N.P 2-5/2 and 2 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 17/2.

**Black-faced Monarch** (*Monarcha melanopsis*)

2-5 Lamington N.P 2-5/2.

**Spectacled Monarch** (*Symposiachrus trivirgatus*)

2 Lamington N.P 5/2.

**Magpie-lark** (*Grallina cyanoleuca*)

2 Tamborine Wetland 5/2, 1-4 Noosa Head 6-7/2, 2 Weyba Mangrove Trail 7/2, 4

Geelong 16/2, 2-4 Apollo Bay 16-17/2, 5 Port Fairy 18-19/2 1 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2 and at least 4 Lake Wendouree, Ballarat 22/2.

**Leaden Flycatcher** (*Myiagra rubecula*)

2 Lamington N.P 2/2 and 1 female Noosa Head 6/2.

**Torresian Crow** (*Corvus orru*)

20 on the drive Brisbane-Lamington 2/2, 1 Lamington N.P 3-4/2, 5 near Canungra 5/2 and 10 Noosa Head 6-7/2.

**Australian Raven** (*Corvus coronoides*)

4 Halls Gap, Grampians 21/2.

**Little Raven** (*Corvus mellori*)

50 Great Otway N.P 17/2 and 50 Apollo Bay 19/2.

**Forest Raven** (*Corvus tasmanicus*)

10 Tamar Island Wetland 9/2, 10 Narawntapu N.P 9/2, 1 Lake St. Clair N.P, Cradle Mountain 11/2 and 5 Mt Wellington 15/2.

**White-winged Chough** (*Corcorax melanorhamphos*)

8 Lake Fyans, Pomonal and 15 Pomonal 21/2.

**Paradise Riflebird** (*Ptiloris paradiseus*)

2 female Lamington N.P 3/2.

**Scarlet Robin** (*Petroica multicolor*)

1 female colored Launceston-Cradle Mountain 11/2, 1 male Freycinet N.P 11/2, 1 Moulting Lagoon 12/2 and 3 (2 male+1 female) Freycinet N.P 14/2.

**Flame Robin** (*Petroica phoenicea*)

1 female Mt Wellington 15/2.

**Rose Robin** (*Petroica rosea*)

4 male Lamington N.P 3/2.

*Endemic to Tasmania.*

**Dusky Robin** (*Melanodryas vittata*)

1 Freycinet N.P 14/2 and 2 Mt Wellington 15/2.

**Yellow Robin** (*Eopsaltria australis*)

Common Lamington N.P 2-5/2, 5 Noosa Head 6/2 and 1-5 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 16-18/2.

**Sky Lark** (*Alauda arvensis*)

1 heard Moulting Lagoon 12/2.

**Welcome Swallow** (*Hirundo neoxena*)

Common.



Yellow Robin

**Fairy Martin** (*Petrochelidon ariel*)

1 Weyba Mangrove Trail 7/2.

**Tree Martin** (*Petrochelidon nigricans*)

4 Lamington N.P 4/2.

**Tawny Grassbird** (*Megalurus timoriensis*)

1 Tamborine Wetland 5/2.

**Little Grassbird** (*Megalurus gramineus*)

1 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2.

**Golden-headed Cisticola** (*Cisticola exilis*)

2 Noosa-Brisbane 8/2.

**Silver-eye** (*Zosterops lateralis*)

Common.

**Olive-tailed Thrush (Bassian)** (*Zoothera lunulata*)

1 Lamington N.P 3/2 and 2 there 5/2.

**Russet-tailed Thrush** (*Zoothera heinei*)

3 Lamington N.P 5/2.

**Eurasian Blackbird** (*Turdus merula*)

3 Rosvears Road 9/2, 1 + more heard Bicheno 11/2, 2 Bicheno 13/2, up to 10 Wild

Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 16-18/2 and 5 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2.

**Common Myna** (*Acridotheres tristis*)

5 Brisbane 2/2.

**European Starling** (*Sturnus vulgaris*)

Common on Tasmania and 50 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 16/2.

**Mistletoebird** (*Dicaeum hirundinaceum*)

2 (1 juvenile+1 heard) Lamington N.P 5/2.

**Australasian Pipit** (*Anthus novaeseelandiae*)

2 Moulting Lagoon 12/2.

**European Greenfinch** (*Chloris chloris*)

A few heard Peter Murell Reserve 14-15/2 and 1 Apollo Bay 19/2.

**European Goldfinch** (*Carduelis carduelis*)

2 Launceston airport-town 8/2, 5 Bicheno 11/2 and 2 there 13/2, 3 Peter Murell Reserve 14/2, common Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 16-18/2 and Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2.

**House Sparrow** (*Passer domesticus*)

2 Noosa Head 6/2, 5 Noosa Head 7/2, 10 Launceston airport to town center 8/2, 20 Bicheno 11 and 13/2, 5 Hobart 15/2 and 30 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 16/2.

**Red-browed Firetail** (*Neochmia temporalis*)

Common Lamington N.P 2-5/2, 3 Tewartin Forest 7/2, 1 Great Otway N.P 17/2, 10 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2 and 3 Halls Gap, Grampians 21/2

## Mammals

Names and order follows Menkhorst & Knight.

**Short-beaked Echidna** (*Tachyglossus aculeatus*)

1, probably a young animal, Cradle Mountain N.P 9/2, 1 near Douglas Aglesby N.P, Bicheno and 1 Freycinet N.P 13/2, 1 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2 and 1 Halls Gap, Grampians 20/2.

**Platybus** (*Ornithorhynchus anatinus*)

1 seen in the pond just behind our cabin Pepper's Lodge, Cradle Mountain N.P 10-11/2.

**Koala** (*Phascolarctos cinereus*)

At least 20 Great Otway N.P 17/2 and 4 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2.



Short-beaked Echidna, Tasmanian and mainland forms.

**Common Wombat** (*Vombatus ursinus*)

1 Narawntapu N.P 9/2, up to 10 each day Pepper's Lodge, Cradle Mountain N.P 9-11/2.

**Common Brushtail Possum** (*Trichosurus vulpecula*)

9 (incl 1 young) Pepper's Lodge, Cradle Mountain N.P 10/2 and 3 Freycinet N.P 11/2.



Eastern Grey Kangaroo

Common Wombat

**Common Ringtail Possum** (*Pseudocheirus peregrinus*)

2 Lamington N.P 2/2 and 1 in the Glow Worm Valley, Lamington N.P 3/2.

**Eastern Grey Kangaroo** (*Macropus giganteus*)

1 near Cooribah Lake, Noosa 7/2, 20 Narawntapu N.P 9/2, 40 Tower Hill State Reserve 19/2 and common Halls Gap, Grampians 20-22/2.

**Red-necked Wallaby** (*Macropus rufogriseus*)

1 Rosvears Road, Launceston 9/2, 5-10 Lake St. Clair N.P, Cradle Mountain 9-11/2, 10 Freycinet N.P 11-12/2.

**Black Wallaby** (*Wallabia bicolor*)

1 Wild Dog Creek, Apollo Bay 16/2, 6 there 17/2 and 3 18/2, also 6 Griffith Island, Port Fairy 19/2.



Black Wallaby

Red-necked Pademelon

**Rufous-bellied Pademelon** (*Thylogale billardierii*)

1 Rosvears Road, Launceston 9/2, 1 Narawntapu N.P 9/2 and common Lake St. Clair N.P, Cradle Mountain 9-11/2.

**Red-necked Pademelon** (*Thylogale thetis*)

1 Lamington N.P 2/2, 8 Lamington N.P 3/2 and 4 Lamington N.P 4/2.

**Grey-headed Flying-fox** (*Pteropus poliocephalus*)

A huge colony on day roost Weyba Mangrove Trail, Noosa 7/2.

**Lesser Long-eared Bat** (*Nyctophilus geoffroyi*)

1 photographed (and probably a few more hunting in the evening) Apollo Bay 17/2.

**European Rabbit** (*Oryctolagus cuniculus*)

10 Rosvears Road, Launceston 9/2, common Bicheno, 2 Apollo Bay 16/2 and 5 Port Fairy 19/2.

**Fallow Deer** (*Cervus dama*)

1-3 seen around Dulc Lodge, Halls Gap, Grampians 20-22/2.

**Australian Fur Seal** (*Arctocephalus pusillus doriferus*)

12 Cape Tourville, Freycinet N.P 12/2 and 5 on the Wineglass boat trip 13/2.

**Common Bottlenose Dolphin** (*Tursiops truncatus*)

5-6 Cape Tourville, Freycinet N.P 12/2 and 10 on the Wineglass boat trip 13/2.

# Species List Singapore

**Painted Stork** (*Mycteria leucocephala*)

2 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Great Egret** (*Ardea alba*)

5 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Intermediate Egret** (*Mesophoyx intermedia*)

5 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Chinese Egret** (*Egretta eulophotes*)

1 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

*We heard some birders mention this species, without knowing if it was a bird they were looking for or a bird of the past. It was seen together with 95 Little Egrets and 2 Painted Storks. A real bonus bird.*

**Little Egret** (*Egretta garzetta*)

95 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Striated Heron** (*Butorides striata*)

1 Botanical Garden 1/2 and 1 Riverview Hotel 24/2.

**Oriental Honey-buzzard** (*Pernis ptilorhynchus*)

1 Botanical Garden 1/2.

**Brahminy Kite** (*Haliastur indus*)

2 Botanical Garden 1/2 and 1 Riverview Hotel 24/2.

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

3 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**White-breasted Waterhen** (*Amaurornis phoenicurus*)

5 Botanical Garden 1/2 and 3 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Common Sandpiper** (*Actitis hypoleucos*)

2 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Common Greenshank** (*Tringa nebularia*)

80 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Common Redshank** (*Tringa totanus*)

70 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Whimbrel** (*Numenius phaeopus*)

200 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Feral Pigeon** (*Columba livia*)

40 Botanical Garden 1/2.

**Spotted Dove** (*Streptopelia chinensis*)

20 Botanical Garden 1/2 and 5 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2

**Zebra Dove** (*Geopelia striata*)

3 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Pink-necked Pigeon** (*Treron vernans*)

2 Botanical Garden 1/2, 30 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve and 5 Riverview Hotel 24/2.

**Asian Koel** (*Eudynamys scolopaceus*)

6 seen and heard Botanical Garden 1/2 and 5 heard Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Gray-rumped Treeswift** (*Hemiprocne longipennis*)

2 Botanical Garden 1/2.

**Collared Kingfisher** (*Todiramphus chloris*)

8 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Blue-tailed Bee-eater** (*Merops philippinus*)

2 Botanical Garden 1/2.

**Dollarbird** (*Eurystomus orientalis*)

1 Botanical Garden 1/2.

**Oriental Pied-Hornbill** (*Anthracoceros albirostris*)

2 Riverview Hotel 24/2.

*Really an odd observation, to see 2 hornbills in the middle of the town, was landing on a balcony on the 15th floor on the other side of the road.*

**Common Iora** (*Aegithina tiphia*)

2 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Pied Triller** (*Lalage nigra*)

1 Botanical Garden 1/2.

**Ashy Minivet** (*Pericrocotus divaricatus*)

5 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Black-naped Oriole** (*Oriolus chinensis*)

10 seen and heard Botanical Garden 1/2, common Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve and 5 Riverview Hotel 24/2.



**Greater Racket-tailed Drongo** (*Dicrurus paradiseus*)

1 Botanical Garden 1/2 and 1 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**House Crow** (*Corvus splendens*)

5 Botanical Garden 1/2, 10 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Pacific Swallow** (*Hirundo tahitica*)

1 Botanical Garden 1/2 and 1 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Yellow-vented Bulbul** (*Pycnonotus goiavier*)

10 Botanical Garden 1/2 and 5 Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Ashy Tailorbird** (*Orthotomus ruficeps*)

2 heard Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Asian Glossy Starling** (*Aplonis panayensis*)

Common Botanical Garden 1/2 and 50 Riverview Hotel 24/2.

**Common Hill Myna** (*Gracula religiosa*)

2 (a pair) Botanical Garden 1/2.

**Javan Myna** (*Acridotheres javanicus*)

100 Botanical Garden 1/2, 50 Riverview Hotel 24/2.

**Common Myna** (*Acridotheres tristis*)

20 Botanical Garden 1/2 and 5 Riverview Hotel 24/2.

**Scarlet-backed Flowerpecker** (*Dicaeum cruentatum*)

1 female Botanical Garden 1/2.

**Plain-throated Sunbird** (*Anthreptes malacensis*)

1 seen and several heard Botanical Garden 1/2.

**Olive-backed Sunbird** (*Cinnyris jugularis*)

1 Botanical Garden 1/2 and 1 seen and 5+ heard Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

**Eurasian Tree Sparrow** (*Passer montanus*)

2 Botanical Garden 1/2.

## Mammals

**Plaintain Squirrel** (*Collosciurus notatus*)

A few seen Botanical Garden 1/2 and common Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve 24/2.

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