

Hooded Parrot roosting in the midday heat, Pine Creek.

#### Introduction

Already on the journey back home to Sweden from our previous Australian trip in February 2013, all four of us agreed that it won't be long until we come back to this amazing country. So early in the spring 2014 we started to plan and organize a new trip.

This trip was made in four legs. The first one was a 3-night stay 300 km south of Perth in **Western Australia** (4-8/10) and one night in **Perth**, the second leg was a 9-night stay in **Northern Territory** 8-17/10 and the third a 9-night stay in **Queensland**, (17-26/10). We ended up the journey with a 2-night stay in **New South Wales (=Sydney)** (26-28/10), mainly for sightseeing.

<u>To the hardcore birder we put out a warning here</u> – **this was a family vacation** – but at the end with quite a lot of birding and other nature experiences.

We only arranged with a private, guided bird walk one of the days in Daintree when (after the Daintree Boatman ride on the river) we went for a rainforest trip to Mt. Lewis with Murray Hunt, the Daintree Boatman, as our guide. This was an excellent choice, a nice and skilled birder that keeps an eye on target birds up the mountain. At Rose Gum on Atherton Tablelands we also had a couple of guided hours one morning, led by the lodge owner Jon Nott.

We also joined a few boat trips, a short one at Wildman Wilderness Lodge, a very nice one at Yellow Waters in Kakadu N.P. and a whale watching tour from Sydney. All the rest we birded by ourselves.

#### **General information**

The flight tickets, both the long distance and the domestic, as well as the tourist visa was bought from a Swedish travel agency named Australienresor, web site <a href="https://www.australienresor.se">www.australienresor.se</a> (only in Swedish). They had very good rates for the whole package. In this package were also the overnight stays in Dubai included. Two nights on our way down and one night on our way back home.

The accommodation and car rental were once again arranged by the Australian travel agency Southern Crossings in Sydney. Many thanks for the excellent ground arrangements especially to Sophie Café, but also to her co-workers Debbie and Jane whom so kindly answered all our questions, re booked some accommodations due to change of domestic flight times.

Email: <a href="mailto:sophie@southern-crossings.com">sophie@southern-crossings.com</a> or visit their website <a href="mailto:www.southern-crossings.com">www.southern-crossings.com</a> or tel. +61 2 9657 2088.

Ms Erika Strömberg, a former Southern Crossings employee, helped us with recommendations when choosing hotels and lodges.

We are very grateful for all their help and the professional way to arrange this trip. Outstanding accommodation to a fair price level and excellent cars with navigator included.

Also a great thank you to my friend Mat Gilfedder, Brisbane for his invaluable tips for birding around Darwin and Cairns. For his comments and identification help of some species and some of the bird photos, and also his general comments to the species list.

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 though was about 30% cheaper than in Sweden for regular unleaded.

Although we had to drive on the left (wrong) side of the road the traffic caused us no problems what so ever. All roads are in excellent or very good conditions. The speed limits are taken in a more serious way here than in Europe.

One Australian dollar did cost 6,55 Swedish krona at the time of our visit.

We put in a short info about the birding around the lodges we stayed at, right at the accommodation below. That means mainly pre breakfast birding, but in some cases late afternoon birding as well.

Most of the other sites we visited that are mentioned in the daily log or the species list are found in The Complete Guide to Finding the Birds of Australia and will therefore not be treated in a separate section.

# Literature and (some) useful links

For bird id we used Birds of Australia, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> edition, K. Simpson & N. Day.

The Complete Guide to Finding the Birds of Australia for birding hot spots along our way.

We had already bought 3 CD: s with bird calls pre our first trip to Australia from Lloyd Nelson. Visit Lloyd's web page. <a href="www.birdingaustralia.com.au">www.birdingaustralia.com.au</a>

Very easy to order from and pay to over the internet. Shipments arrived safely in just about a week. As a complement some more bird calls were found on Xeno-canto.

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.

#### **General links**

National Parks information <a href="http://www.environment.gov.au">http://www.environment.gov.au</a> Weather <a href="http://www.weatherzone.com.au">http://www.environment.gov.au</a>

# **Birding links**

#### **Australia**

http://ebird.org/content/australia

An excellent way to find out about bird sightings region by region, local hot spots and much more.

http://www.birdwatch-australia.com.au

#### Queensland

http://cairnsbirdwatching.com.au

http://www.birdinggueensland.com.au

http://www.daintreerivertours.com.au

http://www.alanswildlifetours.com.au

#### **Western Australia**

http://birdingwa.iinet.net.au

#### **Northern Territory**

http://www.kakadu.com.au

http://www.gagudju-dreaming.com (Yellow Water boat trips)

http://www.parksaustralia.gov.au/kakadu/do/birdwatching.html

## **Accommodation**

PULLMAN RESORT BUNKER BAY
BUNKER BAY RD (OFF CAPE NATURALISTE ROAD)
BUNKER BAY,
MARGARET RIVER WINE REGION
WESTERN AUSTRALIA 6281

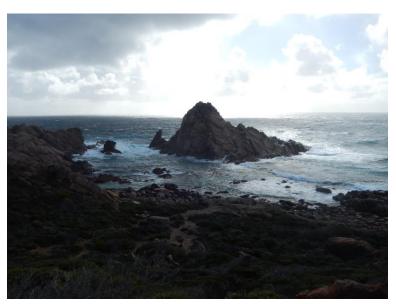
TELEPHONE: (08) 9756 9100 FAX: (08) 9756 9200

http://www.pullmanhotels.com/gb/hotel-8775-pullman-bunker-bay-resort-margaret-river-region/index.shtml

Quite a bit off the greater roads but nicely situated close to the sea and some good birding areas like Cape Naturaliste, Sugarloaf Rock and not too far from Busselton.

Excellent and spacey rooms fully equipped for a self-subsistence stay. Good breakfast buffet and restaurants for either a pricey dinner or a little less pricey one.

The surroundings are easy to walk around and are almost without noisy traffic. The hotel garden held Port Lincoln Parrot, Western Rosella and Splendid Fairywren to name a few.



Sugarloaf Rock on a very windy day.

THE RICHARDSON HOTEL & SPA 32 RICHARDSON STREET WEST PERTH WESTERN AUSTRALIA 6005

TELEPHONE: (08) 9217 8888 FAX: (08) 9214 3931

Here we made just an overnight stay in the connection of a domestic flight.

MANTRA ON THE ESPLANADE 88 THE ESPLANADE DARWIN 0880 NORTHEN TERRITORY

TELEPHONE: (08) 8943 4333 FAX: (08) 8943 4388

Just two overnight stays in the connection of domestic flights.

WILDMAN WILDERNESS LODGE (WWL)
POINT STUART ROAD
POINT STUART
NORTHERN TERRITORY 0822

TELEPHONE: (08) 8978 8955

http://www.wildmanwildernesslodge.com.au/

reservations@wildman.com.au

Well off the Arnhem Highway (between Darwin and Jabiru), and just before reaching the entrance to Kakadu N.P. Lovely tree houses overlooking a landscape of savannah type. In our stay here we had breakfast and dinner included. Lunch options just a few. You are NOT allowed to bring your own beer......

A few minutes' walk to a small billabong with quite a lot off wetland birds, although no noticeable change of species or numbers during our stay. The surroundings contain also of dry eucalypt wood and a few km's back along the entrance road is a patch of monsoon forest, well signed with a wooden sign. Our only Red-backed Kingfisher kept an eye of its territory from the termite stacks in front of our cabins and our only Black-breasted Kite passed over. Other species included our only Banded Honeyeater, Rainbow Pitta heard and a nicely perched pair of Rose-crowned Fruit-dove.

GAGUDJU CROCODILE HOLIDAY INN FLINDERS STREET JABIRU KAKADU NATIONAL PARK

TELEPHONE: (08) 8979 9000 FAX: (08) 8979 9098

http://www.gagudju-dreaming.com

Sorry to say but we can't recommend this place to a fellow birder with family. Small and boring rooms, pool and area close to the rooms were badly cleaned. The restaurant and food was OK but not so much more, and expensive. I would suggest Aurora Resort along the highway before one reach Jabiru or maybe even better the Gagudju Lodge at Yellow Waters with Great Bowerbird at the parking lot and good birding in the surroundings.

CICADA LODGE
NITMILUK GORGE,
GORGE ROAD
KATHERINE
NORTHERN TERRITORY 0850
TELEPHONE: (08) 8971 0167
http://cicadalodge.com.au

New built and recently opened up. Absolutely amazing apartments close to Nitmiluk N.P. (Katherine Gorge) and one of few lodges with free Wi-Fi in the room. The food was very good but also very expensive.

Quite good birding around the lodge, for example Great Bowerbird with bower in the lodge garden, Northern Rosella and Silver-crowned Friarbird at the camping site on the other side of the road.



Great Bowerbird guarding his playground from the cameraman!

ROSE GUMS WILDERNESS RETREAT LAND ROAD, (VIA LAKE EACHAM) ATHERTON TABLEANDS TROPICAL NORTH QUEENSLAND

TELEPHONE: (07) 4096 8360 FAX: (07) 4096 8312

http://www.rosegums.com.au/index.htm

info@rosegums.com.au

This private owned lodge is situated in replanted rainforest. The owner Jon Nott is a keen birder. The tree houses are very spacey and well equipped for a self-subsistence stay. A good veranda overlooking the rainforest is also included. Small charming towns 15-20 minutes away with supermarkets make this an easy way to stay here.

Meals can be ordered at the reception in advance though the restaurant is not open as an ordinary one. Remember to BYO (bring your own alcohol).

The birding in the neighborhood is amazing with court yard for Tooth-billed Catbird a 5-minute walk away and Victoria's Riflebird displaying just outside the villa. Australia's

smallest marsupial – Musky Rat-kangaroo visiting the parrot feeding in the morning at the owners' house. Other good species was Spotted Catbird (common), Metallic Starling, Wompoo & Superb Fruit-dove, Double-eyed Fig-parrot, Bower's Shrike-thrush and Bluefaced Parrotfinch to name a few. Check their bird list on the web-site.

The owners also had good info of where to see Platypus, Lumholtz's Tree-kangaroo and other animals or birds that might be on a wish-list.

This lodge is highly recommended.

DAINTREE ECO LODGE & SPA 20 DAINTREE ROAD DAINTREE QUEENSLAND

TELEPHONE: (07) 4098 6100 FAX: (07) 4098 6200

http://www.daintree-ecolodge.com.au/

info@daintreegroup.com.au

This lodge is nicely placed on a rain forest covered hillside a couple of km ahead of Daintree village. Birding can be done along a short trail uphill towards a small waterfall and also along the main road, although more trafficked than expected. We had a pair of Pacific Baza here. The lodge restaurant had a visiting Northern Brown Bandicoot in the evening.

The rooms where spacious and included a nice veranda. The lodge had very good food. The Daintree Boatman, Murray Hunt, was well known here and recommended as THE quide at the reception.

Another lodge we can recommend.

REEF HOUSE RESORT AND SPA 99 WILLIAMS ESPLANADE PALM COVE QUEENSLAND 4879

TELEPHONE: (07) 4055 3633 FAX: (07) 4055 3305

http://www.reefhouse.com.au/

Palm Cove is no birding destination, it's a touristy little town some 20 minutes north of Cairns by car. It was quite convenient to reach the Esplanade in Cairns, Cattana Wetlands and the road to Kuranda. No problem to get a pick up from there by the companies going to the Great Barrier Reef like Seastar for example.

PIER ONE SYDNEY HARBOUR 11 HICKSON ROAD WALSH BAY SYDNEY

TELEPHONE: (02) 8298 9999 FAX: (02) 8298 9777

Excellent situation near the bridge, opera house, botanical garden and the ferry jetty. All these places easily reached by walking distance.



Sydney's famous landmarks seen from the harbor.

# **Daily log**

Our trip (vacation) started already the  $1^{st}$  of October when we travelled from Sundsvall to Stockholm/Arlanda (domestic flight) and on to Dubai, with the Emirates, were we arrived late in the afternoon.

- **2-3/10** was spent in Dubai. Some birding was done both days in Safa Park and also some touristy sightseeing. We rented a taxi for a little more than half a day from the hotel. Late evening 3/10 we left Dubai on an overnight flight to Perth.
- **4/10.** Arrived to Perth around midday, picked up luggage and was met by a Southern Crossings representative to help us get out our pre rented car. It turned out be a very spacey Nissan Pathfinder 2/4WD. We then drove south towards Bunkers Bay. Stopped for a late lunch in Mandurah and finally turned up at Pullman Resort, Bunkers Bay around 19.00.
- **5/10.** Our first morning walk started in sunshine around 6 am and ended abruptly in pouring rain an hour later. The rain stopped after breakfast so we drove the short way to Cape Naturaliste and watched Humpback Whales and seabirds for a couple of hours. Very windy! Drove to Sugarloaf Rock where it was so windy that bird watching was almost impossible no tropicbirds! We ended the day in Busselton, at the outskirts of the wetland!
- **6/10.** Woke up to a cloudy but calm morning, walked to Cape Naturaliste and came back for breakfast. The rest of the day was spent driving around and sightseeing down to

Margaret River and back to Bunkers Bay. Made a brief stop at Sugarloaf Rock, but again no luck with the tropicbird.

- **7/10.** Morning walk around the resort. After breakfast we drove towards Perth. Decided to head away from the coast and drive an inland road instead. We made some sightseeing along the road and also had a touristy walk around Fremantle in the afternoon.
- **8/10.** Got up 05.45 am for the short drive to the airport and our flight to Darwin, were we arrived around lunch time. Picked up luggage and the rental car (a Hyundai minibus) and drove to hotel Mantra along the Esplanade, nice views from the balcony. Hot and sunny here! Had to switch navigator as the one we were given was broken. We managed to do some birding in Bicentennial Park before it went dark.
- **9/10.** We started with morning birding at East Point, back for breakfast around 09.15. Had the breakfast at the hotel, checked out and started to drive towards our next stay Wildman Wilderness Lodge just outside Kakadu N.P.. On our way we stopped for birding at Howard Springs, Fogg Dam and had lunch at Adelaide River. Arrived at the lodge around 4pm. Of course we had to walk down to the Billabong and have a look.
- **10/10.** We went out at 5.45, still a little too dusky for birding. Back for breakfast at 7.00, had a one-hour boat trip on the billabong. The rest of morning we just relaxed and had vacation on the veranda while checking the passing raptors. After lunch we drove back along the entrance road until we found the wooden sign "Monsoon Forest", went down there and birded along a track for a couple of hours.
- **11/10.** The same procedure as last morning and after breakfast we drove to a nearby lodge Point Stewart Wilderness Lodge. More or less closed, no lunch option but we were allowed to walk their Jimmy Creek Monsoon Trail. An hours walk, not more. In the afternoon we had some birding around the billabong.
- **12/10.** Check out after breakfast and then we drove towards Jabiru. We stopped for some shopping at Aurora Lodge along the road and also a birding stop at Mamukala Wetlands. Arrived quite early to Gagudju Crocodile Inn so we left the entire luggage in our rooms and then drove to Nourlangie and did some birding, looked at the impressing aboriginal cliff paintings and also visited Angbangbang Wetland.
- **13/10.** Early morning though we had to drive the 40 minutes to Cooinda and Yellow Waters for a boat trip. This is a very good one, and highly recommended, to the cost of \$99 AUD, breakfast included after the trip. We went back to Jabiru around lunch and in the late afternoon we made a second visit to Nourlangie and Anbangbang.
- **14/10.** Early morning walk along a concrete track between Jabiru and Bowali Visitor Center, appr 2 km one way. After breakfast packing and check out for the drive down the Kakadu Highway to Katherine, via Pine Creek. Lunch stop in Pine Creek which also included a search for the highly wanted Hooded Parrot. Arrived late in the afternoon to a fantastic lodge near Katherine Gorge.
- **15/10.** Morning birding around the lodge. After breakfast we visited the national park (Nitmiluk) including a few km walk to a lookout. In the afternoon we drove back to Edith Falls Road for some birding, mainly a try for Gouldian Finch, but we had no look. At least we tried.



Nourlangie Rock.

- **16/10.** Morning birding from 06.00 to 08.00 around the national parks info center. After breakfast check out and the drive back to Darwin, via Pine Creek. This time we drove directly up the Stuart Highway back to Darwin. Arrived in the early afternoon with time for a visit to the botanical garden and a small patch of mangrove.
- **17/10.** Birded one hour in Bicentennial Park, and then we drove to the airport for the domestic flight to Cairns, where we arrived mid-day. Picked up the luggage and the car and drove up to Atherton Tablelands for the next three nights at Rose Gum Wilderness retreat. We arrived rather late in the afternoon so there was not so much time left for birding.
- **18/10.** This morning we had a guided birding together we the owner Jon Nott for two hours before breakfast. After the morning meal we drove to Lake Eacham and had a walk around the lake. Further on to Nerada Tea Farm and looked at the tree-kangaroo's (2) and had lunch. In the afternoon we paid a visit to the impressive Curtain Fig Tree.



Curtain Fig Tree

Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo

- **19/10.** As usual a couple of hours of early morning birding. The weather was not so good this morning so we took the car and drove around on the tablelands. We visited Mt Hypipamee, searched for a nearby Golden Bowerbird without luck. Went on to Millaa Millaa Falls for the scenery and Hastie's Swamp for some birding. The weather improved during the day so we did not come back to Rose Gums before it was almost dark.
- **20/10.** Started with the standard morning walk around the accommodation. The night and early morning had seen some really heavy rain showers. After breakfast we packed and checked out. On the route towards Daintree we drove through Atherton and Mareeba, visited Granite Gorge and looked at the Mareeba Rock Wallabies. Continued to Mt Molloy where we had a lunch stop. We arrived to Daintree Eco Lodge in the late afternoon.
- **21/10.** Boat trip along Daintree River before breakfast, afterwards we had a full day of birding at Mt Lewis with Murray Hunt as our excellent guide. He also brought to some beaches in search of Beach Thick-knee and other wanted species. We arrived back to Daintree rather late in the afternoon after an amazing day with Golden Bowerbird and Yellow-breasted Boatbill as top birds.



Bush Thick-knee

Beach Thick-knee

- **22/10.** The daily morning walk from dawn to breakfast was along the main road to Daintree. After packing and checking out we headed towards Palm Cove, our next destination. First we took the ferry (cost \$28 AUD) over the Daintree River to the Rainforest Visitor Center in our desperate search of the cassowary. Again no luck, although they had seen Cassowary every day in October this year, except this and two more mornings. After a couple of hours or so we continued north to Cape Tribulation, turned around back though beyond this point as it's only gravel road for 4WD further north. Stopped nearby for lunch and then we drove to Mossman for a cup of coffee, Port Douglas for a bit of tourist sightseeing. Arrived to our hotel in Palm Cove in the late afternoon.
- **23/10.** Early breakfast and then pick up for transportation to Cairns Marina and the Seastar that should take us out to the Great Barrier Reef for a full day. Stopped for birding (and snorkeling) at Michaelmas Cay, rain showers. Also a stop at Hastings Reef for snorkeling (and some birdwatching), sunshine.

**24/10.** Pre breakfast birding along the Esplanade in Cairns, driving time from our hotel not more than 25 minutes. Back for breakfast and then off to Kuranda where the ladies went for the market and the boys went to Black Mountain Road, no Cassowary but signs telling beware of small chicks – so we drove really slowly. Sure we did but again no luck. Back to Kuranda for lunch and then a second visit to the Esplanade before going back to the hotel.



Cairns Esplanade

Our only Cassowary

- **25/10.** This early morning once again saw us walking along the Esplanade, the very northern part this time. High tide so very few waders were seen. Went back for breakfast and then birding at Cattana Wetlands, Mangrove boardwalk along the airport road and the Centenary Lakes together with the Botanical Garden. Fantastic scope views of a Double-eyed Fig-Parrot.
- **26/10.** Lazy morning, drove to Cairns airport for the flight to Sydney, where we arrived in the late afternoon. Transfer to our hotel Pier One, nicely placed a short walk from the bridge, a little longer walk to the Opera and the botanical garden.
- **27/10.** Late breakfast, a walk to the pier to get onboard Sydney Whalewatching's vessel for a boat trip. Out on the ocean and just started to look for Humpbacks they had to turn around and go back to Sydney because of a broken vessel (the management should replace this). We were offered a free tour on the day after but as we were going home we had no opportunity to join. No refund was offered.
- **28/10.** As we had an overnight flight we had a full sightseeing day with a walk on the bridge, a visit to the opera and the botanical garden. Overnight flight to Dubai.
- **29/10.** Arrived to the hotel very early and therefore we had a long wait for our rooms, even though we had prepared the reception for our early arrive when we left a month ago. In the afternoon we visited Safa Park where a Forest Wagtail was found among the common species.
- **30/10.** Early morning flight to Stockholm and a connection flight back home where we arrived in the afternoon.

#### **Abbreviations**

Used in the species list as follows for the Australia regions we visited

WA = Western Australia

NT = Northern Territory

QLD = Queensland

NSW = New South Wales

WWL = Wildman Wilderness Lodge (NT)

RG = Rose Gums Wilderness Retreat (QLD)

Some other explanations to the species list:

If a species is noted as 2+4 h; it means that we did see 2 birds and heard another 4.

Common does not necessarily mean that we recorded that species everywhere, it can rather be the **status within range and habitat**. The habitat might be of small range but the species is common within this. Species name and order follows Clements 6.9 (spread sheet 6.9 2014). A lot of the common species are under recorded or even much so as we visited Australia in early 2013. Once we had seen one of those common/widespread species, for example, the Peaceful Dove in QLD or a Magpie-lark in WA they were not listed everywhere.

A total of 287 species were recorded.

# **Species list**

#### Magpie Goose (Anseranas semipalmata)

**NT:** 3 East Point, Darwin 9/10, 45 WWL 9-11/10, thousands Mamukala Wetland 12/10, 40 Anbangbang (Nourlangie) 12-13/10, thousands Yellow Waters 13/10 and 200+ Darwin 16/10.

**QLD:** thousands Hastie's Swamp 19/10, 10 Daintree River 21/10, 4 Cattana Wetlands 25/10 and 5 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

#### Plumed Whistling-Duck (Dendrocygna eytoni)

NT: 125 WWL 9-12/10, hundreds Mamukala Wetland 12/10, 200 Anbangbang

(Nourlangie) 12-13/10 and thousands Yellow Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** thousands Hastie's Swamp 19/10.

## **Wandering Whistling-Duck** (Dendrocygna arcuata)

**NT:** hundreds WWL 9-12/10, hundreds Mamukala Wetland 12/10 and Yellow Waters 13/10.

There were probably more on other sites though we did not look that carefully everywhere.

Freckled Duck (Stictonetta naevosa)

QLD: 6 Hastie's Swamp 19/10.



Magpie Goose

Plumed Whistling-Duck

**Black Swan** (Cygnus atratus) **WA:** 1 Busselton 5/10 and **QLD:** 5 Lake Mitchell 20/10.

# **Australian Shelduck** (Tadorna tadornoides)

**WA:** 1 Perth-Bunkers Bay 4/10 and 45 Cowaramupp 6/10.

# Radjah Shelduck (Tadorna radjah)

NT: 3 WWL 9/10 and 10 there 10/10, 10 Mamukala Wetland 12/10, 10 Anbangbang

(Nourlangie) 12-13/10 and 30 Yellow Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 14 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

# **Green Pygmy-goose** (Nettapus pulchellus)

NT: 2 Fogg Dam 9/10, up to 50 WWL 9-11/10, 10 Mamukala Wetland 12/10, 10

Anbangbang (Nourlangie) 12-13/10 and common Yellow Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 10 Cattana Wetlands, Cairns 25/10.



Radjah Shelduck

## Maned Duck (Chenonetta jubata)

WA: 30 Dunsborough 5/10, 20 Busselton 5/10 and 10 Perth-Bunkers Bay 7/10.

**NSW:** 6 Sydney Botanical Garden 27/10.

## Pacific Black Duck (Anas superciliosa)

WA: 15 Dunsborough 5/10, 10 Busselton 5/10 and 5 Margaret River 6/10.

NT: 5 Anbangbang (Nourlangie) 12/10 and 10 along the road 18/10.

QLD: hundreds Hastie's Swamp 19/10 and 35 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

**NSW:** 4 Sydney Botanical Garden 27/10.

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

**WA:** 2 Dunsborough and 20 Busselton 5/10.

QLD: 20 Hastie's Swamp 19/10.

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

**NSW:** 4 (2 pair) Sydney 27/10.

One pair just outside our hotel and one pair in the Botanical Garden. Could have been the same pair when it's only a short distance between the two spots.

## Pink-eared Duck (Malacorhynchus membranaceus)

**WA:** 25 Busselton 5/10.

**QLD:** 50 Hastie's Swamp 19/10.

# White-eyed Duck (Aythya australis)

**WA:** 3 male Busselton 5/10. **QLD:** 50 Hastie's Swamp 19/10.

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

**QLD:** Up to 10 Rose Gums W.R 17-19/10, 10 Lake Eacham 18/10, 5 Mt Hypipamee N.P 19/10 and 5 Daintree 22/10.

#### **Orange-footed Scrubfowl** (Megapodius reinwardt)

**NT:** 6 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10, 10 East Point, Darwin and 4 Howard Springs 9/10, 1 seen + a few more heard WWL 10/10, 2 Darwin 16/10, 4 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 17/10.

**QLD:** 1 RG 18/10, 2 Lake Eacham 18/10, 2-4 Daintree 20-22/10, 2 Daintree River 21/10 and 5 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

#### **Brown Quail** (Coturnix ypsilophora)

NT: 2 (1 pair) Nitmiluk N.P., Katherine 16/10.

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

**WA:** 2 Busselton 5/10.

# Hoary-headed Grebe (Poliocephalus poliocephalus)

NT: 1 Mamukala Wetland 12/10 and 2 Anbangbang, Nourlangie 12-13/10.

## **Yellow-nosed Albatross** (Thalassarche chlororhynchos)

WA: 8 Cape Naturaliste 5/10.

## **Great-winged Petrel** (Pterodroma macroptera)

WA: 100 Cape Naturaliste 5/10 and 5 Sugarloaf Rock 6/10.

#### Flesh-footed Shearwater (Puffinus carneipes)

**NSW:** 2 Sydney 27/10.

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

**NSW:** hundreds Sydney 27/10.

## Fluttering Shearwater (Puffinus gavia)

**NSW:** 20 Sydney 27/10.

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

**NT:** 3 younger birds WWL 9-11/10, 1 adult Darwin-WWL 9/10, 4 Mamukala Wetland 12/10 and 1 adult Yellow Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 1 flying by Daintree River 21/10 and 1 flying by Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

## **Lesser Frigatebird** (Fregata ariel)

QLD: 1 female Michaelmas Cay 23/10.

#### **Brown Booby** (Sula leucogaster)

QLD: 20 Michaelmas Cay 23/10.

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

**WA:** 5 Cape Naturaliste 5/10 and 4 Sugarloaf Rock 6/10.

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

**WA:** 100 Busselton 5/10.

NT: 20 Mamukala Wetland 12/10, 20 Anbangbang, Nourlangie 12-13/10 and 10 Yellow

Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 10 Hastie's Swamp 19/10, 10 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

**NSW:** 10 Sydney Botanical Garden 27/10.

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

**NSW:** 1 Sydney 26/10 and 2 Sydney 27/10.

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

**WA:** 40 Mandurah 4/10, 2 Dunsborough and 2 Busselton 5/10.

**NSW:** 2 Sydney 28/10.

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

**WA:** 10 Busselton 5/10 and 1 Margaret River 6/10.

NT: 10 Mamukala Wetland 12/10, 10 Anbangbang, Nourlangie 12-13/10 and 10 Yellow

Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 5 Hastie's Swamp 19/10, 10 Daintree River 21/10 and 5 Cattana Wetlands 25/10.

NSW: 10 Sydney Botanical Garden 27/10.

# Australasian Darter (Anhinga novaehollandiae)

WA: 1 Busselton 5/10.

NT: 2 Fogg Dam 9/10, 1 Mamukala Wetland 12/10 and 5 Yellow Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 1 Daintree River 21/10 and 1 pair at a nest with 3 chicks Cattana Wetlands 25/10.

#### Australian Pelican (Pelecanus conspicillatus)

WA: 1 Mandurah 4/10, 50 Perth-Bunkers Bay 4/10 and 4 Dunsborough 5/10.

**NT:** 1 WWL 10/10, 19 flying by Wildman Wilderness Lodge 11/10, 1 Mamukala Wetland and 7 Anbangbang, Nourlangie 12/10.

**QLD:** 30 Hastie's Swamp 19/10, 19 Cairns Esplanade 24/10 and 17 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

**NSW:** 3 flying by Sydney 28/10.

## Pacific Heron (Ardea pacifica)

WA: 1 Perth-Bunkers Bay 4/10 and 1 Perth-Bunkers Bay 7/10

NT: 1 Darwin-WW Lodge 9/10, 1 WWL 10-11/10, 10 Mamukala Wetland 12/10 and 40 Anbangbang, Nourlangie 12-13/10.

**QLD:** 1 along the road 18/10, 5 Hastie's Swamp 19/10 and 2 Cattana Wetlands 25/10.

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

**NT:** 1 WWL 10-12/10, common Mamukala Wetland 12/10 and common Yellow Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 5 Hastie's Swamp 19/10, 1 Cairns Esplanade 24/10, 5 Cattana Wetlands and 2 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

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

**NT:** 50 Fogg Dam 9/10, 50 WWL 9-12/10, hundreds Mamukala Wetland 12/10 and hundreds Yellow Waters 13/10.

# White-faced Heron (Egretta novaehollandiae)

**QLD:** 1 Hastie's Swamp 19/10 and 1 Newell Beach 21/10.

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

**NT:** 1 WWL 9/10.

QLD: 1 Newell Beach 21/10 and 1 Cattana Wetlands 25/10.

#### **Pied Heron** (Egretta picata)

**NT:** 6 flying by East Point, Darwin and 60 Fogg Dam 9/10, up to 10 (except 40 flying by 12/10) WWL 9-12/10, hundreds Mamukala Wetland and 20 Anbangbang, Nourlangie 12/10 also 50 Yellow Waters 13/10.

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

NT: 10 WWL 9-12/10 and 5 Anbangbang, Nourlangie 12/10.

QLD: 30 Cairns-Malanda 17/10, 100 along the road 18/10 and 300 along the road 19/10.



Pied Heron

Green Pygmy-goose

# **Striated Heron** (Butorides striata)

**QLD:** 1 Daintree River 21/10.

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

NT: 15 Yellow Waters 13/10. QLD: 1 Daintree River 21/10.

#### Glossy Ibis (Plegadis falcinellus)

**WA:** 20 Busselton 5/10.

NT: 5 WWL 9-10/10 and 5 Yellow Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 5 Hastie's Swamp 19/10.

## **Australian Ibis** (Threskiornis moluccus)

**WA:** 3 Perth-Bunkers Bay 4/10, 100 Busselton 5/10, 50 Cowaramupp 6/10 and 10 Perth-Bunkers Bay 7/10.

NT: 5 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10 and 50 Fogg Dam 9/10.

**QLD:** 10 Hastie's Swamp 19/10. 35 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

10 Sydney 26/10, 100 Sydney 27/10.

Much under recorded, both this and the next species are seen almost "everywhere"!

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

**WA:** 6 Busselton 5/10, 50 Cowaramupp 6/10 and 10 Perth-Bunkers Bay 7/10.

**NT:** 1 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10, 3 East Point, Darwin 9/10, 50 Fogg Dam 9/10 and 25 Yellow Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 20 Palm Cove 25/10.

Comment, see previous species!

#### Royal Spoonbill (Platalea regia)

NT: 6 flying by WWL 11/10 and 10 Anbangbang, Nourlangie 12/10.

QLD: 25 Hastie's Swamp 19/10, 2 Cairns Esplanade 24/10 and 3 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

# **Osprey** (Pandion haliaetus)

**WA:** 1 Mandurah 4/10.

NT: 1 Jabiru-Katherine 14/10.

**QLD:** 1 Palm Cove 22/10.

# **Australian Kite** (Elanus axillaris)

**WA:** 1 Busselton 5/10 and 1 Perth-Bunkers Bay 7/10. **QLD:** 8 along the road on Atherton Tablelands 19/10.

#### Pacific Baza (Aviceda subcristata)

**QLD:** 2 Daintree 20/10.

## **Black-breasted Kite** (Hamirostra melanosternon)

**NT:** 1 adult WWL 10/10.

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

**NT:** 1 WWL 11/10.

# **Swamp Harrier** (Circus approximans)

WA: 3 Busselton 5/10.

**QLD:** 1 Hastie's Swamp 19/10.

# **Spotted Harrier** (Circus assimilis)

**QLD:** 1 adult along the road 19/10.

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

**WA:** 1 Cowaramupp 6/10.

**NT:** 1 WWL 11/10.

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

NT: 1 WWL-Jabiru 12/10 and 1 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 15/10.

**QLD:** 1 RG 19/10.

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

NT: 10 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10, 10 East Point, Darwin 9/10, 20 Fogg Dam 9/10, 50 Darwin-WW Lodge 9/10, 30 Jabiru 14/10, 20 Pine Creek 14/10 and 50 Katherine 14/10.

QLD: 20 Daintree River 21/10.

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

NT: 2 Darwin-WW Lodge 9/10, 5 WWL 10-12/10 and 10 Yellow Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 1 along the road 21/10, 1 Daintree River 21/10, 1 along the road 22/10 and 2 Daintree 22/10.

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

NT: 1 adult Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10 and 2 WWL 9-10/10.

**QLD:** 1 along the road 21/10.

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

NT: 2 adult WWL 9-11/10 and 4 Yellow Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 1 adult along the road 19/10 and 1 Palm Cove 22-23/10.



Whistling Kite

## **Buff-banded Rail** (Gallirallus philippensis)

**QLD:** 1 Cairns-Malanda 17/10 and 1 along the road 19/10.

#### Purple Swamphen (Porphyrio porphyrio)

NT: 1 Mamukala Wetland 12/10 and 1 Yellow Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 1 along the road 18/10, 50 along the road 19/10, 50 Hastie's Swamp 19/10 and 20 Port Douglas 22/10.

# **Dusky Moorhen** (Gallinula tenebrosa)

WA: 2 Perth-Bunkers Bay 4/10.

**NSW:** 25 (including 1 pair with 6 chicks) Sydney Botanical Garden 27/10.

#### **Eurasian Coot** (Fulica atra)

**WA:** 1 Perth-Bunkers Bay 4/10 and 1 Dunsborough 5/10.

QLD: 25 Hastie's Swamp 19/10.

# Sarus Crane (Grus antigone)

**QLD:** 15 along the road 19/10.

Seen after tip from a birder we met at Hastie's Swamp, these birds fed on field not far from the swamp. They were very hard to detect when feeding a few hundred meters away from the road.

#### **Brolga** (Grus rubicunda)

**NT:** 16 Yellow Waters and 2 flying by Warradjan 13/10, also 1 pair along the road between Pine Creek-Darwin 16/10.

#### **Bush Thick-knee** (Burhinus grallarius)

NT: 2 East Point, Darwin 9/10,

**QLD:** 2 ad with 2 chicks RG 18/10 and 1 there 20/10, 1 pair Wonga Beach 21/10, 4 Port Douglas 22/10, a pair Palm Cove 22-25/10 and 1 pair with 1 chick Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

## **Beach Thick-knee** (Esacus magnirostris)

**QLD:** 1 pair Newell Beach 21/10.

#### Pied Stilt (Himantopus leucocephalus)

WA: 1 Perth-Bunkers Bay 4/10 and 14 Dunsborough 5/10.

NT: 3 Yellow Waters 13/10. QLD: 5 Hastie's Swamp 19/10.

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

WA: 1 Mandurah 4/10 and 2 Busselton 5/10.

**QLD:** 3 Newell Beach 21/10.

### **Black-bellied Plover** (*Pluvialis squatarola*)

**QLD:** 6 Cairns Esplanade 24/10.

#### **Masked Lapwing** (Vanellus miles)

NT: Common, hundreds seen at Fogg Dam 9/10.

**QLD:** Common.

## **Lesser Sand-Plover** (Charadrius mongolus)

**QLD:** 15 Cairns Esplanade 24/10.

## **Greater Sand-Plover** (Charadrius leschenaultii)

**QLD:** 8 Cairns Esplanade 24/10.

#### **Red-capped Plover** (Charadrius ruficapillus)

**QLD:** 8 Cairns Esplanade 24/10.

#### **Black-fronted Dotterel** (Elseyornis melanops)

NT: 3 WWL 9-11/10, 3 Anbangbang, Nourlangie 12/10 and 1 Yellow Waters 13/10.

QLD: 5 Cairns Esplanade 24/10 and 2 Cattana Wetlands, Cairns 25/10.

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

NT: 8 Fogg Dam 9/10, 10 WWL 9-11/10, 20 Mamukala Wetland 12/10, 30 Anbangbang,

Nourlangie 12-13/10 and 30 Yellow Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 2 along the road 19/10 and 5 Cattana Wetlands 25/10.

# **Terek Sandpiper** (Xenus cinereus)

QLD: 10 Cairns Esplanade 24/10.

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

NT: 1 WWL 10-11/10, 1 Anbangbang, Nourlangie 12/10 and 4 Yellow Waters 13/10.

**QLD:** 1 Daintree River 21/10.

#### **Gray-tailed Tattler** (*Tringa brevipes*)

**QLD:** 2 Wonga Beach 21/10, 1 Newell Beach 21/10, 20 Cairns Esplanade 24/10 and 3 there 25/10.



Marsh Sandpiper

Comb-crested Jacana

# **Marsh Sandpiper** (*Tringa stagnatilis*)

NT: 1 Mamukala Wetland 12/10 and 5 Yellow Waters 13/10.

# **Wood Sandpiper** (*Tringa glareola*)

NT: 1 Mamukala Wetland 12/10 and 2 Yellow Waters 13/10.

**Whimbrel** (Numenius phaeopus) **QLD:** 3 Cairns Esplanade 24/10.

# Far Eastern Curlew (Numenius madagascariensis)

QLD: 4 Cairns Esplanade 24/10.



Far Eastern Curlew

**Gray-tailed Tattler** 

#### **Black-tailed Godwit** (Limosa limosa)

QLD: 8 Cairns Esplanade 24/10.

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

**QLD:** 1 Newell Beach 21/10, 50 Cairns Esplanade 24/10 and 15 Cairns Esplanade 25/10. 1 bird with a flag was seen and also reported to the project Australasian Wader Studies Group (thanks to Mat Gilfedder for the link). This bird was tagged in Barwon Heads as a one year old bird 25/1/2012, appr 2379 km from the observation point in Cairns.

**Ruddy Turnstone** (Arenaria interpres)

QLD: 5 Michaelmas Cay 23/10 and 1 Cairns Esplanade 24/10.

**Great Knot** (Calidris tenuirostris)

QLD: 125 Cairns Esplanade 24/10 and 1 there 25/10.

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

QLD: 20 Cairns Esplanade 24/10, 11 there 25/10 and 2 Cattana Wetlands 25/10.

**Curlew Sandpiper** (Calidris ferruginea)

QLD: 25 Cairns Esplanade 24/10 and 1 Cairns Esplanade 25/10.

**Red-necked Stint** (Calidris ruficollis) **QLD:** hundreds Cairns Esplanade 24/10.

**Sanderling** (Calidris alba)

**QLD:** 25 Cairns Esplanade 24/10.

Latham's Snipe (Gallinago hardwickii)

QLD: 1 Hastie's Swamp 19/10.

**Australian Pratincole** (Stiltia isabella)

NT: 1 Yellow Waters 13/10.



**Great Knot** 

**Silver Gull** (Chroicocephalus novaehollandiae)

WA: Common.

**NT:** Fairly common around Darwin.

**QLD:** Common. **NSW:** Common.

Pacific Gull (Larus pacificus)

**WA:** 2 adult + 2 young Busselton 5/10.

**Brown Noddy** (Anous stolidus)

**QLD:** thousands Michaelmas Cay 23/10.

**Black Noddy** (Anous minutus) **QLD:** 1 Michaelmas Cay 23/10.

**Sooty Tern** (Onychoprion fuscatus) **QLD:** hundreds Michaelmas Cay 23/10.

**Bridled Tern** (Onychoprion anaethetus)

**QLD:** 5 Michaelmas Cay 23/10.

**Gull-billed Tern** (Gelochelidon nilotica)

**QLD:** 2 Cairns Esplanade 23/10 and 7 there 24/10.

**Caspian Tern** (Hydroprogne caspia) **QLD:** 2 Cairns Esplanade 24/10.

Whiskered Tern (Chlidonias hybrida)

NT: 1 Fogg Dam and 1 WWL 9/10, also hundreds Mamukala Wetland 12/10.

**Black-naped Tern** (Sterna sumatrana)

QLD: 2 Michaelmas Cay 23/10.

**Great Crested Tern** (Thalasseus bergii)

**WA:** 25 Busselton 5/10 and 80 on the beach Yallingup 6/10. **QLD:** 1 Cairns Esplanade 23/10, 50 Michaelmas Cay 23/10.

**NSW:** 1 Sydney 27/10.

**Lesser Crested Tern** (Thalasseus bengalensis)

**QLD:** around 100 Michaelmas Cay 23/10.

**Domestic Dove** (Columba livia domestica)

Seen in major cities.

**Spotted Dove** (Streptopelia chinensis)

**QLD:** 2 Cairns Esplanade 24-25/10 and 1 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

**Laughing Dove** (Streptopelia senegalensis)

**WA:** 1 Bunkers Bay 6/10 and 1 Fremantle 7/10.

**Brown Cuckoo-Dove** (Macropygia phasianella) **QLD:** up to 3 RG 17-20/10 and 5 Mt Lewis 21/10.

**Emerald Dove** (Chalcophaps indica)

**QLD:** 1 RG 18/10.

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

**WA:** 10 Dunsborough and 4 Busselton 5/10, also 6 Cape Naturaliste 6/10.

**Crested Pigeon** (Ocyphaps lophotes)

WA: 3 Perth-Bunkers Bay 4/10.

**NT:** 1 Pine Creek 14/10.

QLD: 3 Cairns-Malanda 17/10, 5 along the road 19/10, 1 Hastie's Swamp 19/10 and 2

Granite Gorge 20/10.

**Partridge Pigeon** (Geophaps smithii)

NT: 2 Nourlangie 13/10.

**Chestnut-quilled Rock-Pigeon** (Petrophassa rufipennis)

**NT:** 1 flushed below the cliffs close to Nourlangie 13/10.

**Squatter Pigeon** (Geophaps scripta)

QLD: 12 Granite Gorge 20/10.



Squatter Pigeon

Peaceful Dove (Geopelia placida)

NT: 5 East Point, Darwin 9/10 and 10 Wildman Wilderness Lodge 9-11/10.

**QLD:** Common

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

**NT:** Fairly common. **QLD:** Common

## **Wompoo Fruit-Dove** (Ptilinopus magnificus)

**QLD:** Up to 2 RG 18-19/10, 1 heard Daintree 20/10, 1 on nest Daintree River 21/10, 2 heard Mt Lewis 21/10, 1 Daintree 22/10 and 1 Black Mountain Rd, Kuranda 24/10.

## **Superb Fruit-Dove** (Ptilinopus superbus)

**QLD:** 1 male RG 20/10.

# **Rose-crowned Fruit-Dove** (Ptilinopus regina)

NT: 2 heard Howard Springs 9/10 and 1 pair WWL 12/10.

## **Torresian Imperial-Pigeon** (Ducula spilorrhoa)

**NT:** Common. **QLD:** Common.

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

**QLD:** 2 Mt Lewis 21/10 and 6 flying by Black Mountain Rd, Kuranda 24/10.





Wompoo Fruit-dove

Common Bronzewing

# Brush Cuckoo (Cacomantis variolosus)

**QLD:** 1 heard Wonga Beach 21/10.

# Fan-tailed Cuckoo (Cacomantis flabelliformis)

**WA:** 1 heard Margaret River 6/10.

# Black-eared Cuckoo (Chrysococcyx osculans)

**NT:** 1 WWL 10/10.

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

**WA:** 1 heard Bunkers Bay 6/10 and 1+1 heard Bunkers Bay 7/10.

**QLD:** 1 heard Mt Hypipamee N.P 19/10.

# **Little Bronze-Cuckoo** (Chrysococcyx minutillus)

NT: 2 heard East Point, Darwin 9/10.

**QLD:** 1 heard Wonga Beach 21/10 and 1 nicely perched Daintree 22/10.

## **Australian Koel** (Eudynamys cyanocephalus)

**QLD:** Common Daintree River 21/10, 10 Daintree 22/10 and 1 heard Cattana Wetlands 25/10.

#### **Channel-billed Cuckoo** (Scythrops novaehollandiae)

**QLD:** 1 younger bird Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10.

#### Pheasant Coucal (Centropus phasianinus)

NT: 1 Darwin-WWL 9/10, 1 Mamukala Wetland 12/10 and 1 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 16/10.

**QLD:** 1 along the road 21/10 and 1 Daintree 22/10.

## White-throated Needletail (Hirundapus caudacutus)

**QLD:** 2 RG 18/10.

## **Australian Swiftlet** (Aerodramus terraereginae)

**QLD:** 10 Cairns-Malanda 17/10, 5 Rose Gums W.R 18/10, 10 along the road 18/10 and 30 along the road 19/10.

## **Azure Kingfisher** (Ceyx azureus)

NT: 1 Wildman Wilderness Lodge 10/10 and 8 Yellow Waters 13/10.

QLD: 3 Daintree River 21/10.

#### **Little Kingfisher** (Ceyx pusillus)

NT: 1 Yellow Waters 13/10.

#### **Laughing Kookaburra** (Dacelo novaequineae)

**WA:** 1 Bunkers Bay 5/10, 1 Cape Naturaliste 6/10, 1 Margaret River 6/10, 2 Bunkers Bay 7/10.

**QLD:** 1 Cairns-Malanda 17/10, 1 along the road 18/10, 2 along the road 19 and 21-22/10.

**NSW:** 1 Sydney Botanical Garden 28/10.

## Blue-winged Kookaburra (Dacelo leachii)

**NT:** 1 pair WWL 11/10, 1 WWL-Jabiru 12/10, 1 Jabiru 13/10, 3 Jabiru 14/10, 1 Katherine 15/10 and 2 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 15-16/10.

QLD: 1 heard Daintree 20/10.

# Forest Kingfisher (Todiramphus macleayii)

**NT:** 1 pair East Point, Darwin 9/10, up to 2 pairs Wildman Wilderness Lodge 9-12/10, 1 Nourlangie 13/10, 3 Yellow Waters 13/10, 2 Jabiru 14/10, 1 Jabiru-Katherine 14/10 and 2 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 15-16/10.

**QLD:** 1 Hastie's Swamp 19/10, 1 RG 20/10, 2 along the road 21/10 and 3 along the road 22/10.



Azure Kingfisher

Red-backed Kingfisher (Todiramphus pyrrhopygius)

**NT:** 1 WWL 9-12/10.

Collared Kingfisher (Todiramphus chloris)

**QLD:** 1 Cairns Mangrove Boardwalk 25/10.

**Sacred Kingfisher** (Todiramphus sanctus)

NT: 1 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10, 1 Nourlangie 13/10, 1 Jabiru 14/10,

**QLD:** 1 along the road 19/10, 1 Daintree River 21/10 and 1 Cattana Wetlands 25/10.

**Rainbow Bee-eater** (Merops ornatus)

NT: 1 Howard Springs 9/10, 3 Fogg Dam 9/10, up to 15 WWL 9-11/10, 6 Jabiru 14/10

and 20 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 15-16/10.

**QLD:** 2 Granite Gorge 20/10 and 2 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

**Dollarbird** (Eurystomus orientalis)

NT: Up to 3 WWL 9-11/10, 1 WWL-Jabiru 12/10, 1 Jabiru 14/10, 2 Nitmiluk N.P 15-16/10.

**QLD:** 1 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

**Australian Kestrel** (Falco cenchroides)

**WA:** 1 Cape Naturaliste 5/10 and 1 along the road between Bunkers Bay-Perth 7/10.

**Australian Hobby** (Falco longipennis)

**NT:** 1 WWL 9/10.

**Peregrine Falcon** (Falco peregrinus)

NT: 2 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10.

# Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo (Calyptorhynchus banksii)

NT: 55 Darwin-WWL 9/10, 5 WWL 10-11/10, 75 WWL-Jabiru 12/10, 5 Warradjan 13/10, 5

Jabiru-Katherine 14/10 and 35 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 15-16/10.

**QLD:** 10 along the road 20/10.

# **Baudin's Black-Cockatoo** (Calyptorhynchus baudinii)

**WA:** 55 Yallingup 6/10.

#### Galah (Eolophus roseicapilla)

**WA:** 15 Perth-Bunkers Bay 4/10, 10 Dunsborough 5/10, 10 Busselton 5/10, 35 Bunkers Bay 6/10, 10 Yallingup 6/10, 10 Perth-Bunkers Bay 7/10 and 5 Serpentine N.P 7/10.

NT: 5 Katherine 14/10 and 5 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 15/10.

# **Little Corella** (Cacatua sanguinea)

**WA:** 3 Dunsborough 6/10.

**NT:** hundreds WWL 9-11/10, at least 100 Jabiru 13-14/10.

**QLD:** hundreds along the road 19/10.



Baudin's Black-Cockatoo

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

**NT:** 2 East Point, Darwin 9/10, 10 WWL 9-10/10, 2 Warradjan 13/10, 4 Jabiru 14/10, 8 Nitmiluk N.P 15-16/10,

**QLD:** up to 10 RG 17-18/10, 50 along the road 19/10 and 10 Palm Cove 25/10.

**NSW:** Up to 7 Sydney Botanical garden 27-28/10.

## Rainbow Lorikeet (Trichoglossus haematodus)

**WA:** 5 Fremantle 7/10.

NT: Common. Subspecies rubritorquis ("Red-collared" Lorikeet) is seen in NT.

**QLD:** Common.

**NSW:** 2 Sydney Botanical Garden 26/10 and 10 there 27/10.



Rainbow Lorikeet

Rainbow "Red-collared" Lorikeet

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

**QLD:** 4 along the road 19/10, 2 Granite Gorge 20/10 and 4 Cairns Esplanade 24/10.

# **Varied Lorikeet** (Psitteuteles versicolor)

NT: 1 Jabiru-Katherine 14/10 and 20 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 15/10.

#### **Double-eyed Fig-Parrot** (Cyclopsitta diophthalma)

**QLD:** 2 seen RG 17 and 20/10, 4 flying by Daintree River 21/10, 4 flying by Daintree 22/10 and 2 pairs nicely perched Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

#### **Port Lincoln Parrot** (Barnardius zonarius)

**WA:** 2 Mandurah 4/10, 10 Perth-Bunkers Bay 4/10, 4 Bunkers Bay 5-6/10, 1 male Cape Naturaliste 5/10, 3 Busselton 5/10, 1 Yallingup 6/10, 4 Margaret River 6/10, 5 Perth-Bunkers Bay 7/10 and 3 Serpentine N.P 7/10.

#### Northern Rosella (Platycercus venustus)

NT: 1 pair Nourlangie 12/10 and 4 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 14-15/10.

#### Western Rosella (Platycercus icterotis)

**WA:** 4 Bunkers Bay 5-7/10.

#### **Hooded Parrot** (Psephotus dissimilis)

NT: 1 pair Pine Creek 14/10 and 10 Pine Creek 16/10.

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

**QLD:** Common RG 18-19/10.

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

NT: 1 flying by WWL 10/10 and 10 there 11/10, 10 Pine Creek 14/10 and 20 Nitmiluk N.P.

15/10.

# **Rainbow Pitta** (Pitta iris)

NT: 1+1 heard Howard Springs 9/10 and 2 different birds heard WWL 9-11/10.

## **Spotted Catbird** (Ailuroedus melanotis)

**QLD:** 1 heard RG 17-20/10 except 19/10 when 1+2 heard were logged, also 2+5 Mt Lewis 21/10.

#### **Tooth-billed Catbird** (Scenopoeetes dentirostris)

QLD: 1 male seen around his playground RG 18-20/10, and 1+3 heard Mt Lewis 21/10.

# **Golden Bowerbird** (Amblyornis newtoniana)

**QLD:** 2 (1 adult male + 1 female colored) at a magnificent bower Mt Lewis 21/10.

# **Great Bowerbird** (Chlamydera nuchalis)

NT: 2 Nourlangie 12-13/10, 2 Gagudju Lodge, Yellow Waters 13/10, 3 Pine Creek 14/10, up to 6 Nitmiluk N.P 14-16/10.



**Great Bowerbird** 

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

QLD: 1 Mt Hypipamee N.P 19/10 and 1+3 heard Mt Lewis 21/10.

# **Southern Emuwren** (Stipiturus malachurus)

**WA:** 1 pair Cape Naturaliste 6/10.

# **Red-winged Fairywren** (Malurus elegans)

**WA:** 10 Margaret River 6/10.

## **Splendid Fairywren** (Malurus splendens)

WA: 4 male Bunkers Bay 5-6/10, 5 Cape Naturaliste 6/10 and 3 Serpentine N.P 7/10.





Red-backed and Splendid Fairywren, two real stunners.

## **Red-backed Fairywren** (Malurus melanocephalus)

**NT:** 2 male and 1 female Jabiru 14/10, 1 male along the road 19/10, 1 pair Granite Gorge 20/10.

**QLD:** 1 male + 2 female colored Cattana Wetlands 25/10.

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

**QLD:** Up to 3 RG 18-19/10.

# **Western Spinebill** (Acanthorhynchus superciliosus)

**WA:** 1 pair Bunkers Bay 5 and 7/10, also 1 male Cape Naturaliste 6/10.

#### **Graceful Honeyeater** (Meliphaga gracilis)

**QLD:** 3 Daintree River 21/10, 3 Daintree 22/10 and 1 Cairns Esplanade 25/10.

#### **Yellow-spotted Honeyeater** (Meliphaga notata)

**QLD:** 2 Daintree 22/10.

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

QLD: 2 Cairns-Malanda 17/10, common RG 17-20/10 and common Mt Lewis 21/10.

#### **White-lined Honeyeater** (Meliphaga albilineata)

**NT:** 1 Nourlangie 12/10.

#### **Bridled Honeyeater** (Lichenostomus frenatus)

**QLD:** 1 Rose Gums W.R 19/10 and 10 Mt Lewis 21/10.

#### **Varied Honeyeater** (Lichenostomus versicolor)

**QLD:** 1 Cairns Esplanade 24/10.

#### **Yellow Honeyeater** (*Lichenostomus flavus*)

**QLD:** 3 Granite Gorge 20/10, 1 Cairns Esplanade and 1 Cattana Wetlands 25/10.

# **White-gaped Honeyeater** (Lichenostomus unicolor)

NT: 1 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10, 5 East Point, Darwin 9/10, 3 WWL 9-11/10, 1 Warradjan 13/10, 2 Jabiru 14/10 and 2 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 15-16/10.

**Noisy Miner** (Manorina melanocephala)

QLD: 5 along the road 19/10.

NSW: 20 Sydney Botanical Garden 27/10.

**Red Wattlebird** (Anthochaera carunculata)

WA: Common.

**Western Wattlebird** (Anthochaera lunulata)

**WA:** 1 Perth-Bunkers Bay 4/10.

**Brown-backed Honeyeater** (Ramsayornis modestus)

**QLD:** 3 Daintree River 21/10.

**Bar-breasted Honeyeater** (Ramsayornis fasciatus)

**NT:** 5 WWL 9-12/10 and 5 Warradjan 13/10.

Rufous-banded Honeyeater (Conopophila albogularis)

**NT:** Very common.



Rufous-banded and Rufous-throated Honeyeater

# **Rufous-throated Honeyeater** (Conopophila rufogularis)

**NT:** 2 Bicentennial park 8/10, 1 Warradjan 13/10, 20 Pine Creek 14/10 and 5 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 15/10.

#### **Dusky Myzomela** (Myzomela obscura)

**NT:** 5 Wildman Wilderness Lodge 10-12/10, 2 Nourlangie 12/10, 1 Warradjan 13/10 and 5 Nitmiluk N.P 15/10,

**QLD:** 2 Cairns-Malanda 17/10, 2 RG 18-20/10 and 2 Black Mountain Rd, Kuranda 24/10.

Red-headed Myzomela (Myzomela erythrocephala)

**NT:** 2 Darwin 16/10.

Scarlet Myzomela (Myzomela sanquinolenta)

**QLD:** 2 RG 19/10.

## **Banded Honeyeater** (Cissomela pectoralis)

**NT:** 1 male WWL 9/10.

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

WA: 3 Cape Naturaliste 6/10 and 2 Serpentine N.P 7/10.

NT: Common

**QLD:** Fairly common.

# New Holland Honeyeater (Phylidonyris novaehollandiae)

WA: Common.

# White-cheeked Honeyeater (Phylidonyris niger)

**WA:** 1 Perth 4/10.

**QLD:** 1 or 2 RG 19-20/10.

## **White-throated Honeyeater** (*Melithreptus alboqularis*)

NT: 2 WWL 12/10, 2 Nourlangie 13/10, 2 Warradjan 13/10, 4 Jabiru 14/10 and 10

Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 15/10.

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

NT: Up to 6 Wildman Wilderness Lodge 9-12/10, 1 Nourlangie 13/10, 5 Jabiru 14/10, 10

Pine Creek 14/10 and 20 Nitmiluk N.P 15-16/10.

**QLD:** 2 Granite Gorge 20/10 and 5 Mt Molloy 20/10.

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

**NT:** 20 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10, 2 East Point, Darwin 9/10 and 5 Nitmiluk N.P 15-16/10.

#### **Helmeted Friarbird** (Philemon buceroides)

**NT:** 5 Nourlangie 12-13/10.

**QLD:** 2 Granite Gorge 20/10, 2 Wonga Beach 21/10 and 2 Cattana Wetlands 25/10.

## **Silver-crowned Friarbird** (Philemon argenticeps)

NT: Common Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 15-16/10.

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

**QLD:** 20 along the road 19/10 and 10 Granite Gorge 20/10.

#### **Macleay's Honeyeater** (Xanthotis macleayanus)

**QLD:** 1-2 RG 18-19/10 and 1 Daintree 20/10.

#### Fernwren (Oreoscopus gutturalis)

**QLD:** 4 Mt Lewis 21/10.

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

**QLD:** 1 Millaa Millaa Falls 19/10, 2 RG 20/10 and 20 Mt Lewis 21/10.



Silver-crowned Friarbird

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

**WA:** 3 Bunkers Bay 5/10, 5 Cape Naturaliste 6/10 and 2 Margaret River 6/10.

**Atherton Scrubwren** (Sericornis keri)

**QLD:** 2 Mt Hypipamee N.P 19/10 and 10 Mt Lewis 21/10.

**Mountain Thornbill** (Acanthiza katherina)

**QLD:** 10 Mt Lewis 21/10.

**Inland Thornbill** (Acanthiza apicalis)

**WA:** up to 3 Bunkers Bay 5-7/10 and 3 Margaret River 6/10.

Weebill (Smicrornis brevirostris)

**NT:** 2 Jabiru 14/10.

**Green-backed Gerygone** (Gerygone chloronota)

**NT:** 2 WWL 11/10.

**Large-billed Gerygone** (Gerygone magnirostris)

**NT:** 2 WWL 10/10.

QLD: 10 Daintree River 21/10.

**Brown Gerygone** (Gerygone mouki)

**QLD:** 20 RG 18-19/10, 20 Lake Eacham 18/10 and 4 Mt Hypipamee N.P 19/10.

**Western Gerygone** (Gerygone fusca)

**WA:** 5 Bunkers Bay and 2 Serpentine N.P 7/10.

# **Mangrove Gerygone** (Gerygone levigaster)

QLD: 2 Cattana Wetlands 25/10.

## **Gray-crowned Babbler** (Pomatostomus temporalis)

NT: 5 Nourlangie 13/10, 10 Pine Creek 14/10, 6 Pine Creek 16/10 and 1 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 17/10.

## Chowchilla (Orthonyx spaldingii)

**QLD:** 5 Mt Lewis 21/10.

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

**QLD:** 2 Rose Gums W.R 17-18/10, 10 Lake Eacham 18/10, 3 heard Mt Hypipamee N.P 19/10, 10 Mt Lewis 21/10 and 2 heard Black Mountain Rd, Kuranda 24/10.

## **Yellow-breasted Boatbill** (Machaerirhynchus flaviventer)

**QLD:** 1 male Mt Lewis 21/10.

# White-breasted Woodswallow (Artamus leucorynchus)

**NT:** 2 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10, 2 Yellow Waters 13/10, 4 Pine Creek 14/10, 4 Katherine 14/10, 6 Katherine 15/10 and 4 Pine Creek-Darwin 16/10.

**QLD:** 2 Mt Molloy and 10 Daintree 20/10, 20 roadsides birds between Palm Cove and Cairns 21-24/10.

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

WA: 1 Perth-Bunkers Bay 7/10 and 1 Bunkers Bay 7/10.

#### **Silver-backed Butcherbird** (Cracticus argenteus)

**NT:** 2 Howard Springs 9/10.

#### **Pied Butcherbird** (Cracticus nigrogularis)

NT: 1 Nourlangie 13/10, 1 Pine Creek 14/10, 2 Katherine 15/10 and 3 Pine Creek-Darwin 16/10.

**QLD:** 5 along the road 19/10.

#### **Black Butcherbird** (Cracticus quoyi)

**QLD:** 1 Daintree 21/10, 1 Daintree River 21/10, 1 Palm Cove 23/10, 1 Cattana Wetlands 25/10 and 3 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

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

WA: Common.

**QLD:** Fairly common.

**NSW:** A few seen in Sydney Botanical Garden 27-28/10.

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

**QLD:** Up to 3 RG 17-19/10 and 5 along the road 19/10.

**NSW:** 5 Sydney Botanical Garden 27/10.

## **Barred Cuckoo-shrike** (Coracina lineata)

**QLD:** Up to 5 RG 18-19/10, 1 Wonga Beach 21/10 and 1 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

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

**WA:** 2 Bunkers Bay 5/10, 2 Perth-Bunkers Bay 7/10, 2 WWL-Jabiru 12/10, 2 Katherine 15/10, 10 along the road 19/10.

#### White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike (Coracina papuensis)

**NT:** 3 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10, 2 East Point, Darwin 9/10, up to 8 WWL 10-12/10, 5 WWL-Jabiru 12/10, 8 Nourlangie 13/10, 5 Jabiru-Katherine 14/10 and 6 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 15/10.

**QLD:** 5 along the road 19/10 and 1 Cairns Esplanade 25/10.

# **White-winged Triller** (Lalage tricolor)

**NT:** 1 Fogg Dam 9/10 and 1 Pine Creek 16/10.

## **Varied Triller** (Lalage leucomela)

NT: 5 East Point, Darwin 9/10, 2 Howard Springs 9/10, 2 WWL 10-12/10,

**QLD:** 1 RG 18 and 20/10 also 1 Daintree 22/10.

## **Common Cicadabird** (Edolisoma tenuirostre)

**QLD:** 1 heard RG 18/10 and 1+1 heard there 20/10, also 1 heard Daintree 20/10.

# Rufous Shrike-Thrush (Colluricincla megarhyncha)

**QLD:** 2 RG18-19/10 and 1 Daintree 20/10.

#### **Sandstone Shrike-Thrush** (Colluricincla woodwardi)

**NT:** 2 Nourlangie 12/10.

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

**WA:** 3 Cape Naturaliste 6/10.

NT: 2 Anbangbang, Nourlangie 13/10.

#### Bower's Shrike-Thrush (Colluricincla boweri)

**QLD:** 1 RG 18-19/10 and 5 Mt Lewis 21/10.

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

**WA:** 3 heard Bunkers Bay 5/10, 5 Cape Naturaliste 6/10, 2 heard Bunkers Bay 7/10, and 5 Serpentine N.P 7/10.

**QLD:** 1 pair Mt Hypipamee N.P 19/10 and 4 Mt Lewis 21/10.

#### **Gray Whistler** (Pachycephala simplex)

NT: 2 East Point, Darwin 9/10.

#### **Rufous Whistler** (Pachycephala rufiventris)

**WA:** 1 male Bunkers Bay 7/10.

**NT:** 1 male WWL 11/10, 1 heard Jabiru-Katherine 14/10, seen and 1 heard Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 16/10.

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

NT: 1 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10 and 1-2 Nourlangie 12/10.

## **Green Oriole** (Oriolus flavocinctus)

NT: Common QLD: Common.

## Australasian Figbird (Sphecotheres vieilloti)

**NT:** Very common. **QLD:** Very common.

# **Spangled Drongo** (Dicrurus bracteatus)

**NT:** 3 Howard Springs 9/10, 3-4 WWL 10-11/10 and 2 Yellow Waters 13/10. 2 flocks of at least 20 each + 10 scattered along the road 19/10, 6 Mt Molloy 20/10, **QLD:** 5 Daintree River 21/10, 3 Daintree 22/10, 2 Cairns Esplanade 25/10, 2 Cattana Wetlands 25/10 and 2 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

#### **Northern Fantail** (Rhipidura rufiventris)

**NT:** 1 East Point, Darwin 9/10 and up to 5 WWL 10-11/10.

#### Willie-wagtail (Rhipidura leucophrys)

WA: 5 Busselton 5/10, 2 Perth-Bunkers Bay 7/10 and 2 Fremantle 7/10.

NT: 2 Fogg Dam 9/10 and 6 Wildman Wilderness Lodge 10/10.

**QLD:** Up to 5 Cairns Esplanade 23-24/10.

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

**QLD:** 2 RG 18/10.

#### **Arafura Fantail** (Rhipidura dryas)

NT: 3 WWL 10/10 and 1 Yellow Waters 13/10.

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

WA: 5 Bunkers Bay 5/10, 10 Margaret River 6/10 and 15 Serpentine N.P 7/10.

QLD: 1 Mt Hypipamee N.P 19/10 and 5 Mt Lewis 21/10.

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

**QLD:** 2 RG 18-20/10, 2 Daintree 20/10 and 1 Daintree River 21/10.

# **Spectacled Monarch** (Symposiachrus trivirgatus)

**QLD:** 2 Daintree 20/10.

# **Pied Monarch** (Arses kaupi)

QLD: 1 Lake Eacham 18/10 and 2 Daintree 20/10.



Pied Monarch

## Magpie-lark (Grallina cyanoleuca)

WA: 5 Busselton 5/10, 3 Perth-Bunkers Bay 7/10,

NT: 4 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 8/10, 6 East Point, Darwin 9/10, 6 Fogg Dam 9/10, 30 in one flock WWL 11-12/10, 10 Pine Creek 14/10 and 20 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 14-16/10.

**QLD:** 10 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10. **NSW:** 2 Sydney Botanical Garden 27/10.

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

**NT:** 1 pair WWL 10-12/10.

#### **Broad-billed Flycatcher** (Myiagra ruficollis)

**NT:** 4 Fogg Dam 9/10.

# **Satin Flycatcher** (Myiagra cyanoleuca)

**QLD:** 1 male Daintree River 21/10.

# Paperbark Flycatcher (Myiagra nana)

**NT:** 5 Fogg Dam 9/10, up to 5 WWL 11-12/10 and 5 Yellow Waters 13/10.

#### **Shining Flycatcher** (Myiagra alecto)

NT: 4 female East Point, Darwin 9/10, 1 male WWL 10/10, 2 Yellow Waters 13/10 and 1

male Warradjan 13/10.

QLD: 4 Daintree River 21/10.

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

NT: Common.

**QLD:** Fairly common.

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

WA: 50 Perth-Bunkers Bay 4/10 and 30 Bunkers Bay 5/10.

## **Victoria's Riflebird** (Ptiloris victoriae)

**QLD:** 1 heard RG 17/10, 1 female colored RG 18-19/10, 2 pairs seen nicely perched giving prolonged views 20/10 and 1 female colored + 1 male heard Mt Lewis 21/10.

## **Lemon-bellied Flycatcher** (Microeca flavigaster)

NT: 2 pair East Point, Darwin 9/10 and up to 3 WWL 10-12/10.

## Red-capped Robin (Petroica goodenovii)

**WA:** 2 (1 ad + 1 younger male) Yallingup 6/10.

#### Pale-yellow Robin (Tregellasia capito)

**QLD:** 5 RG 18-20/10, 2 Lake Eacham 18/10, 1 Daintree 20/10, 5 Mt Lewis 21/10 and 3 Black Mountain Rd, Kuranda 24/10.

## **Eastern Yellow Robin** (Eopsaltria australis)

**QLD:** 1 Black Mountain Rd, Kuranda 24/10

#### White-breasted Robin (Eopsaltria georgiana)

**WA:** 3 Bunkers Bay 5/10 and 5 Cape Naturaliste 6/10.

## Mangrove Robin (Eopsaltria pulverulenta)

**QLD:** 5 Cairns Esplanade 25/10

## **Gray-headed Robin** (Heteromyias albispecularis)

**QLD:** 1 Millaa Millaa Falls 19/10, 1 Mt Hypipamee N.P 19/10, 1 RG 20/10 and 3 Mt Lewis 21/10.

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

**WA:** Common. **OLD:** Common

NSW: Common Sydney 27-28/10.

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

QLD: 2 along the road 19/10.

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

**WA:** 1 Cowaramupp 6/10.

**NT:** up to 20 WWL 9-11/10, 30 Yellow Waters 13/10 and 10 Katherine 14/10.

5 along the road 19/10.

**NSW:** 2 Sydney Botanical Garden 28/10.

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

NT: 4 Yellow Waters 13/10.

# **Australian Yellow White-eye** (Zosterops luteus)

**NT:** 1 Darwin 16/10.

Silver-eye (Zosterops lateralis)

WA: up to 15 Bunkers Bay 5-6/10 and 10 Cape Naturaliste 6/10.

**QLD:** Common RG 18-22/10.

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

**QLD:** 1 Mt Lewis 21/10.

## **Metallic Starling** (Aplonis metallica)

**QLD:** Up to 10 RG 18-22/10, 50 along the road 21/10, 100 Daintree River 21/10, 25 Wonga Beach 21/10, 50 Daintree 22/10, 20 Palm Cove 25/10 and 50 Cairns Esplanade 25/10.

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

QLD: Common.

**NSW:** Common Sydney 27-28/10.

## **Mistletoebird** (Dicaeum hirundinaceum)

NT: 3 Howard Springs 9/10, 2 WWL 10-12/10, 1 Yellow Waters 13/10, 1 Warradjan

13/10, 1 Nitmiluk N.P, Katherine 15/10.

**QLD:** 1 Wonga Beach 21/10, 1 Black Mountain Rd, Kuranda 24/10 and 1 Cattana Wetlands 25/10.

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

**QLD:** 6 Mt Molloy 20/10, 1 Daintree Ferry 22/10, 5 Cairns Esplanade 25/10, 3 Cattana Wetlands 25/10 and 3 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

# **House Sparrow** (Passer domesticus)

QLD: 3 Cairns Esplanade 23/10.



Double-barred Finch

Crimson Finch

#### Red-eared Firetail (Stagonopleura oculata)

**WA:** 3 Serpentine N.P 7/10.

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

**QLD:** Up to 10 RG 18-20/10 and 10 Mt Lewis 21/10.



Red-eared Firetail

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

**QLD:** Up to 10 RG 18-20/10 and 10 Mt Lewis 21/10.

**Crimson Finch** (Neochmia phaeton)

NT: 30 Fogg Dam 9/10 and 3 Yellow Waters 13/10.

**Double-barred Finch** (Taeniopygia bichenovii)

NT: 50 WWL 10-11/10 and 15 there 12/10 and 1 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 17/10.

**Long-tailed Finch** (Poephila acuticauda)

NT: 2 Yellow Waters 13/10 and 15 Jabiru 14/10.

**Blue-faced Parrotfinch** (Erythrura trichroa)

**QLD:** 2 RG 20/10.

**Nutmeg Mannikin** (Lonchura punctulata)

QLD: 15 Cairns Esplanade 24/10 and 6 Centenary Lakes, Cairns 25/10.

**Chestnut-breasted Munia** (Lonchura castaneothorax)

**QLD:** 8 along the road 19/10, 8 RG 20/10 and 75 near Newell Beach 21/10.

# **Mammals**

Names and order follows Menkhorst & Knight.

**Platypus** (Ornithorhynchus anatinus)

1 seen in a small creek near Rose Gum 18/10.

Excellent! Pointed out by the owners at Rose Gum.

## **Northern Brown Bandicoot** (*Isoodon macrourus*)

1 visited the restaurant at Daintree Eco Lodge for a short while 20/10 and a very short while 21/10.

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

1 Bicentennial Park, Darwin 17/10.

# Musky Rat-kangaroo (Hypsiprymnodon moschatus)

3 Rose Gum 18/10, 2 seen there 19/10 and 3 Mt Lewis 21/10.

## **Lumholtz's Tree Kangaroo** (Dendrolagus lumholtzi)

2 Nerada Tea farm 18/10.

# Agile Wallaby (Macropus agilis)

Common, especially between Palm Cove and Cairns 23-25/10. The first's (5) was seen at East Point, Darwin 9/10.



Musky Rat-kangaroo

Lumholtz's Tree Kangaroo

#### **Western Grey Kangaroo** (Macropus fuliginosus)

5 seen along the road between Perth and Bunkers Bay 4/10.

#### Mareeba Rock Wallaby (Petrogale mareeba)

10 Granite Gorge 20/10.

# Black Flying-fox (Pteropus Alecto)

10 seen on day roost Bicentennial Park, Darwin 17/10.

# **Spectacled Flying-fox** (Pteropus conspicillatus)

A few seen on the boat trip on Daintree River 21/10 and 10 found on day roost Daintree 22/10.





Agile Wallaby

Mareeba Rock-wallaby

# **Little Red Flying-fox** (Pteropus scapulatus)

20 seen on day roost Katherine Gorge 15/10 and 5-10 in a fruiting tree near our hotel Sydney 26/10.

Dingo (Canis lupus dingo)

1 WWL 11/10.

**Horse** (Equus caballus)

Around 10 were seen on the drive from Jabiru to Pine Creek 14/10.

# **Swamp Buffalo** (Bubalus bubalus)

1 WWL 10/10 and a few Yellow Waters 13/10.

Pig (Sus scrofa)

9 seen at Anbangbang (Nourlangie) 12/10.

# **Humpback Whale** (Megaptera novaeangliae)

At least 15 seen from the lookout at Cape Naturaliste 5/10.

All photos by the authors.

Compiled by:

Lars Olausson Slottsvägen 21 86134 Timrå

Sweden

Email: birdinglarne@gmail.com

Hans-Erik Persson Piteåvägen 37 85637 Sundsvall Sweden



Forest Kingfisher



Sulphur-crested Cockatoo



Western Corella