

Spring in Northern Cyprus

Naturetrek Tour Report

29th March – 5th April 2023



Yellow Wagtail by Roger Beck



Black Francolin by Roger Beck



Ruins at Salamis by Philippa O'Brien



Ophrys kotschyi by Roger Beck

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Day 1

Wednesday 29th March

18c on arrival

The flight from Heathrow carrying Pip, Andy and eight of the travellers arrived ahead of schedule in Larnaca, even allowing views of some Greater Flamingoes in the salt pans adjoining the airport while we taxied to the terminal. Here we met up with six other travellers who had enjoyed the previous week in a South Cyprus

Once we were all aboard, we set off north, but not in great weather. Despite being a little warmer than in the UK with some sun, it was very windy and squally. Once out of the divided city of Lefkosa (aka Nicosia), it was a straightforward journey along roads lined with various Acacia species and Giant Fennel (*Ferula communis*) to Girne (aka Kyrenia) and our hotel.

Checking in to the Ship Inn was seamless meaning plenty of time for a little exploring. With dark clouds overhead Swifts were flying low so both Pallid and Alpine could be safely identified, plus a fly-through Red-rumped Swallow.

Day 2

Thursday 30th March

Windy with sunshine, max 17c

The first destination was Korucam Burnu, the westernmost tip of North Cyprus, and that meant an early start. Once we had turned off the main highway and headed up the virtually empty road up the Korucam peninsula, we saw four pairs of Chukar in rapid succession, either scrambling uphill or flying downhill from the road. A Peregrine flushed all the Jackdaws off rocks above us at exactly the same point where one was seen six years previously.

Our first stop about 2 km short of Sadrazamkoy was simply excellent for flowers. Delicate *Lagoecia* (*Lagoecia cuminooides*) was scattered between swathes of pink and white *Cistus* with the bright yellow parasitic *Cytinus* (*Cytinus hypocistus*) growing beneath. Some excursions off road gave us Mediterranean Bug orchids (*Ophrys fragrans* ssp *coriophora*) *Ophrys sicula* and *Ophrys umbilicata* as well as a several different *Serapias*. Judged almost entirely on song, the population of the visually elusive Sardinian Warblers is thriving, but the wind did not encourage any birds to sit on top of bushes. A female Pallid Harrier was a real bonus. It was clearly hunting along the ridge inland from us and not actively migrating.

As we entered the village, a Hoopoe flew up and then down into a Chicken run...in full view of all. In contrast to this bright moment, the water tank, normally so beloved of migrants, was very disappointing, with just a male Blackcap as an obvious visitor. Walking a little past the tank proved a good move, where a lovely Woodchat Shrike sat obligingly for everyone to enjoy. Staying just in this spot meant that we saw a delightful Eastern Bonelli's Warbler, which was a new bird for most of the group. So, in good heart we adjourned to the local restaurant for chicken and potatoes cooked in a traditional clay oven, followed by home-made cake.

The walk after lunch to the tip of Korucam Burnu was made in beautiful scenery, but in birding terms a washout. Clearly the high westerly winds of yesterday and a continuing of a breeze from that direction were to blame. The

last 500m were as spectacular with plants hugging the ground to stay out of the wind. Typical of the area was the stemless *Centurea* (*Centauria aegialophila*), *Anthemis ridgida* Poppies no more than 10cm tall.

Day 3

Friday 31st March

Sunny with max 18c but not warm

Today we made our first foray into the mountains. Bellapais Abbey was our first stop and despite this being a 'nature' tour, everyone bought tickets for the Abbey where the bold pink *Antirrhinum* (*Antirrhinum majus*) made a splash growing out of the masonry. A leisurely coffee and stroll through the narrow streets back to the bus followed. However opposite the small car-park, a short path is always worth a bit of exploration. Eastern Festoon and Swallowtail butterflies were a nice addition to some very interesting flora including a charming little birthwort (*Aristolochia sempervirens*). Above the carpark, a Hobby circled.

We then headed up to the road below Five-finger Mountain. Unfortunately, the road was blocked by a friendly military patrol. We were permitted to proceed about 500m beyond the roadblock to our normal stop so long as we returned within the hour. This was very fortunate and allowed some excellent botanising, in a completely different ecosystem to the western Cape. Larger shrubs were *Arbutus arachnoides* and *Pistacia lentiscus*, with the silky *Lithodora hispidula* ssp. *versicolor* scattered between. Small birds were as difficult as Thursday, but a Long-legged Buzzard put on a decent show. We obtained permission to eat our packed lunch in the nearby restaurant, so long as we bought drinks there to accompany our cheese and salad rolls.

It was clear that military activities would not allow us to make our planned trip to the Herbarium, so we diverted with no great expectations to Arapkoy reservoir. It was, however, more interesting than anticipated with a female Blue Rock Thrush almost immobile on a small outcrop just ahead of us. We need not have rushed to watch an even more obliging Long-legged Buzzard since it was stooging around for almost the entirety of our visit at the reservoir, during which time it was mobbed briefly by a Hooded Crow which emboldened about 80 Jackdaws to join in. A Little Crake and a Purple Heron were well observed, while Sedge and Reed Warblers were added to the bird list.

We left with plenty of time for all to visit Girne's magnificent castle and its museum.

Day 4

Saturday 1st April

18c mainly sunny

On the approach to St. Hilarion castle we stopped allowing views of a female Blue Rock Thrush and our first decent views of Cyprus Wheatears.

Then we drove up to the entrance to the castle in which bird song was notable by its absence. A noisy Kestrel family at their nest and a very vocal Chukar did their best to entertain, while a Peregrine kept the day list ticking over. Not long before departure, four of the group took a stroll outside the castle and photographed an excellent Cyprus Warbler. Flora at the castle is unlike anywhere else, with the rare St Hilarion Cabbage (*Brassica hilarionis*) in full flower, pretty pink Cyprus Rock Cress (*Arabis cypria*) and purple Spring Rock Cress (*Arabis verna*) lined the

path. For those who climbed to the top of the castle there was Shrubby Golden Drop (*Onosma fruticosum*) and Ground Pine (*Ajuga chamaepitys ssp palaestina*).

The journey along the mountain ridge to the 'Tank'...yes, a real tank, one of whose tracks was blown off by a landmine.... was very slow going, but very scenic.

Lunch was the immediate priority but afterwards activity was split with Anemones (*Anemone coronaria*) of a multitude of hues below the road. A scramble up a small cliff found the small pink and white Four Spotted Orchid (*Orchis quadripunctata*) and a tiny yellow Gagea (*Gagea chlorantha*). Along the road others searched for more warblers but had to be satisfied with increased numbers of Cyprus Wheatears and lovely Paphos Blue butterflies. A Goshawk circled upwards disappearing into the cloud!

Final stop of the day was Tepebasi, a good site for endemic Tulips (*Tulipa cypria*). But we also found the Cyprus Bee Orchid (*Ophrys kotschy*), tucked into a bank on the edge of a field. a real treat.

Day 5

Sunday 2nd April

18c sunny all day

Another punctual getaway, today, with all the luggage on board for our next hotel.

Our first stop worried the driver of our large coach as we crawled down a farm track to an area of reeds downstream from Haspolat sewage treatment works. The beautiful sight of around ten very active Spur-winged Plovers on the adjacent fields made the drive worthwhile. Once we disembarked the Tamarisks were heaving with Reed and Cetti's Warblers and most got a brief view of a flying Black Francolin, which then called endlessly from a distant invisible perch.

Back on decent roads and turning off a dual carriageway into Gasimagusa (aka Famagusta) Freshwater Lake was an equally problematic access for our driver. We all had seats for our packed lunch before we explored the causeway dividing the lake. The Cattle Egret 'heronry' was reduced from many trees a few years ago with 100+ birds to a handful of twigs above the water with a handful of birds including a Little Egret. However, a regular movement of Cattle Egrets suggested they were thriving nearby. A Marsh Harrier and a small number of Ferruginous Ducks were other nice birds overhead, but the star of the show was a male Collared Flycatcher which performed brilliantly for all and while we watched the Flycatcher, a Lang's Short-tailed Blue butterfly fluttered around our legs!

A frustrating and not very pleasant visit to the beach at Glapsides was followed by a rather more pleasant visit to the Petek patisserie and coffee shop.

This set us up nicely for a visit to Mehmetcik which we had been informed held water. The information was correct with seven Black-winged Stilts dancing elegantly in front of us. More subtle were Wood Sandpipers, which could be compared with a Green Sandpiper. The latter took off and was immediately followed by 14 others which had not been seen previously. Shifting position enabled us to see about 25 Ruff, including a couple of males with ruffs, and four delicate Marsh Sandpipers...a much scarcer species. Increasing cloud brought a flock of hirundines down

over the water including four Red-rumped Swallows, but more obvious were two Alpine Swifts which gave really great views.

An excellent end to our birding day before we headed off to the most northerly of the villages in the Karpaz peninsula, Dipkarpaz. Our accommodation was rural and rustic very different from the Ship Inn, but the beds were comfortable, and the evening meal was delicious and authentically local.

Day 6

Monday 3rd April

20c sunny and calm all day

Breakfast was definitely different and definitely delicious. Pickled Mulberries to put on your grilled Halloumi, Carob and Tahini paste, preserved Figs in sauce and cheese filled pastry 'cigars' to mention just some of the accompaniments left few empty plates.

The northerly position of our new hotel allowed us to get to our first stop at the derelict Kacoreis cafe very rapidly and a strange sight met us: on the small rocky islets just offshore were nine Cattle Egrets and a Little Egret. A Kingfisher was similarly static and much enjoyed. Eventually a Stone Curlew flew behind the rocks and crossed the bay. The beach itself held several Northern Wheatears and a stunning male Black-eared Wheatear and a couple of Hoopoes were typically entertaining.

Having been told to carefully scrutinize all derelict buildings *en route* the group did the job and found two Little Owls. More surprising was a pair of Blue Rock Thrushes on a large pile of bales.

The Pallid Swift colony is still thriving at Agios Andreas Monastery, where the renovations have made space for Swift nests, and a sizeable flock of White Wagtails was evidence of more passage.

We enjoyed our packed lunch at the Seabird café and on the flat area nearby saw our first Black-headed Wagtails, more White Wagtails and five Water Pipits plus a Common Sandpiper.

So it was with increased optimism that we approached the very tip of Zafer Burnu. Numerically it was not spectacular except for lots of Chiffchaffs and Lesser Whitethroats, but the quality was excellent. A male Spectacled Warbler was largely elusive, but from under a well-watched bush an Ortolan appeared. Both male and female Isabelline Wheatears obligingly permitted lengthy analysis of their diagnostic features compared to the accompanying Northern Wheatears. A few Water Pipits became 15 when they took flight. The icing on the cake was an amazingly cooperative male Rüppell's Warbler - surely the most striking of the *Sylvias*. As we walked back to the bus a small flock of five Spoonbills headed off the cape towards mainland Turkey: the only evidence of migration of larger birds we had seen all day.

The northern cape vegetation is completely different to other areas of the island. Heavily grazed by donkeys it featured lots of *Cyclamen persicum* the attractive blue and yellow flowered winged sea lavender (*Limonium sinuatum*) and the tiny little Hedypnois (*Hedypnois rhagadioloides*).

The journey back to Dipkarpaz was punctuated by a female Black Francolin rapidly crossing the road, the same two Little Owls and the occasional Hoopoe.

Dinner was much enjoyed, and news received that a Scops Owl was calling in the village.

Day 7

Tuesday 4th April

23c sunny all day

Two Great Spotted Cuckoos were seen in the village by some of the pre-breakfast early risers.

The short drive down to the sea then along the coast towards Aphendrike proved very exciting. The first 'goodie' was a Woodchat Shrike atop just one bush. The elusive male Black Francolin gave itself up bigtime on a stone block with everyone out of the coach looking at it through the scope with cameras clicking. Not long after we were all out again enjoying a pair of Masked Shrikes, possibly the most beautiful birds of the whole trip. Our only Steppe Buzzard of the trip soared overhead, while a male Pallid Harrier seemed to be moving north, but then turned round and then embarked on some general hunting. What a bonanza!

On returning to Karpasia and the Agios Philon church we took our usual stroll along the coast to the restaurant. This was disappointing except for the three ladies who took the opportunity for a swim in the sea!

An outdoor lunch of a typical mezze followed by whole Sea Bream. A post-lunch stroll to the south produced five Hoopoes plus an unidentifiable moth. Many thanks to lepidopterist, Bjarne Skule, who has identified it as *Cerocala sana*, which inhabits sand dunes and inland deserts in North Africa and the Levant. Most 'European' records are from the Canary Islands. So, very exciting for we moth-ers!

Our final stop of the day was just 30 minutes away just short of Avtepe on the south side of the Karpaz. The main target here was orchids and in addition to myriad Naked Man Orchids (*Orchis italica*) there was a Monkey Orchid (*Orchis simia*). A rattling call announced Great Spotted Cuckoo and eventually three birds emerged and gave excellent views to all.

Day 8

Wednesday 5th April

21c mainly sunny

Our leaving day was fairly leisurely, but some rose early to see Great Spotted Cuckoo in the village again.

Our journey took us via Mehmetcik where the waders from three days previously were still to be seen, minus the Black-winged Stilts. Final stop was the incredible Roman ruins of Salamis. Here we wandered amongst columns and archways scattered with Poppies and Crown Daisies and climbed to the top of the amphitheatre trying to imagine it filled with Romans and slaves.

Then a swift lunch and off to the airport. At the border we said a sad farewell to Turgay, who had done so much to make the trip work.

Thank you everybody!

Andy and Pip

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Species lists

Birds (h = Heard only)

Common name	Scientific name	March-April 2023							
		29	30	31	1	2	3	4	5
Ruddy Shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>				2				
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>					1			
Ferruginous Duck	<i>Aythya nyroca</i>					5			
Chukar Partridge	<i>Alectoris chukar</i>		8	h	h		3	4	
Black Francolin	<i>Francolinus francolinus</i>					h	1	1	
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>			3		6			
Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>					1			
Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>	6							
Western Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>			1		✓	9		
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>					1			
Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>			1					
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>					✓	1		
Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>						5		
European Shag	<i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i>						1	✓	
Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>					1	✓		
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>		1		1			1	
Northern Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>				1				
Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>					1			
Pallid Harrier	<i>Circus macrourus</i>		1					2	
Long-legged Buzzard	<i>Buteo rufinus</i>			2	1	1			
Steppe Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo vulpinus</i>							1	
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>					5			
Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>			3		✓			
Little Crake	<i>Zapornia parva</i>			1					
Stone-curlew	<i>Burhinus oedicephalus</i>						1		
Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>					9			
Spur-winged Lapwing	<i>Vanellus spinosus</i>					10			
Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>					4			
Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>					h			
Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>					15			
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>					5			
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>						1		
Ruff	<i>Calidris pugnax</i>			1		25			
Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>		✓	1		1			
Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Laughing Dove	<i>Spilopelia senegalensis</i>	1					1	1	
Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Great Spotted Cuckoo	<i>Clamator glandarius</i>							6	2
Cyprus Scops Owl - E	<i>Otus cypricus</i>						h		
Little Owl	<i>Athene noctua</i>					1	2	2	
Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymartus melba</i>	✓				2			
Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>		✓	✓		1		✓	
Pallid Swift	<i>Apus pallidus</i>	✓		2			✓		
Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>						1	1	
Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>		2		3	2	10	10	

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		29	30	31	1	2	3	4	5
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>		✓	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Hobby	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>			1					
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>		1		1				
Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>		1					1	
Masked Shrike	<i>Lanius nubicus</i>							3	
Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Western Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Northern Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>			3	1				
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		1	✓	✓	✓		1	
Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>							2	
Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Cecropis daurica</i>	1				4		2	
Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	
Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>		1		2		✓	✓	
Eastern Bonelli's Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus orientalis</i>		1						
Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>			3					
Eurasian Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>			h		✓			
Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>					h		h	
Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>		1		1		4	3	
Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>						1	✓	
Common Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>							2	
Spectacled Warbler	<i>Sylvia conspicillata</i>							1	
Subalpine Warbler	<i>Sylvia cantillans</i>		1						
Sardinian Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Rüppell's Warbler	<i>Sylvia ruppeli</i>						1		
Cyprus Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanothorax</i>				1				
European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>				1				
Collared Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula albicollis</i>								
Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>		1	1		1			
Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>				5		3		
Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>		1				✓	✓	
Isabelline Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe isabellina</i>						2		
Black-eared Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe hispanica</i>		2				3	2	
Cyprus Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe cyprica</i>		2		✓		✓	✓	
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Spanish Sparrow	<i>Passer hispaniolensis</i>		1					2	
Yellow Wagtail sp	<i>Motacilla flava</i>		✓		1		✓	✓	
Black-headed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava feldegg</i>						3		
White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>					✓	30	✓	
Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>						2		
Water Pipit	<i>Anthus spinoletta</i>						20		
Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>		1	1					
European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>		✓	✓			1		
European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>		✓				✓		
Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	
Ortolan	<i>Emberiza hortulana</i>						1		

Other species

Common name	Scientific name
Mammals	
Cyprus White-toothed Shrew	<i>Crocidura cypria</i>
Cypriot Long-eared Hedgehog	<i>Hemiechinus auritus</i>
Egyptian Fruit Bat	<i>Rousettus aegyptiacus</i>
Bat sp.	
Black Rat	<i>Rattus rattus</i>
Brown Hare	<i>Lepus europaeus</i>
Striped Dolphin	<i>Stenella coeruleoalba</i>
Bottle-nosed Dolphin	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>
Red Fox	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>
Mouflon	<i>Ovis musimon</i>
Feral Goat	<i>Capra aegagrus</i>
Feral Donkey	<i>Equus asinus</i>
Reptiles and Amphibians	
Green Toad	<i>Bufo viridis</i>
Cyprus Tree Frog	<i>Hyla savignyi</i>
Cyprus Marsh Frog	<i>Pelohylax cypriensis</i>
Kotschy's Gecko	<i>Cyrtodactylus kotschi fitzingeri</i>
Hardun or Starred Agama	<i>Laudakia stellio cypriaca</i>
Turkish Gecko	<i>Hemidactylus turcicus</i>
European Chameleon	<i>Chamaeleo chamaeleo reatricta</i>
Spiny-footed Lizard	<i>Acanthodactylus schreiberi</i>
Troodos Rock Lizard	<i>Phoenicolacerta troodica</i>
Snake-eyed Lizard	<i>Ophisops elegans schlueteri</i>
Budaki's Snake-eyed Skink	<i>Ablepharus budaki</i>
Ocellated Skink	<i>Chalcides ocellatus ocellatus</i>
Schneider's Skink	<i>Eumeces schneideri</i>
Striped Skink	<i>Trachylepis vittata</i>
Large European Whipsnake	<i>Coluber jugularis</i>
Cyprus Whipsnake	<i>Coluber cypriensis</i>
Cyprus Grass Snake	<i>Natrix natrix cypriaca</i>
Montpellier Snake	<i>Malpolon monspessulanus insignitus</i>
Cyprus Cat Snake	<i>Telescopus fallax cyprianus</i>
Worm Snake	<i>Typhlops vermicularis</i>
Blunt-nosed Viper	<i>Vipera lebetina lebetina</i>
Fish	
Mediterranean Flying Fish	<i>Cheilopogon heterurus</i>
Silver-cheeked Toadfish	<i>Lagocephalus scleratus</i>
Grey Mullet	<i>Liza sp.</i>
Fungi	
Melanoleuca polioleuca	
Pleurotus eryngii	on <i>Eryngium creticum</i>
Inonotus tamarisci	bracket fungus specific to Tamarisk
Puccinia hysterium	on <i>Tragopogon sinuatus</i>
Puccinia malvacearum	on <i>Malva sylvestris</i>

Common name	Scientific name
Puccinia smyrnii	on <i>Smyrniolum olusatrum</i>
Puccinia variabilis	on <i>Taraxacum</i> sp
Puccinia violae	on <i>Viola odorata</i>
Uromyces geranii	on <i>Geranium rotundifolium</i>
Taphrina deformans	<i>Peach leaf curl</i>
Ramularia ari	on <i>Arum dioscoridis</i>
Ramularia rubella	on <i>Rumex pulchra</i>
Lichens	
	<i>Cladonia convoluta</i>
Algae (seaweeds etc)	
Peacock Tail	<i>Padina pavonia</i>
	<i>Cytoseira barbata</i>
	<i>Jania rubens</i>
	<i>Laurencia obtusa</i>
Sea Lettuce	<i>Ulva</i> sp.
Bryophyta (Mosses and Liverworts)	
	<i>Homalothecium sericeum</i>
	<i>Hypnum cupressiforme</i>
	<i>Lunularia cruciata</i>
	<i>Preissia quadrata</i>

Butterflies

Common name	March-April 2023							
	29	30	31	1	2	3	4	5
Mallow Skipper			1			1		
Pygmy Skipper						1		
Eastern Festoon			✓	✓		✓		
Swallowtail			1		✓	✓	✓	
Large White		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Small White					✓	✓	✓	
Eastern Bath White							1	
Orange-tip		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Clouded Yellow		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Cleopatra				3		1	1	
Small Copper					1	1		
Paphos Blue				6				
Common Blue			✓			✓	✓	
Lang's Short-tailed Blue					1			
Brown Argus							1	
Red Admiral			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Painted Lady		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Wall Brown			✓	✓				

Moths

Rush Veneer
Diamond-back Moth
Meal Moth
Rusty-dot Pearl
Pale Shoulder Moth
Dark Sword Grass
Common Silver Y
Blair's Mocha
The Passenger
Spotted Sulphur
Purple-marbled Moth
Lime-speck Pug
Bordered Straw
Common Emerald
Riband Wave
Portland Riband Wave
Treble Brown-spot
Hummingbird Hawk-moth
Fox Moth [larva]
The Delicate
Large Yellow Underwing
The Gem
The Vestal
Straw Dot
Small Blood Vein
Pale Mullein Wave
Mullein Wave
Yellow Belle
Mullein Moth [larvae]
Beet Army Worm
Pine Processionary
[larval web-nests]
Blood Vein
Four-spotted
Crimson Speckled
Garden Carpet
Red Twin-spot Carpet
Sword Grass Moth - Larva

Other invertebrates

Odonata

Emperor Dragonfly
Lesser Emperor
Banded Demoiselle
Scarlet Darter
Common Darter
Red-veined Darter
Blue-tailed Damselfly
Dark Spadewing

Common Winter Damsel

Grasshoppers and Crickets

grasshopper sp. red flash colours

Egyptian Grasshopper

Blue-winged Grasshopper

a long-nosed grasshopper
species

Cockroaches and Mantids

Praying Mantis sp.

Devil's Flower Mantis

Common Cockroach

Others

Common Earwig

a green Shieldbug species

as aphid gall on *Pistacia lentiscus*

Red & black bug sp. on *Zosima*

Sloe Bug

Plants

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(Bold species = endemic / nf = not flowering)		
Pteridophytes		
<i>Ceterach officinarum</i> (=Asplenium)	Rustyback Fern	4
<i>Cheilanthes pteridioides</i> (=maderensis)	Scented Cheilanthes	4
<i>Cystopteris fragilis</i>	Brittle Bladder Fern	4
<i>Dryopteris pallida</i>		4
Gymnosperms		
<i>Araucaria heterophylla</i>	Norfolk Island Pine	2
<i>Cupressus sempervirens</i>	Italian Cypress	3
<i>Juniperus phoenicia</i>	Phoenician Juniper	3
<i>Pinus brutia</i>	Brutian Pine/Calabrian Pine	3
<i>Pinus pinea</i>	Stone Pine	3
DICOTS		
Aceraceae		
<i>Acer obtusifolium</i>		4
Aizoaceae		
<i>Carpobrotis edulis</i>	Hottentot Fig	7
<i>Mesembryanthemum nodiflorum</i>		7
Anacardiaceae		
<i>Pistacia lentiscus</i>	Mastic Tree (No term leaflet)	2
<i>Pistacia terebinthus</i>	Turpentine Tree	2
<i>Rhus coronaria</i>	Sumac	4

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Apiaceae		
<i>Bupleurum subovatum</i>	False Thorow-Wax	7
<i>Eryngium maritimum</i>	Sea Holly	5
<i>Ferula communis</i>	Giant Fennel	1
<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i> ssp. <i>piperatum</i>	Fennel	2
<i>Lagoecia cuminoides</i>	Lagoecia	2
<i>Orlaya daucooides</i>		2
<i>Pseudorlaya pumila</i>	Pseudorlaya	5
<i>Scandix pecten-veneris</i>	Shepherd's-needle	3
<i>Smyrniolus olusatrum</i>	Alexanders	4
<i>Tordylium aegyptiacum</i>		2
<i>Zosima absinthifolia</i>		4
Apocynaceae		
<i>Nerium oleander</i>	Oleander	2
<i>Vinca major</i>	Greater Periwinkle	6
Araliaceae		
<i>Hedera helix</i>	Ivy	8
Aristolochiaceae		
<i>Aristolochia sempervirens</i>	Birthwort	3
Asteraceae		
<i>Anthemis palaestina</i>		2
<i>Anthemis pseudocotula</i>		2
<i>Anthemis rigida</i>	Rayless Chamomile	2
<i>Asteriscus aquaticus</i>		2
<i>Calendula arvensis</i>	Field Marigold	2
<i>Carduus argentatus</i>		2
<i>Carduus pycnocephalus</i>		3
<i>Centaurea aegialophila</i>		2
<i>Centaurea hyalolepis</i>	Yellow Star Thistle	2
<i>Chrysanthemum coronarium</i> (=Glebionis)	Crown Daisy	2
<i>Chrysanthemum coronarium</i> var <i>discolor</i>		2
<i>Chrysanthemum segetum</i>	Corn Marigold	2
<i>Cynara cardunculus</i>	Cardoon/ Wild Artichoke	2
<i>Cynara cornigera</i>	Artichoke (fls white)	3
<i>Evax eriosphaera</i>		2
<i>Filago pyramidata</i>	Broad-leaved Cudweed	3
<i>Hedypnois rhagadioloides</i>	Hedypnois	6
<i>Helichrysum conglobatum</i>		2
<i>Hyoseris scabra</i>		4
<i>Hypochaeris achyrophorus</i>		3
<i>Lactuca serriola</i>	Prickly Lettuce	3
<i>Notobasis syriaca</i>	Syrian Thistle	6
<i>Pallenis spinosa</i>		2
<i>Ptilostemon chamaepeuce cypria</i>	Shrubby Ptilostemon	4
<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	Groundsel	3
<i>Silybum marianum</i>	Milk Thistle	2
<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	Smooth Sowthistle	5

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<i>Taraxacum cyprium</i>	Cyprus Dandelion	6
<i>Tragopogon (Geropogon) hybridus</i>		2
<i>Tragopogon sinuatus</i>		7
<i>Urospermum picroides</i>		2
Berberidaceae		
<i>Leontice leontopetalum</i>	Leontice	4
Boraginaceae		
<i>Anchusa aegyptiaca</i>		2
<i>Anchusa humilis</i>		2
<i>Anchusa strigosa</i>		2
<i>Buglossoides arvensis</i> (=Lithospermum)	Corn Gromwell	2
<i>Cynoglossum creticum</i>	Blue Hound's-tongue	2
<i>Echium angustifolium</i>	Narrow-leaved V.B	2
<i>Echium arenarium</i>		2
<i>Echium plantagineum</i>	Purple Viper's-bugloss	5
<i>Myosotis ramosissima</i>		3
<i>Onosma fruticosum</i>	Shrubby Golden-drop	2
Brassicaceae		
<i>Arabis cypria</i>	Cyprus Rock Cress	4
<i>Arabis verna</i>	Spring Rock Cress	4
<i>Biscutella didyma</i>	Biscutella	3
<i>Brassica hilarionis</i>	St Hilarion's Cabbage	4
<i>Cakile maritima</i>	Sea Rocket	5
<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i> var <i>brachycarpa</i>	Shepherd's Purse	4
<i>Enarthrocarpus arcuatus</i>	Enarthrocarpus	6
<i>Eruca sativa</i>	Eruca	2
<i>Erucaria hispanica</i>	Spanish Mustard	5
<i>Hirschfeldia incana</i>	Hoary Mustard	5
<i>Malcolmia flexuosa</i>		2
<i>Matthiola tricuspidata</i>	Three-horned Stock	2
<i>Raphanus raphanistrum</i>	Wild Radish	3
<i>Sisymbrium irio</i>	London Rocket	5
<i>Sisymbrium officinale</i>	Hedge Mustard	5
Cactaceae		
<i>Opuntia ficus-indica</i>	Prickly Pear	2
Caryophyllaceae		
<i>Cerastium glomeratum</i>	Sticky Mouse-ear	4
<i>Dianthus strictus</i>		4
<i>Kohlrauschia velutina</i> (=Petrorhagia)		6
<i>Minuartia hybrida</i>	Fine-leaved Sandwort	2
<i>Paronychia argentea</i>	[lvs hairless]	2
<i>Paronychia macrosepala</i>	[leaves c close pressed hairs]	5
<i>Silene colorata</i>	Pink Pirouette	6
<i>Silene cretica</i>		5
<i>Silene vulgaris</i> ssp <i>vulgaris</i>	Bladder Campion	2
<i>Spergularia bocconii</i>		5
<i>Spergularia marina</i>	Lesser Sand Spurrey	6

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<i>Stellaria media</i>	Common Chickweed	3
Chenopodiaceae		
<i>Atriplex halimus</i>	Shrubby Orache	2
<i>Chenopodium album</i>	Fat Hen	3
<i>Chenopodium murale</i>	Nettle-leaved Goosefoot	3
<i>Halimione portulacoides</i>	Sea Purslane	5
<i>Halocnemum strobilaceum</i>		5
<i>Salicornia macrostachya</i>		5
<i>Suaeda vera</i>		5
Cistaceae		
<i>Cistus creticus</i>		2
<i>Cistus parviflorus</i>		2
<i>Cistus salvifolius</i>	Sage-leaved Cistus	2
<i>Fumana arabica</i>	Arabian Fumana	2
<i>Fumana thymifolia</i>	Thyme-leaved Fumana	2
<i>Helianthemum ledifolium</i>		4
<i>Helianthemum obtusifolium</i>		4
<i>Helianthemum stipulatum</i>		7
<i>Tuberaria guttata</i>	Spotted Rockrose	2
Convolvulaceae		
<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>	Field Bindweed	8
<i>Convolvulus althaeoides</i>	Mallow-leaved Bindweed	2
<i>Convolvulus siculus</i>	Small Blue Bindweed	4
<i>Cressa cretica</i>		4
Crassulaceae		
<i>Rosularia cypria</i>		4
<i>Sedum caespitosum</i>		2
<i>Sedum cyprium</i>	Cyprus Stonecrop	2
<i>Sedum sediform</i>	Plae Stonecrop	7
<i>Umbilicus rupestris</i>	Navelwort	4
Cucurbitaceae		
<i>Bryonia cretica</i>	White Bryony	5
<i>Ecballium elaterium</i>	Squirting Cucumber	5
Dipsacaceae		
<i>Scabiosa prolifera</i>	Carmel Daisy	2
Ericaceae		
<i>Arbutus andrachne</i>	Eastern Strawberry-tree	3
Euphorbiaceae		
<i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>	Sun Spurge	2
<i>Mercurialis annua</i>	Annual Mercury	2
<i>Ricinus communis</i>	Castor Oil Plant	2
Fabaceae		
<i>Acacia cyanophylla</i>	Blue-leaved Wattle	3

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<i>Anthyllis tetraphylla</i> (=Phisanthyllis)	Bladder Vetch	2
<i>Calycotome villosa</i>		2
<i>Ceratonia siliqua</i>	Carob	2
<i>Cercis siliquastrum</i>	Judas Tree	2
<i>Coronilla emerus</i>	Scorpion Vetch	2
<i>Coronilla scorpioides</i>	Annual Scorpion Vetch	2
<i>Genista sphacelata</i> var <i>sphacelata</i>	Thorny Broom	2
<i>Hedysarum cyprium</i>	Shrubby Sainfoin	2
<i>Hedysarum spinosissimum</i>	Spiny Sainfoin	2
<i>Hymenocarpus circinnatus</i>	Disc Trefoil	2
<i>Lathyrus annuus</i>		2
<i>Lathyrus aphaca</i>	Yellow Vetchling	2
<i>Lathyrus blepharicarpus</i>	(orange)	4
<i>Lathyrus cicera</i>	(red)	2
<i>Lathyrus gorgonii</i>		5
<i>Lathyrus ochrus</i>	(pale yellow)	4
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	Common Birdsfoot-trefoil	2
<i>Lotus cytisoides</i>		6
<i>Lotus edulis</i>	Edible Lotus	6
<i>Medicago littoralis</i>		2
<i>Medicago orbicularis</i>	Large Disc Medick	7
<i>Medicago polymorpha</i>	Toothed Medick	2
<i>Midicago praecox</i>		
<i>Medicago sativa</i>	Lucerne	3
<i>Medicago scutellata</i>		3
<i>Melilotus indicus</i>	Small Melilot	5
<i>Onobrychis aequidentata</i>		3
<i>Onobrychis caput-galli</i>	Cockscomb Sainfoin	2
<i>Phisanthyllis tetraphylla</i>		2
<i>Pisum sativum</i>	Wild Pea	4
<i>Psoralea</i> (=Aspalthium) <i>bituminosa</i>	Pitch Trefoil	4
[<i>Robinia pseudacacia</i>]	False Acacia	3
<i>Scorpiurus muricatus</i>	Scorpiurus	2
<i>Tetragonolobus purpureus</i>	Winged Asparagus Pea	3
<i>Trifolium boissieri</i>		2
<i>Trifolium campestre</i>	Hop Trefoil	2
<i>Trifolium cherleri</i>		4
<i>Trifolium clypeatum</i>	Shield Clover	2
<i>Trifolium dasyurum</i>	Eastern Star Clover	4
<i>Trifolium echinatum</i>		2
<i>Trifolium physodes</i>		3
<i>Trifolium pilulare</i>	Ball Cotton Clover	5
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	White Clover	4
<i>Trifolium resupinatum</i>	Reversed Clover	4
<i>Trifolium scabrum</i>	Rough Clover	4
<i>Trifolium scutatum</i>	[cf T.clypeatum]	2
<i>Trifolium stellatum</i>	Starry Clover	2
<i>Trifolium tomentosum</i>	Woolly Trefoil	3
<i>Vicia cypria</i>	[fls white with mauve-blue blotch]	4
<i>Vicia ervilia</i>		3
<i>Vicia laxiflora</i>	Slender Tare	4
<i>Vicia sativa</i>	Common Vetch	2

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<i>Vicia villosa</i>	Fodder Vetch	4
Fagaceae		
<i>Quercus coccifera</i>	Kermes Oak	3
Fumariaceae		
<i>Fumaria macrocarpa</i>		3
<i>Fumaria officinalis</i>		7
<i>Fumaria parviflora</i>		3
Gentianaceae		
<i>Blackstonia perfoliata</i>	Yellow-wort	3
<i>Centaurium pulchellum</i>	Lesser Centaury	6
Geraniaceae		
<i>Erodium ciconium</i>		2
<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	Common Stork's-bill	6
<i>Erodium gruinum</i>	Long-beaked Stork's-bill	2
<i>Erodium laciniatum</i>		4
<i>Erodium malacoides</i>	Mallow-leaved Stork's-bill	3
<i>Erodium moschatum</i>	Musk Storksbill	6
<i>Geranium molle</i>	Doves-Foot Crane's-bill	3
<i>Geranium purpureum</i>	Little Robin	2
<i>Geranium rotundifolium</i>	Round-leaved Cranesbill	3
Lamiaceae		
<i>Ajuga chamaepitys ssp palaestina</i>	Ground Pine	4
<i>Lamium amplexicaule</i>	Henbit Deadnettle	7
<i>Lamium moschatum</i>		2
<i>Micromeria nervosa</i>	[calyces with long hairs]	2
<i>Prasium majus</i>	Prasium	2
<i>Salvia fruticosa</i>	Three-leaved Sage	3
<i>Salvia lanigaria</i>		5
<i>Salvia verbenaca</i>	Wild Clary	2
<i>Salvia viridis</i>	Red-topped Sage	6
<i>Thymus capitatus</i>		2
Linaceae		
<i>Linum bienne</i>	Pale Flax	6
<i>Linum strictum ssp strictum</i>	Upright yellow Flax	2
Malvaceae		
<i>Lavatera cretica</i>	Lesser Tree-mallow	3
<i>Malva aegyptia</i>	Egyptian Mallow	5
<i>Malva cretica</i>	Cretan Mallow	3
<i>Malva parviflora</i>	Least Mallow	2
<i>Malva sylvestris</i>	Common Mallow	2
Meliaceae		
<i>Melia azedarach</i>	Indian Bead-tree	2
Moraceae		

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<i>Ficus carica</i>	Fig	3
<i>Morus alba</i>	White Mulberry	5
Myoporaceae		
<i>Myoporum laetum</i>	Ngaio	3
Myrtaceae		
<i>Myrtus communis</i>	Myrtle	7
Nyctaginaceae		
<i>Bougainvillea glabra</i>	Bougainvillea	2
Oleaceae		
<i>Olea europaea</i>	Olive	1
Orobanchaceae		
<i>Orobanche alba</i>		2
<i>Orobanche crenata</i>		7
<i>Phelipanche ramosa</i>		2
Oxalidaceae		
<i>Oxalis pes-caprae</i>	Bermuda Buttercup	0
Papaveraceae		
<i>Hypecoum imberbe</i>		5
<i>Papaver rhoeas</i>	Corn Poppy	2
Plantaginaceae		
<i>Plantago afra</i>	Sticky Branched Plantain	4
<i>Plantago coronopus</i>	Buck's-horn Plantain	5
<i>Plantago cretica</i>	Cretan Plantain	6
<i>Plantago lagopus</i>		3
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	Ribwort Plantain	5
<i>Plantago maritima</i>	Sea Plantain	2
Plumbaginaceae		
<i>Limonium echioides</i>		6
<i>Limonium sinuatum</i>	Winged Sea-lavender	6
<i>Limonium virgatum</i>	Twiggy Sea-Lavender	6
<i>Emex spinosa</i>	Emex	
<i>Polygonum aviculare</i>	Knotgrass	7
<i>Polygonum maritimum</i>	Sea Knotgrass	5
<i>Rumex cyprius</i>	Cyprus Dock	3
Primulaceae		
<i>Anagallis arvensis</i>	Scarlet Pimpernel	2
<i>Anagallis arvensis</i> var. <i>caerulea</i>	Blue Pimpernel	2
<i>Cyclamen persicum</i>	Persian Sowbread	2
Punicaceae		
<i>Punica granatum</i>		0

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Rafflesiaceae		
<i>Cytinus hypocistis</i>	Cytinus	2
Ranunculaceae		
<i>Adonis annua</i>	Pheasant Eye	2
<i>Anemone coronaria</i>	Crown Anemone	4
<i>Clematis cirrhosa</i>	Virgin's Bower	4
<i>Nigella fumarifolia</i>		6
<i>Ranunculus asiaticus</i>	Turban Buttercup	4
<i>Ranunculus gracilis</i>		4
<i>Ranunculus millefolius</i>		7
<i>Ranunculus peltatus ssp peltatus</i>	Pond Water-crowfoot	5
Resedaceae		
<i>Reseda lutea</i>	Wild Mignonette	6
Rhamnaceae		
<i>Zisypheus lotus</i>		
Rosaceae		
<i>Crataegus azarolus</i>	Azarole/Medlar [styles 2-3]	4
<i>Eriobotrya japonica</i>	Loquat	0
<i>Poterium verrucosum</i>	Mediterranean Salad Burnet	2
<i>Sarcopoterium spinosum</i>	Spiny Burnet	2
Rubiaceae		
<i>Galium aparine</i>	Goosegrass	3
<i>Galium verrucosum</i>		2
<i>Rubia tenuifolia</i>		2
<i>Sherardia arvensis</i>	Field Madder	2
<i>Valantia hispida</i>	Valantia	2
Rutaceae		
<i>Citrus aurantiaca</i>	Seville Orange	0
<i>Citrus deliciosa</i>	Mandarine, Tangerine	0
<i>Citrus limon</i>	Lemon	0
<i>Citrus paradisi</i>		0
Santalaceae		
<i>Thesium humile</i>		
Sapindaceae		
<i>Dodonaea viscosa</i>	Dodonaea	3
Scrophulariaceae		
<i>Antirrhinum majus</i>	Snapdragon	3
<i>Bellardia trixago</i>	Bellardia	4
<i>Misopates orontium</i>	Weasel Snout	3
<i>Parentucellia latifolia</i>	Southern Bartsia	3
<i>Paulownia tomentosa</i>	Foxglove Tree	3
<i>Verbascum levanticum</i>		3

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<i>Verbascum undulatum</i>		3
<i>Veronica cymbalaria</i>		4
<i>Veronica polita</i>		3
Solanaceae		
<i>Hyoscyamus aureus</i>	Golden Henbane	3
<i>Mandragora officinarum</i>	Spring Mandrake	4
<i>Solanum nigrum</i>	Black Nightshade	6
Styracaceae		
<i>Styrax officinalis</i>	Styrax	4
Tamaricaceae		
<i>Tamarix smyrnensis</i>		7
<i>Tamarix tetrandra</i>		5
<i>Tamarix tetragyna</i>		5
Urticaceae		
<i>Parietaria judaica</i>	Pellitory-of-the-wall	4
<i>Urtica pilulifera</i>	Roman Nettle	2
<i>Urtica urens</i>	Small Nettle	3
Valerianaceae		
<i>Valerianella coronata</i>		4
<i>Valerianella versicaria</i>		3
Verbenaceae		
<i>Phyla filiformis</i>		5
Zygophyllaceae		
<i>Zygophyllum album</i>		5
MONOCOTS		
Amaryllidaceae		
<i>Pancratium maritimum</i>	Sea Daffodil	2 (leaves only)
Araceae		
<i>Arisarum vulgare</i>	Friar's Cowl	6
<i>Arum dioscoridis</i>		2
Arecaceae		
<i>[Phoenix dactylifera]</i>	Date Palm	0
<i>[Washingtonia filifera]</i>		0
Cyperaceae		
<i>Cyperus capitatus</i>		7
Dioscoreaceae		
<i>Tamus communis</i>	Black Bryony	7
Iridaceae		
<i>Gladiolus italicus</i>	Field Gladiolus	2

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<i>Gynandris sisyrinchium</i> (=Moraea)	Barbary Nut	4
Juncaceae		
<i>Juncus inflexus</i>		5
Liliaceae		
<i>Allium ampeloprasum</i>		4
<i>Allium neapolitanum</i>	Naples Garlic [lvs glabrous]	2
<i>Allium trifoliatum</i>	[leaves narrow, margins hairy]	3
<i>Asparagus horridus</i>		3
<i>Asphodelus fistulosus</i>	Hollow-leaved Asphodel	8
<i>Asphodelus ramosus</i>		2
<i>Bellevalia nivalis</i>		4
<i>Bellevalia trifoliata</i>		4
<i>Gagea chlorantha</i>		4
<i>Muscari comosum</i> (=Leopoldia)	Tassel Hyacinth	2
Ornithogalum pedicellare		4
<i>Ornithogalum umbellatum</i> ssp. <i>Divergens</i>	Star of Bethlehem	7
<i>Ruscus aculeatus</i>	Butcher's Broom	4
<i>Smilax aspera</i>	Common Smilax	4
Tulipa cypria	Cyprus Tulip	4
<i>Drimia</i> (=Urginea) <i>maritima</i>	Sea Squill	6
Orchidaceae		
<i>Anacamptis pyramidalis</i>	Pyramidal Orchid	2
<i>Ophrys flavomarginata</i>	Yellow-rimmed Ophrys	4
Ophrys kotschy	Kotschy's Ophrys	4
<i>Ophrys sicula</i>	Sicilian Ophrys	2
<i>Ophrys umbilicata</i>		2
<i>Orchis fragrans</i> (<i>coriophora</i> ssp)	Mediterranean Bug Orchid	2
<i>Orchis italica</i>	Naked Man Orchid	2
<i>Orchis quadripunctata</i>	Four-spotted Orchid	4
<i>Orchis simia</i>		7
<i>Serapias bergonii</i>		2
<i>Serapias levantina</i>	Levant Serapias	2
<i>Serapias vomeracea</i>		2
Poaceae		
<i>Aegilops geniculata</i>		0
<i>Anisantha diandra</i> (=Bromus)	Great Brome	0
<i>Anisantha madritensis</i> (=Bromus)	Compact Brome	0
<i>Anisantha rigidus</i> (=Bromus)	Stiff Brome	0
<i>Arundo donax</i>	Giant Reed	0
<i>Avena sterilis</i>	Winter Wild-oat	0
<i>Briza maxima</i>	Large Quaking-grass	2
<i>Bromus lanceolatus</i>	Mediterranean Brome	0
<i>Catapodium rigidum</i>	Fern Grass	6
<i>Cutandia maritima</i>		6
<i>Elymus farctus</i>	Sand Couch	0
<i>Hordeum bulbosum</i>		0
<i>Hordeum leporinum</i>	[cf Wall Barley]	0
<i>Hordeum marinum</i>		0

Group/Species	English Name (if any)	Day first seen
<i>Hyparrhenia hirta</i>		0
<i>Lagurus ovatus</i>	Hare's-tail	2
<i>Lolium perenne</i>	Perennial Rye-grass	0
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	Common Reed	0
<i>Poa bulbosa vivipara</i>	Bulbous Meadow Grass	0
<i>Rostraria cristata</i>	Crested Hair-grass	0
<i>Stenotaphrum secundatum</i>		0
<i>Vulpia fasciculata (=membranacea)</i>	Dune Fescue	0
0 – seen from bus on first day		
Day 1 - Airport to Hotel		
Day 2 - Western Cape		
Day 3 - Five Fingers Mountain		
Day 4 - St Hilarion and tulip fields		
Day 5 transfer to pan handle via varios wet areas		
Day 6 panhandle		
Day 7 - Francolin Day		
Day 8 Salamis		