

Go Slow in Southern Cyprus

Naturetrek Tour Report

18th – 25th March 2026



Agama



Great Spotted Cuckoo



Palm Dove



Isabelline Wheatear

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Summary

This was a fantastic two-centred trip to south-west Cyprus. The weather was wet at times, but that helped bring down migrant birds, of which we had some fantastic sightings. The plants were wonderful too, with orchids seemingly everywhere!

Day 1

Wednesday 18th March

This was our travel day, and fortunately the flight was uneventful. The seven people on the Gatwick flight joined two from Newcastle and two from East Midlands at Paphos Airport, and we met the rest of the group who were already at the hotel. It was wonderful to hear Common Swifts around Paphos as we walked a short distance to our lovely taverna for a late evening meal.

Day 2

Thursday 19th March

Today we were heading to the fabulous Paphos archaeological site, and we got off to a great start with various wheatears and Barn Swallows whipping past us; migration was in full flow.

We found a shrike perched on a dead stem and initially assumed it was going to be a Red-backed but no: this was much paler and had a reddish tail and undertail coverts. It was an Isabelline Shrike! We watched this bird for a while as Chiffchaffs and Stonechats appeared, with both Isabelline and Northern Wheatears in the distance. A Great Spotted Cuckoo was seen dashing away and Clouded Yellows flipped in the lovely sunshine.

Before reaching the House of Aeon, we had great views of Eastern Black-eared Wheatears, of both the masked and black-throated forms. Hoopoes were flying to and fro as well: it was difficult to know where to look! We viewed the amazing mosaics while Lesser Whitethroats appeared in the bushes and Greenfinches wheezed from the trees. At the House of Dionysus, a Blue Rock Thrush put on a great show and Hoopoes popped out of just about every bush. As we wandered around this amazing site, we found Zitting Cisticolas singing and another shrike to add to our list, this time a Woodchat.

Of course, the botanists had been busy too finding all sorts of delights including *Anthemis rigida*, *Glebionis coronaria*, *Anchusa aegyptiaca*, *Tragopogon hybridus*, *Tragopogon sinuatus*, *Matthiola tricuspidate*, *Papaver hybridum*, *Papaver rhoeas*, *Anagallis arvensis*, *Mandragora officinarum*.

The threatened rain never materialised, and we had our lunch sitting outside in the sun, before a gentle walk around the perimeter of the site and along the coast. It was quiet at first but then we had Northern, Isabelline and Eastern Black-eared Wheatears, plus some excellent views of noisy Spanish Sparrows and a singing Corn Bunting. We thought that the subsequent Red-throated Pipits would be the excellent conclusion to our day, but sharp eyes found a stunning Rüppell's Warbler emerging briefly from a bush. Back at our bus, we found a Tree Sparrow by the harbour, a vagrant on Cyprus, before we went back to our hotel for a wash and brush up, ahead of our list and meal.

Day 3

Friday 20th March

Our first stop today was at Anarita Valley. This special site turned up trumps immediately, with a Roller seen on top of a small bush. This was a very early record for a bird which normally arrives a few weeks later. We sat and found calling Corn Bunting, Cetti's Warbler and lots of Eastern Black-eared Wheatears; there was even a glimpse of a wintering Finsch's Wheatear for one member of the group. As yesterday, there were good sightings of Hoopoes and calling Zitting Cisticola.

Next, we headed to Agia Varvara, where a rain shower kept us in the bus until we could venture forth. We found Marsh Harrier, Common Buzzard, Little Grebes, Sedge Warblers and loads of vocal Marsh Frogs, before a couple of Great Spotted Cuckoos gave us excellent views.

Our lunch was taken in the shelter of a churchyard, before we read the looming clouds and headed off to Mandria Beach. There was a heavy shower here, and we only saw Crested Larks and Northern Wheatear before driving around the area to find a Black-winged Stilt just by the side of the road, then a couple of Stone-curlews trotting alongside the road, and finally a limping Glossy Ibis.

Our final stop was at the sewage works, where we found four beautiful Spur-winged Lapwings and a solitary Common Sandpiper.

It had been another good day's birding, and the botanists recorded a number of species including *Paronychia argentea*, *Trifolium tomentosum*, *Trifolium campestre* and *Petrorhagia dubia*.

Day 4

Saturday 21st March

Our first port of call today was the fascinating Tomb of the Kings site. Here, Yiannis spoke about garrigue vegetation and how it is the best of all Cyprus habitats for diversity of flora. Next in line was maquis, and finally forests. Garrigue is perfect for bulbs, and the low vegetation encourages diversity. Alpine and Common Swifts zoomed high overhead, and there were more Hoopoes and our first Black-headed Wagtails. At the coastline we found our usual Northern and Eastern Black-eared Wheatears.

We admired a pristine and beautiful European Greenfinch in a tree, an equally striking Blue Rock Thrush on a tomb wall, and a Laughing Dove sheltering in a small crevice. We then had a rush of brief views of warblers: male Rüppell's, then Eastern Subalpine, then Rüppell's again. All were wonderfully-plumaged male birds.

We found a European Stonechat which we tried to turn into a Siberian, but the evidence was inconclusive. However, there was no doubting the two Hoopoes perched, preening, in a tree, nor the brief view of a male Cretzschmar's Bunting which, sadly, flew off before many of the group could get good views. With rain returning we headed to Pegeia Forest. En route a couple of male Marsh Harriers floated close to the coach, a lovely sight.

We had a half-hour walk around Pegeia, where there were Junipers with berries, *Ophrys elegans* and *levantina*, and *Acanthis syriaca*, including a pretty, white specimen. Other plants seen today included *Echium angustifolium*, *Bellevalia trifoliata*, *Cistus salvifolius*, *Phagnalon rupestre*, *Helianthemum obtusifolium*, *Medicago marina*, *Ruta chalepensis*, *Asphodelus aestivus*.

By now, low cloud had descended and we repaired to a traditional taverna, where we watched the rain hammering down as we consumed enormous quantities of food: piles of chips, vats of soup, and baskets full of croutons. Outside, in the wind and rain, were Chaffinches, Euroean Stonechats and Serins. With the weather still distinctly moist, we decided to go straight to our new hotel: the Aphrodite Beach Hotel.

Day 5

Sunday 22nd March

An early morning walk started brightly with four Hoopoes feeding in the hotel gardens, a constantly calling Black Francolins, and a Great Spotted Cuckoo, its chest shining white as it perched in a distant tree. A few Red-rumped Swallows flew high over our heads as a Zitting Cisticola called above an arable field.

We drove to Androlikou via the famous Magic Oak and a lovely bakery, and past loads of Turban buttercups, glowing pale lilac white with dark centres. At Androlikou we found a flock of Serins, plus Linnets and numbers of Eastern Black-eared and Northern Wheatears on the walls and fences. We found at least one Cretzschmar's Bunting, plus a Blackcap and Lesser Whitethroat.

We got to the coastal site of Agios Georgios by around noon, and walked around the archaeological site. A Blue Rock Thrush perched on the columns, while down in a distant field we had a brief view of a Black Francolin, which flew off before most of the group were able to get a sighting.

As we left this area, a Eurasian Wryneck suddenly appeared, in the way they do, moving from a low tree to the top of a fence post, where we all had great views. While watching this enigmatic bird, we noticed there was another Wryneck perched near the first. Like London buses!

We lunched overlooking the sea, before walking down to the coast to find Little Ringed Plover, more Isabelline and Northern Wheatears and, of course, the amazing endemic Aphrodite's Dandelion (*Taraxacum aphrogenes*)!

Other plants recorded today included *Quercus infectoria*, *Ornithogalum pedicallare*, *Tordylium aegyptiacum*, *Leontodon tuberosum*, *Convolvulus althaeoides*, *Convolvulus siculus*, *Glaucium corniculatum*, *Lathyrus blepharicarpos*, *Pallenis spinosa*, *Aizoon hispanicum*.

We made our way back to our lovely hotel via the Chrysochous Valley, where we saw a perched Common Buzzard, a winter visitor in Cyprus, and a very distant Long-legged Buzzard.

Day 6

Monday 23rd March

Our early morning walk produced many of the birds we'd seen yesterday, but in addition we found a high-flying Alpine Swift, a couple of Chukar Partridges, and best of all a male and female Black Francolin wandering through the lemon groves. The morning was capped off by a beautiful male Common Redstart in the gardens bordering the coast.

On our drive to Peristerona Gorge, we had four more Chukars on the road right in front of us, and we could hear Black Francolin calling. At the gorge, while some of us waited to see what might appear in the valley, others explored the maquis vegetation of Ground Pine, Carob, Terebinth, Kermes Oak, Olive, Thorny Broom and

Thorny Gorse. Those who waited were finally rewarded with marvelous views of three wonderful Long-legged Buzzards as they flew low over the rocks and perched, allowing good telescope views.

We continued our ascent, climbing past woods of *Pinus brutia* with an understorey of Eastern Strawberry Tree, and with patches of the alpine plant *Arabis purpurea* and the endemic *Thymus integer*. Yiannis gave us a fascinating insight into the geology of this Troodos area as we drove past great examples of sheeted dykes. This year, we were unable to get to see the Mouflon in their enclosure, due to concerns about Foot and Mouth disease.

Once again, we timed our lunch perfectly, snugly inside a forestry café in front of a roaring fire, as the rain pelted down outside. Through the rather gloomy monochrome we found a couple of Eurasian Jays and one of the very vocal Coal Tits; both were of the island subspecies, and noticeably darker than their mainland cousins.

Our final stop of the day was at Evretou Dam, where Chukars called, mixed flocks of Linnets and Goldfinches fed in the tall grass, and a Long-legged Buzzard gave us a brief view as we headed back to our beautiful hotel.

Day 7 Tuesday 24th March

Our early morning walk included some excellent views of a male Black Francolin as it called incessantly from an elevated perch of brushwood.

We drove the short distance to the botanic garden and Baths of Aphrodite. We found *Cyclamen persicum*, *Ranunculus asiaticus*, *Cistus ladanifer*, *Cistus parviflorus*, *Bosea cyprica* and *Styrax officinalis*, while birds included the common Sardinian Warbler and a Eurasian Sparrowhawk, which shot overhead.

We drove back to the old Turkish village of Androlikou, this time finding a European Roller on the way. The plains at this site produced a lovely Common Rock Thrush, resplendent in red, white and blue, as well as numerous wheatears and Corn Buntings

Our drive to Smigies produced a Common Redstart and a Marsh Harrier, and then the wonderful walk alongside a flower-filled bank enabled us to find all manner of lovely plants including *Anogramma leptophylla*, *Onosma fruticosum*, *Ophrys elegans*, *Ophrys levantina*, *Ophrys sicula*, *Ophrys apifera* and *Ophrys israelitica*, before we finished with Yiannis's dramatic finale: Lesser Adder's-tongue Fern *Ophioglossum lusitanicum*! And on that stunning note we returned to our hotel.

Day 8

Wednesday 25th March

Our early morning walk produced our familiar friends: House Martins, Barn and Red-rumped Swallows were all lined up on a wire. We left our hotel and drove to Stroumpi, where we found some very voluptuous looking tulips, before went to the sewage works and found Yellow Wagtail, Spur-winged Lapwings, and Green and Common Sandpipers, and had a brief view of a male Rüppell's Warbler.

We called in at a lively taverna for another gargantuan and delicious meal, before dropping the group off at the airport at the conclusion of a wonderful holiday.

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Species lists

Birds (H=heard only)

Common name	Scientific name	March 2026							
		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Black Francolin	<i>Francolinus francolinus</i>					✓	✓	✓	H
Chukar Partridge	<i>Alectoris chukar</i>					✓	✓	✓	
Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarpis melba</i>				✓		✓		
Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Great Spotted Cuckoo	<i>Clamator glandarius</i>		✓	✓		✓			
Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Laughing Dove	<i>Spilopelia senegalensis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>			✓			✓		
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>			✓					
Eurasian Stone-curlew	<i>Burhinus oedicephalus</i>			✓					
Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>			✓					
Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>					✓			
Spur-winged Lapwing	<i>Vanellus spinosus</i>			✓					✓
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>			✓					✓
Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>								✓
Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>		✓	✓	✓				
European Shag	<i>Gulosus aristotelis</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓
Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>			✓					
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>		✓						
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>		✓						
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>							✓	
Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>			✓		✓		✓	✓
Long-legged Buzzard	<i>Buteo rufinus</i>					✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Roller	<i>Coracias garrulus</i>			✓				✓	
Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>					✓			
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>		✓						
Isabelline Shrike	<i>Lanius isabellinus</i>		✓						
Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>						✓		
Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Western Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Coal Tit	<i>Parus ater</i>						✓		
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Western House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Cecropis rufula</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓
Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>			H		H	H	H	H
Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>			✓					

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Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>		✓	H		H	H	H	
Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>			H	H	✓	✓		
Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Curruca curruca</i>		✓	✓		✓		✓	
Rüppell's Warbler	<i>Curruca ruppeli</i>		✓		✓				✓
Sardinian Warbler	<i>Curruca melanocephala</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Eastern Subalpine Warbler	<i>Curruca cantillans</i>				✓				
Common Whitethroat	<i>Curruca communis</i>		✓						
Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>						H		
European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>						✓		
Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>		✓				✓	✓	
Common Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola saxatilis</i>							✓	
Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>		✓		✓	✓			
European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Isabelline Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe isabellina</i>		✓			✓		✓	
Eastern Black-eared Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe melanoleuca</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Finsch's Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe finschii</i>			✓					
Eurasian Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>		✓						
Spanish Sparrow	<i>Passer hispaniolensis</i>		✓					✓	
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Western Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>								✓
Western Yellow (Black-headed) Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava feldegg</i>				✓				
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>						✓		
White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>		✓	✓					
Red-throated Pipit	<i>Anthus cervinus</i>		✓						
Eurasian Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓		
European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>				✓	✓	✓		
Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>		✓	✓		✓		✓	
Cretzschmar's Bunting	<i>Emberiza caesia</i>				✓	✓			

Amphibians & reptiles

Common name	Scientific name	March 2026							
		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Savigny's Tree Frog	<i>Hyla savignyi</i>			✓					
Cyprus Water Frog	<i>Pelophylax cypriensis</i>			✓					
Kotschy's Gecko	<i>Mediodactylus kotschyi</i>		✓						
Troodos Rock Lizard - E	<i>Phoenicolacerta troodica</i>		✓						
Cyprus Starred Agama - E	<i>Laudakia cypriaca</i>		✓					✓	

Butterflies

Common name	Scientific name	March 2026							
		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Common Swallowtail	<i>Papilio machaon</i>		✓	✓					
Eastern Festoon	<i>Zerynthia cerisy</i>						✓		
Mallow Skipper	<i>Carcharodus alceae</i>			✓					
Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias croceus</i>		✓	✓		✓			
Eastern Bath White	<i>Pontia edusa</i>			✓					
Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>		✓			✓	✓		✓
Small White	<i>Pieris rapae</i>		✓	✓		✓			✓
Common Orange-tip	<i>Anthocharis cardamines</i>						✓	✓	
Painted Lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>		✓	✓		✓			

Dragonflies

Common name	Scientific name	March 2026							
		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Migrant Hawker	<i>Aeshna mixta</i>		✓						

Other insects

Common name	Scientific name	March 2026							
		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Nosed Grasshopper	<i>Acrida hugariosa</i>		✓						
a fire bug	<i>Rhaphius subrutus</i>			✓					
7-Spot Ladybird	<i>Coccinella 7-punctata</i>		✓	✓					
a carpenter bee	<i>Xylocopinae</i> sp.		✓						

Plants

E = endemic		
Scientific Name	Common Name	Day
PTERIDOPHYTES	FERNS & ALLIES	
Lycophytes	Club-mosses & Quillworts	
Selaginellaceae	Lesser Clubmoss Family	
<i>Selaginella denticulata</i>	Mediterranean Clubmoss	7
Pteridaceae	Ribbon-fern Family	
<i>Adiantum capillus-veneris</i>	Maidenhair Fern	7
<i>Anogramma leptophylla</i>	Jersey Fern	7
<i>Ophioglossum lusitanicum</i>		7
GYMNOSPERMS	CONIFERS	
Cupressaceae	Juniper Family	
<i>Cupressus sempervirens</i>	Italian Cypress	4
<i>Juniperus phoenicea</i>	Phoenician Juniper	4
Ephedraceae	Joint Pine Family	
<i>Ephedra foeminea</i>	a Joint Pine	4
Pinaceae	Pine Family	
<i>Cedrus brevifolia</i> - E	Cyprus Cedar	6
<i>Pinus brutia</i>	Turkish or Brutia Pine	4
<i>Pinus pinea</i>	Umbrella or Stone Pine	4

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E = endemic		
ANGIOSPERMS	FLOWERING PLANTS	
Eu-dicots	True Dicotyledons	
Aizoaceae	Ice Plant Family	
<i>Aizoon hispanicum</i>	Spanish Iceplant	5
<i>Mesembryanthemum nodiflorum</i>	Slender-leaf Iceplant	5
Anacardiaceae	Sumach Family	
<i>Pistacia lentiscus</i>	Mastic Tree	4
<i>Pistacia terebinthus</i>	Turpentine Tree	6
Apiaceae (Umbelliferae)	Carrot Family	
<i>Ferula communis</i>	Giant Fennel	3
<i>Scandix pecten-veneris</i>	Shepherd's-needle	4
<i>Smyrniolus olusatrum</i>	Alexanders	2
<i>Tordylium aegyptiacum</i>	-	5
Apocynaceae	Periwinkle Family	
<i>Nerium oleander</i>	Oleander	4
Asteraceae (Compositae)	Daisy Family	
<i>Anthemis rigida</i>	-	2
<i>Anthemis tomentosa</i>	-	4
<i>Calendula arvensis</i>	Field Marigold	5
<i>Centaurea aegialophila</i>	-	4
<i>Cota (Anthemis) amblyolepis</i>	-	6
<i>Glebionis (Chrysanthemum) coronarium</i>	Crown Daisy	2
<i>Glebionis (Chrysanthemum) segetum</i>	Corn Marigold	6
<i>Helichrysum conglobatum</i>	-	4
<i>Notobasis syriaca</i>	Syrian Thistle	3
<i>Pallenis spinosa</i>	-	5
<i>Phagnalon rupestre</i> subsp. <i>graecum</i>	-	4
<i>Ptilostemon chamaepeuce</i> subsp. <i>cyprica</i> - E	-	6
<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	Groundsel	4
<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	Common Sow-thistle	2
<i>Taraxacum aphrogenes</i> - E	-	5
<i>Tragopogon (Geropogon) hybridus</i>	Pasture Goat's-beard	2
<i>Tragopogon sinuatus</i>	-	2
<i>Leontodon tuberosum</i>		5
Berberidaceae	Barberry Family	
Betulaceae	Birch Family	
Boraginaceae	Borage Family	
<i>Anchusa aegyptiaca</i>	Eastern Anchusa	2
<i>Echium angustifolium</i>	-	4
<i>Lithodora hispidula</i> (L.h. subsp. <i>versicolor</i>)	-	6
<i>Onosma fruticosum</i> - E	-	7
Brassicaceae (Cruciferae)	Cabbage Family	
<i>Alyssum akamasicum</i> - E	-	7
<i>Arabis purpurea</i> - E	-	6
<i>Biscutella didyma</i>	Biscutella	4
<i>Erucaria hispanica</i>	Spanish Mustard	5
<i>Matthiola tricuspidata</i>	Three-horned Stock	2
<i>Sinapis alba</i>	White Mustard	2
<i>Turritis laxa</i>	-	6

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Cactaceae	Cactus Family	
<i>Opuntia ficus-indica</i>	Prickly Pear	2
Campanulaceae	Bellflower Family	
<i>Campanula erinus</i>		5
Caprifoliaceae	Honeysuckle Family	
<i>Valeriana italica</i>	-	6
Caryophyllaceae	Pink Family	
<i>Minuartia hybrida</i>	Slender Sandwort	6
<i>Paronychia argentea</i>	-	3
<i>Petrorhagia (velutina) dubia</i>	-	3
<i>Silene laevigata - E</i>	-	6
<i>Silene discolor</i>		4
Cistaceae	Rock-rose Family	
<i>Cistus creticus</i>	-	6
<i>Cistus ladanifer</i>	Gum Cistus	7
<i>Cistus monspeliensis</i>	Narrow-leaved Cistus	4
<i>Cistus parviflorus</i>	-	7
<i>Cistus salvifolius</i>	Sage-leaved Cistus	4
<i>Helianthemum obtusifolium - E</i>	-	4
<i>Helianthemum salicifolium</i>	-	6
Convolvulaceae	Bindweed Family	
<i>Convolvulus althaeoides</i>	Mallow-leaved Bindweed	5
<i>Convolvulus siculus</i>	Small Blue Bindweed	5
Crassulaceae	Stonecrop Family	
<i>Sedum cespitosum</i>	-	6
<i>Sedum eriocarpum</i> subsp. <i>porphyreum</i>	-	6
<i>Sedum microcarpum</i>		6
<i>Umbilicus rupestris</i>	Navelwort	6
Ericaceae	Heather Family	
<i>Arbutus andrachne</i>	Eastern Strawberry-tree	6
<i>Arbutus undedo</i>		7
Euphorbiaceae	Spurge family	
<i>Euphorbia dimorphocaulon</i>	-	7
<i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>	Sun Spurge	2
<i>Mercurialis annua</i>	-	6
<i>Ricinus communis</i>	Castor-oil Plant	2
Fabaceae (Leguminosa)	Pea Family	
<i>Acacia cyanophylla</i>	Blue-leaved Wattle	6
<i>Astragalus lusitanicus</i> subsp. <i>orientalis</i>	-	6
<i>Calycotome villosa</i>	-	6
<i>Ceratonia siliqua</i>	Carob	6
<i>Cercis siliquastrum</i>	Judas Tree	6
<i>Genista (sphacelata) fasselata</i> var. <i>fasselata</i>	Thorny Broom	6
<i>Lathyrus blepharicarpos</i>	-	5
<i>Lotus tetragonolobus (Tetragonolobus purpureus)</i>	Asparagus Pea	2
<i>Medicago marina</i>	Sea Medick	4
<i>Onobrychis caput-galli</i>	Cockscomb Sainfoin	2
<i>Trifolium argutum</i>	-	6
<i>Trifolium campestre</i>	Hop Trefoil	3

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<i>Trifolium clypeatum</i>	Shield Clover	6
<i>Trifolium tomentosum</i>	Woolly Trefoil	3
<i>Vicia cassia</i>	-	6
<i>Vicia hybrida</i>	-	4
<i>Vicia peregrina</i>	-	6
Fagaceae	Beech Family	
<i>Quercus alnifolia</i> - E	Golden Oak	6
<i>Quercus coccifera</i> (Q.c. subsp. <i>calliprinos</i>)	Kermes Oak	6
<i>Quercus infectoria</i> subsp. <i>veneris</i>	Royal Oak	5
Geraniaceae	Geranium Family	
<i>Erodium malacoides</i>	Narrow-leaved stork'sbill	3
<i>Erodium moschatum</i>	-	4
<i>Geranium molle</i>	Doves-Foot Crane's-bill	4
<i>Geranium purpureum</i>	Little Robin	6
Lamiaceae (Labiatae)	Dead-nettle Family	
<i>Lamium amplexicaule</i>	Henbit Deadnettle	5
<i>Lamium moschatum</i>	-	7
<i>Micromeria nervosa</i>	-	7
<i>Phlomis lunariifolia</i>	-	7
<i>Prasium majus</i>	Prasium	4
<i>Salvia dominica</i>	-	7
<i>Salvia fruticosa</i>	-	6
<i>Salvia verbenaca</i>	Wild Clary	4
<i>Salvia viridis</i>	Red-topped Sage	7
<i>Thymus capitatus</i>	-	4
<i>Thymus integer</i> - E	-	7
Linaceae	Flax Family	
<i>Linum bienne</i>	Pale Flax	3
Malvaceae	Mallow Family	
<i>Malva multiflora</i> (<i>Lavatera cretica</i>)	Lesser Tree-mallow	5
<i>Malva aegyptia</i>	-	5
<i>Malva parviflora</i>	Least Mallow	2
<i>Malva sylvestris</i>	Common Mallow	3
Meliaceae	Persian Lilac Family	
<i>Melia azedarach</i>	Indian Bead-tree	2
Myrtaceae	Myrtle Family	
<i>Eucalyptus gomphocephala</i>	Black Gum	7
<i>Myrtus communis</i>	Myrtle	7
Oleaceae	Olive Family	
<i>Olea europaea</i>	Olive	7
Orobanchaceae	Broomrape Family	
<i>Parentucellia latifolia</i>	Southern Bartsia	4
Oxalidaceae	Wood Sorrel Family	
<i>Oxalis pes-caprae</i>	Bermuda Buttercup	2
Papaveraceae	Poppy Family	
<i>Fumaria officinalis</i>	Common Fumitory	6
<i>Papaver hybridum</i>	Rough Poppy	2
<i>Papaver rhoeas</i>	Common Poppy	2
<i>Glaucium corniculatum</i>		5

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Plantaginaceae	Plantain Family	
<i>Misopates orontium</i>	Weasel Snout	4
<i>Plantago coronopus</i>	Buck's-horn Plantain	5
<i>Veronica cymbalaria</i>	White Speedwell	2
Plumbaginaceae	Thrift Family	
<i>Limonium sinuatum</i>	Winged Sea-lavender	2
Polygonaceae	Dock Family	
<i>Emex spinosa</i>	Emex	4
Primulaceae	Primrose Family	
<i>Anagallis arvensis</i>	Blue Pimpernel	2
<i>Cyclamen cypricum</i> - E	Cyprus Sowbread	7
<i>Cyclamen persicum</i>	Persian Sowbread	2
Ranunculaceae	Buttercup Family	
<i>Adonis annua</i>	Pheasant Eye	5
<i>Anemone coronaria</i>	Crown Anemone	6
<i>Nigella fumariifolia</i>	-	5
<i>Ranunculus asiaticus</i>	Turban Buttercup	5
<i>Ranunculus paludosus</i>	Jersey Buttercup	4
Resedaceae	Mignonette Family	
<i>Reseda orientalis</i>	-	4
Rhamnaceae	Buckthorn Family	
<i>Rhamnus lycioides</i> subsp. <i>oleoides</i>	-	7
<i>Rhamnus alaternus</i>		7
Rosaceae	Rose Family	
<i>Crataegus azarolus</i>	Azarole	5
<i>Eriobotrya japonica</i>	Loquat	2
<i>Prunus dulcis</i>	Almond	5
<i>Rubus sanctus</i>	Bramble	7
<i>Sarcopoterium spinosum</i>	Spiny Burnet	4
Rubiaceae	Bedstraw Family	
<i>Asperula cypria</i> - E	-	6
<i>Rubia tenuifolia</i>	-	6
<i>Valantia hispida</i>	Valentia	5
<i>Galium murale</i>		4
Rutaceae	Rue family	
<i>Citrus limon</i>	Lemon	7
<i>Ruta chalepensis</i>	Fringed Rue	4
Scrophulariaceae	Figwort Family	
<i>Verbascum levanticum</i>	-	2
Solanaceae	Nightshade Family	
<i>Lycium schweinfurthii</i>	-	2
<i>Mandragora officinarum</i>	Spring Mandrake	2
Styracaceae	Storax Family	
<i>Styrax officinalis</i>	Storax	7
Urticaceae	Nettle Family	
<i>Parietaria judaica</i>	Pellitory-of-the-wall	2
<i>Urtica pilulifera</i>	Roman Nettle	3
Amaryllidaceae	Onion Family	
<i>Allium neapolitanum</i>	Naples Garlic	2

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<i>Allium trifoliatum</i>	-	4
Asparagaceae	Asparagus Family	
<i>Asparagus stipularis</i>	-	2
<i>Bellevalia nivalis</i>	-	5
<i>Bellevalia trifoliata</i>	-	2
<i>Ornithogalum pedicellare</i> - E	-	5
Iridaceae	Iris Family	
<i>Gladiolus italicus</i>	Field Gladiolus	2
<i>Moraea (Gynandris) sisyrinchium</i>	Barbary Nut	2
Liliaceae	Lily Family	
<i>Gagea graeca</i>	-	6
<i>Tulipa agenensis</i>	-	8
Orchidaceae	Orchid Family	
<i>Anacamptis syriaca</i>	A Green-winged Orchid	4
<i>Dactylorhiza romana</i>	Roman Orchid	7
<i>Neotinea maculata</i>	Dense-flowered Orchid	7
<i>Ophrys apifera</i> var. <i>chlorantha</i>	Bee Orchid	7
<i>Ophrys cinereophila</i>	-	4
<i>Ophrys elegans</i> - E	-	4
<i>Ophrys israelitica</i>	-	7
<i>Ophrys lapethica</i>	-	7
<i>Ophrys levantina</i>	-	4
<i>Ophrys sicula</i>	a Yellow Bee Orchid	4
<i>Ophrys umbilicata</i>	-	7
<i>Orchis italica</i>	Naked Man Orchid	5
<i>Serapias aphrodite</i>	A Tongue Orchid	7
<i>Serapias bergonii</i>	A Tongue Orchid	6
<i>Serapias levantina</i>	A Tongue Orchid	7
Poaceae	Grass Family	
<i>Arundo donax</i>	Giant Reed	5
<i>Briza maxima</i>	Large Quaking-grass	4
<i>Lagurus ovatus</i>		4
Xanthorrhoeaceae	Asphodel Family	
<i>Asphodelus aestivus</i>	Common Asphodel	4
<i>Asphodelus fistulosus</i>	Hollow-leaved Asphodel	2