

# Spain - Extremadura & Gredos Mountains

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Western Swamphen



Spanish Festoon



Common Rock Thrush



Provence Orange-tip

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## Day 1

Friday 17th April

Madrid – Trujillo

20-25°C, sunny

Some of us met at Gatwick: we flew to Madrid where we met the rest of the group and Jasper before we headed out of Madrid. En route we stopped for a leg stretch at a service station, where a pair of White Storks were nesting on the pylon, and a colony of Spanish Sparrows were breeding in the lower part of the nest. We also found a Southern Brown Argus. We got back on the road to our final destination of Trujillo and the Hotel Izan for a good night's rest.

## Day 2

Saturday 18th April

Trujillo – Alcollarín dam – Campo Lugar – Madrigalejo – Vina la Torres

20-30°C, sun and cloud

After breakfast we left the hotel to our first stop of the day in the local park, where the group saw Spanish Terrapin and Iberian Water Frog, as well as Serins, Common and Pallid Swifts, before we wandered over to the Lesser Kestrel colony for a look.

We headed to Alcollarín dam, where we stopped for our first picnic lunch of the trip. The group could hear Nightingales singing from the edge, while there was a nice selection of wildfowl on the water. Along the edge we encountered Red-veined Darters and Broad Scarlet dragonflies, plus the delicate Iberian Bluetail Damselfly. In the grassland, we could hear at least five Quails, but sadly they would not give themselves up, unlike the very obvious Zitting Cisticolas.

After lunch, we moved to Campo Lugar and the rolling plains, and had a lovely encounter with a Montagu's Harrier. We had our first chance to get our heads around the different larks, with Crested, Calandra and Greater Short-toed all putting in an appearance, as well as two Rollers on the wires.

Coming off the plains, we headed down to the fruit and rice production areas at Madrigalejo, where we slowly tracked along to some pools, where we encountered Purple Herons, while a Savi's Warbler teased us from the scrub. In the grass were our first Tongue Orchids of the trip. Moving up the road a bit, we came across a pair of courting Black-winged Kites, which put on a great show.

With time getting on, we headed for home, making a stop at Viña la Torres and its wooded areas and olive groves, where Iberian Magpies teased us as they skipped among the trees, before taking to the air to challenge a Buzzard. We also saw some Champagne Orchids before we headed back to the hotel.

## Day 3

Sunday 19th April

### Santa Marta de Magasca plain – Llanos de Cáceres – Monroy Road

16-30°C, sun and cloud

After breakfast we headed off out onto the plains at Santa Marta. Our first stop was quiet, apart from the cacophony of Calandra Larks. We carried on and turned down a track, where we quickly ran into a large group of Pin-tailed Sandgrouse which exploded out of the grassland from just over the brow of the slope. As we moved on down the track we encountered a Little Bustard displaying in the grass, while on the other side a Spanish Imperial Eagle circled. We took a walk up a track through the grassland, taking in the sounds and the butterflies, seeing Small Heath, Clouded Yellow and Western Dappled White.

We moved on to the village for lunch, before heading out onto the Llanos de Cáceres, where we came across some Rollers and a Little Owl. On the grassland itself, we had good views of Greater Short-toed Lark and Northern Wheatear. We dropped down into a river valley, where Crag Martins whizzed back and forth under the bridge, and we saw a very showy Spanish Terrapin.

We headed back up out of the valley and toward the plains near the Monroy road, where we came across a newborn lamb, its mother facing off against some Cinereous and Griffon Vultures marching around her: she won the showdown and they soon gave up. At the top of the road, a lot of scanning in the heat haze revealed the head of a Great Bustard cooling itself in a damp gully. We headed back to Trujillo and had a lovely dinner.

## Day 4

Monday 20th April

### Monfragüe National Park (Castillo, Rio Tajo, Villarreal de San Carlos, Rio Tietar, Peñafalcon) – Rio Almonte

16-30°C, sunny

Today we headed to Monfragüe National Park. As we entered the park, we stopped where a group of birders were watching a bathing Western Orphean Warbler, and not long after we started the climb up to the Castillo, where we looked across at the vultures soaring round. One of the group spotted a Montagu's Harrier beating along the water's edge.

Dragging ourselves away, we stopped at the Rio Tajo and the rather impressive House Martin colony, and after a little searching found a couple of Alpine Swifts. We moved on to our lunch stop Villarreal de San Carlos, and while the group wandered about, we prepared lunch. After lunch, we took a wander down a valley, where there were plenty of Spanish Festoon butterflies feeding on the French Lavender, and Western Subalpine Warblers displaying. Further on, we stopped and watched an Egyptian Vulture, before stopping at the far end of the park where plenty of vultures were sat on the rocks.

We headed back through the park to Peñafalcon, where the vultures were coming in in good numbers. The local Peregrines got up every so often to give them some grief, while Crag Martins and Red-rumped Swallows swooped

by and a Blue Rock Thrush showed below. We made the move for home, having a short stop at the beautiful Rio Almonte for a final walk of the day, before going home for dinner.

## Day 5

**Tuesday 21st April**

Monroy Road – Jaraicejo - Senda des Orchidas – Arracampo – Rio Tietar – Hoyas del Espino

9-30°C, sun, wind, rain

We packed the vans and headed off to our second hotel in the Gredos, calling in at the Monroy road, where we had four Little Bustards, and well as displaying Thekla's Larks. We went through Jaraicejo to the Meteta de Deleitosa, where we found a mixture of Gum Cistus and French Lavender with a lovely Cork Oak woodland. We had plenty of Short toed Treecreepers and quite a showy Crested Tit, and a slightly more elusive dark-morph Booted Eagle.

We called in at a small orchid site in a olive grove: sadly, most of the plants were over, but we managed to find a few decent Naked Man Orchids and some Tongue Orchids, before dropping down to Arracampo and our lunch stop.

While we prepared lunch, the group had a look round by the hide, where they were welcomed to the sound of Savi's Warbler (we finally saw one) and Purple Herons. After lunch, we went round a few of the hides: one had a stunning display of Tongue Orchids, as well as a few Gull-billed Terns bouncing by. Our last stop at Arracampo proved eventful, with some very showy Western Swamphens, and four Little Bitterns chasing each other round.

We drove on through the agricultural areas until we reached the Rio Teitar for a quick stop; we found Wall Lizards basking on the bridge. We drove on towards the Milano Real, our final destination; en route we were greeted by a young Iberian Ibex on the roadside.

## Day 6

**Wednesday 22nd April**

Hoyas del Espino – Plataforma – woods below Hoyas del Espino

8-15°C, sun, cloud

The morning started for some with a pre-breakfast walk, during which we had plenty of Crossbills feeding in roadside poplars. After breakfast, we started slowly heading up to the Plataforma through the pine woods and alpine meadows, soon finding Iberian Yellow Wagtails. As we headed further up, we picked up a stunning singing male Ortolan Bunting, and saw Hoop Petticoat and Rock Narcissi in flower. We stopped at the car park to make our lunch, to the song and views of a stunning Common Rock Thrush, with Clouded Yellows and Painted Ladies flitting through. We encountered more Iberian Ibexes, Rock Bunting, another Ortolan and another Common Rock Thrush, as well as plenty of Northern Wheatears, and then endemic crocuses on the edge of a snow patch. While eating our lunch, some of the group were lucky enough to see Schreiber's Spiny-footed Lizard and Cyren's Rock Lizard.

We headed slowly back down to the woods, where we embarked on a relaxed stroll, finding lots of Common Orange-tips and the stunning Provence Orange-tip, and a couple of fritillaries. The end of the walk was at a gorgeous waterfall; we headed back towards the vans and to the hotel, but still managed a couple of Pied Flycatchers and Crested Tits.

That evening the group had the chance to look at the Moon and Jupiter through the telescopes.

## Day 7

Thursday 23rd April

Hoyas del Espino – Paradore – ‘Bonelli’s Wood’ – lower Paradore

8-21°C, sun and cloud

We started the morning with a walk in the village, with Serin and two Cirl Buntings before breakfast. We headed out towards ‘Bonelli’s Wood’, stopping for a brief look at the area around the Paradore; en route, the front van saw an Egyptian Mongoose slink across the road. On reaching the woods, we headed out for a walk through the Pyrenean Oaks, where the sound of Western Bonelli’s Warblers was all around, and Spanish Festoons flitted up and down the track. The peonies were not quite in flower, but we were lucky enough to come across a pair of Lesser Spotted Woodpeckers, while a Grasshopper Warbler reeled in the background. Butterflies started to show up, with both orange-tips and a few Wood Whites along the tracks, and a bit of interest came in the form of Mistletoe growing in the pine trees. We reached the picnic site for our last lunch of the trip: once again, there were plenty of butterflies around.

Once lunch was done, we headed round to another area where lovely Alpine Pasqueflowers were blooming on the banks. We took another walk, enjoying the butterflies, before heading back towards Hoyas, where we dropped into the pine woods below the Paradore for a slow drive and walk (during which we found Iberian Stream Frog), before heading back to the hotel for our last night.

## Day 8

Friday 24th April

Paradore – Madrid

8-25°C, sunny

We loaded the vans after breakfast and took a last drive through the forest, stopping at the Paradore for a last look before getting underway and heading back to the airport and home.

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## Species lists

Birds (H=heard only)

Common name	Scientific name	April 2026							
		17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Egyptian Goose	<i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>		6			1			
Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>		✓						
Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>		✓	✓					
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>		✓	✓		✓			
Ferruginous Duck	<i>Aythya nyroca</i>					1			
Common Quail	<i>Coturnix coturnix</i>		H						
Red-legged Partridge	<i>Alectoris rufa</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>				6		1		
Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Pallid Swift	<i>Apus pallidus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Great Bustard	<i>Otis tarda</i>			1					
Little Bustard	<i>Tetrax tetrax</i>			1		4			
Common Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>		H	H	H	✓	H	H	
Pin-tailed Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles alchata</i>			60					
Rock Dove /Feral	<i>Columba livia</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Water Rail	<i>Rallus aquaticus</i>		H						
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>		✓			✓			
Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>		✓						
Western Swamphen	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>					✓			
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>		✓						
Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>		✓						
Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>		2	1					
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>		1		1				
Gull-billed Tern	<i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i>					✓			
Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>				4	1			
White Stork	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>		✓			✓			
Eurasian Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>					1			
Little Bittern	<i>Botaurus minutus</i>					5			
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>					✓			
Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>					✓			
Western Cattle Egret	<i>Ardea ibis</i>	✓	✓			✓			
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>		5			✓			
Black-winged Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>		2						
Egyptian Vulture	<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>				3	1			
Cinereous Vulture	<i>Aegypius monachus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
Griffon Vulture	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Short-toed Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>					1		1	
Booted Eagle	<i>Hieraaetus pennatus</i>		1		3	1	1	1	
Spanish Imperial Eagle	<i>Aquila adalberti</i>			1					
Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>						1		
Bonelli's Eagle	<i>Aquila fasciata</i>					1			
Montagu's Harrier	<i>Circus pygargus</i>		1		1				
Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓			

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Red Kite	<i>Milvus milvus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
Little Owl	<i>Athene noctua</i>			1					
Tawny Owl	<i>Strix aluco</i>				H		H	H	
Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Roller	<i>Coracias garrulus</i>		2	3					
European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dryobates minor</i>							2	
Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>				H		✓		
Iberian Green Woodpecker	<i>Picus sharpei</i>							H	
Lesser Kestrel	<i>Falco naumanni</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>		✓	✓		✓			✓
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>				2				
Monk Parakeet	<i>Myiopsitta monachus</i>	2							
Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>		H		H	H	H	H	
Iberian Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius meridionalis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>				✓			✓	
Iberian Magpie	<i>Cyanopica cooki</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Western Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>						✓	✓	✓
Northern Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Coal Tit	<i>Parus ater</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓
Crested Tit	<i>Lophophanes cristatus</i>					✓	✓	H	
Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		H	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>					✓		H	
Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>						✓		
Thekla's Lark	<i>Galerida theklae</i>			✓		✓			
Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
Greater Short-toed Lark	<i>Calandrella brachydactyla</i>		✓	✓					
Calandra Lark	<i>Melanocorypha calandra</i>		✓	✓		✓			
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>				2				
Eurasian Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</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	
Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Western Bonelli's Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus bonelli</i>						✓	✓	✓
Great Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>		H						
Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>		1						
Common Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>		H						
Melodious Warbler	<i>Hippolais polyglotta</i>					H		1	
Savi's Warbler	<i>Locustella luscinioides</i>		H			H			
Common Grasshopper Warbler	<i>Locustella naevia</i>							H	
Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>				H	H	✓	✓	✓
Western Orphean Warbler	<i>Curruca hortensis</i>			✓					

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Sardinian Warbler	<i>Curruca melanocephala</i>		✓		✓	✓			
Western Subalpine Warbler	<i>Curruca iberiae</i>				4				
Common Whitethroat	<i>Curruca communis</i>						✓		
Common Firecrest	<i>Regulus ignicapilla</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>				H	✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Nuthatch	<i>Sitta europaea</i>				H	✓		H	
Short-toed Treecreeper	<i>Certhia brachydactyla</i>		H		H	✓	✓	✓	✓
Spotless Starling	<i>Sturnus unicolor</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>		H						
Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>							H	
Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>		H		H	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>		H	H	H	H	H	H	H
European Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>						✓	✓	
Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>		H		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola saxatilis</i>						2		
Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>				3				
European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>		✓	✓			✓	✓	
Western Black-eared Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe hispanica</i>				1				
Spanish Sparrow	<i>Passer hispaniolensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Duncock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>						✓	✓	✓
(Spanish) Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava iberiae</i>		✓				✓	✓	
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>			H			✓		
White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>		H	H	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hawfinch	<i>Coccothraustes coccothraustes</i>								
European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>		✓	✓			✓	✓	✓
Common Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>				✓	✓	✓	✓	
Red Crossbill	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>						✓	✓	
European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Rock Bunting	<i>Emberiza cia</i>				✓		✓	H	
Ortolan Bunting	<i>Emberiza hortulana</i>						✓		
Cirl Bunting	<i>Emberiza cirlus</i>						1	2	

## Mammals

Common name	Scientific name	April 2026							
		17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
European Rabbit	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>					1			
Brown Rat	<i>Rattus norvegicus</i>			1					
Iberian Mole	<i>Talpa occidentalis</i>							1	
Fallow Deer	<i>Dama dama</i>					✓			
Western Roe Deer	<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>							1	
Iberian Ibex	<i>Capra pyrenaica</i>					1	✓		
Wild Boar	<i>Sus scrofa</i>					2			
Egyptian Mongoose	<i>Herpestes ichneumon</i>							1	
Red Fox	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>						2		

## Amphibians &amp; reptiles

Common name	Scientific name	April 2026							
		17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Iberian Stream Frog	<i>Rana Iberica</i>							3	
Iberian Water Frog	<i>Pelophylax perezi</i>		✓	✓	H	✓		✓	
Moorish Gecko	<i>Tarentola mauritanica</i>					1			
Schreiber's Spiny-footed Lizard	<i>Acanthodactylus schreiberi</i>						✓		
Large Psammodromus	<i>Psammodromus algirus</i>							1	
Spanish Psammodromus	<i>Psammodromus hispanicus</i>		✓	✓	✓				
Common Wall Lizard	<i>Podarcis muralis</i>					✓	✓		
Cyren's Rock Lizard	<i>Iberolacerta cyreni</i>						✓		
Spanish Terrapin	<i>Mauremys leprosa</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			

## Butterflies

Common name	Scientific name	April 2026							
		17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Scarce Swallowtail	<i>Iphiclides podalirius</i>						1		
Spanish Festoon	<i>Zerynthia rumina</i>		1		5	✓		✓	
Rosy Grizzled Skipper	<i>Pyrgus onopordi</i>			1					
Cinquefoil Skipper	<i>Pyrgus cirsi</i>							1	
Wood White	<i>Leptidea sinapis</i>							✓	
Common Brimstone	<i>Gonepteryx rhamni</i>				1			1	
Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias croceus</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>							✓	
Green-veined White	<i>Pieris napi</i>						✓		
Mountain Dappled White	<i>Euchloe simplonia</i>		✓	✓	✓				
Provence Orange-tip	<i>Anthocharis euphenoides</i>						✓	✓	
Common Orange-tip	<i>Anthocharis cardamines</i>		✓		✓		✓	✓	
False Ilex Hairstreak	<i>Satyrium esculi</i>					✓			
Holly Blue	<i>Celastrina argiolus</i>							✓	
Black-eyed Blue	<i>Glaucopsyche melanops</i>		✓		✓				
Little Blue	<i>Cupido minimus</i>							✓	
Southern Brown Argus	<i>Aricia cramera</i>	1			✓				
Queen of Spain Fritillary	<i>Issoria lathonia</i>						✓	✓	
Painted Lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>				✓		✓	✓	
Peacock Butterfly	<i>Aglais io</i>						✓	✓	
Small Tortoiseshell	<i>Aglais urticae</i>						✓	✓	
Comma	<i>Polygonia c-album</i>						✓		
Large Tortoiseshell	<i>Nymphalis polychloros</i>			✓					
Knapweed Fritillary	<i>Melitaea phoebe</i>							✓	
Provençal Fritillary	<i>Melitaea deione</i>						✓	✓	
Small Heath	<i>Coenonympha pamphilus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Speckled Wood	<i>Pararge aegeria</i>						✓		
Wall Brown	<i>Lasiommata megera</i>				✓		✓	✓	
Spanish Marbled White	<i>Melanargia ines</i>			✓					
Meadow Brown	<i>Maniola jurtina</i>				✓				

## Moths

P=pupa		April 2026							
Common name	Scientific name	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Grass Eggar	<i>Lasiocampa trifolii</i>			P					
a burnet moth	<i>Zygaena sarpedon</i>			✓					
Peacock Emperor Moth	<i>Saturnia pyri</i>				1				
a crambid moth	<i>Eurrhysis</i> sp.							1	

## Damselflies &amp; dragonflies

		April 2026							
Common name	Scientific name	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Iberian Bluetail	<i>Ischnura graellsii</i>		✓						
Lesser Emperor	<i>Anax parthenope</i>		✓						
Broad-bodied Chaser	<i>Libellula depressa</i>			✓					
Red-veined Darter	<i>Sympetrum fonscolombii</i>		✓						
Broad Scarlet	<i>Crocothemis erythraea</i>		✓		✓				

## Other insects

Common name	Scientific name
Egyptian Locust	<i>Anacridium aegyptium</i>
Striped Shield Bug	<i>Graphosoma italicum</i>
Red-striped Oil Beetle	<i>Berberomeloe majalis</i>
Mediterranean Spotted Chafer	<i>Oxythyrea funesta</i>

## Plants

Scientific Name	Common Name
<b>Class Gymnosperms</b>	
<b>Pinaceae</b>	<b>Pine Family</b>
<i>Pinus pinea</i>	Stone Pine
<i>Pinus Sylvestrus</i>	Scots Pine
<b>Cupressaceae</b>	<b>Cypress Family</b>
<i>Juniperus communis</i>	Juniper
<b>Class Angiosperms</b>	
<b>Order Dicotyledons</b>	
<b>Fagaceae</b>	<b>Oak Family</b>
<i>Quercus suber</i>	Cork Oak
<i>Quercus coccifera</i>	Kermes Oak
<i>Quercus rotundifolia</i>	
<i>Quercus pyrenaica</i>	Pyrenean Oak
<b>Urticaceae</b>	<b>Nettle Family</b>
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	Stinging Nettle
<i>Parietaria judaica</i>	Pellitory Of The Wall
<b>Polygonaceae</b>	<b>Dock Family</b>
<i>Rumex scutatus</i>	
<b>Caryophyllaceae</b>	<b>Pink Family</b>
<i>Silene alba</i>	White Campion
<i>Silene gallica</i>	Small-Flowered Catchfly
<i>Silene vulgaris</i>	Bladder Campion
<i>Ranunculus sceleratus</i>	Celery-leaved Buttercup

Scientific Name	Common Name
<i>Ranunculus abnormis</i>	
<i>Caltha palustris</i>	Marsh Marigold
<b>Paeoniaceae</b>	<b>Peony Family</b>
<i>Paeonia officinalis</i> subsp. <i>humilis</i>	
<i>Paeonia broteri</i>	
<b>Papaveraceae</b>	<b>Poppy Family</b>
<i>Papaver rhoeas</i>	Common Poppy
<b>Fumariceae</b>	<b>Fumitory Family</b>
<i>Fumaria officinalis</i>	Common Fumitory
<i>Fumaria capreolata</i>	Ramping Fumitory
<b>Crassulaceae</b>	<b>Stonecrop Family</b>
<i>Sedum album</i>	White Stonecrop
<b>Rosaceae</b>	<b>Rose Family</b>
<i>Geum sylvaticum</i>	
<b>Leguminosae</b>	<b>Pea Family</b>
<i>Genista hispanica</i>	Spanish Gorse
<i>Spartium junceum</i>	Spanish Broom
<i>Robinia pseudacacia</i>	False Acacia
<i>Cytisus multiflorus</i>	White Broom
<i>Cytisus striatus</i>	Yellow Broom
<i>Lupinus augustifolius</i>	Narrow leaved Lupin
<i>Lathyrus aphaca</i>	Yellow Vetchling
<i>Melilotus albus</i>	White Melilot
<i>Melilotus indicus</i>	Small Melilot
<i>Medicago orbicularis</i>	Large Disk Medick
<b>Geraniaceae</b>	<b>Geranium Family</b>
<i>Geranium dissectum</i>	Cut-Leaved Cranesbill
<i>Geranium columbinum</i>	Long-Stalked Cranesbill
<i>Geranium robertianum</i>	Herb Robert
<b>Malvaceae</b>	<b>Mallow Family</b>
<i>Malva sylvestris</i>	Common Mallow
<b>Hypericaceae</b>	<b>St. John's-wort Family</b>
<i>Hypericum perforatum</i>	
<b>Cistaceae</b>	<b>Rockrose Family</b>
<i>Cistus ladanifer</i>	Gum Cistus
<i>Tuberaria guttatum</i>	Spotted Rockrose
<i>Helianthemum appeninum</i>	White Rockrose
<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i>	Common Rockrose
<b>Cactaceae</b>	<b>Cactus Family</b>
<i>Opuntia ficus-indica</i>	Prickly Pear
<b>Umbelliferae</b>	<b>Carrot Family</b>
<i>Ferula communis</i>	Giant Fennel
<b>Ericaceae</b>	<b>Heath Family</b>
<i>Arbutus unedo</i>	Strawberry Tree
<i>Erica lusitanica</i>	Portuguese Heath
<i>Erica arborea</i>	Tree Heather
<b>Primulaceae</b>	<b>Primrose Family</b>
<i>Anagallis arvensis</i>	Scarlet Pimpernel
<i>Anagallis foemina</i>	Blue Pimpernel
<i>Primula elatior</i>	Oxlip

Scientific Name	Common Name
<b>Oleaceae</b>	<b>Olive Family</b>
<i>Fraxinus ornus</i>	Flowering Ash
<i>Olea europaea</i>	Olive
<b>Gentianaceae</b>	<b>Gentian Family</b>
<i>Blackstonia perfoliata</i>	Yellow-Wort
<b>Boraginaceae</b>	<b>Borage Family</b>
<i>Anchusa undulata</i>	
<i>Anchusa azurea</i>	
<i>Echium vulgare</i>	Vipers Bugloss
<i>Echium plantagineum</i>	Purple Bugloss
<i>Echium flavum</i>	
<i>Borago officinalis</i>	Borage
<i>Cynoglossum creticum</i>	Blue Hound's Tongue
<i>Omphalodes linifolia</i>	
<i>Heliotropium europaeum</i>	
<b>Lamiaceae</b>	<b>Mint Family</b>
<i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i>	Rosemary
<i>Lavandula stoechas</i>	French Lavender
<i>Verbascum nigrum</i>	Dark Mullein
<i>Digitalis thapsi</i>	a foxglove
<i>Linaria elegans</i>	
<i>Parentucellia viscosa</i>	Yellow Bartsia
<i>Bellardia trixago</i>	Bellardia
<b>Caprifoliaceae</b>	<b>Honeysuckle Family</b>
<i>Viburnum tinus</i>	
<b>Campanulaceae</b>	<b>Bellflower Family</b>
<i>Campanula rapunculus</i>	Rampion Bellflower
<i>Campanula patula</i>	Spreading Bellflower
<i>Jasione corymbosa</i>	
<b>Compositae</b>	<b>Daisy Family</b>
<i>Bellis perennis</i>	Daisy
<i>Bellis sylvestris</i>	Southern Daisy
<i>Chrysanthemum segetum</i>	Corn Margiold
<i>Silybum marianum</i>	Milk Thistle
<i>Centaurea cyanus</i>	Cornflower
<i>Scolymus hispanicus</i>	Spanish Oyster Plant
<i>Tolpis barbata</i>	Tolpis
<b>Order Monocotyledons</b>	
<b>Liliaceae</b>	<b>Lily Family</b>
<i>Asphodelus albus</i>	White Asphodel
<i>Asphodelus aestivus</i>	
<i>Muscari comosum</i>	
<i>Gladiolus italicus</i>	Field Gladiolus
<i>Scilla hispanica</i>	Spanish Bluebell
<i>Ornithogalum umbellatum</i>	Star Of Bethlehem
<b>Amaryllidaceae</b>	<b>Daffodil Family</b>
<i>Narcissus rupicola</i>	Rock Narcissus
<i>Narcissus bulbocodium var. nivalis</i>	Hoop Petticoat Narcissus
<i>Narcissus triandrus</i>	Angel's Tears
<b>Iridaceae</b>	<b>Iris Family</b>
<i>Gladiolus italicus</i>	Wild Gladiolus

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<b>Scientific Name</b>	<b>Common Name</b>
<i>Moraea(Gynardiris) sisyrinchium</i>	Barbary Nut
<i>Crocus carpetanus</i>	an endemic crocus
<b>Orchidaceae</b>	<b>Orchid Family</b>
<i>Orchis italica</i>	Naked Man/Italian Orchid
<i>Anacamptis morio</i> subsp. <i>champagneuxii</i>	Champagne Orchid
<i>Serapias lingua</i>	Tongue Orchid
<i>Serapias parviflora</i>	Small-flowered Tongue Orchid
<i>Viscum sp</i>	Mistletoe
<i>Cherleria obtusiloba</i>	Alpine Sandwort