

France – Provence in Spring

Naturetrek Tour Report

20th – 27th April 2023



Scarce Swallowtail



Black-winged Stilt



Mediterranean Gull



Lady Orchid

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Summary

The eight day spring tour in Provence, South France was blessed with fine weather this year, in contrast to the wet and cold temperatures of the UK. Using Sault as our initial base in this rustic landscape, we enjoyed the fields and dry woodlands surrounding the small town and wandered further afield to explore the slopes of Mount Ventoux, the charming village of Brantes, the wonderful upland plateau at St May and the valley connecting to Gorge de le Nesque. Granite and limestone buttresses, clear stony streams and dry, loamy fields contrasted with the dwarf oak woodlands and thicker pine belts. Lavender is the dominant crop but protected valleys shield orchards, vineyards, cereal crops and grassy meadows, the general non-intensive farming providing room for wild flowers and emergent spring plants.

Warm thermals attracted giant Griffon Vultures, ever-searching Short-toed Eagles, Common Buzzards and Black Kites and the villages and cliffs were home to just arrived House Martins, Common and Alpine Swifts with a few Crag Martins for good measure. Night drives connected quickly with Roe Deer, Red Fox, Brown Hare and Badger and during our early morning walks we were serenaded by singing Black Redstarts, Common Redstarts, Serins, Firecrests and Western Bonelli's Warblers. Marsh Frogs called noisily from any standing water, toads flopped across the roads at night and sun-loving butterflies included the stunning Cleopatra, Moroccan Orange-tip, Glanville Fritillary and Scarce and Common Swallowtails. Lady Orchids were in bloom, wild Southern Tulips swayed in the warm breeze and blossom-laden trees and bushes were everywhere.

The second part of the tour explored a little of the Camargue from our hotel on the outskirts of the historic town of Arles. The reserve at Marais du Vigueirat, the fields and freshwater etangs at Mas D'Agon and the brackish waters of Etang de Vaccares are always firm favourites as they yield plenty of wildlife. We also visited the salt pans on the east side of the region and visited the excellent Parc Ornithologique at Pont de Gau for our fix of flamboyant pink flamingos, numerous herons and ibis, terns, gulls and waders. The relatively warm and early spring provided an opportunity to witness arrivals of Eurasian Bee-eaters, Rollers, a Wryneck or two with plenty of Whiskered and Gull-billed Terns and hundreds of the pink-flushed Slender-billed Gulls. Other wildlife included a night time encounter with Wild Boar, plenty of Coypus, a couple of displaying Little Bustards and a rush of dragonflies and sun-loving reptiles. We finished the tour with a visit to the stony plain of de Crau and enjoyed Stone Curlew, Lesser Kestrel, Southern Grey Shrike, Bath White and Western Marbled White butterflies and even an Ocellated Lizard and a couple of Great Spotted Cuckoos.

Day 1

Thursday 20th April

There was a twenty-minute delay in leaving Terminal Two at Heathrow as we departed on our BA flight to Marseilles. The airport there was relatively quiet on our arrival, and it didn't take too long to retrieve our bags and sort out our mini-bus hire, which was a nearly new Renault Trafic vehicle, which was fit for purpose. We bought some take-out lunch from the airport and with Viv and Tony now with us we headed off to our first venue – a small airstrip at Berre La Fare.

Although early in the season we were hoping that a Little Bustard or two might be on territory here and we were relieved to find a 'clicking' male shortly after our arrival. The insect-like call gave away the bird's location as it tried to hide in the fairly long grasses. We also saw Black Kite, Serin, Common Swifts and a Corn Bunting. White butterflies were on the wing and we saw Clouded Yellow, Scarce and Common Swallowtails and Brown Argus too.

After our enjoyable 35-minute stop, we ventured on northbound for the traditional Provencal town of Sault and our home for the next four nights. Wildlife en-route included a Hoopoe and Common Buzzards in vineyards – just after I had commented how poor they were for wildlife! Vocal birds heard with the window down included Nightingale, Woodlark, Green Woodpecker and Western Bonelli's Warbler. The weather was mostly sunny with cloud in the late afternoon and temperatures up to a very acceptable 19°C.

We arrived at Le Louvre at about 6.40pm and checked in. A briefing was next but the welcome drink of a white wine/chestnut liqueur was better! We ate our dinner at the rather late hour of 8pm which included carrot, cheese and ham soup, a pork and vegetable dish and concluded with tiramisu.

After a day of travelling most of us were feeling a little fatigued, but for some there was just enough energy for a one hour night drive looking for mammals! And it proved to be pretty productive with three Brown Hares, two Red Foxes, two Roe Deer, a Badger, some Marsh Frogs and we heard three European Scop's Owls.

Finally, to bed at 11pm.

Day 2

Friday 21st April

Our first venture for the day was a short walk from the hotel at 6.30am – heading east from the town after first scanning the mosaic of fields in the valley below the town. A distant Golden Oriole was singing in short bursts, and both Great Spotted and Green Woodpeckers were also heard calling. Singing Cirl Buntings mostly remained hidden, but easier to see were Black and Common Redstarts and Western Bonelli's Warbler. A Nightingale was singing from the bottom of the valley, a Hoopoe was calling from a town garden and Cuckoo and Black Kite were noted. By the time the bread had been purchased from the artisan bakers down the road, the Golden Oriole had flown into the Horse Chestnut trees right outside the hotel and showed briefly.

Our breakfast was from 8am and after a supermarket visit to shop for our picnic lunch, we were away in the minibus by 9.25am. Trying to marry up the weather forecast and the locations to be visited sometimes creates a mismatch with the anticipated itinerary, but today a reasonable forecast provided us with an opportunity to visit, as planned, Mont Serein, just below the summit of Mont Ventoux and pay a visit to the lovely village of Brantes too. A little café at the base of the mountain outside Carpantras wasn't yet open but served us all a coffee anyway – a few common birds, butterflies and Violaceous Carpenter Bees were on show here too. Two thirds up the mountain road we made another roadside stop – the scenery is just too good to keep driving past – providing us with Crested Tits, Coal Tit and some fast-moving Alpine Swifts.

We reached the upland meadows and conifer woods of Mont Serein at noon and enjoyed a slow walk around. It was much cooler up here, perhaps no more than 8°C and we quickly found the fidgety and beautifully vocal Citril Finches, a local speciality. More Crested Tits made themselves visible and we saw Black Redstart, Serin, Nuthatch, Mistle and Song Thrush. A Black Woodpecker was calling but declined to show itself. Firecrests were singing but it was too cool and dull for the hoped-for lizards to show themselves.

After our walk we ate our picnic on one of the benches there. Unseen eyes were watching us and when we cleared away, some bread attracted the local pair of Ravens and they were seen swooping down for it and taking it away –

perhaps a pleasant diversion from their offal/carrion diet. A café was open nearby for coffee and toilet opportunities.

In the afternoon, after first confirming that, sadly, the summit of Mt Ventoux was closed off, we descended to the pretty village or commune of Brantes, perched on the side of a picturesque valley. Here we potted along the quaint paths around the houses and Ann, in particular, was working hard on her botany. We enjoyed close views of Firecrest and Nightingale and other birds included two migrant Red-rumped Swallows plus Serin, Black and Common Redstart, Blackcap and hearing Western Bonelli's Warbler. Hummingbird Hawk-moth, Orange-tip and Small Heath butterflies were probably the best of the insects.

We returned to Sault, arriving at Le Louvre for about 5.40pm, this time with sufficient time for relaxation ahead of our Naturetrek checklist at 7pm and evening meal at 7.30pm. Our dinner included leek quiche, pesto pasta and ice cream and fruit salad with caramel.

Our slightly extended night drive from 9.10pm to 10.30pm yielded headlight/spot-lamp views of a Red Fox, seven Brown Hares, four Roe Deer and a few cats including an interesting individual that exhibited at least some traits of Wild Cat. Five Eurasian Scops Owl were noisy, but remained hidden.

Day 3

Saturday 22nd April

Day three and the weather was a mixture of sun and cloud and was breezy with temperatures varying between 10-18°C. Our 6.30am morning walk took us up the incline to the top of the town where a Wryneck could be heard calling repeatedly. We manoeuvred into position and saw the bird in a Sitka, permitting reasonable views. It flew and settled again and was still calling sometime later. Other more predictable birds included territory-holding Black and Common Redstarts, White Wagtail, Kestrel, Skylark, Corn and Cirl Buntings. Short-toed Treecreeper and Firecrest were heard only and a Siskin flew over.

After breakfast and some grocery shopping we were off on our main excursion for the day at 9.20am, this time taking the road north to the beautiful upland plateau at St May. It's a slow journey winding around the narrow country roads of Provence, a blend of agriculture, rocks and scrub with fragments of woodland – very pleasing on the eye. Raptors en-route included Short-toed Eagles, Common Buzzard, Black Kite and seven Griffon Vultures. We took a pleasant coffee stop at Sainte-Jalle and whilst we were supping, five Bee-eaters flew over rapidly. There were lots of House Martins and we watched Serin and Goldfinches perched together and Blackcaps moved through the scrub alongside the lovely stream there. Several fly-by and perched butterflies included Scarce Swallowtail and Moroccan Orange-tip.

We moved on and drove the scenic river gorge before taking the steep track up to St. May. Arriving at 'our' picnic bench we elected to take an early lunch with Griffon Vultures overhead, a profusion of butterflies in the nearby gully and interesting plants including Lady Orchid. A singing Cirl Bunting was on view but not easy to see – a Short-toed Eagle was easier! We consumed the savoury selection of the picnic, packed up and drove a short distance to the car park and new toilets! A Tree Pipit perched up en-route. Then, from the car park we took a slow meander to the St. May wooden cross and the fabulous views looking across the valley and opposite ridges and hills. A Western Green Lizard scampered into the undergrowth – but a Common Wall Lizard was better behaved! Small Heath and Green Hairstreak butterflies were seen, and Swallowtails were providing good views by the cross.

Griffon Vultures often fly past spectacularly close below and above the ridgeline and several obligingly did exactly that. Small birds included Skylark and Woodlark singing simultaneously, Western Subalpine and Dartford Warblers likewise and other birds enjoyed were Mistle Thrush, Short-toed Eagle, Kestrel, Alpine Swift and Raven.

After our saunter it was time for drinks and our sweet course back at the minibus and then a slow drive back to Sault. En-route we encountered some Wild Goats on a rocky valley slope and we stopped in the commune of Aurel but a short walk didn't produce anything new – a Firecrest singing in the car park was about the best. Arriving back at our hotel at 6pm, we completed our checklist at 7pm and enjoyed our dinner at 7.30pm. A night drive produced sightings of two Roe Deer, three Red Foxes, five Brown Hares and unidentified bats (and a very large Toad)! No less than six Scop's Owls could be heard calling.

By this time the list of flora was beginning to take shape and other butterflies seen during the day included Glanville Fritillary, Rosy Grizzled Skipper, Brimstone, Cleopatra and the widespread Wall Brown.

Day 4

Sunday 23rd April

Our 6.30am morning walk headed through Sault on the east side, with a drumming Great Spotted Woodpecker being difficult to see perched but rather easier in flight. Scanning over the meadows, we saw two interacting Red Foxes who were oblivious to our presence. A Nuthatch showed briefly, Great Tits were foraging around buildings, Swifts emerged from under the eaves and lots of Black Redstarts included a superb adult male. House Martins were active and vocally we recorded Jay, Firecrest, Cuckoo, Green Woodpecker and Hoopoe. Despite being a Sunday morning, the local baker was again open for Viking bread and other varieties. The grocery store didn't open until 9.10am which delayed our departure until 9.30am. The day's weather repeated the previous pattern, but rain arrived at 6pm and continued into the evening.

Today was all about exploring the terrain nearer to Sault, so we began by driving down to the fields in the valley below the town and walking and driving slowly along the tracks between the fields containing Lavender and other produce. Southern Wild Tulips grew in the verges where of course a variety of other plants could also be found that enjoy the well-drained soil of this region. A pair of Hobby were perched up, a pair of Tawny Pipits were in the fields and there were plenty of Corn Buntings; Bee-eaters moved over us high up in vocal flocks and a Red-throated Pipit also went north, calling as it passed. A distant squadron of Griffon Vultures numbered twenty-three individuals. Lots of Skylarks, one Woodlark, a male Stonechat, two Northern Wheatear, Kestrels, Carrion Crows, Nightingales and Cirl Buntings plus Black Kite and Short-toed Eagle made this a very productive session. A Wryneck was heard calling and a Cuckoo gave us a good fly-by view. We drove on to the small lake in the Gorge de Nesque where a car rally was just concluding! At the lake a Great Reed Warbler could be heard singing but seemingly wasn't visible and other aquatic birds such as Cetti's Warbler, Water Rail, Moorhen and Little Grebe were all rather shy too. In comparison, Marsh Frogs and a particularly confiding and very vivid Western Green Lizard were keen to show off! We took a short wander along the stream of the gorge and enjoyed views of Sulphur Owl Fly, a mixture of butterflies and some Crag Martins. Flowers in the shady areas included Hepatica and there were examples of Stinking Hellebore. Painted Lady, Large Tortoiseshell and Black-eyed Blue had by now been added to the trip butterfly list.

We enjoyed our Sunday lunchtime picnic utilising the benches around the lake and where a singing Short-toed Treecreeper had added its voice to the chorus of bird song. After sampling the delicious French cheeses, breads,

salad, strawberries and much, much more we took a slow drive back into Sault to permit Graham, Phil and Mike a bit of time to enjoy a walk around the town and Wendy to be further inspired by the artistic formations and creations in the very well-maintained cemetery. The rest of us drove out to De Nesque viewpoint at Belvedere Castellaras where for the first time in ten years we witnessed nesting Griffon Vultures and were able to watch them tending to their tiny young too. A Peregrine was rather distant and there were lots of Alpine Swifts careering around. We returned to the hotel at the early time of 4.25pm to allow for further exploration of Sault and some quality time-out ahead of our check list and evening meal – a hot goat cheese salad, a fish dish main course and ice nougat sweet!

Fully sated, it was time for the night drive in search of nocturnal activity and we saw as many as six different Red Foxes. We found two buck Roe Deer jousting and they took no notice of us, there was no holding back, attacking each other right at the side of the road. Another Roe Deer, three Brown Hares, Common Toads and a Scop's Owl in flight with three others heard but not seen, were the main additions to the day list.

Day 5

Monday 24th April

Day five of our tour is also the day we migrate from Sault down to Arles for the second of our two centres.

The morning walk at 6.30am was pleasant with a light breeze and partly cloudy. Two Brown Hares cavorting in and out of the Downy Oak woodland were probably the comical highlight! Jays, Western Bonelli's Warbler, Short-toed Treecreeper and the usual Common and Black Redstarts were our avian specials with calling Hoopoe, Great Spotted and Green Woodpecker remaining unseen. After breakfast and the supermarket shop, and all packed, we regretfully left Le Louvre and looked to horizons new. We stopped en-route at a little roadside meadow where we discovered Green Hairstreak, Rosy Grizzled Skipper, Dingy Skipper and Map butterfly and more Sulphur Owl Flies. We then took a slow drive to Les Baux, a stunning Medieval settlement atop a limestone escarpment with stunning views all around. Unfortunately, it seemed the whole world was there too in sunny, spring weather. We completed a walk round the bottom of the escarpment, admiring the subtle shift to Mediterranean-type flora and with lots of Kermes Oak bushes. Blue Rock Thrush was a target bird quickly found plus Alpine Swifts, Crag Martins in a mid-air fight and brief views of singing Sardinian and Western Subalpine Warblers. We walked up into the old citadel to find legions of tourists – it was difficult to negotiate the narrow streets or enjoy the virtues of this very special place, so after grabbing a coffee or ice cream we sadly left to find somewhere quieter. We drove back to the pinewoods at La Caume and enjoyed another Naturetrek picnic with just the butterflies and a few other picnickers for company.

Once our picnic was packed away we drove south via Maussane-les-Alpilles and spotted an eagle directly over the road just west of Paradou. Expecting it to be a Booted Eagle, we were delighted to identify it as a fine Bonelli's Eagle, now a rare and difficult-to-see resident of the area.

We arrived at Hotel des Granges just outside Arles at 4.30pm, having watched a Marsh Harrier quartering cereal fields nearby just beforehand. Here we checked in, confirmed the presence of a singing Nightingale in the hedge parallel to the hotel Oleander hedge, and then some of our party relaxed in the outdoor pool made available to us. There was some downtime before our dutiful checklist at 7pm with Ann in particular taking control of the botany list and spending most of her time researching and assessing encountered plants and flowers. After our 7.30pm dinner there was an opportunity for a night drive in our new surroundings, but it was much quieter here with a

Red Fox, a Rabbit and an unidentified bat! But there were Moorish Geckos waiting for us on the walls of the reception entrance when we arrived back!

Day 6

Tuesday 25th April

Our early morning walk down the track alongside the hotel to the canal and back was productive with a male Little Bustard on territory, a calling Quail, Crested Lark, some fly-over Bee-eaters, Black Kite and Common Buzzard, lots of Nightingale, Zitting Cisticolas and two or three migrant Tree Pipits. Round-leaved Birthwort is an interesting plant growing in the ditches and verges here. We were back by 7.40am and following breakfast we left the hotel at about 9am and conveyed Wendy to the historic town of Arles with its drawings exhibition at a number of venues and of course much more. The remainder of us headed to the super nature reserve at Marais du Vigueirat where we enjoyed a plethora of wildlife. The shallow fresh water lagoons attracted Squacco Heron, Red-crested Pochard, Little Grebe, Wood Sandpipers, Black-winged Stilts and Glossy Ibis. The Camargue White Horses were on show here, some mares heavily pregnant, others with very cute chestnut foals! Eyes to the skies picked up on Short-toed Eagle, Marsh Harrier and Hobby and White Storks spiralled above us. Coypus were active in the shallows; these very large South American rodents enjoying the lush waterside vegetation to feed on.

We took a circular walk around a small part of the reserve encountering Great White Egret, Yellow Wagtail, Gull-billed Tern and even a few Turtle Dove and a female Lesser Spotted Woodpecker out in the open on a dead Elm.

We identified our first dragonflies of the trip in the shape of Black-tailed Skimmer, Lesser Emperor, Hairy Hawker, Red-veined Darter and Blue-tailed Damselfly. We also managed views of Western Green Lizard and Common Wall Lizard in the sunny, bright conditions with the day temperature perhaps reaching as high as 23°C. The car park has some handy picnic tables, so we made use of these to have lunch following our circuit of the reserve.

Then, after lunch we drove south and caught the ferry over the River Rhone to Salin de Giraud. From here we drove to the coast at Plage de Piémanson – checking the saltpans en-route. There were not many waders but we did manage Common Sandpiper, Little Stint and Kentish Plover and Avocets. Hundreds of Slender-billed Gulls gave us the impression they had just arrived back from their African wintering quarters. There were also good numbers of Sandwich Tern and up to forty Spoonbills and Great Crested Grebes on the adjacent lagoons and three stately Caspian Terns. And of course, we saw our first Greater Flamingos, both settled on the saltpans and in flight. A check of the sea didn't yield much of interest, so we retraced our steps to Salin de Giraud and from here took a slow journey back to our hotel lingering at a waterlogged roadside field containing super numbers of pristine Mediterranean Gulls, Jackdaws and Glossy Ibis. We arrived back at Hotel des Granges at 6pm, met up with Wendy, who confirmed she had really enjoyed herself in Arles. We took an early dinner time of 7pm to provide for an evening venture to an Eagle Owl site. En-route we saw a Roller and a spectacular flock of up to a hundred Bee-eaters resting in a field. We heard 'the Grand Duke' but the Eagle Owl sounded as if it was calling from behind the limestone buttresses rather than on them and we didn't see him. A Nightjar was heard churring here too but wasn't glimpsed in the evening light and we arrived back at the hotel for 10pm with the Geckos again waiting for us!

Day 7

Wednesday 26th April

The good weather held for us with a partly cloudy day, a light breeze with dry conditions and the daytime temperature up to 25°C. Our 6.30am morning walk confirmed the continuing presence of the Little Bustard and the distant calling Quail. We also saw a Hobby, the Crested Larks again, a smart male Whinchat, three Northern Wheatears, Nightingales, several Tree Pipits and Yellow Wagtails. We were back for 7.40am and after breakfast and a stock up on provisions we left for our day excursion at 9.10am. Phil and Graham were conveyed to Arles where they enjoyed themselves for much of the day.

The rest of the group ventured forth to the rustic area known as Mas D'Agon, an area of open flat fields, remnant sedgey habitat and freshwater étangs (lakes), definitely one of the best birding areas in the Camargue depending on the water levels. Bee-eaters showed very well, and we notched up Crested Lark, Tree Sparrow, Stonechat, Northern Wheatear and a rather distant, perched-up Great Spotted Cuckoo. The area around the causeway between the étangs was particularly impressive with an elusive male Pied Flycatcher in the garden there, Purple Herons flying around, a hidden but booming Eurasian Bittern, Western Swamphen, Whiskered, Black and Gull-billed Terns, two Collared Pratincoles, Bearded Tits, lots of Glossy Ibis, Red-crested Pochard and Great Crested Grebes. Several dead Coypus looked as if they had been deliberately killed. Birds of prey included hunting Short-toed Eagles and Marsh Harriers.

Next we moved to Etang du Vaccares and La Capeliere where birds amounted to a small flock of Whimbrel, Spotted Redshanks, Greenshank, Spoonbill, Greater Flamingo, White Storks and a well posed Egyptian Grasshopper. Some of the traditional Camargue Black Bulls occupy the fields on the edge of the étang.

With time marching on we drove around to another area of the Camargue to the Parc Ornithologique. Here we found some picnic tables and enjoyed our lunch, the last one of the tour. Nightingales sang around us, and a Brown Rat came to pinch some food put out for the local House Sparrows. Captive Eurasian Eagle Owls provide a perspective as to how big these huge owls are! We took a slow walk around the lagoons and islands of this spectacular reserve with its very close Greater Flamingos and heronry with close and active Grey Herons, Little Egrets, Cattle Egrets and Glossy Ibis. This year and a colony of Mediterranean Gulls had moved in which of course increases the vibrancy and clamour of the place. Little Terns, Common and Wood Sandpipers, Spotted Redshank and even a Temmick's Stint added further diversity with Avocets and Black-winged Stilts intent on breeding there. A female Sardinian Warbler showed nicely, and whiskery Coypus entertained us.

We met back at the café for a 5pm coffee and left at 5.30pm for the drive back to our hotel. Our dinner was at 7.30pm and a night drive around the fields and country lanes found us a drove of Wild Boar, which scattered on our approach, and a spotlighted Stone Curlew.

Day 8

Thursday 27th April

Our last day of the tour and we said good-bye to Viv and Tony as they left to catch an early train from Arles to travel via lunch in Paris and onward to home. There were no takers for an early morning walk but a Stone Curlew was in a field next to the hotel.

After breakfast and all packed, we left the hotel at about 9am and drove to the La Crau area via the small village of Dynamite. A Turtle Dove and two Stone Curlew provided views from the roadside with two Hoopoes and a Corn Bunting nearby.

At the stony plain of La Crau we took a look at the stream bordering the north section which provided views of Banded and Copper Demoiselle, Egyptian Grasshoppers, some Chub-like fish and Marsh Frog. Walking the track onto the plain we encountered Western Marbled White and Bath White butterflies fluttering around the Asphodels. The best birds were two Great Spotted Cuckoos perched up by the minibus as seen by Graham and Phil. Griffon Vultures, Black Kite, Tawny Pipit, Short-toed Larks and up to six Lesser Kestrels were all admired. We could hear distant Green Woodpeckers and Golden Oriole and watched a pair of Southern Grey Shrikes moving from one low bush to another. An Ocellated Lizard was a good find. Cetti's Warbler and Nightingale let their guard down and showed to us and then it was time to go. We left this interesting area at about 12 noon and arrived at Marseilles Airport for 1pm. Here it was time to say our good-byes with Neil staying on to manage two Naturetrek 'Camargue in Spring' tours. The final six left the airport courtesy of BA – hopefully with great memories of the 'Provence in Spring' tour of 2023.

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Species lists

Birds (H = Heard only)

I=Introduced		April 2023							
Common name	Scientific name	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Mute Swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>						✓	✓	
Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>						✓		
Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>						✓	✓	
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
Red-crested Pochard	<i>Netta rufina</i>						✓	✓	
Common Quail	<i>Coturnix coturnix</i>						H	H	
Common Pheasant - I	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>						✓	✓	
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>		H		H		✓	H	
Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>						✓	✓	
Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>						✓	✓	✓
White Stork	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>					1	✓	✓	✓
Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>						✓	✓	
Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>						✓	✓	
Bittern	<i>Botaurus stellaris</i>							H	
Western Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓
Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>						✓		
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>			1			✓	✓	
Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>							✓	
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>						✓	✓	
Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>						✓	✓	
Griffon Vulture	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>		✓	✓	✓	1			
Short-toed Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>		2	✓	✓		3	6	
Bonelli's Eagle	<i>Aquila fasciata</i>					1			
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>		1			1		1	
Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>					1	3	✓	
Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Little Bustard	<i>Tetrax tetrax</i>	1♂					1♂	1♂	
Water Rail	<i>Rallus aquaticus</i>				H		H		
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>		H		H		✓	✓	
Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>						✓	✓	
Purple Swamphen	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>							✓	
Eurasian Stone-curlew	<i>Burhinus oedicnemus</i>					H		1	3
Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>						✓	✓	✓
Pied Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>						✓	✓	✓
Northern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>						✓		
Collared Pratincole	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>							✓	
Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>						✓		
Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>						✓	✓	
Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>							✓	
Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>						✓		
Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>						GO		
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glarcola</i>						✓	✓	
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>						✓	✓	
Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>						✓		
Spotted Redshank	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>							✓	
Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>							✓	

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Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>							✓	
Slender-billed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus genei</i>						✓		
Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>						✓	✓	
Mediterranean Gull	<i>Ichthyaetus melanocephalus</i>					✓	✓	✓	
Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>	✓					✓	✓	✓
Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>						✓		
Gull-billed Tern	<i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i>					✓	✓	✓	
Sandwich Tern	<i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>						✓		
Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>							✓	
Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>						✓	✓	
Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>							✓	
Black Tern	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>							✓	
Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>						✓		1
Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Great Spotted Cuckoo	<i>Clamator glandarius</i>							1	2
Common Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>		✓	H	✓	H	H	H	
Eurasian Scops Owl	<i>Otus scops</i>	H3	H5	H6	H4 saw 1				
Eurasian Eagle-Owl	<i>Bubo bubo</i>						H		
Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus europaeus</i>						H		
Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>		GO	✓	✓	✓			
Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Roller	<i>Coracias garrulus</i>						1	2	
Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>						H	1	
European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>			5	15+	✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	1	H		H	H			2
Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>			1	H				
Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dryobates minor</i>						2		
Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>		H		✓	H	H		
Black Woodpecker	<i>Dryocopus martius</i>		H						
European Green Woodpecker	<i>Picus viridis</i>	H3	H	✓	H	H			H
Lesser Kestrel	<i>Falco naumanni</i>								✓
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Hobby	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>				2		1	1	
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>				1				
Southern Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius meridionalis</i>								2
Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>		1						
Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>	✓		✓	H	✓			
Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Western Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rook	<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>								✓
Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Northern Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>		✓	✓	✓				
Coal Tit	<i>Parus ater</i>		✓		H				
European Crested Tit	<i>Lophophanes cristatus</i>		✓						
Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Bearded Reedling	<i>Panurus biarmicus</i>							✓	
Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>	H	✓	✓	✓	H			
Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>			✓	✓			✓	✓
Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>						✓	✓	✓
Greater Short-toed Lark	<i>Calandrella brachydactyla</i>								✓
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	✓					✓	✓	
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>		1		✓	✓			
Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Cecropis daurica</i>		2						
Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>				H		✓	✓	✓
Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>		H		H		✓		
Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	H	H	H	H	H			
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>						H		H
Western Bonelli's Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus bonelli</i>	H	✓	✓	H	✓			
Great Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>				H			H	
Eurasian Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>							✓	
Melodious Warbler	<i>Hippolais polyglotta</i>						1	H	
Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>					✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	H	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	H	H
Dartford Warbler	<i>Sylvia undata</i>			✓			H		
Subalpine Warbler	<i>Sylvia cantillans</i>			✓	H	✓			
Sardinian Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>		✓			✓	H	✓	H
Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>							H	
Common Firecrest	<i>Regulus ignicapilla</i>		✓	✓	H				
Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>		H		H				
Eurasian Nuthatch	<i>Sitta europaea</i>		✓		✓	H			
Short-toed Treecreeper	<i>Certhia brachydactyla</i>		✓	H	H	✓			
Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	H		
Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>		✓		✓				
Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>		✓	✓	✓				
European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	H	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Common Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>	H	✓	H	✓	H	✓	✓	✓
European Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>							1	
Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	H		✓
Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>					1			
Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>							1	
European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>			✓	✓			1	
Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>				✓	✓		4	
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>						H	✓	
Western Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>						✓	✓	✓
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>		✓	✓					
White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
Tawny Pipit	<i>Anthus campestris</i>				2				1
Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>				2				
Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>			1			✓	✓	
Red-throated Pipit	<i>Anthus cervinus</i>				1			1	
Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	H	✓	✓	✓	✓			H

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European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>	H	✓	✓	✓	✓			H
Common Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>			✓			✓		✓
European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Citrl Finch	<i>Carduelis citrinella</i>		✓						
European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Eurasian Siskin	<i>Spinus spinus</i>			H					
Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Cirl Bunting	<i>Emberiza cirlus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			

Other vertebrates

		April 2023							
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Mammals									
European Rabbit	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>					✓			
Coypu - I	<i>Myocastor coypus</i>						✓	✓	
European Roe Deer	<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>	2	4	2	3				
Badger	<i>Meles meles</i>	1							
Red Fox	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	2	1	3	8	1			
Brown Hare	<i>Lepus europaeus</i>	3	7	5	3	2			
Wild Goat	<i>Capra aegagrus</i>			2					
bat sp.				1		1		1	
rodent sp.					1				
Brown Rat	<i>Rattus norvegicus</i>							✓	
(White Horse)							✓		
(Black Bull)							✓		
Wild Boar	<i>Sus scrofa</i>							C12	
Reptiles & Amphibians									
Coruna (Iberian Water) Frog	<i>Pelophylax perezi</i>	✓	✓	H	✓	H	✓	H	
European Pond Turtle	<i>Emys orbicularis</i>							1	✓
Western Green Lizard	<i>Lacerta bilineata</i>			1	lots		✓		
Common Wall Lizard	<i>Podarcis muralis</i>			1	✓				
Common Toad	<i>Bufo bufo</i>			1	✓				
Tree Frog sp.						H	H	H	
Moorish Gecko	<i>Tarentola mauritanica</i>					✓	✓	✓	
Ocellated Lizard	<i>Tomon lepidus</i>								1

Invertebrates

		April 2023							
Common name	Scientific name	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Butterflies									
Hesperiidae									
Dingy Skipper	<i>Erynnis tages</i>					✓		✓	
Rosy Grizzled Skipper	<i>Pyrgus onopordi</i>			1		1			
Papilionidae									
Scarce Swallowtail	<i>Iphiclides podalirius</i>	1	1	1	✓	✓	✓		✓
Swallowtail	<i>Papilio machaon</i>	1	1	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓

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	Pieridae								
Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>	✓			✓			✓	✓
Small White	<i>Pieris rapae</i>	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	
Southern Small White	<i>Pieris manii</i>	?	?	?	?	?	?	?	
Bath White	<i>Pontia daplidice</i>								✓
Orange Tip	<i>Anthocharis cardamines</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
Moroccan Orange Tip	<i>Anthocharis euphonoides</i>			✓	✓				
Pale Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias hyale</i>							✓	
Berger's Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias alfacariensis</i>	✓							
Brimstone	<i>Gonepteryx rhamni</i>			✓	✓	✓		✓	
Cleopatra	<i>Gonepteryx cleopatra</i>			✓	✓	✓			
	Lycaenidae								
Green Hairstreak	<i>Callophrys rubi</i>			✓		✓			
Small Copper	<i>Lycaena phlaeas</i>					✓			✓
Holly Blue	<i>Celastrina argiolus</i>		✓						
Black-eyed Blue	<i>Glaucopsyche melanops</i>				✓				
Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>								
Brown Argus	<i>Aricia agestis</i>	✓		✓	✓				
	Nymphalidae								
Large Tortoiseshell	<i>Nymphalis polychloros</i>				✓				
Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>						✓	✓	
Painted Lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>				✓	✓			✓
Map Butterfly	<i>Araschnia levana</i>					✓			
Glanville Fritillary	<i>Melitaea cinxia</i>			1	✓			✓	
	Satyrinae								
Speckled Wood	<i>Pararge aegeria</i>						✓	✓	
Wall Brown	<i>Lasiommata megera</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Small Heath	<i>Coenonympha pamphilus</i>		✓	✓					✓
Western Marbled White	<i>Melanargia occitanica</i>								✓
	Odonata								
Black-tailed Skimmer	<i>Orthetrum cancellatum</i>						✓	✓	
Lesser Emperor	<i>Anax parthenope</i>						✓		
Hairy Hawker	<i>Brachytron pratense</i>						✓		
Red-veined Darter	<i>Sympetrum fonscolombii</i>						✓		
Blue-tailed Damselfly	<i>Ischnura elegans</i>						✓		
Copper Demoiselle	<i>Calopteryx haemorrhoidalis</i>								✓
Banded Demoiselle	<i>Calopteryx splendens</i>								✓
	Other								
Hummingbird Hawk Moth	<i>Macroglossum stellatarum</i>		✓	✓					
Violaceous Carpenter Bee	<i>Xylocopa violacea</i>		✓	✓	✓				
Owl-fly Sulphur	<i>Libelloides coccajus</i>				✓	✓		✓	
Asiatic Hornet	<i>Vespa velutina</i>						✓		
Egyptian Grasshopper	<i>Anacridium aegyptium</i>							1	

Flora (with special thanks to Ann Dowling for compiling the plant list)

Scientific name
PTERIDOPHYTES

Aspleniaceae
Asplenium trichomanes
Asplenium trichomanes

GYMNOSPERMS

Cupressaceae
Cupressus sempervirens
Juniperus communis
Juniperus oxycedrus

Pinaceae
Pinus halepensis
Pinus nigra
Pinus sylvestris

Taxaceae
Taxus baccata

ANGIOSPERMS

Common name
FERNS & ALLIES

Spleenwort Family
Rustyback
Maidenhair Spleenwort

CONIFERS

Juniper Family
Italian Cypress
Common Juniper
Prickly Juniper

Pine Family
Aleppo Pine
Black or Austrian Pine
Scots Pine

Yew Family
Yew

FLOWERING PLANTS

Dicotyledons

Adoxaceae
Sambucus nigra
Viburnum tinus

Apiaceae
Anthriscus sylvestris
Conium maculatum

Apocynaceae
Vinca major

Aquifoliaceae
Ilex aquifolium

Araliaceae
Hedera helix

Aristolochiaceae
Aristolochia rotunda

Asteraceae (Compositae)
Bellis perennis
Galactites tomentosa
Senecio vulgaris
Silybum marianum
Taraxacum sp.

Moschatel Family
Elder
Laurustinus

Carrot Family
Cow Parsley
Hemlock

Periwinkle Family
Greater Periwinkle

Holly Family
Holly

Ivy Family
Ivy

Birthwort Family
Round-leaved Birthwort

Daisy Family
Daisy
Purple Milk Thistle
Groundsel
Milk Thistle
Dandelion

Scientific name*Tragopogon pratensis**Sonchus asper***Betulaceae***Carpinus betulas***Boraginaceae***Cynoglossum creticum***Brassicaceae***Alliaria petiolata**Capsella bursa-pastoris**Lobularia maritima**Lunaria annua**Sinapis arvensis***Buxaceae***Buxus sempervirens***Caprifoliaceae***Centranthus ruber**Dipsacus fullonum***Caryophyllaceae***Silene italica***Cistaceae***Cistus albidus***Cornaceae***Cornus sanguinea***Crassulaceae***Sedum acre***Euphorbiaceae***Euphorbia characias**Euphorbia cyparissias**Euphorbia helioscopia***Fabaceae***Anthyllis vulneraria* agg.*Astragalus monspessulanus**Cercis siliquastrum**Coronilla juncea**Hippocrepis emerus**Lathyrus setifolius**Medicago lupulina**Onobrychis saxatilis**Ononis natrix**Vicia hybrida**Vicia sativa**Medicago arabis**Lathyrus nissolia***Common name**

Goat's-beard

Prickley Sow-thistle

Birch Family

Hornbeam

Borage Family

Blue Hound's Tongue

Cabbage Family

Garlic Mustard

Shepherd's Purse

Sweet Alyssum

Honesty

Charlock

Box Family

Box

Honeysuckle Family

Red Valerian

Teasel

Pink Family

Italian Catchfly

Rock-rose Family

Grey-leaved Cistus

Dogwood Family

Dogwood

Stonecrop Family

Biting Stonecrop

Spurge Family

Mediterranean Spurge

Cypress Spurge

Sun Spurge

Pea Family

Kidney Vetch

Montpellier Milkvetch

Judas Tree

Rush-like Scorpion Vetch

Scorpion Vetch

Brown Vetch

Black Medick

Rock Sainfoin

Yellow Restharrow

Hairy Yellow Vetch

Common Vetch

Spotted Medic

Grass-leaved Vetchling

Scientific name**Fagaceae**

Fagus sylvatica
Quercus coccifera
Quercus petraea
Quercus pubescens

Geraniaceae

Erodium ciconium
Erodium cicutarium
Geranium dissectum
Geranium molle
Geranium robertianum
Erodium sp.

Juglandaceae

Juglans regia

Lamiaceae

Lamium purpureum
Lavandula angustifolia
Rosmarinus officinalis
Salvia pratensis
Teucrium chamaedrys
Thymus vulgaris
Melissa Officinalis
Mentha aquatica

Malvaceae

Malva setigra
Malva sylvestris
Tilia cordata

Moraceae

Ficus carica

Nymphaeaceae

Nuphar lutea

Oleaceae

Fraxinus excelsior
Olea europaea
Syringa vulgaris

Papaveraceae

Chelidonium majus
Fumaria capreolata
Fumaria officinalis
Papaver rhoeas

Plantaginaceae

Antirrhinum latifolium
Cymbalaria muralis
Plantago coronopus

Common name**Oak & Beech Family**

Beech
Kermes Oak
Sessile Oak
Downy Oak

Geranium Family

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Common Stork's-bill
Cut-leaved Crane's-bill
Dove's-foot Crane's-bill
Herb Robert
Stork's-bill sp.

Walnut Family

Walnut

Dead-nettle Family

Red Dead-nettle
Common Lavender
Rosemary
Meadow Clary
Wall Germander
Common Thyme
Lemon Balm
Watermint

Mallow Family

Hairy Mallow
Common Mallow
Small-leaved Lime

Fig Family

Fig

Water-lily Family

Yellow Water-lily

Olive Family

Ash
Olive
Lilac

Poppy Family

Greater Celandine
White Fumitory
Common Fumitory
Common Poppy

Plantain Family

Snapdragon
Ivy-leaved Toadflax
Buckshorn Plantain

Scientific name*Plantago lanceolata**Plantago major**Veronica persica***Common name**

Ribwort Plantain

Greater Plantain

Common Field Speedwell

Platanaceae*Platanus* × *hispanica***Plane Family**

London Plane

Plumbaginaceae*Armeria arenaria***Thrift Family**

Thrift

Polygonaceae*Rumex crispus**Rumex obtusifolius***Knotweed Family**

Curled Dock

Broad-leaved Dock

Primulaceae*Primula veris**Primula vulgaris***Primrose Family**

Cowslip

Primrose

Ranunculaceae*Clematis vitalba**Ficaria verna**Hepatica nobilis**Helleborus foetidus**Ranunculus acris**Ranunculus sceleratus***Buttercup Family**

Old Man's Beard

Lesser Celandine

Hepatica

Stinking Hellebore

Meadow Buttercup

Celery-leaved Buttercup

Resedaceae*Reseda lutea***Mignonette Family**

Wild Mignonette

Rhamnaceae*Rhamnus alaternus***Buckthorn Family**

Mediterranean Buckthorn

Rosaceae*Cotoneaster integerrimus**Crataegus monogyna**Prunus spinosa**Rubus fruticosus* agg*Rosa canina* agg*Poterium verrocosum***Rose Family**

Wild Cotoneaster

Hawthorn

Blackthorn

Bramble

Dog Rose

Mediterranean Burnett

Rubiaceae*Cruciata laevipes**Galium aparine**Rubia peregrina***Bedstraw Family**

Crosswort

Cleavers

Wild Madder

Saliaceae*Populus tremula**Salix alba***Willow Family**

Aspen

White Willow

Santalaceae*Viscum album***Sandalwood Family**

Mistletoe

Sapindaceae*Acer pseudoplatanus***Maple family**

Sycamore

Scientific name*Aesculus hippocastanum***Common name**

Horse Chestnut

Solanaceae*Solanum dulcamara***Nightshade Family**

Bittersweet

Ulmaceae*Ulmus glabra***Elm Family**

Wych Elm

Urticaceae*Urtica dioica**Urtica pilulifera***Nettle Family**

Stinging Nettle

Roman Nettle

Monocotyledons**Amaryllidaceae***Leucojum aestivum***Amaryllis Family**

Summer Snowflake

Asparagaceae*Aphyllanthes monspeliensis**Asparagus tenuifolius**Leopoldia comosa**Muscari neglectum**Ornithogalum umbellatum***Asparagus Family**

Blue Aphyllanthes

Asparagus

Tassel Hyacinth

Grape Hyacinth

Common Star of Bethlehem

Iridaceae*Iris pseudacorus***Iris Family**

Yellow Flag

Liliaceae*Tulipa sylvestris* subsp. *australis***Lily Family**

Southern Wild Tulip

Orchidaceae*Himantoglossum robertianum**Orchis purpurea***Orchid Family**

Giant Orchid

Lady Orchid

Poaceae*Arundo donax**Phragmites australis***Grass Family**

Giant Reed

Common Reed

Xanthorrhoeaceae*Asphodelus* sp.**Asphodel Family**

an Asphodel