# **France - The Vercors**

# Naturetrek Tour Report

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Great Yellow Gentian

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# Day 1

# Wednesday 20th July

Weather: Cloudy with rain and occasional sunny periods

Seven tour members met Paul at Heathrow Terminal 5 for the 8.40am British Airways flight to Lyon, arriving at 11.10am, local time. Meanwhile, Susan arrived in Lyon, having flown via Amsterdam from Glasgow. After passport control and baggage reclaim we made our way out to the arrivals area, where we all boarded the bus to the car rental area. As soon as we had completed these formalities we boarded our vehicle for the journey to the Vercors region.

We drove westwards and joined the auroroutes towards Grenoble, stopping briefly for some refreshments, before making a detour to Grenoble Isere regional airport, where we explored the lanes and fields to the east and west of the airport. At our first stop we saw a single male Montague's Harrier, Black Kite, Kestrel, male Hen Harrier and a solitary, distant Short-toed Eagle. A family of Red-backed Shrikes was also busy feeding. The arable fields had mainly been harvested, but a field of magnificent Sunflowers was still standing, providing cover for a number of small birds. Paula spotted a single Titania's Fritillary butterfly, trying hard to warm up. There were still a few plants to see, including *Solidago gigantea* (Early Golden Rod), *Ambrosia artemisiifolia* (Ragweed) and *Amaranthus retroflexus* (Common Pigweed). Several Large White butterflies were also evident. Our second stop produced *Saponaria officinalis* (Soapwort) and *Cucubalus baccifer* (Berry Catchfly), and Goldfinch, Willow Warbler and Chaffinch were all recorded.

From here we continued on south to Grenoble and Sessenage, where we turned up onto the Vercors plateau, and on to Lans en Vercors and the Hotel La Val Fleuri, our base for the tour. Here we were met by Eliane Bonnard and her husband, Francois, our hosts. Having settled into our rooms and freshened up, we went out to a local restaurant, La Charrette, for dinner.

# Day 2

# Thursday 21st July

Weather: Cloudy with rain and occasional sunny periods

Following a splendid breakfast, we made the short journey to Les Geymonds, in order to visit the hypermarket to buy our picnic. With this task soon completed, we made our way to the small hamlet of Les Merciers.

The birders set off to try and find the elusive Wallcreeper. Meanwhile Paul and the botanists explored the rocky lane sides and grassland, checking out the plants and butterflies. The birders did see Common Swift, Black Redstart, Chaffinch and Crag Martin. They also heard Blackcap, but sadly, no Wallcreepers. Meanwhile, the botanists' exploration produced *Dianthus carthusianorum* (Carthusian Pink), *Dianthus monspessulanus* (Fringed Pink), *Orchis ustulata* (Burnt Orchid), *Epipactis atrorubens* (Dark Red Helleborine) and *Gentiana cruciata* (Cross Gentian). In the fleeting sunny intervals, butterflies became active, and we saw Apollo, Heath Fritillary and Provence Chalkhill Blue and Arran Brown, among others.

For lunch, we drove down to the Gorges du Furon, where we enjoyed our picnic in a grassy clearing, by the River Bourne. Scotch Argus and Small Skipper butterflies were recorded and a mixed flock of hirundines. As we returned to our vehicle, Susan's sharp eyes picked out a small group of Chamois, on a distant crag.

Our last location for the day was in the hamlet of Traffet. As we parked, Common Buzzard and Honey Buzzard were seen circling in the distance. Continuing into the mixed natural woodland, we followed a series of paths, finding *Goodyera repens* (Creeping Lady's-tresses), *Monotropa hypopitys* (Yellow Bird's-nest) and *Melampyrum nemorosum* (a Cow-wheat). Although the woods seemed very quiet, the birders managed to locate Coal Tit and Crested Tit.

Leaving this beautiful spot, we made our way down towards the spectacular Gorges de la Bourne, to look for Dippers. However, we were now in the teeth of some very heavy and persistent rain. So, as it was very near the end of the day, we made our way back to our hotel via Meaudre. After completing our checklists, we once again visited the restaurant, La Charrette, for dinner.

Day 3 Friday 22nd July

Weather: warm and sunny, with a stiff breeze

After a quick visit to the hypermarket to buy our lunch, we left Les Geymonds and drove south through the Gorges de la Bourne, where we made two stops. The first was by the river at Les Jarrards. Here the birders looked for Dippers, but unfortunately, did not find any. However, they did get excellent close views of a Short-toed Eagle. Meanwhile, the botanists found *Campanula patula* (Spreading Bellflower), *Tilia cordata* (Small-leaved Lime) and *Epipactis helleborine* (Broad-leaved Helleborine). Our second stop, a little deeper in the gorge, produced some superb scenery, but again, no Dippers.

We now turned west and down to the Royan Valley, where, on the verges we saw good numbers of Anthericum ramosum (Small St. Bruno's Lily). Just north of Choranche, we paused to admire the splendid geological formations, and found Great Sooty Satyr and Dryad butterflies. Continuing on through Pont en Royans and St Jean en Royan and made our way up to the precipitous Route Combe Laval, passing Walnut groves as we went. We stopped to scan the cliff walls for Wallcreeper, but had to satisfy ourselves with small mixed groups of hirundines. Botanically there was Asplenium fontanum (Smooth Rock Spleenwort), Acer opalus (Italian Maple), Potentilla caulescens (Lax Cinquefoil) and Linaria repens (Striped Toadflax). Driving on past the Col de la Machine, we stopped to enjoy our picnic in the forest, south of Lente, before moving on to the Font d'Urle, an area of sub-alpine meadows and limestone pavements. As we approached, we passed a fine display of Aconitum lycoctonum subsp. vulparia (Wolf's-bane). Setting off to explore, we were soon being inspected by a flock of Alpine Chough.

Before long we began to record interesting plants, such as *Viola calcarata* (Long-spurred Pansy), *Aconitum napellus* (Monk's-hood) and large numbers of *Dianthus monspessulanus* (Fringed Pink). The birders added Northern Wheatear, Griffon Vulture and Kestrel. However, the highlight of the afternoon was several Alpine Marmots, sunning themselves on the rocks and people-watching. We moved on up to the headland, where we enjoy yet another splendid view and added Swift and Alpine Swift, Grizzled Skipper, Dark-green Fritillary and Common Brassy Ringlet butterflies to the growing list of species. Additional plants included *Serratula alpina* (Alpine Sawwort), *Carlina acaule* (Stemless Carline Thistle) and *Aster alpina* (Alpine Aster).

After rejoining our vehicles, we now made our way over the Col de la Chau, making a short stop at the cemetery, where the victims of the Nazi massacre at Vassieux during the Second World War are buried, before driving on south. Our final objective today was to try and watch Griffon Vultures returning to their roost on the cliffs below the spectacular Col de Rousset. We drove through the tunnel at Rousset, making a short stop to enjoy our final spectacular view of the day. A solitary Chamois was spotted feeding on a distant crag, before we made our way the short distance down the valley to Chamaloc, where we parked on a wide verge, at a point where we were able to get good views of the vultures' roost. It was not long before Griffon Vultures began to appear, circling on what remained of thermals. Among them we also saw a single Cinereous (Black) Vulture as well. For the botanists, there was Campanula speciosa (a Bellflower), Iberis stricta subsp. leptophylla (Annual Candytuft) and Cotinus coggygyria (Smoke Bush). As it was now getting quite late, we took dinner at the Hotel Bellier in La Chapelle en Vercors, before returning to our hotel.

Day 4 Saturday 23rd July

Weather: Cloudy with light rain at first, becoming sunny and warm later

Leaving the hotel after breakfast, we drove south to an area of wet meadows and light scrub at Les Bruyeres, where Paul dropped us off, while he went to the hypermarket, and it was not long before our exploration produced superb views of a family of Marsh Warblers, feeding. We also saw Common Buzzard, Serin and Yellow Hammer. Plants included *Genista tinctoria* (Dyer's Greenweed), *Angelica sylvestris* (Wild Angelica) and *Scirpus sylvaticus* (Wood Clubrush).

Moving on, we made our way up to the Route Forestal de Autrans, a magnificent example of natural mixed woodland, of *Abies alba* (European Silver Fir), *Picea abies* (Norway Spruce), *Acer pseudoplatanus* (Sycamore) and other various broad-leaved shrubs. Our first stop produced Short-toed Treecreeper, Bullfinch and several Crested Tits. Meanwhile, the botanists found *Paris quadrifolia* (Herb Paris), *Calamintha grandiflora* (Large-flowered Calamint), *Lilium martagon* (Martagon Lily) and *Monotropa hypopitys* (Yellow Bird's-nest). We took lunch further along the route, just below the viewpoint at Le Moliere, among a fine stand of *Gentiana lutea* (Great Yellow Gentian) and *Adenostyles alliariae* (Adenostyles).

After completing our picnic, we made our way back to a point where we could clearly overlook the valley to the west. By now the sun was shining and the butterflies were becoming active, we saw, Great Banded Grayling, Damon Blue, Grizzled Skipper, Marbled White, Scotch Argus and Almond-eyed Ringlet. The botanists added Campanula cochlearifolia (Fairy's Thimbles), Cicerbita alpina (Alpine Sow-thistle), Gymnadenia conopsea subsp. densiflora (a Fragrant Orchid), Dactylorhiza fuchsii (Common Spotted Orchid) and Neottia ovata (Twayblade). B

y now the birds had become quite elusive, but Blackcap, Common Whitethroat, Sparrowhawk and Robin were recorded. We now returned to Lans en Vercors to prepare for dinner.

# Day 5 Sunday 24th July

Weather: Cloudy and dull at first becoming brighter later

We began today with a short drive towards St Nizier du Moucherotte, stopping in the forest. This wonderful example of natural mixed conifer and deciduous woodland is home to a number of special plants, and birds, but it was the orchids that were to attract most attention. The small, eerily white spikes of *Epipogium aphyllum* (Ghost Orchid) were the highlight, and we found about 20 or so. In addition we saw *Epipactis microphylla*, *Epipactis muelleri* (Mueller's Helleborine) and *Epipactis atrorubens* (Dark Red Helleborine). In addition, there were also several spikes of *Monotropa hypopitys* (Yellow Bird's-nest). On the verge we found *Campanula glomerata* (Clustered Bellflower), *Digitalis lutea* (Small Yellow Foxglove) and *Gymnadenia conopsea* (Fragrant Orchid).

Returning to the vehicles, we continued on down the east side of the plateau through Seyssins and Claix. We left the auto-route near St. Paul-les-Monistier. After passing through the town, we made our way to an area of meadows at Plan de Grisel. By now the sun was beginning to show itself, and the insects were starting to become active: Mazarine Blue, Chapman's Blue, Marbled White, Wood White and Meadow Brown butterflies were all seen, and Wartbiter, Dark Bush and Great Green Bush Crickets were also recorded. The birders found family groups of Red-backed Shrike and Whinchat, together with Crested Tit, Swallow, House Martin and Swift. After completing our picnic, we began scanning the distant mountain side, find in a small group of Chamois and a pair of distant Golden Eagles.

Following our picnic, we moved on to Gresse en Vercors, where we took the narrow road to the Pas du Serpaton (1586m), parking at the low summit. After pausing to take photos of the famous Mont Aiguille (2037m), we set out to explore. The birders set of for the summit, finding a massive flock of Alpine Chough, Raven and Kestrel. Meanwhile the botanists began to descend the narrow road, exploring the verges. *Scabiosa lucida* (Shining Scabious), *Gentiana cruciata* (Cross Gentian), *Veronica spicata* (Spiked Speedwell), *Centranthus angustifolia* (Narrow-leaved Red Valerian), *Tetragonolobus maritimus* (Dragon's Teeth), *Serratula alpina* (Alpine Sawwort) and *Helianthemum nummularium* (Common Rockrose) were all seen. Scanning the distant mountainside, a small group of Alpine Ibex were also seen.

We now made our way back to Monistier de Clemont, where we had dinner in the Pizzaria Campobello, where we sat outside in the warm evening sun. Leaving Monistier, we drove north towards Vif, where we were to visit a local reserve where Eurasian Beaver are known to live. Setting up our viewing point, we were soon recording birds. Little Bittern, Little Egret, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Mallard and Coot were also seen. Just as the light began to dim, we had our first sighting of the Beaver, swimming across the pond, on the surface. It made its way to the margin of the pond, were it began collecting reeds, which it then transported back to its island lodge. This happened several times. Also, as the light faded, we were treated to a wonderful display of Nightjars, hunting insects across the surface of the water. When we could see no more, we made our way back to Lans en Vercors, for some well earned sleep.

Day 6

# **Monday 25th July**

Weather: Fine and sunny in the morning, becoming cloudy and wet later

The principal objective for today was to make a day-long walk up to the Pas de l'Oeille, above Villard de Lans. After the usual visit to the hypermarket, we drove up to the low level cable car station at Le Balcon Cote 2000, and caught the 9.30am lift to Le Altitude 2000 upper station at 1,720 metres. Before we began to make our way up the well sign-posted track, we observed a small flock of Citril Finch feeding and a solitary Nutcracker. As we progressed, we found *Hypericum richeri subsp. burseri* (a St. John's-wort), *Scabiosa lucida* (Shining Scabious) and Linaria supina (Pyrenean Toadflax). The path to the Pas de l'Oeille was uneven, but not too difficult. On a distant peak we found a small group of Alpine Ibex, resting in the morning sun, and in among the scattered *Pinus uncinata* (Mountain Pine), we found a solitary Chamois. Alpine Marmot were numerous and rather vocal, there squeaking calls carrying across the mountainside.

We took several rest stops for water, on the ascent, but progressed steadily, passing *Arnica montana* (Arnica), *Doronicum grandiflora* (Leopard's-bane) and *Allium nacissiflorum* (Narcissus-flowered Onion). All around us Alpine Chough were calling, and a single Red-billed Chough was also spotted. We stopped for lunch in an area of broken limestone boulders, enjoying our picnic with the addition of stunning views. As we paused, to select an ideal picnic spot, some group members we fortunate enough to see an inquisitive weasel!

After we had eaten, the botanists continued on a short way finding *Gentiana nivalis* (Snow Gentian), the fruiting heads of *Pulsatilla alpina* (Alpine Pasque Flower), *Ranunculus alpestris* (Alpine Buttercup), *Pritzelago alpina* (Chamoiscress) and *Armeria maritima subsp. alpina* (Mountain Thrift). Meanwhile the birders added Alpine Accentor, Water Pipit and a single Wallcreeper. By now the cloud had descended, and it had began to rain, so we began our descent back to the cable car station, where we enjoyed refreshments at the Café Altitude Cote 2000, before catching the 16-00hrs cable car back down. After meeting to complete our checklists, we took dinner in the adjacent Hotel du Col de L'Arc.

# Day 7

# Tuesday 26th July

After breakfast, we left the hotel and drove south once again through the Gorges de la Bourne. Taking the Choranche road, we made a right turn just after the village and climbed up to the magnificent cliffs of the Route de Presles, a stunning limestone cliff formation, over-looking the Commune de Chatelus and the valley of the River Bourne. Here, the birders saw Alpine Swift, House Martin and Raven, Honey Buzzard, Common Buzzard and Red-backed Shrike, while the botanists found *Telephium imperati*, *Lactuca perennis* (Blue Mountain Lettuce), *Prunus mahaleh* (St. Lucie's Cherry) and *Teucrium montanum* (Mountain Germander). We also added Lulworth Skipper, Gatekeeper and Large Blue to the butterfly list, and saw Common Wall Lizard.

We now set off into the Foret des Coulmes, heading for the Fontaine de Petouze, where we set up our picnic. As we went Paul spotted a single *Himantoglossum hircinum* (Lizard Orchid) on a road verge. After lunch, we set out to explore the local area. A small pond produced emerging Blue Hawker Dragonflies, and a nearby meadow had Niobe Fritillary, Scotch Argus, Arran Brown and Meadow Brown butterflies and Shaded Broad-bar moth in it.

Retracing our steps, we made our way back down the Route de Presles, stopping on the banks of the River Bourne, where several *Buddleja davidii* (Butterfly-bush) bushes increased the moth and butterfly numbers. Jersey Tiger, Hummingbird Hawkmoth and Broad-bordered Bee Hawkmoth were seen, together with Silver Washed Fritillary, Scarce Swallowtail, Dryad, Great Banded Grayling, Grizzled Skipper and Clouded Yellow.

The remainder of the afternoon was spent in the picturesque town of Pont en Royans, where we visited a local cafe for refreshments. Dipper, Crag Martin, Spotted Flycatcher and Grey Wagtail were all seen in the river gorge. We returned to Lans en Vercors, in time to pack, before going for our final dinner in the Restaurant Charrette.

# Day 8

# Wednesday 27th July

Weather: Cloudy with light rain at first

After an early breakfast we bid farewell to our host Mme. Bonnard and her husband Francois, and began our journey back to Lyon. We retraced the route north that we had used on arrival. Along the way we saw Common Buzzard, Grey Wagtail and Grey Heron. We arrived at Lyon St. Exupery Airport in good time for our various flights back to the UK.

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# **Species Lists**

### **Plants**

Scientific name Common name Location

PTERIDOPHYTES

Equisetaceae Horsetail Family

Equisetum arvenseCommon HorsetailGorges de la BourneEquisetum palustreMarsh HorsetailRoute Forestiere, Autrans

**FERNS & ALLIES** 

Aspleniaceae Spleenwort Family

Asplenium fontanumSmooth Rock SpleenwortLes MerciersAsplenium ruta-murariaWall RueLes MerciersAsplenium trichomanesMaidenhair SpleenwortLes MerciersAsplenium virideGreen SpleenwortLes MerciersCryptogramma crispaParsley FernPas de l'OEille

Dennstaedtiaceae Bracken Family

Pteridium aquilinum Bracken Common

Dryopteridaceae Buckler Fern Family

Dryopteris dilitataBroad Buckler-fernFontaine de PetouzeDryopteris filix-masMale FernFontaine de PetouzeDryopteris villariiPas de l'OEille

Dryopteris villariiPas de l'OEillePolystichum aculeatumHard Shield-fernLes MerciersPolystichum lonchitisHolly FernFont d'Urle

Ophioglossaceae Adder's-tongue Family

Botrychium lunaria Moonwort Font d'Urle

Polypodiaceae Polypody Family

Polypodium australe Southern Polypody Les Merciers

Woodsiaceae Lady Fern Family

Athyrium filix-femina Lady Fern Route Forestiere, Autrans

Cystopteris fragilis Brittle Bladder Fern Les Merciers
Gymnocarpium robertianum Limestone Fern Pas de l'OEille

PINOPSIDA CONIFERS

Cupressaceae Juniper Family

Juniperus communis Juniper Common

Pinaceae Pine Family

Abies alba European Silver Fir Route Forestiere, Autrans

Picea abies subsp. abiesSpruceLes MerciersPinus sylvestrisScot's PineLes MerciersPinus uncinataMountain PinePas de l'OEille

Scientific name Common name Location

MAGNOLIOPSIDA FLOWERING PLANTS

Magnoliidae (Dicotyledons)

Aceraceae Maple Family

Acer campestrisField MapleLes MerciersAcer opalusItalian MapleLes MerciersAcer pseudoplatanusSycamoreCommonAcer platanoidesNorway MapleCommon

Amaranthaceae Pigweed Family

Amaranthus retroflexus Common Pigweed Grenoble Isere Airport

Anacardiaceae Sumach Family

Cotinus coggygria Smoke Bush Chamaloc

Apiaceae Carrot Family

Aegopodium podagraria Ground Elder Traffet Aethusa cynapium Fool's Parsley Gorges du Furon Angelica sylvestris Wild Angelica Les Bruyeres Anthriscus sylvestris Pas de l'OEille Cow Parsley Astrantia major Masterwort Pas de l'OEille Sickle-leaved Hare's-ear Les Merciers Bupleurum falcatum Bupleurum petraeum a Hare's-ear Font d'Urle

Daucus carota Wild Carrot Grenoble Isere Airport

Eryngium campestre Field Eryngo Common

Heracleum sphondyliumHogweedGorges du FuronLaserpitium latifoliumBroad-leaved SermountainLes MerciersLaserpitium prutenicumA SermountainChamalocLaserpitium silerA SermountainLes Merciers

Meum athamanticum Spignal Route Forestiere, Autrans

Pastinaca sativa Wild Parsnip Roadsides

Sanicula europaeaSanicleRoute Forestiere, AutransSilaum silausPepper SaxifrageRoute Forestiere, AutransTorilis japonicaUpright Hedge-parsleyGrenoble Isere Airport

Aquifoliaceae Holly Family

Ilex aquifolium Holly Les Merciers

Araliaceae Ivy Family

Hedera helix agg Ivy Vif

Asclepiadaceae Milkweed Family

Vincetoxicum hirundinaria Swallow-wort Les Merciers

Asteraceae Daisy Family

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Achillea millefolium Yarrow Les Merciers

Adenostyles alliariae Adenostyles Route Forestiere, Autrans

Anthemis triumfetti Southern Dog-daisy Presles

Arnica montanaArnicaPas de l'OEilleArtemisia absinthiumWormwoodCol de RoussetArtemisia vulgarisMugwortGrenoble Isere Airport

Aster alpinus Alpine Aster Font d'Urle
Aster bellidiastrum False Aster Pas de l'OEille

### Scientific name Common name Location

Bellis perennis Lans en Vercors Daisy Buphthalmum salicifolium Les Merciers Yellow Ox-eve Carlina acaulis Stemless Carline Thistle Font d'Urle Catanache caerulea Roadsides Catanache Centaurea montana Perennial Cornflower Les Merciers

Cicerbita alpina Alpine Sow-thistle Route Forestiere, Autrans

Cirsium acaule Stemless Thistle Traffet

Cirsium arvense Creeping Thistle Grenoble Isere Airport

Cirsium eriophorum Woolly Thistle Les Merciers Cirsium palustre Marsh Thistle Wet Meadows

Cirsium vulgare Spear Thistle Route Forestiere, Autrans Crepis pyrenaica Pyrenean Hawk's-beard Route Forestiere, Autrans

Doronicum grandiflora Pas de l'OEille Leopard's-bane Erigeron alpina Alpine Fleabane Pas de l'OEille Erigeron annuus Annual Fleabane Route de Presles

Eupatorium cannabinum Hemp Agrimony Route Forestiere, Autrans

Hieracium alpinum agg Alpine Hawkweed Pas de l'OEille Homogyne alpina Alpine Colt's-foot Pas de l'OEille Inula conyzae Ploughman's Spikenard Presles

Lactuca perennis Presles Blue or Mountain Lettuce

Lactuca virosa **Great Lettuce** Grenoble Isere Airport

**Nipplewort** Common Lapsana communis Common Leucanthemum vulgare Ox-eye Daisy Matricaria discoidea Les Merciers Pineapple Weed

Mycelis muralis Wall Lettuce Traffet

Picris hieracioides Hawkweed Ox-tongue Grenoble Isere Airport

Pilosella officinarum Mouse-eared Hawkweed Les Merciers

Prenanthes purpurea Purple Lettuce Route Forestiere, Autrans Senecio nemorensis subsp. alpestris Route Forestiere, Autrans

Groundsel Grenoble Isere Airport

Alpine Saw-wort Serratula alpina Font d'Urle

Solidago gigantea Early Golden Rod Grenoble Isere Airport

Solidago virgaurea Goldenrod Les Merciers Tragopogon dubium A Goat's-beard Plan de Grisell

Betulaceae **Birch Family** 

Senecio vulgaris

Betula pendula Pas de l'OEille Silver Birch Betula pubescens Downy Birch Les Merciers Hornbeam Foret de Coulmes Carpinus betulus

Boraginaceae Forget-me-not Family

Echium vulgare Viper's Bugloss Common Myosotis alpestris Alpine Wood Forget-me-not Pas de l'OEille

Myosotis arvensis Field Forget-me-not Route Forestiere, Autrans Myosotis sylvatica Wood Forget-me-not Route Forestiere, Autrans

Pulmonaria montana Mountain Lungwort Font d'Urle

**Brassicaceae** Cabbage Family

Arabis glabra **Tower Mustard** Route Combe Laval Shepherd's Purse Grenoble Isere Airport Capsella bursa-pastoris Hornungia petraea Hutchinsia Col de la Machine

Iberis stricta subsp. leptophylla A Candytuft Below the Col de Rousset

Kernera saxatile Col de la Machine Kernera

**Butterfly-bush Family** 

Scientific name Common name Location

Pritzelago alpina Chamois-cress Pas de l'OEille

Buddlejaceae

Buddleja davidii Butterfly-bush Near Pont en Royans

Campanulaceae Bellflower Family

Campanula cochlearifoliaFairy's ThimbleRoute Forestiere, AutransCampanula glomerataClustered BellflowerRoute Forestiere, AutransCampanula patulaSpreading BellflowerGorges de la Bourne

Campanula persicifolia Peach-leaved Bellflower Les Merciers

Campanula ranunculoides Creeping Bellflower Route Forestiere, Autrans
Campanula rhomboidalis A Bellflower Traffet

Campanula rotundifolia Harebell Common

Campanula speciosa A Bellflower Below the Col de Rousset

Campanula trachelium Nettle-leaved Bellflower Traffet

Phyteuma nigra Black Rampion Route Forestiere, Autrans

Phyteuma orbiculare Round-headed Rampion Les Merciers

Caprifoliaceae Honeysuckle Family

Lonicera xylosteumFly HoneysuckleGorges du FuronSambucus ebulusDwarf ElderRoadsidesSambucus nigraElderPont en RoyansSambucus racemosusRed-berried ElderGorges de la Bourne

Viburnum lantana Wayfaring Tree Traffet

Viburnum opulus Guelder Rose Pas de Grisell

Caryophyllaceae Pink Family

Arenaria serpyllifolia subsp. serpyllifolia Thyme-leaved Sandwort Presles

Cerastium alpinumAlpine Mouse-earPas de l'OEilleCerastium arvenseField Mouse-earCommonCerastium fontanumCommon Mouse-earCommon

Cucubalus bacciferBerry CatchflyGrenoble Isere AirportDianthus carthusianorumCarthusian PinkLes Merciers

Dianthus furcatus - Pas de l'OEille
Dianthus monspessulanus Fringed Pink Common

Wood Pink Dianthus sylvaticus Les Merciers Gypsophila repens Gypsophila Fonte d'Urle Lychnis flos-cuculi Ragged Robin Les Bruveres Minuartia verna Spring Sandwort Les Merciers Petrorhagia velutina Hairy Pink Traffet Saponaria officinalis Soapwort Les Jarrands Silene acaulis Pas de l'OEille Moss Campion

Silene latifoliaWhite CampionCommonSilene italicaItalian CatchflyPas de l'OEilleSilene rupestrisRock CatchflyPas de l'OEilleSilene vulgarisBladder CampionGrenoble Isere Airport

Stellaria gramineaLesser StitchwortRoute Forestiere, AutransStellaria nemorumWood StitchwortRoute Forestiere, Autrans

Telephium imperati - Presles

Chenopodiaceae Goose-foot Family

Chenopodium album Fat Hen Grenoble Isere Airport

Chenopodium bonus-henricus Good King Henry Fonte d'Urle

### Scientific name Common name Location Chenopodium ficifolium Fig-leaved Goosefoot Grenoble Isere Airport Cistaceae **Rock-rose Family** Helianthemum nummularium Les Merciers Common Rockrose H. nummularium subsp. grandiflorum Rockrose Pas de l'Oeille Helianthemum oelandicum subsp. canum Hoary Rockrose Font d'Urle Clusiaceae St. John's-wort Family Hypericum hirsutum Hairy St.John's-wort Route Forestiere, Autrans Hypericum maculatum Imperforate St.John's-wort Gorges du Furon Hypericum perforatum Perforate St. John's-wort Les Merciers Hypericum richeri subsp. burseri Alpine St. John's-wort Font d'Urle Convolvulaceae **Bindweed Family** Calystegia sepium Hedge Bindweed Les Jarrards Convolvulus arvensis Field Bindweed Grenoble Isere Airport Cuscuta epithymum Dodder **Presles** Cuscuta europaeum Greater Dodder Les Merciers Cornaceae **Dogwood Family** Cornus sanguinea Dogwood Plan de Grisell Crassulaceae Stonecrop Family Sedum acre Biting Stonecrop Les Merciers Sedum album White Stonecrop Les Merciers Sedum atratum Dark Stonecrop Pas de l'Oeille Sedum dasyphyllum Fat Stonecrop Les Merciers Sedum forsterianum Rock Stonecrop Les Merciers Sedum rupestre Large Yellow Stonecrop Route Forestiere, Autrans Sedum sediforme Presles Common Houseleek Les Merciers Sempervivum tectorum Cucurbitaceae **Cucumber Family** Bryonia dioica White Bryony Grenoble Isere Airport Dipsacaceae **Teasel Family** Dipsacus fullonum Teasel Grenoble Isere Airport Knautia dipsacifolia Wood Scabious Les Jarrards Scabiosa columbaria Grenoble Isere Airport Scabious Scabiosa lucida Shining Scabious Pas de l'OEille Ericaceae Heath family Arctostaphylos uva-ursi Bearberry Les Merciers Vaccinium myrtillus Bilberry Les Merciers Euphorbiaceae Spurge Family Traffet Euphorbia amygdaloides Wood Spurge Euphorbia cyparissias Cypress Spurge Les Merciers Euphorbia peplus Petty Spurge Lans en Vercors Mercurialis annuus **Annual Mercury** Grenoble Isere Airport

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Les Merciers

**Pea Family** 

a Kidney Vetch

Fabaceae

Anthyllis vulneraria subsp. praepropera

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Genista sagittalis Genista tinctoria Laburnum anagyroides Lathyrus pratensis Lotus corniculatus Lotus uliginosa

Medicago sativa subsp. falcata

Onobrychis arenaria
Ononis repens
Ononis viscosa
Oxytropis jacquinii
Robinia pseudacacia
Trifolium alpestre
Trifolium arvense
Trifolium montanum
Trifolium ochroleucum
Trifolium pannonicum

Trifolium .pratense subsp. pratense Trifolium pratense subsp. nivale

Trifolium repens Trifolium rubens Vicia cracca

Vicia sativa subsp. segetalis

Vicia sepium

Oak & Beech Family

Beech Les Jarrards Downy Oak Chamaloc

Fagus sylvatica

Quercus pubescens

Fagaceae

**Gentianaceae**Gentiana clusii

Gentiana cruciata

Gentiana lutea Gentiana nivalis Gentianella campestris

Geraniaceae

Geranium columbinum
Geranium dissectum
Geranium lucidum
Geranium phaeum
Geranium purpureum
Geranium pyrenaicum
Geranium robertianum
Geranium sanguineum
Geranium sylvaticum

Globulariaceae

Globularia cordifolia Globularia punctata

Grossulariaceae

Ribes alpinum

Winged Greenweed Les Merciers
Dyer's Greenweed Les Bruyeres

Laburnum Below the Col de Rousset Yellow Vetchling Grenoble Isere Airport

Bird's-foot Trefoil Les Merciers Large Bird's-foot Trefoil Les Bruyeres Sickle Medick Traffet

Sainfoin Route Forestiere, Autrans Restharrow Route Forestiere, Autrans Sticky Restharrow Below the Col de Rousset

a Milk Vetch Pas de l'OEille

False Acacia Grenoble Isere Airport

Presles

Hare's-foot Clover Grenoble Isere Airport

Mountain Clover Pas de l'OEille Sulphur Clover Pas de l'OEille Hungarian Clover Pas de l'Oeille

Red Clover Route Forestiere, Autrans

a Red Clover Font d'Urle

White Clover Grenoble Isere Airport

Red Trefoil Les Merciers
Tufted Vetch Roadsides

Common Vetch Foret de Coulmes
Bush Vetch Les Merciers

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Gentian Family
Clusius's Gentian (Over)
Cross Gentian
Great Yellow Gentian
Snow Gentian
Pas de l'OEille
Les Merciers
Les Merciers
Pas de l'OEille

**Geranium Family** 

Field Gentian

Long-stalked Crane's-bill Grenoble Isere Airport
Cut-leaved Crane's-bill Grenoble Isere Airport

Font d'Urle

Shining Crane's-bill

Dusky Crane's-bill

Little Robin

Hedgerow Crane's-bill

Herb Robert

Bloody Crane's-bill

Wood Crane's-bill

Les Merciers

Les Merciers

Traffet

Les Merciers

Les Merciers

**Globularia Family** 

Matted Globularia Les Merciers
Common Globularia Les Merciers

**Gooseberry Family** 

Mountain Currant Route Forestiere, Autrans

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Juglandaceae Walnut Family

Juglans regia Walnut Planted

Lamiaceae Dead-nettle Family

Acinos alpina Alpine Basil Thyme Les Merciers

Calamintha grandiflora Large-flowered Calamint Route Forestiere, Autrans

Clinopodium vulgare Wild Basil Les Merciers

Galeopsis tetrahit agg Common Hemp-nettle Grenoble Isere Airport

Lamium garganicaLarge Red Dead-nettleLes MerciersLycopus europaeusGypsywortLes BruyeresMentha longifoliaHorse MintGorges du Furon

Origanum vulgareMarjoramCommonPrunella vulgarisSelf-healLes MerciersSalvia pratensisMeadow ClaryCommonSideritis hyssopifoliaSideritisLes MerciersStachys alpinaAlpine WoundwortLes Merciers

Stachys officinalisBetonyPlan de GrisellStachys rectaYellow WoundwortPreslesTeucrium chamaedrysWall GermanderLes Merciers

Teucrium montanum Mountain Germander Les Merciers
Thymus polytrichus Wild Thyme Les Merciers

Thymus vulgaris a Thyme Below the Col de Rousset

**Mistletoe Family** 

Linaceae Flax Family

Linum perenne agg Perennial Flax Pas de l'OEille
Linum suffruticosum subsp. salsoloides Pyrenean Flax Presles

Viscum album Mistletoe Plan de Grisell

Oleaceae Olive Family

Loranthaceae

Fraxinus excelsior Ash Traffet

Ligustrum vulgare Wild Privet Plan de Grisell

Onagraceae Willowherb Family

Chamerion angustifolium Rosebay Willowherb Grenoble Isere Airport

Epilobium fleischeri Alpine Willowherb Col de la Chau

Orobanchaceae Broomrape Family

Orobanche albaThyme BroomrapeFont d'UrleOrobanche gracilisSlender BroomrapePlan de Grisell

Oxalidaceae Wood-sorrel Family

Oxalis acetosella Wood-sorrel Bois des Mures

Papaveraceae Poppy Family

Papaver dubium subsp. lecogii Yellow Juice Poppy Les Jarrards

Papaver rhoeas Corn Poppy Grenoble Isere Airport

Plantaginaceae Plantain Family

Plantago lanceolata Ribwort Plantain Grenoble Isere Airport

Plantago majusGreater PlantainLes JarrandsPlantago mediaHoary PlantainLes Merciers

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**Thrift Family** 

**Milkwort Family** 

**Knotweed Family** 

**Primrose Family** 

Wintergreen Family

Plumbaginaceae

Armeria maritima subsp. alpina Mountain Thrift Pas de l'OEille

Polygalaceae

Polygala alpestris Mountain Milkwort Pas de l'OEille

Polygonaceae

Persicaria bistorta Bistort Font d'Urle

Persicaria maculosa Redshank Grenoble Isere Airport

Rumex acetosa Sorrel Pas de l'OEille

Rumex scutatus French Sorrel Presles

Primulaceae

Anagallis arvensis

Androsace villosa (Over)

Scarlet Pimpernel

Woolly Rock-jasmine

Font d'Urle

Lysimachia vulgaris

Yellow Loosestrife

Vif

Lysimachia vulgaris Yellow Loosestrife Vif
Primula auricula (Over) Bear's-ear Primrose Pas de l'OEille

Pyrolaceae

Monotropa hypopitys Yellow Bird's-nest Traffet

Pyrola mediaIntermediate WintergreenBois de MuresPyrola minorCommon WintergreenTraffet

Ranunculaceae

Aconitum lycoctonum subsp. vulparia Wolf's-bane Route Forestiere, Autrans

**Buttercup Family** 

Aconitum napellusCommon Monk's-hoodFont d'UrleActaea spicataBaneberryPas de l'OEilleCaltha palustrisKingcupsLes Bruyeres

Clematis vitalba Old man's-beard Grenoble Isere Airport

Helleborus foetidusStinking HelleboreLes MerciersPulsatilla alpinaAlpine Pasque FlowerPas de l'OEille

Ranunculus aconitifolius Aconite-leaved Buttercup Route Forestiere, Autrans
Ranunculus acris Meadow Buttercup Route Forestiere, Autrans

Ranunculus alpestris Alpine Buttercup Pas de l'OEille
Thalictrum minus Lesser Meadow Rue Les Merciers

Resedaceae Mignonette Family

Reseda phyteuma Corn Mignonette Lyon Airport car hire

Rhamnaceae Buckthorn Family

Rhamnus alpinus Alpine Buckthorn Les Merciers
Rhamnus catharticus Common Buckthorn Presles

Rosaceae Rose Family

Alchemilla alpinaAlpine Lady's MantleFont d'UrleAmelanchier ovalisAmelanchierLes MerciersCrataegus monogynaHawthawnCommonDryas octopetalaMountain AvensFont d'Urle

Fragaria moschata Hautbois Strawberry Route Forestiere, Autrans

Fragaria vescaWild StrawberryLes MerciersFilipendula ulmariaMeadowsweetLes BruyeresGeum urbanumWood AvensGorges du FuronPotentilla caulescensLax CinquefoilRoute Combe Laval

### Scientific name Common name Location

Prunus aviumWild CherryLes MerciersPrunus mahalebSt. Lucies CherryPreslesPrunus spinosaBlackthornPreslesRosa pendulinaAlpine RoseRoute Forestiere, AutransPubus frutionsus acquePrombleCommon

Rubus fruticosus aggBrambleCommonRubus idaeusRaspberryGorges du FuronRubus saxatilisStone BrambleBois des MuresSanguisorba officinalisGreater BurnetLes BruyeresSorbus aria aggWhitebeamCommon

Sorbus aucuparia Rowan Route Forestiere, Autrans

### Rubiaceae Bedstraw Family

Asperula rupicolaA SquinancywortLes MerciersGalium aparineCleaversCommonGalium mollugoHedge BedstrawRoute Forestiere, Autrans

Galium odoratumSweet WoodruffBois des MuresGalium verumLadies BedstrawLes BruyeresSherardia arvensisField MadderCommon

### Salicaceae Poplar & Willow Family

Populus tremula Aspen Les Merciers

Salix caprea Goat Willow Route Forestiere, Autrans

Salix hederacea Dwarf Willow Pas de l'OEille

### Saxifragaceae Saxifrage Family

Saxifraga aizoidesYellow SaxifragePas de l'OEilleSaxifraga exarata subsp. delphinensisMusky SaxifrageFont d'UrleSaxifraga granulata (Leaves)Meadow SaxifrageVery CommonSaxifraga oppositifoliaPurple SaxifragePas de l'OEilleSaxifraga paniculataLive-long SaxifrageLes Merciers

Saxifraga rotundifolia Round-leaved saxifrage Route Forestiere, Autrans

### Scrophulariaceae Figwort Family

Cymbalaria muralisIvy-leaved ToadflaxPont en RoyansDigitalis ambiguaLarge Yellow FoxgloveLes MerciersDigitalis luteaSmall Yellow FoxgloveLes Merciers

Erinus alpinus Fairy Foxglove Route Forestiere, Autrans

Euphrasia rostkoviana an Eyebright Font d'Urle

Linaria repens Striped Toadflax Route Forestiere, Autrans

Linaria supina Pyrenean Toadflax Pas de l'OEille

Melampyrum nemorosum Cow-wheat Traffet

Rhinanthus angustifolius agg Greater Rattle Route Forestiere, Autrans

Rhinanthus minor agg Hay Rattle Font d'Urle

Scrophularia nodosa Common Figwort Route Forestiere, Autrans

Verbascum nigrum Dark Mullein Les Merciers

Verbascum phlomoidesOrange MulleinGrenoble Isere AirportVeronica anagallis-aquaticaBlue Water SpeedwellRoute Forestiere, Autrans

Veronica beccabungaBrooklimePas de SerpatonVeronica spicataSpiked SpeedwellFont d'Urle

### Solanaceae Nightshade Family

Solanum nigrum Black Nightshade Presles

Scientific name Common name Location

Tiliaceae Lime Family

Tilia cordataSmall-leaved LimeLes JarrardsTilia platyphyllosLarge-leaved LimePlan de Grisell

Thymelaeaceae Mezereon Family

Daphne laureolaSpurge LaurelPreslesDaphne mezereumMezereonFont d'Urle

Urticacae Nettle Family

Parietaria judaicaPellitory-of-the-WallPont en RoyansUrtica dioicaCommon NettleLans en Vercors

Valerian aceae Valerian Family

Centranthus angustifoliusNarrow-leaved Red ValerianPas de SerpatonCentranthus ruberRed ValerianGrenoble Isere AirportValeriana montana-Pas de SerpatonValeriana tripterisThree-leaved ValerianFont d'Urle

Verbenaceae Vervain Family

Verbena officinalis Vervain Grenoble Isere Airport

Violaceae Violet Family

Viola arvensis Field Pansy Fontaine de Petouze

Viola calcarata Long-spurred Pansy Font d'Urle

Viola riviniana Common Dog Violet Route Forestiere, Autrans

Viola tricolor subsp. subalpina Alpine Heartsease Font d'Urle

Liliidae (Monocotyledons)

CyperaceaeSedge FamilyCarex caryophylleaSpring SedgePas de Serpaton

Carex divulsa Grey Sedge Common
Carex flacca Glaucous Sedge Common
Carex ovalis Oval Sedge Les Bruyeres
Carex paniculata Great Tussock Sedge Les Bruyeres

Carex spicata Spiked Sedge Route Forestiere, Autrans

Carex sylvaticaWood SedgeGorges du FuronScirpus sylvaticusWood Club-rushLes Bruyeres

Dioscoreaceae Black Bryony Family

Tamus communis Black Bryony Pas de Serpaton

Juncaceae Rush Family

Juncus bufonius agg.Toad RushLes BruyeresJuncus conglomeratusCompact RushLes BruyeresJuncus effususSoft RushLes Bruyeres

Juncus inflexus Hard rush Route Forestiere, Autrans

Luzula luzuloides White Woodrush Bois des Mures

Luzula nivea Snowy Woodrush Traffet

Liliaceae Lily Family

Allium nacissiflorum Narcissus-flowered Onion Pas de l'OEille

Allium oleraceum Field Garlic Grenoble Isere Airport

### Scientific name

### Common name

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Allium rotundum

Allium senescens subsp. montanum

Allium sphaerocephalon Anthericum ramosum

Colchicum autumnale (leaves)

Lilium martagon Paris quadrifolia

Polygonum odoratum (fruit) Polygonatum verticillatum

Ruscus aculeatus Veratrum album - Font d'Urle
Mountain Onion Les Merciers
Round-headed Leek Presles

Roadside Choranche

Autumn Crocus Common

Martagon Lily Route Forestiere, Autrans Herb Paris Fontaine de Petouze

Angular Solomon's-seal Les Merciers

Whorled Solomon's Seal Fontaine de Petouze
Butcher's-broom Bois des Mures
White False Helleborine Pas de l'OEille

### Orchidaceae

# Anacamptis pyramidalis Cephalanthera rubra Dactylorhiza alpestris Dactylorhiza fuchsii Epipactis atrorubens Epipactis helleborine Epipactis microphylla Epipactis muelleri Epipogium aphyllum

Gymnadenia austriaca Gymnadenia conopsea subsp. conopsea Gymnadenia conopsea subsp. densiflora

Himantoglossum hircinum Neottia nidus-avis Orchis ustulata

Goodyera repens

### **Orchid Family**

Pyramidal Orchid Les Merciers Red Helleborine Les Merciers

Broad-leaved Marsh Orchid Route Forestiere, Autrans Common Spotted Orchid Route Forestiere, Autrans

Dark Red Helleborine
Broad-leaved Helleborine
- Bois des Mures
Mueller's Helleborine
Ghost Orchid
Les Merciers
Les Jarrards
Bois des Mures
Bois des Mures

Creeping Lady's-tresses Traffet

Austrian Vanilla Orchid Pas de l'OEille

Fragrant Orchid Route Forestiere, Autrans

A Fragrant Orchid Traffet

Lizard Orchid Verge above Presles
Bird's-nest Orchid Traffet (Over)
Burnt Orchid Les Merciers

### Poaceae

Brachypodium sylvaticum Bromus ramosus Briza media

Calamagrostis epigejos Cynodon dactylon Cynosurus cristatus

Dactylis glomerata Digitaria sanguinalis Echinochloa crus-galli Elytrigia repens

Festuca gigantea

Festuca rubra agg Helictotrichon pratensis Hordelymus europaeus

Lolium perenne Melica ciliata Melica nutans

Phragmites australis Phalaris arundinacea

Poa annua
Poa nemoralis
Sesleria caerulea

### **Grass Family**

False Brome Traffet

Wood Brome Gorges du Furon
Quaking Grass Les Merciers
Wood Small Reed La Moliere

Bermuda-grass Grenoble Isere Airport

Crested Dog's-tail Meadows
Cock's-foot Common

Hairy Finger-grass Grenoble Isere Airport
Barnyard Grass Grenoble Isere Airport
Couch-grass Grenoble Isere Airport
Giant Fescue Gorges du Furon

Red Fescue Common

Meadow Oat-grass Les Merciers

Wood Barley Common in open woods

Perennial Rye-grass Common
Soft Melick Presles
Mountain Melick Pas de l'OEille
Reed Les Bruyeres
Reed Canary-grass Les Bruyeres
Annual Meadow-grass Common

Wood Meadow-grass Woods
Blue Moor-grass Font d'Urle

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Setaria italicaLarge Bristle-grassGrenoble Isere AirportSetaria viridisGreen Bristle-grassGrenoble Isere Airport

Birds (✓= recorded but not counted; H = heard only)

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|    | Common name               | Scientific name         | 20       | 21       | 22       | 23       | 24       | 25       | 26       | 27       |
| 1  | Common Quail              | Coturnix coturnix       |          |          |          |          | Н        |          | Н        |          |
| 2  | Mallard                   | Anus platyrhynchos      |          |          |          |          | ✓        |          | ✓        |          |
| 3  | Grey Heron                | Ardea cinerea           | ✓        | ✓        |          | ✓        | ✓        |          | ✓        | <b>✓</b> |
| 4  | European Honey Buzzard    | Pernis apivorus         |          | ✓        |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |
| 5  | Black Kite                | Milvus migrans          | ✓        |          |          |          | ✓        |          |          |          |
| 6  | Griffon Vulture           | Gyps fulvus             |          |          | ✓        |          |          |          |          |          |
| 7  | Cinereous Vulture         | Aegypius monachus       |          |          | ✓        |          |          |          |          |          |
| 8  | Short-toed Snake Eagle    | Circaetus gallicus      | ✓        |          | ✓        |          | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        |          |
| 9  | Northern Harrier          | Circus cyaneus          | ✓        |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
| 10 | Montagu's Harrier         | Circus pygargus         | ✓        |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
| 11 | Eurasian Sparrowhawk      | Accipiter nisus         | ✓        |          | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        |          | ✓        |          |
| 12 | Common Buzzard            | Buteo buteo             | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | <b>✓</b> |
| 13 | Golden Eagle              | Aquila chrysaetos       |          |          |          |          | 2        | 2        |          |          |
| 14 | Common Kestrel            | Falco tinnunculus       | ✓        |          | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        |          |
| 15 | Eurasian Coot             | Fulica atra             |          |          |          |          | ✓        |          |          |          |
| 16 | Rock Dove ( Feral)        | Columba livia           | <b>√</b> | ✓        | ✓        |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          | <b>✓</b> |
| 17 | Common Wood Pigeon        | Columba palumbus        | <b>✓</b> | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        |          |          |          |
| 18 | European Turtle Dove      | Streptopelia turtur     | <b>✓</b> |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |
| 19 | Eurasian Collared Dove    | Streptopelia decaocto   | ✓        |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |          |
| 20 | Eurasian Scops Owl        | Otus scops              |          |          |          |          | Н        |          |          | П        |
| 21 | European Nightjar         | Caprimulgus europaeus   |          |          |          |          | ✓        |          |          | П        |
| 22 | Alpine Swift              | Tachymarptis melba      |          |          | ✓        |          | ✓        |          | ✓        |          |
| 23 | Common Swift              | Apus apus               | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        |          | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        |          |
| 24 | Common Kingfisher         | Alcedo atthis           |          |          |          |          | ✓        |          |          |          |
| 25 | Great-spotted Woodpecker  | Dendrocopos major       |          |          | ✓        |          | ✓        | ✓        |          |          |
| 26 | European Green Woodpecker | Picus viridis           |          | Н        | Н        | <b>✓</b> | Н        |          | Н        |          |
| 27 | Red-backed Shrike         | Lanius collurio         | ✓        |          | <b>√</b> |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |          |
| 28 | Eurasian Jay              | Garrulus glandarius     |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>✓</b> | $\Box$   |
| 29 | Eurasian Magpie           | Pica pica               | <b>√</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          |
| 30 | Spotted Nutcracker        | Nucifraga caryocatactus |          |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |
| 31 | Red-billed Chough         | Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax |          |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |
| 32 | Alpine Chough             | Pyrrhocorax graculus    |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          | $\Box$   |
| 33 | Carrion Crow              | Corvus corone           | <b>√</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | $\Box$   |
| 34 | Northern Raven            | Corvus corax            |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>√</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          |
| 35 | Coal Tit                  | Periparus ater          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> | $\Box$   |
| 36 | European Crested Tit      | Lophophanes cristatus   |          | <b>✓</b> |          | 4        | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>✓</b> | $\Box$   |
| 37 | Great Tit                 | Parus major             | <b>√</b> |          | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>√</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          |
| 38 | Eurasian Blue Tit         | Cyanistes caeruleus     |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          | Н        | $\vdash$ |
| 39 | Eurasian Skylark          | Alauda arvensis         | Н        |          |          |          |          |          |          | $\vdash$ |
| 40 | Barn Swallow              | Hirundo rustica         | <b>✓</b> | $\vdash$ |
| 41 | Eurasian Crag Martin      | Ptyonoprogne rupestris  |          | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          |          | <b>✓</b> | $\vdash$ |
| 42 | Common House Martin       | Delichon urbicum        | <b>√</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          |
| 43 | Willow Warbler            | Phylloscopus trochilus  | <b>√</b> |          |          | <b>/</b> |          |          | Н        | $\vdash$ |

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| 44 | Common Chiffchaff         | Phylloscopus collybita  |    |          |          | Н        |          |          |    |          |
| 45 | Western Bonelli's Warbler | Phylloscopus bonelli    |    |          |          |          |          |          | Н  |          |
| 46 | Marsh Warbler             | Acrocephalus palustris  |    |          |          | 4        |          |          |    |          |
| 47 | Blackcap                  | Sylvia atricapilla      | Н  | ✓        | Н        | ✓        | <b>✓</b> |          | Н  |          |
| 48 | Garden Warbler            | Sylvia borin            |    |          |          | Н        |          |          |    |          |
| 49 | Common Whitethroat        | Sylvia communis         |    |          |          | ✓        |          |          |    |          |
| 50 | Common Firecrest          | Regulus ignicapilla     |    |          |          | Н        |          |          |    |          |
| 51 | Goldcrest                 | Regulus regulus         |    | Н        |          |          |          |          |    |          |
| 52 | Eurasian Wren             | Troglodytes troglodytes |    |          |          | Н        |          |          | ✓  |          |
| 53 | Wallcreeper               | Tichodroma muraria      |    |          |          |          |          | ✓        |    |          |
| 54 | Short-toed Treecreeper    | Certhia brachydactyla   |    |          |          | ✓        | ✓        |          |    |          |
| 55 | Common Starling           | Sturnus vulgaris        |    |          |          |          | ✓        | ✓        |    |          |
| 56 | Common Blackbird          | Turdus merula           | ✓  | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        |          | ✓  |          |
| 57 | Mistle Thrush             | Turdus viscivorus       |    | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |    |          |
| 58 | European Robin            | Erithacus rubecula      |    |          |          | ✓        |          |          |    |          |
| 59 | Black Redstart            | Phoenicurus ochruros    |    | ✓        | <b>✓</b> | ✓        | <b>✓</b> | ✓        | ✓  |          |
| 60 | Whinchat                  | Saxicola rubetra        |    |          |          |          | ✓        |          |    |          |
| 61 | Northern Wheatear         | Oenanthe oenanthe       |    |          | ✓        |          |          |          |    |          |
| 62 | White-throated Dipper     | Cinclus cinclus         |    |          |          |          |          |          | ✓  |          |
| 63 | House Sparrow             | Passer domesticus       | ✓  | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓  | <b>✓</b> |
| 64 | Alpine Accentor           | Prunella collaris       |    |          |          |          |          | ✓        |    |          |
| 65 | Grey Wagtail              | Motacilla cinerea       |    | ✓        | ✓        |          |          |          | ✓  |          |
| 66 | White Wagtail             | Motacilla alba          | ✓  | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓  |          |
| 67 | Water Pipit               | Anthus spinoletta       |    |          |          |          |          | ✓        |    |          |
| 68 | Common Chaffinch          | Fringilla coelebs       | Н  | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓  |          |
| 69 | European Serin            | Serinus serinus         |    | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        |    |          |
| 70 | European Greenfinch       | Carduelis chloris       | ✓  | Н        | Н        |          |          | Н        |    |          |
| 71 | European Goldfinch        | Carduelis carduelis     | Н  | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | ✓  |          |
| 72 | Citril Finch              | Carduelis citrinella    |    |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |    |          |
| 73 | Common Linnet             | Carduelis cannabina     |    | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        |          |          |    |          |
| 74 | Eurasian Bullfinch        | Pyrrhula pyrrhula       |    | Н        |          | ✓        | ✓        |          |    |          |
| 75 | Corn Bunting              | Emberiza calandra       | ✓  |          |          |          |          |          |    |          |
| 76 | Yellowhammer              | Emberiza citrinella     | Н  |          | Н        | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          | Н  |          |

**N.B.** Our tour checklist follows the names and taxonomy (including species order) of the International Ornithological Congress list of the birds of the world (version 2.10, 18 October 2011) which seems destined to become the global standard in future.

# Butterflies

|                         |                       | July |          |          |    |    |          |          |    |  |  |  |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|------|----------|----------|----|----|----------|----------|----|--|--|--|
| Common name             | Scientific name       | 20   | 21       | 22       | 23 | 24 | 25       | 26       | 27 |  |  |  |
|                         | Papilionidae          |      |          |          |    |    |          |          |    |  |  |  |
| Scarce Swallowtail      | Iphiclides podalirius |      | <b>✓</b> |          |    |    |          | ✓        |    |  |  |  |
| Apollo                  | Parnassius apollo     |      | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | ✓  | ✓  |          |          |    |  |  |  |
| Clouded Apollo          | Parnassius mnemosyne  |      | <b>✓</b> |          |    |    |          |          |    |  |  |  |
|                         | Pieridae              |      |          |          |    |    |          |          |    |  |  |  |
| Large White             | Pieris brassicae      | ✓    | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |    |    |          | ✓        |    |  |  |  |
| Moorland Clouded Yellow | Colias palaeno        |      |          |          |    |    | <b>✓</b> |          |    |  |  |  |
| Clouded Yellow          | Colias crocea         |      |          | <b>✓</b> |    |    | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |    |  |  |  |

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----|
| Common name              | Scientific name       | 20       | 21       | 22       | 23       | 24       | 25       | 26       | 27 |
| Berger's Clouded Yellow  | Colias alfacariensis  |          |          |          | ✓        |          |          | ✓        |    |
| Cleopatra                | Gonepteryx Cleopatra  |          |          |          |          |          |          | ✓        |    |
| Brimstone                | Gonepteryx rhamni     |          |          |          |          |          |          | ✓        |    |
| Wood White               | Leptidea sinapis      |          | ✓        |          | ✓        |          |          | ✓        |    |
| Eastern Wood White       | Leptidea duponcheli   |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |    |
|                          | Lycaenidae            |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |    |
| Scarce Copper            | Lycaena virguareae    |          |          |          |          |          |          | ✓        |    |
| Purple-edged Copper      | Lycaena hippothoe     |          |          | ✓        |          |          |          |          |    |
| Large Blue               | Maculinea arion       |          |          |          |          |          |          | ✓        |    |
| Mazarine Blue            | Cyaniris semiargus    |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |    |
| Damon Blue               | Agrodiaetus damon     |          |          |          | ✓        |          |          |          |    |
| Chapman's Blue           | Agrodiaetus thersites |          |          |          |          | ✓        |          | ✓        |    |
| Chalk-Hill Blue          | Lysandra coridon      |          | ✓        |          |          |          |          |          |    |
| Provence Chalk-hill Blue | Lysandra hispana      |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |          |          |          |    |
| Common Blue              | Polyommatus icarus    |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>✓</b> |    |
|                          | Nymphalidae           |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |    |
| Southern White Admiral   | Limenitis reducta     |          |          |          |          |          |          | ✓        |    |
| Painted Lady             | Vanessa cardui        |          |          |          |          |          |          | ✓        |    |
| Small Tortoiseshell      | Aglais urticae        |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |          |          |    |
| Silver-washed Fritillary | Argynnis paphia       |          |          |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |    |
| Dark Green Fritillary    | Argynnis aglaja       |          |          | <b>√</b> |          |          |          |          |    |
| High Brown Fritillary    | Argynnis adippe       |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |          |          |    |
| Niobe Fritillary         | Argynnis niobe        |          |          |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |    |
| Titania's Fritillary     | Clossiana titania     | <b>✓</b> |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |    |
| Heath Fritillary         | Mellicta athalia      |          | ✓        |          | ✓        |          |          |          |    |
| ,                        | Satyrinae             |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |    |
| Marbled White            | Melanargia galathea   |          | <b>√</b> | <b>√</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>✓</b> |    |
| Great Sooty Satyr        | Satyrus ferula        |          | ✓        | ✓        | ✓        | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>√</b> |    |
| Dryad                    | Minois dryas          |          |          | <b>√</b> |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |    |
| Great Banded Grayling    | Kanetisa circe        |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>✓</b> |    |
| Arran Brown              | Erebia ligea          |          | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          | ✓        |    |
| Mountain Ringlet         | Erebia epiphron       |          |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |    |
| Scotch Argus             | Erebia aethiops       |          | <b>√</b> |          | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>✓</b> |    |
| Almond-eyed Ringlet      | Erebia alberganus     |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |    |
| Common Brassy Ringlet    | Erebia cassioides     |          |          | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>✓</b> |          |    |
| Meadow Brown             | Maniola jurtina       |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>✓</b> |    |
| Gatekeeper               | Pyronia tithonus      |          |          |          |          |          |          | ✓        |    |
| Small Heath              | Coenonympha pamphilus |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |          | <b>√</b> |    |
| Pearly Heath             | Coenonympha arcania   |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |          |          |          |    |
| Speckled Wood            | Pararge aegeria       |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |    |
| Wall Brown               | Lasiommata megera     |          |          |          |          |          |          | <b>√</b> |    |
| Large Wall Brown         | Lasiommata maera      |          | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          |          |          |    |
|                          | Hesperiidae           |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |    |
| Grizzled Skipper         | Pyrgus malvae         |          |          | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |          |          | <b>✓</b> |    |
| Dingy Skipper            | Erynnis tages         |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |    |
| Lulworth Skipper         | Thymelicus acteon     |          |          |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |    |
| Small Skipper            | Thymelicus sylvestris |          | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          | <b>✓</b> |    |
| Large Skipper            | Ochlodes venatus      |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |          |          |          |    |

# Moths (B = Bivouac)

|    |                             |                          |    |          |          | Jı | ıly      |    |          |    |
|----|-----------------------------|--------------------------|----|----------|----------|----|----------|----|----------|----|
|    | Common name                 | Scientific name          | 20 | 21       | 22       | 23 | 24       | 25 | 26       | 27 |
| 1  | Six-spot Burnet Moth        | Zygaena filipendulae     |    | <b>✓</b> |          |    |          |    |          |    |
| 2  | Five-spot Burnet Moth       | Zygaena trifolii         |    |          |          |    |          |    | ✓        |    |
| 3  | a Burnet Moth               | Zygaena carniolica       |    |          |          | ✓  |          |    |          |    |
| 4  | Shaded Broad-bar            | Scotopteryx chenopodiata |    |          |          | ✓  | ✓        |    | ✓        |    |
| 5  | Purple Treble-bar           | Aplocera praeformata     |    |          | ✓        |    |          |    |          |    |
| 6  | Latticed Heath              | Chiasmia clathrata       |    |          |          | ✓  | <b>✓</b> |    |          |    |
| 7  | Black-veined Moth           | Siona lineata            |    | <b>✓</b> |          |    |          |    |          |    |
| 8  | Broad-bordered Bee Hawkmoth | Hemaris fuciformis       |    |          |          |    |          |    | ✓        |    |
| 9  | Hummingbird Hawkmoth        | Macroglossum stellatarum |    |          |          |    |          |    | ✓        |    |
| 10 | Pine Processionary Moth     | Thaumetopoea pityocampa  |    | В        |          | В  | В        |    | В        |    |
| 11 | Garden Tiger                | Arctia caja              |    |          |          |    | <b>✓</b> |    |          |    |
| 12 | Cream-spot Tiger            | Arctia villica           |    |          | <b>✓</b> |    |          |    |          |    |
| 13 | Jersey Tiger                | Euplagia quadripuctaria  |    |          |          |    |          |    | <b>✓</b> |    |
| 14 | Brown-line Bright-eye       | Mythimna conigera        |    |          | <b>✓</b> |    |          |    |          |    |
| 15 | Burnet Companion            | Euclidia glyphica        |    |          |          |    | <b>✓</b> |    |          |    |

# Other Invertebrates

|    |                          |                           |          |          |          | Jı       | ıly      |    |          |          |
|----|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----|----------|----------|
|    | Common name              | Scientific name           | 20       | 21       | 22       | 23       | 24       | 25 | 26       | 27       |
| 1  | Blue Hawker              | Aeshna cyanea             |          |          |          |          |          |    | <b>✓</b> |          |
| 2  | Long-winged Conehead     | Conocephalus discolor     | <b>✓</b> |          |          |          |          |    |          |          |
| 3  | Great Green Bush-cricket | Tettigonia viridissima    |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |    |          |          |
| 4  | Wart-biter               | Decticus verrucivorus     |          | ✓        | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |    |          |          |
| 5  | Dark Bush-cricket        | Pholidoptera griseoaptera |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |    |          |          |
| 6  | Praying Mantis           | Mantis religiosa          |          |          |          |          |          |    | ✓        |          |
| 7  | Common Earwig            | Forficula auricularia     |          | ✓        |          |          |          |    |          |          |
| 8  | Forest Bug               | Pentatoma rufipes         | ✓        |          |          |          |          |    |          |          |
| 9  | Shield Bug               | Syromastes rhombeus       |          |          |          |          |          |    | ✓        |          |
| 10 | Fire Bug                 | Pyrrhocoris apterus       | ✓        |          |          |          |          |    |          |          |
| 11 | Hover-fly                | Volucella zonaria         |          | <b>✓</b> |          | <b>✓</b> |          |    |          |          |
| 12 | Wood Ant                 | Formica rufa              |          | ✓        |          | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |    |          |          |
| 13 | Hornet                   | Vesper crabro             |          |          |          |          |          |    |          | <b>✓</b> |
| 14 | Carpenter Bee            | Xylocopa sp.              |          |          |          |          |          |    | ✓        |          |
| 15 | Seven Spot Ladybird      | Coccinella 7-punctata     |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> | <b>✓</b> |    |          |          |
| 16 | Eyed Ladybird            | Anatis ocellata           |          |          | ✓        |          | <b>✓</b> |    |          |          |
| 17 | Soldier beetle           | Cantharis rustica         |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |    |          |          |
| 18 | Glow-worm                | Lampyris noctiluca        |          |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |    |          |          |
| 19 | Soldier beetle           | Trichodes alvearius       |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          | ✓  |          |          |
| 20 | Leaf Beetle              | Cryptocephalus sp.        |          | ✓        |          | <b>✓</b> |          |    |          |          |
| 21 | Bloody-nosed Beetle      | Timarcha tenebricosa      |          |          | ✓        |          |          |    |          |          |
| 22 | Black Weevil             | Liparus glabrirostris     |          |          |          | <b>✓</b> |          |    |          |          |
| 23 | Wolf Spider              | Lycosidae sp.             |          | ✓        |          |          |          |    |          |          |

# Molluscs

|   |                           |                  |    |    |    | Ju | ıly |    |    |    |
|---|---------------------------|------------------|----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|
|   | Common name               | Scientific name  | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24  | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 1 | Large Black Slug          | Arion ater       | ✓  | ✓  |    |    |     |    |    |    |
| 2 | Roman Snail               | Helix pomatia    |    |    |    | ✓  |     |    |    |    |
| 3 | Brown-lipped banded Snail | Cepaea nemoralis |    |    | ✓  |    |     |    |    |    |

## Mammals

|    |                          |                           |    |    |          | Jι | ıly      |          |    |    |
|----|--------------------------|---------------------------|----|----|----------|----|----------|----------|----|----|
|    | Common name              | Scientific name           | 20 | 21 | 22       | 23 | 24       | 25       | 26 | 27 |
| 1  | Common Pipistrelle Bat   | Pipistrellus pipistrellus |    |    | <b>✓</b> |    | <b>✓</b> |          |    |    |
| 2  | European Free-tailed Bat | Tadarida teniotis         |    |    |          | ✓  |          | <b>✓</b> |    |    |
| 3  | Noctule Bat              | Nyctalus noctula          |    |    |          | ✓  | <b>✓</b> |          |    |    |
| 4  | Red Fox                  | Vulpes vulpes             |    |    | ✓        |    |          |          |    |    |
| 5  | Weasel                   | Mustela nivalis           | ✓  |    |          |    |          | <b>✓</b> |    |    |
| 6  | Roe Deer                 | Capreolus capreolus       |    |    |          |    | ✓        | ✓        |    |    |
| 7  | Alpine Ibex              | Capra ibex                |    |    |          |    | 4        | 4        |    |    |
| 8  | Chamois                  | Rupicapra rupicapra       |    | 3  | 1        |    | 4        | 1        |    |    |
| 9  | Red Squirrel             | Sciurus vulgaris          |    |    | ✓        |    |          |          |    |    |
| 10 | Alpine Marmot            | Marmota marmota           |    |    | ✓        |    |          | Н        |    |    |
| 11 | Eurasian Beaver          | Castor fiber              |    |    |          |    | 3        |          |    |    |
| 12 | Rabbit                   | Oryctolagus cuniculus     |    |    |          |    | ✓        |          |    |    |

# Amphibians & Reptiles

|   |                    |                         |    |    |    | Jι       | ıly      |    |    |    |
|---|--------------------|-------------------------|----|----|----|----------|----------|----|----|----|
|   | Common name        | Scientific name         | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23       | 24       | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 1 | Alpine Newt (Eft)  | Triturus alpestris      |    |    |    |          |          |    | ✓  |    |
| 2 | Hybrid Pool Frog   | Rana esculenta-lessonae |    |    |    | <b>✓</b> |          |    |    |    |
| 3 | Natterjack         | Bufo calamita           |    |    |    |          | ✓        |    |    |    |
| 4 | Common Wall Lizard | Podarcis muralis        |    |    |    |          |          |    | ✓  |    |
| 5 | Grass Snake        | Natrix natrix           |    |    |    |          | <b>✓</b> |    |    |    |



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