

# Isles of Scilly

Naturetrek Tour Report

11th – 18th September 2023

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Grey Seal



Pied Flycatcher



Yellow-horned Poppy



Speckled Wood

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## Summary

Our 8-day bird-watching tour of Scilly is timed to encounter the first of the migrant birds that pause on the most south-westerly land mass of the United Kingdom. We had fantastic weather for most of the week, warm and sunny. It stayed warm all of the week, but a few showers and the classic “mizzle” necessitated the carrying of waterproofs for the last few days.

Seabirds were very active both on our passage from Penzance via the Scillonian ferry and also on our travels to the off islands. Shearwaters dominated the sightings with Cory’s, Great and Manx all showing well. Cetaceans included Harbour Porpoise and Common Dolphins, Atlantic Blue-fin Tuna were mixed up with a feeding frenzy of Northern Gannets and we had good views of Crystal Jellyfish in Penzance harbour.

We enjoyed a comfortable stay and delicious food at the Mincarlo and visited several other restaurants during our stay.

## Day 1

## Monday 11th September

We met up with our guests and leaders on the quay side at Penzance having first checked out the Battery rocks high tide roost around the corner for any sign of early passage Purple Sandpipers as it is the best place in the South West to find them!

Everyone was in good time and a quick word with the Steamship company staff enabled us to get checked in as a group and thus avoid the ever-growing queue for boarding.

We got seats together on the upper deck which gave us better all-round visibility for the crossing and we were also in close proximity to the Isles of Scilly Wildlife Trust “wildlife spotter” who was extra vigilant in seeking cetaceans, able to identify a species by a quick view of a dorsal fin breaking the water surface.

Gulls, Shags and Cormorants dominated the sightings for a while as we left Mounts Bay and started following the West Cornwall coastline down toward Land’s End. A fly-by of five Grey Herons was an unusual sighting and we did wonder if they were planning on a few days on the islands as well.

We came across several pods of Common Dolphins down the coast with Northern Gannets diving often being the indicator. One group of Gannets were very active along with a dozen or so Great Shearwaters and we spotted a few huge Atlantic Blue-fin Tuna thrashing about in the water in what must have been a shoal of mackerel or sprats.

It had been an amazing year for the numbers of Cory’s Shearwater passing down the Cornish coast with numbers being recorded by cliff-top birders in the tens of thousands. Whilst we didn’t encounter that many, we nevertheless had great views of many individuals.

We made our way past Lamorna Cove and Tater Dhu lighthouse before passing Pedn Vounder beach, Porthcurno and the world famous Minack Theatre cut into the West Cornwall granite.

As we passed by Land's End on the starboard side, good numbers of Manx and Great Shearwaters passed the bows almost all heading in a Westerly direction.

The Longships lighthouse appeared just to the West of Land's End, one and a quarter miles from the end of the peninsula and over on the port side, we could see the Wolf Rock lighthouse approximately 8 miles to the South West of Land's End and 18 miles East of St. Mary's on the Scillies.

We docked in St. Mary's a few minutes before 12, and straight away started ticking off many of the common species before we disembarked. House Sparrows were very evident along with Common Starlings, numerous gulls and a few Rock Pipits.

We headed off through the streets of Hugh Town in the direction of Porthcressa beach where we immediately picked up the calls of Sandwich Terns as they pitched up on one of the small rocky islets in the bay.

We took some lunch at the Porthcressa café "Dibble & Grub" and it was an ideal time for the group to get to know each other over a coffee and sandwich.

After lunch, we walked across the road and along the harbour to the Mincarlo where we found our rooms and waited a short while for the island carriers to deliver our luggage which had been offloaded in containers from the Scillonian.

We had a while to unwind before reconvening about 3:30 pm for a walk around the Garrison to look for birds, flora and also to acquaint ourselves with the off islands which we could see from the top of the promontory near the Star Castle Hotel.

Sanderling and Bar-tailed Godwits were on Porthcressa along with Grey Heron, Oystercatchers, Turnstones and Sandwich Terns. Barn Swallows plied the beach picking off flies from the seaweed.

We got back to the Mincarlo in time for our evening meal and a brief run through the list of species seen for the day.

## Day 2

## Tuesday 12th September

An early walk around Porthcressa before breakfast turned up a single Black-tailed Godwit, a Whimbrel, and some Turnstones whilst continuing up through the allotments below Buzza Hill brought views of Black-headed Gulls amongst a small flock of Sandwich Terns on the rocks below Peninnis Head. A walk back along King Edward's Road to Peninnis Farm also turned up a couple of Whinchats.

After breakfast and a chat with the local boatman, we decided to take the "Wildlife Safari to the Eastern Isles looking for Seals & Seabirds" and then land on St. Martin's and get the last ferry back to St. Mary's.

It was a bit breezy but still very warm and we convened on the harbour at 10 am before the Golden Spray took us across the bay toward the Eastern Isles.

Atlantic Grey Seals were hauled out as it was low tide. This is when they digest their food, so it was important that the boat viewed from a distance so as not to frighten them into the sea.

We watched well over 100 Grey Seals on Little and Great Arthur, Great Ganilly, Menawethan and Innisvouls and our guests had many options to get some amazing photos. We managed to pick out a few males, (Bulls), often in the water, and many females basking on the rocks.

A few sand bars between the islands held groups of Gulls, predominately Great black-backed with a few Herring amongst them. Shags and a few Cormorants were clearly visible on most of the rocky promontories with “piping” Oystercatchers flitting around between sand and rock.

Two Peregrine Falcons were in the air above Great Ganilly and we all had the opportunity to watch them through our binoculars as they soared through the sky before disappearing behind the cairns in the centre of the island.

After exploring the islets, we headed for St. Martins and landed at New Quay at Highertown.

A few light showers threatened, and it was time to don our waterproofs before walking up Cruthers Neck to the Polreath Tea rooms where we took shelter as a squall passed over. Light refreshments were of course well received and as the shower cleared, we headed out again toward the St. Martin’s Head daymark which as its name suggests stands proud and tall in its red and white colours on the Eastern headland.

The walk took us past the Island Bakery, so we picked up pasties, rolls or sandwiches to eat when we arrived up at the Daymark.

We hiked up across the moorland to the Daymark and sat and enjoyed some warm sunshine as we watched a group of Northern Gannets diving into a shoal of fish and we soon spotted Common Dolphins thrashing around in the water below the aerial bombardment of the Gannets.

We slowly made our way back to the quay and some of our group found a Spotted Flycatcher around the farm buildings at Highertown.

We then made our way back to St. Mary’s aboard Kingfisher before taking the short stroll back to the Mincarlo.

We met before our evening meal and did the list for the day before heading back into town to eat at the Mermaid right down on the quayside.

## Day 3

## Wednesday 13th September

Once again a few of us took a pre-breakfast walk up Pump Lane and down through the Lower Moors trail, checking out the stands of Grey Willow before visiting both hides on the pool. A few tits, Goldcrests and a female Pied Flycatcher were active but the pool only yielded a few Moorhens and some Mallard. We went on to Old Town beach where we spotted Greenshank, Wheatear and distant Gannets out at sea. Barn Swallows were everywhere with flocks of them lined up on the electricity cables.

After breakfast we made plans to meet up at the quay for 10 am and we bought tickets for a trip out to Bishop's Rock lighthouse, the Western Rocks and then back to St. Agnes where we planned to spend the afternoon.

The "Bishop" as it's known locally has been the roosting place for a "mega" bird for some six weeks - a Red-footed Booby, a bird more at home in the equatorial regions of the Caribbean, Galapagos and Brazil. Twitchers have been flocking to the Scillies for weeks to see this amazing bird that is usually found perched on the rails around the helicopter landing net some 160 feet above sea level.

As we motored out for about 50 minutes to the rock, we had super close views of a pod of Common Dolphins with most of our group watching them swim alongside our boat the "Surprise". We also watched Cory's, Great and Manx Shearwaters before the cry came out that the Booby was indeed still perched out on one of the metal stanchions at the top of the tower. Cameras clicked and most of us had great views as we craned our necks skywards. Somehow the boat skipper seemed convinced that the bird had gone out feeding and didn't spend as much time there as we would have liked but he carried on back towards the Western Rocks and the many Grey Seals that were basking. We again had close views and very few took to the water. One female had a pup with her which was another sighting to get the cameras out. We also had views of a Knot and a Turnstone feeding on the rocks plus hundreds of Shags sat on the rocks.

We then landed on St. Agnes at Perconger Quay and enjoyed light refreshments at the Turks Head.

As we headed up from Higher Town into Middle Town, we spotted a Wryneck sat on a wooden farm gate. A few of us got to see it but it swiftly dropped down into deep vegetation and was lost. Goldcrests were showing well in a large conifer, and we took in the views across to the Gugh and on towards the Garrison on St. Mary's.

We took lunch at the Old Coastguard Lookout café before heading down to the coastal edge at St. Werna's Cove with the famous rock "Nags Head" on our right.

Heading south we stopped at St. Werna's Well, a Celtic holy well before getting up onto Wingletang Downs. Birds here were scarce with Wheatears, Stonechats, Meadow and Rock Pipits being the best on offer.

We made our way around the coast back to the quay to pick up the Kingfisher back to St. Mary's. Some of our group had fun watching Crystal Jellyfish and some other unidentified jellies with a large Goby swimming amongst them.

Back at St. Mary's we made our way back to the Mincarlo where we ate another fine meal that evening.

## Day 4

## Thursday 14th September

Our plan to visit Tresco took a knock today as we awoke to see two huge Cruise Liners in the bay and we were advised that many of the passengers would be heading to Tresco and the world famous Abbey Gardens. Not wishing to be part of this mass influx of people we decided to have a day birding and walking on St. Mary's.

After a leisurely breakfast we headed out past the Hospital and Peninnis Farm onto King Edward's Road past the Windmill ruins and onto Peninnis Head. We watched Whinchat and Stonechat in the flower fields and Wheatears dashed around on the short turf of the rocky headland.

We walked amongst the numerous granite clusters with names such as "Kettle & Pans", "Tooth Rock" and "Pulpit Rock" before dropping down past Carn Leh into Old Town Bay.

Some time was then spent exploring the church and churchyard at Old Town and we had a fascinating chat with the church groundsman who had an incredible knowledge of the history of this place. A few of us checked out the grave of ex-Prime Minister Harold Wilson who so loved the Scillies.

We then took light refreshments at the Old Town café.

The coast path led us out to Tolman Point and around Porth Minick before we took the gentle climb up towards the end of the runway to the airport and when it was clear we walked across to Salakee Down. Butterflies were in good numbers with Small Copper, Red Admirals, Speckled Woods and a few migrant Clouded Yellows.

It was very warm as we dropped down into Porth Hellick where we looked at several of the strandline plants, Orache, Sea Beet, Sea Kale and the stunning Yellow-Horned Poppy.

We then checked out the Porth Hellick Pool from the hides and saw Teal, Tufted Duck, Coots, Moorhen and Mallard. Making our way up through Higher Moors we decided to walk back into Hugh Town along the road as we had an early booking for our evening meal.

Meeting up with some of our group at the Mincarlo they confirmed a previous "leader only" sighting of a juvenile Marsh Harrier that was circling over Lower Moors earlier in the day.

We had some down time before walking around the beaches of Porth Mellon and Porthloo to Juliet's Garden where we enjoyed our evening meal in a super setting on a warm sunny September evening.

## Day 5

## Friday 15th September

Another pre-breakfast walk to the Lower Moors brought us a fly-over from a Great White Egret just over Porth Mellon beach. A lone Sand Martin sat on the wires amongst a sizeable flock of Barn Swallows with a single House Martin in the air.

Old Town beach and bay showed Greenshank, Oystercatchers, Sandwich Terns and Turnstones.

After breakfast we left the Mincarlo for the harbour where we picked up the Seahorse out to Tresco landing at Carn Near quay.

It was once again warm and sunny, and our party split up as some made their way to the Abbey Gardens whilst others walked around the coastal fringe to check out the Great Pool. The pool held good numbers of Gadwall, Mallard and Coots with a few waders showing at the western end including a couple of Redshank. The group met up again in the Abbey Gardens where Red Squirrels put on a show as they ran around our legs and darted up and down the tree trunks.

We spotted their famous Lady Amherst's Pheasant but failed to locate the Golden Pheasants. It was the first time for the week that we'd found any dragonflies, and Common Darter were paired up and ovipositing in the numerous water features in the gardens.

The leaders moved on down to the Abbey Farm area where a Wryneck had been reported earlier in the day and after quite a search it was briefly spotted sat on the wire of the tennis courts, but it didn't pose for long enough for a photo and the clients failed to add it to their day list.

We saw a few Painted Lady butterflies and our first Common Blues alongside the Scilly variation of the Speckled Wood.

The quay at New Grimsby was to be our high tide pick-up point and we took the Kingfisher back across to St. Mary's.

Our evening meal was once again thoroughly enjoyed at the Mincarlo.

## Day 6

## Saturday 16th September

A pre-breakfast walk through the willows to the Lower Moor hides brought more of the regulars as the continued fine weather seemed to be stopping the influx of migrants. We did pick up two female Pied Flycatchers, one at the recently re-excavated Shooters Pool and the other in some waste ground at the end of Trench Lane. Both were actively catching insects on the wing.

Old Town bay and beach had a few Gulls, a Ringed Plover and a Greenshank.

After breakfast we made our way to the harbour and boarded the Meridian en-route to Bryher.

There were five Little Egrets fishing in the shallows between the island and Tresco along with a couple of Grey Herons. We landed at Anneka's Quay as it was low water and made our way through The Town toward the Great Pool by the Hell Bay Hotel. Birdguides had reported a Wryneck in the area an hour earlier, but we failed to locate it. Walking around the pool and along the edge of Popplestones, we had close views of both Stonechat and Whinchat. Oystercatchers, a Curlew and a few Ringed Plovers fed on the beach below the strandline. Our group really enjoyed the wildness of this part of Bryher with its storm battered landscape.

Paths seemed to cut inland from here, so we made our way across the island to lunch at the Fraggie Rock Café at Norrard. I think every House Sparrow on the island knew we were eating there as the place was alive with them. In fact, they have been about in good numbers all the week on all of the islands which is very encouraging considering their scarcity on the UK mainland.

After lunch we took one of the tracks behind the café up onto Shipman Head Down. The maritime heath was noticeably shaped by the winds that come in from the Atlantic and the area is also the resting place of hundreds of people as over 100 cairns lie on the surface of this barren area.

Birds were scarce on the headland and despite the hope of a passage Dotterel it sadly never came to be.

We wandered back through the Town and headed toward Samson Hill with an occasional sighting of Stonechat or Whinchat and the ever-present Wheatears. Some of our group made purchases from Scilly Chilli that sold a range of Chilli jams and sauces all grown and produced on Bryher.

As time went on, we all gathered together and wandered along the coastline through open fields and past numerous boatyards to our final destination at Church Quay. By now the weather had turned a tad moist so waterproofs and leggings were donned and shelter sought. Lots of the group spent time exploring the small church above the slipway whilst others kept looking for that elusive migrant!

As we assembled in the “mizzle” at Church Quay, the Meridian arrived and by the time we’d crossed to St. Mary’s the weather had cleared and it was a quiet return into Hugh Town.

We ate at the Mermaid that evening and it was a great meal and lovely atmosphere and several of the group retired to the bar after the meal to watch the Rugby World Cup.

## Day 7

## Sunday 17th September

Our day started fine and a few of us took an early morning walk up to the golf course to see if any new birds had blown in. We skirted the top of Porth Mellon beach where we spotted a Grey Wagtail catching sand hoppers in the seaweed along with some Meadow Pipits and Turnstones. We counted over 50 Collared Doves on the wires to the back of the Gig sheds.

Heading up through the boat yards by Harry’s Walls, we crossed above Porthloo beach where there were three Curlews and a handful of “piping” Oystercatchers. The coast path wended its way through Juliet’s Garden and out onto the Morval Point where there are the remains of the Civil War Battery. The golfers were on the greens early and there was little in the way of birdlife bar the customary House Sparrows, a few Meadow Pipits and some Wheatears dashing around.

As we returned for breakfast, the rain started to close in so the group took a leisurely meal before reconvening in the lounge for 10:30. By now it was raining quite heavily so a few hardy souls trekked up the road and looked around the Rosehill Nature Garden, more for shelter than anything! As it eased a bit, we headed down the Lower moor track and spotted a female Pied Flycatcher and a few tits. We again took shelter in the hides, but the rare birds still evaded us with a lone Grey Heron and a couple of Mallard having the pool to themselves.



Old Town beach yielded two White Wagtails and a Scilly Wren, but as thunder started to roll around with a few distant flashes of lightning we decided the Old Town café was the best place from which to view the beach.

As we made our way back to the Mincarlo, the thunder and lightning persisted and it was agreed to have some downtime and meet up again at 3pm.

Most of the group assembled we set off along Porthcressa where about 50 Sandwich Terns were in flight around the rocks, a bird of prey was suspected but nobody managed to spot one. We then took the steps up to Sally Port and onto the Garrison. Small passerines were calling in the conifer shelter belt and Goldcrest, Wrens and Robins were identified. We walked along inside the battery walls and watched Gannets crossing St. Mary's Roads between us and St. Agnes.

When we approached Steval Point, we turned inland and climbed the short path to the top and made our way around the Woolpack Battery where Stonechats and Wheatears popped up around us. A Wryneck had been spotted earlier that day near the Garrison tennis courts but it was keeping its head down when we checked out the area.

After wending our way back to the Mincarlo, we enjoyed a lovely carvery at the Scillonian Club.

## Day 8

## Monday 18th September

Our final day on the islands and our bags were packed and ready for collection before breakfast. It was to be a casual day on St. Mary's. We said our farewells to those that were catching early flights from the airport to both Land's End and Exeter.

Most of our party then took the Lower Moor trail to the hides and then on to Old Town Bay where we watched Grey Herons, Oystercatchers and Sandwich Terns. We then followed the path along in front of the church as the sun came out and illuminated this peaceful haven.

Meandering up onto Peninnis Head, we took in Pulpit Rock and the amazing views back toward Carn Leh and the beach. We watched the Scillonian sail past and saw that it was looking ok for our passage back to Penzance despite some blustery winds.

On the headland we saw numerous Wheatears including one "Greenland" bird with its erect posture and bright colouration.

The descent from Peninnis took us along the coast toward Hugh Town above Stony Porth and here the path twisted and turned through fields and down into the allotments. A few Whinchat and Stonechat bobbed around on walls and parsley tops, but any rarities continued to evade us.

Back at the Mincarlo, we collected our day bags and headed off to the quay via an assortment of eating establishments!

Once we got our boarding cards we boarded and managed to get seats together on the upper deck.

Just after 4pm, with everyone loaded, the Scillonian sounded its horn three times as she slowly edged out of the harbour.

With a strong South Westerly behind us we made good time back towards Cornwall.

We all stayed up on deck and there was a constant movement of the group from side to side as our spotters shouted out names of passing birds. We saw two Great Skuas and two Great Shearwaters with some winter plumage auks, lots of Gannets, Manx and a few Cory's Shearwaters.

A couple of Kittiwakes at distance and a lone Storm Petrel made an appearance whilst several small groups of Common Dolphin thrilled the group with close passes. Many of them were young animals which was most exciting and encouraging.

We arrived back in Penzance as the sun started to dip low in the sky and said our farewells both on the deck and again as we waited on the quayside for our baggage.

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## Species lists

Birds (H = Heard only)

I = Introduced		September 2023							
Common name	Scientific name	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Mute Swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>					✓			
Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>					✓			
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>					✓			
Tufted Duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>					✓			
Common Pheasant - I	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>					✓	✓	✓	
Lady Amherst's Pheasant - I	<i>Chrysolophus amherstiae</i>					✓			
Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia domestica</i>					✓		✓	
Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Water Rail	<i>Rallus aquaticus</i>					LO			
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>				✓	✓	✓		
Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>		LO						
Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	✓							
Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>		LO						
Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>	✓	✓						
Red Knot	<i>Calidris canutus</i>			✓					
Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>					✓			
Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>		LO		✓	✓	✓		
Sabine's Gull	<i>Xema sabini</i>	✓							
Black-legged Kittiwake	<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>								
Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Great Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>			✓				✓	
Sandwich Tern	<i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Great Skua	<i>Stercorarius skua</i>								✓
Long tailed Skua	<i>Stercorarius longicaudus</i>			LO					
Razorbill	<i>Alca torda</i>								✓
Northern Fulmar	<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>	✓		✓					
Manx Shearwater	<i>Puffinus puffinus</i>	✓							✓
Balearic Shearwater	<i>Puffinus mauretanicus</i>								✓
Great Shearwater	<i>Puffinus gravis</i>	✓							✓
Cory's Shearwater	<i>Calonectris borealis</i>	✓		✓					✓

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Common name	Scientific name	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Northern Gannet	<i>Morus bassanus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Red-footed Booby	<i>Sula sula</i>			✓					
Storm Petrel	<i>Hydropates pelagicus</i>								✓
Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Shag	<i>Gulosus aristotelis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>					✓	✓		
Great White Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>					✓			
Ring Tailed Harrier sp.	<i>Circus sp.</i>			✓					
Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>				✓				
Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>	✓							
Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>			✓		LO			
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	✓			✓			✓	
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>		✓				LO		
Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>				✓	✓		✓	
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>					✓		✓	
Yellow-browed Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus inornatus</i>				✓				
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>					✓			
Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>			✓	✓	✓			
Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>					✓			
Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>		✓						
European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>			✓			✓	✓	✓
Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>		LO	LO	✓	✓	✓		
European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	✓						✓	
White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>			✓	✓		✓	✓	
Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>								
European Rock Pipit	<i>Anthus petrosus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

I = Introduced		September 2023							
Common name	Scientific name	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>					✓	✓		
European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>	✓	LO	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Common Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Red Crossbill	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>					LO			
Pied Wagtail	<i>Monacilla alba</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

## Mammals

I = Introduced		September 2023							
Common name	Scientific name	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<b>Mammals</b>									
European Rabbit - I	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Brown Rat - I	<i>Rattus norvegicus</i>					✓		✓	
Eurasian Red Squirrel	<i>Sciurus vulgaris</i>					✓			
Common Seal	<i>Phoca vitulina</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Short-beaked Common Dolphin	<i>Delphinus delphis</i>	✓	✓	✓					✓
Harbour Porpoise	<i>Phocoena phocoena</i>	✓							
Bat sp.					✓				

## Butterflies & Moths

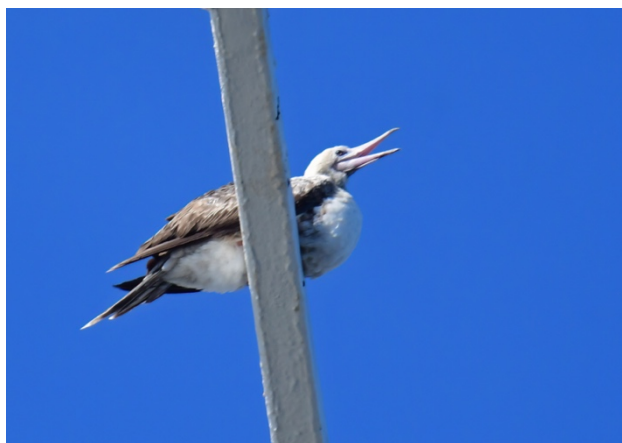
		September 2023							
Common name	Scientific name	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Small White	<i>Pieris rapae</i>				✓	✓		✓	
Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Holly Blue	<i>Celastrina argiolus</i>				✓	✓			
Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>					✓			
Peacock	<i>Aglais io</i>			✓	✓	✓			
Small Copper	<i>Lycaena phlaeas</i>	✓		✓	✓				
Speckled Wood	<i>Parage aegeria</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Painted Lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>				✓	✓			
Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias croceus</i>			✓	✓				
Vestral Moth	<i>Rhodometra sacraria</i>		✓						
6 spot Burnet moth	<i>Zygaena filipendulae</i>			✓					
Silver Y moth	<i>Autographa gamma</i>			✓					

## Fish

		September 2023							
Common name	Scientific name	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Atlantic Blue-fin Tuna	<i>Thunnus thynnus</i>	✓							
Rock Goby	<i>Gobius paganellus</i>			✓					
Grey Mullet	<i>Mugil cephalus</i>	✓		✓					

## Others

Common name	Scientific name	September 2023							
		11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Crystal Jellyfish	<i>Aequorea victoria</i>	✓		✓	✓				
White-tailed Bumblebee	<i>Bombus lucorum</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
Buff-tailed Bumblebee	<i>Bombus terrestris</i>			✓		✓			
Honey Bee	<i>Apis mellifera</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓			
Jellyfish spp				✓					
Hoverfly spp.				✓					
Snakelocks Anemone	<i>Anemonia viridis</i>					✓			
Strawberry Anemone	<i>Actinia fragacea</i>					✓			
Common Darter Dragonfly	<i>Sympetrum striolatum</i>					✓			
Wasp							✓	✓	



Red-footed Booby and Red Squirrel