

Islay & Jura

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Red Deer



European Otter



Grey Heron



Golden Eagle

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Summary

A week-long trip to the islands of Islay and Jura saw us staying at two very comfortable hotels and enjoying excellent views of Otters, deer, birds of prey and plenty of geese. The weather was very mild if rather wet, but we remained comfortable and enjoyed the fabulous landscapes, dramatic skies and cloud formations as we encountered thousands of migratory birds and iconic mammals.

Day 1

Thursday 19th October

This year's group descended on Glasgow from various points in Scotland and England and then we made our way westwards to the "Queen of the Hebrides" – the island of Islay. This trip seeks to coincide with a period when the bulk of wintering geese and wildfowl have arrived or are in the process of arriving.

But first we met up and motored towards the ferry terminal at Kennacraig, initially driving up the western shore of Loch Lomond and then heading off along the A83 and travelling through settlements alongside Loch Long and Loch Fyne. We stopped for refreshments at the picturesque Inveraray, and a confiding Little Grebe approached closely off the jetty wall. During the journey we picked up on common loch-side wildfowl and waders and several Common Buzzards before we arrived, on schedule, at Kennacraig. Whilst we waited for the arrival of the slightly late ferry, birds visible included Shag, Goldeneye, Rock Pipits and a single Northern Wheatear. A couple of Harbour (Common) Seals loafed nearby, and we boarded the Calmac ferry (called Finlaggan) and settled down for the two-hour crossing.

It soon became dark so, with our wildlife sightings concluded for the day, we headed to the ferry restaurant which served up excellent hot food. After what seemed a quick crossing, we drove off the ferry at Port Askaig and motored the few miles to the lovely Bridgend Hotel. Here we enjoyed a warm welcome with the rooms heated, lit and ventilated. After a day of travelling, everyone deserved a well-earned rest.

Day 2

Friday 20th October

We all met for a sumptuous breakfast at 7.30am and then organized ourselves for our first excursion, starting at 8.30am. Dave led us away just a short distance from the central location of Bridgend, to the northern shores of Loch Indaal. Hundreds of Barnacle Geese were there to greet us, with skeins leaving this roosting site to find suitable grazing areas elsewhere. Flights of trumpeting Whooper Swans were doing likewise, and the creeks and margins were home to gulls, Curlews, Oystercatchers and others. Flitting passerines included the first of a great many Stonechats and Rock Pipits, and the super section of woodland behind provided us with our first views of Goldfinch, Siskin, the common tits, Goldcrest and a variety of common birds. Common Buzzards sat around us on exposed perches, and more careful scanning of the shallow waters of Loch Indaal notched up Pale-bellied Brent Goose, Red-breasted Merganser and other wildfowl.

We explored some other loch-side areas and enjoyed 'scoping' a flock of close Greater Scaup. Further out were a number of Great Northern Divers, all adults just beginning to moult from summer plumage. The shallow waters

around Islay are rich in food for such birds and Great Northern Divers became almost part of the scenery during our stay, outnumbered of course by the plentiful Cormorants and Shags.

Next, we navigated towards Loch Gruinart and the RSPB reserve. Roadside birding made this a slow affair as we marvelled at low-flying Hen Harriers tacking expertly in the fresh breeze, and literally thousands of Barnacle Geese on the roadside 'flats', interspersed with small flocks of Golden Plovers, Lapwings and Rooks. At Gruinart Farm we availed ourselves of the facilities which include a very good visitor centre. Scanning from here provided more species of birds and a sense of the scale and habitat of the island.

We took a slow drive along the single-track road to Ardnave Loch with excellent roadside views of Redwing, Reed Bunting, Linnet, lots more Common Buzzards and even a Chiffchaff! At the loch we munched on our packed lunches, watching the antics of a pair of Mute Swans as they saw off a rival pair and later a family party of Whooper Swans.

Post-lunch was spent exploring the sands and rather muddy peninsula of land towards the island of Nave and Ardnave Point, coming across a couple of Northern Wheatears, Ravens and flying geese of three species as we did so. A scan of the vibrant channel separating Nave Island from the mainland was exciting, initially picking up on Great Northern Divers, Eiders and both adult and pup Grey Seals. However, an Otter mid-channel definitely polarized our attention; it showed distantly, but consistently until it finally caught something large and came ashore out of our view.

By this time, we hadn't seen the expected Chough that tend to frequent this area, so we strode westwards through some pretty boggy areas! Our rewards included flushing some Common Snipe and seeing Hen Harrier and common coastal birds. And then, just as the cause seemed hopeless, we found a flock of 41!! These industrious corvids were digging in the sand for invertebrates, joined by a couple of Jackdaws and several Hooded Crows. We enjoyed watching their antics and hearing their loud excited calls. After navigating our way through a farmyard and attendant cattle, we emerged back at our vehicle to find some of the same flock of Choughs there to greet us! Oh well, it was a smashing walk anyway.

After an afternoon walking in fresh air, our contingent seemed pleasantly tired, so after a brief comfort stop we dawdled back to our very comfortable hotel, seeing plenty of the same birds along the way. But that wasn't the end of the excitement – Dave spotted two immature Golden Eagles flying at low level over a saddle of moor, half a mile away. These wonderful raptors stroked the air currents majestically and then split up and went their separate ways, disturbing the restless geese and waders as they did so. It was a fantastic sight against a moody, provocative afternoon sky filled with autumn colours and brooding cloud formations.

Day 3

Saturday 21st October

The weather forecast had predicted a very wet morning, and so it proved to be! However, one of the beauties of Islay is that many of the coastal areas of the island can be easily viewed from the relative comfort of a vehicle. Under Dave's tutelage, we drove slowly along the east side of Loch Indaal, heading down towards Port Ellen. Despite the sometimes challenging weather, we were straight into the birds, with more geese – Barnacles, Greenland White-fronted, Pale-bellied Brent and Greylags – and also Eiders, Red-breasted Mergansers, all three species of diver and the first of three Merlins we were to see that day!

Big weather systems had flooded the island with thousands of Redwings, and they flitted past us calling excitedly all day. Smaller numbers of Fieldfares and Starlings were caught up in the same movement and flying about us as we travelled south in quite heavy showers. The community at Bowmore provided us with facilities, including the purchase of some food for our lunch later in the day. The round church at the top of the hill is apparently one of only two such structures in Scotland. Once we reached Port Ellen we meandered the minor roads that run eastwards, and which eventually come to a natural end. We encountered a few small groups of Red Deer, sometimes a stag with his little harem. However, some slow driving and a little scanning provided views of a few furtive Fallow Deer, not a particularly common animal on this island. A small group waded through some flood water and an individual hind showed nicely in roadside woodland.

However, the undoubted mammal of the day was a fine dog Otter fishing in one of the sheltered rocky bays, diving and chomping on his catch and remaining in view for quite some time. They don't mind the rain!!

A morning coffee stop at the Ardmore Distillery caught the staff napping, and after a pleasant interlude, we again scoured the coastal fields, broken woodland, mauve-coloured hills and seaweed-strewn rocky inlets, hungry for more wildlife encounters. We saw locally scarce Yellowhammers, a very close view of a dark Red Deer stag, lots of soggy-looking Common Buzzards, yet more Redwings and, whilst retracing our journey, a fine male Goshawk which crossed the road right in front of us! As the weather improved and the sun made an appearance, so did more raptors – Kestrel, Sparrowhawk and Peregrine were all seen in quick succession, plus the second Merlin of the day. Port Ellen provided us with views of Ringed Plover, Guillemot and Common Seal and, with a turn in the weather, it was decided to try our luck at exploring the nearby Oa headland.

Hooded Crows were particularly common as we ascended the narrow hill road, and there were plenty of roadside Meadow Pipits, thrushes and Ravens too. Up on the moors and it wasn't long before we espied another Sparrowhawk or two, to be quickly eclipsed by another Merlin which conveniently plonked itself onto a fence post, permitting very good 'scope views. More Greylags and gorgeous Greenland White-fronted Geese and Whooper Swans were on view as we parked the vehicles and took a little wander. Here the RSPB plants small fields with bird-friendly seed crops – but it was strangely silent ... But we needn't have worried, as a flock of beautiful, jangly Twite suddenly arrived and totally charmed us as they sat side-by-side on the fence-line. A few Chaffinches attracted a female Brambling which eventually showed well. A distant Hen Harrier and some Ravens were the precursors to something bigger as at least two Golden Eagles swept across the uplands ahead of us. Majestic and powerful and very much at one with the beautiful Oa, they dominated the landscape.

The daylight was beginning to dwindle as we slowly drove down from the Oa, the second vehicle delayed by yet another fine view of a Golden Eagle and an adult male Hen Harrier, but we did make it back to the hotel for supper!!

During the evening we reflected on our good fortune in seeing a wealth of wildlife despite the heavy rain of the morning; on top of everything else, it's not often you see eight species of raptor in one day anywhere in the UK!

Day 4

Sunday 22nd October

Our last full day on Islay! Windy weather with regular showers in the morning gave way to calmer conditions and sunshine in the afternoon. After departing with our luggage from our lovely hotel, we skirted around Loch

Indaal, slowly making for Bruichladdich. The birds were similar to before, but the Greater Scaup flock had grown in size. Common waders and still plenty of Red-breasted Mergansers set the scene, but we added Common Scoter to our trip list. At Bruichladdich a dark thrush on roadside grass proved to be a male Ring Ouzel, but sadly it didn't linger and flew inland over the distillery complex. Our initial, careful scanning failed to locate a great deal that was new but just as we were about to drive off, two Purple Sandpipers flew into view. Their plumage and habit of working behind the low rocks ensured they remained a challenge to see properly.

Next, we trundled along some minor roads inland, coming across a magnificent scene of assorted geese and Whooper Swans gleaning stubble fields, together with Rooks, Jackdaws, Hooded Crows and Woodpigeons all stretched out before us. A short distance further on, an immature Golden Eagle flew across the road, flying despite the quite inclement weather conditions. Our circular route brought us out at Loch Gruinart and its welcome facilities, and staff members at the RSPB reserve took time out to explain some of the history and ecology of the area. Leaving the centre, we elected to commit to a little scanning over the reserve, picking up on distant views of Pintail, Shelduck and Black-tailed Godwit, amongst the plethora of wildfowl.

A passing tit flock contained several Goldcrests which showed nicely. Common Buzzard and a couple of Hen Harriers increased the raptor count for the day. A drive around on the other side of Loch Gruinart was good for more Pale-bellied Brents, closer views of Hen Harrier and Raven, and feeding Grey Plover, Dunlin, Ringed Plovers and Bar-tailed Godwits. Our rather late packed lunch was an 'in-the-vehicle' affair as it was a little windswept and chilly at Loch Finlaggan.

In the afternoon we meandered along the scenic road down to the Caol-ila Distillery and the shores of the Sound of Islay. The autumnal sunshine provided breath-taking views of the Sound and the Paps of Jura. Cormorants, Common Seals and a Grey Heron came close, and a couple of Rowan trees were being guarded jealously by a pair of Mistle Thrushes.

The ferry terminal at Port Askaig is an interesting spot, always with plenty of human activity, but normally wildlife too. A drake Long-tailed Duck unfortunately kept on flying, but our first views of White-tailed Eagles – three individuals – remained a distant view but for a long period as they patrolled the shores of Jura.

And that afternoon we boarded the ferry and chugged the short distance to the island of Jura, the journey lasting a little longer than five minutes. With just one road on the island, we weren't rushing anywhere, and enjoyed close views of Meadow Pipit, a Northern Wheatear and, of course, many Red Deer. A juvenile male Hen Harrier cruising around alongside the road delayed our arrival at our new temporary abode – the Jura Hotel at Craighouse. The island of Jura is home to about 200-250 people but apparently up to 5,000 Red Deer, and as if to make the point, a young Red Deer stag grazed on the front lawn of the hotel!! This proved to be another very comfortable hotel and again with excellent food, including many traditional Scottish dishes.

Day 5

Monday 23rd October

With all day on Jura, we decided on a slow and easy start today, and initially spent quite a time scanning the sheltered area around the Small Isles from the hotel and Craighouse itself. Wild Goats inhabit the craggy Small Isles and we could see them as they munched the vegetation. Common Seals were present in small numbers and fish-eating birds included Great Northern Diver, Red-throated Divers, Cormorant, Shag and Red-breasted

Merganser. It wasn't long before Dave had spotted another Otter, and then a second animal materialized near the village shop, with an apparent liking for the extended pontoon as a refuge. A Dipper showed well along the same stretch of shoreline. We then drove slowly north towards and beyond both Lagg and Tarbert, to see what else we could spot. Not surprisingly, Red Deer dominated the landscape. We tried a walk at Tarbert, and braved the rain; we didn't see much wildlife that was different but still enjoyed the magnificent views of this untamed island. A large flock of Rock Doves was probably the attraction to a calling Peregrine, and some broken mixed woodland provided habitat for a Great Spotted Woodpecker, Treecreepers, Goldcrests, Bramblings and quite a number of Siskins. The migrant of the day was Chaffinch though, with hundreds flying south down the eastern shores on Jura. High-flying flocks of Woodpigeons were doing much the same. Right up north, near Ardlussa, we came across three Ring Ouzels loosely associated with Redwings and Fieldfares, but these elusive thrushes endeavoured to keep a low profile. A single Bullfinch was the only one noted during the trip.

Our journey back south to Craighouse and our island hotel was inspired by sweeping views of rugged Jura with undulating moorlands dominated by heather and bracken. We stopped briefly to photograph a Red Deer stag and a Grey Heron almost standing together. Another band of rain arrived and, with the afternoon light fading away, we retired back to our hotel and enjoyed true Scottish hospitality.

Day 6

Tuesday 24th October

The mild but moist conditions persisted, but after a couple of blustery showers, the weather dried up and we enjoyed some lovely sunshine.

We took a slow drive south from Craighouse, checking for wildlife within a big vista. Raptors included plenty of Common Buzzards, a Kestrel or two, a couple of Sparrowhawks, and a couple of Hen Harriers working the heather-strewn slopes and folds. Dave was on form, again locating a dog Otter fishing just offshore. We manoeuvred closer and enjoyed better views as the Otter spent a period of time on some rocks grooming himself. His fishing forages quickly produced large food items, including a crab which was brought to shore to munch. We then progressed to the Feolin ferry terminal and enjoyed a breezy walk towards the lighthouse. A distant immature White-tailed Eagle remained thus, a Peregrine passed us twice, but the undoubted highlight was an adult Golden Eagle which flew towards us. These birds rarely fly close to people, but this individual headed straight towards our watching party and flew straight over us at low altitude. Wow!!

We went on to see another three or four Golden Eagles that day, but none as close as that, and an adult White-tailed Eagle was seen over Islay Sound after first being found perched in a tree: this really was an amazing eagle day!

On the way back, an Otter with two well-grown youngsters materialized and we de-camped to hide behind some rocks and enjoy their excited antics. One of the youngsters strayed away from Mum and then called anxiously until she was alongside once again. So, the day went from an eagle one back to being an Otter day!! An Arctic Skua and a flock of Turnstone were new birds for the trip. Despite Red Deer nearly always being in view, it didn't stop us pausing and photographing some of the closer beasts.

Back at Craighouse there was an opportunity for some retail therapy and a brief tour of the Jura Distillery, and also time and light to take an afternoon wander along the shoreline and pier. Yet another Otter was on show, our fifth animal of the day.

Day 7

Wednesday 25th October

Our last day was very much dominated by travel, but still with wildlife watching opportunities. After an early morning breakfast, we regretfully left our home for the last three nights and drove to the ferry terminal where we crossed to Port Askaig on Islay. Our two-vehicle convoy then progressed west and south to Port Ellen, interrupted by a stray dog on the road which was safely reunited with its owner.

Rooks, Herring Gulls and Red-breasted Mergansers were the obvious birds as we waited to board the Finlaggan ferry to Kennacraig on the mainland. Plenty of Razorbills and Kittiwakes flew alongside as we steamed east, and we sailed close to a fishing Great Northern Diver. Guillemots became more numerous as the journey progressed and we spotted an Arctic Skua and a couple of Great Skuas (Bonxies). The big surprise though was a Leach's Petrel which flew alongside the ferry, followed by a second more distant bird. A couple of pods of Harbour Porpoises showed distantly. As we neared the Isle of Gigha and Loch Tarbert, the birds changed, and we saw more divers, Black Guillemot, a distant Slavonian Grebe and a couple of Common Scoters.

We disembarked from the Caledonian MacBrayne ferry and drove along the western edge of Loch Fyne to Inveraray and, after some welcome refreshments, we said our good-byes and separated to find our ways home. An exhilarating and magical week amongst the best wildlife that Islay and Jura have to offer thus came to an end. During our trip we recorded 119 species of bird and 10 species of mammal.

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Species Lists

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

	Common name	Scientific name	October						
			19	20	21	22	23	24	25
1	Pale-bellied Brent Goose	<i>Branta bernicla hrota</i>		✓	✓	✓			
2	Barnacle Goose	<i>Branta leucopsis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
3	Greylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4	Greenland White-fronted Goose	<i>Anser albifrons flavirostris</i>		✓	✓	✓			
5	Mute Swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
6	Whooper Swan	<i>Cygnus cygnus</i>		✓	✓	✓			
7	Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>		✓		✓			
8	Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>		✓					
9	Eurasian Wigeon	<i>Mareca penelope</i>		✓	✓	✓			
10	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>		6		✓			
12	Eurasian Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓		
13	Tufted Duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>		2	2				
14	Greater Scaup	<i>Aythya marila</i>		17		41			
15	Common Eider	<i>Somateria mollissima</i>		6	✓	✓	1	✓	✓
16	Common Scoter	<i>Melanitta nigra</i>				10			2
17	Long-tailed Duck	<i>Clangula hyemalis</i>				1			
18	Common Goldeneye	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>	2	2					
19	Red-breasted Merganser	<i>Mergus serrator</i>		15	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
20	Common Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
21	Red-throated Diver	<i>Gavia stellata</i>		1	1		1		3
22	Black-throated Diver	<i>Gavia arctica</i>			1				
23	Great Northern Diver	<i>Gavia immer</i>		6	12	6	3	1	12
24	Leach's Petrel	<i>Oceanodroma leucorhoa</i>							2
25	Northern Fulmar	<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>							1
26	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	1						2
27	Slavonian Grebe	<i>Podiceps auritus</i>							1
28	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
29	Northern Gannet	<i>Morus bassanus</i>							1
30	European Shag	<i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i>	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
31	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
32	Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>		2	2/3	1		4/5	
33	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>			2		2	1	1
34	Northern Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>			1				
35	Hen Harrier	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>		5	2	5		4	1
36	White-tailed Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>				3		2	1
37	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
38	Water Rail	<i>Rallus aquaticus</i>		H					
39	Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
40	Northern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>		✓	✓	✓			
41	European Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>		✓	✓	✓			
42	Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>				✓			
43	Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>			✓	✓			
44	Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
45	Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓			
46	Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>		✓		✓			
47	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>						20	

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			19	20	21	22	23	24	25
48	Red Knot	<i>Calidris canutus</i>			✓				
49	Ruff	<i>Calidris pugnax</i>		8					
50	Dunlin	<i>Calidris alpina</i>			✓	✓			
51	Purple Sandpiper	<i>Calidris maritima</i>				2			
52	Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
53	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
54	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>							1
55	Black-legged Kittiwake	<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>				✓	✓		✓
56	Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓			
57	Mew (Common) Gull	<i>Larus canus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
58	Great Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
59	European Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
60	Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>							
61	Arctic Tern	<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>		2		2			
62	Great Skua	<i>Stercorarius skua</i>							2
63	Arctic Skua	<i>Stercorarius parasiticus</i>						1	
64	Common Guillemot	<i>Uria aalge</i>	1		1	1		1	✓
65	Razorbill	<i>Alca torda</i>						2	✓
66	Black Guillemot	<i>Cephus grylle</i>			1				2
67	Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
68	Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia 'feral'</i>	✓						✓
69	Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
70	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
71	Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>					1		1
72	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>			1	1	2	1	
73	Merlin	<i>Falco columbarius</i>			3				
74	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>			1		H	2/3	
75	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>	1						
76	Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	✓						
77	Red-billed Chough	<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>		41					
78	Western Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
79	Rook	<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
80	Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>	✓						✓
81	Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus c. cornix</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
82	Northern Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
83	Coal Tit	<i>Parus ater</i>	H	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
84	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
85	Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
86	Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>		✓		✓			✓
87	Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
88	Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>		1				H	
89	Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>		H					
90	Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
91	Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
92	Eurasian Treecreeper	<i>Certhia familiaris</i>		H			✓	✓	
93	Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
94	Ring Ouzel	<i>Turdus torquatus</i>				1	3		
95	Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
96	Fieldfare	<i>Turdus pilaris</i>	✓		✓	✓			
97	Redwing	<i>Turdus iliacus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
98	Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

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			19	20	21	22	23	24	25
99	Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>	2		5	2	7	1	
100	European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
101	European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquatus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
102	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	1	3		1			
103	White-throated Dipper	<i>Cinclus cinclus</i>					✓		
104	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
105	Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
106	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
107	Pied Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba yarrellii</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
108	Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
109	Eurasian Rock Pipit	<i>Anthus petrosus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
110	Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
111	Brambling	<i>Fringilla montifringilla</i>			1		2		
112	Eurasian Bullfinch	<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>					✓		
113	European Greenfinch	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>		✓	✓	✓			
114	Twite	<i>Linaria flavirostris</i>		4	40				
115	Common Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>		✓	✓				
116	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
117	Eurasian Siskin	<i>Spinus spinus</i>	H	✓		✓	✓	✓	
118	Yellowhammer	<i>Emberiza citrinella</i>			3				
119	Common Reed Bunting	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

Mammals

1	Rabbit	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>					1	2	
2	Brown Hare	<i>Lepus europaeus</i>		✓					
3	Otter	<i>Lutra lutra</i>		1	1		2	5	
4	Fallow Deer	<i>Dama dama</i>			12				
5	Red Deer	<i>Cervus elaphus</i>		3	30	✓	100+	50+	✓
6	Roe Deer	<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>		8					
7	Harbour (Common) Seal	<i>Phoca vitulina</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
8	Atlantic Grey Seal	<i>Halicoerus grypus</i>		✓				✓	
9	Harbour Porpoise	<i>Phocoena phocoena</i>							5
10	Wild Feral Goat	<i>Capra aegagrus hircus</i>					9	3	



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