

Wildlife of North & South Uist – The Outer Hebrides

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Lochmaddy Evening by Dave George



Aird an Runair, N, Uist by Gordon Johnson



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Admiring Harris! Berneray by Sue Cullen

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Day 1

Saturday 16th May

Everyone met at Oban ferry terminal at 7.30am on a grey, windy and cold morning, many of the group already having seen several Black Guillemots in Oban bay. We departed on time and headed north-west past Kerrera to port and Lismore on our starboard bow, spotting a couple of Canada Geese flying around a small island. We continued, passing Duart Castle and the start of the Sound of Mull. A little further on the action began to hot up when we saw an Arctic Skua as we passed Salen on Mull. Manx Shearwaters became a feature of the voyage as we approached Ardnamurchan, and a very brief view of five Common Dolphins under the ship was unexpected in the weather conditions. The bird of the day had to be a stunning Long-tailed Skua that passed over the ferry. We were hoping to see these on the west side of North Uist, so an early sighting was a teasing start for many.

We arrived at Lochboisdale on time then headed north over South Uist. Stopping for a coffee at the Kildonnan museum saw us add a pair of Stonechat to our trip list. Next was a little detour down the south Loch Eyanort road where the star turns were Common seal, three Shelduck, five Northern Wheatears and a few Red-breasted Mergansers. Heading north added Ringed Plover and Dunlin along with a single Rabbit!

Having crossed the causeways that link the islands, and enjoyed a spectacular view over Loch Bi and ‘The Range’ from a vantage point on the north end of South Uist, we arrived at Lochmaddy in time to freshen before dinner. A distant but stunning summer Great Northern Diver found by Brian and Cherry, and a Cuckoo courtesy of Neil were nice additions before eating! Another summer plumage Red-throated Diver and several Red Deer were our last sightings before turning in for the night. Our tally for Day 1 stood at fifty species of birds which, considering the conditions, was a good start.

Day 2

Sunday 17th May

Day 2 dawned bright and breezy and many of the group set out for a ‘wee’ pre-breakfast excursion. We intended to go to the end of the Loch Portain road but only made it half way down in the time due to the numbers of birds seen! Neil found a Rock Pipit just outside the hotel along with a Red-breasted Merganser in the bay. Willow Warbler and Red-throated Diver were soon added. An extremely distance White-tailed Eagle was followed by another much closer. As we headed north we saw the first of several Ravens. As we turned onto the Loch Portain road we had an encounter with a stunning Short-eared Owl with prey: these enigmatic birds never fail to impress! Marion pointed out two waders that turned out to be Greenshank; surely an under-appreciated species. At Loch Portain we saw a Common Seal and several more mergansers. Cherry spotted a dark form in the distance that proved to be a nice dark phase Arctic Skua, the first of several found in less than expected places today.

Back at the hotel we enjoyed a hearty, leisurely breakfast. We then set off for the day but stopped and quickly debussed before leaving the car park so that everyone could see an Otter found by Mary just in front of the hotel.

As we drove anti-clockwise around the top of the island we stopped at the vast expanse of tidal sands at Traigh Bhalraig. Here a lesson was learned - look at every Curlew; one was a Whimbrel.

From here we drove steadily towards Balranald, and stopping at the roadside to look along Loch Nam Magarlan we were rewarded with the ‘rasping’ of a Corncrake, quickly followed by a second. The first bird was seen by people in the front half of the bus as it dashed across the road. Arriving at Balranald we saw a huge rise in the numbers of birds present with Lapwing families, Ringed Plovers by the hundreds and another Corncrake heard before reaching the centre. After a comfort stop at the visitor centre where a fourth Corncrake heard we drove along the sand track towards Aird an Runair to look for skuas. Eleven Pomarine Skuas and a Great Skua was a nice count for Neil, while the rest of the group were enjoying close views of the mixed wader flock feeding on the weed beds. Turnstone, Dunlin and Ringed Plover were nice, but three cracking Purple Sandpipers were special. Our blustery lunch stop near the point gave us a chance to observe a Grey Seal, two Great Northern Divers in the bay, and a surprise Glaucous Gull at close range imposing itself on the Arctic Tern colony. Upon returning to the bus, a ghostly Iceland Gull was a welcome addition.

Our next stop was at a local Golden Eagle watch-point where we immediately saw the female soaring close by and one chick on the distant eerie. We also had prolonged views of an adult, probably the male, as he sat guarding his family. These much appreciated birds were left in peace as we headed south to turn up the Committee road through the centre of the island. A distant male Hen Harrier, quickly followed by a ring-tailed female, gave everyone a chance to enjoy this species where they are free from persecution.

Our return journey to the hotel yielded herds of Red Deer along and our last Arctic Skua of the day. It had been a good day with many of the group encountering bird species new to them.

Day 3

Monday 18th May

Today dawned bright and breezy, but far less windy than previously. The early risers took a stroll through Lochmaddy. Birds of note were several Twite which allowed us good views, and a vocal but elusive Corncrake teased us again. Also our now resident Otter was spotted again.

Setting off southwards towards Benbecula provided us with the first of many Short-eared Owls of the day, with at least six being found. Having crossed the causeway a stunning male Hen Harrier at the roadside was seen well. We turned along the coast road through Balivanich to Loch Mor where two male and a female Red-necked Phalarope were seen well through telescopes which was well received by the group. On the other side of the road to Griminis we saw eight Black-tailed Godwits and a nice male Ruff; a handsome supporting cast. We saw both godwit species in a short time which provided a useful comparison. Our next stop was the little tearoom at the Hebridean jewellery shop at Lochdar where we enjoyed good coffee and saw Grey Plover and an obliging Corncrake.

Lunch today was taken on ‘The Range’; a missile testing facility on the north-west corner of South Uist. Many hundreds of waders were present with Ringed Plover, Dunlin and Lapwing being the most numerous. We were a little surprised at the number of Whimbrel feeding on the Machair, allowing us many opportunities to study this delicate bird. Before leaving the area we stopped for a quick look over Loch Bi and Gordon went to the trouble of counting the Mute Swans with over 330 being noted. Time was marching on as we set off for Loch Druidibeg where several Cuckoo were sighted at the road end which gave an idea of the numbers of these birds that inhabit north-western Britain during the summer. Neil spotted a stratospherically high Golden Eagle, and

other birders from Saturdays ferry pointed out where the eagle pair had been displaying minutes before we arrived!

Dinner beckoned, but not before seeing one more Short-eared Owl on the way back to the hotel. A very brief after-dinner wander to the ferry terminal allowed Marie to get good views of a pair of Red-throated Divers in the now failing light. It had been a good day with beautiful weather; many of the group seeing species they had not seen before. The sheer numbers of waders on the Machair and surrounding farmland never fails to impress!

Day 4

Tuesday 19th May

We awoke to a cool and breezy, but thankfully dry day. The early starters set off to the end of the Loch Portain road. A small lochan at Aileodair was host to a Whooper Swan, whose future looks uncertain following a presumed collision with overhead cables. Continuing on, we found a very smart pair of Red-throated Divers which performed well on Loch na Dubhcha. Pleased with our find, we returned for breakfast, adding Red-breasted Merganser, Greenshank, and Common Sandpiper on the way. White-tailed Eagle was a bird we had hoped to see at some point during the week and one sat on rocks about 150 yards away took us by surprise; and was most welcome!

Today our main destination was Berneray, a stunning island between North Uist and South Harris. First stop once over the causeway was the Borve Machair. This area of traditionally managed farmland played host to hundreds of Ringed Plover, Dunlin and Lapwing. Also there were dozens of Twite which gave us the chance to look at how they differ from Linnet; the morning sunshine showing off their pale candy pink rumps. A relaxed stroll from the burial ground to the dunes was briefly interrupted by the raucous call of a Little Tern overhead, another being found later. The view north towards Harris and Taransay must be seen by anyone visiting this laid-back island. A Great Northern Diver close in showed well.

Tea and cake was welcomed by all at the Lobsterpot Tearoom; as was the Great Yellow Bumblebee just outside. Heading north, we arrived at Ruisigearraidh where our elevated view over the sound of Harris gave us the opportunity to closely watch a mixed feeding flock of Sanderling, Dunlin and Bar-tailed Godwit, with summer plumage Turnstone adding a splash of colour. Before leaving the island we ate our lunch overlooking Loch a Bhaigh where at least 14 Grey Seals were hauled out on rocks.

Looking to make the best of the time left, we drove towards Sollas, once again taking the Committee road south. Here two male Hen Harriers put on an acrobatic display over the plantation, with a third a little further on. Short-eared Owl and a dark phase Arctic Skua made this detour well worthwhile. With weather set fair, we took the small loop road around Paibeil where a Corncrake was spotted amongst Flag Iris. Next stop was Balranald where we listened for another Corncrake and two birds putt on an astonishing display in the open for us to enjoy.

Continuing, we went 'off road' to Aird an Runair, stopping for a gorgeous Corn Bunting on the way. Just about the first birds seen from the parking area were five passage Pomarine Skuas heading north, and several Arctic Skuas bullying the Arctic Terns. The day was just about over, but not before further Short-eared Owls made their presence known - if only one would sit on a roadside post for the photographers!

Day 5

Wednesday 20th May

A clear bright start to the day greeted the early risers who drove south to look for Black-throated Divers at Loch Euphort, some twenty minutes away by road. After just five minutes four of these stunning birds were spotted; their 'synchronised swimming' being a truly evocative sight on a Hebridean loch.

After breakfast we headed south to Aird a Mhachair on the north-west corner of South Uist. A summer plumaged Rose-coloured Starling gave distant but adequate views, an unexpected and very welcome addition to our trip list and a new bird for many. Just offshore, another Great Northern Diver showed particularly well.

We continued our way south, stopping at the roadside for an adult White-tailed Eagle flying overhead. This gave us an opportunity to compare this giant with the Golden Eagle going the other way just seconds later! Turning east along the Loch Ainort road, we had views over rugged lochs and mountain scenery; such a contrast with the western side just a few kilometres away.

As we parked, a pair of Red-throated Divers was on show, their haunting call being heard by those first to de-bus. This spot gave us the opportunity to stroll through a small mixed wooded area, emerging to a spectacular vantage point over a secluded sea loch. With the sun shining, we had lunch and enjoyed the moment! Various plants were noted along the way, together with a Garden Tiger caterpillar and some Common Carder bees busy with spring work!

A drake Goosander showed well on the way back to the main road, as did a pair of Hen Harriers, the male being the first of several noted today. Turning south, we then headed for Eriskay, the most southerly of the causeway-linked islands. Here six Redpolls feeding on dandelion heads, along with an elusive Corncrake, were the only birds of note on this peaceful island. Tracking back north, we made a westerly detour to visit the exposed promontory of Rubh Ardvule. We were treated to the sight of the many waders feeding on the short grass and we saw two Pale-bellied Brent Geese just off the track. The exposed loch at the point held a few Arctic Terns and two broods of Mallard. Also notable was a small mixed flock of feeding Hirundines. The Sand Martins and Swallows were the second flock of the day, showing just how slow the northern spring has been this year. Ardvule gave some of the group the chance to just sit and observe the feeding waders, oblivious to our presence.

The drive back to the hotel added yet more Short-eared Owls, with three being noted today; a low count for us!

Day 6

Thursday 21st May

The weather had broken overnight with blanket cloud and steady light rain being the theme for much of the day. Our first stop was the woodland at Langais and this interesting little plantation held a few Goldcrest, Cuckoo and a very confiding female Chaffinch. The memorial carving of Hercules the bear who roamed free on North Uist for three weeks in 1980 added interest and brought back memories for some. Moving on to Benbecula we had a stop for souvenirs and coffee. The coast road south added two Great Northern Divers, a frequently seen bird today with several more being seen later. Again we visited the productive area around Griminish. We were unable to locate any phalaropes today but we did watch Common Snipe 'drumming'; such an odd sound. Calling Corncrake was another welcome addition.

A slow drive through the rugged terrain that is the Peter Port road provided us with another Great Northern Diver; how many must there be around the island chain at the moment! Heading north after lunch we turned on to the narrow causeway that connects Baleshare with North Uist. A bracing walk along the exposed track for some was invigorating; a couple of Northern Wheatears also braving the conditions. Suitably windswept, we returned to the hotel for a little bit of quiet time and some took the opportunity to visit the excellent community café/museum in Lochmaddy.

Day 7

Friday 22nd May

A cold and grey scene greeted the early risers this morning, but the dull skies soon began to break with the weather gradually improving throughout the day, giving us a glorious sunny and much warmer afternoon. Our pre-breakfast trip was well worth getting up for. We saw a Sparrowhawk in flight, three Arctic Skuas, and good close views of an Otter with another seen very briefly. Greylag Geese with broods were noted in many places today, and good numbers of Shelduck on Loch Portain. Lochmaddy itself yielded a Chiffchaff, putting the group total on ninety-nine species.

This morning was a little different with a boat trip from the harbour at Kallin arranged. Driving through the island of Grimsay to meet our boat a male Hen Harrier showed well, and a Great Northern Diver was seen off the pier at Kallin. Soon after boarding the 'Lady Anne' we saw our first Red-throated Divers. Many Red Deer were seen as we headed out with the island of Ronay to starboard. Black Guillemot became a feature with many spotted on the sheltered waters as we headed seaward. A group of eight Divers, first thought to be Red-throated, turned out upon closer scrutiny to be Black-throated, one of the two main targets of this excursion and a real treat for those who missed this species earlier in the week.

Then came a special moment as an adult White-tailed Eagle took to the air close to our position, with understandably distant views of a chick on the nest: our skipper didn't want to go too close to alarm these majestic birds. Another adult, probably the female, gave even closer opportunities for us to enjoy her presence. Lesser Black-backed Gulls are not normally admired, but the first of at least six seen was our one hundredth species for the week. A very distant pair of Golden Eagle was appreciated. The small colony of Shag was good to see with many more Black Guillemots in open water. Slowly making our way back for midday, Fulmar, Gannet, two more Divers and more Red Deer were a pleasing way to end the trip.

Being our last full day and with the sun now shining, we headed north towards the fabled Balranald RSPB reserve on North Uist. Cherry was still to see Corncrake so we were on a mission! We needn't have worried as one was spotted just feet from the bus as we drove by, with another just a little way out in a field. Camera shutters rattled like a 'red carpet' event, after which we carried on well satisfied!

Upon reaching the visitor centre, three more of these mystical crakes gave reasonable views as we ate lunch. On a perfect day and with great company, we all strolled along the track towards Aird an Runair, taking time to watch the comical antics of a small flock of Sanderling as they flew over the track and ran at full speed back to where they started. A Corn Bunting was picked up on call and eventually tracked down, oblivious to its relative's plight in the rest of the UK.

The beach area was glorious with mixed feeding flocks of small waders all around us including a few Purple Sandpipers. Arctic Terns filled the air with sound and nine Pomarine Skuas in flight past the point were a just reward for Neil for the time he had put in sea watching. A Great Skua over the Machair and a White Wagtail were welcome additions. The Glaucous Gull from earlier in the week, or perhaps another, put in an appearance before we left. Leaving Balranald on a day like today was a wrench, with birdsong filling the air and the Machair flora now showing signs of action!

Pressing on northwards we turned off the road at Scolpaig and immediately spotted an adult Golden Eagle with another a few minutes later; both birds visiting their nest and playing sentry. Neil's sharp eyes picked up a Peregrine over a distant ridge; a bird we had struggled to find all week.

Day 8

Saturday 23rd May

Our final day had come round all too quickly. The forecast was for a cold dry start with rain to catch us up mid ferry crossing; for once this was spot on. The Cuckoo that had been calling outside the hotel for much of the week gave us a fitting send off as we headed south through the islands to the ferry at Lochboisdale.

Just out of Lochmaddy a Short-eared Owl quartered the heather, giving us another chance to enjoy a species that is always special, no matter how often you see one. A Scaup had been reported from loch Bi the previous day so a quick look from the causeway car park was in order. With the water choppy and no exact location we decided to cut our losses and carry on. We made a short detour on South Uist to Howmore Chapel. Here we went for a stroll to the bridge that crosses the Howmore river. The area was quiet with just one Swallow, a smart female Wheatear and a couple of Skylark added to the daily total. This stop did, however, give us the chance to have a look around the ruined chapels at the road end, an area steeped in history. Our next requirement was for coffee, so an extended visit to the Kildonnan museum and Barbaras café brought us closer to our time of departure.

As we approached Lochboisdale we saw a few Snipe, Red-breasted Merganser and Eider. With time to spare we went to Pollachar on the far south-west corner of South Uist. Here we saw a Rock Pipit, with just a few of these being seen all week. The fabulous standing stone on the shore line allowed for some fun photographic opportunities with the island of Barra as a backdrop.

The time to leave these fascinating islands had arrived, and with the rain starting we slipped our moorings and headed out into the Minch. With just a handful of Manx Shearwaters, Guillemot and Gannet mid-channel, we rounded the top of the Isle of Mull and into calm waters. With the rain now lashing and everyone inside, a handful of Common Porpoise raise interest as the MV Lord of the Isles passed Duart Castle on its final approach to Oban. A handful of Black Guillemot proved to be the first and last birds of our wonderful week on the Uists.

Thanks to you all for making this a fabulous trip. Many great Hebridean birds had been seen, for some for the first time. Great company and fun times!

Species Lists

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

	Common name	Scientific name	May							
			16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
1	Common Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>			✓					
2	Greylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	Brent Goose	<i>Branta bernicla</i>					2		✓	
4	Canada Goose	<i>Branta canadensis</i>	2							
5	Mute Swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>	✓	330+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
6	Whooper Swan	<i>Cygnus cygnus</i>		2		2	2		✓	
7	Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
8	Eurasian Wigeon	<i>Anas penelope</i>	✓	2	✓			✓		
9	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
10	Northern Shoveler	<i>Anas clypeata</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
11	Eurasian Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>	✓	✓					✓	
12	Common Pochard	<i>Aythya ferina</i>								
13	Tufted Duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
14	Common Eider	<i>Somateria mollissima</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
15	Common Merganser	<i>Mergus merganser</i>					1			
16	Red-breasted Merganser	<i>Mergus serrator</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
17	Red-throated Diver	<i>Gavia stellata</i>	1	2	1	3	6	2	4+	
18	Black-throated Diver	<i>Gavia arctica</i>							8	
19	Great Northern Diver	<i>Gavia immer</i>	1	2	3	4	2	5	✓	✓
20	Northern Fulmar	<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>	10+	✓					✓	✓
21	Manx Shearwater	<i>Puffinus puffinus</i>	100s	✓						✓
22	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>		3	2	1	1	2		
23	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
24	Northern Gannet	<i>Morus bassanus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
25	European Shag	<i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
26	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
27	White-tailed Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>		2		1	2		3	
28	Northern Harrier	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>		3	1	3	4+	4+	2	1
29	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>							1	
30	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
31	Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>		1	1		2	2	4	
32	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>		1	1				1	
33	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>							1	
34	Corn Crake	<i>Crex crex</i>		7+	3	6	1	2	7+	
35	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>		1						
36	Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
37	Northern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
38	European Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>			✓			✓		
39	Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>		1	1					
40	Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	✓	100s	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
41	Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
42	Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>			8					
43	Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>			4	12	12			
44	Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>		2+	✓	10+	✓	✓		
45	Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
46	Ruff	<i>philomachus pugnax</i>		1	1					
47	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

	Common name	Scientific name	May							
			16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
48	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>		2		2				
49	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
50	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
51	Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓		
52	Purple Sandpiper	<i>Calidris maritima</i>		4					4	
53	Red-necked Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus lobatus</i>			3					
54	Black-legged Kittiwake	<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>	✓							✓
55	Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
56	Common Gull	<i>Larus canus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
57	Great Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
58	European Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
59	Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>							6	
60	Glaucous Gull	<i>Larus hyperboreus</i>		1					1	
61	Iceland Gull	<i>Larus glaucooides</i>		1						
62	Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>				2				
63	Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>								✓
64	Arctic Tern	<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
65	Great Skua	<i>Stercorarius skua</i>		1					1	
66	Pomarine Skua	<i>Stercorarius pomarinus</i>		11		5			9	
67	Arctic Skua	<i>Stercorarius parasiticus</i>	1	4+		2	1	3	5+	
68	Long-tailed Skua	<i>Stercorarius longicaudus</i>	1							
69	Common Guillemot	<i>Uria aalge</i>	✓							✓
70	Razorbill	<i>Alca torda</i>	✓							
71	Black Guillemot	<i>Cephus grylle</i>	10+	1		✓	2	2	20+	6
72	Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
73	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
74	Common Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>	1	1	4+	1	2	1	2	1
75	Short-eared Owl	<i>Asio flammeus</i>		3+	6	4+	3	3	2	1
76	Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
77	Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus Corone corone</i>			4					
78	Northern Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
79	Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
80	Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓
81	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
82	Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>			3				1	
83	Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
84	Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>							1	
85	Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>			3		2	1		
86	Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>					1	✓	✓	✓
87	Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
88	Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
89	Rose Coloured Starling	<i>Sternus roseus</i>					1***			
90	Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
91	Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>			2		✓			✓
92	Redwing	<i>Turdus iliacus</i>	1	1						
93	European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
94	European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>	2	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
95	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	6+	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
96	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
97	Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>			✓		✓	✓		
98	Pied Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba yarrellii</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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			16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
99	Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
100	Eurasian Rock Pipit	<i>Anthus petrosus</i>		✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	
101	Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
102	European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
103	Eurasian Siskin	<i>Carduelis spinus</i>									
104	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
105	Common Redpoll	<i>Carduelis flammea</i>					6	✓			
106	Twite	<i>Carduelis flavirostris</i>		3	6+	70+	6+	✓	✓	✓	
107	Common Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>		✓			✓				
108	Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>				1			2		
109	Common Reed Bunting	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>			✓		✓				

Mammals

1	Rabbit	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
2	Brown Rat	<i>Rattus norvegicus</i>			1				1	
3	Red Deer	<i>Cervus elaphus</i>	15+		6+		4+	12+	20+	
4	Common Seal	<i>Phoca vitulina</i>	c12		✓		✓	✓		
5	Grey Seal	<i>Halicoerus grypus</i>				14+	✓			
6	Common Dolphin	<i>Delphinus delphis</i>	6+							
7	European Otter	<i>Lutra lutra</i>			1		1	1	3	
8	Porpoise	<i>Phocoena phocoena</i>	2							4
9	Minke Whale	<i>Balaenoptera acutorostrata</i>					1			

Other Taxa

1	Green Veined White	<i>Artogeia napi</i>					1		2	
2	Great Yellow Bumblebee	<i>Bombus distinguendus</i>				1			1	
3	Common Carder Bee	<i>Bombus pascuorum</i>				2				

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