

# Ardnamurchan – Wild Scotland in Spring

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Atlantic Puffin

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## Summary

This trip signified the first possible period of being away on a traditional break following a relaxation of the Covid restrictions in Scotland and the UK. Right up to the first day of our Ardnamurchan expedition, doubt existed that we could finally return to some kind of normality. Well it can and it did as the group enjoyed the spoils of the Western Highlands of Scotland with its magnificent scenery, stately deer, busy sea-birds and special mammals of forest and shore plus much, much more!

## Day 1

**Monday 17th May**

Some of the group met up at Glasgow Central Train Station and we quickly left the city centre and began our journey both west and north via Dumbarton and alongside Loch Lomond. We took a journey break at Tyndrum and continued on our route stopping to admire the splendour of Glencoe. After picking up another of our party at Onich, we popped into a Forestry Commission woodland at Glenrigh in the hope of seeing Red Squirrels. However, the feeders were empty and no squirrels were on hand, but birds included six splendid Bullfinches.

Just down the road we had a short wait before we boarded the Corran Ferry from which we saw two Black Guillemots. On the other side we saw common lochside birds and a number of Common Seals hauled up at Loch Linnhe and then pressed on towards Strontian. After a quick check of the eastern aspect of Loch Sunart, we made good progress to Glenborrodale where we met up with the remainder of our party who had made the journey in their own cars. A short journey down the road had us seated for our evening meal at the Ardnamurchan Natural History Visitor Centre for just after 7.30pm. We enjoyed watching the birds through the window whilst at the dining tables and after our evening meal and thanks to Vicky and Richard, we headed back to our accommodation at Glenborrodale where we settled down for the night. The Pine Martens didn't show themselves before we retreated to bed, a calling Barn Owl being the last creature recorded for the day.

## Day 2

**Tuesday 18th May**

We began the day with a 6.30am muster and walk down to the shore of Loch Sunart. A Wood Warbler showed well, followed by a perched Common Buzzard, Siskins and Redpolls and a variety of common birds. Scanning the bay provided views of Common Tern, Raven and Common Sandpipers and Willow Warbler showed well. Most of us departed at the appointed time and we espied an Otter swimming across the bay. Helen stayed a little longer at our viewing point and saw three Otters together, from their behaviour a mother and two cubs. Spotted Flycatchers were heard, but not seen and it was time for our breakfast, which included a selection of porridge and several hot cooked options.

We made the decision to head east and after picking up our kit from the bunkhouse, we headed towards Salen. A roadside stop at Laga Bay provided sightings of up to four Harbour Porpoises and several Common Seals with excited Common Terns overhead. After Salen, but before Acharacle, a Weasel made a brief foray into the road before quickly retreating back to the verge. We completed some scanning at Loch Shiel with light showers of rain interrupting the broken sunshine, notching up Teal, Red-breasted Merganser, Sand Martins, nesting

Common Gulls and distant Common Sandpipers and a Greenshank. Pied Wagtail were feeding young in a nest and singing Meadow Pipit and Willow Warbler were on hand.

Next was a short visit to a nearby medical centre where squirrel feeders are maintained but even then the animals are far from assured. After a wait in our vehicles for the rain to ease, the sun took over and a single Red Squirrel appeared on the lawn and ran straight past us all.

Flushed with success we tried some magic at Kentra, initially with limited success, but a Curlew showed nicely and other birds of this small estuary were encountered. Just as we were all belted up ready to move on, a Golden Eagle appeared over the horizon followed by a second, closer bird. This pair of adults flew at low level, inspecting the moorland below them as they stroked the air with majestic wing-beats and remained in view for some fifteen minutes before disappearing behind the ridge. A Tawny Owl called from the Birch woodland nearby and a distant Tree Pipit burst into song. Moving around to the other side of Kentra Moss provided Redshank, Raven and singing Sedge Warbler and a Common Seal was seen to dispatch a large flatfish. A few Shags fished the channel and we enjoyed several views of close Red-breasted Mergansers.

At Castle Tioram, we discovered a pair of White-tailed Eagles with a single nestling and watched them with telescopes at range. This very scenic setting echoed to the shrill piping of Oystercatchers, yapping gulls from one side and trilling Wood Warblers and singing Spotted Flycatchers from the trees on the other. Four Shelduck flew over, a pair of summer plumage Red-throated Divers sat quietly and Rock Doves flitted around the top of the castle walls.

A stop for very welcome teas and coffees in Acharacle was much enjoyed and after taking another look over Loch Shiel, we drove slowly back to Glenborrodale and the Visitor Centre where we enjoyed close views of a pair of Twite, Siskins, Skylark, Mistle Thrush and Long-tailed Tits amongst other birds.

After our delicious evening meal, some of the party elected to venture onto the high ground above the Bunkhouse and this proved to be something of a trek before we found our quarry – a herd of nine Pere David's Deer. These interesting animals were once extinct in the wild, but have now been reintroduced back into the wild in their native China following a successful captive breeding programme and animals distributed around the world to build up a number of small populations.

Cuckoo, Whinchat, Tree Pipit, Grasshopper Warbler and Common Whitethroat were all encountered before we retired back down to the Bunkhouse, completed our checklists and waited in vain for the Pine Martens to show. Two vocal Tawny Owls called to us as we retired for the night.

## Day 3

## Wednesday 19th May

A fine, sunny and dry morning made an early start all the more welcoming but despite a concerted effort at Loch Sunart, the Otters didn't show for us this morning. A Red-breasted Merganser swam past close to us and we espied distant Common Seals and Porpoises breaking the glass-like surface of the Loch. Greenshank, Common Sandpiper, Black Guillemot were the best of the rest but also close views were had of Willow Warbler and Long-tailed Tit. Calling Wood Warbler and Spotted Flycatchers were not seen and the common trio of Chaffinch, Siskins and Redpoll sang and displayed in the mixed woodland.

We enjoyed breakfast at the Ardnamurchan Visitor Centre and then made our way towards Mingary Pier at Kilchoan. Helen spotted a Pine Marten in roadside vegetation and while we waited for an oncoming van to pass it lolloped across the road in front of the lead vehicle (but unfortunately was not seen at all by the second vehicle). Wheatear, Whinchat, Stonechat and Common Buzzard were all roadside birds seen before parking up and boarding our boat bound for Staffa and the Treshnish Isles.

Once underway, we quickly saw small numbers of Common Guillemots and Kittiwakes, followed by small groups of Razorbills. A small pod of Common Porpoises scattered on our approach. Gannets were initially distant but then one glided right alongside the boat and forged ahead of us. As we sped south, we began to see our first Puffins amongst small rafts of other auks and fishing Shags. We slowed to pass the ‘Throne of the Isles’ just north of the Treshnish Isles and were thrilled to hear a Corncrake which even showed itself briefly in the scant vegetation.

We deviated to the island of Staffa, briefly flushing a flock of twenty-one Purple Sandpipers on an outer rock (known as Bird Rock). As we closed in on the almost unique patterns of larval rock of Staffa wheeling Fulmars became obvious. Rock Pipit and Black Guillemot provided close views as we landed and climbed the steps to the top. Here we were met by singing Meadow Pipits and Skylark, alert Herring Gulls and more Fulmars. A few Twite ‘twanged’ around us and Puffins made landing under the watchful eye of the menacing Great Skuas. The lovely sunshine and pleasant viewing conditions ensured we could identify the islands around us – Mull, Ulva, Iona, Coll and Tiree but Jura was seemingly not visible to the south. After an hour drinking in the beauty around us it was back to the boat and time to dive into our pack-up as we navigated to the Treshnish Isle of Lunga. Here we made a careful and methodical landing using a temporary pontoon.

Rock Pipits met us on the beach and several Eiders were bobbing nearby. Great Black-backed Gulls, Hooded Crow and Ravens sat atop rocky promontories ready to exploit opportunities and Kittiwakes gathered in small flocks.

We scrambled up a steep path to a grassy ledge that supported numerous very tame breeding Puffins. Many people make it no further than this spot, entranced by these wonderful clowns of the sea!! A few were still digging burrows, others lining their nests and more than a few engaged in territorial disputes. For the most part they ignored their part-time human audience. Walking on and there were close encounters with Shag, Razorbill and Fulmar and at further range lines of Common Guillemots and ledge-nesting Kittiwakes. A Great Skua spent a while eyeing up matters and a dark-phase Arctic Skua was pursuing flying Puffins and causing them to crash into the water.

Our two hours were quickly up and we returned to the boat and travelled back to Mingary Pier – a journey which was mostly uneventful apart from singles of Manx Shearwater and Great Skua. Enroute the boat made a visit to the cliffs of Bloody Bay on Mull where we saw a pair of White-tailed Eagles, one of which flew direct to Kilchoan!!

We enjoyed our evening meal at the Visitors Centre thanks to Vicky and Richard and after a day on the sea and with full tums there wasn’t much appetite for further excursions so we stayed in. Our proffered food worked and a Pine Marten came to the table just outside the lounge window, albeit very late, and fed there to the delight of the few people who hadn’t yet gone to bed.

## Day 4

## Thursday 20th May

Some made the 6.30am excursion to Aperitif Point on Loch Sunart and others took the woodland trail on the RSPB reserve next door. The Loch Sunart team enjoyed views of four rather distant Otters and the RSPB reserve offered Wood Warbler, Tree Pipit, Cuckoo and Bullfinches among more regular fare.

After our delicious Scottish breakfast, we took the slow road to Ockle watching for wildlife as we travelled. A pair of White-tailed Eagles were followed by a single immature and then another pair of adults were seen further along the road – five different ‘flying barn doors’ before 10am was more than welcome. A few herds of Red Deer were mostly split onto hinds and bucks.

We stopped on the road near Branault and located a pod of four summer plumage Great Northern Divers diving regularly in the sea below us, and one of many Common Buzzards flew between the hill slopes below the road. We continued on towards Swordle and took a rain-affected walk around the beach area where birds included three more Great Northern Divers (one in flight), Curlew, Ringed Plover and Dunlin and a hard-to-see Grey Wagtail. A short drive away we found Ockle and a Grey Wagtail collecting insects clearly had young nearby. Brown Trout darted in the burn and a Spotted Flycatcher was heard nearby.

Our packed lunch was taken near Branault whilst we were watching over meadows and field margins. A Common Buzzard rose out of the grass with mouse prey and later was involved in a skirmish with a Buzzard intruder. Reed Bunting, Common Whitethroat and Sedge Warbler were heard but remained mostly hidden in the low-level vegetation.

At Mingary Pier we studied the interpretation board in order to appreciate the geology of the area where larva has intruded into the local sedimentary rocks. Then we popped into the Café and Community Hall where we discovered Covid vaccinations were being administered. After our refreshments we drove slowly to the far end of Kilchoan on the high road at Ormsaigbeg. It was pretty blustery here as we looked down the Sound of Mull to the west and distant views of Glen Coe to the east. Next we stopped for a scan over the harbour before again checking the area overlooking Loch Mudle where we had seen views of two White-tailed Eagles the day before and then on back to the Ardnamurchan Visitor Centre.

Two Golden Plovers in the grassy field next to the Centre were new in and their summer plumage was much admired before we enjoyed our evening meal.

A Pine Marten again graced our picnic table with its presence at the bunkhouse prior to a two hour night drive which provided views of several Red Deer and a Roe Deer but not much else.

## Day 5

## Friday 21st May

A windy, grey and cool day didn't prevent the early morning naturalists visiting Loch Sunart before breakfast but the vigil didn't pay off this time with little of note being observed. After our choices of porridge, toast and a full

cooked breakfast it was off to explore Sanna, but not before an unexpected Redwing hopped into view next to the Visitors' Centre.

Sanna is best visited on a calm, sunny day, but windy conditions was something the whole nation seemed to be experiencing that day, so we resolved to try our best despite them!! The Sand Martins were visiting their nest-holes in the sand dune system and sticklebacks swam in the clear burn which is surrounded here with ground-hugging flowers such as Butterwort, Milkwort, Marsh Marigold and Tormentil. We searched and failed to find any Harebells and Flower of Parnassus which would be on show later in the year.

After threading our way through the dune system and witnessing the resilient singing Skylarks and a Wheatear shrugging off the windy conditions, we found an area protected from the wind, and were able to scan around. A few waders were being blown around but scanning over the rocks out to sea we could see large numbers of distant Manx Shearwaters arrowing over the wave-tops and a close-in Gannet. However, it was too windy to spend too much time on the beach with the sand being whipped up in our faces, so we turned our backs to the beach and headed towards a little track where we encountered a patch of fabulous Northern Marsh Orchids, some of which were damaged, but the majority intact and in full bloom.

A couple of fidgety Twite flew ahead of us and the Skylarks were still present when we reached the car park. We returned back the way we had come, notching up Wheatear, Stonechat, Whinchat and Yellowhammer along the side of the road. The toilets at Kilchoan were closed, so we popped back to the Community Centre to say hello again!

Our lunch stop was to be at the northern seashore hamlet of Portuairk, but unfortunately it was too windy and cold to eat outside so we munched our sandwiches and home-made cake in the comfort of our vehicles. A short walk afterwards around the boulders and beach provided lots of photos of small and very cute lambs! A couple of Common Seals were hauled out and common birds seen were Common Sandpiper, Oystercatcher and Redpoll. Back at Kilchoan we again made use of the services available at the Community Centre – including a delicious cup of coffee – and then headed back east, seeing a White-tailed Eagle as we did so. At Camus nan Geall most of us took a sedate walk down the steep path to some standing stones (and the interpretation board for the history of the area) and the beach. Primroses carpeted the grassy slopes of the eastern end of the beach and Sand Martins flew around us, hoping we might flush out insects for them to feed on. A small group of waders included three Turnstones, one of which was almost in full summer plumage. They simply merged with the beach when stationery such was the effectiveness of the camouflage of their variable plumage as they stopped over briefly on their way to their Arctic breeding grounds. Ringed Plover and Common Sandpiper were their beach buddies.

Apart from some flights of Linnets and Twite and more adorable lambs there wasn't much else on offer as we climbed back up the slope to the waiting minibus and swung down to the Visitors Centre for dinner. Two drake Goosander on the shoreline of Loch Sunart were the first ones seen during the trip and the two Golden Plover remained.

Back at the snug Bunkhouse a number of Red Deer grazed the lawn area and Chaffinches and tits enjoyed the sunflower hearts in the feeders. Two Pine Martins visited individually – each quite distinctive individuals – and both guilty of licking the jam from the bread – but providing lovely views whilst doing so!!

## Day 6

Saturday 22nd May

Another cool day dawned but we also enjoyed some periods of sunshine in between a few showers. The early morning risers were treated to a very distant Otter and then a much closer individual at Glenmore Bay with a no show from Aperitif Point.

After breakfast we headed east towards Strontian. En-route we called in at the Garbh Eilean Wildlife Hide. It was breezy here but up to a dozen Common Seals were on view, there were plenty of Common Terns and the small heronry is being used this year. There was no sign of any Otters and with the lively breeze penetrating the hide we moved on. We checked the eastern shore of Loch Sunart and watched four canoes flush loafing Goosanders, but there being not much else to see it was time for a coffee break at the village café. After feeling suitably refreshed we drove around to a small church next to the River Strontian. A short walk provided us with a small flock of Mallard which included a Mallard x American Black Duck hybrid but there was no sign of the long-staying American Black Duck. (There has been no sign of this local celebrity since early 2021.) Bullfinches and Long-tailed Tits called all around us and we saw a Dipper and Common Sandpiper below us from the bridge.

Next was a walk in Ariundle Woods, a nearby Forestry Commission woodland that can sometimes provide good wildlife sightings in very pleasant surroundings. We were not able to complete a full circuit due to footbridge repairs at the top end of the walk, but still spent a couple of hours dawdling the forest trail. A small Common Frog was our only amphibian of the trip and it was still rather too cool for some specialist insects to appear (happily, including the midges!!) Orange-tip butterflies were on the wing and Dor Beetles crept slowly around the woodland floor. Common Buzzard and a single Kestrel were the only raptors on show but songsters included Tree Pipit, Wood Warbler and Common Redstart together with plenty of Willow Warbler, and a few Blackcaps and Garden Warblers. A Treecreeper showed nicely and a Great Spotted Woodpecker near the car park was making foraging trips to and fro from a nearby nest. Redpolls and Siskins were vocal, fidgety finches which declined to show well and a moth was identified as a Clouded Border.

Some refreshments were required so next it was time for a cuppa at the local community centre which also houses a small shop and exhibition. We then took a slow drive back to the Ardnamurchan Visitor Centre for our evening meal and those still with energy sauntered down to Aperitif Point, but it was a 'no show' from the local Otters. A late evening Pine Marten satisfied it's hunger eating the produce put out for it outside our bunkhouse accommodation and this was the last wildlife encounter of the day.

## Day 7

Sunday 23rd May

The morning dawned cold and windy and our early excursion took us to Glenmore Bay where we succeeded in seeing one Otter, and Aperitif Point which yielded just the usual birds. After breakfast we managed further excursions to Fasdale and a walk down to the secluded beach at Kilmory before the rain swept in and confined us for some hours before it departed again to produce a sunny and calm evening.

At Fasdale activity out on the water was mostly bird-related but at least one Minke Whale showed several times, albeit quite a long way out. Two distant Great Skuas harassed the gulls and then chased each other. A flock of eleven Whimbrel were found ensconced in a fenced meadow area, presumably stopping briefly before



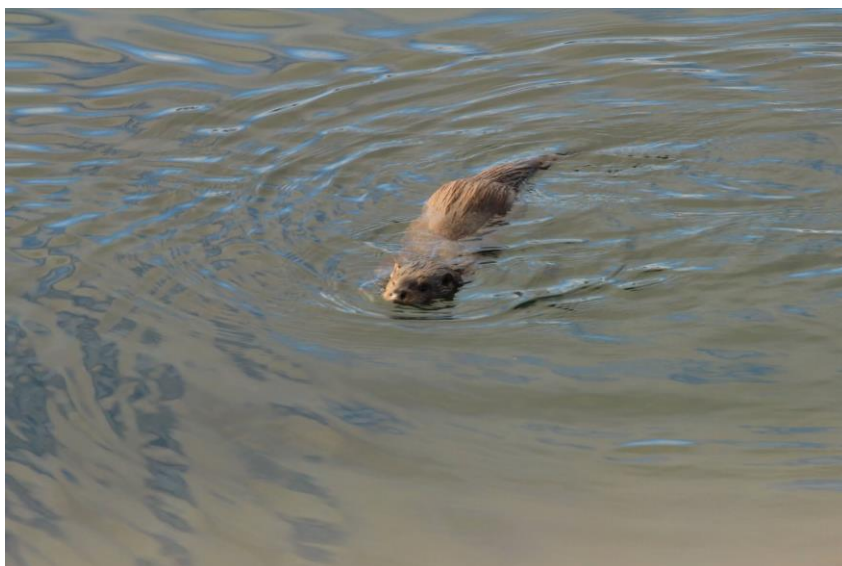
concluding their migration in Iceland or similar. Other waders for the day included Dunlin, Common Sandpiper, Ringed Plover and Golden Plover. Sundew plants were visible alongside mosses and grasses at Fascadale. One or two White-tailed Eagle(s) put in appearances during the day and an evening excursion to try and find Pere David's Deer proved successful with a herd of eleven being located which included some super stags.

A short night drive failed to locate anything new. Vicky and Richard's extra special effort to provide us with a traditional Scottish meal on our last night was much appreciated – Cullen Skink, Haggis Neeps and Tatties and Cranachan – wonderful stuff!

## Day 8

Monday 24th May

Our last day was all about packing, breakfast and moving on. It was a wet day for the most part and for those departing by minibus to Glasgow there were a couple of treats with a Red Squirrel at Glenrigh and a dark phase Honey Buzzard flying alongside the minibus near the Bridge of Orchy!



Eurasian Otter

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## Species lists

Birds (H = Heard only)

	Common name	Scientific name	May 21							
			17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
1	Canada Goose	<i>Branta canadensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
2	Greylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>		4		2		2		
4	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5	Mallard x American Black Duck Hybrid	<i>Anas sp.</i>						1		
6	Eurasian Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>		2						
7	Common Eider	<i>Somateria mollissima</i>			✓					
8	Goosander	<i>Mergus merganser</i>					2	5		
9	Red-breasted Merganser	<i>Mergus serrator</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
10	Common Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>				2	2			
11	Red-throated Diver	<i>Gavia stellata</i>		3	3					
12	Great Northern Diver	<i>Gavia immer</i>				7				
13	Northern Fulmar	<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>			✓					
14	Manx Shearwater	<i>Puffinus puffinus</i>			1		✓			
15	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
16	Northern Gannet	<i>Morus bassanus</i>			✓		✓		✓	✓
17	European Shag	<i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i>		3	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
18	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	1		1	2	1			
19	Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>		2						
20	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>				2				
21	White-tailed Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>		2	4	5	1		1+	
22	Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>								1
23	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
24	Corn Crake	<i>Crex crex</i>			1					
25	Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26	Northern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	✓							
27	European Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>				2	2	3	3	
28	Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	H	2	2	3	1	4		
29	Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>			H					
30	Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>							11	
31	Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>		2		2				
32	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>		1						
33	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>		3	1	1	H			
34	Purple Sandpiper	<i>Calidris maritima</i>			20					
35	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
36	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>					3			
37	Dunlin	<i>Calidris alpina</i>		H		2				
38	Black-legged Kittiwake	<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>			✓				✓	
39	Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>		✓						
40	Common Gull	<i>Larus canus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
41	Great Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
42	European Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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43	Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus graellsii</i>	✓		1	✓			✓	✓
44	Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
45	Great Skua	<i>Stercorarius skua</i>			3				2	
46	Arctic Skua	<i>Stercorarius parasiticus</i>			1					
47	Common Guillemot	<i>Uria aalge</i>			✓					
48	Razorbill	<i>Alca torda</i>			✓					
49	Black Guillemot	<i>Cephus grylle</i>	2		✓		✓	✓		✓
50	Atlantic Puffin	<i>Fratercula arctica</i>			✓					
51	Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>		2	✓	✓			1	
52	Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
53	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
54	Common Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>	H	✓	✓	✓	✓	H	✓	
55	Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>	H							
56	Tawny Owl	<i>Strix aluco</i>		H				1		
57	Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
58	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>				1		1		
59	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
60	Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	✓							✓
61	Western Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>	✓							✓
62	Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>	✓							✓
63	Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
64	Northern Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	✓	4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
65	Coal Tit	<i>Parus ater</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
66	Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
67	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
68	Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
69	Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
70	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
71	Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
72	Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓		
73	Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
74	Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	H		H			H		
75	Wood Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>		✓	H	✓		✓	H	H
76	Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>		H	H	H	H		H	
77	Grasshopper Warbler	<i>Locustella naevia</i>		H						
78	Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	H	✓	✓	H	H	H	✓	
79	Garden Warbler	<i>Sylvia borin</i>		H				H		
80	Common Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>		H		✓	H	✓	✓	
81	Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>		H	H	H				H
82	Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
84	Eurasian Treecreeper	<i>Certhia familiaris</i>		H				✓		H
85	Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
86	Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
87	Redwing	<i>Turdus iliacus</i>					1			
88	Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
89	Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	H

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90	Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>		H	H	H		H	✓	
91	European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
92	Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>						2+		
93	Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
94	European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
95	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>			✓	✓	✓		✓	
96	White-throated Dipper	<i>Cinclus cinclus</i>	2						1	
97	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
98	Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
99	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>		3		4	H		H	
100	Pied Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba yarrellii</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
101	Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
102	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>		1+		✓		✓	H	
103	Eurasian Rock Pipit	<i>Anthus petrosus</i>		2	✓	✓				
104	Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
105	Eurasian Bullfinch	<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
106	European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>		H			1	H		
107	Twite	<i>Linaria flavirostris</i>		2	6	4	4+			
108	Common Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>				2	3			
109	Common Redpoll	<i>Acanthis flammea</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
110	Red Crossbill	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>							1	
111	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
112	Eurasian Siskin	<i>Spinus spinus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
113	Yellowhammer	<i>Emberiza citrinella</i>		H		H	✓	H	✓	✓
114	Common Reed Bunting	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>				2		✓		

## Mammals

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Scientific name	Common name		17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Nathusius' Pipistrelle	<i>Pipistrellus nathusii</i>						1			
Common Pipistrelle	<i>Pipistrellus pipistrellus</i>						1			
Western Barbastelle	<i>Barbastella barbastellus</i>						1			
River Otter	<i>Lutra lutra</i>			4		4		2	1	
Pine Marten	<i>Martes martes</i>				1	1	2	1	2/3	
European Rabbit	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>				1					
Roe Deer	<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>					1				
Red Deer	<i>Cervus elaphus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Père David's Deer	<i>Elaphurus davidianus</i>			9					11	
Red Squirrel	<i>Sciurus vulgaris</i>			1						2
Harbour Porpoise	<i>Phocoena phocoena</i>			4	✓					
Harbour (Common) Seal	<i>Phoca vitulina</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	12	✓	✓	
Grey Seal	<i>Halichoerus grypus</i>				✓					
Minke Whale	<i>Balaenoptera acutorostrata</i>								✓	
Wood Mouse	<i>Apodemus sylvaticus</i>			1		✓	✓			
Weasel	<i>Capra sp.</i>			1						
vole sp.					✓					

## Others

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Amphibians									
Common Frog	Rana temporaria						1		
Fish									
Brown Trout	Salmo trutta				✓				
Stickleback sp						✓			
Butterflies & Moths									
Speckled Wood	Pararge aegeria		✓						
Green-veined White	Pieris napi			✓			✓	✓	
Orange-tip	Anthocharis cardamines						✓		
Peacock	Aglais io						✓		
Clouded Border Moth	Lomaspilis marginata						✓		
Other insects									
Dor Beetle	Geotrupes stercorarius						✓		
Dark-edged Bee-fly	Bombylius major						✓		
Early Bumble Bee	Bombus pratorum								
Carder Bee	Bombus pascuorum		✓						
White-tailed Bumble bee	Bombus lucorum			✓				✓	
Red-tailed Bunble Bee	Bombus lapidarius			✓					
Plants									
Sundew	Droseraceae sp.								
Yellow Flag Iris	Iris pseudacorus								
Northern Marsh Orchid	Dactylorhiza purpurella								
Creeping Butterwort	Pinguicula vulgaris								
Milkwort	Polygala vulgaris								
Lousewort	Pedicularis sylvatica								
Greater Stitchwort	Stellaria holostea								
Primrose	Primula vulgaris								
Dog Violet	Viola riviniana								
Bluebell	Hyacinthoides non-scripta								
Tormentil	Potentilla erecta								
Wood Sorrel	Oxalis sp.								
Self Heal	Prunella vulgaris								
Wood Anemone	Anemone nemorosa								
Marsh Marigold	Caltha palustris								