

The Gambia in Style

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Day 1

Friday 12th January

On arrival in Gambia we were met by Baba, our impossibly charming and playful driver, who by the end of the tour would become our firm friend. We were also met by a Gambian police lady who was determined to give us a happy first impression of her beautiful country, to the extent of turning her lovely eyes when Baba brought Simon, a money changer of questionable legality, to the bus to sell us local currency at a good rate.

Baba drove us to Mandina Lodges, with occasional sharp stops to see birds. The lodge sits among mangroves on a little tributary of the great Gambia River and we were welcomed to it by Linda, our hostess, by friendly staff, and by large their family of rescued cats and dogs, several sporting missing limbs or other disabilities. We were made as welcome as these waifs and as we sat having welcome drinks and listening to Linda's briefing, Red-eyed Doves sang around us and Guinea Baboons strode over the mangrove mud on their way to roost at the edge of the creek, where they would be safe for the night from the Leopard.

Day 2

Saturday 13th January

This morning our fantastic guides Alagie and Lamin took us by canoe downstream to Buffulotto. Alagie and Lamin are both wonderful naturalists but beyond this they also work wonderfully as a team, with outgoing Alagie entertaining and leading the way, and Lamin always ready with a helping hand or with quiet advice on how best to see a bird. Throughout the week we were delighted to be led by them.

Our first experience of the Gambia's mangrove forest was excellent. There were African Darters perched on the trees and noisy Giant Kingfishers flying overhead. Yellow-billed Kites looped above us, accompanied by Red-chested Swallows, and on the mud exposed by the retreating tide we saw Senegal Thick-Knees, Common Redshank, Common Greenshank and innumerable Whimbrel.

Festooning the roots of the mangroves, also exposed by the low tide, were millions of oysters. Our stop at Buffulotto was at the place where the local ladies, who spend long hard days in canoes tearing the oysters from the roots with sharp knives, boil their catch, making it ready for sale. A Western Reef Heron stood guard at the landing spot, welcoming us ashore. On our walk here we saw many wonderful birds including a large family of Piapiacs in a field, a mixed feeding flock of Red-cheeked Cordon-Bleus, Red-billed Firefinches, Long-tailed Wdahs (in non-breeding plumage) and Village Indigobirds. Above us in a tree we watched a Pygmy Sunbird as it fed from fresh flowers.

In the afternoon as we stood by the pool waiting to leave there were Little Bee-eaters dropping down to drink and Bronze Mannikins in the bamboo stands around reception. From here we went on a long walk to the mudflats, passing through fields, light forest and areas of muddy mangrove as we went. It may have been long but it was worth it and we saw many new birds including Senegal Parrots, a Greater Painted Snipe crouching at the edge of a creek, Western Plantain-Eater, Senegal Coucal, Blue-bellied Roller and some breathtaking Swallow-tailed Bee-eaters.

We had dinner with the last of the Gambian Epauletted Fruit Bats leaving their roost in the rafters above us and were all jolly happy to be in such a peaceful, beautiful place with such charming hosts.

Day 3

Sunday 14th January

Lamin was unable to join us today, so we were guided by our firm friend Alagie and charismatic, witty Sana. They took us upriver to Kembujeh rice fields, past the base camp which can be visited for the day by non-resident guests. The river was again alive with activity, with Pied Kingfishers overhead and Callithrix (Green) Monkeys feeding in the mangroves. Our walk was excellent too. Here we met Lizard Buzzard, Shikra and a host of pigeons and doves (Speckled, Laughing, Red-eyed, Vinaceous, Blue-spotted Wood and African Green). At a fruiting fig tree there were Violet Turacos and Yellow-throated Leafloves and nearby three spectacular Blue-bellied Rollers sat on a broken palm frond. Despite hearing them, and putting in much effort, we were unable to locate the Pearl-spotted Owlets which are known to inhabit this area.

In the afternoon the group divided, with half going on the sunset cruise and the other half walking to the cultural centre. The cruisers went as far as the confluence of our tributary with the Gambia, seeing many Goliath Herons and – the highlight – the tour's only Yellow-billed Stork. On the way back they were amazed by a swirling roost of Cattle Egrets, Sacred Ibis and other long-legged wading birds.

The walkers also saw many wonderful birds, including several sparkling sunbird species in flowering *Gmelina arborea* trees. Their highlight, however, was a roosting Northern White-faced Owl at the cultural centre.

Day 4

Monday 15th January

Today was one of our two days out from Mandina. Met early by our big-hearted friend Baba, we were driven to Kartong where a British ex-pat runs a bird observatory. We chose the walk around the wonderful wetlands here and were genuinely dazzled by their birdlife. There were hundreds of White-faced Whistling Ducks scattered over the pools and among them plenty of Purple Swamphens. A Palm Nut Vulture circled above us and a Woodchat Shrike fed from a fence, while seemingly everywhere there were Ospreys and Abyssinian Rollers. Passing a Black Crane, an African Pygmy Goose and a small family of Lavender Waxbills, we reached a large wetland covered in birds including Spur-winged Geese, Northern Shoveler, a Common Pochard, African Spoonbills, a Marsh Sandpiper and a Eurasian Teal, which was a first for Lamin (back with us today) and Alagie. We then drove down to the beach, where there were Caspian Terns and Ringed Plovers. However our attention was largely focused on the enterprising young man selling cold drinks from a palm-thatched shelter.

After a fine morning's birding we went along the coast to Sanyang and had lunch on the beach, looking out at a distant raft of Kelp and Grey-headed Gulls. In the afternoon we visited Tanji where local people bring fish ashore. As a result the place teems with birds including Kelp, Grey-headed and Slender-billed Gulls, Caspian and Royal Terns and Ruddy Turnstones.

Day 5

Tuesday 16th January

This morning's walk was to the lovely (and very birdy) area of open country and light woodland known as Nyambikala field. On our way we had quick views of both Stone Partridge and Double-spurred Francolin. Both

Western Marsh Harrier and African Harrier Hawk were seen hunting over the field and among the many other striking birds we saw here were Violet Turaco, Senegal Parrot, Western Red-billed Hornbill, a wonderfully obliging Bearded Barbet feeding on figs, and two bee-eaters (Little and Swallow-tailed, with White-throated being seen later at the lodge).

Yet more bee-eaters were seen in the afternoon, with Blue-cheeked one of the defining birds of today's sunset cruise. Also seen were Ospreys, four species of Tern (Caspian, Royal, Sandwich and Little), many Whimbrel perching precariously up trees, a roost of Pink-backed Pelicans and the enormous roost of Cattle Egrets. Those who had done the sunset cruise a couple of nights before also had a splendid afternoon, with a canoe cruise to Kupuneh. The highlight here was a group of Yellow-billed Shrikes, but even these were eclipsed by one of the star birds of the trip – an African Finfoot – from the canoe along the creek.

Day 6

Wednesday 17th January

This morning there was a strong wind, which sadly put paid to the birding, despite our most heroic efforts. First Baba, Alagie and Lamin took us to Tujering, where old dunes, covered in scrub, tumble down to the sea. Alas the wind was far too strong to see very much here – except a glimpse of a Black-crowned Tchagra – though we did see some distant Northern Gannets over the sea.

From here we moved to Kotu Bridge, a well-known birding spot. Here too the wind was against us but little by little we added good birds to our list. A Green Sandpiper fed from a flooded field and in the woods a pair of Fine-spotted Woodpeckers kept us happily entertained. Perhaps the source of most interest here, however, were the dead loofah vines, still bearing many loofahs, which were strewn beside the path.

Nearby as we drove towards lunch we saw a trio of marvellous rollers (Abyssinian, Blue-bellied and our first Rufous-crowned), a very obliging Lizard Buzzard and Yellow-billed Shrikes, which were a catch-up bird for those who had been on the previous evening's sunset cruise.

Replete with good birds, we had lunch at a lovely coastal restaurant called Calypso, watching Black Crakes trot past West African Crocodiles, Pied Kingfishers dive and Gull-billed Terns patrol the water as we ate.

This afternoon we called at the famous Abuko Reserve, a rare patch of tall forest. Stopping to admire a Greater Honeyguide, our first Broad-billed Roller and Fanti Saw-Wings along the way, we walked in search of a very special monkey: the Western Red Colobus. Having all but given up hope, we found these beautiful primates in a mixed feeding group with Callithrix monkeys. More tantalising here was a momentary glimpse some of us had of what is likely to have been a Maxwell's Duiker.

Day 7

Thursday 18th January

This morning we walked back to Nyambikala, in the (forlorn it turned out) hope of seeing the Patas Monkeys which are commonly seen here, on account of the peanut fields in the area. Despite the monkeys' no-show, there was again plenty to keep us entertained here, including a thoroughly obliging Northern Black Flycatcher, a Brubru (more a bird of East African acacia woodland, and a surprise to the guides when we spotted it), a male Common Redstart, and a perched pair of Lanner Falcons. These were set against a backdrop of birds which,

though common, nonetheless delighted us throughout the tour, including Variable and Beautiful Sunbirds, Yellow-crowned Gonolek, Snowy-crowned Robin-Chat, Village Weaver, Rose-ringed Parakeet and Western Plantain-Eater.

In the afternoon Lamin and Alagie were on a mission. They keenly felt the injustice of only half the group having seen an African Finfoot, so they jolly well paddled us up and down the mangroves until they found it again. This time everyone in the group had excellent views of this famously retiring bird. Also here were a Blue-breasted Kingfisher, which gave the best views many had had of this second mangrove specialist, and a host of common mud and mangrove species.

Day 8

Friday 19th January

With little time on our hands, the fields close to the cultural centre were our destination on our last wildlife walk from Mandina. The birds conspired to put on a great last show, for here we saw Violet and Guinea Turacos feeding together, our first Red-shouldered Cuckooshrike (followed closely by our second) and finally (after hearing them all over the place) a Yellow-fronted Tinkerbird.

All too soon, however, it was time for us to head home, so, passing the cultural centre as we went (no Northern White-faced Owl to be found), we returned to Mandina and checked out.

We left for our flight to the UK with our hearts full of thanks to our wonderful hosts at Mandina, where everyone was constantly friendly and helpful. Prominent among them, though by no means the only ones who looked after us, were our hostess Linda (and her small herd of cats and dogs), our driver Baba and our wonderful guides Sana, Lamin and Alagie. We are most grateful to you all.

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Species Lists

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

	Common name	Scientific name	January							
			12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
1	Stone Partridge	<i>Ptilopachus petrosus</i>					✓			
2	Double-spurred Francolin	<i>Pternistis bicalcaratus</i>					✓		h	
3	White-faced Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>				✓				
4	Spur-winged Goose	<i>Plectropterus gambensis</i>				✓				
5	African Pygmy-Goose	<i>Nettapus auritus</i>				✓				
6	Knob-billed (Comb) Duck	<i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>				✓				
7	Eurasian Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>				✓				
8	Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>				✓				
9	Common Pochard	<i>Aythya ferina</i>				✓				
10	Yellow-billed Stork	<i>Mycteria ibis</i>			✓					
11	African Sacred Ibis	<i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i>			✓	✓	✓			
12	Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>				✓		✓		
13	Western Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
14	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>			✓	✓	✓			
15	Black-headed Heron	<i>Ardea melanocephala</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓		
16	Goliath Heron	<i>Ardea goliath</i>			✓		✓			
17	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
18	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
19	Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>				✓		✓		
20	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓		
21	Western Reef Heron	<i>Egretta gularis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
22	African Spoonbill	<i>Platalea alba</i>			✓	✓				
23	Hamerkop	<i>Scopus umbretta</i>			✓	✓				
24	Pink-backed Pelican	<i>Pelecanus rufescens</i>			✓	✓	✓			
25	Reed (Long-tailed) Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo africanus</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
26	African Darter	<i>Anhinga rufa</i>		✓	✓		✓		✓	
27	African Finfoot	<i>Podica senegalensis</i>					✓		✓	
28	Northern Gannet	<i>Sula bassana</i>						✓		
29	Western Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
30	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>						✓		
31	Yellow-billed Kite	<i>Milvus migrans parasitus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
32	Palm Nut Vulture	<i>Gypohierax angolensis</i>		✓	✓	✓				
33	Hooded Vulture	<i>Necrosyrtes monachus</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
34	Beaudouin's Snake-Eagle	<i>Circaetus beaudouini</i>		✓		✓				
35	Western Banded Snake-Eagle	<i>Circaetus cinerascens</i>				✓	✓		✓	
36	Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>				✓	✓		✓	
37	African Harrier-Hawk	<i>Polyboroides typus</i>		✓		✓	✓			
38	Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>			✓	✓				
39	Lizard Buzzard	<i>Kaupifalco monogrammicus</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓		
40	Booted Eagle	<i>Hieraaetus pennatus</i>								
41	Long-crested Eagle	<i>Lophaetus occipitalis</i>					✓			
42	Lanner Falcon	<i>Falco biarmicus</i>		✓					✓	
43	Grey Kestrel	<i>Falco ardosiaceus</i>		✓		✓				
44	Red-necked Falcon	<i>Falco chicquera</i>			✓	✓				
45	Black Crake	<i>Amauornis flavirostris</i>				✓		✓		
46	Purple Swamphen	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>				✓				
47	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloroopus</i>				✓				

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48	Senegal Thick-Knee	<i>Burhinus senegalensis</i>		✓			✓			
49	Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>				✓				
50	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>				✓				
51	Spur-winged Lapwing	<i>Vanellus spinosus</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
52	African Wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus senegallus</i>		✓	✓				✓	
53	Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>		✓			✓			
54	Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>				✓				
55	Greater Painted Snipe	<i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>		✓						
56	Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>				✓				
57	African Jacana	<i>Actophilornis africanus</i>		✓		✓		✓		
58	Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>				✓				
59	Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>				✓				
60	Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	h	✓	
61	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
62	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>						✓		
63	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>				✓				
64	Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>				✓				
65	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
66	Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>				✓				
67	Slender-billed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus genei</i>				✓				
68	Grey-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus</i>				✓		✓		
69	Kelp Gull	<i>Larus dominicanus</i>				✓		✓		
70	Gull-billed Tern	<i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i>						✓	✓	
71	Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>				✓	✓	✓	✓	
72	Royal Tern	<i>Thalasseus maximus</i>				✓	✓	✓		
73	Sandwich Tern	<i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>			✓		✓			
74	Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>					✓			
75	Speckled Pigeon	<i>Columba guinea</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
76	Laughing Dove	<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
77	Red-eyed Dove	<i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
78	Vinaceous Dove	<i>Streptopelia vinacea</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
79	Black-billed Wood-Dove	<i>Turtur abyssinicus</i>		✓			✓			✓
80	Blue-spotted Wood-Dove	<i>Turtur afer</i>		✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
81	Namaqua Dove	<i>Oena capensis</i>				✓	✓	✓		✓
82	African Green Pigeon	<i>Treron calvus</i>			✓					
83	Rose-ringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>		✓	✓				✓	
84	Senegal Parrot	<i>Poicephalus senegalus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
85	Guinea (Green) Turaco	<i>Tauraco persa</i>								✓
86	Violet Turaco	<i>Musophaga violacea</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
87	Western Plain-tain-Eater	<i>Crinifer piscator</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
88	Senegal Coucal	<i>Centropus senegalensis</i>		✓	✓			✓		
89	Northern White-faced Owl	<i>Ptilopsis leucotis</i>		h	✓					
90	Pearl-spotted Owlet	<i>Glaucidium perlatum</i>			h					
91	African Palm Swift	<i>Cypsiurus parvus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
92	Little Swift	<i>Apus affinis</i>						✓		
93	Purple (Rufous-crowned) Roller	<i>Coracias naevius</i>						✓	✓	
94	Abyssinian Roller	<i>Coracias abyssinicus</i>				✓		✓		
95	Blue-bellied Roller	<i>Coracias cyanogaster</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
96	Broad-billed Roller	<i>Eurystomus glaucurus</i>						✓		
97	Striped Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon chelicuti</i>					✓			
98	Blue-breasted Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon malimbica</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

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99	Malachite Kingfisher	<i>Corythornis cristatus</i>					✓	✓	✓	
100	Giant Kingfisher	<i>Megaceryle maxima</i>		✓	✓	✓			✓	
101	Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
102	Swallow-tailed Bee-eater	<i>Merops hirundineus</i>		✓			✓	✓		
103	Little Bee-eater	<i>Merops pusillus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
104	White-throated Bee-eater	<i>Merops albicollis</i>		✓	✓		✓		✓	
105	Blue-cheeked Bee-eater	<i>Merops persicus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
106	Green Wood-Hoopoe	<i>Phoeniculus purpureus</i>			✓					
107	African Pied Hornbill	<i>Tockus fasciatus</i>		✓	✓				✓	
108	African Grey Hornbill	<i>Tockus nasutus</i>		✓			✓			
109	Western Red-billed Hornbill	<i>Tockus kemp</i>		✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
110	Yellow-fronted Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus chrysoconus</i>		h			h		h	✓
111	Bearded Barbet	<i>Lybius dubius</i>					✓		✓	
112	Greater Honeyguide	<i>Indicator indicator</i>						✓		
113	Fine-spotted Woodpecker	<i>Campethera punctuligera</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓
114	Cardinal Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicos fuscenscens</i>			✓		✓			
115	African Grey Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicos goertae</i>					✓		✓	
116	Brown-throated Wattle-Eye	<i>Platysteira cyanea</i>		✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
117	Black-crowned Tchagra	<i>Tchagra senegalus</i>						✓		
118	Northern Puffback	<i>Dryoscopus gambensis</i>							✓	
119	Brubru	<i>Nilaus afer</i>							✓	
120	Yellow-crowned Gonolek	<i>Laniarius barbarus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
121	Red-shouldered Cuckooshrike	<i>Campephaga phoenicea</i>								✓
122	Yellow-billed Shrike	<i>Corvinella corvina</i>					✓	✓		
123	Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>				✓		✓	✓	
124	African Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus auratus</i>			✓		✓			
125	Fork-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>		✓				✓	✓	
126	Red-bellied Paradise Flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone rufiventer</i>			✓		✓		✓	
127	Piapiac	<i>Ptilostomus afer</i>		✓		✓		✓		
128	Pied Crow	<i>Corvus albus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
129	Common Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus barbatus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
130	Little Greenbul	<i>Eurillas virens</i>			✓				✓	✓
131	Grey-headed Bristlebill	<i>Bleda canicapillus</i>			✓			✓		
132	Yellow-throated Leaflove	<i>Atimastillas flavicollis</i>			✓					
133	Fanti Saw-Wing	<i>Psalidoprocne obscura</i>						✓		
134	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>			✓	✓				
135	Red-chested Swallow	<i>Hirundo lucida</i>			✓			✓	✓	
136	Pied-winged Swallow	<i>Hirundo leucosoma</i>		✓				✓		
137	Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Cecropis daurica</i>				✓				
138	Northern Crombec	<i>Sylvietta brachyura</i>						✓	✓	
139	Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>		✓	✓		✓		✓	
140	Western Bonelli's Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus bonelli</i>								✓
141	Western Olivaceous Warbler	<i>Iduna opaca</i>				✓				
142	European Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>								
143	Subalpine Warbler	<i>Sylvia cantillans</i>		✓	✓				✓	
144	Tawny-flanked Prinia	<i>Prinia subflava</i>						✓	h	
145	Grey-backed Camaroptera	<i>Camaroptera brevicaudata</i>					✓			✓
146	Blackcap Babbler	<i>Turdoides reinwardtii</i>		✓						
147	Brown Babbler	<i>Turdoides plebejus</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
148	Long-tailed Glossy Starling	<i>Lamprotornis caudatus</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
149	African Thrush	<i>Turdus pelios</i>			✓		✓			✓

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			12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
150	Snowy-crowned Robin-Chat	<i>Cossypha niveicapilla</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
151	Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>							✓	
152	Northern Black Flycatcher	<i>Melaenornis edoloides</i>					✓		✓	
153	Mangrove (Brown) Sunbird	<i>Anthreptes gabonicus</i>		✓						
154	Pygmy Sunbird	<i>Hedydipna platurus</i>		✓						
155	Green-headed Sunbird	<i>Cyanomitra verticalis</i>								✓
156	Scarlet-chested Sunbird	<i>Chalcomitra senegalensis</i>			✓		✓		✓	✓
157	Beautiful Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris pulchellus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
158	Splendid Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris coccinigastrus</i>		✓	✓					✓
159	Variable Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris venustus</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
160	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>				✓				
161	Northern Grey-headed Sparrow	<i>Passer griseus</i>				✓				
162	Little Weaver	<i>Ploceus luteolus</i>								✓
163	Black-necked Weaver	<i>Ploceus nigricollis</i>		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
164	Village Weaver	<i>Ploceus cucullatus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
165	Northern Red Bishop	<i>Euplectes franciscanus</i>		✓			✓			
166	Red-billed Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta senegala</i>		✓	✓			✓		✓
167	Red-cheeked Cordon-Bleu	<i>Uraeginthus bengalus</i>		✓					✓	
168	Lavender Waxbill	<i>Estrilda caerulescens</i>				✓				
169	Bronze Mannikin	<i>Lonchura cucullata</i>		✓	✓				✓	
170	Village Indigobird	<i>Vidua chalybeata</i>		✓						✓
171	Pin-tailed Wydah	<i>Vidua macroura</i>		✓						✓
172	Western Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>		✓		✓				
173	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>				✓				

Mammals

1	Gambian Epauletted Fruit Bat	<i>Epomophorus gambianus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
2	Western Red Colobus	<i>Procolobus badius</i>						✓		
3	Guinea Baboon	<i>Papio papio</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		
4	Callithrix (Green) Monkey	<i>Chlorocebus sabaeus</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
5	Gambian Sun Squirrel	<i>Heliosciurus gambianus</i>			✓			✓		

Reptiles

1	West African Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus suchus</i>						✓		
2	Agama	<i>Agama agama</i>						✓		