

Crete

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Cretan Ebony at Festos



2012 Naturetrek Group botanising near Spili



Mount Ida



Orchis italica near Spili

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Summary

A successful week in Crete: exploring various habitats on this fascinating and friendly island. The flora of Crete is abundant and particularly exciting, ten percent of the plants being endemic. Spring seemed to be late again this year but this meant an abundance of early flowers – particularly the Tulips, Crown Anemones and Widow Iris on the Omalos Plateau which provided an unforgettable floral memory. Many interesting bird species were seen including some spring migrants on their way north. We started our week in the south of the island, based at Plakias where we explored the local headlands, valleys and gorges. We travelled east to visit the archaeological site of Festos and returned via the Amari Valley enjoying its dramatic and lush scenery and sampling its floral riches. We then headed west to Chania for the last three nights of the tour. We ended with a brief visit to Knossos, the major archaeological site on Crete. The enthusiasm of the group contributed enormously to the success of the week and it proved to be a great week of good company, birds, flowers and food!

Day 1

Tuesday 10th April

Arrive at Iraklion, transfer to hotel in Plakias

Our flight arrived on time and we were soon on our way west then south towards our seaside hotel in the small resort of Plakias on the south coast of the island. A stop on the north coast road at Geropotomas Bridge provided a leg stretch and an introduction to the plants in the scrubby phrygana. We found a few orchids including Small-flowered and Eastern Serapias (*S. parviflora and orientalis*), Pyramidal Orchid (*Anacamptis pyramidalis*), *Ophrys gortynia*, *O. ariadne* and the promising buds of *Orchis fragrans*. Cetti's Warbler was singing loudly from the reeds below and Moorhens, Coot and a Little Egret were downstream. At the edge of the water upstream many Stripe-necked Terrapins were sunbathing.

To reach the south coast we had to pass through the dramatic Kourtalatiki Gorge where we stopped and admired the numerous Griffon Vultures, a few on their nests high up on the cliff face. Leaving the gorge it was a short distance along roadsides colourful with both colour forms of Crown Daisy (*Glebionis coronarium*), Giant Fennel (*Ferula communis*), Galactites (*G. tomentosa*) and Hairy Spiny Broom (*Calycatome spinosa*) to our hotel at the eastern end of the bay where we were welcomed by our host Aris Moraitis. Plakias Bay Hotel is a small attractive whitewashed Cretan style building, with red, blue and yellow doors, overlooking the lovely Plakias Bay with its backdrop of hills. Natasha Moraitis greeted us later after cooking us a delicious meal of lentil soup, Greek salad and Corfu style pork.

Day 2

Wednesday 11th April

Moni Preveli, Turkish Bridge and the orchid rich hills of Spili

Some took an early morning walk down and along the beach road towards Plakias. In the sand dunes were growing Sea Holly, *Euphorbia paralias*, Sea Medick (*Medicago maritima*), Cretan Vipers Grass (*Scorzonera cretica*), Sea Rocket, Sand Bugloss (*Echium aranarium*) and the endemic *Muscari spreitzenhoferi*, and in the grassy wasteland were masses of Wild Gladioli (*G. italicus*), the pungent Pitch Trefoil (*Bituminaria bituminosa*), Yellow Horned Poppy (*Glaucium flavum*), *Serapias lingua*, *S. bergonii* and *Ophrys ariadne*.

After breakfast we went into Plakias for picnic supplies then headed towards Moni Preveli. The roadsides were yellow with many handsome spikes of Giant Fennel, *Phlomis cretica* and Hairy Spiny Broom. At Moni Preveli the hillsides had been severely burnt and denuded of vegetation in 2010 but were now showing signs of re-growth. Some of the group visited the monastery, which played a vital role in the retreat and rescue of Allied Forces during the invasion of Crete by the Germans, while others explored the nearby hillside. On the roadside verge were some of the many vetches we would meet in the coming week with their intriguing and diverse seedpods including Bladder Vetch, Disc Trefoil, Toothed Medick, Cock'scomb Sainfoin, Starry Clover, Reversed Clover, and One-flowered Clover. Chukka was heard calling, a Corn Bunting was singing on the wires and a Black-eared Wheatear and distant Ortolan Bunting was seen.

Returning towards the Turkish Bridge the bright green hummocks of Greek Spiny Spurge (*Euphorbia acanthothamnos*) dotted the hillsides. Parking our vehicles near the café we walked down stream admiring the ancient olive trees. Alexanders and *Arum concinatum* grew lushly along the streamside among the Giant Reed (*Arundo donax*) and we found Tassel Hyacinth, *Ornithogalum narbonense*, *Pallenis spinosa*, Salsify, Blue Houndstongue, Large Blue Alkanet and the diminutive pink *Petrorhagia velutina*, Mediterranean and Small-flowered Catchfly, Large Mediterranean Spurge and more vetches. A Pied Flycatcher was in the olives and Cetti's Warblers called loudly. Griffon vultures circled overhead and a group were seen feeding on the hillside. We crossed the stream to explore a scrubby hillside where we found more *Serapias*, Pyramidal Orchids and Pink Butterfly Orchids (*Orchis papilionacea* var *alibertis*). We then retraced our steps and had our picnic lunch on the tables of the café in exchange for purchasing our drinks.

We then headed inland, stopping in the Kourtalatiki Gorge to scan for vultures, several were gliding down to their nests and a pair of Bonelli's Eagles were soaring around the top of the cliff. The diminutive plants growing in the rocks included Burnt Candytuft (*Aethionoma saxatile* ssp *creticum*), *Silene colorata*, *Malcomia chia*, two *Cyclamen cretica* hiding in the shade and tight buds of the endemic *Centaurea raphanina* ssp *raphanina*.

Our next stop was in the hills behind the small town of Spili. An unassuming hillock – the ‘orchid hill’ of Spili did not disappoint and we found 17 species of orchid including masses of the yellow *Orchis pauciflora*, *O. boryi* and *O. quadripunctata* on the little rocky ledges. Also *Ophrys heldreichii*, *O. episcopaulis*, *O. cretica ssp ariadne*, *O. sicula*, *O. creberrima*, *O. iricolor*, *O. villosa*, *Orchis laxiflora*, *O. lactea* and various *Serapias*. Other flowers included Barbary Nut, Cretan Iris, the diminutive powder blue Eastern Milkwort (*Polygala venulosa*), ground hugging rosettes of *Trifolium uniflora*, lush lime green Perfoliate Alexanders (*Smyrniium perfoliatum ssp rotundifolium*) and a cereal field dotted with the scarlet *Tulipa doerfleri*. It really was a botanical feast! Birds seen included Corn Buntings, Woodlark, Tawny Pipits and Stonechats.

We took our vehicles along an agricultural track to a small church, where a spring comes out of the hillside. We set off for a walk in these lovely hills – now a wildlife reserve. At our feet we found tiny yellow *Gagea fibrosa* and white *Romulea bulbocodium*. Amongst the phrygana scrub were many *Ophrys iricolor*, *Orchis lactea* and *Orchis tridentata*. We followed the track until we could see the snow-capped Mount Ida to the east and the sweep of the White Mountains to the west. We returned to Plakias via the Kourtiliotiki Gorge

Day 3

Thursday 12th April

Palace of Festos, the Valley of Armeni and return via Kotsiphos Gorge

Some had a pre-breakfast walk behind the hotel where *Serapias* grew on the grassy terraces and the phrygana consisted of pungent Savory (*Satureja thymbra*) and Spiny Burnet (*Sarcopetalum spinosum*). A Nightingale sang and Sardinian Warblers scolded.

After breakfast we left the hotel and headed west. Stopping at the Kourtiliotiki Gorge where two Blue Rock Thrushes sang from their favourite rocks we also watched Linnets, Northern Wheatears and a Griffon Vulture in a cave with a small chick. We then continued on through Spili towards Timbaki and Phaistos. One roadside bank was an irresistible mass of white Turban Buttercup, blue Hairy Lupin and many orchids including the early flowering Fan-lipped Orchid (*O collina*), some good spikes of Giant Orchid (*Himantoglossum robertiana*) and various *Serapias*. To the north more Griffon Vultures and a distant Lammergeier were watched slowly flapping and gliding their way along the mountain ridge.

We continued westwards. Timbaki is a busy town surrounded by an unattractive sprawl of plastic greenhouses but once through it we wend our way up to the ancient ruins situated on an attractive hillside surrounded by olive groves and orchards. We found a picnic site under the olive trees where the endemic Cretan Ebony (*Ebenus creticus*) was at its best and a nearby terrace was studded with Tassel Hyacinth, Black Garlic, *Serapias bergoni*, *S. lingua*, *S cordigera ssp cretica*, *Ophrys cretica* and *O. herae*. The ruins were relatively quiet with only a few other tourists so we could appreciate the special position it held. This is one of four palaces built around 1900 BC by the Minoan civilisation on Crete, and is the second largest and most important – the largest being Knossos. There has been no large scale reconstruction as there has been at Knossos. Until 180BC Festos remained an independent city and minted its own coinage. After a short look at the ruins which included sightings of a Woodchat Shrike, Buzzard and (seen by Jackie and Ray) a Short-toed Eagle, we retraced our steps through Timbaki and headed inland to the lush green valleys of the Amari, between Mount Kedros and Mount Psiloritis.

The sat nav seem to have a nervous breakdown at this point so we did not quite take our intended route but we enjoyed the lovely scenery and stopped to look at a bank studded with Pink Butterfly Orchids, before making our way back to Plakias again via the Kourtiliotiki Gorge. A pair of Red-billed Choughs, Ravens and a distant Bonelli's Eagle were seen; in addition to the now usual Griffon Vultures.

Day 4

Friday 13th April

Explore Kotsiphos Gorge, Coast road to Frangocastello, Inbros Gorge

In the bay this morning 25 Black-winged Stilts searched for shallow water but had to rest on the beach but they were not happy and were constantly on the move. Five Little Egrets also were spotted. Today we headed west along the twisting, picturesque road that follows the south coast to Frangocastello. Firstly we headed up the Kotsifos Gorge, stopping in the little village of Kanevos at the top of the gorge to look for endemic *Arum creticum*. There were many spikes of this lovely arum, with its pale yellow spathe and deeper yellow spadix, on the track sides. We had good views of a Griffon Vulture which flew low over our heads, and in the gorge were Blue Rock Thrush and a Grey Wagtail carrying food.

We had fantastic views along the coast and intriguing glimpses of local life in the straggling villages of Selia, Rhodakino, Agoules and Skaloti. Not many birds along the way but we did see Crested Lark, Northern Wheatears and Woodchat Shrike. At Frangocastello the striking 14th Century fortress overlooks a lovely sandy bay. It was built by the Venetians as a defence against pirates and the rebellious Sfakiots. It is a shell of a building now. The group checked out the castle and surroundings. Along the shore a seaside taverna allowed us to use their tables for our picnic and we bought coffee and cold drinks.

Then we parked our vehicles at the bottom of the Imbros Gorge and explored the lower part, everyone walking as far as they wanted to. The gorge walls were colourful in parts with some stunning clumps of *Petromarula pinnata*, *Verbascum arcturus*, Greek Gorge Comfry (*Procopiana cretica*), Prassium and Tree Flax, while under our feet in the boulder strewn path were Greek and Rayless Chamomile, Nettle-leaved Figwort, White Speedwell, and a few spikes of the dramatic and malodorous Dragon Arum (*Dracunculus vulgaris*). We returned to Plakias in the late afternoon stopping for a drink in Jenny's favourite taverna in Myrthios which has a wonderful panoramic view of Plakias Bay.

Day 5

Saturday 14th April

Local walk, Late Minoan Cemetery at Armeni, Georgeopolis, Chania

After a leisurely breakfast we took the path behind the hotel to explore the headland where we had stunning views across the bay. Flowers included the endemic *Verbascum arcturus*, and Caper growing on the sheer rock face, Tassel Hyacinth (*Muscari comosum*), *Ophrys gortynia*, *O. cretensis*, *O. candica* and the fascinating *Aristolochia cretica* with its hairy mouth, and *Campanula saxatilis* and *Tulipa cretica* in rock crevices. The bright yellow Hairy Thorny Broom (*Calycotome villosa*) and *Phlomis cretica* scented the air.

We now had to say goodbye to Plakias and head north, stopping at Armeni for our picnic before exploring the Late Minoan Cemetery. This peaceful site is canopied by Valonia Oak (*Quercus macrolepsis*), with its shaggy acorn cups, just coming into leaf. The galls from the trees were once an important export for the tanning industry.

The vegetation around the intriguing grave sites was lush with flowers including many vetches, Common Asphodel (*A. aestivus*), Barbary Nut (*Gynadrius sisyrinchium*), and orchids including Giant Orchid, Naked Man Orchid (*O. italica*), *Ophrys heldreichii*, *Serepias lingua* and *S. bergoni* and hybrids between these two. A Pied Flycatcher was singing and there were Chaffinches and Blue Tits.

Continuing west we stopped at Petres Bridge where there were two Little Ringed Plovers and the reservoir at Georgiopolis where a Kingfisher perched obligingly. Additional species include Wood and Common Sandpipers, Coot, Moorhen, Little Grebe, and Serin. Then we continued onto Chania and our comfortable hotel. For dinner tonight we walk to a taverna in the old part of Chania.

Day 6

Sunday 15th April

Agia Reservoir, Omalos Plateau

We headed south-west, out of Chania, firstly stopping at Agia Reservoir. The lake was fringed with Giant and Common Reed with numerous Coots and Moorhens. On the edge of the dam a Black-winged Stilt was very close and feeding on the floating algae on the water were many Wood Sandpipers a Ruff and two Squacco Herons. Along the edge of the dam up to four Little Crakes were active and a Sedge and Cetti's Warblers sang. In the shelter from the strong wind around the outflow large numbers of Swallows were feeding. In the reeds was a Purple Heron and a very interesting observation was a (Great) Bittern perched high up in the reeds at the eastern end of the reservoir, watched for some minutes before it flew out of sight into the vegetation at the end of the dam.

We made our way up to the Omalos Plateau. In the gorge leading up to the plateau the scenery is quite dramatic – pale grey limestone rocks studded with Cyprus trees and *Daphne sericea*, with its pink and cream blooms. We stopped for a welcome coffee and comfort stop at the tiny village of Omalos. Across the road in an enclosed field was a clump of the endemic *Paeonia clusii*, but it was not even in bud. This lovely pure white peony was the traditional buttonhole for local Sfakion bridegrooms. We were hoping to find *Tulipa bakeri*, and were not disappointed as they are abundant in places, though many just in bud, and also *Anemone coronaria*, in various shades of blue and pink, and occasionally red. As we walked up the road Woodlarks sang and a Wryneck was calling. We had our picnic on the plateau under ancient pear trees to the sound of a Cuckoo calling. Afterwards we found good numbers of spikes of the endemic *Chionodoxa nana* amongst the spiny Cretan Barbary with *Crocus sieberi* ssp *seiberi* which is endemic to the White Mountains, appearing as the snow melts. We also found the diminutive purple *Romulea graeca* and white *R. bulbocodium*.

Then we went to the head of the Samaria Gorge, where we got stunning views of the mouth of the gorge, finding some *Cupressus sempervirens* var. *horizontalis* in view, and *Aubretia deltoides*, Cretan Mouse-ear and Burnt Candytuft at our feet. We searched for any Kri Kri, the Cretan Wild Goat on the vast cliffs opposite. This area is a reserve for this elusive long time descendent from ancient feral goats. We continued anti-clockwise around the plateau and before we got very far we stopped to wonder at the drifts tulips mixed with Widow Iris, shining in the afternoon sun, making a carpet of colour with masses of lilac and pink Crown Anemones. The irises are often hard to find as they are early flowering. Just as we leave the Omalos we stop to photograph the endemic *Onosma erecta* and *Bellis longifolia* with its unusual serated leaves amongst the daphne and a small clump of *Muscari neglectum*. Tonight we ate in a taverna on the harbour's edge opposite the ancient lighthouse.

Day 7

Monday 16th April

Akrotiri Peninsula

Today we headed for the Akrotiri Peninsular, on the way had our first Cuckoo sighting as one was spotted flying beside the road. Our first stop was to explore some scrub near an olive grove where we find *Pallenis spinosa*, *Silene gallica*, Arabian Fumana (*F. arabica*) with its soft yellow flowers, *Bellardia trixago*, many *Serapias lingua*, *Ophrys phryganae*, *O. cretica* and some good spikes of the fragrant *Orobancha crenata* which parasitises the oxalis which has become a widespread pernicious weed in the Mediterranean. Serins were singing in the trees, and a Buzzard was overhead. Heading along the tree lined road towards the first monastery four Hoopoes were spotted.

The path down to the abandoned monastery of Katholiko, at the northern tip of the peninsular, is rich in plant life. Amongst the phrygana bushes of Greek Spiny Spurge and Spiny Burnet is the white flowered Prasium and Hairy Thorny Broom (*Calicotome villosa*). We found *Vicia cretica*, scrabbling up through the scrub, the curled leaves of *Gynandrisis monophyllus*, Cretan Mallow, the tiny hairy *Plantago bellardii* and the minute *Allium circinattum* with its corkscrew leaves, plus as usual, a bewildering variety of vetches. Numerous Cretan Wall Lizards were sunning on the path. At the abandoned monastery the walls were festooned with *Verbascum arturus*, Cretan Sneezewort and *Petromarula pinnata*. On the way back in the gardens of the upper monastery Pied Flycatcher and Redstart were active.

We then had our picnic under the ancient olive trees which all seemed to have their attendant Dragon Arum. After lunch and after everyone had taken photos of the arum with its impressive huge dark red spathe, the group strolled back to the Monastery of Moni Agias Triadus. Some visited the monastery while others wandered in the orchards. We then returned early to the hotel so that we could explore part of the ancient city of Chania before meeting at a restaurant in the old town .

Day 8

Tuesday 17th April

We left the hotel after early breakfast to head back to Iraklion and a visit to Knossos before the flight home.

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Species Lists

Plants (* = endemic to Crete)

Scientific name	Common name	Location
PTERIDOPHYTES		
FERNS & ALLIES		
Selaginellaceae <i>Selaginella denticulata</i>	Lesser Clubmoss family Mediterranean Clubmoss	Spili
Equisetaceae <i>Equisetum telmaeia</i>	Horsetail Family Giant Horsetail	Agia Reservoir
Adiantaceae <i>Cheilanthes acrostica</i>	Maidenhair Fern Family -	Akrotiri
Aspleniaceae <i>Ceterach officinarum</i>	Spleenwort Family Rustyback	seen regularly
Dennstaedtiaceae <i>Pteridium aquilinum</i>	Bracken family Bracken	seen regularly
PINOPSIDA (GYMNOSPERMS)		
CONIFERS		
Araucariaceae <i>Araucaria heterophylla</i>	Monkey Puzzle Family Norfolk Island Pine	Planted
Cupressaceae <i>C. sempervirens forma. horizontalis</i> <i>C. sempervirens forma. sempervirens</i> <i>Juniperus oxycedrus subsp. oxycedrus</i> <i>Juniperus phoenicea</i>	Juniper Family Italian Cypress - Prickly Juniper Juniper	Samaria Gorge seen regularly ? On Omalos
Pinaceae <i>Pinus brutea</i> <i>Pinus halepensis</i> <i>Pinus pinea</i>	Pine Family Calabrian Pine Aleppo Pine Umbrella or Stone Pine	
MAGNOLIOPSIDA (ANGIOSPERMS)		
FLOWERING PLANTS		
Magnoliidae (Dicotyledons)		
Acanthaceae <i>Acanthus spinosus</i>	Bear's-breech Family Spiny Bear's-breech	Plakias
Aceraceae <i>Acer sempervirens</i>	Maple Family Cretan Maple	Omalos not quite in leaf
Aizoaceae <i>Carpobrotus acinaciformis</i> <i>Carpobrotus edulis</i>	Dew Plant Family Red Hottentot Fig Yellow Hottentot Fig	"Coastal Pig Face"
Anacardiaceae <i>Pistacia lentiscus</i> <i>Schinus molle</i>	Sumach Family Mastic Tree Californian Pepper Tree	Widespread Agia

Scientific name	Common name	Location
Apiaceae	Carrot Family	
<i>Apium nodiflorum</i>	Fool's Watercress	? At Agia
<i>Crithmum maritimum</i>	Rock Samphire	on coastal rocks
<i>Daucus carota</i> agg	Wild Carrot	Roadsides
<i>Eryngium maritimum</i>	Sea Holly	
<i>Ferula communis</i>	Giant Fennel	Common on roadsides
<i>Lagoecia cuminoides</i>	Fluffy Thimbleweed	Seen regularly, tiny!
<i>Orlaya daucooides</i>	an Orlaya	
<i>Scandix pecten-veneris</i>	Shepherd's Needles	Widespread
<i>Smyrniolum olusatrum</i>	Alexanders	"
<i>Smyrniolum perfoliatum</i> subsp. <i>rotundifolium</i>	Perfoliate Alexanders	Spili
<i>Tordylium apulum</i>	Tordylium	Widespread
<i>Torilis nodosa</i>	Knotted Bur-parsley	
Apocynaceae	Periwinkle Family	
<i>Nerium oleander</i>	Oleander	Roadsides - not in flower
<i>Vinca major</i>	Greater Periwinkle	
Araliaceae	Ivy Family	
<i>Hedera helix</i>	Ivy	
Aristolochiaceae	Birthwort Family	
<i>Aristolochia cretica</i> *	Birthwort	Plakias, many 'flowers'
Asteraceae	Daisy Family	
<i>Achillea cretica</i>	Crete Sneezewort	Akrotiri
<i>Anthemis chia</i>	Greek Chamomile	Widespread –small
<i>Anthemis rigida</i>	Rayless Chamomile	Widespread
<i>Atractylis cancellata</i>	Bird-cage Plant	Akrotiri
<i>Bellis annua</i>	Annual Daisy	
<i>Bellis longifolia</i> *	-	Omalos
<i>Bellis perennis</i>	Daisy	
<i>Bellium minutum</i>		
<i>Calendula arvensis</i>	Field Marigold	Widespread
<i>Centaurea calcitrapa</i>	Red Star Thistle	
<i>Centaurea raphanina</i> subsp. <i>raphanina</i>	-	Kourtiolotiki Gorge - not in flower
<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	Chicory	
<i>Crupina crupinastrum</i>	Crupina	
<i>Cynara scolymus</i>	Globe Artichoke	In cultivation
<i>Dittrichia viscosa</i>	Stink Aster	Not in flower - foxy smelling leaves
<i>Filago pyramidata</i>	Broad-leaved Cudweed	
<i>Galactites tomentosa</i>	Galactites	Widespread
<i>Glebionis coronarium</i>	Crown Daisy	
<i>Glebionis coronarium</i> var. <i>bicolor</i>	Crown Daisy	
<i>Glebionis segetum</i>	Corn Marigold	
<i>Helichrysum stoechas</i>	Curry Plant	
<i>Hypochaeris achyrophorus</i>	Mediterranean Cat's-ear	
<i>Notobasis syriaca</i>	Syrian Thistle	Below Turkish Bridge
<i>Pallenis spinosa</i>	Pallenis	
<i>Phagnalon rupestre</i>	Phagnalon	
<i>Picris echioides</i>	Bristly Oxtongue	
<i>Ptilostemon chamaepeuce</i>	Shrubby Ptilostemon	Plakias - not in flower
<i>Ragadiolus stellatus</i>	Star Hawkbit	

Scientific name	Common name	Location
<i>Scolymus hispanicus</i>	Spanish Oyster Plant	Not in flower
<i>Scorzonera cretica</i>	Cretean Viper's-grass	
<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	Groundsel	
<i>Sonchus asper</i>	Prickly Sow Thistle	
<i>Tragopogon hybridum</i>	Hybrid Goat's-beard	Small flowered
<i>Tragopogon porrifolius</i>	Salsify	
Berberidaceae	Barberry Family	
<i>Berberis cretica</i>	Cretean Barberry	Omalos – just in leaf
Bignoniaceae	Jacaranda Family	
<i>Jacaranda ovalifolia</i>	Jacaranda	Planted
Boraginaceae	Borage Family	
<i>Anchusa azurea</i>	Large Blue Alkanet	
<i>Anchusa undulata</i>	Wavy-leaved Anchusa	
<i>Anchusa variegata</i>	-	
<i>Borago officinalis</i>	Borage	
<i>Cerinthe major</i>	Honeywort	
<i>Cynoglossum creticum</i>	Blue Hound's-tongue	
<i>Echium angustifolium</i>	-	Akrotiri
<i>Echium italicum</i>	Pale Bugloss	Widespread
<i>Echium plantagineum</i>	Purple Viper's-bugloss	"
<i>Myosotis ramosissima</i>	Early forget-Me-Not	
<i>Onosma erecta</i>	-	Omalos
<i>Onosma graecum</i>	Golden Drops	Armeni Cemetery
Brassicaceae	Cabbage Family	
<i>Aetheonema saxatile</i>	Burnt Candytuft	Kourtiolotiki Gorge tiny plant - yellow flowers
<i>Alyssum simplex</i>		
<i>Arabis verna</i>	Spring Rockcress	
<i>Aubrieta deltoidea</i>	Aubrieta	Omalos
<i>Biscutella didyma</i>	Buckler Mustard	Widespread
<i>Brassica cretica</i>	Cretean cabbage	
<i>Cakile maritima subsp. aegyptiaca</i>	Sea Rocket	
<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	Shepherd's-purse	
<i>Eruca sativa</i>	Garden Rocket	
<i>Malcolmia chia</i>	-	
<i>Matthiola tricuspidata</i>	Three-horned Stock	"
<i>Sinapis arvensis</i>	Charlock	
<i>Sisymbrium officinale</i>	Hedge Mustard	
Campanulaceae	Bellflower Family	
<i>Campanula erinus</i>	Annual Bellflower	Tiny - seen regularly
<i>Campanula saxatilis subsp. saxatilis*</i>	-	Plakias - not in flower
<i>Petromarula pinnata*</i>	Petromarula	Plakias, Kotsiphos, Imbros
Capparaceae	Caper Family	
<i>Capparis spinosa</i>	Caper	Plakias -leaves only
Caryophyllaceae	Pink Family	
<i>Cerastium glomeratum</i>	Sticky Mouse-ear	
<i>Cerastium ligusticum</i>	a Mouse-ear	

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<i>Cerastium scaposum</i> *	Cretan Mouse-ear	Omalos
<i>Petrorhagia velutina</i>	A Childing Pink	
<i>Silene behen</i>	a Catchfly	
<i>Silene colorata</i>	a Catchfly	
<i>Silene gallica</i>	Small-flowered Catchfly	
<i>Silene vulgaris</i>	Bladder campion	
<i>Spergularia marina</i>	Lesser Sand-spurrey	
<i>Stellaria media</i>	Chickweed	
Cistaceae	Rockrose Family	
<i>Cistus creticus</i> subsp. <i>creticus</i>	Cretan Cistus	
<i>Cistus salvifolius</i>	Sage-leaved Cistus	
<i>Fumana arabica</i>	Arabian Fumana	Akrotiri
Clusiaceae	St. John's-wort Family	
<i>Hypericum empetrifolium</i> ssp. <i>oliganthum</i>	-	Spili
Convolvulaceae	Bindweed Family	
<i>Convolvulus althaeoides</i>	Mallow-leaved Bindweed	
<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>	Field Bindweed	
<i>Convolvulus elegantissimus</i>	a Bindweed	
<i>Convolvulus oleifolius</i>		
<i>Cuscuta</i> sp	a Dodder	Widespread
<i>Ipomea purpurea</i>	Common Morning Glory	Halepa Hotel car park
Crassulaceae	Stonecrop Family	
<i>Rosularia serrata</i>	-	Plakias, leaves only
<i>Sedum laconicum</i>	a Stonecrop	
<i>Sedum rubens</i>	Reddish Stonecrop	Akrotiri
<i>Umbilicus rupestris</i>	Wall Pennywort	Widespread
Cucurbitaceae	White Bryony Family	
<i>Bryonia cretica</i>	White Bryony	
<i>Ecballium elaterium</i>	Squirting Cucumber	not ripe!
Dipsacaceae	Teasel Family	
<i>Knautia integrifolia</i>	Scabious	
<i>Scabiosa (Lomelosia) brachiata</i>	Tremalstema	Plakias
Ericaceae	Heather Family	
<i>Arbutus andrachne</i>	Eastern Strawberry Tree	
<i>Erica arborea</i>	Tree Heather	on road up to Omalos
Euphorbiaceae	Spurge Family	
<i>Euphorbia acanthothamnus</i>	Greek Spiny Spurge	
<i>Euphorbia characias</i> subsp. <i>characias</i>	Large Mediterranean Spurge	
<i>Euphorbia dendroides</i>	Tree Spurge	
<i>Euphorbia exigua</i>	Dwarf Spurge	
<i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>	Sun Spurge	
<i>Euphorbia paralias</i>	Sea Spurge	Plakias
<i>Mercurialis annuus</i>	Annual Mercury	
<i>Ricinus communis</i>	Castor Oil Plant	Roadsides

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Fabaceae		
<i>Anthyllis tetraphylla</i>	Bladder Vetch	
<i>Anthyllis vulneraria subsp. praepropera</i>	Mediterranean Kidney Vetch	
<i>Bitumaria bituminosa</i>	Pitch Trefoil	
<i>Calycotome villosa</i>	Hairy Thorny Broom	Widespread
<i>Ceratonia siliqua</i>	Carob	
<i>Cercis siliquastrum</i>	Judus Tree	Roadsides - planted
<i>Coronilla scorpioides</i>	Annual Scorpion Vetch	
<i>Coronilla parviflora</i>	-	
<i>Ebenus creticus*</i>	Shrubby Sainfoin	Plakias, Festos
<i>Erythrina crus-galli</i>	Coral Tree	Roadside - planted
<i>Hippocrepis unisiliquosa subsp. bisiliqua</i>	-	
<i>Hymenocarpus circinatus</i>	Disc Trefoil	Circular saw seeds!
<i>Lathyrus clymenum</i>	-	
<i>Lathyrus hirsutus</i>	Hairy Vetchling	
<i>Lathyrus laxiflorus</i>	-	Lilac/white flowers
<i>Lathyrus setifolius</i>	-	Fine-leaved red vetch
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	Bird's-foot Trefoil	
<i>Lotus creticus</i>	Southern Bird's-foot Trefoil	
<i>Lupinus micranthus</i>	Hairy Lupin	Road to Frankocastello
<i>Medicago arabica</i>	Spotted Medick	
<i>Medicago arborea</i>	Tree Medick	Roadsides
<i>Medicago marina</i>	Sea Medick	Plakias
<i>Medicago orbicularis</i>	Disc Medick	
<i>Medicago polymorpha</i>	Toothed Medick	
<i>Melilotus indicus</i>	Small Melilot	
<i>Onobrychis caput-galli</i>	Cock's-comb Sainfoin	
<i>Ononis ornithopoides</i>	Bird's-foot Restharrow	
<i>Robinia pseudoacacia</i>	False Acacia	Roadsides - planted
<i>Scorparius muricatus</i>	Scorpion Vetch	
<i>Spartium junceum</i>	Spanish Broom	Roadsides - planted
<i>Tetragonolobus purpureus</i>	Asparagus Pea	Top of Kotsifos Gorge
<i>Trifolium angustifolium</i>	Narrow-leaved Clover	
<i>Trifolium arvense</i>	Hare's-foot Clover	
<i>Trifolium campestre</i>	Hop Trefoil	
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	White Clover	
<i>Trifolium resupinatum</i>	Reversed Clover	Upside down flowers!
<i>Trifolium stellatum</i>	Starry Clover	
<i>Trifolium tomentosum</i>	Woolly Trefoil	
<i>Trifolium uniflorum</i>	a Clover	Spili
<i>Trigonella balansae</i>	a Fenugreek	
<i>Vicia cretica</i>	Cretan Vetch	Akrotiri
<i>Vicia hybrida</i>	Hairy Yellow Vetchling	Common
<i>Vicia lutea</i>	Yellow Vetch	
<i>Vicia sativa subsp. sativa</i>	Fodder Vetch/Common Vetch	
<i>Vicia villosa</i>	Fodder Vetch	
Fagaceae		
<i>Castanea sativa</i>	Sweet Chestnut	
<i>Quercus coccifera subsp. calliprinos</i>	Kermes Oak	
<i>Quercus ilex</i>	Holly Oak	
<i>Quercus aegilops (Q. macrolepis)</i>	Valonia Oak	Armeni, Late Minoan Cemetery

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Fumariaceae <i>Fumaria officinalis</i>	Fumitory Family Common Fumitory	
Gentianaceae <i>Blackstonia perfoliata</i> subsp. <i>intermedia</i> <i>Centaurium pulchellum</i>	Gentian Family Yellow-wort Lesser Centaury	
Geraniaceae <i>Erodium cicutarium</i> <i>Erodium gruinum</i> <i>Erodium malacoides</i> <i>Geranium dissectum</i> <i>Geranium molle</i> <i>Geranium purpureum</i> <i>Geranium robertianum</i> <i>Geranium rotundifolium</i>	Geranium Family Common Stork's-bill Long-beaked Stork's-bill Mallow-leaved Stork's-bill Cut-leaved Crane's-bill Dove's-foot Crane's-bill Little Robin Herb Robert Round-leaved crane's-bill	? <i>Erodium hoefianum</i>
Juglandaceae <i>Juglans regia</i>	Walnut Family Walnut	
Lamiaceae <i>Ballota pseudodictamnus</i> <i>Lamium amplexicaule</i> <i>Lavandula stoechas</i> <i>Nepeta scordotis</i> * <i>Origanum dictamnus</i> * <i>Origanum onites</i> <i>Origanum vulgare</i> <i>Phlomis cretica</i> <i>Phlomis fruticosa</i> <i>Phlomis lanata</i> <i>Prasium majus</i> <i>Rosmarinus officinalis</i> <i>Salvia fruticosa</i> <i>Salvia viridis</i> <i>Satureja hortensis</i> <i>Satureja spinosa</i> * <i>Sideritis curvidens</i> <i>Thymus capitatus</i>	Dead-nettle Family - Henbit Deadnettle French Lavender - Dittany Pot Marjoram Marjoram - Jerusalem Sage - Prasium Rosemary Three-leaved Sage Red-topped Sage Summer Savory Spiny Savory - A Thyme	Akrotiri Leaves only, Plakias Widespread Roadsides Pink flowers Small flowered plant Tiny white flowers, prostrate not in flower
Linaceae <i>Linum arboreum</i> <i>Linum bienne</i> <i>Linum strictum</i>	Flax Family Tree Flax Biennial Flax Upright Yellow Flax	Kotsifos Gorge Tiny plant
Malvaceae <i>Lavatera arborea</i> <i>Lavatera cretica</i> <i>Malva neglecta</i> <i>Malva parviflora</i> <i>Malva sylvestris</i>	Mallow Family Tree Mallow Cretan Hollyhock Dwarf Mallow Small-flowered Mallow Common Mallow	

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Moraceae	Mulberry Family	
<i>Ficus carica</i>	Fig	Planted
<i>Ficus elastica</i>	Rubber Plant	"
<i>Morus alba</i>	White Mulberry	"
Myoporaceae	Myoporum Family	
<i>Myoporum laetium</i>	Ngaio	Planted
Oleaceae	Olive & Ash Family	
<i>Olea europaea</i>	Olive	
Orobanchaceae	Broomrape Family	
<i>Orobanche crenata</i>	-	Akrotiri
<i>Orobanche ramosa</i>	Branched Broomrape	Widespread
Oxalidaceae	Wood-sorrel Family	
<i>Oxalis pres-caprae</i>	Bermuda Buttercup	Widespread - pernicious weed!
Paeoniaceae	Peony Family	
<i>Paeonia clusii</i>	Clusius's Peony	Omalos - not in flower
Papaveraceae	Poppy Family	
<i>Glaucium flavum</i>	Yellow Horned Poppy	Plakias
<i>Papaver dubium subsp. dubium</i>	Long-headed Poppy	
<i>Papaver purpureomarginatum</i>	-	Tiny flower, light red
<i>Papaver rhoeas</i>	Common Poppy	
<i>Papaver somniferum</i>	Opium Poppy	Common - deep red
Plantaginaceae	Plantain Family	
<i>Plantago afra</i>	Branched Plantain	
<i>Plantago bellardii ssp deflexa</i>		Small, very hairy
<i>Plantago cretica</i>	Branched Plantain	
<i>Plantago lagopus</i>	Hare's-tail Plantain	
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	Ribwort Plantain	
<i>Plantago weldeni</i>	A Stag'shorn Plantain	
Platanaceae	Plane Tree Family	
<i>Platanus orientalis</i>	Oriental plane	Planted
Polygalaceae	Milk-wort Family	
<i>Polygala venulosa</i>	Eastern Milkwort	Spili
<i>Polygala myrtifolia</i>	Shrubby Milkwort	Planted
Polygonaceae	Dock Family	
<i>Rumex acetosella</i>	Sheep's Sorrel	
<i>Rumex bucephalophorus</i>	Horned Dock	
<i>Rumex conglomeratus</i>	Clustered Dock	
<i>Rumex cypria</i>		
Primulaceae	Primrose Family	
<i>Anagallis arvensis subsp. arvensis</i>	Scarlet Pimpernel	

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<i>Anagallis arvensis</i> subsp. <i>foemina</i>	Blue Pimpernel	
<i>Cyclamen creticum</i> *	Cretan Sowbread	Armeni
<i>Cyclamen graecum</i>	Greek Sowbread	Leaves only
Ranunculaceae	Buttercup Family	
<i>Adonis microcarpa</i>	Yellow Pheasant's-eye	Akrotiri
<i>Anemone coronaria</i>	Crown Anemone	Widespread, masses on the Omalos
<i>Anemone hortensis</i> subsp. <i>heldreichii</i>	An Anemone	Common
<i>Ranunculus arvensis</i>	Corn Buttercup	
<i>Ranunculus asiaticus</i>	Turban Buttercup	Widespread - mostly white
<i>Ranunculus bullatus</i>	a Buttercup	
<i>Ranunculus creticus</i>	Cretan Buttercup	Imbros, large leaves
<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i> subsp. <i>ficariformis</i>	Lesser celandine	Larger than our common one
Resediaceae	Mignonette Family	
<i>Reseda alba</i>	White Mignonette	
<i>Reseda lutea</i>	Mignonette	
<i>Reseda luteola</i>	Weld	
Rosaceae	Rose Family	
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i> subsp. <i>azarella</i>	a Hawthorn	
<i>Eriobotrya japonica</i>	Japanese Loquat	Planted
<i>Prunus dulcis</i>	Almond	
<i>Pyrus amygdaliformis</i>	Almond-leaved Pear	
<i>Rubus ulmifolius</i>	a Bramble	
<i>Sanguisorba minor</i> agg.	Salad Burnet	
<i>Sarcopoterium spinosum</i>	Thorny Burnet	
Rubiaceae	Bedstraw Family	
<i>Galium aparine</i>	Cleavers	
<i>Rubia peregrina</i>	Madder	
<i>Sherardia arvensis</i>	Field Madder	Tiny plant, lilac flowers
<i>Valantia hispida</i>	Valantia	
Rutaceae	Rue Family	
<i>Citrus limon</i>	Lemon	Planted
<i>Citrus sinensis</i>	Orange	"
Salicaceae	Willow Family	
<i>Populus alba</i>	White Poplar	
<i>Salix alba</i>	White Willow	
Scrophulariaceae	Figwort Family	
<i>Bellardia trixago</i>	Bellardia	
<i>Misopates orontium</i>	Weasel-snout	
<i>Parentucellia latifolia</i>	Southern Red Bartsia	Tiny plant, red flowers
<i>Parentucellia viscosa</i>	Yellow Bartsia	
<i>Scrophularia lucida</i>	Shining Figwort	
<i>Scrophularia peregrina</i>	Nettle-leaved Figwort	
<i>Verbascum arcturus</i> *	Shrubby Mullein	Plakias, Akrotiri
<i>Veronica arvensis</i>	Wall Speedwell	
<i>Veronica cymbalaria</i>	White Speedwell	
<i>Veronica persica</i>	Common Field Speedwell	

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Simaroubaceae <i>Ailanthus altissima</i>	Tree of Heaven Family Tree of Heaven	Knossos, Chania
Solanaceae <i>Hyoscyamus albus</i> <i>Hyoscyamus aureas</i> <i>Mandragora autumnalis</i> <i>Nicotiana glauca</i>	Nightshade Family White Henbane Golden Henbane Mandrake Shrub Tobacco	Plakias, Frangocastello Planted
Styracaceae <i>Styrax officinalis</i>	Storax Family Storax	Turkish Bridge
Tamaricaceae <i>Tamarix parviflora</i>	Tamarisk Family Small-flowered Tamarisk	
Thymelaeaceae <i>Daphne sericea</i> <i>Thymelaea hirsuta</i> <i>Thymelea tartonraira</i>	Daphne Family - -	Omalos Plakias Spili
Urticaceae <i>Parietaria cretica</i> <i>Parietaria judacea</i> <i>Urtica pilulifera</i>	Nettle Family Cretan Pellitory Pellitory of the Wall Roman Nettle	
Valerianaceae <i>Centranthus calcitrapa</i> <i>Valeriana asarifolia</i> *	Valerian Family Annual Valerian Cretan Valerian	Spili
Vitaceae <i>Vitis vinifera</i>	Vine Family Vine	Planted widely
Liliidae (Monocotyledons)		
Agavaceae <i>Agave americana</i>	Agave family Agave or Century Plant	
Araceae <i>Arisarum vulgare</i> <i>Arum concinatum</i> <i>Arum creticum</i> <i>Arum idaeum</i> * <i>Dracunculus vulgaris</i>	Arum Family Friar's Cowl Cretan Arum Dragon Arum	Spili, Plakias Widespread Top of Kotsiphos, Kanevos Leaves only, Omalos Akrotiri
Iridaceae <i>Gladiolus italicus</i> <i>Hermodactylus tuberosus</i> <i>Iris cretensis</i> <i>Iris pseudacorus</i> <i>Moraea (Gynandris) monophyllus</i> <i>Moraea (Gynandris) sisyrinchium</i> <i>Romulea bulbocodium</i>	Iris Family Italian Gladiolus Snake's-head Iris Cretan Iris Yellow Flag - Barbary Nut a Romulea (white)	Many on the Omalos Agia Reservoir, leaves only Leaves only Omalos

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<i>Romulea graeca</i>	A Romulea (purple)	Omalos
Liliaceae		
<i>Allium circinnatum</i> subsp. <i>circinnatum</i> *	-	Akrotiri
<i>Asparagus aphyllus</i>	Wild Asparagus	
<i>Asphodeline lutea</i>	Yellow Asphodel	
<i>Asphodelus aestivus</i>	Common Asphodel	
<i>Gagea graeca</i>	-	Common, tiny white flowers
<i>Gagea fobrosa</i>	-	Spili, stemless, tiny yellow flowers
<i>Muscari comosum</i>	Tassel Hyacinth	
<i>Muscari cycladicum</i>	-	Plakias
<i>Muscari spreitzenhoferi</i> *	-	Plakias
<i>Ornithogalum umbellatum</i>	Common Star of Bethlehem	
<i>Ornithogalum narbonense</i>	-	Turkish Bridge
<i>Pancratium maritimum</i>	Sea Daffodil	Leaves only
<i>Smilax aspera</i>	Smilax	
<i>Tulipa bakeri</i> *	-	Omalos
<i>Tulipa cretica</i> *	Cretan Tulip	Plakias
<i>Tulipa doefleri</i> *	-	Spili
<i>Tulipa saxatilis</i>	Rock Tulip	Spili
<i>Urginia maritima</i>	Sea Squill	Leaves only
Orchidaceae		
<i>Anacamptis pyramidalis</i>	Pyramidal orchid	Seen regularly
<i>Himantoglossum robertianum</i>	Giant Orchid	S. of Spili, Amari Valley
<i>Ophrys ariadnae</i>	Ariadne's Ophrys	Spili
<i>Ophrys bombylifolia</i>	Bumblebee Orchid	Spili
<i>Ophrys candica</i>	White Ophrys	Plakias
<i>Ophrys cinereophila</i>	Small-flowered Brown Ophrys	Spili
<i>Ophrys creberrima</i>	Creberrima Ophrys	Spili
<i>Ophrys cretensis</i> *	Small Cretan Spider Ophrys	Plakias
<i>Ophrys cretica</i> subsp. <i>ariadne</i>	Cretan Ophrys	Gerapotamos Bridge, Spili
<i>Ophrys cretica</i> ssp <i>cretica</i>	Cretan Ophrys	Akrotiri
<i>Ophrys episcopalis</i>	Large-flowered Bee Ophrys	Spili
<i>Ophrys gortynia</i>	Gortys Ophrys	Plakias
<i>Ophrys heldreichii</i>	Heldreich's Ophrys	Spili, Armeni
<i>Ophrys herae</i>	Hera's Ophrys	Festos
<i>Ophrys iricolor</i>	Rainbow Ophrys	Spili
<i>Ophrys phryganae</i>	Phrygana Ophrys	Widespread
<i>Ophrys sicula</i>	Small Yellow Ophrys	Common
<i>Ophrys villosa</i> (<i>tenthredinifera</i>)	Small Sawfly Ophrys	Spili
<i>Ophrys leochroma</i> (<i>temnthredinifera</i>)	Large Sawfly Ophrys	Spili
<i>Ophrys heldreichi</i> X <i>O. episcopalis</i>	Hybrid	
<i>Orchis anthropophora</i>	Man Orchid	Spili
<i>Orchis boryi</i>	Bory's Orchid	Spili
<i>Orchis collina</i>	Fan-lipped Orchid	South of Spili
<i>Orchis fragrans</i>	Fragrant Orchid	Gerapotamos Bridge,
<i>Orchis italica</i>	Naked Man Orchid	Spili, widespread
<i>Orchis lactea</i>	Milky Orchid	Spili
<i>Orchis laxiflora</i>	Lax-flowered Orchid	Spili
<i>Orchis pauciflora</i>	Sparse-flowered Orchid	Spili
<i>Orchis quadripunctata</i>	Four-spotted Orchid	Spili
<i>Orchis tridentata</i>	Toothed Orchid	Spili

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<i>Serapias bergonii</i>	Bergoni's Tongue Orchid	Common
<i>Serapias cordigera ssp cretica*</i>		Festos
<i>Serapias lingua</i>	Tongue Orchid	Common
<i>Serapias orientalis subsp. orientalis</i>	Eastern Tongue Orchid	Armeni
<i>Serapias parviflora</i>	Small-flowered Tongue Orchid	Spili, Akrotiri
<i>Serapias bergonii</i> x <i>S. parviflora</i>	Hybrid	Armeni

Poaceae

Aegilops geniculata
Arundo donax
Ammophila arenaria
Briza maxima
Briza media
Cynodon dactylon
Cynosurus echinatus
Digitaria sanguinalis
Hordium murinum
Lagurus ovatus
Lolium perenne
Parapholis incurva
Phragmites australis

Grass Family

-
Giant Reed
Marram
Great Quaking-grass
Quaking Grass
Bermuda Grass
Rough Dog's-tail
Hairy Finger-grass
Wall Barley
Hare's-tail Grass
Perennial Rye-grass
Curved Sea Hard Grass
Common Reed

Posidoniaceae

Posidonia oceanica

Posidonia Family

Posidonia

Debris on the beaches

Typhaceae

Typha angustifolia

Reedmace Family

Lesser Reedmace

Agia

Planted Species

Bougainvillea glabra Bougainvillea
Hibiscus rosa-sinensis Hibiscus
Melia azedarach Persian Lilac
Musa cavandishii Banana
Pittosporum tobira Pittosporum
Wisteria sinensis Wisteria

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

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			10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
1	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>							1	
2	Chukar	<i>Alectoris chukar</i>		H						
3	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>					✓	✓		
4	Bittern	<i>Botaurus stellaris</i>							1	
5	Squacco Heron	<i>Aedeola ralloides</i>					1	✓		
6	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	1			5	✓			
7	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>				1	✓	✓		
8	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>							1	
9	Lammergeier	<i>Gypaetus barbatus</i>			1					
10	Eurasian Griffon Vulture	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>		24	✓	✓	✓	✓		
11	Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>								1
12	Short-toed Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>			1					
13	Bonelli's Eagle	<i>Aquila fasciata</i>		2	1					

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			10	11	12	13	14	15	16
14	Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>							1
15	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1
16	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1
17	Little Crake	<i>Porzana parva</i>						4	
18	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	3				✓	✓	
19	Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	1				✓	✓	
20	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>				25		1	
21	Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>		1			2		
22	Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>					1		
23	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>					1	2	
24	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>			1		2	2	
25	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>					2		
26	Ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>						1	
27	Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>	✓	1	2	5		✓	20
28	Rock Dove / Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
29	Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>			✓			1	
30	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
31	Common Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>						H	1
32	Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>					✓	✓	✓
33	Alpine Swift	<i>Apus melba</i>	1	20	✓	✓	✓	✓	
34	Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>							4
35	Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>					1		
36	Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>						2	
37	Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>	1	6	5	✓	✓		✓
38	Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>		1		H		✓	✓
39	Common Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>		1				✓	
40	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
41	Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
42	Tawny Pipit	<i>Anthus campestris</i>		4					
43	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>					1		
44	Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava flava</i>						1	
45	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>				1			
46	Common Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>		H	H			H	
47	Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>							1
48	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓	
49	Black-eared Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe hispanica</i>		1		1			✓
50	Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetta</i>							1
51	Common Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
52	Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
53	Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>			3	2			✓
54	Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>		H	H		H	H	
55	Common Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>							1
56	Sardinian Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
57	Ruppell's Warbler	<i>Sylvia rueppelli</i>			1				
58	Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>						H	
59	Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>	H	H	H		1	H	
60	Winter Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>				2		H	
61	Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>						1	
62	Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>		1			H		1
63	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
64	European Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

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			10	11	12	13	14	15	16
65	Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>			2	1	✓	✓	
66	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>						✓	
67	Western Jackdaw	<i>Corvus monedula</i>		2	1	✓	✓		
68	Red-billed Chough	<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>			✓			1	
69	Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
70	Common Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
71	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
72	Italian sparrow	<i>Passer italiae</i>				✓	✓		
73	Spanish Sparrow	<i>Passer hispaniolensis</i>		1					1
74	Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
75	Common Linnet	<i>Carduelis cannabina</i>	✓	✓	✓			✓	#
76	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis cardulis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
77	European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>		H	✓			✓	✓
78	European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>					2		✓
79	Ortolan Bunting	<i>Emberiza hortulana</i>		2					
80	Cirl Bunting	<i>Emberiza cirlus</i>						H	
81	Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>		✓	✓	✓			

Mammals

1	Weasel	<i>Mustela nivalis</i>			1				
Reptiles & amphibians									
1	American Bullfrog	<i>Lithobates catesbeianus</i>						1	
2	Balkan Terrapin	<i>Mauremys rivulata</i>	✓	✓					
3	Stripe-necked Terrapin	<i>Mauremys caspica</i>						✓	
4	Cretan (Erhard's) Wall Lizard	<i>Podarcis cretensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Butterflies

1	Scarce Swallowtail	<i>Iphiclides podalirus</i>		1	1				
2	Swallowtail	<i>Papilio machaon</i>			1	1		✓	✓
3	Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>		✓	1	✓			
4	Small White	<i>Pieris rapae</i>				✓			
5	Eastern Bath White	<i>Pontia edusa</i>		1					
6	Eastern Dappled White	<i>Euchloe ausonia</i>		✓					
7	Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias crocea</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
8	Little Blue	<i>Cupido minimus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
9	Holly Blue	<i>Celastrina argiolus</i>		1					
10	Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	Small Tortoiseshell	<i>Aglais urticae</i>		1					
12	Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>		1					✓
13	Painted lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
14	Comma Butterfly	<i>Polygonia c-album</i>							
15	Speckled Wood	<i>Pararge aegeria</i>		1	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
16	Wall Brown	<i>Lasiommata megera</i>			1	✓			
17	Lulworth Skipper	<i>Thymelicus acteon</i>				?			

Moths

1	Pine Processionary Moth	<i>Thaumetopoea pityocampa</i>			✓				
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