India - Tigers Direct! (with Tadoba pre extension)

Naturetrek Tour Report

30th March – 10th April 2023



Tigress MB3 in Kanha



Golden Jackal in Pench



Wild Dog in Pench



Male Guar in Kanha

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Summary

It was a great trip with a total of 12 Tigers, seven Leopards, five packs of Wild Dogs, four Sloth Bears, nearly 15 species of butterflies and hundreds of bird species. Summertime in Central Indian forests never disappoints.

One of the highlights would definitely be a drama-fueled evening in Kanha when two male Tigers were battling each other for two days over territory and mate. It was pouring heavily in Kanha and we had nearly lost hope of seeing anything. But that proved wrong as we heard deep growls inside the bamboo forest. We managed to see one of the male Tigers, as he was licking his fresh wounds. He was well hidden inside the bamboo thickets. The growls turned to roars, and we realized one of the Tigers was coming closer. The new male Tiger, unidentified by any of the guides or forest department staff had challenged the present dominant male. Eventually, he immerged out of the bamboo and crossed the road in front of us. What a sight!

Pre-extension Day 1

Wednesday 29th March

The pre-tour extension started at London Heathrow Airport with an overnight flight to Nagpur through Doha, Qatar.

Pre-extension Day 2

Thursday 30th March

We arrived early in the morning in Nagpur. The immigration procedure went rather smoothly. We were received by our tour leader Swan, before heading to the hotel. Further ahead we spent the entire day resting and exploring a bit of Nagpur.

Pre-extension Day 3

Friday 31st March

Post breakfast, we left for Tadoba. A two and half-hour of journey took us to the Tiger land. Upon arrival, we had some time to ourselves before having lunch and heading for our first safari.

Starting with lots of mammals like Spotted Deer, Sambar, Langurs, Mongooses and many birds, congregating in the watering holes, we had a good look at them. Later we found a Tiger lazing inside a watering hole. Once we moved on, we had a great time photographing a Crested Serpent Eagle and a Mugger Crocodile, guarding her nest by Tadoba Lake.

In the evening we sat down for a round of checklists.

Pre-extension Day 4

Saturday 1st April

On our second safari, we had a wonderful sighting of a Tigress. This was followed by breakfast and a healthy birdwatching session. As we reached Pandharpauni Lake, hoping to spot the Tigress, Maya, we saw a juvenile Monitor Lizard, foraging by the edge of the watering hole.

Our afternoon safari started with 'Bhalu' himself. A male Sloth Bear! And then our luck continues. We got Maya walking head-on towards us for nearly five minutes straight. She eventually went into a bush before coming out and meeting us again by the lakeside. As she approached the lake, to our surprise a male Tiger came out of the grassy island, swam across and greeted Maya with a quick sniff and snuggle. It was Rudra, Maya's mate. They lazed around the lake for a while and we had to give them some privacy, mainly because of the time constraint. As we thought this couldn't get any better, old Tigress Choti Tar decided to show up right before the exit gate.

We then returned to the lodge and later met for the checklist, which was followed by dinner.

Pre-extension Day 5

Sunday 2nd April

Today's morning safari started with the chirping of birds. Near one of the waterholes, we saw Nilgai, Ruddy Mongoose, Common Hawk Cuckoo, Monarch Flycatcher etc. Since we had seen our fair share of Tigers, we decided to explore the unexplored area of Tadoba. We once stumbled across a young Sloth Bear in beautiful bright sunlight. Some phenomenal pictures there.

In the afternoon we visited Pandherpauni waterhole, where male Tiger Mowgli was having a nice cool dip. On the way, we saw a pair of Mottled Wood Owls along with a chick, a Grey-headed Fish Eagle, and finally, ending the trip to Tadoba with Wild Dogs chasing a Leopard. Back at the lodge, with everyone very happy, we met for the checklist, which was followed by dinner and briefing for the next day's schedule.

Pre-extension Day 6 / Main Tour Day 1

Monday 3rd April

The flight for the main tour participants from London via Doha arrived on time at Nagpur Airport in the early morning hours. We drove about 10 minutes after clearing immigration to check into the Hotel Raddison Blu. We all left for Pench around 9.30 a.m. after a relaxing night's sleep and a late breakfast.

The pre-extension group also left for Pench around 8.30 a.m., post breakfast.

It was a beautiful drive through rural India's beautiful landscape. We passed through some chickpea, cotton, and mustard fields. The path was lined with beautiful summer flowers like Flame of the Forest and Red Silk Cotton. We saw a few birds along the way, including Black Drongo, White-throated Kingfisher, Long-tailed Shrike, Blackwinged Kite, and Indian Roller.

We arrived at Tuli Tiger Corridor at 12 p.m. The lodge manager gave us a rundown of the lodge and game drives. We went straight to lunch. We relaxed for a while before heading out for an afternoon drive.

The afternoon drive was thrilling. Three different Leopards and a single Wild Dog were spotted on the road by all three vehicles. Apart from that, we had a great time watching Mottled Wood Owls, Jungle Owlets, Open-bill Storks, and a variety of other birds. We met for a checklist after returning from the drive, followed by dinner.

Day 2

Tuesday 4th April

The morning drive in Pench was quite thrilling as we saw a pack of eight Wild Dogs and pups. We spotted Golden Jackals, Sambar, Spotted Deer, and Wild Boars. There were several alarm calls, but nothing appeared. We spent time photographing Black-rumped Flamebacks, Black-hooded Orioles, Indian Grey Hornbills, White-eyed Buzzards, Grey-headed Fish Eagles and other.

One of our vehicles could see the Tigress Langdi in her element in the evening. She was chasing Wild Boar in a body of water. What a sight to behold! Others saw a Leopard snoozing in the grass, lending credence to his moniker, The Ghost of Indian Jungles.

Back at the lodge, we went through the checklist; had dinner and we went over the next day's schedule before retiring to our rooms.

Day 3

Wednesday 5th April

The final safari in Mowgli's land got off to a great start. We saw a Leopard hiding behind the rocks as soon as we entered the park. He had killed a Spotted Deer. One of our vehicles also saw fresh pug marks and scat marks of a tigress. We also saw Painted Storks, Pied Kingfishers, Crested Honey Buzzards, Black-rumped Flameback, Indian Grey Hornbills, and many other beautiful birds.

We ate lunch early and left Pench at 1.30 p.m. The drive was through a teak wood forest leading to Sal Forest. We arrived at Kanha Jungle Lodge just before sunset and were greeted by smiling and friendly staff.

We had refreshing drinks on arrival before meeting again at 7.30 pm to complete the checklist, prior to dinner.

Day 4

Thursday 6th April

After an early morning wake-up call and a hot cup of tea/coffee, we set out for our first drive in Kanha. Two vehicles were in the Mukki zone, while one was in the Kisli zone. One of our vehicles spotted Sharmili, one of Kanha's shyest female Tigresses, with her cub. She was in the woods for a while before crossing the road in front of the vehicle. The other vehicle observed a pack of eight Wild Dogs and pups on the dry riverbed before crossing the road and playing on the wooden log.

After returning to the lodge, we went for a one-hour walk with the lodge naturalist. We went to the river Banjar. It was a very relaxing walk exploring the small creatures that are usually overlooked while driving. We returned to safari after a quick lunch and rest.

All of the vehicles were in Mukki zone for the afternoon drive. For the entire afternoon, we could all see the same Tigress, Sharmili, resting near the water body. We also saw Pygmy Cotton Geese, Lesser Whistling Ducks, Greater Painted Snipes, Indian Cuckoos, Common Hawk Cuckoos, and other birds.

We met again at the lodge for a checklist around 7.30 p.m., followed by dinner.

Day 5 Friday 7th April

Two vehicles went to Kisli zone in the morning, while one vehicle explored Mukki zone. We came across a freshly killed Spotted Deer, most likely by a Leopard, as we approached Kisli. We waited near the killing point, but nothing came out. We didn't see much big mammal movement in the Kisli zone, but we had a great time birding. We saw a Rufous Woodpecker, a Lesser Yellow-nape, an Oriental White-eye, a Indian Scimitar babbler, a Pied Kingfisher, and many others. The vehicle, which was in Mukki zone, saw a male Tiger T-46 before spending 45 minutes alone with Tigress MB3 in a grassland. They could also see Pied Hornbills flying overhead.

Ms. Dimple Bhati, the lodge manager, gave us a great cooking lesson in the afternoon, showing us how to make Chai and various types of Indian breads. This session was a lot of fun. Following that, we had a delicious lunch and were ready for our afternoon drive.

All vehicles were in Mukki zone this afternoon. The weather drastically changed. It began to rain. At one point, some of our vehicles could hear three different Tigers growling and caught a glimpse of one of them. After a few hours of waiting, a male Andhkua Tiger crossed the road in front of us. It was an extremely dramatic situation. The rain was pouring heavily, and the wind was howling. We could hear leaves rustling, lightning striking, and a Tiger growling from an unseen distance. Because we were all wet, we went back to the lodge to freshen up before returning for the checklist.

Day 6

Saturday 8th April

Two vehicles went to Kanha zone this morning, while one vehicle went to Mukki zone. The vehicles in the Kanha zone saw Indian Nuthatch, Black-rumped Flameback, Blue-bearded Bee-eater, Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker, Crested Treeswift, and many other birds. On this trip, they also saw Blackbucks. Back in Mukki, they saw two Tigers: Neela Nala (a male) and MB3 (a female).

The afternoon drive was also thrilling. Two vehicles in the Mukki zone saw an MB3 Tigress, while one vehicle in the Kanha zone saw a beautiful male Sloth Bear. It was a fantastic way to conclude our main tour.

Back at the lodge, we gathered in the evening to complete the checklist, followed by a farewell dinner. After dinner, we watched Tiger Land and went on a night walk to look for creepy crawlies.

Day 7 Sunday 9th April

Today we had a leisurely start and a nature trail. After breakfast the group split with three members went to Satpura for the post-tour extension, whilst the six finishing the main tour set out for Nagpur with Swanand & Mugdha.

The guests who headed to Nagpur, reached the Radisson Blu in six hours, after enjoying the farewell dinner and some rest they were driven to the airport for their flight back home we bid goodbye to tour leaders and headed inside the airport for the check-in formalities.

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Species lists

Birds (H = Heard only)

Common name	Scientific name	31	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Lesser Whistling Duck	Dendrocygna javanica			√			√	√	√	√	√
Ruddy Shelduck	Tadorna ferruginea				√	√	√				
Cotton Pygmy Goose	Nettapus coromandelianus							√	√	√	√
Red Spurfowl	Galloperdix spadicea	✓		√			√			√	√
Painted Spurfowl	Galloperdix lunulata									√	√
Red Junglefowl	Gallus gallus					√	✓	√	√	✓	√
Grey Junglefowl	Gallus sonnerati	✓	√	√		√					
Indian Peafowl	Pavo cristatus	✓	✓	✓	√	√	✓	√	√	√	✓
Little Grebe	Tachybaptus ruficollis				√						
Painted Stork	Mycteria leucocephala					√	√				
Asian Openbill	Anastomus oscitans			✓	√	√	√	√			
Black Stork	Ciconia nigra					√					
Woolly-necked Stork	Ciconia episcopus									✓	✓
Lesser Adjutant	Leptoptilos javanicus	✓	✓	✓							
Black-headed Ibis	Threskiornis melanocephalus				✓	√	✓			✓	✓
Red-naped Ibis	Pseudibis papillosa	✓	✓	✓	√	√	✓	√	√	√	✓
Black-crowned Night Heron	Nycticorax nycticorax		✓			√					
Indian Pond Heron	Ardeola grayii	✓	✓	✓	✓	√	✓	√	√	✓	✓
Eastern Cattle Egret	Bubulcus coromandus	✓	√	✓	√	√	√	√	√	√	✓
Great Egret	Ardea alba					√	√	√	√	√	✓
Intermediate Egret	Egretta intermedia		√	✓		√	√	√	√	√	✓
Little Egret	Egretta garzetta				√	√	√	√	√	√	✓
Indian Cormorant	Phalacrocorax fuscicollis				√	√	√	√	√	√	✓
Little Cormorant	Microcarbo niger			✓			√	√	√	√	√
Oriental Darter	Anhinga melanogaster	✓				√	√	√	√		
Black-winged Kite	Elanus caeruleus				√	√		√	√	√	✓
Crested (Oriental) Honey Buzzard	Pernis ptilorhynchus	✓	✓	√	√	✓	√	✓	✓	√	√
White-rumped Vulture	Gyps bengalensis				√	✓	√	✓	✓	√	√
Indian Vulture	Gyps indicus					✓	✓	✓	✓	√	√
Griffon Vulture	Gyps fulvus				√	√	✓	√	√	√	√
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Red-headed Vulture	Sarcogyps calvus							√	√	√	√
Crested Serpent Eagle	Spilornis cheela	✓	✓		√	√	√	✓	√	√	✓
Changeable Hawk-Eagle	Nisaetus cirrhatus	✓	√			√		√			
Shikra	Accipiter badius			√		√	√	√		√	√
Pallid Harrier	Circus macrourus						√				
Black Kite	Milvus migrans	✓									
Grey-headed Fish Eagle	Haliaeetus ichthyaetus			√		√	√	√			√
White-eyed Buzzard	Butastur teesa			√	√	√	√	√			
White-breasted Waterhen	Amaurornis phoenicurus		√		√	√					
Indian Stone-curlew (split fr Eurasian)	Burhinus indicus					√	√				
Black-winged Stilt	Himantopus himantopus		✓		√	√	✓	✓	√	√	
River Lapwing	Vanellus duvaucelii					√					
Yellow-wattled Lapwing	Vanellus malabaricus										✓
Red-wattled Lapwing	Vanellus indicus	✓	√	✓	√	√	√	✓	√	√	✓
Little Ringed Plover	Charadrius dubius					√	√	√		√	
Greater Painted-snipe	Rostratula benghalensis							√			√
Bronze-winged Jacana	Metopidius indicus	✓		√			√				
Little Stint	Calidris minuta						√		√	√	
Common Snipe	Gallinago gallinago						√	√	√	√	
Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos				√	√	√	√	√	√	
Green Sandpiper	Tringa ochropus		√	√			√		√	√	√
Marsh Sandpiper	Tringa stagnatilis									√	
Wood Sandpiper	Tringa glareola					√	√	√	√		
Common Greenshank	Tringa nebularia				√	√	√	√	√		√
Little Tern	Sternula albifrons					√					
River Tern	Sterna aurantia				√	√	/				
Rock Dove (Common Pigeon)	Columba livia				√	√	√	√			√
Oriental Turtle Dove	Streptopelia orientalis							√		√	√
Eurasian Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto			√							
Red Turtle Dove	Streptopelia tranquebarica			•							
Spotted Dove	Spilopelia chinensis	√		√	√						
Laughing Dove	Spilopelia senegalensis		<u> </u>	•	√	-	√				<u> </u>
Yellow-footed Green Pigeon	Treron phoenicopterus	√		√	•	√	1	√		√	√
Green Imperial Pigeon	Ducula aenea	•		_		,	<u> </u>	1		,	+ •

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Southern (Greater) Coucal	Centropus sinensis parroti			√	√	✓	√	√		√	√
Common Hawk-Cuckoo	Hierococcyx varius			√	√	✓	√	√		√	√
Asian Koel	Eudynamys scolopaceus				√	√	√			√	√
Indian Cuckoo	Cuculus micropterus							Н		√	√
Indian Eagle Owl	Bubo bengalensis						Н				
Indian Scops Owl	Otus bakkamoena					√	h				
Brown Fish Owl	Ketupa zeylonensis		√					√			√
Mottled Wood Owl	Strix ocellata			√	√	√	√				
Jungle Owlet	Glaucidium radiatum			√	√	√	√	√		√	√
Spotted Owlet	Athene brama						√				
Indian Nightjar	Caprimulgus asiaticus					h					
Crested Treeswift	Hemiprocne coronata				√	√		√			√
Asian Palm Swift	Cypsiurus balasiensis			√							
Little Swift	Apus affinis						√				
Indian Roller	Coracias benghalensis	✓		√							
Stork-billed Kingfisher	Pelargopsis capensis				√	√		√	√		√
White-throated Kingfisher	Halcyon smyrnensis	✓	√								
Common Kingfisher	Alcedo atthis					√	√			√	√
Pied Kingfisher	Ceryle rudis				√	√	√	√	√		√
Blue-bearded Bee-eater	Nyctyornis athertoni										√
Green Bee-eater	Merops orientalis			√							
Malabar Pied Hornbill	Anthracoceros coronatus									√	√
Indian Grey Hornbill	Ocyceros birostris				√						
Brown-headed Barbet	Psilopogon zeylanicus				Н	√	√	√	√	√	√
Coppersmith Barbet	Psilopogon haemacephalus			√	Н	√	√	√	√	√	√
Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	Yungipicus nanus			√							√
Yellow-crowned Woodpecker	Leiopicus mahrattensis					√					
Rufous Woodpecker	Micropternus brachyurus									√	
Lesser Yellownape	Picus chlorolophus							√			
Black-rumped Flameback (L.Goldenb.)	Dinopium benghalense			√	√	√	√	√		√	√
White-naped Woodpecker	Chrysocolaptes festivus							√		√	√
Plum-headed Parakeet	Psittacula cyanocephala	✓	√	√	√	√	√	√		√	√
Alexandrine Parakeet	Psittacula eupatria				√	√	√				√

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Rose-ringed Parakeet	Psittacula krameri	✓	√	✓	√	√	√	√		√	√
Common Woodshrike	Tephrodornis pondicerianus						√	√		√	
Common Iora	Aegithina tiphia		√	√						√	√
Large Cuckooshrike	Coracina macei					√	√	√		√	√
Small Minivet	Pericrocotus cinnamomeus					Н		√		√	√
Brown Shrike	Lanius cristatus									√	√
Indian Golden Oriole (split)	Oriolus kundoo				√		√	√	√	√	
Black-hooded Oriole	Oriolus xanthornus			√							
Black Drongo	Dicrurus macrocercus	✓	√								
White-bellied Drongo	Dicrurus caerulescens				√	√	√			√	√
Hair-crested (Spangled) Drongo	Dicrurus hottentottus										√
Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	Dicrurus paradiseus				√						
White-browed Fantail	Rhipidura aureola			√							
Black-naped Monarch	Hypothymis azurea			✓							
Indian Paradise Flycatcher	Terpsiphone paradisi			√							
Rufous Treepie	Dendrocitta vagabunda	✓	√	√	√	√	√	√		√	√
House Crow	Corvus splendens				√	√	√				
Indian Jungle Crow	Corvus culminatus	✓	√	√	√	√	√	√		√	√
Cinereous Tit (split fr Great)	Parus cinereus					√	√	/		√	
Red-vented Bulbul	Pycnonotus cafer	✓	√	√	√	√	√	/		√	√
Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica							/			
Wire-tailed Swallow	Hirundo smithii				√						
Red-rumped Swallow	Cecropis daurica					√					√
Sulphur-bellied Warbler	Phylloscopus griseolus					√					√
Greenish Warbler	Phylloscopus trochiloides				√		√	/			
Zitting Cisticola	Cisticola juncidis					h					√
Ashy Prinia	Prinia socialis		√	√						√	
Plain Prinia	Prinia inornata							/			
Common Tailorbird	Orthotomus sutorius							√		√	√
Indian Scimitar Babbler	Pomatorhinus horsfieldii							√		✓	√
Brown-cheeked Fulvetta	Alcippe poioicephala									✓	√
Puff-throated Babbler	Pellorneum ruficeps										√
Large Grey Babbler	Turdoides malcolmi				/				√	√	

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Jungle Babbler	Turdoides striatus	✓	√		√						
Oriental White-eye	Zosterops palpebrosus				√			√	√		√
Indian Nuthatch	Sitta castanea										√
Velvet-fronted Nuthatch	Sitta frontalis							√	√		
Common Hill Myna	Gracula religiosa	✓									
Common Myna	Acridotheres tristis				√	√	√	✓	√	✓	√
Pied Myna (Asian Pied Starling)	Gracupica contra				√	✓					
Chestnut-tailed Starling	Sturnia malabarica			✓		√	√				√
Brahminy Starling	Temenuchus pagodarum				√	✓	✓	✓	√	✓	√
Orange-headed Thrush	Geokichla citrina								√	√	
Indian Robin	Copsychus fulicatus		√								
Oriental Magpie-Robin	Copsychus saularis	✓	√	√	√	√	√	√		√	√
White-rumped Shama	Copsychus malabaricus							√		√	✓
Tickell's Blue Flycatcher	Cyornis tickelliae			√	√			√			
Red-breasted Flycatcher	Ficedula parva						✓				
Black Redstart	Phoenicurus ochruros				√						
Pied Bush Chat	Saxicola caprata				√						√
Jerdon's Leafbird	Chloropsis jerdoni									√	
Golden-fronted Leafbird	Chloropsis aurifrons					√					
Thick-billed Flowerpecker	Dicaeum agile									✓	
Pale-billed Flowerpecker	Dicaeum erythrorhynchos										√
Purple Sunbird	Cinnyris asiaticus			✓	√	√	√		√	✓	√
Purple-rumped Sunbird	Leptocomo zeylonica		✓	✓							
House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	✓			√		√				
Yellow-throated Sp. (Chestnut-sh. Pet)	Gymnoris xanthocollis		√	√	√	√	√		√	√	✓
Western Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla flava					✓	`√				
Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea			√	√	✓			✓	✓	✓
White-browed Wagtail	Motacilla madaraspatensis					✓	✓				
Paddyfield Pipit	Anthus rufulus			√		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Tawny Pipit	Anthus campestris						√				

Mammals

Common name	Scientific name	31	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Royal Bengal Tiger	Panthera tigris tigris	✓	√	✓		✓		✓	√	✓	
Leopard	Panthera pardus	✓			√	✓	✓				
Jungle Cat	Felis chaus kelaarita or kutas				√						
Rhesus Macaque	Macaca mulatta				√	✓	✓	√	√	√	
S. Plains (Common) Grey Langur	Semnopithecus dussumieri (spl fr entellus)	✓	√	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	√	✓	
Common Mongoose	Herpestes edwardsi					√					
Indian Small Mongoose	Herpestes auropunctatus		√								
Ruddy Mongoose	Herpestes smithii					√	√		✓		
Golden Jackal	Canis aureus					✓	✓	√	√	√	
Dhole (Asiatic Wild Dog)	Cuon alpinus dukhunensis			√	√	√	√	√	✓		
Sloth Bear	Merursus ursinus			√						√	
Indian Flying Fox	Pteropus giganteus				√	√	√				
Three-striped Palm Squirrel	Funambulus pennarum			√	√	√	√	√		√	
Five-striped Palm Squirrel	Funambulus pennanti			√							
Indian Giant Flying Squirrel	Petaurista philippensis							√		√	
Sambar	Cervus unicolor	√									
Barasingha (Swamp Deer)	Cervus duvauceli branderi							√	✓	√	
Chital (Spotted Deer)	Cervus axis	✓	√	√	√	✓	✓	√	√	√	
Indian Muntjac (Barking Deer)	Muntiacus muntjak		√	√				√	✓	√	
Black Buck	Antilope cervicapra									√	
Nilgai (Blue Bull)	Boselaphus tragocamelus				√	✓					
Indian Wild Boar	Sus scrofa	√									
Gaur	Bos gauras	√	√	√	√	√		√	√	√	
Pipistrelle bat sp.							√	✓			
Fulvous Fruit Bat (Leschenault's Rousette)	Rousettus leschenaulti				√	√					

Reptiles & Amphibians

Other fauna	Scientific name	31	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Indian Flapshell Turtle	Lissemys punctata		✓	√			√				
Unnamed Lizard	Varanus griseus koniecznyi		✓				✓				
Indian Rock Python	Python molurus										
Gharial	Gavialis gangeticus										
Gangetic River Dolphin	Platanista gangetica										
Marsh Mugger Crocodile	Crocodylus palustris	✓	✓	√							
Water Snake species	Natrix sp										
Common Garden Lizard	Calotes versicolor	✓	✓	√							
House Gecko species	Hemidactylus or Gehyra etc sp							√		✓	
Southern Indian Rock Agama	Psammophilus dorsalis										
Checkered Keelback	Xenochrophis piscator					✓	✓				
Indian (Spectacled) Cobra	Naja naja										
Common Indian Tree Frog	Polypedates maculatus										
Butho Scorpion	Buthidae sp.										
Leaf-litter Skink	Scincidae sp.					✓					
Fan-throated Lizard	Sitana sp.										
Indian softshell turtle	Nilssonia gangetica					✓	✓		√		
Common toad	Bufo bufo							√			

Butterflies

Common name	Scientific name	31	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Common Rose Butterfly	Pachliopta aristolochiae				√	✓	√	√	✓		
Crimson Rose Butterfly	Atrophaneura hector				√	✓	√	√	✓		
Common Crow	Euploea core				√	✓		√	✓	✓	
Common Sailor	Typical sailers				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Striped Tiger Butterfly	Danaus genutia				√	✓		√			
Common Emigrant	Catopsilia pomona					√	√	✓	✓		
Mottled Emigrant	Catopsilia pyranthe					√		√			
Common Mormon	Papilio polytes					√		√			

Blue Tiger	Tirumala limniace			✓		✓	✓		
Spotted Swordtail	Graphium nomius			✓	√	√	✓		
Great Eggfly	Hypolimnas bolina			✓		√	✓		
White Arab	Colotis vestalis						✓		
Powdered Oakblue	Arhopala bazalus						✓		
Spotless Grass Yellow	Eurema laeta							√	
Common Pierrot	Castalius rosimon							√	