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Naturetrek Tour Report

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## Summary

This was a fantastic journey through the forests of Tadoba, Pench and Kanha. We enjoyed multiple Bengal Tiger sightings, including a dominant male by a waterbody, a distant second tiger, and a thrilling encounter with a confident leopardess walking straight towards us. One of the standout moments was undoubtedly watching a pack of thirteen Dhols, including cubs, right in front of us. Birdlife was equally impressive, with over seventy species recorded in a single day, and almost two hundred overall.

Kanha continued the momentum, with its stunning landscapes and rich biodiversity. Sightings of Barasingha, Blackbuck, and Sloth Bear added to the experience, while Tiger encounters remained consistent and memorable: some of the cats were incredibly close and relaxed. Even at the lodge itself, the Indian Giant Flying Squirrel gave us a special moment.

Beyond wildlife, visiting a local village and enjoying a peaceful nature walk added depth to the journey. It was a truly fulfilling tour, with great sightings, wonderful guests, and unforgettable memories throughout.

### Pre-extension tour Day 1

Friday 20th March

The clients arrived on various flights. After breakfast, Yusuf met them at 10.45am and we departed for Tadoba at 10.50am, after a briefing. We arrived at Svasara Lodge at 12.45pm. After lunch, we went for our first safari from different gates. The clients with me entered from the Kolara Gate and saw a sub-adult Tiger and a Brown Fish Owl, and enjoyed good general birding. Our other clients in the other jeep saw another Tiger, a Sloth Bear, and participated in general birding.

### Pre-extension tour Day 2

Saturday 21st March

During the morning safari, we first saw a sub-adult Tiger at Telia Lake and did general birding. Our clients in the second jeep had a great birding session but missed the Tiger. The afternoon safari was equally interesting, as we saw two sub-adult Tigers around Telia Lake.

### Pre-extension tour Day 3

Sunday 22nd March

In the morning, we got lucky with two sub-adult Tigers in the Telia area. We saw another Sloth Bear and a Ruddy Mongoose crossing the road. The afternoon drive was a "bears' day out". Clients with me saw two Sloth Bears in different places, and our other clients saw six Sloth Bears, including three cubs.

### Pre-extension tour Day 4 / Main tour Day 1

Monday 23rd March

In the morning, we went to the Kolara core, and the clients with me saw two sub-adult Tigers and later a female adult Tiger. Our other clients, who went from the Navegaon Gate, saw another Tiger. In the afternoon, we sighted three Tigers. Anurag met the main tour clients at the Nagpur Airport, and they checked in at the Radisson Blu Hotel.

## Day 2

## Tuesday 24th March

After a relaxed morning, we departed for Pench National Park at around 9.45am, after a birding session. Meanwhile, the main tour clients started at 10.45am from the Radisson and reached Pench by 1.00pm, heading straight for lunch. After some time to rest, we set out for our afternoon safari in the same zone.

During the drive, we encountered a variety of birdlife, including Black-hooded Oriole, Lesser Whistling Duck, Red-wattled Lapwing and River Tern, along with a few common mammals. As we continued our search, we came across a huge male Tiger sitting in a water body. After a while, he stood up, walked out gracefully, and settled down beside a log, offering us some excellent viewing and photographic opportunities. Not long afterwards, we spotted another Tiger resting at a distance. On our way back, we were treated to a thrilling sighting of a Leopard walking straight towards us on the track. Watching her confident approach in the fading light was a true highlight of the drive. It turned out to be a fantastic start to our time in Pench, with a perfect mix of bird life and big cat sightings.

## Day 3

## Wednesday 25th March

After an early start with tea and coffee, we set out for our first full-day safari in Pench National Park, full of anticipation. One of our vehicles focused on birding and recorded an impressive seventy-three species. Highlights included the Indian Scops Owl, Black-hooded Oriole, Indian Vulture, Yellow-footed Green Pigeon, and Spotted and Jungle Owlets, among many others. Meanwhile, the other vehicles had exciting mammal sightings, including Grey Mongoose, Chital, Sambar, and even a Tiger resting peacefully beside a waterhole.

We then began tracking Dholes, and after about ten minutes of following signs, we were rewarded with an incredible sight: a pack of thirteen, including cubs, standing right in front of us. It was an unforgettable moment, and a clear highlight of the morning drive. After lunch, we headed out for our afternoon safari, continuing our birding success. Notable sightings included Indian Grey Hornbill, Coppersmith Barbet, Indian Robin, and Greater Racket-tailed, Ashy and Black Drongos, among many others.

As we explored the Khursapar Gate area on the Maharashtra side of the reserve, our focus shifted once again to Tigers. After checking several waterholes, we finally encountered a Tiger resting in one. She rose, walked gracefully for about twenty to thirty metres, and then settled down again, all the while keeping a watchful eye on nearby Sambar. To round off the day, we were delighted to spot a pair of Indian Nightjars. It was a truly rewarding day at Pench, rich with sightings, memorable moments, and the thrill of the wild.

## Day 4

## Thursday 26th March

Our last safari in Pench National Park began early in the morning, making the most of the soft golden light. We were greeted with some wonderful wildlife sightings, including Wild Boar and playful troops of Bengal Sacred Langur, which were especially lively in the cool morning air. Birdlife was equally rewarding, with sightings of the striking Stork-billed and the vibrant White-throated Kingfisher, along with several others that added to the richness of the drive.

Right at the start of the safari, we spotted a female Tiger at a distance. Hoping she might move closer, we kept a mental note of the location. As luck would have it, just as the safari was nearing its end, she emerged again, this

time walking gracefully near a waterbody. It was a rewarding sighting and a perfect way to conclude our time in Pench.

After the safari, we returned, freshened up, and checked out. During our journey, we visited a nearby village and spent some time at a local school, interacting with the students. It was fascinating to learn how many of them had already seen a Tiger in the wild, something that added a deeper human connection to the landscape we had just explored. We then began our journey toward Kanha National Park, enjoying beautiful landscapes along the way. Upon arrival, we settled in, refreshed ourselves, and looked forward with excitement to the adventures that awaited us the next day.

## Day 5

## Friday 27th March

Our first safari in Kanha National Park began on a beautiful note. As soon as we entered the park, we were surrounded by majestic Sal forests, setting the tone for the day. Soon after, we encountered the pride of Kanha, the magnificent Barasingha, resting gracefully in the expansive grasslands.

Our group split across zones, with two vehicles exploring the Kanha zone, and the other staying in the Mukki zone. The morning was particularly rewarding for birdlife, with sightings including White-rumped Shama, Little Swift, Cinereous Tit, Malabar Pied and Indian Grey Hornbills, Golden-fronted Leafbird, Brown-cheeked Fulvetta and Yellow-throated Sparrow. In the grasslands, one of the vehicles was fortunate to spot a large male Tiger in the distance, which made for an impressive sight even from afar. Around the same time, other vehicles reported exciting encounters, including a pack of Dhols, and even a sighting of Blackbuck.

The afternoon safari was comparatively quiet, but still rewarding. We observed several raptors and scavengers, including White-rumped and Red-headed Vultures, Crested Honey Buzzard, and the agile Shikra. Another sighting of Blackbuck added to the day's highlights. Just when the safari was coming to an end, one of the vehicles was rewarded with a fantastic sighting of a Sloth Bear: it was a perfect and memorable way to conclude the day.

## Day 6

## Saturday 28th March

This morning, we headed into the Kisli zone, exploring its scenic, hilly terrain. The birdlife was exceptional, with sightings of the elegant White-rumped Shama, the striking Velvet-fronted Nuthatch, Wire-tailed Swallow, Indian Nuthatch, and Forest and Grey Wagtails.

On our way back, we were treated to a wonderful sighting: a male Tiger was sitting calmly beside a forest stream. It was a peaceful yet powerful moment. Around the same time, another vehicle was fortunate to spot a Tiger resting quietly in the tall grass. In the afternoon, we explored the Kanha zone again, hoping to see a Tiger that had reportedly made a kill earlier. We waited and tracked patiently, but she remained elusive. Even so, the safari had its rewards, including another sighting of Blackbuck in the grasslands. Back at the lodge, the excitement continued as everyone gathered to witness a rare and fascinating nocturnal visitor: an Indian Giant Flying Squirrel glided gracefully through the trees, bringing a perfect end to yet another memorable day in Kanha.

## Day 7

## Sunday 29th March

The morning was full of promise as we all headed into the Mukki zone of Kanha National Park, focusing on tracking the elusive Tiger. Within just ten minutes of entering the park, we were treated to an unforgettable sight: a majestic male Tiger walking straight towards us. The encounter was both thrilling and surreal as he approached confidently, and then calmly crossed the road right in front of our vehicle.

The excitement continued as another vehicle in our group witnessed a Tiger walking along the road just ahead of them. She paused, sat down gracefully, and began licking her paws, completely at ease in her surroundings. After a few moments, she melted back into the forest, leaving behind a truly magical memory.

In the afternoon, we ventured out again and came across another Tiger resting under rocky cover amidst thick vegetation. Though partially hidden, it was still a remarkable sighting. As we waited in hopes of more movement, we enjoyed some excellent birdlife, including the Jungle Owlet, Greater Painted-snipe, Plum-headed Parakeet, Shikra and White-rumped Vulture, among others. Despite patiently waiting, the Tiger we were tracking did not reappear. Even so, the day had been rich with incredible sightings and memorable moments.

## Day 8

## Monday 30th March

We began the day with a quiet nature walk around our lodge, taking a slower approach and focusing on the smaller wonders of the forest. It was a peaceful morning, where we observed delicate moth cocoons, the graceful Common Sailer butterfly, and fascinating creatures like antlions. The landscape was dotted with impressive termite mounds, each a reminder of the intricate ecosystems thriving around us. Just as the walk was coming to an end, we were delighted to spot a shy Northern Red Muntjac quietly moving through the undergrowth.

After some rest, we began our journey towards Nagpur. Along the way, we added one last bird to our list, Dusky Crag Martin, a fitting final sighting for the trip. We reached Nagpur by evening and gathered for our final dinner, reflecting on the incredible experiences, sightings, and memories we had collected throughout this unforgettable journey.

## Day 9

## Tuesday 31st March

Clients departed for the UK and Australia.

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## Species lists

Birds (H=heard only)

E=Endemic, N=Near-endemic		March 2026										
Common name	Scientific name	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Lesser Whistling Duck	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Cotton Pygmy Goose						✓		✓	✓	✓	
	Ruddy Shelduck					✓	✓	✓				
	Red-crested Pochard						✓					
	Gadwall						✓		✓			
	Eurasian Wigeon					✓	✓	✓				
	Indian Spot-billed Duck					✓						
	Northern Pintail						✓				✓	
	Indian Peafowl	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Red Spurfowl - E		✓		✓		✓		✓	✓		
	Painted Spurfowl - E						✓		✓			
	Red Junglefowl						✓		✓	✓	✓	
	Grey Junglefowl - E	✓	✓	✓	✓							
	Grey Francolin				✓							
	Painted Francolin - N								✓	✓		
	Jungle Bush Quail - N		✓									
	Little Grebe			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
	Greater Coucal	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
	Common Hawk-Cuckoo		✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
	Indian Cuckoo											H
	Spotted Dove	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Laughing Dove			✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	
	Oriental Turtle Dove								✓	✓	✓	
	Eurasian Collared Dove	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
	Rock Dove								✓			✓
	Yellow-footed Green Pigeon	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
	Common Moorhen							✓				

E=Endemic, N=Near-endemic		March 2026										
Common name	Scientific name	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Purple Swampphen	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	✓		✓	✓							
White-breasted Waterhen	<i>Amauornis phoenicurus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		
Indian Stone-curlew	<i>Burhinus indicus</i>	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓						
Little Ringed Plover	<i>Thinornis dubius</i>						✓				✓	
Yellow-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus malabaricus</i>			✓			✓		✓	✓	✓	
Red-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus indicus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Greater Painted-snipe	<i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>	✓		✓					✓	✓	✓	
Pheasant-tailed Jacana	<i>Hydrophasianus chirurgus</i>					✓						
Bronze-winged Jacana	<i>Metopidius indicus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓				
Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	✓							✓	✓	✓	
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>						✓		✓	✓	✓	
Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>									✓	✓	
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>			✓					✓	✓	✓	
Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>								✓			
Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>		✓						✓		✓	
Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>					✓						
River Tern	<i>Sterna aurantia</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓				
Asian Openbill	<i>Anastomus oscitans</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Lesser Adjutant	<i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>						✓					
Painted Stork	<i>Mycteria leucocephala</i>					✓	✓	✓			✓	
Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>		✓									
Asian Woolly-necked Stork	<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>					✓						
Oriental Darter	<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Little Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo niger</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>					✓						
Indian Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax fuscicollis</i>		✓			✓						
Red-naped Ibis	<i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Black-headed Ibis	<i>Threskiornis melanocephalus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Little Heron	<i>Butorides atricapilla</i>									✓		

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Common name	Scientific name	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Indian Pond Heron	<i>Ardeola grayii</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Medium Egret	<i>Ardea intermedia</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Eastern Cattle Egret	<i>Ardea coromanda</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>					✓						
Jungle Nightjar - N	<i>Caprimulgus indicus</i>						✓					
Indian Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus asiaticus</i>			✓	✓							
Savanna Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus affinis</i>			✓								
Crested Treeswift	<i>Hemiprocne coronata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	
Asian Palm Swift	<i>Cypsiurus balasiensis</i>										✓	
Little Swift	<i>Apus affinis</i>	✓					✓	✓		✓		
Brown Boobook	<i>Ninox scutulata</i>								✓	✓	✓	H
Spotted Owlet	<i>Athene brama</i>					✓	✓					
Jungle Owlet	<i>Glaucidium radiatum</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Indian Scops Owl	<i>Otus bakkamoena</i>						✓					
Brown Fish Owl	<i>Ketupa zeylonensis</i>	✓	✓		✓						✓	
Mottled Wood Owl - E	<i>Strix ocellata</i>					✓	✓	✓				
Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>						✓					
Black-winged Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Crested Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Red-headed Vulture	<i>Sarcogyps calvus</i>						✓		✓	✓	✓	
Cinereous Vulture	<i>Aegypius monachus</i>							✓	✓			
White-rumped Vulture	<i>Gyps bengalensis</i>								✓	✓	✓	
Indian Vulture - N	<i>Gyps indicus</i>						✓			✓	✓	✓
Griffon Vulture	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>								✓	✓		
Crested Serpent Eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Short-toed Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>								✓			
Changeable Hawk-Eagle	<i>Nisaetus cirrhatus</i>		✓		✓	✓		✓	✓			
Shikra	<i>Tachyspiza badia</i>	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>								✓	✓		

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Common name	Scientific name	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>				✓							
Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>							✓	✓			
Grey-headed Fish Eagle	<i>Ichthyophaga ichthyaetus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
White-eyed Buzzard	<i>Butastur teesa</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		
Common Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Indian Grey Hornbill	<i>Ocyrceros birostris</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Malabar Pied Hornbill - N	<i>Anthracoceeros coronatus</i>								✓		✓	
Indian Roller	<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Blue-bearded Bee-eater	<i>Nyctyornis athertoni</i>									✓	✓	
Asian Green Bee-eater	<i>Merops orientalis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Blue-tailed Bee-eater	<i>Merops philippinus</i>		✓		✓							
Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>		✓						✓	✓		
Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>		✓	✓	✓							
Stork-billed Kingfisher	<i>Pelargopsis capensis</i>				✓				✓			
White-throated Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Coppersmith Barbet	<i>Psilopogon haemacephalus</i>		✓				✓		✓	✓	✓	
Brown-headed Barbet	<i>Psilopogon zeylanicus</i>	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Rufous Woodpecker	<i>Micropternus brachyurus</i>						✓	✓				
Black-rumped Flameback	<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Streak-throated Woodpecker	<i>Picus xanthopygaeus</i>											✓
White-naped Woodpecker	<i>Chrysocolaptes festivus</i>								✓			✓
Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	<i>Yungipicus nanus</i>							✓		✓		
Yellow-crowned Woodpecker	<i>Leiopicus mahrattensis</i>				✓		✓					
Alexandrine Parakeet	<i>Psittacula eupatria</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rose-ringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Plum-headed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		
Small Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus cinnamomeus</i>		✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Scarlet Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus flammeus</i>								✓	✓		
Indian Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina macei</i>				✓					✓	✓	
Common Iora	<i>Aegithina tiphia</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓						
Bar-winged Flycatcher-shrike	<i>Hemipus picatus</i>								✓	✓		

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Common name	Scientific name	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Common Woodshrike	<i>Tephrodornis pondicerianus</i>			✓	✓				✓			
Black-hooded Oriole	<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Indian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus kundoo</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓		
White-spotted Fantail - E	<i>Rhipidura albogularis</i>		✓	✓	✓							
Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hair-crested Drongo	<i>Dicrurus hottentottus</i>								✓	✓		✓
White-bellied Drongo	<i>Dicrurus caerulescens</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓			✓	
Ashy Drongo	<i>Dicrurus leucophaeus</i>		✓				✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Black Drongo	<i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Black-naped Monarch	<i>Hypothymis azurea</i>		✓						✓	✓	✓	✓
Indian Paradise Flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone paradisi</i>									✓	✓	
Bay-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius vittatus</i>			✓	✓							
Long-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanius schach</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓						
Brown Shrike	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>								✓	✓	✓	
Rufous Treepie	<i>Dendrocitta vagabunda</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>											✓
Large-billed Crow	<i>Corvus macrorhynchos</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Cinereous Tit	<i>Parus cinereus</i>								✓	✓	✓	✓
Rufous-tailed Lark	<i>Ammomanes phoenicura</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓					
Common Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>		✓				✓		✓	✓		✓
Ashy Prinia	<i>Prinia socialis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓				✓		
Plain Prinia	<i>Prinia inornata</i>	✓	✓						✓			
Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>				✓				✓			
Booted Warbler	<i>Iduna caligata</i>									✓		
Sykes's Warbler	<i>Iduna rama</i>					✓						
Blyth's Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus dumetorum</i>		✓									
Clamorous Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus stentoreus</i>		✓	✓								
Dusky Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne concolor</i>											✓
Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>									✓		✓
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>		✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		
Greenish Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>		✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	

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White-browed bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus luteolus</i>		✓			✓						
Red-vented Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Curruca curruca</i>			✓								
Yellow-eyed Babbler	<i>Chrysomma sinense</i>					✓						
Indian White-eye	<i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>		✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓	
Tawny-bellied Babbler	<i>Dumetia hyperythra</i>		✓	✓		✓				✓	✓	
Indian Scimitar Babbler - E	<i>Pomatorhinus horsfieldii</i>											✓
Puff-throated Babbler	<i>Pellorneum ruficeps</i>						✓			✓	✓	
Brown-cheeked Fulvetta	<i>Alcippe poiocephala</i>								✓	✓	✓	
Jungle Babbler	<i>Argya striata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Velvet-fronted Nuthatch	<i>Sitta frontalis</i>								✓	✓		
Indian Nuthatch	<i>Sitta castanea</i>									✓		
Rosy Starling	<i>Pastor roseus</i>		✓									
Indian Pied Myna	<i>Gracupica contra</i>					✓		✓	✓		✓	
Brahminy Starling	<i>Sturnia pagodarum</i>	✓	✓		✓			✓				✓
Chestnut-tailed Starling	<i>Sturnia malabarica</i>						✓		✓		✓	
Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Orange-headed Thrush	<i>Geokichla citrina</i>		✓	✓	✓				✓		✓	
Indian Robin	<i>Copsychus fulicatus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		
Oriental Magpie-Robin	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
White-rumped Shama	<i>Copsychus malabaricus</i>								✓	✓	✓	
Tickell's Blue Flycatcher	<i>Cyornis tickelliae</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	
Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>						✓	✓	✓			
Taiga Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula albicilla</i>				✓							
Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>		✓	✓								
Pied Bush Chat	<i>Saxicola caprata</i>					✓		✓				
Siberian Stonechat	<i>Saxicola maurus</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Brown Rock Chat	<i>Oenanthe fusca</i>							✓				
Thick-billed Flowerpecker	<i>Pachyglossa agilis</i>								✓	✓		
Pale-billed Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum erythrorhynchos</i>						✓					
Purple-rumped sunbird	<i>Leptocoma zeylonica</i>		✓	✓	✓							

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Purple Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris asiaticus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Jerdon's Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis jerdoni</i>						✓					
Golden-fronted Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>						✓	✓		✓		
Baya Weaver	<i>Ploceus philippinus</i>						✓					
Indian Silverbill	<i>Euodice malabarica</i>					✓						
Scaly-breasted Munia	<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>				✓	✓						
White-rumped Munia	<i>Lonchura striata</i>									✓		
Yellow-throated Sparrow	<i>Gymnoris xanthocollis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓				✓						✓
Forest Wagtail	<i>Dendronanthus indicus</i>									✓		
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>								✓	✓	✓	
White-browed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla maderaspatensis</i>					✓		✓				
Paddyfield Pipit	<i>Anthus rufulus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>			✓					✓	✓		
Common Rosefinch	<i>Carpodacus erythrinus</i>									✓	✓	

## Mammals

E=Endemic		March 2026										
Common name	Scientific name	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Rhesus Macaque	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Bengal Sacred Langur - E	<i>Semnopithecus entellus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Indian Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus palmarum</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Indian Giant Flying Squirrel	<i>Petaurista philippensis</i>							✓	✓		✓	
Indian Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus medius</i>					✓	✓	✓				
Sloth Bear	<i>Melursus ursinus</i>	✓		✓					✓			
Golden Jackal	<i>Canis aureus</i>						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Dhole	<i>Cuon alpinus</i>						✓					
Jungle Cat	<i>Felis chaus</i>									✓		
Leopard	<i>Panthera pardus</i>					✓						
Tiger	<i>Panthera tigris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

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Indian Gray Mongoose	<i>Urva edwardsii</i>	✓	✓	✓								
Ruddy Mongoose	<i>Urva smithii</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Blackbuck	<i>Antilope cervicapra</i>								✓	✓		
Nilgai	<i>Boselaphus tragocamelus</i>	✓		✓			✓					
Gaur	<i>Bos gaurus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Chital	<i>Axis axis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Barasingha	<i>Rucervus duvaucelii</i>								✓	✓	✓	
Sambar	<i>Rusa unicolor</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Northern Red Muntjac	<i>Muntiacus vaginalis</i>		✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Wild Pig	<i>Sus scrofa</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

## Amphibians &amp; reptiles

		March 2026										
Common name	Scientific name	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Skittering Frog	<i>Euphlyctis cyanophlyctis</i>					✓						
Marsh Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus palustris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓							
Indian Flapshell Turtle	<i>Lissemys punctata</i>			✓			✓		✓	✓	✓	
Indian Desert Monitor	<i>Varanus griseus konieczyi</i>			✓								
Peninsular Rock Agama	<i>Psammophilus dorsalis</i>		✓	✓								
Oriental Garden Lizard	<i>Calotes versicolor</i>		✓		✓		✓					
Common Bronzeback	<i>Dendrelaphis tristis</i>				✓							