

Sri Lanka – Blue Whales & Leopards

With Sinharaja Extension

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Spinner Dolphin



Leopard



Blue Whale



Spotted Deer

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Highlights

This was another very successful tour, with some fantastic sightings of some of the best of Sri Lanka's wildlife. Blue Whales were encountered on all three days of our sea excursions, which also included sightings of many Spinner Dolphins. The Leopards at Yala also graced our presence, giving us some amazing views, along with many other mammals, including Asian Elephant, Sambar and Spotted Deer, Mouse Deer, Grizzled Giant Squirrel, Wild Boar, Water Buffalo, Ruddy Mongoose, Stripe-necked Mongoose, Grey Langur, Purple-faced Leaf Monkey and Toque Macaque.

We also encountered some great birds, including many endemic species, especially during the extension to Sinharaja. In total, we saw 20 species of mammals, 10 species of reptiles, and 156 bird species.

Day 1

Saturday 2nd February

The tour started with an overnight flight from the UK to Sri Lanka.

Day 2

Sunday 3rd February

Arrive Colombo; travel to Weligama

The flight arrived at Colombo airport at 12.35pm, and the group gathered at the arrival lounge to meet each other, including the two leaders. We left the airport at 2pm and during our drive to the hotel we encountered: Indian Peafowl, Black-headed Ibis, Indian Pond Heron, Eastern Cattle Egret, Great Egret, Spot-billed Pelican, Little Egret, Little Cormorant, Oriental Darter, Shikra, Brahminy Kite, Red-wattled Lapwing, Rock Dove, Spotted Dove, Whiskered Tern, Asian Koel, Asian Palm Swift, Blue-tailed Bee-eater, Rose-ringed Parakeet, Sri Lanka Hanging Parrot, White-throated Kingfisher, House Crow, Barn Swallow, Common Myna, Oriental Magpie-Robin, and we saw our first mammal, a Toque Macaque, and also a Common House Gecko.

We reached the Fisherman's Bay Resort at 5.15pm. At 7.15pm we met for the checklist and, after dinner, we had the briefing for the next day and called it a day.

Day 3

Monday 4th February

Weligama

We left the hotel at 6am, with packed breakfasts, and reached Mirissa harbour at 6.30am for our first whale-watching trip. During our journey we saw Striated Heron, Gull-billed Tern, Greater Crested Tern, Little Tern, Bridled Tern and White-bellied Drongo. We saw **our** first Blue Whale and kept with this whale for a while and had very good sightings as it approached our boat. Then we saw two more Blue Whales from a distance. A Green Turtle was also sighted on our return to shore. We were back at the hotel by midday, where we had lunch and relaxed until 3.30pm.

In the afternoon we visited the Kirala Kele sanctuary where we encountered: Asian Openbill, Yellow Bittern, Purple Heron, Oriental Darter, Lesser Whistling Duck, Painted Stork, Striated Heron, Purple Heron, Great

Egret, White-bellied Sea Eagle, White-breasted Waterhen, Black-winged Stilt, Marsh Sandpiper, Wood Sandpiper, Orange-breasted Green Pigeon, Green Imperial Pigeon, Alpine Swift, Little Swift, Black-hooded Oriole, Red-vented Bulbul, Yellow-billed Babbler, Scaly-breasted Munia, Purple Sunbird, Black-hooded Oriole, Crimson-fronted Barbet, Large-Billed Crow, Grey-headed Swamphen (now split from Purple Swamphen) and Streaked Weaver. Apart from the birds we also saw Bengal Land Monitor and Common Garden Lizard.

We returned to the hotel at 6.15pm, had dinner at 7.15pm, followed by the checklist and a briefing for the next day.

Day 4

Tuesday 5th February

Weligama

We left the hotel at 6am and reached the Mirissa Harbour at 6.40am, where we left the harbour at 7am in our boat, as usual. We were lucky to see the first Blue Whale around 9am and stayed with it till around 10am, until we were completely satisfied with its graceful presence. On our way back we came across a pod of Spinner Dolphins not too far from the shore. We stayed with the pod for a while and were able to see at least 15-20 dolphins swimming alongside our boat, which was a mesmerising sight.

Brown-headed Barbet and Loten's Sunbird were spotted on land during our drive to the hotel.

In the afternoon, we started at 3.30pm to go to Galle Fort but, because of the heavy rains, we decided to visit the Turtle Hatchery in Habaraduwa instead of going to Galle. We were back at the hotel by 5pm. Dinner was enjoyed at 7.30pm, which was followed by the briefing and the checklist.

Day 5

Wednesday 6th February

Weligama

Our last whale-watching excursion concluded with an early sighting of a Blue Whale just 10 kilometres out to sea. We had many sightings of this whale for over an hour. On our way back to the shore we came across a pod of Spinner Dolphins which, once again, gave us a good show by riding the bow wave. It was a perfect ending to our ocean adventure. We returned to the hotel at 11.30am had lunch at 12.30pm and relaxed for few hours.

At 3.30pm we left for Galle; it was about 45 minutes from where we were, and the city is a UNESCO world heritage site. We enjoyed exploring the old buildings of significance and walked along the rampart facing the ocean whilst the sun set in the distance. We saw a Grey Mongoose and Purple-faced Leaf Monkey in the area.

We came back to the hotel at 7.35pm and met up for dinner at 8.15pm. After dinner we did our checklist and the

Day 6

Thursday 7th February

Yala

We had our breakfast at 7am and checked out of the hotel at 8am. En route to Yala we encountered many birds seen before, along with Garganey, Little Grebe, Eurasian Spoonbill, Grey Heron, Intermediate Egret, Indian

Cormorant, Great Cormorant, Crested Serpent Eagle, Booted Eagle, Great Stone-curlew (also known as Great Thick Knee), Yellow-wattled Lapwing, Pacific Golden Plover, Grey Plover, Kentish Plover, Lesser Sand Plover, Pheasant-tailed Jacana, Black-tailed Godwit, Common Redshank, Common Greenshank, Common Sandpiper, Little Stint, Caspian Tern, Eurasian Collared Dove, Crested Treeswift, Common Kingfisher, Pied Kingfisher, Green Bee-eater, Indian Pitta, Common Iora, White-browed Fantail, Sand Martin, Ashy-crowned Sparrow-Lark, Clamorous Reed Warbler, Plain Prinia, Common Tailorbird, White-rumped Munia, Western Yellow Wagtail and Paddyfield Pipit.

We reached the hotel at 2.30pm and had our lunch and relaxed for a few hours. At 5pm we did a bird walk around the hotel premises and enjoyed the luscious wildlife it had to offer us. At this time, we were able to see birds such as Black-crowned Night Heron, Little Ringed Plover, Brown Shrike and Indian Pitta, plus many other birds that we had already seen before. Apart from birds, we saw Grey Langur, Wild Boar, Water Buffalo, Indian Hare, Mugger Crocodile and Soft-shelled Terrapin.

We did the checklist at 7pm, followed by the briefing for the next and dinner.

Day 7

Friday 8th February

Yala

We left the hotel at 5.30am after tea/coffee, for our safari. We were amazed to see a Leopard resting on a tree, despite the heavy downpour at that moment, and we enjoyed good views of it for over 30 minutes until it got off the tree and vanished in to the thick foliage. We rested for about 30 minutes for our breakfast, and after setting off again, we were met with by another Leopard which was walking along a bare grassy land not too far from where our jeep was.

Our sightings for the day included Sri Lanka Junglefowl, Woolly-necked Stork, Black-necked Stork, Lesser Adjutant, Changeable Hawk-Eagle, Grey-headed Fish Eagle, Green Sandpiper, Blue-faced Malkoha, Pied Cuckoo, Eurasian Hoopoe, Malabar Pied Hornbill, Common Kestrel, Sri Lanka Woodshrike, Small Minivet, Indian Paradise Flycatcher, White-Browed Bulbul, Brahminy Starling, Purple-rumped Sunbird and Tricolored Munia, along with Ruddy Mongoose, Asian Elephant, Spotted Deer, Sambar and Common Skink.

We were back at the hotel by 6.15pm and after freshening up we met for the checklist and briefing which followed by dinner.

Day 8

Saturday 9th February

Yala

Once again, we started the day at 5.30am with tea/coffee and set out for our second day of safari. Again, we encountered a Leopard very early on, and this time, it was resting on the ground in a dark patch of shrubs not too far away from our jeep. A Stripe-necked Mongoose also showed up, giving the whole group fantastic views of it. New bird sightings for the day included Brown Fish Owl, Oriental White-eye, Grey-breasted Prinia and Lesser Goldenback.

We returned to the hotel after our half-day safari and had our lunch at 1pm. The rest of the afternoon was spent relaxing and enjoying the pool. At 5pm another walk, around the hotel garden, yielded sightings of an Estuarine Crocodile.

We met for dinner at 7pm and thereafter did the checklist, before calling it a day.

Main Tour Day 9; Extension Day 1

Sunday 10th February

Katunayake (Main tour); Sinharaja (Extension)

We had breakfast at 7.30am and checked out of the hotel at 8.30am. We reached the Silver Ray restaurant in Ratnapura at 2.30pm and had our lunch. On the way we visited the Debarawewa area and encountered Jungle Owlet, Collared Scops Owl, Brown Fish Owl, Sri Lanka Swallow and Crested Honey Buzzard.

The group split in to two with a few going on to Sinharaha for their bird-watching extension whilst the rest continued their journey to Katunayake for their last night's stay, at the Airport Garden Hotel. We saw many Indian Flying Fox during our journey to Katunayake.

The main group reached the Airport Garden Hotel at 6.30pm and enjoyed their dinner at leisure. Meanwhile, the Extension party reached the Blue Magpie Lodge at 5pm. We had a briefing about the next day's programme before dinner.

Main Tour Day 10; Extension Day 2

Monday 11th February

Sinharaja (Extension)

The main group left the hotel after breakfast in time to catch their flight back to the UK.

Meanwhile on the extension, we left the hotel with our packed lunch at 6am after having an early breakfast. We encountered Sri Lanka Wood Pigeon, Sri Lanka Green Pigeon, Green-billed Coucal, Indian Cuckoo, Chestnut-backed Owlet, Yellow-fronted Barbet, Malabar Trogon, Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker, Plum-headed Parakeet, Layard's Parakeet, Sri Lanka Hanging Parrot, Sri Lanka Blue Magpie, Sri Lanka Frogmouth and Lesser Yellownappe. Apart from the birds, we were able to see Green Vine Snake, Dusky Striped Squirrel, Asian Water Monitor and Sri Lanka Kangaroo Lizard.

We returned to the hotel at 2pm and did some birding around the hotel from 4pm to 6pm, where we saw Black-capped Bulbul, Yellow-eared Bulbul, Yellow-browed Bulbul, Black Bulbul, Dark-fronted Babbler, Orange-billed Babbler, Sri Lanka Myna, Southern Hill Myna, Lesser Hill Myna, White-faced Starling, Spot-winged Thrush, Asian Brown Flycatcher, Golden-fronted Leafbird, Legge's Flowerpecker, Pale-billed Flowerpecker and Black-throated Munia.

In the evening we did the checklist at 7pm and then had our dinner, followed by the briefing for the next day.

Extension Day 3

Tuesday 12th February

Sinharaja

During our pre-breakfast birding session around the Sinharaja Rainforest buffer zone we encountered: Slaty-legged Crane, Sri Lanka Grey Hornbill, Crimson-backed Flameback, Sri Lanka Drongo, Ashy-headed Laughingthrush and many other birds seen before. We returned to the hotel for breakfast and then headed back on another bird walk where we saw a Mouse Deer and Grizzled Giant Squirrel.

After returning to the hotel we enjoyed a delicious lunch and relaxed outside our rooms in lazy chairs admiring the scenery and birds that flew by.

We did the checklist at 7pm, followed by the briefing and dinner.

Extension Day 4

Wednesday 13th February

Sinharaja

We did a bird walk in Sinharaja village area and saw many birds we had already seen before. After enjoying our final lunch at the Blue Magpie Lodge, we set off to Katunayake for our last night's stay, at the Airport Garden Hotel.

By 6.15pm we reached the hotel and after checking in we met for dinner at 7pm which was followed with the marking of the checklist.

Extension Day 5

Thursday 14th February

Departure

We left in time for our flight back to UK, where another Naturetrek adventure came to an end.

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Species Lists

Mammals

Common name	Scientific name
1 Toque Macaque	<i>Macaca sinica</i>
2 Grey Langur	<i>Semnopithecus (Presbytis) entellus</i>
3 Purple-faced Leaf Monkey	<i>Trachypithecus (Presbytis) vetulus</i>
4 Grey Mongoose	<i>Herpestes edwardsii</i>
5 Ruddy Mongoose	<i>Herpestes smithii</i>
6 Stripe-necked Mongoose	<i>Herpestes vitticollis</i>
7 Leopard	<i>Panthera pardus kotiya</i>
8 Asian Elephant	<i>Elephas maximus</i>
9 Wild Boar	<i>Sus scrofa</i>
10 Mouse Deer	<i>Tragulus meminna</i>
11 Spotted Deer	<i>Cervus axis</i>
12 Sambar	<i>Cervus unicolor</i>
13 Water Buffalo	<i>Bubalus Bubalis</i>
14 Indian Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus palmarum</i>
15 Grizzled Giant Squirrel	<i>Ratufa macroura</i>
16 Dusky Striped Squirrel	<i>Funambulus sublineatus</i>
17 Indian Hare (Black-naped Hare)	<i>Lepus nigricollis</i>
18 Indian Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus gigantea</i>
19 Blue Whale	<i>Balaenoptera musculus</i>
20 Spinner Dolphin	<i>Stenella mulla</i>

Reptiles:

1 Green Vine Snake	<i>Ahaetulla nasuta</i>
2 Bengal (Land) Monitor	<i>Varanus bengalensis</i>
3 Asian Water Monitor	<i>Varanus salvator</i>
4 Oriental (Common) Garden Lizard	<i>Calotes versicolor</i>
5 Sri Lanka Kangaroo Lizard	<i>Otocryptis wiegmanni</i>
6 Estuarine Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus porosus</i>
7 Mugger Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus palustris</i>
8 Soft shelled Terrapin	<i>Lissemys punctata</i>
9 Green Turtle	<i>Chelonia mydas</i>
10 Common Skink	<i>Eutropis carinata</i>

Birds (Endemics in bold)

Common Name	Scientific Name
1 Lesser Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna javanica</i>
2 Garganey	<i>Mareca querquedula</i>
3 Sri Lanka Junglefowl	<i>Gallus lafayettii</i>
4 Indian Peafowl	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>
5 Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
6 Painted Stork	<i>Mycteria leucocephala</i>
7 Asian Openbill	<i>Anastomus oscitans</i>
8 Woolly-necked Stork	<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>
9 Black-necked Stork	<i>Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus</i>
10 Lesser Adjutant	<i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>
11 Black-headed Ibis	<i>Threskiornis melanocephalus</i>
12 Eurasian Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>
13 Yellow Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus sinensis</i>

Common Name	Scientific Name
14 Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>
15 Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>
16 Indian Pond Heron	<i>Ardeola grayii</i>
17 Eastern Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus coromandus</i>
18 Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>
19 Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>
20 Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>
21 Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>
22 Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>
23 Spot-billed Pelican	<i>Pelecanus philippensis</i>
24 Little Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo niger</i>
25 Indian Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax fuscicollis</i>
26 Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>
27 Oriental Darter (Darter)	<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>
28 Crested Honey Buzzard (Oriental Honey-buzzard)	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>
29 Crested Serpent Eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>
30 Changeable Hawk Eagle	<i>Nisaetus cirrhatu</i>
31 Booted Eagle	<i>Hieraaetus pennatus</i>
32 Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>
33 Brahminy Kite	<i>Haliastur indus</i>
34 White-bellied Sea Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>
35 Grey-headed Fish Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus ichthyaetus</i>
36 Slaty-legged Crake	<i>Rallina eurizonoides</i>
37 White-breasted Waterhen	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>
38 Grey-headed Swamphe	<i>Porphyrio poliocephalus</i>
39 Great Stone-Curlew (Great Thick Knee)	<i>Esacus recurvirostris</i>
40 Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
41 Yellow-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus malabaricus</i>
42 Red-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus indicus</i>
43 Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>
44 Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>
45 Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>
46 Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>
47 Lesser Sand Plover (Mongolian Plover)	<i>Charadrius mongolus</i>
48 Pheasant-tailed Jacana	<i>Hydrophasianus chirurgus</i>
49 Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>
50 Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>
51 Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>
52 Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>
53 Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>
54 Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>
55 Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
56 Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>
57 Gull-billed Tern	<i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i>
58 Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>
59 Greater Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>
60 Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>
61 Bridled Tern	<i>Onychoprion anaethetus</i>
62 Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>
63 Rock Dove (Common Pigeon)	<i>Columba livia</i>
64 Sri Lanka Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba torringtoniae</i>
65 Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>
66 Spotted Dove	<i>Spilopelia chinensis</i>

Common Name	Scientific Name
67 Common Emerald Dove (Emerald Dove)	<i>Chalcophaps indica</i>
68 Orange-breasted Green Pigeon	<i>Treron bicinctus</i>
69 Sri Lanka Green Pigeon	<i>Treron pompadora</i>
70 Green Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula aenea</i>
71 Green-billed Coucal	<i>Centropus chlororhynchos</i>
72 Blue-faced Malkoha	<i>Phaenicophaeus viridirostris</i>
73 Jacobin Cuckoo, (Pied Cuckoo)	<i>Clamator jacobinus</i>
74 Asian Koel	<i>Eudynamys scolopaceus</i>
75 Indian Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus micropterus</i>
76 Indian Scops Owl (Collared Scops Owl)	<i>Otus bakkamoena</i>
77 Brown Fish Owl	<i>Ketupa zeylonensis</i>
78 Jungle Owlet	<i>Glaucidium radiatum</i>
79 Chestnut backed Owlet	<i>Glaucidium castanotum</i>
80 Sri Lanka Frogmouth	<i>Batrachostomus moniliger</i>
81 Crested Treeswift (Gray-rumped Treeswift)	<i>Hemiprocne coronata</i>
82 Asian Palm Swift	<i>Cypsiurus balasiensis</i>
83 Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>
84 Little Swift (House Swift)	<i>Apus affinis</i>
85 Malabar Trogon	<i>Harpactes fasciatus</i>
86 White-throated Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>
87 Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>
88 Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>
89 Green Bee-eater, (Little Green Bee-eater)	<i>Merops orientalis</i>
90 Blue-tailed Bee-eater	<i>Merops philippinus</i>
91 Eurasian Hoopoe (Common Hoopoe)	<i>Upupa epops</i>
92 Malabar Pied Hornbill	<i>Anthracoceros coronatus</i>
93 Sri Lanka Grey Hornbill	<i>Ocyrceros gingalensis</i>
94 Brown-headed Barbet	<i>Psilopogon zeylanicus</i>
95 Yellow-fronted Barbet	<i>Psilopogon flavifrons</i>
96 Crimson-fronted Barbet	<i>Psilopogon rubricapillus</i>
97 Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos nanus</i>
98 Lesser Yellownappe	<i>Picus chlorolophus</i>
99 Black-rumped Flameback, (Lesser Goldenback)	<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>
100 Crimson-backed Flameback (Crimson-backed Goldenback)	<i>Chrysocolaptes stricklandi</i>
101 Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
102 Plum-headed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>
103 Layard's Parakeet	<i>Psittacula calthrapae</i>
104 Sri Lanka Hanging Parrot	<i>Loriculus beryllinus</i>
105 Indian Pitta	<i>Pitta brachyura</i>
106 Sri Lanka Woodshrike	<i>Tephrodornis affinis</i>
107 Common Iora	<i>Aegithina tiphia</i>
108 Small Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus cinnamomeus</i>
109 Black-hooded Oriole	<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>
110 White-bellied Drongo	<i>Dicrurus caerulescens</i>
111 Sri Lanka Drongo (Sri Lanka Crested Drongo)	<i>Dicrurus lophorinus</i>
112 White-browed Fantail	<i>Rhipidura aureola</i>
113 Indian Paradise Flycatcher (Asian Paradise Flycatcher)	<i>Terpsiphone paradisi</i>
114 Sri Lanka Blue Magpie	<i>Urocissa ornata</i>
115 House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>
116 Indian Jungle Crow (Large-billed)- (Large-billed Crow)	<i>Corvus culminatus</i>
117 Ashy-crowned Sparrow-Lark	<i>Eremopterix griseus</i>
118 Black-capped Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus melanicterus</i>
119 Red-vented Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>

Common Name	Scientific Name
120 Yellow-eared Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus penicillatus</i>
121 White-browed Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus luteolus</i>
122 Yellow-browed Bulbul	<i>Acritillas indica</i>
123 Black Bulbul	<i>Hypsipetes leucocephalus</i>
124 Sand Martin, Pale Martin	<i>Riparia riparia (diluta?)</i>
125 Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
126 Sri Lanka Swallow	<i>Cecropis hyperythra</i>
127 Clamorous Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus stentoreus</i>
128 Grey-breasted Prinia	<i>Prinia hodgsonii</i>
129 Plain Prinia	<i>Prinia inornata</i>
130 Common Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>
131 Dark-fronted Babbler	<i>Rhopocichla atriceps</i>
132 Orange-billed Babbler	<i>Turdoides rufescens</i>
133 Yellow-billed Babbler	<i>Turdoides affinis</i>
134 Ashy-headed Laughingthrush	<i>Garrulax cinereifrons</i>
135 Oriental White-eye	<i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>
136 Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>
137 Brahminy Starling	<i>Sturnia pagodarum</i>
138 White-faced Starling	<i>Sturnornis albofrontatus</i>
139 Spot-winged Thrush	<i>Geokichla spiloptera</i>
140 Indian Robin	<i>Copsychus fulicatus</i>
141 Oriental Magpie-Robin	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>
142 Asian Brown Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa dauurica</i>
143 Golden-fronted Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>
144 Legge's Flowerpecker, (White-throated Flowerpecker)	<i>Dicaeum vincens</i>
145 Pale-billed Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum erythrorhynchos</i>
146 Purple-rumped Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia zeylonica</i>
147 Purple Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris asiaticus</i>
148 Loten's Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris lotenius</i>
149 House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>
150 Streaked Weaver	<i>Ploceus manyar</i>
151 White-rumped Munia	<i>Lonchura striata</i>
152 Scaly-breasted Munia	<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>
153 Black-throated Munia	<i>Lonchura kelaarti</i>
154 Tricolored Munia (Black-headed Munia)	<i>Lonchura malacca</i>
155 Western Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>
156 Paddyfield Pipit	<i>Anthus rufulus</i>

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