

South Africa - Best of the Cape

Naturetrek Tour Report

10 – 18 September 2019



Cape Grassbird



Speckled Pigeon



Cape Dwarf Chameleon.



Cape Batis

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Summary

During the tour the temperatures ranged between 9°C to 22°C. We recorded 18 mammal species and 175 species of birds. The species mentioned in the daily summaries are only some of those seen. A detailed list can be found at the end of the report, which lists the new birds seen on each day of the tour.

Day 1

Wednesday 11th September

Kirstenbosch National Botanical Gardens and Chapman's Peak Drive.

We met up with our group of nine at Cape Town International Airport. Due to flight time changes, we only had the afternoon, so decided to visit Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens. We had a light lunch, including delicious fresh scones, at the Kirstenbosch Tea Room. We took a leisurely stroll around the gardens, where we saw a very confiding Lemon Dove on the path. Sweet Waxbills were feeding on the lawn. We had good views of Southern Double-collared Sunbird, the endemic Orange-breasted Sunbird, as well as Malachite Sunbird and Cape Sugarbirds. We walked along the Boomslang Canopy Walk and then down through the aloe garden to the bottom of the gardens, where we saw the resident Spotted Eagle Owl in a large tree next to the conservatory. We then walked back up to the top car park and took the scenic drive via Chapman's Peak to the De Noordhoek Hotel to settle in and freshen up for the evening. We had dinner at the Toad Restaurant next to the hotel.

Day 2

Thursday 12th September

Cape Point and Boulders Penguin Colony (Table Mountain National Park)

We left the De Noordhoek Hotel after an early breakfast and drove south towards Kommetjie. It had rained heavily in the early morning but we were able to enjoy a walk along the beach at "The Kom" to look for terns, cormorants and other seabirds. There was a small flock of Greater Flamingoes, lapwings, a mixed flock of terns and gulls and we saw Cape, Crowned and White-breasted Cormorants. There were quite a few spring flowers but many of them were closed due to the cool weather. We then drove through Scarborough and into Cape of Good Hope Nature Reserve. We enjoyed more interesting fynbos plants on our drive down to Olifantsbos on the coast, but not many birds due to wet conditions. We came across a very wet Spotted Eagle-Owl in a tree and a few other resident birds, including Fiscal Flycatcher and Cape Bulbul. There were several birds on the beach and we saw our first African Oystercatchers and Kittlitz's Plover. We had great views of Cape Grassbird and a pair of Bokmakieries. We took the Circular Drive, where we admired more of the seasonal fynbos plants and stopped at Gifkommetjie for a short walk around. We then drove to the car park at Cape Point, where we took a brisk walk up to the old lighthouse to enjoy the views. We watched many Cape Cormorants flying to and from nesting sites high up on the cliff face and had a delicious lunch at the Two Oceans Restaurant.

We then went down to the Cape of Good Hope. Here we saw a flock of Pied Avocets and some had photos taken at the famous sign indicating the most South Westerly point of the African continent. We then moved on to see the African Penguins at Boulders Beach. It was cold and raining but we still saw several greeting pairs and chicks begging for food. There were also Dassies (Rock Hyrax) at the colony. We headed back to the hotel in the late afternoon and stopped briefly to watch a Humpback Whale close in at Glencairn Beach. We had also seen a Humpback Whale early in the day at Bordjiesdrif in the reserve and it was of course a treat to see these large

mammals so relaxed and close to the shore. We had a superb meal at Jakes on the Common after catching up on our daily bird and mammal list.

Day 3

Friday 13th September

Strandfontein, Rondevlei and Table Mountain

This morning we headed out along Baden Powell Drive along the False Bay coastline to Strandfontein Water Treatment Works where we heard Little Rush Warbler calling in the reeds close to the entrance. As we entered we saw Yellow-billed Duck, Cape Teal, Red-billed Teal and Cape Shoveler. There was a pair of Lesser Swamp Warblers building a nest and displaying in the reeds and we had great views of this species. We saw an assortment of waterbirds, as well as Grey-headed Gull and Hottentot Teal - less common and a good bird to see. There were a couple of early waders, Pied Avocet and a few White Storks flying overhead. We had coffee next to one of the pans and had good views of Malachite Kingfisher. We then went on to visit Rondevlei Nature Reserve, where we enjoyed a picnic lunch before wandering off to explore the hides. There was evidence of the hippos that reside there and we saw a couple of Cape Dwarf Chameleons in the shrubs. A Cape Dune Mole-rat was active below the surface close to the path. Rondevlei was a delightful stop and the weather was mild and pleasant.

We then drove along the M5 towards the city and joined the queue to take the cableway up to the top of Table Mountain. Two of us stayed behind and went down to the beach in Camps Bay. We saw a Bryde's Whale surfacing and likely feeding on shoaling fish. The rest of group braved the cool conditions on top of the mountain, but enjoyed the views through the clouds and a brisk walk on top. We then drove back to our hotel via Chapman's Peak Drive and enjoyed a delicious Tapas meal at the Foodbarn Restaurant adjacent to the hotel.

Day 4

Saturday 14th September

The Cape Peninsula and Pelagic

Today five from our group went on a pelagic trip from Hout Bay. Fortunately, the sea had settled and the weather was ideal. They ventured quite far out in search of trawlers but were eventually rewarded with views of several pelagic species including Shy and Black-browed Albatross, both Giant Petrels, Sooty Shearwater and White-chinned Petrel. The group arrived back at the hotel in the late afternoon. They were quite tired but happy with their adventure out at sea.

The rest of the group drove over to Tokai, via Ou Kaapse Weg which cuts through Silvermine Nature Reserve. We walked around the Tokai Plantation, where we viewed a shy female Black Sparrowhawk on her nest high up in one of the pine trees. We then went further into the plantation where we had great views of the resident pair of Rufous-breasted Sparrowhawks attending to their newly built nest. We moved on to another section of the Constantia greenbelt, where we saw a juvenile Black Sparrowhawk close to the nest and the adult bird nearby with prey. There was also a Malachite Sunbird nest in a tree nearby.

We had lunch at Little Stream in Constantia, another venue with a large garden and an assortment of local birds. We enjoyed a walk around the garden and saw a female Cape Batis on her perfect, small cupped nest. We drove

back to Noordhoek via Boyes Drive and down into Kalk Bay. We saw a Humpback Whale near Clovelly and later we joined up with the pelagic group for dinner at The Toad.

Day 5

Sunday 15th September

West Coast

We left our hotel in Noordhoek at 6.30am after an early breakfast. We took the M3 highway towards Cape Town and then drove north past Rietvlei and to Blouberg Beach on Table Bay for the iconic view of Table Mountain. The morning was quite hazy, so we didn't get the perfect postcard image, but we enjoyed the views and a few Black-crowned Night Herons at Dolphin Beach Pans. We headed into West Coast National Park through the main gate and visited Abrahamskraal for some freshwater birds. It was good to see that the small waterhole had filled up and there were several birds enjoying the water and reeds. The regular White-throated Swallows were getting their nest ready in the hide and a herd of Eland grazed nearby. We stopped at the lookout en route to Postberg. We had awesome views of Black Harrier close to the road and there were several flocks of Kelp Gulls and other birds, including Yellow-billed Kites, feasting on termites as they took to the sky. The flowers were past their best, following a hot spell the previous week, but we did see Cape Mountain Zebra and Springbok as well as larks, a tortoise and other smaller species.

We sat outside and enjoyed a delicious lunch at Geelbek Restaurant and were entertained by the busy Cape Weavers constructing perfect nests above the tables and displaying for the females in typical weaver fashion. We wandered over to the Geelbek Hide, where we saw two very small Kittlitz's Plover chicks and a Yellow-billed Kite on a nest in the Eucalyptus trees. We then went down to the Seeberg Hide. The afternoon here was still and sunny and the bush birds were active and vocal. Both Chestnut-vented Warbler (Tit-Babbler) and Long-billed Crombec put in an appearance. We saw White-fronted Plover on the beach down near the hide.

Late afternoon we made our way through to the small town of Langebaan, where we visited the local quarry to seek out the resident pair of Verreaux's Eagles and found a large chick on the nest. We also saw the pair of Martial Eagles close to their nest just outside the town. This had been a full day of sightings and we arrived back at the hotel after dark, but it was worth it for the habitat and diversity we all enjoyed. We had a late dinner at Jakes on the Common.

Day 6

Monday 16th September

Hermanus

We packed up and left Noordhoek at 7.30am. We drove through Kalk Bay, St James and Muizenberg, then all along Baden Powell Drive and the scenic coastal route to Rooi Els. We had missed seeing Chacma Baboons at Cape Point, so were happy to see a male and female walking along the road. We walked along the gravel path next to the slopes covered in montane fynbos and scanned for the endemic Cape Rockjumper. We were rewarded with good views of four birds as they foraged and hopped around between the rocks. We had heard a report of Ground Woodpeckers, but unfortunately didn't see any. We saw the pair of Verreaux's Eagles soaring high above near their nest and about half an hour later, while watching the rockjumpers, we had one of the eagles fly right past us - this was a very special sighting. We had a good sighting of a single Klipspringer on a rock high up on the slope and also a variety of the common species found in the area. We saw Cape Rock

Thrush, Familiar Chat, Orange-breasted Sunbird and quite a few others. All, including Cape Grassbird, were very vocal and obviously enjoying the sunshine.

We headed on to Stony Point Penguin Colony, where we saw breeding penguins, confiding Dassies (Rock Hyrax), several basking Cape Girdled Lizards and Southern Rock Agamas. The highlight of the visit was seeing the Bank Cormorants and other cormorants nesting on the rocks. We sat outside in the sunshine and enjoyed our lunch before moving on to Betty's Bay where we visited the Harold Porter Botanical Gardens, which experienced a severe fire earlier this year. Fire is essential in a fynbos habitat and the gardens are slowly recovering from the initial devastation. Many interesting and colourful species are emerging and we walked along the path to Leopard George and followed the stream where Victorin's Warbler used to occur. Unfortunately no sign of the elusive fynbos endemic, but we did see many other species and had fleeting views of Cape Siskin up near the waterfall. We also had good views of male and female Cape Batis. We had a delicious seafood dinner at the restaurant at the New Harbour.

Day 7

Tuesday 17th September

Hermanus and Kleinbaai – Great White Sharks and Whales

Most of us left the Windsor Hotel really early in the morning to drive to Kleinbaai for our boat trip to see the White Sharks. After a light breakfast and briefing the boat headed out to Shark Alley in search of the sharks. There was great excitement when three large female sharks (one four and a half metres in length) were seen around the boat and one of the group went down in the cage for a close-up view of the passing predators. White Sharks have been scarce of late, so seeing three was a lucky find. Bronze Whaler Sharks were also seen as well as Sting Rays and a couple of pelagic birds. There were also sightings of Bryde's and Southern Right Whales. Everyone returned from the trip with happy smiles and keen to return to Walker Bay in search of the famous right whales. We stopped at De Kelders on the way back (also well known as a calving sight) but we didn't see any whales. After a delicious lunch at Bietang's Cave, some of the group went in search of the Denham's Bustards that had been sighted in the morning. Seven were seen as well as good views of Blue Crane. Others enjoyed an afternoon at leisure, enjoying the warm sunshine and watching Southern Right Whales in the bay. We enjoyed another delicious fish dinner at a local restaurant.

Day 8

Wednesday 18th September

Hermanus – Departure at Cape Town International for the UK.

We met up in the hotel foyer at 7.00am. The day was perfect, so we decided to go for a walk along the coast and look for whales before breakfast. We saw a couple of Southern Right Whales in front of the hotel but they weren't being very active so we walked on. There was no wind and all the smaller species were out and about. We had our first views of Bar-throated Apalis, sitting out on a branch and calling and there was a Spotted Eagle Owl on a nest on the cliff. We took some photos and headed back to the hotel for breakfast. By now the whales were showing nicely in front of us. Once everyone was packed and ready to go, we drove back along the coastal road past Rooi Els and stopped for coffee on the side of the road. We watched the birds and admired the fynbos for the last time before driving on through Strand and to Cape Town International Airport for the flight home.

Some of the group were booked on later flights, so went off for an afternoon birding before heading home.

Species Lists

Birds (✓=recorded but not counted; h = heard only; E = Endemic; NE = near endemic)

	Common name	Scientific name	September							
			11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
1	Common Ostrich	<i>Struthio camelus</i>		✓			✓			
2	African Penguin (E)	<i>Spheniscus demersus</i>		✓				✓		
3	Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>			✓					
4	Black-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>			✓					
5	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>			✓		✓	✓		
6	Shy Albatross	<i>Thalassarche cauta</i>				✓				
7	Black-browed Albatross	<i>Thalassarche melanophrys</i>				✓				
8	Southern Giant Petrel	<i>Macronectes giganteus</i>				✓			✓	
9	Northern Giant Petrel	<i>Macronectes halli</i>				✓				
10	White-chinned Petrel	<i>Procellaria aequinoctialis</i>				✓			✓	
11	Sooty Shearwater	<i>Puffinus griseus</i>	✓	✓		✓				
12	Wilson's Storm Petrel	<i>Oceanites oceanicus</i>				✓				
13	Great White Pelican	<i>Pelecanus onocrotalus</i>			✓					
14	Cape Gannet (E)	<i>Morus capensis</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓			
15	White-breasted Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax lucidus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
16	Cape Cormorant (E)	<i>Phalacrocorax capensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
17	Bank Cormorant (E)	<i>Phalacrocorax neglectus</i>						✓		
18	Reed Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax africanus</i>			✓	✓			✓	
19	Crowned Cormorant (E)	<i>Phalacrocorax coronatus</i>	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	
20	African Darter	<i>Anhinga rufa</i>			✓		✓			
21	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
22	Black-headed Heron	<i>Ardea melanocephala</i>			✓		✓	✓		✓
23	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>			✓					
24	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
25	Western Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	
26	Black-crowned Night-Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>					✓		✓	
27	Hamerkop	<i>Scopus umbretta</i>	✓							
28	White Stork	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>			✓					
29	African Sacred Ibis	<i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
30	Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>			✓		✓			
31	Hadedda Ibis	<i>Bostrychia hagedash</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
32	Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
33	Lesser Flamingo	<i>Phoeniconaias minor</i>			✓		✓		✓	
34	Egyptian Goose	<i>Alopochen aegyptiacus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
35	Yellow-billed Duck	<i>Anas undulata</i>		✓	✓		✓			
36	African Black Duck	<i>Anas sparsa</i>			✓					
37	Cape Teal	<i>Anas capensis</i>			✓		✓			
38	Hottentot Teal	<i>Anas hottentota</i>			✓					
39	Red-billed Teal	<i>Anas erythrorhyncha</i>			✓					
40	Cape Shoveler (E)	<i>Anas smithii</i>			✓		✓		✓	
41	Southern Pochard	<i>Netta erythrophthalma</i>			✓		✓			
42	Spur-winged Goose	<i>Plectropterus gambensis</i>	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
43	Maccoa Duck	<i>Oxyura maccoa</i>			✓					
44	Yellow-billed Kite	<i>Milvus aegyptius</i>			✓		✓		✓	✓
45	Black-shouldered Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>					✓			
46	Verreaux's Eagle	<i>Aquila verreauxii</i>					✓	✓		
47	Martial Eagle	<i>Polemaetus bellicosus</i>					✓			

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48	African Fish Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus vocifer</i>								✓
49	Steppe Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>		✓			✓			
50	Jackal Buzzard (E)	<i>Buteo rufofuscus</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	
51	Rufous-chested Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter rufiventris</i>				✓				
52	Black Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter melanoleucus</i>				✓				
53	African Marsh-Harrier	<i>Circus ranivorus</i>			✓					
54	Black Harrier (E)	<i>Circus maurus</i>					✓			
55	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>		✓				✓		
56	Rock Kestrel	<i>Falco rupicolis</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓		
57	Grey-winged Francolin (E)	<i>Scleroptila africanus</i>					✓			
58	Cape Francolin (E)	<i>Pternistes capensis</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
59	Helmeted Guineafowl	<i>Numida meleagris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
60	Blue Crane (E)	<i>Anthropoides paradiseus</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓
61	African Purple Swamphen	<i>Porphyrio madagascariensis</i>			✓		✓			
62	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>			✓		✓		✓	
63	Red-knobbed Coot	<i>Fulica cristata</i>			✓		✓		✓	✓
64	Denham's Bustard	<i>Neotis denhami</i>							✓	
65	Southern Black Korhaan (E)	<i>Eupodotis afra</i>					✓			
66	African Black Oystercatcher (E)	<i>Haematopus moquini</i>		✓		✓	✓		✓	✓
67	White-fronted Plover	<i>Charadrius marginatus</i>					✓			
68	Kittlitz's Plover	<i>Charadrius pecuarius</i>		✓			✓		✓	
69	Three-banded Plover	<i>Charadrius tricollaris</i>			✓		✓		✓	
70	Crowned Lapwing	<i>Vanellus coronatus</i>					✓		✓	
71	Blacksmith Lapwing	<i>Vanellus armatus</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
72	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>			✓					
73	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>			✓					
74	Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>					✓			
75	Ruff	<i>Calidris pugnax</i>			✓					
76	Common Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>		✓					✓	
77	Pied Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>		✓	✓		✓		✓	
78	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓			
79	Water Thick-Knee	<i>Burhinus vermiculatus</i>			✓			h		
80	Sub-Antarctic Skua	<i>Stercorarius antarcticus</i>				✓			✓	
81	Cape Gull	<i>Larus vetula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
82	Grey-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus</i>			✓					
83	Hartlaub's Gull (E)	<i>Chroicocephalus hartlaubii</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
84	Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>					✓			
85	Swift Tern	<i>Sterna bergii</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
86	Sandwich Tern	<i>Sterna sandvicensis</i>		✓					✓	✓
87	Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>		✓			✓		✓	✓
88	Arctic Tern	<i>Sterna paradisaea</i>							✓	
89	Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>			✓		✓	✓		✓
90	Speckled Pigeon	<i>Columba guinea</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
91	African Olive Pigeon	<i>Columba arquatrix</i>	✓							
92	Red-eyed Dove	<i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
93	Cape Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia capicola</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	
94	Laughing Dove	<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>					✓	✓	✓	
95	Namaqua Dove	<i>Oena capensis</i>					✓			
96	Lemon Dove	<i>Columba larvata</i>	✓							
97	Spotted Eagle Owl	<i>Bubo africanus</i>	✓	✓		✓				✓
98	African Black Swift	<i>Apus barbatus</i>					✓			✓

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			11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
99	White-rumped Swift	<i>Apus caffer</i>					✓			
100	Little Swift	<i>Apus affinis</i>					✓			
101	Speckled Mousebird	<i>Colius striatus</i>			✓					
102	White-backed Mousebird (E)	<i>Colius colius</i>			✓		✓			
103	Red-faced Mousebird	<i>Urocolius indicus</i>			✓		✓		✓	
104	Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>							✓	
105	Malachite Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo cristata</i>			✓					
106	African Hoopoe	<i>Upupa africana</i>							✓	
107	Large-billed Lark (E)	<i>Galerida magnirostris</i>					✓			
108	White-throated Swallow	<i>Hirundo albigularis</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
109	Pearl-breasted Swallow	<i>Hirundo dimidiata</i>					✓			
110	Greater Striped Swallow (E)	<i>Cecropis cucullata</i>					✓	✓	✓	
111	Rock Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne fuligula</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
112	Brown-throated Martin	<i>Riparia paludicola</i>		✓			✓			
113	Banded Martin	<i>Riparia cincta</i>					✓			
114	Black Saw-wing	<i>Psolidoprocne holomelas</i>						✓		
115	Fork-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>				✓		✓	✓	
116	Pied Crow	<i>Corvus albus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
117	House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>	✓							
118	White-necked Raven	<i>Corvus albicollis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
119	Grey Tit (E)	<i>Parus afer</i>						h		
120	Cape Bulbul (E)	<i>Pycnonotus capensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
121	Sombre Greenbul	<i>Andropadus importunus</i>	✓					h		
122	Olive Thrush	<i>Turdus olivaceus</i>	✓	h		✓		✓		
123	Cape Rock Thrush (E)	<i>Monticola rupestris</i>						✓		✓
124	Capped Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe pileata</i>					✓		✓	✓
125	Familiar Chat	<i>Cercomela familiaris</i>		✓				✓		
126	Ant-eating Chat (E)	<i>Myrmecocichla formicivora</i>					✓			
127	African Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquata</i>			✓			✓	✓	
128	Cape Robin Chat	<i>Cossypha caffra</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
129	Cape Rock Jumper (E)	<i>Chaetops frenatus</i>						✓		
130	Karoo Scrub Robin (E)	<i>Erythropygia coryphoeus</i>					✓			
131	Chestnut-vented Tit-babbler (NE)	<i>Parisoma subcaeruleum</i>					✓			
132	Lesser Swamp Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus gracilirostris</i>			✓					
133	Little Rush Warbler	<i>Bradypterus baboecala</i>			✓					
134	Victorin's Warbler (E)	<i>Bradypterus victorini</i>						h		
135	Bar-throated Apalis	<i>Apalis thoracica</i>					✓		✓	✓
136	Long-billed Crombec	<i>Sylvietta rufescens</i>					✓			
137	Cape Grassbird (E)	<i>Sphenoeacus afer</i>		✓			✓	✓		
138	Grey-backed Cisticola (NE)	<i>Cisticola subruficapillus</i>		✓	✓		✓	h		h
139	Levaillant's Cisticola	<i>Cisticola tinniens</i>			✓					
140	Neddicky	<i>Cisticola fulvicapillus</i>						✓		
141	Karoo Prinia (E)	<i>Prinia maculosa</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
142	African Dusky Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa adusta</i>			✓		✓			
143	Fiscal Flycatcher (E)	<i>Sigelus silens</i>		✓						
144	Cape Batis (E)	<i>Batis capensis</i>				✓		✓		
145	African Paradise Flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone viridis</i>				h				
146	Cape Wagtail	<i>Motacilla capensis</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
147	African Pipit	<i>Anthus cinnamomeus</i>					✓		✓	
148	Cape Longclaw (E)	<i>Macronyx capensis</i>			✓					
149	Common Fiscal	<i>Lanius collaris</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓

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150	Southern Boubou (E)	<i>Laniarius ferrugineus</i>	h						✓	
151	Bokmakierie (E)	<i>Telophorus zeylonus</i>		✓			✓		✓	
152	Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
153	Pied Starling (E)	<i>Spreo bicolor</i>					✓			
154	Red-winged Starling	<i>Onychognathus morio</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
155	Cape Sugarbird (E)	<i>Promerops cafer</i>	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓
156	Malachite Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia famosa</i>	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓
157	Orange-breasted Sunbird (E)	<i>Nectarinia violacea</i>	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓
158	Southern Double-collared Sunbird (E)	<i>Nectarinia chalybea</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
159	Amethyst Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia amethystina</i>				✓				
160	Cape White-eye (E)	<i>Zosterops pallidus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
161	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
162	Cape Sparrow (NE)	<i>Passer melanurus</i>			✓		✓		✓	✓
163	Cape Weaver (E)	<i>Ploceus capensis</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
164	Southern Masked Weaver	<i>Ploceus velatus</i>			✓		✓	✓		
165	Southern Red Bishop	<i>Euplectes orix</i>					✓	✓	✓	
166	Yellow Bishop	<i>Euplectes capensis</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	
167	Common Waxbill	<i>Estrilda astrild</i>		✓	✓	✓			✓	
168	Sweet Waxbill (E)	<i>Estrilda melanotis</i>	✓					✓		✓
169	Pin-tailed Whydah	<i>Vidua macroura</i>			✓			✓		
170	Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	✓			✓				
171	Cape Canary	<i>Serinus canicollis</i>	✓	✓		✓	h	✓	✓	✓
172	Forest Canary (E)	<i>Serinus scotops</i>	✓							
173	Cape Siskin (E)	<i>Pseudochloroptila totta</i>						✓		
174	Brimstone Canary	<i>Serinus sulphuratus</i>		✓	✓					
175	Yellow Canary (NE)	<i>Serinus flaviventris</i>					✓			
176	White-throated Canary (NE)	<i>Serinus albogularis</i>					✓			
177	Streaky-headed Seed-Eater	<i>Serinus gularis</i>						✓		
178	Cape Bunting (NE)	<i>Emberiza capensis</i>		✓			✓	✓		h

Mammals

1	Rock Hyrax	<i>Procavia capensis</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	
2	Chacma Baboon	<i>Papio ursinus</i>						✓		
3	Eastern Grey Squirrel	<i>Sciurus carolinensis</i>				✓				
4	Four-striped Grass Mouse	<i>Rhabdomys pumilio</i>				✓				
5	Bryde's Whale	<i>Balaenoptera edeni</i>			✓				✓	
6	Humpback Whale	<i>Magaptera novaeangliae</i>		✓		✓			✓	
7	Southern Right Whale	<i>Balaena glacialis</i>							✓	✓
8	Bontebok	<i>Damaliscus dorcas dorcas</i>		✓						
9	Common Duiker	<i>Sylvicapra grimmia</i>					✓			
10	Eland	<i>Taurotragus oryx</i>					✓			
11	Klipspringer	<i>Oreotragus oreotragus</i>						✓		
12	Springbok	<i>Antidorcas marsupialis</i>					✓	✓		
13	Steenbok	<i>Raphicerus campestris</i>					✓			
14	Grey Rhebok	<i>Pelea capreolus</i>							✓	
15	Cape Mountain Zebra	<i>Equus zebra zebra</i>					✓			
16	Small Grey Mongoose	<i>Galerella pulverulenta</i>		✓	✓	✓		✓		
17	Cape Fur Seal	<i>Arctocephalus pusillus</i>		✓		✓			✓	
18	Cape Buffalo	<i>Syncerus caffer</i>					✓			
19	Karoo Bush Rat	<i>Myotomys unisculatus</i>					✓			

Other Taxa

Great White Shark, *Carcharodon carcharias*

Copper (Bronze Whaler) Shark, *Carcharhinus brachyurus*

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Sea Spider iris (*Ferraria crispa*)



Spotted Eagle Owl



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