



Paddyfield Warbler. Small Aksuat, Naurzum NR, Kazakhstan. 29 July 2010.
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List of *Acrocephalus* with References

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Cape Verde Warbler

- Acrocephalus brevipennis*** [*Calamodyta brevipennis*, Keulemans 1866, São Nicolau, Cape Verde Islands].
- São Tiago, São Nicolau & Fogo. Probably extinct on Brava (all Cape Verde Islands).
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Greater Swamp Warbler

Acrocephalus rufescens [*Bradypterus rufescens*, Sharpe and Bouvier 1876, Landana, Cabinda, Angola].

[*A.r. rufescens*] Ghana, S Togo, S Benin, Nigeria, Cameroon, Bioko I (Fernandóo Po), N Central African Republic & NW DR Congo.

[*A.r. senegalensis*] Senegal & Gambia.

[*A.r. chadensis*] Lake Chad and environs.

[*A.r. ansorgei*] NW Angola & S Sudan S to Uganda, Rwanda & adjacent E DR Congo, W Kenya, Zambia, NE Namibia, extreme N Botswana & W Zimbabwe.

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Lesser Swamp Warbler

Acrocephalus gracilirostris [*Calamoherpe gracilirostris*, Hartlaub 1864, Liesbeek River, South Africa].

[*A.g. gracilirostris*] SE Zimbabwe, S Mozambique, S to S Namibia & South Africa.

[*A.g. cunenensis*] SW Angola & N Namibia E to N Botswana, SW Zambia & W Zimbabwe.

[*A.g. winterbottomi*] E Angola E to N & NW Zambia and SW Tanzania.

[*A.g. leptorhynchus*] Tanzania, S Zaire & Angola to Mozambique.

[*A.g. parvus*] SW Ethiopia S to Kenya, N Tanzania, Rwanda & Burundi.

[*A.g. jacksoni*] W Kenya, Uganda & S Sudan.

[*A.g. tsanae*] NW Ethiopia.

[*A.g. neglectus*] W Chad.

Other names: Swamp Warbler, Lesser Swamp Reed-warbler, African Swamp-warbler, Cape Reed Warbler.

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Madagascar Swamp Warbler

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Seychelles Warbler

Acrocephalus sechellensis [*Ellisia sechellensis*, Oustalet 1877, Marianne Island, Seychelles].

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Other name: Seychelles Brush-Warbler, Seychelles Swamp-warbler.

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Rodrigues Warbler

Acrocephalus rodericanus [*Drymoeca? rodericana*, A. Newton 1865, Rodrigues Island].

Rodrigues Island (Mascarene Islands, W Indian Ocean).

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Great Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus arundinaceus [*Turdus arundinaceus*, Linnaeus 1758, Gdańsk, Poland].

[*A.a. arundinaceus*] NW Africa, Continental Europe, Turkey & The Levant E to Caspian Sea & Volga basin. Winters Africa S of Sahara.

[*A.a. zarudnyi*] N Iraq, Iran and E from the Caspian Sea to Altai, NW Mongolia & W China. Winters Africa S of Sahara.

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Oriental Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus orientalis [*Salicaria turdina orientalis*, Temminck and Schlegel 1847, Japan].

C Mongolia & SE Russia S to N & E China, Korea, Sakhalin Island & Japan. Winters mainly SE Asia to Greater Sundas, Philippines & Wallacea.

Other name: Eastern Great Reed Warbler.

1st WP Record: 28 February 1988. Eilat, Israel. Remained until 13 April (Shirihai 1996).

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Clamorous Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus stentoreus [*Curruca stentorea*, Hemprich and Ehrenberg 1833, Dumyât, north Egypt].
[*A.s. stentoreus*] Egypt, Sinai & The Levant.
[*A.s. brunnescens*] NE Sudan, NW Somalia, Arabian Peninsula and from SC Kazakhstan S to S Iraq & Iran and E to N Indian Subcontinent. Winters peninsular India.
[*A.s. meridionalis*] S India & Sri Lanka.
[*A.s. amyae*] NE India E to N Myanmar & S China.
[*A.s. siebersi*] W Java.
[*A.s. harterti*] Philippines.
[*A.s. lentecaptus*] Borneo, C & E Java and Lombok & Sumbawa (W Lesser Sundas).
[*A.s. celebensis*] S Sulawesi.
[*A.s. sumbae*] Buru (S Moluccas) and Sumba & Timor (C & E Lesser Sundas) to New Guinea, Bismarck Archipelago & Solomon Islands.
Other names: Indian Great Reed Warbler (*brunnescens*), Sri Lanka Great Reed Warbler (*meridionalis*), Assam Great Reed Warbler (*amyae*), Heinroth's Reed Warbler (*celebensis*).
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Australian Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus australis [*Calamoherpe australis*, Gould 1838, Parramatta, New South Wales, Australia].
[*A.a. australis*] E & SE Australia & Tasmania.
[*A.a. gouldi*] SW Australia.
[*A.a. carterae*] NW Australia.
Other name: Long-billed Reed Warbler.

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Millerbird

Acrocephalus familiaris [*Tatara familiaris*, Rothschild 1892, Laysan Island, Hawaii].
[*A.f. familiaris*] Formally Laysan, Hawaii. Extinct by 1923 following the introduction of the (European) Rabbit to the island.
[*A.f. kingi*] Nihoa, Hawaii.
Other names: Hawaiian Reed-warbler; Laysan Millerbird (*familiaris*), Nihoa Millerbird (*kingi*), Nihoa Warbler (*kingi*).

Nightingale Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus luscinius [*Thryothorus luscinius*, Quoy and Gaimard 1830, Guam].

[*A.l. luscinius*] Saipan & Alamagan Island (N Mariana Islands, W Pacific).

[*A.l. nijoi*] Aguijan (aka Agiguan), (N Mariana Islands, W Pacific).

[*A.l. yamashinae*] Formally Pagan Island, (N Mariana Islands, W Pacific). Presumed extinct since c.1980.

Nauru Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus rehsei [*Calamoherpe rehsei*, Finsch 1883, Nauru].

Nauru (Melanesia, W Pacific).

Other names: Finsch's Reed Warbler, Pleasant Warbler.

Friedrich Hermann Otto Finsch (1839-1917), German ethnographer, naturalist & traveller.

Finsch, O. 1883. On a new Reed-Warbler from the island of Nawodo, or Pleasant Island, in the Western Pacific. *Ibis* 5(1): 142-144.

Caroline Islands Warbler

Acrocephalus syrinx [*Sylvia syrinx*, Kittlitz 1835, Woleai Atoll, Caroline Islands].

Woleai, Lamotrek, Truk, Pohnpei, Nukuoro & Kosrae (Caroline Islands, W Pacific).

Other names: Carolinian Reed Warbler.

Bokikokiko

Acrocephalus aequinoctialis [*Sylvia aequinoctialis*, Latham 1790, Kiritimati (Christmas Island), E Polynesia].

[*A.a. aequinoctialis*] Kiritimati (North Line Islands, Kiribati, C Pacific).

[*A.a. pistor*] Teraina & formally Tabuaeran (North Line Islands, Kiribati, C Pacific). Presumed extinct on Tabuaeran.

Kiritimati formally known as Christmas Island.

Teraina formally known as Washington Island.

Tabuaeran formally known as Fanning Island.

Kiribati formally known as the Gilbert Islands.

Other names: Kiritimati Reed Warbler, Polynesian Reed Warbler, Christmas Island Warbler, Line Islands Reed Warbler, Equinoctial Warbler, Kokikokiko.

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Northern Marquesan Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus percernis [Wetmore 1919, Nuku Hiva, Marquesas Islands].

[*A.p. percernis*] Nuku Hiva (C Marquesas Islands, N French Polynesia, C Pacific).

[*A.p. postremus*] Hatutaa (N Marquesas Islands, N French Polynesia, C Pacific).

[*A.p. aquilonis*] Eiao (NW Marquesas Islands, N French Polynesia, C Pacific).

[*A.p. idae*] Ua Huka (C Marquesas Islands, N French Polynesia, C Pacific).

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Tahiti Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus caffer [*Sitta caffer*, Sparrman 1786, Tahiti].

[*A.c. caffer*] Tahiti (Windward group of Society Islands, S French Polynesia, SC Pacific).

[*A.c. longirostris*] Formally Moorea (Windward group of Society Islands, S French Polynesia, SC Pacific). Now extinct.

[*A.c. garretti*] Formally Huahine (Leeward group of Society Islands, S French Polynesia, SC Pacific).
Now extinct.

[*A.c. musae*] Formally Raiatea (Leeward group of Society Islands, S French Polynesia, SC Pacific).
Now extinct.

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Southern Marquesan Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus mendanae [Tristram 1883, Hivaoa or Tahuata, Marquesas Islands].

[*A.m. mendanae*] Hiva Oa & Tahuata (SC Marquesas Islands, N French Polynesia, C Pacific).

[*A.m. dido*] Ua Pou (C Marquesas Islands, N French Polynesia, C Pacific).

[*A.m. consobrina*] Moho Tani (S Marquesas Islands, N French Polynesia, C Pacific).

[*A.m. fatuhivae*] Fatu Hiva (S Marquesas Islands, N French Polynesia, C Pacific).

Previously treated as conspecific with Northern Marquesan Reed Warbler.

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Tuamotu Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus atyphus [*Conopoderas atypha*, Wetmore 1919, Fakarava, Tuamotu Archipelago].

[*A.a. atyphus*] Islands in N & W Tuamotu Archipelago (French Polynesia, S Pacific).

[*A.a. ravus*] Atolls in SE Tuamotu Archipelago (French Polynesia, S Pacific).

[*A.a. palmarum*] Anaa Island (WC Tuamotu Archipelago, French Polynesia, S Pacific).

[*A.a. niuensis*] Niau (NW Tuamotu Archipelago, French Polynesia, S Pacific).

[*A.a. eremus*] Makatea Island (NW Tuamotu Archipelago, French Polynesia, S Pacific).

[*A.a. flavidus*] Napuka Island (N Tuamotu Archipelago, French Polynesia, S Pacific).

Cook Islands Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus kerearako [*Acrocephalus vaughani kerearako*, Holyoak 1974, Mangaia, Cook Islands].

[*A.k. kerearako*] Mangaia (SE Cook Islands, S Pacific).

[*A.k. kaoko*] Mitiaro (SE Cook Islands, S Pacific).

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Rimatara Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus rimitarae [*Conopoderas vaughani rimitarae*, Murphy and Mathews 1929, Rimatara, Austral Islands].

Rimatara (Austral Islands, W French Polynesia, CS Pacific).

Henderson Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus taiti [Ogilvie-Grant 1913, Henderson Island, Pitcairn Islands].

Henderson Island (Pitcairn group, C Pacific).

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Pitcairn Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus vaughani [*Tatara vaughani*, Sharpe 1900, Pitcairn Island].
Pitcairn Island (C Pacific).

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Black-browed Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus bistrigiceps [Swinhoe 1860, Xiamen (Amoy), Fujian, China].
E Transbaicalia E to S Amurland, Ussuriland and Sakhalin, N Mongolia, C & E China, Korea & Hokkaido and Honshu. Winters S China, Indochina, NE India & Bangladesh.
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Moustached Warbler

Acrocephalus melanopogon [*Sylvia melanopogon*, Temminck 1823, near Rome, Italy].
[*A.m. melanopogon*] S Europe, NW Africa & Ukraine. Winters N Africa & the Levant.
[*A.m. mimicus*] Transcaspia, S Iran & S Iraq. Winters Azerbaijan to Tadzhikistan, E Saudi Arabia & NW India.
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Aquatic Warbler

Acrocephalus paludicola [*Sylvia paludicola* Vieillot, 1817, Lorraine and Picardy, north-east France]. Fragmented and localised thru E Germany, Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Belarus, Ukraine, Hungary & possibly as far E as the River Ob (Russia).

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Sedge Warbler

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Speckled Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus sorghophilus [*Calamodyta sorghophila*, Swinhoe 1863, Xiamen (Amoy), Fujian, China].
 Range largely unknown, possibly Liaoning & Hebei (NE China) and adjacent parts of Russian Far East. Winters Philippines.
 Other names: Streaked Reed Warbler, Chinese Reed Warbler.

Blunt-winged Warbler

Acrocephalus concinens [*Calamoherpe concinens*, Swinhoe 1870, Beijing, China].
 [*A.c. concinens*] N China. Winters S China, S Myanmar, Thailand & C Laos.
 [*A.c. haringtoni*] N Afghanistan, N Pakistan & Kashmir. Winters not clearly known.
 [*A.c. stevensi*] Plains of the R Brahmaputra (Assam, NE India) & adjacent parts of Bangladesh.
 Other names: Blunt-winged Paddyfield Warbler, Swinhoe's Reed Warbler.
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Manchurian Reed Warbler

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 Manchuria (NE China) & Ussuriland (SE Russia). Winters SE Asia.
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Large-billed Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus orinus [Oberholser, 1905, Himachal Pradesh, India].
 Riparian bushland along the Wakhan & Pamir Rivers in NE Afghanistan and adjacent SE Tajikistan.
 Winters not clearly known; possibly parts of Indian sub-continent & SE Asia.
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 Allan Octavian Hume (1826-1901), English theosophist, poet and writer on Indian birds.

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Paddyfield Warbler

Acrocephalus agricola [*Sylvia (acrocephalus) agricola*, Jerdon 1845, near Nellore, Tamil Nadu, India].

[*A.a. agricola*] Area surrounding Caspian & Aral Seas and W Mongolia, NW China, Tajikistan, E Iran & N Afghanistan. Winters Indian sub-continent.

[*A.a. septima*] Black Sea coast from Bulgaria & Romania to S Ukraine. Winters Indian sub-continent. Other name: Jerdon's Reed Warbler.

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Blyth's Reed Warbler

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Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus scirpaceus [*Turdus scirpaceus*, Hermann 1804, Alsace, France].

[*A.s. scirpaceus*] NW Africa & Europe E to C European Russia, Crimea & W Asia Minor. Winters Africa S of Sahara.

[*A.s. fuscus*] E & N Caspian, Caucasus, E Asia Minor, Cyprus & the Levant. Winters Africa S of Sahara.

[*A.s. avicenniae*] Coasts of S Red Sea, W Saharan Egypt & E Saharan Libya.

Other names: Eurasian Reed Warbler, Caspian Reed Warbler (*fuscus*), Mangrove Reed Warbler (*avicenniae*).

1st WP Record (*A.s. avicenniae*): November 2009. (near) Ain Safi, W Saharan Egypt. Jens Hering, Stefan Brehme, Elmar Fuchs and Hans Winkler. Definite ID by DNA analysis (Hering, J. *et al* 2010).

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African Reed Warbler

Acrocephalus baeticatus [*Sylvia baeticata*, Vieillot 1817, Knysna district, SE Western Cape, South Africa].

[*A.b. baeticatus*] S,C & E South Africa to Zimbabwe & E Botswana.

[*A.b. guiers*] Senegal & perhaps the Niger delta in Mali.

[*A.b. cinnamomeus*] S Senegal, S Mali, E Niger, Nigeria, Cameroon, Gabon, Chad and W & S Sudan E to Ethiopia & S Somalia and S to DR Congo, E Zambia, Malawi & Mozambique and possibly this race in Libya.

[*A.b. suahelicus*] Coastal Tanzania S to Mozambique & KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa).

[*A.b. hallae*] SW Angola, E to SW Zambia and S to Namibia, NW Botswana & W South Africa.

Other names: African Marsh Warbler, Rufescent Reed Warbler, Cinnamon Reed Warbler, Tropical African Reed Warbler, South African Reed-warbler (*baeticatus*).

1st WP Record: May 2008. Western Lakes, (near) Benghazi, Libya. Jens Hering, Stefan Brehme, Elmar Fuchs and Hans Winkler. Birds found breeding, definite ID by DNA analysis (Hering, J. *et al* 2010).

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Marsh Warbler

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C Europe & C European Russia. Winters E & SE Africa.

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