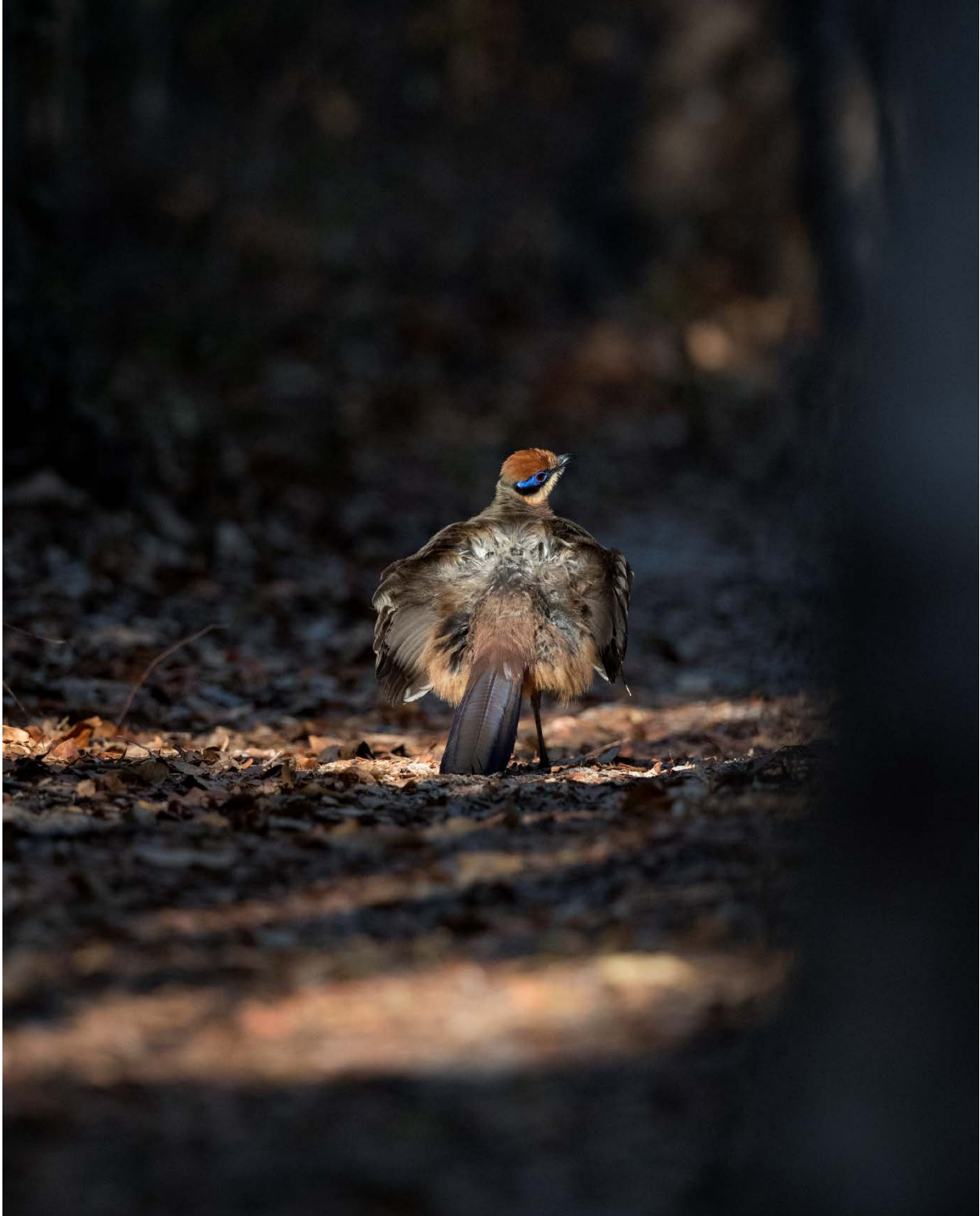


Birding Madagascar

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Red-capped Coua, sunbathing in Ankarafantsika National Park. Photo: Tomas Carlberg

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Note

The Danes (JH, ES, HW & HHA) started earlier, visiting Anjozorobe 30th October to 1st November and flew back to Tana one day later than the rest of the group. For a summary of their trip, see Appendix p. 26 (J. Hornskov & E. Schaumburg).

Itinerary

- 1.11 Flight from Europe to Antananarivo
- 2.11 Transport Antananarivo to Ankarafantsika NP
- 3.11 Ankarafantsika NP
- 4.11 Ankarafantsika NP
- 5.11 Bombetaka Bay/Betsiboka Delta
- 6.11 Transport Ankarafantsika to Antananarivo
- 7.11 Antananarivo to Andasibe-Mantadia NP
- 8.11 Mantadia
- 9.11 Iharoka
- 10.11 Andasibe-Mantadia NP; Analamazoatra
- 11.11 Andasibe-Mantadia NP; Analamazoatra to Antananarivo
- 12.11 Antananarivo to Ranomafana NP
- 13.11 Ranomafana NP
- 14.11 Ranomafana NP
- 15.11 Transport Ranomafana NP to Isalo Ranch
- 16.11 Isalo NP, Zombitse NP to Mangily/Ifaty
- 17.11 Ifaty Spiny Forest
- 18.11 La Table
- 19.11 Anakao, Nosy Ve, Reniala
- 20.11 Flight from Toliara to Antananarivo
- 21.11 Parc Tsarasaotra, Antananarivo
- 22.11 Early flight to Europe. Arrival back home.

Daily log

November 1st

Some of us (TC, JN, and RN) flew Air France from Arlanda, Stockholm at 06:00 to Paris, where we met OP (who flew from Gothenburg) and IF (flew from Manchester). An 11 hrs flight took us to Antananarivo, where we landed just before midnight. Once through after visa and passport control we met Zina at the airport. We stayed at IC Hotel and fell asleep at 01:30.

November 2nd

Woke up at 6, met the Danes (JH, ES, HW, and HHA), and had breakfast. Changed c. 400 Euro each and got 1 540 000 ariary... Departure at 7:30 heading north towards Ankarafantsika NP. Saw a male Malagasy Harrier c. 16 km south of Ankazobe (-18.45915, 47.160156), so stopped for birding there 9:45-10:05. Stop at 11:40 to buy sandwiches for lunch. Lunch with birding 12:55-13:15. Long transport today... Stopped for birding at bridge over Betsiboka River 16:30-17:30; highlight here were c. 20 Madagascan Pratincoles. Late arrival to Blue Vanga Lodge.

November 3rd

Ankarafantsika NP. Breakfast 5:30, departure at 6. Met local guide "Mr Gildas". Morning birding until lunch in dry forest (two different trails) successfully searching for Schlegel's Asity. Back for lunch at the lodge, siesta until 15. Back to the headquarter (HQ) in Ankarafantsika in the afternoon. Birding around HQ/road/bridge. We split into two groups and did boat tours at Lake Ravelobe, where we saw Humblot's Heron and a Crocodile. Looked for birds and mammals near the lodge 18:30-19:30.

November 4th

Ankarafantsika NP. Breakfast at 5, departure 5:35. Walked trail from HQ, main targets were Van Dam's Vanga and White-breasted Mesite; we managed to see both after some 'hard work'; totally 6 seen mesites and the vanga was bagged at 09:20. Birded until lunch and then back to Blue Vanga Lodge. Siesta until 15, today's temperature +35 degrees Celcius. Went to a wetland c. 1.7 km SSE of the village Beamilaka (-16.35179, 46.84229) to look for Madagascan Jacana (failed, but saw White-throated Rail and Baillon's Crake). Tried a second wetland in the vicinity, but no Jacana there. Went back to "wetland 1" and birded there until dusk. Still no jacana, but saw a Sooty Falcon flying by.

November 5th

We were served coffee and tea at 4:15, departure 4:30. Stopped after 2 hrs to look for Madagascar Sandgrouse 6:30-7:15 (failed, but saw some nice Madagascar Larks which pleased the photographers). Continued to Mahajanga, where we boarded a speedboat and had a productive trip in the Bombetaka Bay/Betsiboka Delta 8:30-11:45. Had a nice lunch (most of us had fish) at a hotel in Mahajanga. Then back to Blue Vanga Lodge. Afternoon spent at a nice wetland - Lake d'Amboromalandy, where we at last saw two Madagascar Jacanas.

November 6th

Long transport today. Left Blue Vanga Lodge at 5 for a c. 13 hours bus trip to our hotel in Tana; La Paoa Residence. Birding at a wetland (Amborondola Ponds) 5:50-7:15 while Zina arranged with a broken tyre. We saw Madagascar Swamp Warblers, African Pygmy Goose etc. Stopped *en route* for the Malagasy Harrier we had seen 2nd November, and this time we saw both a male and a female, and also Madagascar Snipe. Had an excellent dinner at the hotel.

November 7th

Had a lie-in this morning. Departure 8:15 heading for Andasibe-Mantadia NP. Arrived at Indri Lodge (our lodge for four nights) around 12, and had lunch. Out for birding after lunch, mainly along a road at Analamazoatra Reserve. Saw Madagascar Pygmy Kingfisher, Madagascar Owl, Rainforest Scops Owl and in a tree great views of hunting Ward's Flycatcher, Chabert Vanga, and Crested Drongo. Nightlighting gave us Goodman's Mouse Lemur.

November 8th

Andasibe-Mantadia NP. Breakfast at 5. We had 'technical problems' with one of our 4WD jeeps, so we had to change the programme. Instead for going to Iharoka we had a full day birding in Mantadia. We birded along roads and walked several trails. This was our "Big Ground Roller Day"; highlights were Scaly Ground Roller (at and near a nest), Short-legged Ground Roller (perched in a tree), Pitta-like Ground Roller (displaying), and Rufous-headed Ground Roller. We saw the rare (Critically Endangered) Black-and-white Ruffed Lemur, and Fidy impressed by discovering a brutally well camouflaged gecko. Our local guide found a Lowland Streaked Tenrec. We were back at the lodge around 17.

November 9th

Iharoka. Breakfast 5, departure 5:45 with three 4WD jeeps towards Iharoka. Did some stops *en route* for birding; got good views of Madagascar Rail and (only some of us) Madagascar Partridge. Started to walk at 7:15 through very nice forest. The main target today was Helmet Vanga. We walked uphill for c. 1.5 h. And waited. No Vanga... (I will not go into detail here, but this day was a major disappointment when it comes to the iconic Helmet Vanga, but the area offered some excellent birding, including Madagascar Ibis (seen by JN only), Yellow-bellied Sunbird Asity (seen by ES only), and a lovely pair of Collared Nightjars with two chicks.

November 10th

Andasibe-Mantadia NP. Analamazoatra Reserve. Breakfast at 5:15, departure 6. Short bus ride to park HQ. Walked trails in the forest until lunch. Worked hard – around two hours – before we managed to see the Rufous-breasted Coua. Brushy and warm inside the forest. Other highlights included superb views of six Indris (we also heard their fascinating calls). We had lunch and rest at a nearby pizzeria. Out on the trails again after lunch. A few raindrops fell but not more than that. Three Madagascar Wood Rails were attracted by our playback and showed nicely. A group of very charming Brown Lemurs showed well in the afternoon.

November 11th

Andasibe-Mantadia NP. Analamazoatra Reserve. Breakfast at 5:15, departure 6 for birding along road and in the forest around the 'Sacred Tree' and Orchid Garden until 9:10. Long transport and lunch S Tana. Arrived at Hotel Cristal at 18:30, after 9 hours bus ride (including a flat tyre).

November 12th

Breakfast at 7, departure 8, heading towards Ranomafana NP. Yet another long transport day, totally 11 hours. Brought picnic for lunch. A stop 1.25 hrs at a wetland – close to Reserve Villageois d'Ankazomivady – gave superb views of Madagascar Snipe. *En route* we saved the life of a Tailless Tenrec, which had been caught by some youngsters (we bought it and released it). Arrived to Hotel Cristo around 19; nice hotel with comfortable beds and good food. Heavy rain on arrival.

November 13th

Full day birding in Ranomafana NP with local guide, 22 years old Stephan (Jean-Chris's son). It was – unfortunately – raining more or less the whole day,

which hampered good birding. A tough day, walking up and down on the trails... New species among others were Grey-crowned Tetraka. Nightlighting 18-18:45 gave great views of some lemurs and chameleons.

November 14th

Ranomafana NP. Really bad luck with the weather... rain again, more or less the whole day. Birded the Vohiparara area. Today we all got mindblowing views of the Madagascan Ibis. Other new species were Grey Emutail, Brown Emutail, and Madagascan Yellowbrow. Local guides were father and son Jean-Chris and Stephan.

November 15th

Last morning in Ranomafana NP. Rain again... With local guide Jean-Chris. JN + TC went with Zina, Fidy and Jean-Chris for an early (departure 4:30) morning birding in the Vohiparara area to try see the Brown Mesite (failed). We were picked up by the rest of the group at 6:45 and continued SW towards Isalo. After a while driving we had sunshine again. We stopped at Parc Anja (Anja Community Reserve) 10:30-13 for lunch and to look for Ring-tailed Lemurs. Here we also saw the localised and newly described Bruno's Leaf Chameleon. After lunch we continued through a pretty nice landscape with vast grasslands and high mountains. Birding in the area c. 500 m NE Isalo Rock Lodge (-22.616929, 45.362177), not far from Isalo Ranch, gave a male and female 'Benson's Rock Thrush'. Reached our hotel Isalo Ranch at dusk. Nice hotel with good food.

November 16th

Some of us woke up at 03:00 when a pair of White-browed Hawk-Owls were calling outside our bungalows. Left at 5:30 to look for Madagascan Partridge (failed despite intensive effort at two different spots until 08:00). Visited Zombitse NP 10-12, where we on arrival saw a flying Cuckoo Roller and a Crested Coua, and later Appert's Tetraka, Giant Coua and two White-browed Hawk-Owls on day roost. Other highlights were a Rufous Vanga at nest, and Verreaux's Sifaka. At lunch time stop to look for Madagascan Sandgrouse – we found a group of 65 with help from a local guide. It was a very warm day, approx. +39 degrees C. We continued and passed through the 'sapphire town' Andalanabo, and after Toliara we stopped at the Ifaty Salt Pans, between Toliara and Mangily. After a while we found Madagascan Plover – a pair with a chick, we also saw White-fronted Plover. Finally we reached our fancy Hotel La Bella Donna, by the sea. A Madagascan Nightjar performed well at dusk.

November 17th

Departure at 4:45, driving a short distance to Ifaty Spiny Forest, where our local guides and spotters after some effort found all our target species: Subdesert Mesite, Lafresnaye's Vanga, Thamnornis, Long-tailed Ground Roller, Archbold's Newtonia, Running Coua, and Madagascan Sparrowhawk, A nice morning! Back to La Bella Donna Hotel at 9:15 for breakfast and relax and lunch. Out again at 14:00, birding along road (scanning the shores) and finally visiting Lake Belanda. After birding transport to our hotel Victoria in Toliara.

November 18th

Departure at 5 (without breakfast) to La Table, where we birded until 8:30. We (that is our local guide) found our main target Red-shouldered Vanga before 06:00. Also Verreaux's Coua was easily found. After that we visited the Arboretum until 10:30, together with a very nice local guide who knew plants. Back to Victoria for breakfast. Free afternoon and relax until 18:00, when we returned to the Arboretum for nightlighting, saw e.g. Grey-brown Mouse Lemur.

November 19th

We went by boat to the fishing village Anakao, where Littoral Rock Thrush was easy to see, as well as Subdesert Brush Warbler. We then continued to the island Nosy Ve, home to a colony of Red-tailed Tropicbirds. It was very pleasant to walk around here, and we also had time for a refreshing swim in the ocean.

In the afternoon birding in a spiny forest called Reniala. Good species were Madagascan Harrier-Hawk (a pair) and Subdesert Mesite (a male at nest). At dusk some of us (TC, RN) joined a night walk in Reniala and got superb views of a Torotoroka Scops Owl.

November 20th

Morning flight from Toliara to Antananarivo. Time for relax and shopping in Tana after lunch.

November 21st

Nice birding at Parc Tsarasaotra in Tana 06:00-10:00, with Meller's Duck and Malagasy Pond Heron. Late evening transport to the airport for flight back to Europe.

November 22nd

Stopovers in Nairobi (where IF & RN saw 6 Superb Starlings) and Amsterdam. Arrival in Stockholm, Arlanda for TC, JN and RN, Gothenburg (OP), and Manchester (IF).

List of birds

We noted 182 species of birds (1 heard only) 2-21st November, and totally 187 species including birds seen by the danes on their extra days.

Taxonomy: Gill, F & D Donsker (Eds). 2018. IOC World Bird List (v8.2).

Ducks, Geese & Swans *Anatidae*

White-faced Whistling Duck *Dendrocygna viduata*
8 Ankarafantsika (4/11), 40 Betsiboka Delta (5/11), 4 (16/11), 14 Belalanda (17/11), and 100+ Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

African Pygmy Goose *Nettapus auritus*
16 Amborondola ponds (6/11).

Hottentot Teal *Spatula hottentota*
18 Lake Belalanda (17/11) and 10 Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

Meller's Duck *Anas melleri* (EN) Endemic
4 Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

Red-billed Teal *Anas erythrorhyncha*
25 (2/11), 83 Betsiboka Delta and 60 Lake d'Amboromalandy (5/11), 275 (6/11), 4+20 Andasibe-Mantadia (8-9/11), 3 (12/11), 51 (16/11), 3 (17/11), and c. 100 Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

Bernier's Teal *Anas bernieri* (EN) Endemic
1 Betsiboka Delta (5/11).



Bernier's Teal

Guineafowl *Numididae*

Helmeted Guineafowl *Numida meleagris*
1 Ankarafantsika (3/11) and 3 (16/11).
Note: Introduced species.

Pheasants, Grouse, and Allies *Phasianidae*

Madagascan Partridge *Margaroperdix madagarensis*
2 en route to Iharoka (9/11), but unfortunately only seen by few (e.g. ES).

Grebes *Podicipedidae*

Little Grebe *Tachybaptus ruficollis capensis*
48 at Lake Belalanda (17/11).

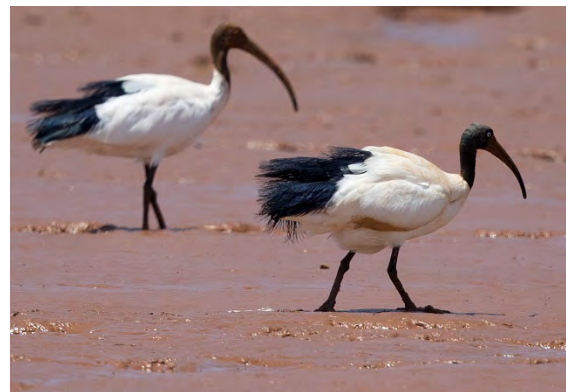
Madagascan Grebe *Tachybaptus pelzelinii* (VU) Endemic
4 Lake Ravelobe (3/11), 1 (6/11), and 1 ad + 3 juv Mantadia (8/11).

Tropicbirds *Phaethontidae*

Red-tailed Tropicbird *Phaethon rubricauda rubricauda*
8 ad + 3 juv Nosy Ve (19/11).

Ibises, Spoonbills *Threskiornithidae*

Malagasy Sacred Ibis *Threskiornis bernieri bernieri*
6 Betsiboka Delta (5/11).
Note: ssp. *abbotti* occur at Aldabra I, Seychelles.



Malagasy Sacred Ibis

Glossy Ibis *Plegadis falcinellus*
17 Lake d'Amboromalandy (5/11).

Madagascan Ibis *Lophotibis cristata cristata* (NT) Endemic
2 Iharoka (9/11, JN only), 2 Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11), and 1 Ranomafana (14/11).
Note: Decreasing population trend, currently 6,700 mature individuals, according to IUCN.

African Spoonbill *Platalea alba*
1 Lake Ravelobe (3/11, seen by few only).

Hérons, Egrets, and Bitterns *Ardeidae*

Black-crowned Night Heron *Nycticorax nycticorax nycticorax*
17 Betsiboka Delta (5/11), 1 (6/11), 3 (11/11), 20 (12/11), 3 + 1 Ranomafana (13-14/11), and 25+ Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

Striated Heron *Butorides striata rutenbergi*
8 Lake Ravelobe (3/11), 10 (4/11), 10 Betsiboka Delta (5/11), and 3 (6/11).

Squacco Heron *Ardeola ralloides*
60 Lake Ravelobe (3/11), 15 (4/11), 8 Betsiboka Delta (5/11), 10 (6/11), 1 Lake Belalanda 17/11, and common at Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

Malagasy Pond Heron *Ardeola idea* (EN) Endemic
2 ad Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

Western Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis*
Common to fairly common, noted on 10 days, e.g. 10 *en route* (2/11), and c. 600 Lake Ravelobe (3/11).



Western Cattle Egret

Grey Heron *Ardea cinerea firsaa*
5 Betsiboka Delta (5/11) and 1 Nosy Ve (19/11).

Humblot's Heron *Ardea humbloti* (EN) Endemic
1 Lake Ravelobe (3/11) and 1 Amborondolo Ponds (6/11, JH only).

Purple Heron *Ardea purpurea madagascariensis*
4 Lake Ravelobe (3/11), 2 Betsiboka Delta (5/11), 2 (6/11), 1 (7/11), 1 (12/11), 1 Ranomafana (13/11), and 2 *en route* (15/11).



Humblot's Heron



Dimorphic Egrets



Great Egret *Ardea alba melanorhynchos*
1 Ankarafantsika (4/11), 75 Betsiboka Delta (5/11), fairly common (6/11), 5 (//11), 4 (11/11), 30 (12/11), 1 Ranomafana (14/11), and 5 Tana (21/11).

Black Heron *Egretta ardesiaca*
150 Lake d'Amboromalandy (5/11), 5 (6/11), 70 (11/11), and 5 Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

Dimorphic Egret *Egretta dimorpha*
1 (2/11), 1 Lake Ravelobe (3/11), 1 (4/11), 40 (5/11), c. 200 *en route* (12/11), 4 Lake Belalanda (17/11), 20 (19/11), and common at Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

Hamerkop *Scopidae*

Hamerkop *Scopus umbretta umbretta*
1 (2/11), 10 (6/11), 2 (11/11), 2 (12/12), 3 (15/11), and 1 (16/11).

Cormorants and Shags *Phalacrocoracidae*

Reed Cormorant *Microcarbo africanus pictilis*
1 Lake Ravelobe (3/11).

Kites, Hawks & Eagles *Accipitridae*

Madagascar Harrier-Hawk *Polyboroides radiatus*
Endemic
1 (2/11), 3 Ankarafantsika (3/11), 1 Parc Anja (15/11), and 1 pair Reniala (19/11).

Madagascar Cuckoo-Hawk *Aviceda madagascariensis* Endemic
1 *en route* (2/11) and 1 Mantadia (8/11).

Frances's Sparrowhawk *Accipiter francesiae francesiae*
2+1 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), and 2 Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11).



Frances's Sparrowhawk

Madagascar Sparrowhawk *Accipiter madagascariensis* (NT) Endemic
1 at nest Ifaty Spiny Forest (17/11).

Henst's Goshawk *Accipiter henstii* (NT) Endemic
1 heard Analamazoatra Reserve (7/11), 1 heard Ranomafana (13/11), and 1 seen Ranomafana (14/11).

Malagasy Harrier *Circus macroscyles* (VU)
Note: Endemic to Madagascar & Comores
1 male c. 16 km S Ankazobe (2/11), and 1 pair there 6/11.

Yellow-billed Kite *Milvus aegyptius parasitus*
Fairly common and noted with 1 up to 25 during 13 days, first sighting 20 *en route* (2/11).

Madagascar Fish Eagle *Haliaeetus vociferoides* (CR) Endemic
1 ad + immature Lake Ravelobe (3-4/11).



Madagascar Fish Eagle

Madagascar Buzzard *Buteo brachypterus* Endemic
Totally 15 noted during 11 days (often *en route*): 2 (2/11), 2 + 2 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 1 (6/11), 2 Iharoka (9/11), 1 Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11), 1 (11/11), 1 (12/11), 1 Ranomafana (13/11), 1 (15/11), and 1 (16/11).

Mesites *Mesitornithidae*

White-breasted Mesite *Mesitornis variegatus* (VU) Endemic
6 seen + 2 heard Ankarafantsika (4/11).

Brown Mesite *Mesitornis unicolor* (VU) Endemic
Heard only: 1 Ranomafana (13/11).

Subdesert Mesite *Monias benschi* (VU) Endemic
Male + female Ifaty Spiny Forest (17/11) and 1 male at nest Reniala (19/11).



White-breasted Mesite



Madagascar Wood Rail



Subdesert Mesite



Madagascar Rail

Flufftails *Sarothruridae*

Madagascar Wood Rail *Canirallus kiolooides kiolooides* Endemic
5 Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11).

Madagascar Flufftail *Sarothrura insularis* Endemic
1 heard (9/11), 1 seen (not by all) + 2 heard Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11), and 1 seen Vohiparara (14/11).



White-throated Rail

Rails, Crakes & Coots *Rallidae*

Madagascar Rail *Rallus madagascariensis* (VU) Endemic
1 *en route* to Iharoka (9/11).

White-throated Rail *Dryolimnas cuvieri cuvieri*
2 seen + 2 heard at the wetland SSE Beamilaka (4/11), 1 heard Mantadia (8/11), 1 heard (9/11), 1 (11/11), and 4 Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

Baillon's Crake *Porzana pusilla intermedia*
2 seen (in flight) at the wetland SSE Beamilaka (4/11) and 1 at a roadside wetland close to Reserve Villageois d'Ankazomivady (12/11, seen by few).

Common Moorhen *Gallinula chloropus pyrrhorhoa*
5 at the wetland SSE Beamilaka (4/11), 20 (6/11), 1 (7/11), 2 Mantadia (8/11), and 8 Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

Buttonquails *Turnicidae*

Madagascar Buttonquail *Turnix nigricollis* Endemic
2 Ankarafantsika (3/11) and 1 Ifaty Spiny Forest (17/11).

Crab-plover *Dromadidae*

Crab-plover *Dromas ardeola*

1 Betsiboka Delta (5/11, seen by RN only).

Stilts and Avocets *Recurvirostridae*

Black-winged Stilt *Himantopus himantopus*

4 Lake d'Amboromalandy (5/11), 3 Ifaty Salt Pans (16/11), c. 70 Lake Belanda (17/11), and 5 (19/11).

Plovers and Lapwings *Charadriidae*

Grey Plover *Pluvialis squatarola*

1 Betsiboka Delta (5/11) and 20 Anakao-Nosy Ve (19/11).

Common Ringed Plover *Charadrius hiaticula tundra*

2 Betsiboka Delta (5/11) and 3 Lake Belanda (17/11).

Madagascan Plover *Charadrius thoracicus* (VU) Endemic

2 ad + 1 juv Ifaty Salt Pans (16/11).

Kittlitz's Plover *Charadrius pecuarius*

8 Ifaty Salt Pans (16/11) and 14 Lake Belanda (17/11).

Three-banded Plover *Charadrius tricollaris bifrontatus*

1 Ifaty Salt Pans (16/11) and 4 (17/11).

Note: HBW/Birdlife split this taxon into the endemic Madagascar Three-banded Plover *Charadrius bifrontatus*.



Three-banded Plover

White-fronted Plover *Charadrius marginatus tenellus*

1 Ifaty Salt Pans (16/11), 2 (17/11, seen by few), and 2 Nosy Ve (19/11, seen by few).

Greater Sand Plover *Charadrius leschenaultia scythicus*

11 Betsiboka Delta (5/11).

Painted-Snipes *Rostratulidae*

Greater Painted-snipe *Rostratula benghalensis*

8 Lake Ravelobe (4/11).

Jacanas *Jacanidae*

Madagascan Jacana *Actophilornis albinucha*

2 Lake d'Amboromalandy (5/11) and 1 Amborondola Ponds (6/11).

Sandpipers and Allies *Scolopacidae*

Whimbrel *Numenius phaeopus*

15 Betsiboka Delta (5/11), 15 Lake Belanda (17/11), and 15 Nosy Ve (19/11).

Ruddy Turnstone *Arenaria interpres*

2 Nosy Ve (19/11).

Curlew Sandpiper *Calidris ferruginea*

1 Betsiboka Delta (5/11) and c. 110 Lake Belanda (17/11).

Sanderling *Calidris alba*

20 Betsiboka Delta (5/11), 10 Lake Belanda (17/11), and 10 Nosy Ve (19/11).

Madagascan Snipe *Gallinago macrodactyla* (VU) Endemic

1 c. 16 km S Ankazobe (6/11) and superb views of 2 at a roadside wetland close to Reserve Villageois d'Ankazomivady (12/11).

Terek Sandpiper *Xenus cinereus*

9 Betsiboka Delta (5/11).

Common Sandpiper *Actitis hypoleucos*

1 (2/11), 1 Lake Ravelobe (3/11), 2 Betsiboka Delta (5/11), 2 (6/11), and 2 Lake Belanda (17/11).

Green Sandpiper *Tringa ochropus*

1 Lake Ravelobe (3/11, not seen by all).



Madagascar Snipe

Common Greenshank *Tringa nebularia*
5 Betsiboka Delta (5/11), 20 Lake Belalanda (17/11), and 2 Nosy Ve (19/11).

Pratincoles and Coursers *Glareolidae*

Madagascar Pratincole *Glareola ocularis*
25 Betsiboka River (2/11) and 5 at the same place (6/11, where the bridge crosses the river).



Madagascar Pratincole

Gulls, Terns & Skimmers *Laridae*

Caspian Tern *Hydroprogne caspia*
1 Ifaty Salt Pans (17/11 and 19/11)

Greater Crested Tern *Thalasseus bergii thalassinus*
1 Betsiboka Delta (5/11) and 2 Nosy Ve (19/11).

Lesser Crested Tern *Thalasseus bengalensis*
c. 60 Nosy Ve (19/11).

Common Tern *Sterna hirundo*
3 Nosy Ve (19/11).

Sandgrouse *Pteroclididae*

Madagascar Sandgrouse *Pterocles personatus*
Endemic
A flock of 65 at lunch time *en route* to Toliara (16/11).

Pigeons and Doves *Columbidae*

Rock Dove *Columba livia*
20 Tana (2/11), 20 Mahajanga (5/11), seen *en route* (15/11), and 2 (17/11).

Malagasy Turtle Dove *Nesoenas picturatus picturatus*
Totally 46 noted during 11 days: 4+10 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 2 (6/11), 3 (7/11), 3 Mantadia (8/11), 2 Iharoka (9/11), 4 Analamazoatra (10/11), 1 (12/11), 12 Ifaty-Lake Belalanda (17/11), 1 La Table (18/11), 4 (19/11).

Namaqua Dove *Oena capensis aliena*
Totally 49 / 9 days: 2 (2/11), 6 + 4 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 10 (5/11), 4 (6/11), 6 (16/11), 6 (17/11), 10 La Table (18/11), and 1 (19/11).

Madagascar Green Pigeon *Treron australis xenius*
Endemic
1 *en route* (2/11), 4 +1 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 2 (5/11), 1 (6/11), and 2 La Table (18/11).

Madagascar Blue Pigeon *Alectroenas madagascariensis* Endemic
2 Mantadia (8/11, not seen by all), 2 Analamazoatra Reserve (11/11, not seen by all), and 1 Ranomafana (13/11).

Cuckoos *Cuculidae*

Malagasy Coucal *Centropus toulou*
Totally 95 noted during 19 days (1 to 10 daily). First 1 heard (2/11) and 6+10 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11).

Crested Coua *Coua cristata* Endemic
 3+3 ssp. *dumonti* Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 2 ssp. *pyropyga* Zombitse NP (16/11), 1 ssp. *pyropyga* Ifaty Spiny Forest (17/11), and 2 ssp. *pyropyga* Reniala (19/11).

Note: HBW treats *pyropyga* as a separate species; Chestnut-vented Coua *Coua pyropyga*:
 "Hitherto treated as a race of *C. cristata*, but differs in its chestnut vs whitish or buffy-white undertail-coverts (3); slightly paler cast above with much paler glaucous vs dark green-blue tertials (2); considerably longer white tips on outer rectrices (effect size 2.03; score 2); distinctly larger size on basis of wing (effect size 4.57; score 2); and narrow zone of intergradation (2). Monotypic."



Crested Coua

Verreaux's Coua *Coua verreauxi* (NT) Endemic
 2 La Table (18/11).

Blue Coua *Coua caerulea* Endemic
 1 Analamazoatra Reserve (7/11), 2 Mantadia (8/11), 3 Iharoka (9/11), 3+1 Analamazoatra Reserve (10-11/11), and 2+2 Ranomafana (13-14/11)

Red-capped Coua *Coua ruficeps* Endemic
 1 + 6 (nominate) Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 2 (nominate) Ranomafana (13/11), and 1 ssp. *olivaceiceps* Arboretum (18/11).

Note: ssp. *olivaceiceps* treated as a separate species in HBW: Olive-capped Coua *Coua olivaceiceps*.

Red-fronted Coua *Coua reynaudii* Endemic
 1 Mantadia (8/11, not seen by all) and 1 Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11).

Coquerel's Coua *Coua coquereli* Endemic
 4+4 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11).



Red-breasted Coua



Giant Coua



Madagascan Cuckoo

Running Coua *Coua cursor* Endemic
 2 ad + 1 juv + heard Ifaty Spiny Forest (17/11) and 3 heard La Table (18/11).

Giant Coua *Coua gigas* Endemic
 3 Zombitse (16/11).

Red-breasted Coua *Coua serriana* Endemic
 1 Mantadia (8/11, not seen by all) and 1 Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11).

Madagascan Cuckoo *Cuculis rochii*

Most often heard, but some seen. One to six noted during 15 days (2-18/11), first 2 heard (2/11). Seen well and photographed at Isalo NP.

Barn-Owls *Tytonidae*

Western Barn Owl *Tyto alba hypermetra*

1 heard (not by all) at Arboretum (18/11).

Owls *Strigidae*

Torotoroka Scops Owl *Otus madagascariensis*

Endemic

1 was heard and subsequently gave superb views at Reniala (TC, RN with Fidy and local guides).

Rainforest Scops Owl *Otus rutilus* Endemic

1 seen + 5 heard Analamazoatra Reserve (7/11) and 1 heard Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11).

White-browed Hawk-Owl *Ninox superciliaris*

Endemic

Superb views of a pair calling at Isalo Ranch in the middle of the night, and 2 at day roost in Zombitse same day (16/11).



White-browed Hawk-Owl

Madagascan Owl *Asio madagascariensis* Endemic

1 perched high up in a tree in Analamazoatra Reserve, near Orchid Garden (7/11).

Nightjars and Allies *Caprimulgidae*

Collared Nightjar *Gactornis enarratus* Endemic

2 ad with 2 chicks at Iharoka (9/11), and 1 on a nest in Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11).

Madagascan Nightjar *Caprimulgus madagascariensis madagascariensis*

Noted on nine days: 1 (2/11), 1 seen + heard Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 1 (5/11), 1 heard Mantadia (8/11), male + female Hotel La Bella Donna (16/11), 4 (17/11), 4 (18/11), and 1 heard IC Hotel, Tana (21/11).

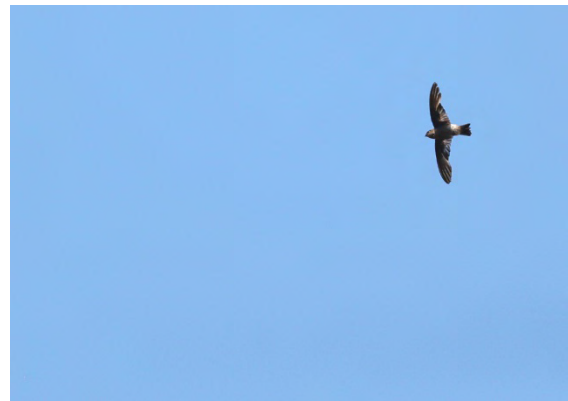


Madagascan Nightjar

Swifts *Apodidae*

Madagascan Spinetail *Zoonavena grandidieri grandidieri*

6 Mantadia (8/11), 1 Iharoka (9/11), and 4 (19/11).



Madagascan Spinetail

African Palm Swift *Cypsiurus parvus gracilis*

Totally 113 noted during 11 days (2-16/11), first 10 (2/11), max 50 (5/11).

Alpine Swift *Tachymarptis melba willsi*

10 en route (2/11), 3 (6/11), and 2 Ranomafana (13/11).

Malagasy Black Swift *Apus affinis affinis*

10 en route (2/11), 5 (5/11), 3 (7/11), 6 + 3 Ranomafana (13-14/11), 1 (15/11), and 4 (16/11).

Cuckoo-Roller *Leptosomidae*

Cuckoo Roller *Leptosomus discolor discolor*
c. 20 noted during 9 days: 3 Ankarafantsika (3/11), 4 Mantadia (8/11), 2 (9/11), 2+2 Analamazoatra Reserve (10-11/11), 2+1 Ranomafana (13-14/11), 1 (15/11), and 3 (16/11).



Cuckoo Roller



Broad-billed Roller

Rollers *Coraciidae*

Broad-billed Roller *Eurystomus glaucurus glaucurus*
44 noted on 11 days: 12+10 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 8 (7/11), 12 in Andasibe-Mantadia area (8-11/11), 1 (12/11), 1+1 Ranomafana (13-14/11), and 1 Nosy Ve (19/11).

Ground-Rollers *Brachypteraciidae*

Short-legged Ground Roller *Brachypteracias leptosomus* (VU) Endemic
1 Mantadia (8/11).

Scaly Ground Roller *Geobiastes squamiger* (VU) Endemic
2 Mantadia (8/11, near a nest).

Pitta-like Ground Roller *Atelornis pittoides* Endemic
1 seen + 1 heard Mantadia (8/11) and 2 seen + 4 heard Ranomafana (13-15/11).

Rufous-headed Ground Roller *Atelornis crossleyi* (NT) Endemic
2 seen + 1 heard Mantadia (8/11).

Long-tailed Ground Roller *Uratelornis chimaera* (VU) Endemic
Superb views of a male + female at Ifaty Spiny Forest (17/11).



Pitta-like Ground Roller



Long-tailed Ground Roller

Kingfishers *Alcedinidae*

Madagascan Pygmy Kingfisher *Corythornis madagascariensis* Endemic
1 perched gave good views in Analamazoatra Reserve, near Orchid Garden (7/11), and 1 was heard there (8/11).

Malagasy Kingfisher *Corythornis vintsioides vintsioides*

Totally 23 noted during 10 days: 1 (2/11), 6+3 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 2 Betsiboka Delta (5/11), 2 (6/11), 1 (7/11), 1 Mantadia (8/11), 1 (11/11), 1 (12/11), and 4 Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).



Malagasy Kingfisher

Bee-eaters *Meropidae*

Olive Bee-eater *Merops superciliosus superciliosus*
>150 noted during 18 days (almost daily). First 20 (2/11), max 30 Ankarafantsika (4/11).

Hoopoes *Upupidae*

Madagascan Hoopoe *Upupa marginata* Endemic
2+1 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 2 *en route*, at the 'Sandgrouse place' (16/11), 1 (17/11), and 4 La Table (18/11).

Falcons and Caracaras *Falconidae*

Malagasy Kestrel *Falco newtoni newtoni*
>60 noted during 14 days. First 10 *en route* (2/11), max 14 between Tana and Ranomafana (12/11).
Note: Endemic to Madagascar and Aldabra.

Eleonora's Falcon *Falco eleonora*
1 Ankarafantsika (4/11, not seen by all), 2 *en route* (7/11), and 1 *en route* (15/11).

Sooty Falcon *Falco concolor*
1 at the wetland SSE Beamilaka (4/11) and 2 Lake d'Amboromalandy (5/11).

Old World Parrots *Psittaculidae*

Greater Vasa Parrot *Coracopsis vasa drouhardi*
2 Ankarafantsika (3/11), 1 Iharoka (9/11), 4 Analamazoatra Reserve (11/1), 2 Zombitse (16/11), 1 Ifaty Spiny Forest (17/11), and 1 Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

Note: endemic to Madagascar and Comoro Is.

Lesser Vasa Parrot *Coracopsis nigra libs* Endemic
10+10 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 25 Mantadia (8/11), 10 Analamazoatra Reserve /Iharoka (9/11), and 1 (16/11).

Grey-headed Lovebird *Agapornis canus* Endemic
13 (2/11), 12 Ankarafantsika (4/11), 5 (5/11), 5 Ranomafana (13/11), 6 Parc Anja (15/11), 1 (16/11), and 20 (17/11); ssp. *ablectaneus* in SW, nominate in Madagascar except SW.

Broadbills *Eurylaimidae*

Velvet Asity *Philepitta castanea* Endemic
1 female Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11), 1 male Ranomafana (13/11, not seen by all), and 1 female Vohiparara (14/11).

Schlegel's Asity *Philepitta schlegeli* (NT) Endemic
Stunning views of a pair in Ankarafantsika (3/11).



Schlegel's Asity

Common Sunbird-Asity *Neodrepanis coruscans* Endemic
2 Iharoka (9/11, not seen by all) and 1 female Ranomafana (13/11).

Yellow-bellied Sunbird-Asity *Neodrepanis hypoxantha* (VU) Endemic
1 male Iharoka (9/11, seen by ES only).

Vangas Vangidae

Red-tailed Vanga *Calicalicus madagascariensis* Endemic

2 Mantadia (8/11), 10 Analamazoatra Reserve /Iharoka (9/11), 5+4 Analamazoatra Reserve (10-11/11), 6+2 Ranomafana (13-14/11), and 1 Ifaty Spiny Forest (17/11).

Red-shouldered Vanga *Calicalicus rufocarpalis* (VU) Endemic

3 La Table (17/11).



Red-shouldered Vanga

Hook-billed Vanga *Vanga curvirostris curvirostris* Endemic

1+1 Analamazoatra Reserve 10-11/11, and 1 Ranomafana (14/11).

Lafresnaye's Vanga *Xenopirostris xenopirostris* Endemic

2-3 Ifaty Spiny Forest (17/11) and 2 La Table (18/11).

Van Dam's Vanga *Xenopirostris damii* (EN) Endemic

1 male Ankarafantsika (4/11).

Pollen's Vanga *Xenopirostris polleni* (NT) Endemic

1 Ranomafana (13/11) and 2 Vohiparara (14/11).

Sickle-billed Vanga *Falcula palliata* Endemic

4+1 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11) and 1 Ifaty Spiny Forest (17/11).

White-headed Vanga *Artamella viridis viridis* Endemic

3 Ankarafantsika (4/11) and 1 Analamazoatra Reserve (7/11).

Chabert Vanga *Leptopterus chabert* Endemic

Totally 24 noted during 9 days: 2 *en route* (2/11), 4 Ankarafantsika (3/11), 3 Analamazoatra Reserve (7/11), 1+7+2 Analamazoatra Reserve (9-11/11), 2+1 Ranomafana (13-14/11), and 2 Ifaty Spiny Forest; nominate in W, E, N Madagascar, ssp. *schistocercus* in SW.

Blue Vanga *Cyanolanius madagascarinus* *madagascarinus* Endemic

2+6 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 2 Iharoka (9/11), 2 Analamazoatra Reserve (11/11), and 6+2 Ranomafana (13-14/11).

Note: HBW/BirdLife split this taxon into Madagascar Blue Vanga *C. madagascarinus* and Comoro Blue Vanga *C. comorensis*.



Blue Vanga



Rufous Vanga

Rufous Vanga *Schetba rufa* Endemic

4 Ankarafantsika (4/11), 2 Ranomafana (13/11), and 1 at nest Zombitse ((16/11); ssp. *occidentalis* W Madagascar, nominate N & E Madagascar.

Tylas Vanga *Tylas eduardi eduardi* Endemic

3 Iharoka (9/11), and 4+5 Ranomafana (13-14/11).

Nuthatch Vanga *Hypositta corallirostris* Endemic

2+1 Analamazoatra Reserve (9-10/11) and 1 Ranomafana (13/11, not seen by all).

Dark Newtonia *Newtonia amphichroa* Endemic
2 seen + 2 heard Iharoka (9/11), and 2 Ranomafana (14/11).

Common Newtonia *Newtonia brunneicauda*
brunneicauda Endemic
Noted on 13 days (3-19/11), often as fairly common; first 'fairly common' Ankarafantsika (3-4/11).

Archbold's Newtonia *Newtonia archboldi* Endemic
1 Ifaty Spiny Forest (17/11).

Ward's Flycatcher *Pseudobias wardi* Endemic
4+2+1 Analamazoatra Reserve / Iharoka (7/11, 9/11, 11/11), and 6+3 Ranomafana (13-14/11).

Crossley's Vanga *Mystacornis crossleyi* Endemic
1 Analamazoatra Reserve 11/11.

Cuckoo-shrikes *Campephagidae*

Madagascan Cuckooshrike *Coracina cinerea*
4 Ankarafantsika 83/11, 2 Mantadia (8/11), 2 Analamazoatra Reserve (11/11), and 4+6 Ranomafana (13-14/11); nominate in N & E Madagascar, ssp. *pallidus* W, C, SW Madagascar.

Drongos *Dicruridae*

Crested Drongo *Dicrurus forficatus forficatus*
> 80 noted during 16 days, first 1 (2/11), max fairly common Ankarafantsika (4/11) and in SW (16-17/11).
Note: Endemic to Madagascar and Comoro Is.



Crested Drongo

Monarchs *Monarchidae*

Malagasy Paradise Flycatcher *Terpsiphone mutata mutata*

Totally 65 noted during 12 days (3-19/11); first 10+15 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11).



Malagasy Paradise Flycatcher

Crows, Jays, and Magpies *Corvidae*

Pied Crow *Corvus albus*

Locally common, noted on 11 days (2-19/11), first 15 *en route* (2/11), max c. 130 *en route* (15/11).

Larks *Alaudidae*

Madagascan Lark *Eremopterix hova* Endemic

10 *en route* (2/11), 10 (5/11), 5 (6/11), 2 (7/11), 3 (11/11), 4 Isalo NP (15/11), fairly common (16/11), 3 (17/11), and 1 La Table (18/11).

Bulbuls *Pycnonotidae*

Malagasy Bulbul *Hypsipetes madagascariensis madagascariensis*

Common and noted during 13 days (3-18/11), first 25 Ankarafantsika (3/11). Not as common in SW; up to 3 noted daily 16-18/11.



Madagascan Lark

Swallows *Hirundinidae*

Mascarene Martin *Phedina borbonica madagascariensis*

Totally 94 noted during 12 days (2-21/11), first 15 *en route* (2/11).

Brown-throated Martin *Riparia paludicola cowani*
1 (2/11), 2 (6/11), 4 (7/11), 4 Analamazoatra Reserve /Iharoka (9/11), 2 (11/11), 3+5 Ranomafana (13-14/11), and 2 Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

Note: HBW/Birdlife split this taxon into the endemic Madagascar Plain Martin *Riparia cowani*.

Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica rustica*
7 Lake Belalanda (17/11).

Reed warblers and allies *Acrocephalidae*

Malagasy Brush Warbler *Nesillas typica typica*
5 (7/11), 24 in Andasibe-Mantadia area (8-11/11), and 10 Ranomafana (14/11).

Note: Five subspecies recognized; this taxon is endemic to Madagascar and Comoro Is.



Malagasy Brush Warbler



Subdesert Brush Warbler

Subdesert Brush Warbler *Nesillas lantzii* Endemic
> 10 Lake Belalanda (17/11) and 2 Anakao lodge (19/11).

Madagascan Swamp Warbler *Acrocephalus newtoni* Endemic
3 Amborondola ponds (6/11), 1 heard (9/11), 2 at a roadside wetland close to Reserve Villageois d'Ankazomivady (12/11), and 2 Parc Tsarasaotra (21/11).

Grassbirds and allies *Locustellidae*

Brown Emutail *Bradypterus brunneus* Endemic
2 seen well (sneaking around like mice) in Ranomafana (14/11).

Grey Emutail *Amphilais seebohmi* Endemic
3 Vohiparara (14/11).

Madagascan Warblers *Bernieridae*

White-throated Oxylabes *Oxylabes madagascariensis* Endemic
1 Iharoka (9/11, JN) and 1 Ranomafana (14/11).

Long-billed Bernieria *Bernieria madagascariensis madagascariensis* Endemic
20 Ankarafantsika (4/11), 3+2 Analamazoatra (10-11/11), and 5+3+1 Ranomafana (13-15/11).

Cryptic Warbler *Cryptosylvicola randrianasoloi* Endemic
4 heard Analamazoatra Reserve (7/11) and 1 seen Iharoka (9/11, JN).

Wedge-tailed Jery *Hartertula flavoviridis* (NT) Endemic
1+1 Ranomafana (13-14/11)

Thamnornis *Thamnornis chloropetoides* Endemic
1 seen and 2 heard Ifaty Spiny Forest (17/11).

Spectacled Tetraka *Xanthomixis zosterops zosterops* Endemic
1 at nest + 10 Analamazoatra Reserve /Iharoka (9/11), 3+1 Analamazoatra Reserve (10-11/11), and 4+6 Ranomafana (13-14/11).

Appert's Tetraka *Xanthomixis apperti* Endemic
2 Zombitse (16/11).



Appert's Tetraka

Grey-crowned Tetraka *Xanthomixis cinereiceps* Endemic
10 Ranomafana (14/11).

Madagascan Yellowbrow *Crossleyia xanthophrys* (NT) Endemic
2 Ranomafana (14/11).

Rand's Warbler *Randia pseudozosterops* Endemic
8 heard Analamazoatra Reserve /Iharoka (9/11), 1 Analamazoatra Reserve (11/11), and 3+1 Ranomafana (13-14/11).

Cisticolas and allies *Cisticolidae*

Common Jery *Neomixis tenella* Endemic
> 50 noted during 12 days (3-21/11), first 10+6 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11). Four subspecies occur: *tenella* (N Madagascar), *decaryi* (W part of C), *orientalis* (EC & SE) and *debilis* (S); we probably saw ssp. *decaryi* and *orientalis*.

Green Jery *Neomixis viridis viridis* Endemic
2 Iharoka (9/11), 1 (12/11), and 4+2 Ranomafana (13-14/11).

Stripe-throated Jery *Neomixis striatigula* Endemic
1 Analamazoatra Reserve (7/11), 5 Mantadia (8/11), fairly common Iharoka (9/11), 8+2 Analamazoatra (10-11/11), 5+10 Ranomafana (13-14/11), noted *en route* + 1 Parc Anja (15/11). Of ssp. *pallidior* 5 (17/11), 3 La Table (18/11), and 1 (19/11).

Note: HBW/Birdlife split this taxon into Stripe-throated Jery *Neomixis striatigula* and Subdesert Jery *N. pallidior* (in SW Madagascar).

Madagascan Cisticola *Cisticola cherina*
Totally c. 35 noted during 10 days (2-19/11), first 5 *en route* (2/11).

Note: Endemic to Madagascar and S Seychelles.

White-eyes *Zosteropidae*

Malagasy White-eye *Zosterops maderaspatanus maderaspatanus*
Fairly common and noted during 15 days (2-21/11), first 5 *en route* (2/11).

Starlings *Sturnidae*

Common Myna *Acridotheres tristis tristis*
Fairly common and noted during 16 days, first noted as 'common' *en route* (2/11).

Madagascan Starling *Hartlaubius auratus* Endemic
2 Mantadia (8/11), 4+2 Analamazoatra (10-11/11), and 4 Ranomafana (13/11).

Chats, Old World Flycatchers *Muscicapidae*

Madagascan Magpie-Robin *Copsychus albospecularis* Endemic
c. 80 noted during 13 days (3-18/11), first 15+10 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11). Three subspecies recognised: *pica* (West), *albospecularis* (NE), and *inexpectatus* (SE).

Littoral Rock Thrush *Monticola imerina* Endemic
1 pair Anakoa lodge (19/11).

Forest Rock Thrush *Monticola sharpei* Endemic
1 pair Ranomafana (13/11).
'Benson's Rock Thrush' *Monticola sharpei bensoni*
1 male + female c. 500 m NE Isalo Rock Lodge (-22.616929, 45.362177) (15/11).



Madagascan Magpie-Robin, ssp. *pica*



Madagascan Magpie-Robin, ssp. *albospectularis*



Littoral Rock Thrush

Madagascan Stonechat *Saxicola sibilla sibilla*

Endemic

Totally 33 noted during 9 days (2-15/11); 5 *en route* (2/11), 2 (6/11), 5 (7/11), 3 Mantadia (8/11), 5 *en route* to Iharoka (9/11), 2 (11/11), 8+2 Ranomafana (13-14/11), and 1 (15/11).

Sunbirds and Spiderhunters *Nectariniidae*

Souimanga Sunbird *Cinnyris sovimanga sovimanga*

Fairly common (locally common) and noted during 15 days (2-19/11), first 1 male (2/11).

Note: Endemic to Madagascar and some islands north of Madagascar, e.g. Aldabra is. Five subspecies recognized.

Malagasy Green Sunbird *Cinnyris notatus notatus*

Totally 25 noted during 9 days (3-18/11); 6+1 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 5 Analamazoatra (7/11), 2 Mantadia (8/11), 1 Iharoka (9/11), 2 (11/11), 4 Ranomafana (13/11), 2 (17/11), and 2 (18/11).

Note: HBW/Birdlife split this taxon into three species: Long-billed Sunbird *C. notatus* as endemic to Madagascar, Grand Comoro Sunbird *C. moebii* (Grand Comoro, W Comoro Is.) and Moheli Sunbird *C. voeltzkowi* (Mohéli, W Comores).

Old World Sparrows *Passeridae*

House Sparrow *Passer domesticus*

10 Mahajanga (5/11).



Madagascan Stonechat



'Benson's Rock Thrush'

Weavers, Widowbirds *Ploceidae*

Nelicourvi Weaver *Ploceus nelicourvi* Endemic

3 Analamazoatra (7/11), 1 Mantadia (8/11), 4 Iharoka (9/11), and 1+1 Ranomafana (13-14/11).

Sakalava Weaver *Ploceus sakalava* Endemic
2+2 Ankarafantsika (3-4/11), 25 (5/11), 20 (17/11),
and fairly common (18/11); nominate in N & W
Madagascar, ssp. *minor* in SW & S Madagascar.

Red Fody *Foudia madagascariensis*

Totally c. 100 / 10 days (2-21/11), first 10 Tana
(2/11), max 25 Ankarafantsika (4/11).

Note: Native to Madagascar. Introduced on
Reunion, Mauritius, Seychelles, Rodrigues,
Amirantes and Chagos Is, in Indian Ocean; also on
St Helena, in Atlantic Ocean; and Bahrain, in
Arabian Peninsula. Present also on Glorieuses Is
and Comoro Is, which it may have colonized
without human assistance.

Forest Fody *Foudia omissa* Endemic

4 Iharoka (9/11), 5 Analamazoatra Reserve (11/11),
and 2+8 Ranomafana (13-14/11).

Waxbills, Munias and allies *Estrildidae*

Madagascan Mannikin *Lepidopygia nana* Endemic

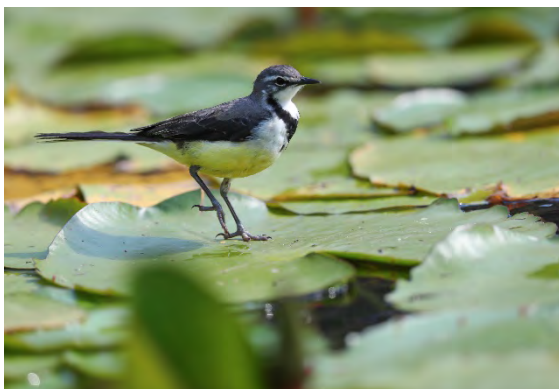
Totally c. 85 noted during 10 days (2-14/11), first 2
(2/11), max c. 50 Ankarafantsika (4/11).

Wagtails, Pipits *Motacillidae*

Madagascan Wagtail *Motacilla flaviventris*

Endemic

Totally 41 noted during 12 days (2-21/11), first 1
Antananarivo (2/11), max 5 noted per day (7/11,
12/11, 13/11, 15/11).



Madagascan Wagtail



Ring-tailed Lemur, Anja Community Reserve.

List of mammals

We noted 25 species of mammals.

Taxonomy: HMW (Handbook of the Mammals of
the World).

Tenrecs and Shrew *Tenrecidae*

Lesser Hedgehog Tenrec *Echinops telfairi* Endemic

1 Reniala (19/11).

Note: Found by a local guide in a piece of wood
and (for a while) brought out in the open.



Lesser Hedgehog Tenrec

Lowland Streaked Tenrec *Hemicentetes*

semispinosus Endemic

1 Mantadia (8/11).

Note: Found along a trail and handled by a local
guide.

Tailless Tenrec *Tenrec ecaudatus* Endemic

1 *en route* Tana to Ranomafana (12/11).

Note: This species is fairly common and
widespread, but is locally threatened by
overhunting. We saved the life of the one we saw
by buying it from some kids and subsequently
releasing it.

Bamboo, True and Ruffed Lemurs *Lemuridae*

Brown Lemur *Eulemur fulvus* (NT) Endemic
5 Ankarafantsika (3/11), 2 Analamazoatra Reserve (7/11), 6 Mantadia (8/11), and 15 Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11).



Brown Lemur

Red-bellied Lemur *Eulemur rubriventer* (VU) Endemic
1+2 Ranomafana (13-14/11).



Red-bellied Lemur

Golden Bamboo Lemur *Haplemur aureus* (EN) Endemic
1 heard Ranomafana (13/11).

Gray Bamboo Lemur *Haplemur griseus griseus* (VU) Endemic
2 (ad+juv) Mantadia (8/11) and 2 Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11)

Ring-tailed Lemur *Lemur catta* (NT) Endemic
20 Anja Community Reserve (15/11) and 3 Reniala (19/11).

Black-and-white Ruffed Lemur *Varecia variegata* (CR) Endemic

2 ad + 1 juv Mantadia (8/11) and 3 heard Ranomafana (13/11).



Black-and-white Ruffed Lemur

Mouse, Giant Mouse, Dwarf and Fork-marked Lemurs *Cheirogaleidae*

Crossley's Dwarf Lemur *Cheirogaleus crossleyi* Endemic
2 Ranomafana (13/11)

Fat-tailed Dwarf Lemur *Cheirogaleus medius* Endemic
4 Ankarafantsika (3/11).

Gray-brown Mouse Lemur *Microcebus griseorufus* Endemic
2 Arboretum (18/11) and 1 Reniala (19/11).

Goodman's Mouse Lemur *Microcebus lehilahytsara* Endemic
3 Analamazoatra Reserve (7/11).

Gray Mouse Lemur *Microcebus murinus* Endemic
1 Ankarafantsika (3/11).

Rufous Mouse Lemur *Microcebus rufus* Endemic
2 Ranomafana (13/11).

Woolly Lemurs, Sifakas and Indri *Indriidae*

Western Woolly Lemur *Avahi occidentalis* (EN) Endemic
5 Ankarafantsika (4/11).



Verreaux's Sifaka

True Mice and Rats, Gerbils and relatives
Muridae

Brown Rat *Rattus norvegicus*
1 *en route* (11/11, not seen by all).

Pouched Rats, Climbing Mice and Fat Mice
Nesomyidae

Milne-Edwards's Tufted-tail Rat *Eliurus myoxinus*
Endemic
2 Ankarafantsika (3/11).

Red Forest Rat *Nesomys rufus* Endemic
1 at the view point in Ranomafana (13/11).



Indri

Old World Leafnose Bats *Hipposideridae*

Commerson's Leaf-nosed Bat *Hipposideros commersoni* Endemic
1 Arboretum (18/11).

Old World Fruit Bats *Pteropodidae*

Madagascan Fruit Bat *Eidolon dupreanum* Endemic
c. 350 in one flock seen *en route* 2/11.

Indri *Indri indri* (EN) Endemic
Heard Analamazoatra Reserve (7/11), several groups heard Mantadia (8/11), heard (9/11), 6 seen + heard Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11), and heard (11/11).

Coquerel's Sifaka *Propithecus coquereli* Endemic
6 Ankarafantsika (3/11).

Diademed Sifaka *Propithecus diadema* (EN) Endemic
3 Mantadia (8/11) and 2 Analamazoatra Reserve (10/11).

Verreaux's Sifaka *Propithecus verreauxi* (VU) Endemic
3 ad + 1 juv Zombitse (16/11).



Cuvier's Madagascar Collared Iguana, Betsiboka River.

List of Reptiles

None of us are herpetologists, and therefore we did not look especially for reptiles... but we tried our best to look for chameleons...

Taxonomy mainly follows Behrens & Barnes (Wildlife of Madagascar), except Opluridae.

Chameleons *Chamaeleonidae*

Oustalet's Chameleon *Furcifer oustaleti* Endemic
Seen in several places, e.g. Ankarafantsika, Ranomafana, Anja Community Reserve.



Oustalet's Chameleon

Warty Chameleon *Furcifer verrucosus* Endemic
1 Anja Community Reserve (15/11).

Parson's Chameleon *Calumma parsonii* (NT)
Endemic
2 Orchid Garden, Analamazoatra Reserve (11/11).

Perinet Chameleon *Calumma gastrotaenia*
Endemic
1 Ranomafana (13/11).

Cryptic Chameleon *Calumma crypticum* Endemic
1 Ranomafana (13/11).



Warty Chameleon



Parson's Chameleon

Bruno's Leaf Chameleon *Brookesia brunoii* (NT)
Endemic
1 Anja Community Reserve (15/11).
Note: A rare and recently described species. Info according to IUCN: This species, described in 2012, is reliably only known from a small (< 15 km²) area of semi-arid deciduous forests in the southern-eastern highlands of Madagascar, although it is suspected to have a wider distribution (Crottini et al. 2012). It is possible that previous records of other *Brookesia* species in the southern highlands refer to *B. brunoii* and there is an unconfirmed

photographic *Brookesia* record from near Ambovombe (Hofmann 2012), ca. 375 km air distance from the type locality, that seems to refer to *B. bruno* (Crottini et al. 2012). Further studies of existing museum collections and new field surveys are needed to determine the actual distribution of this new taxon.



Perinet Chameleon



Cryptic Chameleon



Bruno's Chameleon

Madagascan Iguanas *Opluridae*

Merrem's Madagascar Iguana *Oplurus cyclurus*
1 Arboretum (18/11).



Merrem's Madagascar Iguana (Photo: Olof Persson)

Cuvier's Madagascar Collared Iguana *Oplurus cuvieri*

Seen in several places, e.g. Ankarafantsika and near bridge crossing Betsiboka River.

Note: Endemic to the Malagasy region.

Dumeril's Madagascar Iguana *Oplurus quadrimaculatus* Endemic
1 Anja Community Reserve (15/11).



Cuvier's Madagascar Collared Iguana

Gerrhosauridae

Western Plated Lizard *Zonosaurus laticaudatus*
Endemic
Seen in Ankarafantsika.



Dumeril's Madagascar Iguana



Western Plated Lizard

Geckos *Gekkonidae*

Common Leaf-tailed Gecko *Uroplatus fimbriatus*
Endemic
1 Mantadia (8/11).

Madagascar Ground Gecko *Paroedura picta*
Endemic
1 Arboretum (18/11).

Lined Day Gecko *Phelsuma lineata* Endemic
1 Orchid Garden, Analamazoatra Reserve (11/11).



Lined Day Gecko

Snakes *Serpentes*

Madagascar Tree Boa *Sanzinia madagascariensis*
Endemic
2+1 Analamazoatra Reserve (10-11/11).

Giant Hognose Snake *Leioheterodon madagascariensis* Endemic
1 Ankarafantsika (4/11) and 1 Amborondola Ponds (6/11).



Giant Hognose Snake

Mahafaly Sand Snake *Mimophis mahfalensis*
Endemic
1 Reniala (19/11)

Forest Madagascar Garter Snake *Thamnosophis infrasignatus* Endemic
1 found dead on the road, Mantadia and 1 Ranomafana (13/11).
Note: Also called Forest Water Snake

Bernier's Striped Snake *Dromicodryas bernieri*
Endemic
1 Anja Community Reserve (15/11).

List of Amphibians *Anura*

Baron's Mantella *Mantella baroni* Endemic
2 Iharoka (9/11).



Baron's Mantella

Central Bright-eyed Frog *Boophis rappiodes*
Endemic
1 Orchid Garden, Analamazoatra Reserve (11/11).

Appendix

Anjozorobe add-on, 30 Oct – 1 Nov 2018

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This pre-tour extension by Hans Harrestrup Andersen, Eric Schaumburg, Hans Wulffsberg & myself evolved from a desire to ensure, as far as possible, that we'd be in Tana, ready to roll, when the Swedish contingent arrived for the main trip. Alas, ticket availability meant it'd be two extra overnights instead of one, which became three once Air France rescheduled.

Our local organizer, Zina (sergemadatours@yahoo.fr), suggested it was feasible to visit Anjozorobe, a site warmly recommended by both A Kappelgaard & E Krabbe, and so we did.

On arrival c01h00 on 30th we were picked up at Tana airport and taken to nearby I C Hotel. We had not been told in advance which hotel we'd be in; this would have been useful as we were grilled re this when going through Immigration. The next morning we met up with Zina at the hotel to sort some formalities, and by 08h25 were away in two 4WDs with our guide, Fidy. As traffic through Tana at that time of the day was desperate it became apparent that what we *should* have done in order to not squander the morning was be at Tsarasaotra Lake by 05h45, have a field breakfast there while leisurely getting acquainted with a good selection of local birds (I saw 30 spp there in the morning of 22nd), and *then* head for Anjozorobe.

It was 14h05 by the time we arrived at the Saha Forest Camp P area; from here porters lugged our bags to the pretty lodge a few hundred meters further on, and we set out birdwatching pretty much directly we'd moved in.

We pretty much relied on Fidy and a local guide to find us the birds (and find the way along the crisscrossing forest trails!). On both mornings we went back to the lodge for breakfast although a field breakfast would have been preferable (and no doubt very easy to organize). On 31st – our only whole day there – we rested / birdwatched from the lodge veranda after lunch before heading out again.

A marsh by the now closed Mananara Lodge, which in the past held Slender-billed Flufftail *Sarothrura watersi* (see e.g. Bech *et al.* 2012), is apparently now defunct through burning so in the late afternoon of 31st we walked along paddy embankments to a small marshy area near Saha lodge instead. A nice enough outing but the time might have been better spent in the forest...

On 1st we departed from the P area 13h55, made no stops en route, took a couple of shortcuts once we entered Tana, and were back at I C Hotel 17h15.

...and on 2nd we set off on the main trip, the other five group members having arrived at c01h00 (and showing it).

Bird list:

Red-billed Teal *Anas erythrorhynchos*

120 @ Tana paddies on 30th, and ten en route back on 1st.

Squacco Heron *Ardeola ralloides*

Eight in total.

Western Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis*

12 in total.

Great Egret *Ardea alba melanorhynchos*

Ten in total.

Black Heron *Egretta ardesiaca*

Two @ Tana paddies on 30th.

Dimorphic Egret *Egretta dimorpha*

28 in total.

Hamerkop *Scopus umbretta umbretta*

Four en route, and a pair seen daily at nest by the lodge - on 1st one was seen collecting straw from the paddy.

Madagascan Harrier-Hawk *Polyboroides radiatus*

One adult hunting across from the lodge as we were about to depart on 1st: it perched on a major tree trunk, hopped from branch to branch, and poked a leg into a hollow – a wonderful encounter, and we even saw it again from the parking area, viciously mobbed by two drongos as it soared.

Madagascan Cuckoo-Hawk *Aviceda madagascariensis*

One briefly over the lodge on 1st.

Frances' Sparrowhawk *Accipiter francesiae francesiae*
One briefly on paddy embankment by lodge [ES].

Yellow-billed Kite *Milvus aegyptius parasitus*
Singles near lodge on 30th & 1st.

Madagascan Buzzard *Buteo brachypterus*
One in flight as we headed back to lodge on 31st.

Madagascan Flufftail *Sarothrura insularis*
One on 30th came in to tape, showing itself quite well & giving full song (which we recorded). One heard the next day was thought to be the same bird...

Madagascan Snipe *Gallinago macrodactyla*
One at 'swamp' on 31st was just what we'd gone there hoping for: a large, dark-underwing snipe seen repeatedly in flight, and heard giving 'check-check, check-check' call & churring.

Common Greenshank *Tringa nebularia*
45 @ Tana paddies on 30th.

Malagasy Turtle Dove *Nesoenas picturatus picturatus*
Seven in total, incl one en route on 30th. One on 31st seen wing-stretching and walking up a thick branch.

Madagascan Blue Pigeon *Alectroenas madagascariensis*
Five on 31st – superb views of three clambering about courtshipping in the morning sun...

Malagasy Coucal *Centropus toulou toulou*
Five in total – heard-only. One at paddies S of Fiearana got going in response to background on tape...

Blue Coua *Coua caerulea*
One along Ridge on 1st – taping brought it in from afar. It uttered an explosive 'squit'e', and purring.

Madagascan Cuckoo *Cuculus rochii*
13 in total, of which just one seen. Calling through the night at lodge – brainfever!

Western Barn Owl *Tyto alba hypermetra*
One on 30th - heard only.

Rainforest Scops Owl *Otus rutilus*
2-3 heard nightly near lodge.

Madagascan Spinetail *Zoonavena grandidieri grandidieri*
One above Ridge on 1st.

Alpine Swift *Tachymarptis melba willsi*
8+ above Ridge on 1st.

Malagasy Black Swift *Apus balstoni balstoni*
45+ above lodge at lunchtime on 1st presumably included those seen earlier above Ridge.

Cuckoo Roller *Leptosomus discolor discolor*
Four on 31st & seven on 1st. We were blown away by two in full display above forest across from lodge as we had breakfast on 31st – non-stop vocalizations, undulating flight with dives and glides on depressed wings.

Broad-billed Roller *Eurystomus glaucurus glaucurus*
1-2 daily.

Pitta-like Ground Roller *Atelornis pittoides*
A pair seen very well on 31st – our local guide knew which ravine they were in, and how to get them out! The way it played out we'd have been better off staying on the path than scrambling into the ravine to take up position.

Rufous-headed Ground Roller *Atelornis crossleyi*
Three on 31st. We had to clamber down into a gully but were then rewarded with TINGALING! views at c4m.

Olive Bee-eater *Merops superciliosus superciliosus*
Three en route on 30th.

Malagasy Kestrel *Falco newtoni newtoni*
Five en route on 30th. Our first seen hovering, then on the ground in dry paddy, and finally flying away to perch out of view in paddy-side tree.

Sooty Falcon *Falco concolor*
One high above Ridge on 1st, probably migr.

Lesser Vasa Parrot *Coracopsis nigra*
One flew by lodge (after being heard as we walked forest trails) on 31st.

Common Sunbird-Asity *Neodrepanis coruscans*
One female on 31st.

Red-tailed Vanga *Calicalicus madagascariensis*
13 bird-days – noted daily.

Hook-billed Vanga *Vanga curvirostris*

One on 1st – seen feeding & visiting nest in tree fork c10m up in tree adjacent to path.

Blue Vanga *Cyanolanius m. madagascarinus*

One on 30th.

Tylas Vanga *Tylas eduardi*

1-2 daily.

***Vocalizations incl a bulbul-ey song ‘chet, chet, chou-we’, and a vague, orioley ‘kuid, kwid’.

Common Newtonia *Newtonia brunneicauda*

13+ in total.

***Our 1st was a silent bird carrying an insect; later we heard the measured ‘choc-a, choc-a’ rattling song (sometimes given in a faster version).

Crossley's Vanga *Mystacornis crossleyi*

Three on 1st - one heard from bridge in front of lodge, then taped into view once we’d climbed up: on the ground; belly-heavy, sleek, chestnut w/ black-and-white head pattern.

Crested Drongo *Dicrurus forficatus forficatus*

Two on both 30th & 1st.

Malagasy Paradise Flycatcher *Terpsiphone mutata mutata*

One male seen on 30th (more were heard by our guides!).

Pied Crow *Corvus albus*

Three en route S of Anjozorobe town on 30th.

Madagascar Lark *Eremopterix hova*

One at paddies S of Fiearana en route on 30th.

Malagasy Bulbul *Hypsipetes m. madagascariensis*

29+ in total.

Mascarene Martin *Phedina borbonica*

madagascariensis

26+ @ Tana & en route, and just one w/ swifts above lodge on 1st.

Brown-throated Martin *Riparia paludicola cowani*

Eight near lodge as we walked back in evening of 31st.

Malagasy Brush Warbler *Nesillas typica*

27+ in total – main event 19+ (of which just two were seen) on evening walk on 31st.

***Our 1st encounter with this widespread species cost us some additional time as it was very hard to reconcile the actual bird with the field guide illustration of it...

Madagascar Swamp Warbler *Acrocephalus newtoni*

Two @ Tana paddies on 30th. BVD for some of us, things by the busy road being a bit hectic.

White-throated Oxylabes *Oxylabes*

madagascariensis

One on 1st.

Long-billed Bernieria *Bernieria madagascariensis*

Seven bird-days – noted daily, but not seen until 1st: gleaning along trunk among lichen, and giving strong, chattering call.

Cryptic Warbler *Cryptosylvicola randrianasoloi*

One ‘scoped as it sang on Ridge on 1st, sitting out motionless in a tree top. A hint of pale yellow chin was the most striking feature: no eyering or - brow...

***‘This is a species that was first discovered by [Field Guides leaders] Bret Whitney & Jan Pierson who realised the call was something distinct’: FG 2016.

Spectacled Tetraka *Xanthomixis zosterops*

Five on 30th (incl three roosting) & one heard on 31st.

Madagascar Yellowbrow *Crossleyia xanthophrys*

One on 1st – on the ground in bamboo thicket, seen only naked-eye. High-pitched, treepy song recorded.

Rand's Warbler *Randia pseudozosterops*

20+ bird-days – noted daily, but just one actually seen!

***Bech *et al.* (2012) recorded neither this species nor Cryptic Warbler at Anjozorobe...

Common Jery *Neomixis tenella*

6+ bird-days. Undoubtedly our guides were hearing more.

Madagascar Cisticola *Cisticola cherina*

One in flight at hillside near lodge on 31st.

Malagasy White-eye *Zosterops m.maderaspatanus*

6+-15 daily mostly near lodge, in addition to a few @ I C Hotel as day broke on 30th.

Common Myna *Acridotheres tristis tristis*

48 bird-days en route.

Madagascar Magpie-Robin *Copsychus*

albospecularis

Our guides heard a couple...

Forest Rock Thrush *Monticola sharpii*

A pair seen well on 31st.

Madagascan Stonechat *Saxicola sibilla*

Six in total. Most were en route, but singles also @ I C Hotel on 30th & near lodge on 31st.

Souimanga Sunbird *Cinnyris sovimanga*

30+ bird-days.

Malagasy Green Sunbird *Cinnyris notatus notatus*

One male seen well at I C Hotel on 30th.

Nelicourvi Weaver *Ploceus nelicourvi*

Two w/ flock of tetrakas on 1st.

Red Fody *Foudia madagascariensis*

26+ bird-days, incl eight at edge of paddies near lodge on 31st.

Madagascan Mannikin *Lepidopygia nana*

Six en route between Fiearana and Mananara R on 30th.

Madagascan Wagtail *Motacilla flaviventris*

8+ bird-days, incl one along paddies near lodge on 31st.

Observations made by the Danish group 20th November, compiled by Eric Schaumburg.

Trip to the delta north of the small harbour from where the boat left for Nosy Ve.

Walk out the peer about 500 meters north of the main peer. This area is mudflats at low tide and just water with no flats at high tide. So the best time to visit is the time in between, though a bit closer to low tide so you have the water edge at the tip of the peer, is best. From here there was a tremendous amount of waders and herons at close distance. Best of all was of course the 4 Crab-plovers that spent their time running back and forth between all other waders. A wonderful sighting.

Bird list:

Saunders's Tern *Sternula saundersi* 2

Purple Heron 2

Grey Heron 2

Striated Heron 20

Black-winged Stilt 35

Crab-plover 4

Grey Plover 60

Greater Sand Plover 40

Common Ringed Plover 40

Lesser Sand Plover 4–6

Whimbrel 180

Eurasian Curlew 1

Green Sandpiper 150

Sanderling 20

Curlew Sandpiper 50–100

Little Stint 3

While the three of us explored the delta, Jesper went back to Lake Belanda and added Lesser Flamingo for the trip:

Lesser Flamingo 4

At dusk we repeated the walk our Swedish friends had done. The Torotoroka Scops Owl was heard after intense work. And it was after this seen several times flying from tree to tree and only once also seen well while perched.



Hunters and terns, Nosy Ve. (TC)



Early morning at La Table (TC).

Additional photos

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Meller's Duck



Madagascar Grebe



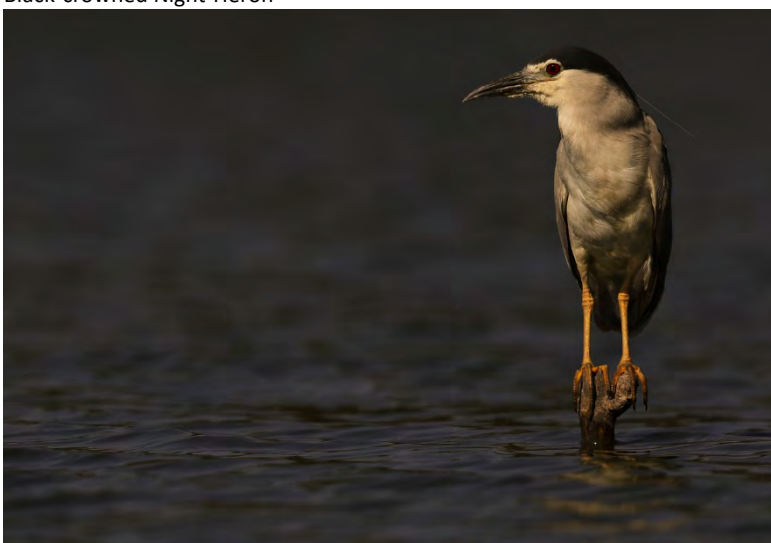
Bernier's Teal



Red-tailed Tropicbird



Black-crowned Night-Heron



Black-crowned Night-Heron



Madagascan Harrier-Hawk



Frances's Sparrowhawk



Madagascan Buzzard



Subdesert Mesite, Ifaty Spiny Forest (above), and Man and White-throated Rail at Parc Tsarasaotra, Tana.





Madagascan Buttonquail



Madagascan Plover



Madagascan Pratincole



Madagascan Pratincole



Madagascan Pratincole against cliffs at Betsiboka River.



Coquerel's Coua



Coquerel's Coua



Crested Coua ssp. *pyropyga*.



Giant Coua



Giant Coua



Crested Coua



Red-capped Coua



Red-capped Coua ssp. *olivaceiceps* ('Olive-capped Coua').



Running Coua



White-browed Hawk-Owl





White-browed Hawk-Owl



Rainforest Scops Owl



Collared Nightjar



Short-legged Ground Roller



Scaly Ground Roller



Ranomafana



Broad-billed Roller



Madagascan Pygmy Kingfisher



Malagasy Kestrels



Malagasy Kestrel



Malagasy Kestrel



Lesser Vasa Parrot



Schlegel's Asity, female with nesting material



Tylas Vanga



Van Dam's Vanga



Chabert Vanga



Ward's Flycatcher



Olive Bee-eater



Nuthatch Vanga



Madagascan Paradise Flycatcher



Mascarene Martins



Madagascan Swamp Warbler



Madagascan Cisticola





Spectacled Tetraka



Black-and-white Ruffed Lemur



Brown Lemur



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Ring-tailed Lemur



Western Woolly Lemur



Parson's Chameleon



Uroplatus fimbriatus



Cuvier's Madagascar Collared Iguana