The Spanish Pyrenees

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Aisa Valley

Androsace vitaliana



Moneses uniflora



Ranunculus amplexicaulis

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Summary

Day 1

Sunday 22nd May

For the majority of the group, the tour started with a flight from the UK to Zaragoza where we were met by Peter, our host for the week, who had organised the minibuses enabling a quick transfer onto the road and our journey north towards the Pyrenees. At the midway point we stopped opposite the Pinnacles of Riglos to stretch our legs and take in the view and first birds and flowers.

The remainder of the journey was soon over and we arrived at Casa Sarasa where we met the remaining members of the group who had made their own way to Spain. At dinner that evening the group got to know each other over a fine meal and wine.

Day 2

Monday 23rd May

After the early start many had yesterday, we undertook a more leisurely day today with no major journeys involved. Our morning was spent walking from the hotel down through the 'Badlands' to the Rio Veral. As we set off, early birds spotted were both Red and Black Kites and Booted Eagle drifting over the town of Berdun. As we reached the edge of the village, looking down towards the river a sizeable group of Griffon Vultures drifted by and with them was a single Black Stork, a notable bird never previously seen on this trip. Singing from among the scrubby vegetation were the familiar Corn Bunting and Garden Warbler, joined by a couple of Melodious Warblers. A surprising find was a pair of Red-backed Shrikes which are usually only found higher in the mountains in this region. Among the rich flora growing on the inhospitable dry slopes, the outstanding Beautiful Flax (*Linum narbonense*) caught the eye of most. Several orchid species were found such as Lady Orchid (*Orchis purpurea*) and Woodcock Orchid (*Ophrys scolopax*).

As we slowly made our way down to the river we came upon several species of flower that would become familiar during the coming week. A little time on the bridge was spent admiring the view before we crossed and took a path following the course of the river through a mixed habitat of alluvial shingle, scrub and light woodland. Our first butterflies were found including the Panoptes, Green-underside and Black-eyed Blues. Further species of orchids were found with the highlight being several large robust spikes of Military Orchid (Orchis militaris). We retraced our steps back to the main track that we then followed uphill to a small meadow. Here, a nice mix of orchids were present including several Lizard Orchid (Himantoglossum hircinum) that were still only in bud. A Spanish Fritillary was found keeping low in the grass out of the cool wind allowing the photographers of the group plenty of time and angles to get some good shots.

We returned to the hotel for lunch before heading out for a walk along the Rio Aragon, only a short distance from our base. Bird activity was a little quiet but was compensated for by the flowers, scenery and a few butterflies. One notable event was the witnessing of a Green-underside Blue being caught and eaten by a Conehead Mantis (*Empusa pennata*), which was raptly admired and photographed. The area here contained a confusing array of Ophrys orchids, now generally all lumped back into Early Spider Orchid (*Ophrys sphegodes*), to the delight or dismay of admirers depending on their viewpoint! After completing our circuit we spent some time

on the bridge watching Rock Sparrows and European Bee-eaters before boarding the buses to head back. A short stop was taken en route to photograph Berdun from probably its best angle with the high Pyrenean peaks behind it.

Day 3

Tuesday 24th May

We spent the morning in the hills of the pre-Pyrenees with a visit to the vulture feeding station and Chapel of the Virgin de la Pena footpath. After a rather borderline drive up an increasingly steep stone track, we ground to a halt a little before the car park and picnic site at the start of the footpath to the chapel. The walk led through some fresh leaved oak woodland of *Quercus pubescens subsp. subsprenaica* mixed with a few *Quercus ilex* and *faginea*. These deciduous oaks are much favoured by Western Bonelli's Warblers, which did not disappoint as several were singing all around us. In the forest understory were several groups of the pretty *Brimeura amethystina* with abundant *Genista hispanica*. At one clearing overlooking the higher peaks and down into the lower ground, several interesting plants occurred such as *Dianthus pungens subsp. hispanicus*, *Ranunculus gramineus* and *Thalictrum tuberosum*. Due to our slow rate of progress we didn't have time to reach the tiny chapel built beneath a large rock overhang but returned to the vehicles to drive on to the vulture feeding site car park.

The walk here led through attractive habitat where we encountered several orchids, notably *Orchis insectifera* and *ustulata*. We arrived at the hide and waited patiently, spotting several Griffon Vultures soaring over the distant peaks. Unfortunately the awaited truck delivering animal carcasses and remains failed to arrive in time. Luckily the area still provided plenty to see and admire with other plants such as *Linum campanulatum*, *Thymelaea pubescens* and *Helianthemum oelandicum subsp. incanum*.

Our next destination was the monastery of San Juan de la Pena, which lay over the other side of the nearby large peak. We stopped on the drive up at a viewpoint bend. From here we could once more admire the wonderful views and find a number of new plants on the opposite slopes. Alongside a few *Fritillaria lusitanica*, a couple of *Tulipa sylvestris subsp. australis* were still in bud showing the orange backed outer tepals. We drove on past the old monastery built beneath an impressive rock overhang, only slowing to spot the endemic *Petrocoptis hispanica*, now named *Silene glaucifolia*, which was growing from the walls. As we arrived at the large new monastery built alongside some open meadows and Scots Pine woodland, we parked and had our picnic lunch on the benches provided.

With lunch completed, we walked in a loop through the car park forest and on to a panoramic viewpoint from where we could observe several of the snow-capped high Pyrenean peaks. At the start of the walk we picked up several feeding Red Crossbills high above us in the crowns of the pines with a few Eurasian Siskins accompanying them. At similar neck-breaking height, a couple of Crested Tits and Common Firecrests were also found. Once we reached the viewpoint, a look below the edge found numerous non-flowering rosettes of the iconic Pyrenean flower Ramonda myconi mixed with Saxifraga fragilis. A walk along the escarpment provided views of further interesting plants and a couple of frustrating views of a calling Black Woodpecker as it flew within the tree canopy.

We returned to the vehicles to drive back to the hotel in good time to allow for a rest before dinner and another evening excursion in search of Eurasian Eagle-Owl. This led us to a roadside verge where we parked and waited in the early evening light. As it became increasingly dark, the cry went up of "Owl" and a distant view was

obtained by some of the group of the owl silhouetted against the sky and flying away down the valley. It was all over in a flash leaving those that missed it frustrated and those that did a little disappointed! We then drove back by a circuitous route along minor roads during which a European Nightjar and a couple of Iberian Hares were seen.

Day 4

Wednesday 25th May

With a good weather forecast, we spent the day among the high peaks of the Pyrenees and a visit to the lovely unspoilt Aisa valley. The journey there passed uneventfully until a Bearded Vulture (Lammergeier) was spotted not far from our final stopping point. With this iconic bird safely logged and admired, we travelled the short remainder of the journey where we began our walk.

After a steep initial section, we rounded a corner where the valley opened out and lay before us. Catching our breath, we were then able to start to absorb the splendid colourful array of wildflowers growing at our feet! Amongst a varied selection the highlights, which were abundant, were both *Gentiana verna* and *acaulis*, *Dactylorhiza sambucina* in it's usual two colour forms, *Scilla verna*, *Androsace vitaliana* and *villosa* and the pink flowered Kidney Vetch *Anthyllis vulneraria* subsp. *pyrenaica*. A small group of Pyrenean Chamois were noted feeding and resting on the rocky slopes above us, initially identified by some as 'shaggy goats'! Hard to miss had been the large flock of trilling Alpine Choughs that had been swirling ahead of us before settling to feed among the rocky pastures.

Then we began our slow passage up the valley, taking in the wonderful scenery and variety of plants along the way. The photographers spent some time at the attractive waterfalls attempting to capture a satisfactory image. On the grassy slopes a number of large colonies of the tiny delicate-flowered *Narcissus assoanus* were admired, being hard to pick out from the abundant Cowslips *Primula veris*. In the wet flushes a pink haze was provided by hundreds of *Primula farinosa* joined by the insectiferous *Pinguicula grandiflora, vulgaris* and *alpina*.

The morning passed and hunger pangs began to affect some of the group so we pressed on to a rocky hummock before which lay a large rock face among which a large colony of breeding Common House Martins were swirling. Here we sat, or lay back and ate our picnic. Refreshed after lunch, several of the group continued on higher, taking a steep track to one side of the rock face to arrive on a more level plateau at the top. During the ascent we were able to admire many more abundant groups of *Narcissus assoanus* growing from the tiny ledges and cavities among the rock. As we reached the more level ground, we then found many thousands of *Narcissus asturiensis* in flower alongside of recently melted snowfields. The previously abundant Cowslips were now replaced by Oxlip *Primula elatior*. Several other interesting plants were found but our attentions were drawn to the skies when a passing pair of Lammargeier were harassed by a Northern Raven and then a persistent Golden Eagle adult that made a number of aggressive stoops at these bone scavengers as they passed through the eagles territory! Elated, we rejoined the remainder of the group exploring (sleeping?) below.

Our walk back down the valley found a pair of Common Rock Thrush and a single Alpine Marmot to admire, and opportunities to reacquaint ourselves with the profusion of flowers seen earlier. A safe direct journey was then taken back to the hotel.

Day 5

Thursday 26th May

After our excursions high up yesterday and with the weather forecast to be a little unsettled, we headed south to explore a couple of areas in the pre-Pyrenean region. We began with a walk along a track beneath the Pinnacles of Aguero. Soaring around these pinnacles of conglomerate rock were numerous Griffon Vultures accompanied by a small number of Red-billed Chough, one or two Egyptian Vultures and a similar number of Northern Ravens; enough to keep us occupied! The flora was of a much more central Spanish 'Mediterranean' type with several plants not seen previously present such as *Phlomis lychnitis*, *Argyrolobium zanonii*, *Jasminium fruticans*, Rosmarinus officinalis and Lavandula latifolia to name a few. In the scrub and stony hillsides a new selection of birds included Sardinian Warbler and Blue Rock Thrush, previously unseen on the trip.

Next we undertook a fascinating walk leading from Aguero to the village of Murillo de Gallego, through a varied range of habitats leading to sightings of numerous new and exciting species. Bird-wise, one of the undoubted highlights were the numerous Western Orphean Warblers singing and showing along the route, a species normally only occurring thinly and not usually easy to find. The increasingly scarce European Turtle Dove was heard a couple of times but did not show for us. There were numerous tall spikes of the parasitic broomrape *Orobanche latisquama* feeding on their host Rosemary *Rosmarinus officinalis* among new plants seen. As the walk progressed, the numbers and diversity of both orchids and butterflies increased with a fine tally by the end. Notable were the numerous flowering spikes of Violet Limadore *Limadorum arbortivum*, *Epipactis tremolsii* and White Helleborine *Cephalanthera damasonium*. Of the butterflies, the range of fritillaries provided the most interest with five species seen including both Spanish and Provencal Fritillaries. Our walk culminated in a small shaded picnic area with fresh spring water gushing from a geyser to wash our hands. We enjoyed a pleasant lunch here before continuing into the village and a café for a coffee and ice-cream.

For the afternoon we drove on to visit the 11th century Castillo de Loarre, built on a strategic rocky outcrop looking out over the plains southwards. As we began the final drive up to the castle we were stunned to observe a pair of Peregrine Falcons stooping at a Common Swift: an interesting match-up which the swift survived!

Once at the castle we split up to carry out our own exploration of the site. A few were keen to see the breeding Eurasian Hoopoes that use the castle crevices. This quest proved tricky with only a couple succeeding, but the birds were heard calling by most. Also breeding within the castle walls was a pair of showy and obliging Redbilled Chough, Eurasian Crag Martin, Black Redstart and Rock Sparrow. Overhead the choughs became agitated with the passing of a small number of European Honey Buzzards and pair of Booted Eagles that they playfully harassed. The much larger and numerous Griffon Vultures proved of little interest to the choughs, although soaring among them was the pair of Peregrine Falcons seen earlier. The grounds and rocky outcrops on which the castle was built held an interesting flora for those of the group prepared to have a little light scramble. Walking back to the vehicle a very obliging Melodious Warbler sang prominently from a thinly leafed trackside tree allowing for an excellent view and photographic opportunity. For the botanists, the handsome deep red *Adonis annua* was growing in small numbers in the car park.

Having re-boarded, we set off back to the hotel. The passengers of the second vehicle were lucky in seeing a Eurasian Wryneck by the roadside before they too headed home.

Day 6 Friday 27th May

Another day was spent among the peaks of the Pyrenees with our visit to the French/Spanish border at El Portalet. We took a short stop near our destination where we were taken by the warden to visit one of only three sites for the Lady's Slipper Orchid *Cyprepedium calceolus* in the Pyrenees. We were just about in luck with one large plant near the track with numerous flowers on the point of being fully open (but not quite!). It was still an impressive plant and eagerly photographed. The number of plants on this site is increasing due to the reduction in trampling by visitors, brought about by the most impressive and early flowering specimens being very accessible.

Moving on, we parked at the large car park and after packing our lunches, we headed across the road up a rough quarry track. On the slopes alongside a whole fresh array of plants were found to capture peoples attention and slow our initial progress. Of immediate attention were the abundant *Narcissus pseudonarcissus* subsp. *bicolor* spilling down the grassy slopes among which numerous *Fritllaria pyrenaica* were just coming into flower. The rocky outcrops held a profusion of pink *Primula hirsuta* filling every crack and ledge, whilst one inaccessible ledge held a small population of the pale lemon-flowered *Orchis pallens* beneath which was growing *Iberis sempervirens*. On the opposite side of the track, a seepage beneath a large rock outcrop held a large number of *Scilla lilio-hyacinthus* with *Potentilla nivalis* and *Draba dubia* in the crevices above. Understandably we had not moved far in the first half an hour!

Birds were proving thin on the ground and in the air, but we did see Water Pipit, Northern Wheatear, Black Redstart and Common Rock Thrush among the rough terrain, whilst overhead during the course of the morning we spotted Griffon and Egyptian Vultures, Golden Eagle and both Black and Red Kites. A few Pyrenean Chamois were seen distantly.

We walked across the open mountainsides, crossing into France as the paths petered out. In the recently snow-cleared pastures abundant Alpine Snowbells *Soldanella alpina* made a lovely show, but we were still a little early for the main blooming season. Easily overlooked at one tumbling streamside, the previously abundant *Primula hirsuta* were replaced by the similar *Primula integriflolia* with their darker more notched petals and un-notched leaves. We paused for lunch, sheltered from the cool breeze and overlooking a wonderful panorama of mountain peaks and valleys. Whilst eating our al fresco lunch, a distant Alpine Marmot was spotted grazing among the grassy pastures. Only after setting up a telescope on the critter in question was it noticed that he was selectively moving through the grass and flowers eating only the flower heads of the Elder-flowered Orchids *Dactylorhiza sambucina*!

From our lunch spot the terrain was increasingly rocky and steep; ideal habitat for Alpine Accentor. Several of the group opted for the easier option of relaxing where they sat as a brave and determined section of the group headed onwards and upwards in search of this elusive bird. They eventually returned empty handed for their efforts beyond enjoying the walk and being able to watch a Pyrenean Chamois resting in the middle of a snowfield and sighting Water Pipit and Black Redstart. We all then made our way back by a slightly easier route, arriving back at the vehicles to unburden our gear and head for a coffee at the nearby restaurant.

Getting back to the hotel in good time allowed the enthusiasts a second opportunity to visit the owl site for another go and hopefully better views than the earlier evening. This paid off when we were able to watch the Eurasian Eagle-Owl on several occasions in better light as it broke the skyline and settled in the trees of the forested slopes. Everyone present was elated and much happier with this after the earlier attempts poor view. Also seen whilst waiting was a hawking European Nightjar and passing Eurasian Hobby.

Day 7

Saturday 28th May

We again headed north to visit some of the higher regions. Our destination was the Refugio de Gabardito where we parked and wasted no time in heading off along a path leading to a large vertical rock face. Birds and plants seen along the way were only given scant attention as we pressed on to our chosen spot beneath the cliff. The reason for the rather cursory attention given to our surroundings was to allow as much possible viewing time here in the hope of spotting the much sought after Wallcreeper. Our luck was with us as not long after settling ourselves, a pair of these birds was briefly seen. After a short wait a single bird then flew in above us and spent the next 20 minutes moving about on the vertical rock, periodically vanishing out of sight before changing position and being picked up once more. The whole group got at least a brief view through the telescope of these relatively small birds, which with binoculars can be hard to pick out clearly over the distance involved. The only drawback was the insistence of the bird in spending all it's time directly above us, involving agonising neckbreaking upward peering! It did eventually fly to a rock face opposite at which we were almost level, before working its way up into the deep crevice around the back of which the nest presumably lay. It was a wonderful result for all. During our short wait we had also been able to observe Pyrenean Chamois on the opposite side of the deep valley, Griffon and Egyptian Vultures, Lammergeier, both Red-billed and Alpine Choughs, Eurasian Crag Martin and Black Redstart.

As we were preparing to leave a large number of other birders and walkers began to arrive making our timing perfect, having been able to observe the birds all to ourselves. As we began the walk back we could now begin to pay a little attention to the flora of the surrounding Beech and Pine forest. The first obvious candidates for attention were the large trumpet gentians of *Gentiana occidentalis*. Other less obvious plants present were a few flowering rosettes of *Saxifraga hirsuta*, *Arabis alpina* and Wood Sorrel *Oxalis acetose*lla. Within the forest trees, Short-toed Treecreeper was heard plus Crested and Coal Tits. A rain of pine cone debris alerted us to the presence of a small flock of feeding Red Crossbills. Among the mossy forest floor a number of One-flowered and Pale Green Wintergreens (*Moneses uniflora & Pyrola chlorantha*) were found in bud only.

Back at the vehicles a rather grumpy Refugio manager refused to allow us to use their benches for our picnic, so we ate standing and boycotted his establishment for any coffees! Driving back down the winding access road, a stop was taken to allow photographs to be taken of the beautiful Sword-leaved Helleborines *Cephalanthera longifolia* growing close by.

Next we headed back down the Hecho valley to undertake a walk through the Foz de Binies. This is a narrow limestone gorge cut by the Rio Veral creating a microclimate full of interesting plants, butterflies and birds. Understandably our pace was slow as we made our way through the gorge to the meadow at the far end. Several notable new species of plant were found plus several that we were able to re-familiarise ourselves with. Of particular interest and very abundant on the rock walls was the endemic *Petrocoptis pyrenaica* (now apparently included with *Petrocoptis hispanica* under the name of *Silene glaucifolia*). Also putting on a wonderful show was another classic plant for this area, the numerous panicles of *Saxifraga longifolia* in full flower hanging from the rocks all around. We had up till now only seen the leaf rosettes so it was gratifying to see them at their best. Another excellent find was the very localised and endangered endemic *Allium pyrenaicum* in flower, here joined by its commoner yellow-flowered relative *Allium moly*. Of a rather more showy nature, the two-coloured pink and deep purple Wild Pea *Pisum sativum* caught the eye of many. Of the butterflies the two highlights within the gorge were a number of Chequered Blues and a single, rather worn Spanish Festoon. As a final botanical climax a

roadside boulder held a large number of Ramonda myconi in full flower to compensate for our previous sightings of plants in bud. Growing in close association were both Saxifraga longifolia and Lonicera pyrenaica making up a wonderful combination of classic Pyrenean plants. The birds had taken a slight step back but had included the usual vultures constantly passing overhead with a Short-toed Snake Eagle adding to the mix. Eurasian Crag and Common House Martins were everywhere, whilst on the river a number of Grey Wagtails passed by calling. The searched for Dipper failed to put in an appearance, which hopefully did not cause too much disappointment for some.

Having walked the length of the gorge, we arrived at a small grassy meadow by the river. Whilst not looking too special at first glance, we soon found several new species of butterfly in good numbers drinking the minerals brought to the surface by a drying puddle. The majority were Provence Chalkhill Blues but they were joined in smaller numbers by Little and Osiris Blues, and Oberthur's, Dingy, Marbled and Grizzled Skippers. A good find within the meadow was a single Spanish Heath and Glanville Fritillary. Having had a lot to digest mentally during the day, we then made our way back to the hotel and another pleasant meal, followed by the Champions League final on the television or a beer in Emilio's bar in town!

Day 8 Sunday 29th May

With our return flight not due to leave till late afternoon, we were able to enjoy visits to a couple of sites on the route back to Zaragoza which resulted in the addition of several new species for the trip.

Our first stop was at the Embalse de la Sotonera. As we approached the reservoir we passed through flat arable country with several White Storks on nests in the small villages. Upon arrival we walked some way along the shore and through the scrubby woodland alongside the open arable fields. The obvious change from the Berdun area was the increase in larks with good numbers of Calandra Larks among their more common Crested Lark relatives. In the marshy shoreline a number of Little Egrets were actively feeding and we disturbed a Purple Heron that moved a short distance before moving on again, grunting its disapproval. On the open water Great Crested Grebes mixed with both Common and Red-crested Pochards. Walking through an abandoned field of annuals and crop relics, a pair of Greater Short-toed Larks took to the air and gave a spell of song-flight display. Calling from the flooded scrub areas were a few Great Reed Warblers that were keeping their heads down in the windy conditions. A marshy corner had attracted both Little and Western Cattle Egrets to hunt, allowing us a chance to compare the two species. Another typical bird of this dry arable field edges was a Tawny Pipit that periodically gave voice to its simple song. A wet puddle near the lake edge had attracted a pair of Little Ringed Plovers which they were reluctant to abandon, allowing us some good telescope views. In these different conditions a few new plants were found, notably the yellow-flowered Adonis microcarpa, Teucrium gnaphalodes and Sideritis fruticulosa.

Our time was moving on so we then retraced our route back to the main road and continued on to Huesca where we diverted to the Romanesque Castillo de Montearagon in Quicena. This ruined castle stands out, strategically set atop a hillock of arid and uninviting bare earth and low scrub. We paused at the base of the hill for a scan of the slopes where we were successful in picking up both Black-eared Wheatear and the much more localised Black Wheatear. The Black Wheatear seemed to be favouring the castle itself for its territory and perches, so we drove on up towards the summit in the hope of closer views. The windy conditions made birding tricky but we did manage some further sightings, although still quite distant, of the bird perched on the castle

ramparts and beneath us on the rocks of the hillside. The Black-eared Wheatear made a further appearance together with a few Thekla Larks that failed to capture peoples imaginations, being almost indistinguishable from the much commoner and widespread Crested Larks.

We ate our lunch beneath the castle before moving on for our final approach to Zaragoza airport and our homeward flight. Once back in the UK another Naturetrek adventure came to an end.

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Berdun

Species Lists

Plants

Scientific name Common name

PINOPSIDA (GYMNOSPERMS) CONIFERS

CupressaceaeCypress FamilyJuniperus communisCommon JuniperJuniperus oxycedrusPrickly JuniperJuniperus phoeniceaPhoenician Juniper

PinaceaePine FamilyPinus halepensisAleppo PinePinus nigra ssp. salzmanniiAustrian PinePinus sylvestrisScots Pine

Pinus uncinata

MAGNOLIOPSIDA FLOWERING PLANTS

Magnoliidae (Dicotyledons)

AceraceaeMaple FamilyAcer campestreField MapleAcer monspessulanumMontpelier Maple

Acer opalus

AnacardiaceaeSumach FamilyPistacia lentiscusMastic TreePistacia terebinthusTurpentine Tree

ApiaceaeCarrot FamilyAnthriscus sylvestrisCow Parsley

Bupleurum rigidum

Conopodium majusEarthnutDaucus carotaWild CarrotEryngium bourgatiiPyrenean EryngoEryngium campestreField EryngoFoeniculum vulgareFennel

Heracleum sphondylium

Laserpitium gallicum a Sermountain

Laserpitium latifolium Broad-leaved Sermountain

Ligusticum lucidum

Meum athamanticum Spignel

Orlaya grandiflora

Sanicula europaea Sanicle

Selinum pyrenaeum
Seseli montanum -

Thapsia villosa Torilis arvensis

Torilis nodosa Knotted Hedge Parsley

Trinia glauca Honewort

Scientific name

Common name

Aquifoliaceae

Holly Family

Ilex aquifolium

Holly

Araliaceae

Ivy Family

Hedera helix

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Aristolchiaceae

Birthwort Family

Aristolochia pistolochia

Asclepiadaceae Vincetoxicum nigrum Milkweed Family
Black Swallow-wort

Asteraceae

Daisy Family

Achillea millefolium Andrayala integrifolia Yarrow Andrayala

Antennaria dioica

Mountain Everlasting

Anthemis arvensis

Artemesia absinthium

Artemesia campestris

Artemesia herba-alba

Pyrenean Wormwood

Artemesia vulgaris

Bellis perennis

Daisy

Carduncellus mitissimusDwarf Blue ThistleCarduus nutansMusk ThistleCentaurea calcitrapaRed Star ThistleCentaurea montanaPerennial Cornflower

Erigeron acer

Filago pyramidata

Helichrysum stoechas Curry Plant

Hieracium pilosella Mouse-ear Hawkweed

Lactuca perennisBlue LettuceLeucanthemum vulgareOxe-eye DaisyOnopordum acanthiumCotton Thistle

Onopordum acaulon Stemless Cotton Thistle

Pallenis spinosa Pallenis

Santolina chamaecyparissus Lavender Cotton Silybum marianum Milk Thistle Staehelina dubia Staehelina

Tanacetum corymbosum

Tragopogon crocifolius -

Tragopogon pratensis Goat's-beard Tussilago farfara Colt's-foot

Volutaria lippii

Xeranthemum cylindriacum

Birch Family

Betulaceae Betula pendula

Boraginaceae

Borage Family

Anchusa azurea Large Blue Alkanet

Borago officinalis Borage

Cynoglossum creticum Blue Hound's-tongue Echium vulgare Viper's Bugloss

Scientific name Common name

Lithodora fruticosa Shrubby Gromwell

Lithospermum officinale

Myosotis alpestris Alpine Forget-me-not

Brassicaeae Cabbage Family

Aethionema saxatile

Alliaria petiolataGarlic MustardArabis caucasica subsp. alpinaAlpine Rock-cressArabis glabraTower MustardArabis hirsutaHairy Rock-cressArabis turritaTower Cress

Barbarea intermedia

Biscutella scaposa a Buckler Mustard
Capsella bursa-pastoris Shepherd's Purse

Coincya monensis

Draba aizoides Yellow Whitlow-grass

Draba dubia Erophila verna

Erysimum canescens

Iberis sempervirens Evergreen Candytuft

Lepidium campestre

Sinapis arvensis Charlock

Sisymbrium austriacum

Buxaceae Box Family

Buxus sempervirens Box

CaprifoliaceaeHoneysuckle FamilyLonicera etruscaEtruscan Honeysuckle

Lonicera implexa

Lonicera periclymenum Honeysuckle

Lonicera pyrenaicaPyrenean HoneysuckleLonicera xylosteumFly HoneysuckleSambucus ebulusDwarf ElderSambucus nigraElder

Viburnum lantana Wayfaring Tree

CannabaceaeHop FamilyHumulus lupulusWild Hop

Caryophyllaceae Pink Family

Arenaria aggregata subsp. oscensis

Arenaria grandiflora

Cerastium arvense Field Mouse-ear

Dianthus pungens subsp. hispanicus

Herniaria latifolia

Minuartia verna Spring Sandwort

Paronychia capitata -

Paronychia kapela ssp. serpyllifolia

Petrocoptis hispanica (Silene glaucifolia)

Petrocoptis pyrenaica (Silene glaucifolia) Petrocoptis
Petrorhagia prolifera Proliferous Pink

Saponaria ocymoides Rock Soapwort

Scientific name

Common name

Silene acaulis Silene latifolia

Silene nutansNottingham CatchflySilene vulgarisBladder CampionStellaria mediaCommon Chickweed

CelastraceaeSpindle FamilyEuonymus europaeusCommon Spindle

CistaceaeRockrose FamilyCistus albidusGrey-leaved CistusFumana ericoidesFumana

Fumana procumbens
Fumana thymifolia

Helianthemum apenninum White Rockrose

Helianthemum marifoliumCommon RockroseHelianthemum nummulariumCommon RockroseH.nummularium subsp. pyrenaicumPink RockroseH.oelandicum subsp. incanumHoary Rockrose

ConvolvulaceaeBindweed FamilyConvolvulus arvensisField BindweedConvolvulus cantabricaPink BindweedCuscuta epithymumDodder

CornaceaeDogwood FamilyCornus sanguineaCommon Dogwood

CrassulaceaeStonecrop FamilySedum acreBiting StonecropSedum albumWhite StonecropSedum atratum

Sedum dasyphyllum Thick-leaved Stonecrop
Sedum sediforme

Sempervivum arachnoideum Sempervivum montanum

Umbelicus rupestris Navelwort

CucurbitaceaeCucumber FamilyBryonia dioicaWhite Bryony

EricaceaeHeath FamilyArbutus unedoStrawberry TreeArctostaphylos uva-ursiBearberryCalluna vulgarisLingRhododendron ferrugineumAlpenroseVaccinium myrtillusBilberry

EuphorbiaceaeSpurge FamilyEuphobia exiguaDwarf Spurge

Euphorbia characias subsp. characias Large Mediterranean Spurge

Euphorbia helioscopia Sun Spurge

Euphorbia minuta

Scientific name

Common name

Euphorbia serrata

Fabaceae Pea Family

Anthyllis montana Mountain Kidney Vetch
Anthyllis vulneraria subsp. pyrenaica Pink Kidney Vetch

Argyrolobium zanonii

Astragalus glycyphyllos Wild Liquorice
Astragalus monspessulanus False Vetch
Astragalus hypoglottis Purple Vetch

Astragalus sempervirens Mountain Tragacanth

Bitumaria bituminosa Pitch Trefoil

Coronilla minima

Coronilla scorpioides Annual Scorpion Vetch

Cytisophyllum sessilifolium Dorycnium hirsutum

Dorycnium pentaphyllum -

Echinospartum horridum Echinospartum

Genista hispanica Genista scorpius

Genista tinctoria Dyer's Greenweed

Hippocrepis comosa Hippocrepis emerus

Lathyrus aphaca Yellow Vetchling

Lathyrus cicera -

Lathyrus latifolius Broad-leaved Everlasting Pea

Lathyrus linifolius Bitter Vetch

Lathyrus pannonicus

Lathyrus pratensis Meadow Vetchling

Lotus alpinus Lotus corniculatus Medicago lupulina

Medicago sativa Lucerne

Medicago suffruticosa Medicago minima

Melilotus altissima Tall Melilot

Onobrychis argentea ssp. hispanica

Onobrychis saxatilis

Ononis fruticosa Shrubby Restharrow

Oxytropis campestris

Pisum sativum Wild Pea

Retama sphaerocarpa Robinia pseudoacacia

Spartium junceumSpanish BroomTetragonolobus maritimusDragon's TeethTrifolium alpinumAlpine Clover

Trifolium campestre

Trifolium montanum Mountain Clover
Trifolium ochroleucon Sulphur Clover

Trifolium pratense

Vicia cracca Tufted Vetch
Vicia pyrenaica Pyrenean Vetch

Vicia sativa Vicia sepium

Scientific name

Common name

Vicia villosa

FagaceaeOak FamilyFagus sylvaticaBeech

Quercus x cerrioides

Quercus coccifera Kermes Oak

Quercus faginea

Quercus ilexHolm OakQuercus pubescensDowny Oak

GentianaceaeGentian FamilyBlackstonia perfoliataYellow-wortGentiana acaulisTrumpet Gentian

Gentiana occidentalis Pyrenean Trumpet Gentian

Gentiana verna Spring Gentian

Geraniaceae Geranium Family

Erodium ciconium

Erodium cicutarium

Erodium malacoidesMallow-leaved Stork's-billGeranium columbinumLong-stalked Crane's-billGeranium lucidumShining Crane's-billGeranium pyrenaicumHedge Crane's-billGeranium robertianumHerb Robert

Geranium rotundifolium Round-leaved Crane's-bill

Geranium sylvaticum Wood Crane's-bill

Gesneriaceae Gloxinia Family

Ramonda myconii Ramonda

Globularia ceae Globularia Family
Globularia cordifolia Matted Globularia

Globularia nudicaulis Leafless-stemmed Globularia

Globularia punctata Common Globularia

Globularia repens -

Globularia vulgaris

Hypericaceae St John's-wort Family

Hypericum perforatum Perforate St John's-wort

LamiaceaeDead-nettle FamilyAcinos alpinaAlpine Basil-thyme

Acinos arvensis

Ajuga chamaepitys Ground Pine
Ballota nigra Black Horehound
Horminum pyrenaicum Dragonmouth

Lamium amplexicaule Lamium maculatum

Lavandula angustifolia Lavender

Lavandula latifolia

Marrubium vulgareWhite HorehoundMelittis melissophyllumBastard BalmOriganum vulgareMarjoram

Hen-bit

Scientific name

Common name

Butterwort Family

Phlomis lychnitis

Rosmarinus officinalis Rosemary
Salvia pratensis Meadow Clary

Salvia sclarea

Salvia verbenaca Wild Clary
Satureja montana Winter Savory

Sideritis fruticulosa Sideritis hirsuta

Stachys recta Yellow Woundwort

Teucrium gnaphalodes

Thymus pulegioides Large Thyme
Thymus vulgaris Perennial Thyme

Lentibulariaceae

Pinguicula alpina

Pinguicula grandiflora Greater Butterwort
Pinguicula vulgaris Common Butterwort

Linaceae Flax Family
Linum bienne Pale Flax

Linum campanulatum

Linum narbonense Beautiful Flax
L. suffructicosum subsp. salsaloides Pyrenean Flax

Linum strictum

Loranthaceae Mistletoe Family

Viscum album subsp austriacum Mistletoe

Malvaceae Mallow Family

Althaea hirsuta Malva neglecta Malva sylvestris Tilia platyphyllos

Menyanthaceae Bogbean Family

Menyanthes trifoliata Bogbean

Moraceae Mulberry Family

Ficus carica Wild Fig

Oleaceae Olive Family

Fraxinus excelsior Ash

Jasminium fruticans Wild Jasmine

Ligustrum vulgare Privet
Olea europaea Olive

OrobranchaceaeBroomrape FamilyOrobranche gracilisSlender BroomrapeOrobranche hederaeIvy Broomrape

Orobanche latisquama

Orobanche minor

Pedicularis pyrenaica Pyrenean Lousewort
Rhinanthus mediterraneus a Yellow Rattle

Scientific name

Common name

OxalidaceaeOxalis FamilyOxalis acetosellaWood Sorrel

PapaveraceaePoppy FamilyChelidonium majusGreater Celandine

Corydalis solida Fumaria officinalis

Papaver argemonePrickly PoppyPapaver rhoeasField Poppy

Roemeria hybrida Violet Horned Poppy

Plantaginaceae Plantain Family

Antirrhinum majus Snapdragon
Chaenorhinum origanifolium Malling Toadflax
Erinus alpinus Fairy Foxglove
Linaria alpina Alpine Toadflax
Linaria supina Pyrenean Toadflax

Plantago alpina Plantago lanceolata Plantago major

Plantago maritima ssp. serpentina

Plantago media Hoary Plantain

Plantago sempervirens Veronica orsiniana Veronica prostrata

Plumbaginaceae Thrift Family

Armeria arenaria

Armeria alpina Mountain Thrift

Polygalaceae Milkwort Family

Polygala calcarea

Polygala vulgaris Common Milkwort

Polygonaceae Dock Family

Oxyria digyna Rumex acetosa

Rumex scutatus French Sorrel

PrimulaceaePrimrose FamilyAnagallis arvensis subsp. foeminaBlue pimpernel

Androsace villosa

Coris monspeliensis Coris
Primula elatior Oxlip

Primula farinosa Bird's-eye Primrose

Primula hirsuta Primula integrifolia

Primula veris Cowslip

Soldanella alpina Alpine Snowbell Vitaliana primuliflora Vitaliana

PyrolaceaeWintergreen FamilyMoneses unifloraOne-flowered Wintergreen

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Scientific name

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Pyrola chlorantha Pyrola minor

Pale-green Wintergreen

Ranunculaceae

Buttercup Family Adonis annua Pheasant's-eye

Adonis microcarpa

Anemone narcissiflora Narcissus-flowered Anemone

Aquilegia vulgaris Common Columbine Caltha palustris Marsh Marigold Clematis vitalba Traveller's Joy Consolida pubescens Forking Larkspur Helleborus foetidus Stinking Hellebore Helleborus viridis Green Hellebore

Hepatica nobilis Hepatica

Ranunculus amplexicaulis Amplexicaule Buttercup Ranunculus auricomus Goldilocks Buttercup Ranunculus bulbosus **Bulbous Buttercup**

Ranunculus carinthiacus

Ranunculus gouanii Gouan's Buttercup

Ranunculus gramineus

Ranunculus parnassiifolius

Pyrenean Buttercup Ranunculus pyrenaeus

Thalictrum tuberosum

Mignonette Family Resedaceae Reseda lutea Wild Mignonette

Reseda luteola Weld

Reseda phyteuma Corn Mignonette

Rhamnaceae **Buckthorn Family**

Mediterranean Buckthorn Rhamnus alaternus Rhamnus alpina Rhamnus cathartica

Rosaceae **Rose Family**

Alchemilla alpina Alpine Lady's Mantle

Amelanchier ovalis Juneberry

Craetegus mongyna

Rhamnus saxatilis

Filipendula vulgaris Dropwort

Fragaria vesca Wild Strawberry

Geum sylvaticum

Geum urbanum Wood Avens

Potentilla aurea

Potentilla crantzii Alpine Cinquefoil

Potentilla micrantha Potentilla neumanniana

Spring Cinquefoil Potentilla nivalis Prunus mahaleb

Rosa agrestis Rosa arvensis Rosa canina

Bramble Rubus fruticosus agg.

Scientific name

Common name

Sanguisorba minor

Salad Burnet

Rubiaceae

Bedstraw Family

Cruciata laevipes Galium aparine

Crosswort Cleavers

Galium lucidum

Hedge Bedstraw Galium mollugo Galium tricornutum Corn Cleavers

Rubia peregrina

Madder

Rubia tinctorum

Rutaceae **Rue Family**

Ruta angustifolia

Willow Family Salicaceae

Populus alba

Santalaceae Sandalwood Family

Osyris alba

Thesium humifusum Thesium pyrenaicum

Osyris

Saxifragaceae

Saxifrage Family

Saxifraga fragilis

Saxifraga granulata Meadow Saxifrage Saxifraga hirsuta Kidney Saxifrage Saxifraga longifolia Pyrenean Saxifrage Saxifraga moschata White Musky Saxifrage Saxifraga oppositifolia Purple Saxifrage

Saxifraga paniculata

Saxifraga pubescens Hairy Saxifrage

Saxifraga tridactylites

Scrophulariaceae Scrophularia canina **Figwort Family** French Figwort

Verbascum chaixii

White Mullein

Verbascum lychnitis

Solanaceae

Nightshade Family

Atropa belladonna Deadly Nightshade

Hyoscyamus niger Henbane Solanum dulcamara **Bittersweet**

Thymelaceae Daphne laureola **Daphne Family** Spurge Laurel

Thymelaea pubescens

Elm Family

Ulmus glabra Ulmus minor

Ulmaceae

Nettle Family Urticaceae Parietaria judaica Pellitory-of-the-wall

Scientific name Common name

Urtica dioica Common Nettle

Valerianaceae Valerian Family

Centranthus calcitrapae

Centranthus ruber Red Valerian

Valeriana globularifolia Globularia-leaved Valerian

Valeriana montana -

Valeriana officinalis Valeriana tuberosa

Verbenaceae Verbena Family

Verbena officinalis Vervain

Violaceae Violet Family
Viola pyrenaica Pyrenean Violet

Viola riviniana

VitaceaeVine FamilyVitis viniferaWild Grape-vine

Liliidae (Monocotyledons)

AmaryllidaceaeDaffodil FamilyAllium molyYellow Garlic

Allium pyrenaicum

Allium roseum Rosy Garlic

Asparagus officinalis Narcissus assoanus Narcissus asturiensis

Narcissus pseudonarcissus subsp. bicolor

Asparagaceae Asparagus Family

Aphyllanthes monspeliensis

Brimeura amethystina Pyrenean Hyacinth

Dipcadi serotinum

Muscari comosumTassel HyacinthMuscari neglectumGrape Hyacinth

Ornithogalum narbonense

Ruscus aculeatusButcher's BroomScilla lilo-hyacinthusPyrenean SquillScilla vernaSpring Squill

DioscoreaceaeYam FamilyDioscorea communisBlack Bryony

IridaceaeIris FamilyCrocus caeruleusSpring Crocus

Gladiolus illyricus Iris germanica Iris latifolia

Iris pseudacorus Yellow Flag

Liliaceae Lily Family

Fritillaria lusitanica

Scientific name Common name

Fritillaria pyrenaica Pyrenean Snakeshead

Gagea liotardii

Lilium martagon Martagon Lily
Tulipa sylvestris subsp. australis Wild Tulip

Melanthiaceae

Veratrum album White False Helleborine

Orchidaceae Orchid Family

Anacamptis morio subsp. champagneuxii Champagne Orchid
Anacamptis pyramidalis Pyramidal Orchid
Cephalanthera damasonium White Helleborine

Cephalanthera longifolia Sword-leaved Helleborine Cypripedium calceolus Lady's Slipper Orchid

Dactylorhiza alpestris

Dactylorhiza elataRobust Marsh OrchidDactylorhiza sambucinaElder-flowered Orchid

Epipactis helleborine subsp. tremolsii

Gymnadenia conopsea Fragrant Orchid
Himantoglossum hircinum Lizard Orchid

Limodorum arbortivum

Ophrys apifera Bee Orchid

Ophrys fusca Sombre Bee Orchid

Ophrys insectifera Fly Orchid

Ophrys scolopaxWoodcock OrchidOphrys sphegodesEarly Spider Orchid

Ophrys sphegodes subsp. araneola

Orchis masculaEarly Purple OrchidOrchis militarisMilitary Orchid

Orchis pallens

Orchis purpurea Lady Orchid
Orchis ustulata Burnt Orchid

Plantathera bifolia Lesser Butterfly Orchid

Xanthorrhoeaceae

Asphodelus albus White Asphodel

Asphodelus cerasiferus Asphodelus fistulosus

Birds (✓=recorded but not counted; H = heard only)

			May										
	Common name	Scientific name	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29			
1	Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos	2		1			3		4			
2	Red-crested Pochard	Netta rufina								20			
3	Common Pochard	Aythya ferina								8			
4	Red-legged Partridge	Alectoris rufa								1			
5	Great Crested Grebe	Podiceps cristatus								3			
6	Western Cattle Egret	Bubulcus ibis								6			
7	Little Egret	Egretta garzetta								8			
8	Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea		3				1					
9	Purple Heron	Ardea purpurea								1			
10	White Stork	Ciconia ciconia	10							10			

			May							
	Common name	Scientific name	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
11	Black Stork	Ciconia nigra		1						
12	Bearded Vulture	Gypaetus barbatus				3	1		2	
13	Eurasian Griffon Vulture	Gyps fulvus	6	30+	30+	20	50	6	50	20
14	Egyptian Vulture	Neophron percnopterus	1	3		1	3	1	3	
15	Golden Eagle	Aquila chrysaetos				1		1		
16	Short-toed Snake Eagle	Circaetus gallicus		1	2	2		1	2	1
17	Booted Eagle	Aquila pennata	2	6	1		2		1	
18	Red Kite	Milvus milvus	2	6	10	4	✓	✓	✓	✓
19	Black Kite	Milvus migrans	✓	✓	✓	5	✓	✓	✓	✓
20	Western Marsh Harrier	Circus aeruginosus	1	1						1
21	Common Buzzard	Buteo buteo			1	3	√	2	✓	✓
22	European Honey Buzzard	Pernis apivorus				4	15			
23	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	Accipiter nisus		1						
24	Common Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus	4		1	1	2	1	2	3
25	Eurasian Hobby	Falco subbuteo						1	1	
26	Peregrine Falcon	Falco peregrinus			1	1	2			
27	Little Ringed Plover	Charadrius dubius			-	-				2
28	Yellow-legged Gull	Larus michahellis	2	1		2	3	1		25
29	Rock Dove / Feral Pigeon	Columba livia	<u> </u>	· ·	√	<u>−</u>	✓ /	· /	/	<u> </u>
30	Common Wood Pigeon	Columba palumbus	✓	✓	√	✓	✓		/	/
31	Eurasian Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1	/	/
32	European Turtle Dove	Streptopelia turtur					10		1	4
33	Common Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus			Н	Н	Н		'	Н
34	Eurasian Eagle-Owl	Bubo bubo			1	- ' '	- ' '	1		
35	Eurasian Scops Owl	Otus scops			'		2	2		
36	European Nightjar	Caprimulgus europaeus			1			1		
37	Common Swift	Apus apus	8	20		✓	✓		/	V
38	Alpine Swift	Apus melba	0	20		•			10	<u> </u>
39	Eurasian Hoopoe	· ·					1		10	1
40	European Bee-eater	Upupa epops Merops apiaster		6			20			20
41	·			0	1		20		Н	20
	Black Woodpecker	Dryocopus martius Picus viridis		ш	1				П	-
42	European Green Woodpecker			Н	4	4	4	2	4	-
43	Great Spotted Woodpecker	Dendrocopos major		3	1	1	1		1	
44	Eurasian Wryneck	Jynx torquilla					1			
45	Common Skylark	Alauda arvensis	✓	Н	4	4		H ✓	✓	1
46	Crested Lark	Galerida cristata	-		1	1	6	V	V	
47	Thekla Lark	Galerida Theklae		_						4
48	Woodlark	Lullula arborea		1			2			
49	Greater Short-toed Lark	Calandrella brachydactyla								2
50	Calandra Lark	Melanocorypha calandra								8
51	Common Sand Martin	Riparia riparia								1
52	Eurasian Crag Martin	Ptyonoprogne rupestris	8		6	2	12	√	√	✓
53	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	√	√	✓	√	√	√	√	✓
54	Common House Martin	Delichon urbicum	✓	√	✓	✓	✓	✓	√	√
55	Tawny Pipit	Anthus campestris		1						2
56	Water Pipit	Anthus spinoletta						6		<u> </u>
57	White Wagtail	Motacilla alba		2	2	2	4	2	2	6
58	Blue-headed Wagtail	Motacilla flava iberiae		1						<u> </u>
59	Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea		1		2		1	4	<u> </u>
60	Dunnock	Prunella modularis			Н	4				<u> </u>
61	European Robin	Erithacus rubecula		1	4	Н			6	

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	Common name	Scientific name	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
62	Common Nightingale	Luscinia megarhynchos	Н	✓	✓	Н	✓	✓	✓	Н
63	Black Redstart	Phoenicurus ochruros	2	4	4	4	6	10	6	3
64	Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe		1		6		12		
65	Black-eared Wheatear	Oenanthe hispanica								2
66	Black Wheatear	Oenanthe leucura								2
67	Common Stonechat	Saxicola torquata		1	2	1	2	2	1	
68	Song Thrush	Turdus philomelos		Н		Н				Н
69	Common Blackbird	Turdus merula		6	2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
70	Blue Rock Thrush	Monticola solitarius					2			
71	Common Rock Thrush	Monticola saxatilis				2	1	1		
72	Garden Warbler	Sylvia borin		4	Н	Н		2	Н	
73	Eurasian Blackcap	Sylvia atricapilla		√	Н	6	Н		6	
74	Western Orphean Warbler	Sylvia hortensis			Н		15			2
75	Sardinian Warbler	Sylvia melanocephala					3	1	1	1
76	Subalpine Warbler	Sylvia cantillans		2	3		3			
77	Zitting Cisticola	Cisticola juncidis								Н
78	Cetti's Warbler	Cettia cetti		Н						
79	Great Reed Warbler	Acrocephalus arundinaceus								Н
80	Melodious Warbler	Hippolais polyglotta		4	1		3			
81	Western Bonelli's Warbler	Phylloscopus bonelli			· ✓	Н			Н	
82	Common Chiffchaff	Phylloscopus collybita		Н	Н			Н	Н	
83	Common Firecrest	Regulus ignicapillus		- ' '	3	Н	✓		Н	
84	Winter Wren	Troglodytes troglodytes		Н	Н	Н	Н		Н	
85	Spotted Flycatcher	Muscicapa striata		1						
86	Great Tit	Parus major		· /	✓		2	1	✓	
87	European Blue Tit	Cyanistes caeruleus		✓	✓			•	✓	
88	Coal Tit	Periparus ater			1	1			✓	
89	Crested Tit	Lophophanes cristatus			4				✓	
90	Long-tailed Tit	Aegithalos caudatus		✓	· /		4			
91	Eurasian Nuthatch	Sitta europaea			2					
92	Wallcreeper	Tichodroma muraria							2	
93	Short-toed Treecreeper	Certhia brachydactyla		3	Н				✓ ✓	
94	Red-backed Shrike	Lanius collurio		2	2	3	1	3	1	
95	Woodchat Shrike	Lanius senator	1			- 3	6	3	'	
96	Common Magpie	Pica pica	<u> </u>	✓	✓	✓	√	✓	✓	✓
97	Eurasian Jay	Garrulus glandarius		1	3	2	✓ ·	2	✓ /	
98	Western Jackdaw	Corvus monedula	✓	_ <u> </u>	3		•		•	✓
99	Red-billed Chough	Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax	,	, 	1	6	20	10	✓	-
100	Alpine Chough	Pyrrhocorax graculus			1	40	20	20	40	
101	Carrion Crow	Corvus corone	✓	✓		4 0 ✓	✓	✓	4 0 ✓	✓
101	Northern Raven	Corvus corax	, ·	2	4	3	4	,	2	3
102	Spotless Starling	Sturnus unicolor	✓	∠ ✓	4 ✓	<i>√</i>	4 ✓	✓	∠ ✓	<i>√</i>
	Eurasian Golden Oriole	Oriolus oriolus	,						Н	_
104			✓	3 ✓	2	2	3	H ✓	✓	✓
105	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \							
106	Rock Sparrow	Petronia petronia		3 ✓	2	3	16 ✓	4	2	3
107	Common Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs		✓			V		∨	∨
108	Common Linnet	Linaria cannabina		✓ ✓	H ✓	4	✓	2		
109	European Goldfinch	Carduelis carduelis			V				√	✓ 0
110	European Greenfinch	Chloris chloris		✓		2	1	2	√	2
111	Citril Finch	Cardulis citrinella				3			6	
112	Eurasian Siskin	Spinus spinus			2	3				

			May							
	Common name	Scientific name	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
113	European Serin	Serinus serinus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
114	Eurasian Bullfinch	Pyrrhula pyrrhula			Н	2				
115	Red Crossbill	Loxia curvirostra			15				8	
116	Yellowhammer	Emberiza citrinella				6		2		
117	Cirl Bunting	Emberiza cirlus		3			4		1	
118	Corn Bunting	Emberiza calandra	✓	✓	Н	3	✓	✓	✓	✓
119	Rock Bunting	Emberiza cia				8				

Mammals

Red Fox, Vulpes vulpes

Pyrenean Chamois (Izard), Rupicapra pyrenaica

Iberian Hare, Lepus granatensis

Stoat, Mustela erminea

Alpine Marmot, Marmotta marmotta

Amphibians & Reptiles

Painted Frog, Discoglossus pictus

Pyrenean Frog, Rana pyrenaica

Moorish Gecko, Tarentola mauritanica

Green Lizard, Lacerta viridis

Common Wall Lizard, Podarcis muralis

Common Toad, Bufo bufo

Iberian Water Frog, Rana perezi

Large Psammodromus, Psammodromus algirus

Common Lizard, Podarcis vivipera

Iberian Wall Lizard, Podarcis hispanica

Butterflies

Dingy Skipper, Erynnis tages

Grizzled Skipper, Pyrgus malvae

Mallow Skipper, Cacharodus alceae

Southern Marbled Skipper, Cacharodus boeticus

Spanish Swallowtail, Iphiclides feisthamelii

Wood White, Leptidea sinapis

Large White, Pieris brassicae

Orange Tip, Anthocharis cardamines

Clouded Yellow, Colias crocea

Little Blue, Cupido minimus

Holly Blue, Celastrina argiolus

Black-eyed Blue, Glaucopsyche melanops

Chequered Blue, Scolitantides orion

Common Blue, Polyommatus icarus

Provence Chalkhill Blue, Lysandra hispana

Small Tortoiseshell, Aglais urticae

Painted Lady, Vanessa cardui

Glanville Fritillary, Melitaea cinxia

Provencal Fritillary, Melitaea deione

Spanish Fritillary, Euphydryas desfontainii

Speckled Wood, Pararge aegeria

Red-underwing Skipper, Spialia sertorius

Oberthur's Grizzled Skipper, Pyrgus armoricanus

Marbled Skipper, Cacharodus lavatherae

Spanish Festoon, Zerynthia rumina

Swallowtail, Papilio machaon

Black-veined White, Aporia cratargi

Small White, Pieris rapae

Berger's Clouded Yellow, Colias australis

Brimstone, Gonepteryx rhamni

Osiris Blue, Cupido osiris

Green-underside Blue, Glaucopsyche alexis

Panoptes Blue, Pseudophilotes panoptes

Chapman's Blue, Polyommatus thersites

Adonis Blue, Lysandra bellargus

Large Tortoiseshell, Nymphalis polychloros

Red Admiral, Vanessa atalanta

Small Pearl-bordered Fritillary, Clossiana selene

Spotted Fritillary, Melitaea didyma

Marsh Fritillary, Euphydryas aurinia

Spanish Heath, Coenonympha iphioides

Wall Brown, Lasiommata megera

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