

Sichuan

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Introduction

A three-week independent trip to Sichuan, for us the first visit to China and a spectacular introduction to birding in temperate Asia. We did a roundtrip from Chengdu, visiting Tangjiahe, Jiuzhaigou, Ruouergai, Mengbi Shan, Wolong (Balang Shan), Longcanggou, Labahe and Erlang Shan.

Some photos can be found here: <https://goo.gl/photos/k8fYsvafG7Frqase9>

Itinerary

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| day 1 | 28 May | drive to Tangjiahe |
| day 2 | 29 May | Tangjiahe |
| day 3 | 30 May | Tangjiahe to Jiuzhaigou |
| day 4 | 31 May | Jiuzhaigou |
| day 5 | 1 June | Jiuzhaigou |
| day 6 | 2 June | Jiuzhaigou via Gongangling Pass to Ruouergai (Flower Lake) |
| day 7 | 3 June | Ruouergai (Baxi) |
| day 8 | 4 June | Ruouergai to Maerkang |
| day 9 | 5 June | Mengbi Shan |
| day 10 | 6 June | Mengbi Shan to (crossing Balang Shan) Wolong |
| day 11 | 7 June | Balang Shan |
| day 12 | 8 June | Wolong - Wuyipeng |
| day 13 | 9 June | Balang Shan to Longcanggou |
| day 14 | 10 June | Longcanggou |
| day 15 | 11 June | Longcanggou |
| day 16 | 12 June | Longcanggou to Labahe |
| day 17 | 13 June | Labahe |
| day 18 | 14 June | Labahe to Erlang Shan |
| day 19 | 15 June | Erlang Shan |
| day 20 | 16 June | Erlang Shan to Chendu |
| day 21 | 17 June | Chengdu |

We included the classic sites of Sichuan which are visited by most tours and trips: Jiuzhaigou, Ruoergai, Mengbi shan, Wolong/Balangshan, Erlangshan. Lowland sites are less obvious to choose and the itineraries have changed over the years due to construction work (building tourism infrastructure). These lowland parks are sometimes closed for a while and each year the situation can be different. Since Wawu shan remains closed (and won't reopen since development has stopped?) we chose to visit Longcanggou, a relative new alternative where construction work is ongoing, but the park remains open. Another option would have been Emei Shan but this park can be very crowded. Labahe has recently been reopened and we included it to have a good change for Temmincks Tragopan. Tangajiahe is also a less visited site, and mainly known for the rare endemic Przevalski's parrotbill. Although we did not go up to the parrotbill site, we included Tangajiahe as a first stop to get our first introduction to temperate Asia birding.

What we would do differently in hindsight

Transport issues in Longcanggou could have been handled better by us, but for the rest we were pretty content with this trip. Of course we missed quite a few important birds, due to several reasons, a couple were missed due to inaccurate site information, so in preparation you should pay more attention to the following species, because we missed them: Blackthroat (site unknown to us), Sichuan Treecreeper (Higher up Longcanggou or Primeval Lake Jiuzhaigou or Emei Shan?), Hodgson's Hawk Cuckoo (Longcanggou?), Streaked Barwing (Longcanggou, Er Lang Shan, Labahe), Chestnut-crowned Bush Warbler (somewhere lower along Balang Shan or Wuyipeng?), Streaked Rosefinch (Balang Shan pass), Przevalski's Parrotbill (pay up!), Spectacled Parrotbill (Reed lake Jiuzhaigou or core area Tangajiahe), Spectacled Fulvetta, Golden-fronted Fulvetta (specific site unknown to us – lower slopes Longcanggou), Chinese Grey Shrike (Hongyuan road or near Ruourgai), Pere David's Owl (Baxi, Gonggalling Pass), Grey-hooded parrotbill (Transport to the top).

Other birders

May/June are the best months to visit Sichuan so we were not surprised to run into other birders. The roundtrip from Chengdu can be done two directions and most tours do it in opposite direction. We met most groups halfway at Balangshan. At Jiuzhaigou we met a Dutch Birdingbreaks group, at Menbi Shan a Hungarian group, at Wolong/Balangshan there was a Sunbirds/Wings group led by Paul Holt, a group led by Summer Wong, and another unknown tourgroup, an expat guide with 2 customers and quite a few Chinese photographers. At Longcanggou we briefly talked to a Birdtour Asia group (see report: <http://goo.gl/LhCLBX>).

Another trip report from 2016 can be found here: <http://www.outofthebluesky.co/>

Practicalities

Guiding

We did not use any guides.

Literature

We used the Birds of China (by MacKinnon & Phillips) and additionally gathered photos for all possible species since the plates are not always very accurate. For sounds we downloaded a selection from Xeno-Canto.org. We relied heavily on trip reports found on www.cloudbirders.com especially those of Hofland 2006, Jacob 2009, Hendriks 2010, Lebrun 2011, Collaerts 2013 and also used some tour reports for reference (e.g. Bird Tour Asia, Birdquest). The Sichuan Birding thread on Birdforum is also worth to check <http://goo.gl/NQZh8Z> for latest news.

Travelling

Most birding sites are only reachable by car and since it is not possible to rent a car in China without a Chinese passport we hired a car plus driver through Sam Tours (samtour@yahoo.com) for the entire trip. This worked out very well, and although communication with our driver was limited we were very flexible and reached all the places we wanted. Only exception was at Longcanggou where the road was very bad due to construction that we could not drive up (muddy with deep holes, during our stay large trucks got stuck several times). We tried to fix other transportation at the park entrance but failed at that. We saw BirdtourAsia higher up with small van-type cars, we asked a driver with a similar car to drive us up and thought he had understood us, but at some point the driver refused to go any further

and because of our limited Chinese we had to no choice but to walk (again) without reaching the top for the Parrotbills.

Visa

To travel to China you need a visa. We arranged this through visumchinaonline.nl.

Eating & Sleeping

We stayed in simple hotels for the entire trip. Only for the last night in Chengdu we had made a reservation beforehand. Rooms were simple but comfortable and always came with private bathroom. Food was excellent (best food we have ever had!) and was widely available from the typically Sichuan kitchens where they quickly stir fry delicious fresh and spicy meals over an open fire.

Weather

Early June is the top moment to visit the area since bird activity is at a peak and the snow in the higher mountains is disappearing. Still it is not rare to encounter rain at a regular basis, especially in the mountains the weather can be tricky with mist, wind and drizzle. We were very lucky and most of the rain we saw was during traveling hours. On 2 or 3 days rain (with thunder) started in the afternoon (at 3 or 4 o'clock) but this had limited impact on our birding time. Only at Erlang Shan we had rain for the first full morning of our visit but in the following afternoon and next morning we were able to catch up on most of the birds.

Health and safety

We felt very safe during the trip and had no health issues. Our driver drove quite safe, which cannot be said for all drivers

Money

ATM's are widely available but it turned out that not all of the ATM's accept foreign debit/creditcards, especially Sichuan rural bank had ATM's in all villages but did not accept our cards, Agricultural Bank of China accepted foreign cards.

Costs

In total we spent 650 euros per person on flight tickets (direct KLM flight from Amsterdam to Chengdu). The car hire through Sam Tour was 3050 dollar (about 2800 euro) for the full 3 weeks including gas and the food and accommodation of the driver. Another 750 per person was spend on the park entrance, accommodation and food.

Visited Sites

We took a few GPS points of sites and specific birds, those are available here <https://goo.gl/TewXij>, and can also be requested in e.g. .kml (for Google Earth), .gpx (for GPS devices and GPS software) format.

Tangjiahe

Logistics

Tangjiahe lies about 7 hours north-east of Chengdu and was our first destination in Sichuan. We stayed 2 nights at the Tangjiahe Hotel (32.57872, 104.75784), which is the only hotel in the park 11km up the entrance road. You can use a private vehicle in the park when staying in the park hotel. Those with accommodation outside have to travel, together with general tourists, by park bus. We paid 526RMB per night which were the most expensive nights of our trip.

Birding

Tangjiahe is the only known site for the Przevalski's Parrotbill but to reach the site you need a permit and guide which are quite expensive. We decided not to go there because of the price/effort and instead do some general birding as introduction of the trip.

Loop behind the hotel: Boardwalk loop that starts at the bridge next to the hotel (32.57928, 104.7586) and ends at the other bridge at the end of the hotel grounds. The trail goes through some good forest and offers a change for Temminck's Tragopan and Golden Pheasant (we missed them but saw some other birds included several Slaty Bunting, Brown-flanked Bush warbler and Chinese Thrush).

Entrance road: Walking down the entrance road provided some nice birding but it got hot and quiet after the first hours (noise from the river made it difficult to find birds). Our first parrotbill turns out to be Vinous-throated (species that we did not see later again at other sites) and a nice Crested Kingfisher flies past along the river. On the second morning we drive the road at dawn in search for pheasants but without any luck. Some tripreports mention a stakeout for Tawny Fish Owl along the road but we didn't see any (however we did not try at night). The second morning we walked in the other direction continuing along the entrance road past the hotel. Chinese Wren-babbler was a nice find here (32.57548, 104.74473).

Motianlin Tourist Path: Trail that starts going up the other road from the entrance. This end of the fork is only reachable by park bus and we went up here one afternoon. Since we had to be back at 16:30 for the last park bus to go down we did not go very far but the trail looked very promising. In hindsight we would have spent more time here exploring the trail instead of walking the entrance road.

Przevalski's Parrotbill site: Bamboo area (Dacaotang) higher up at Tangjiahe which requires a 4 hour tough climb for which a special permit and booking in advanced are needed. Some people make the trip in one day, others overnight. This is the overview of costs involved which we got from Sam (he could have arranged our booking for us if we had wanted). In our view this is a lot of money for just one species.

1. administration fee: 1400 RMB p/p
2. local guide: 600 RMB per day, so need 1200 RMB
3. if need food: 200 RMB per person a day
4. if porter, it's 600 RMB per porter for two days.
5. if needed camping equipments: it's 400 RMB per person for two days.

Jiuzhaigou

Logistics

Because of roadworks we had to take another road from Tangjiahe to Jiuzhaigou which made the drive somewhat longer, but after about 8 hours we reached the very touristic area of Jiuzhaigou. The number of hotels, touring cars and tourist attractions was overwhelming and we were very happy that our driver took us directly to a nice and somewhat smaller hotel at 1 km from the park entrance. We paid 150RMB per night for the room and the girl at the desk even spoke reasonably English.

The scenic park opens at 8am (ticket sale starts a little bit earlier) but from as early as 7am huge crowds (including many touring cars) start to gather at the entrance (33.26792, 103.9177) and in line for the ticket office. The entrance price is 310RMB per person (including park bus)

We read in some tripreports that you can also spend a night in the village in the park, which is officially not allowed but possible if you show up and ask around. We did not do this but in hindsight this would have been a good option since it gives you the opportunity to arrive at the birding sites at first light.

Birding

The Jiuzhaigou national park is one of the top touristic attraction in Sichuan and attracts over 2 million visitors per year. Reason for birdwatchers to visit is the very rare Rufous-headed Robin, which can be found in mountain valleys with periodic flash-floods. This year however the birds have not returned (at the moment of writing late July 2016 no one has seen any as far as we know).

Throughout the entire park boardwalks have been build but only for the most touristic parts they are well maintained. The rest is slowly rotting away and no longer officially open for the public.

Kezegou valley: until last year this was the best place to find the Rufous-headed Robin. The valley starts to the left of the main road 3 km from the Zechawa-village. We walked up the 3km on both mornings (a pleasant walk except for the buses that keep passing you..). At a curvy part the old board walk crosses the road (33.12761, 103.92348) and just a little further a trail goes off to the left (33.12404, 103.92225). Both morning we birded here from 9 until 1-2pm but no luck with the Robin. General birding was nice however (away from the crowds!) and among others we saw 2 Pere David tits here. The second morning we also followed the trail into the valley for over a km but it was very overgrown at parts.

Upper sites (Primeval forest + Long Lake): In the afternoon we combined visiting the lakes with some birding from the boardwalk. All birds we saw here were also seen at other sites. We visited Primeval Forest quite late in the afternoon and were told we only had 20 minutes before the last bus down. We visited Long lake mid-day with warm weather and enormous crowds. Later we heard there is a trail behind the toilet building you can follow here to get away from the crowds.

Lower sites: We also tried the Pearl shoals Waterfall-trail (33.16984, 103.88417) behind the toilet-building for another chance for the Robin, but it started to rain a short while after we entered the trail and decided to go back.

From the visitor center down to the entrance is a very quiet part of the boardwalk. The total distance is around 20k but we walked parts of this on both days. Here some lower altitude species can be found. We did not see anything special but read in another tripreport that Spectacled Parrot-bill can be seen at reed lake.

Gonganglin Pass: Leaving Juizhaigou towards the Ruourgai you cross the Gonganglin pass. This a good roadside-stop to do some high altitude birding. From the carpark at the highest point (33.04536, 103.72008) we walked up the slope on the right which resulted in our only Siberian Rubythroat of the trip. On the road to this parking site you pass through good forest where Pere David's owl is possible.

Ruourgai

Logistics

We stayed in a simple hotel in Ruourgai along the main road for 250RMB per night (we stayed two nights).

Birding

Ruourgai is placed on the Tibetan plateau from which several good birding areas can be reached:

Road to Flowerlake: Birding becomes good after a few km in the directions of the Flowerlake. You start noticing the abundance of Pika, which live in a symbiosis here with the snowfinches (mostly white-rumped). This is also where we saw our first Black-necked crane. About 1 km before the Flowerlake we walked into the field on the left, this is where we found a group of Tibetan Larks (33.93188, 102.86377) after we did not find them at the lake.

Flowerlake: A visit to the lake is one of the few touristic activities that can be done around here. To get there you have to buy a ticket at the office (100 RMB p/p) and wait for a bus to take you to the lake. There are several boardwalks along the shore that lead to some lookout point and towers. It was a nice place to add some waterfowl to the list, the highlight being several full summer-plumage Tibetan (Citrine) Wagtails.

Baxi: An area of alpine forest on the edge of the Ruourgai Grasslands which gave us excellent high altitude birding. We went here on both mornings, starting at dawn. We birded roughly the first 7km along the road from the pass, but most time was spend in the forest edge where a vague trails goes into the woods (33.59978, 103.19605 and 33.59795, 103.19668). We were lucky with the weather and saw many of our target birds here; two Blue-eared Pheasants on the opposite hill (33.59978, 103.19605), White-browed tit (33.587, 103.1405), Snowy-cheeked Laughingthrush, Crested Tit-warbler (33.59795, 103.19668), Tibetan siskin and Sichuan Jay (33.58922, 103.1498) among others.

Road to Hongyuan: More good grassland birding can be done in the direction of Hongyuan. While driving we saw several more Black-necked Cranes, Larks, Snowfiches and Ground-tits. For this stretch accurate information was lacking. Main targets that we were on the search for here were Robin Accentor, Tibetan Partridge, Black-necked

Snowfinch and the rare Przevalski's Finch. Based on descriptions and hints from several tripreports we puzzled together the right habitat (bushy hill slopes and ravines) and were successful in the end!
Robin accentor (33.4163, 102.55797), Black-necked Snowfinch and Przevalski's Finch (33.43236, 102.60804)
The stretch further along the road towards Mengbi Shan we tried for Tibetan Shrike (around Waqie) and Ibisbill (around Rangkou) and failed at both.

Mengbi Shan

Logistics

At the turnoff for Mengbi Shan along the road towards Mearkang, there is a small tourism village which provided the perfect base for a two night stay to visit Mengbi shan. Small hotel along the boulevard (200RMB per night) with next door a nice restaurant with outdoor terrace (31.87058, 102.29077).

Birding

Mengbi Shan provides easy and quiet roadside birding on different altitudes.

Around the top: On our first afternoon we walked an hour around km 24 where Maroon-backed Accentor (31.72489, 102.28835) was a nice surprise. The next morning we started at the top. This is a good place for several Rosefinches and Giant Laughing Thrush. Through the telescope we scanned the higher hills on the right side and found a foraging group of White-eared pheasants.

Deep Forest trail: From the top we then walked down from the house in the curve of the road (31.71255, 102.31363) and quite easily found the trail that starts at the other end of the meadow. Here we soon flushed a Chinese grouse, and later on some Blood Pheasants. Halfway at an open part along the trail we birded for a while and found Przevalski's Nuthatch (31.71333, 102.30788) and two curious Chinese Fulvetta among others. Walking back up we heard a Verreaux's Monal-Partridge calling very close and with a short play-back were able to get close views next to the trail.

Further down along the road: The rest of the day and also the next morning we spend a lot of time walking and birding along the road. Our most important target here was Long-Tailed Thrush (31.71998, 102.29255) but also good birds such as Sichuan Jay (31.70886, 102.30295) and another Blood Pheasant + Verreaux's Monal-Partridge next to the road. Weirdest observation was a Giant Laughingthrush fighting with and killing a bat.

Wolong/Balangshan

Logistics

We stayed here for 3 nights (150RMB per night at hotel in Wolong). Since we knew the weather can be tricky at Balangshan we had reserved time in our itinerary for another night but it turned out we were very lucky with the weather and 2,5 days in the area turned out to be enough.

Birding

One of the highlight sites of the trip which offers excellent mountain birding with high quality birds.

Balangshan area: Climbing up from Wolong in the eastern side towards Balangshan there are several interesting sites, we describe them in order of driving up, but note that this is not the most logical order to bird. On our first day we started at the Woodsnipe site, then birded around the tunnel and then spend most of the day towards and around the pass, with a last short stop around the obelisk and lower trails. The second morning at Balangshan we started at the tunnel and walked down from there to Obelisk and finished at the lower trails.

Lower trail (30.89832, 102.98833): We found an interesting trail starting at the road (behind a large sign) some km down from the Obelisk. On our first afternoon and another stop the second day late morning provided the following species: Sichuan Forest Thrush, Firethroat (HO), Chrimson-browed and Dark-breasted Rosefinch, Grey-hooded Fulvetta, Black-browed bushtit and Lady Amherths Pheasant (HO). We searched hard for Chestnut-crowned bush warbler, which should be around here (somewhere lower down?) but we missed it.

Obelisk 30.89686, 102.98216): Roadside birding from the tunnel towards the obelisk can be good for several species. We saw our only Sharpe's Rosefinch here and a small trail starting in the corner at the obelisk proved very fruitful with a stunning Golden Bush Robin (30.89836, 102.98306), our first White-Browed Fulvetta and Blue Fronted Redstart among others.

Tunnel: Birded here some time on both mornings, just after the tunnel you can park the car on the left (30.87612, 102.96531) where the old road goes around the tunnel provided a good platform for birding. From down the road several Koklass Pheasants were calling. We tried seeing one that we heard quite close to the road but just before we got there it was flushed by a tourgroup from Sunbirds/Wings. In return they found a Tibetan partridge calling uphill that gave excellent views through the telescope.

The tunnel is also the place for Chinese Monal, on the first morning several birds (males and females) were foraging down the slope above the road opposite the (lower) entrance of the tunnel (30.88067, 102.96635). In this area also some White-eared Pheasants were present on both days. This site can be reached walking down the old road hugging the hillside. Monal can be seen on the righthand side of this road as well.

The second morning we were alerted by our driver who had a male Monal crossing the road just before the car near the parking area.

Woodsnipe site (30.87098, 102.95972): Arrived here the first morning at 5am (left Wolong at 4am). Still very dark but we hear the Wood Snipe calling down in the valley below. It regularly called until 5:15am and then stopped. We waited a while longer but no more sound from the Woodsnipe and since it was almost light we then continued to the tunnel.

Towards the pass: Driving up to the pass we had several good stops; Himalayan Rubythroat was found on the slope where the last small bushes are present (30.89693, 102.92428). A carpark next to a small viewing platform provided the ideal spot for finding Tibetan Snowcock, Snow partridge and several Grandala's (30.90526, 102.90963). At the pass a couple of Snow Pigeon flew past, and walking down we saw many Plain Mountain finches, several Rufous-breasted and Alpine Accentors and a beautiful pair of Red-browd Finches (30.90683, 102.90028). After a long search for Brandt's Mountain Finch we finally found a few much further down. As at many sites in Sichuan construction workers are working on a tunnel which might have some consequences for reaching the higher areas when opened.

Wolong area:

Wuyipeng: Mr Chang knew were to drop us off for the Wuyipeng trail (30.99954, 103.1453) but it still took us some searching to find the unmarked, indistinct entrance (31.00085, 103.14733). Walking up the first highlight was a female Golden Pheasant on the trail (31.00154, 103.1518). After a long a steep walk (1,5 hours) you reach the ridge. This is the start of beautiful trail that follows the ridge unto it reaches the research center about 1km further. We birded the trail there and back and were rewarded with a stunning male Firethroat, several White-browed Bush Robins, both Great and Three-toad Parrotbill among others. The higher part of the trail leading up to the ridge is also the place for the recently discovered Blackthroat in Sichuan. We did not know the exact place and tried different spots but could not find it , apparently it is around 2400m (<http://www.outofthebluesky.co/?p=242>).

Around Wolong: we walked a bit on the first afternoon from the hotel. The Wolong Grand Hotel (31.0315, 103.18003) is totally overgrown and although we did not see a trail going up the hill (the Sawan trail that is described in earlier tripreports) there was quite some bird activity on the compounds. Best was a male Golden Pheasant that we flushed behind one of the buildings.

Longcanggou

Logistics

The park is open but still heavily under construction. We stayed for 3 nights in a just recently build hotel for 300 RMB per night. The park road is being build and therefor very muddy and not accessible by normal car. Our driver tried to drive up the first day but did not want to go any further after the first 2 kms because of the holes and mud. We decided to walk from there but later that day we ran into Bird Tour Asia who had fixed local transportation in small vans. Back at the entrance we tried to fix the same van for the next day, with our limited Chinese and help of our

driver we managed to get a deal for the next day. However, driving up the next morning the van driver only wanted to drive us to a nearby waterfall and refused to go up the park road which left us almost at the same spot as the previous day and no other choice than to walk up again.

Birding

Birding is possible at different altitudes since the entrance area is around 1400 m but from there the park roads climbs up until it reaches its highest point 15 km further at 2300m.

Entrance area: Going up the main road you first go through an open field with grass just passed the entrance which is the place for Sichuan Bush Warbler (29.62726, 102.88427). Walking up further we were lucky with a female Silver Pheasant that crossed the road on the first morning.

Another option from the entrance is the boardwalk that follows the river where we saw both Little and Spotted Forktail. Going up from the boardwalk there is a paved road which we only explored a little on our final morning. It was unclear how far it goes on, but if we had had more time it is in interesting part to explore some further.

Mid-level (after visitor's center): Walking up you reach a newly build Visitor center. After here the road continues further and we had some nice birding here with Golden-breasted Fulvetta, Golden Parrotbill, Red-winged Laughingthrush, Emei leaf warbler and Emei Shan Loicichla. Walking back Helen disturbed a Chinese bamboo partridge.

Top area: Since we had to walk up the entire way we never reached the highest point which is the place to look for Grey-hooded parrotbill. We did get a tip from BTA about a ridge trail, that starts at a wooden stair off to the right of the road (29.57343, 102.87023). They saw Streaked Barwing here, but although it was a beautiful trail with a lot of potential we saw little birds (could be due to the fact that on both days we were here after 10am and activity had slowed down significantly).

Furthermore, other trip reports mention that Ashy-throated parrotbill occurs in the fields along road between the park entrance and the highway but we did not search for it (we did not see a logical place along the road), I guess we should have just walked the road and tried.

Labahe

Logistics

The drive from Longcanggou to Labahe takes about 3-4 hours (due to a lot of roadworks). The park entrance (30.06547, 102.42318) fee is 58RMB and driving up the park we reach the very big, fancy and almost empty hotel (with staff that still being trained after it recently opened). We stayed for two nights and paid the overpriced amount of 500RMB per night (30.16688, 102.44967).

Birding

Another park where birding is possible at different altitudes. In the future even more so since they are building a cable car to the top of the mountain. The main birding sites are along the road that goes left just before the hotel and continues all the way up to where they are building the start of the cable car, we call this the 'left park road'. The main road continues in the valley until another hotel under construction.

Boardwalk: We had read that the wooden boardwalk was no longer maintained. We found it at the end (30.19179, 102.41921) of a side road (Lady Amherst pheasant); it is in a bad state but still possible to walk. We birded here twice until a little platform that looks out over the next valley. The boardwalk continues further but we decided not to try and find the end of the loop given the condition of the wood. Birds here include: Chestnut-headed Tesia, Golden-breasted and Grey-hooded Fulvetta and Brown Parrotbill. Also Giant Panda droppings were present at several places on the boardwalk but we did not see any.

Azalea lake trail: This trail starts (30.19155, 102.43355) at 2400m along the left park road. It climbs up on the slope to the right and connects some small dead ponds. Here we encountered our best birding moment of the trip when we

walked into a Temminck's Tragopan that was sleeping on a branch about 2m from the ground. The next 15 minutes it gave spectacular views when it slowly moved down and started foraging only 5m away from us. Other interesting species on this loop included Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler, Fulvous Parrotbill and White-browed Shortwing (most of the males we saw were brown instead of blue.).

Left Park road: We walked several parts of the road. The way in which the road has just recently been updated has left large parts of the roadside cleared from its habitat and therefore makes birding more difficult. Still we did find some birds here, best of which were several sightings of Lady Amherst Pheasant along the road.

Around hotel: A little further along the main road from the hotel a small trail starts to the right that loops back and ends behind the hotel. We walked here on a hot and quiet afternoon but finally found a nice flock close to the hotel which held our only Stripe-throated Yuhina.

Erlangshan

Logistics

Very close to Labahe (only 2 hours' drive) is the mountain site of Erlangshan. Here a new tunnel has been built leaving a quiet old road that climbs over the pass to do some nice roadside birding. Accommodation can be found half an hour's drive on either side of the pass. We stayed at the east side in a small village which provided a basic but fine room for 150RMB per night.

Birding

Birding can be done at either side of the pass. On the first afternoon we first explored both sides. It turned out that it is not possible to drive up the east side (at least with a normal car) since the rain has had severe impact in the pavement of the road. The west side is much drier and here we were able to drive up (almost) all the way to the pass.

Most birding was done on the west side on different altitudes. At around 2700m there is a good stretch of habitat that holds several Firethroats (29.85346, 102.25797). Around here we spend the most time, with constant rain on the first morning and clear skies with a burst of activity on the second morning. Highlights include Lady Amherst Pheasant, Firethroat, Chinese Babax, Black-streaked Scimitar Babbler, Golden Bush Robin (29.85022, 102.28704), Buff-throated warbler, Vinaceous Rosefinch, Godlewski's and Yellow-throated Bunting. Important target here is Rufous-tailed Babbler (29.84937, 102.25779). We searched hard and at the end of the second morning we were very happy finding one on the lower parts.

Chengdu

Logistics

We stayed for 2 nights at Caotang Mingyue Hotel, the only accommodation that we had booked in advanced through booking.com. Room for 268RMB per night. Initially the plan was to visit Chengdu only for one night but since we had spent less time in Wolong we decided to include a day sightseeing in Chengdu.

Birding

Little birding was done in the city but we spend a few ours next to hotel at the Cottage park and adjacent public Huanhuaxi park. Apart from some waterfowl, our last new birds for the trip came in the form of a Rufous-faced Warbler, Red-billed and White-cheeked Starling.

ANNOTATED SPECIES LIST

We have tried to accurately indicate the proper subspecies for all our observations, usually based on geographic locations based on the IOC World Bird List version 6.2. For the endemics the distribution is given. IUCN status is stated in red. We tried to keep detailed notes throughout the trip but especially commoner species might not have been written down daily.

+ = several

1+= a minimum of one, probably more

++ = common

+++ = very common

HO = Heard Only

GPS points

A complete list of GPS points of sites and specific birds is available here <http://goo.gl/Y3F5fJ>, and can also be requested in e.g. **.kml** (for Google Maps), **.gpx** (for GPS devices and GPS software) format.

- 1 Greylag Goose - *Anser anser rubirostris*
02/06: ++, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 2 Ruddy Shelduck - *Tadorna ferruginea*
02/06: +, En route;
02/06: 5+, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
03/06: +, Ruoergai to Hongyuan;
04/06: ++, En route to Maerkang;
- 3 Gadwall - *Anas strepera*
02/06: +, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 4 Mallard - *Anas platyrhynchos platyrhynchos*
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
02/06: +, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 5 Red-crested Pochard - *Netta rufina*
02/06: 4, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 6 Common Pochard - *Aythya ferina*
02/06: 2, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 7 Ferruginous Duck - *Aythya nyroca* - **Near-threatened**
02/06: 5+, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 8 Chinese Grouse - *Tetrastes sewerzowi secunda* - **Endemic** - **Near-threatened**
05/06: 1, Mengbishan;
- 9 Snow Partridge - *Lerwa lerwa* - **Regional high altitude restricted**
07/06: 3+, Balangshan - 2 at valley, one at pass;
- 10 Verreaux's Monal-Partridge - *Tetraophasis obscurus* - **Endemic**
03/06: HO, Baxi;
04/06: HO, Baxi;
05/06: 1 + 1 heard, Mengbishan;
06/06: 2, Mengbishan;
07/06: HO, Balangshan - near obelisk;
09/06: HO, Balangshan;
- 11 Tibetan Snowcock - *Tetraogallus tibetanus henrici* - **Regional high altitude restricted**
07/06: 2, Balangshan - at valley;

- 12 Tibetan Partridge - *Perdix hodgsoni aesifanica* - **Restricted range**
07/06: 2, Balangshan - near tunnel;
- 13 Chinese Bamboo Partridge - *Bambusicola thoracicus* - **Endemic**
10/06: 1, Longcanggou - Helen only;
- 14 Blood Pheasant - *Ithaginis cruentus berezowskii* - **Restricted range**
05/06: 3, Mengbishan;
06/06: 1, Mengbishan;
- 15 Temminck's Tragopan - *Tragopan temminckii* - **Restricted range**
13/06: 1, Labahe;
- 16 Koklass Pheasant - *Pucrasia macrolopha ruficollis*
07/06: HO, Balangshan;
- 17 Chinese Monal - *Lophophorus lhuysii* - **Endemic** - **Vulnerable**
07/06: 5, Balangshan;
09/06: 1, Balangshan;
- 18 Silver Pheasant - *Lophura nycthemera omeiensis*
10/06: 1, Longcanggou - female;
- 19 White Eared Pheasant - *Crossoptilon crossoptilon crossoptilon* - **Near-endemic** - **Near-**
05/06: 7+, Mengbishan;
06/06: 8+, Mengbishan;
07/06: 3, Balangshan;
09/06: 2, Balangshan;
- 20 Blue Eared Pheasant - *Crossoptilon auritum* - **Endemic**
31/05: HO, Jiuzhaigou;
03/06: 1 + 1 heard, Baxi;
- 21 Common Pheasant - *Phasianus colchicus*
30/05: 2, *decollatus*, En route;
31/05: HO, *decollatus*, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: HO, *decollatus*, Jiuzhaigou;
03/06: ++, *decollatus*, Baxi;
14/06: 1, *suehschanensis*, Erlangshan;
- 22 Golden Pheasant - *Chrysolophus pictus* - **Endemic**
07/06: 1 male, Wolong;
08/06: 1, Wuyipeng - female;
- 23 Ladv Amherst's Pheasant - *Chrysolophus amherstiae* - **Endemic**
09/06: HO, Balangshan;
12/06: 1 male, Labahe - Rob only;
13/06: 3, Labahe - 2 female + later 1 male;
14/06: 1 + more heard, Labahe;
15/06: 2, Erlangshan;
16/06: 1 + more heard, Erlangshan;
- 24 Little Grebe - *Tachybaptus ruficollis poggei*
02/06: 1, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
17/06: 3, Chengdu;
- 25 Great Crested Grebe - *Podiceps cristatus cristatus*
02/06: 3, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 26 Eurasian Bittern - *Botaurus stellaris stellaris*
02/06: 20+, Ruoergai to flowerlake - one group in flight;
- 27 Black-crowned Night Heron - *Nycticorax nycticorax nycticorax*
17/06: 25+, Chengdu;

- 28 Chinese Pond Heron - *Ardeola bacchus*
13/06: 1, Labahe;
14/06: 1, Labahe;
- 29 Eastern Cattle Egret - *Bubulcus coromandus*
02/06: 3, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
04/06: ++, En route to Maerkang;
- 30 Great Egret - *Ardea albaalba*
02/06: 1, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 31 Intermediate Egret - *Egretta intermedia intermedia*
28/05: 1, En route;
- 32 Little Egret - *Egretta garzetta garzetta*
17/06: 15+, Chengdu;
- 33 Bearded Vulture - *Gypaetus barbatus barbatus* - **Near-threatened**
06/06: 1, Balangshan;
- 34 Himalayan Vulture - *Gyps himalayensis*- **Near-threatened**
30/05: 2, En route;
02/06: 10+, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
04/06: 3+, En route to Maerkang;
05/06: 3, Mengbishan;
06/06: 3, Mengbishan;
06/06: 2, Balangshan;
07/06: 3, Balangshan;
- 35 Mountain Hawk-Eagle - *Nisaetus nipalensis nipalensis*
08/06: 1, Wuyipeng;
12/06: 1, Longcanggou;
13/06: HO, Labahe;
14/06: HO, Labahe;
14/06: 1, Erlangshan;
- 36 Golden Eagle - *Aquila chrysaetos daphanea*
29/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
02/06: 1, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
07/06: 1, Balangshan;
- 37 Crested Goshawk - *Accipiter trivirgatus indicus*
29/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
- 38 Chinese Sparrowhawk - *Accipiter soloensis*
30/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
04/06: 1, Baxi;
- 39 Eurasian Sparrowhawk - *Accipiter nisus melaschistos*
05/06: 1, Mengbishan;
- 40 Northern Goshawk - *Accipiter gentilis schvedowi*
05/06: 1, Mengbishan;
- 41 Black Kite - *Milvus migrans lineatus*
04/06: ++, Baxi;
04/06: ++, En route to Maerkang;
05/06: +, Mengbishan;
- 42 Upland Buzzard - *Buteo hemilasius*
02/06: 1, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
03/06: 1, Ruoergai to Hongyuan;
04/06: 2, En route to Maerkang;

- 43 Himalayan Buzzard - *Buteo burmanicus* - Regional high altitude restricted
03/06: 1, Baxi;
04/06: 1, Mengbishan;
05/06: 1, Mengbishan;
07/06: 2, Balangshan;
- 45 White-breasted Waterhen - *Amaurornis phoenicurus phoenicurus*
04/06: 1, Baxi;
- 46 Common Moorhen - *Gallinula chloropus chloropus*
02/06: 1, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 47 Eurasian Coot - *Fulica atra atra*
02/06: ++, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 48 Black-necked Crane - *Grus nigricollis* - Near-endemic - Vulnerable
02/06: 10+, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
03/06: +, Ruoergai to Hongyuan;
04/06: 5+, En route to Maerkang;
- 49 Lesser Sand Plover - *Charadrius mongolus schaeferi*
02/06: 1, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 50 Wood Snipe - *Gallinago nemoricola* - Vulnerable
07/06: HO, Balangshan - from 5 to 5.15;
- 51 Common Redshank - *Tringa tetanus eurhina*
02/06: 5+, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
03/06: 2, Ruoergai to Hongyuan;
- 52 Brown-headed Gull - *Chroicocephalus brunnicephalus*
02/06: +, En route;
02/06: ++, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
03/06: +, Ruoergai to Hongyuan;
- 53 Pallas's Gull - *Ichthyaetus ichthyaetus*
02/06: 1, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 54 Common Tern - *Sterna hirundo tibetana*
02/06: 10+, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
03/06: +, Ruoergai to Hongyuan;
04/06: +, En route to Maerkang;
- 55 Whiskered Tern - *Chlidonias hybrida hybrida*
02/06: 10+, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 56 White-winged Tern - *Chlidonias leucopterus*
02/06: 3, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 57 Hill Pigeon - *Columba rupestris rupestris*
06/06: 3, En route (Rob only);
- 58 Snow Pigeon - *Columba leuconota gradaria*
07/06: 2, Balangshan;
- 59 Speckled Wood Pigeon - *Columba hodgsonii*
03/06: HO, Baxi;
04/06: 2, Baxi;
07/06: 10, Wolong;
08/06: HO, Wuyipeng;
10/06: 3, Longcanggou;
12/06: 1, Labahe;

- 13/06: 4+, Labahe;
14/06: 1, Labahe;
- 60 Oriental Turtle Dove - *Streptopelia orientalis orientalis*
02/06: 2, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
03/06: 1, Baxi;
- 61 Red Turtle Dove - *Streptopelia tranquebaricza humilis*
13/06: 1, Labahe;
14/06: 1, Erlangshan;
15/06: 1, Erlangshan;
16/06: 2, Erlangshan;
- 62 Spotted Dove - *Spilopelia chinensis chinensis*
17/06: +, Chengdu;
- 63 Asian Koel - *Eudynamys scolopaceus chinensis*
28/05: +, En route;
29/05: +, Tangjiahe;
30/05: +, Tangjiahe;
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
04/06: HO, Mengbishan;
11/06: HO, Longcanggou;
12/06: 1, Longcanggou;
- 64 Large Hawk-Cuckoo - *Hierococcyx sparveriioides*
28/05: 1, En route;
31/05: HO, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: HO, Jiuzhaigou;
03/06: HO, Baxi;
07/06: + HO, Wolong;
08/06: +, Wuyipeng;
12/06: +, Labahe;
13/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: + HO, Labahe;
14/06: + HO, Erlangshan;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
16/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 65 Lesser Cuckoo - *Cuculus poliocephalus*
30/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: HO, Jiuzhaigou;
08/06: +, Wuyipeng;
11/06: + HO, Longcanggou;
12/06: +, Labahe;
13/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: + HO, Labahe;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
16/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 66 Himalayan Cuckoo - *Cuculus saturatus*
29-5-2016 1, Tangjiahe;
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: HO, Jiuzhaigou;
07/06: HO, Wolong;
08/06: +, Wuyipeng;
11/06: HO, Longcanggou;
12/06: +, Labahe;
13/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: + HO, Labahe;
14/06: + HO, Erlangshan;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;

- 16/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 67 Common Cuckoo - *Cuculus canorus bakeri*
30/05: 2, En route;
02/06: +, En route;
03/06: +, Baxi;
04/06: 2, Baxi;
04/06: +, En route to Maerkang;
06/06: +, En route;
- 68 Little Owl - *Athene noctua impasta*
03/06: 1, Rouergai to Hongyuan;
- 69 Himalayan Swiftlet - *Aerodramus brevirostris innominatus*
09/06: +, En route;
10/06: 20+, Longcanggou;
11/06: 20+, Longcanggou;
- 70 White-throated Needletail - *Hirundapus caudacutus nudipes*
11/06: 4, Longcanggou;
13/06: 10+, Labahe;
14/06: 10+, Labahe;
- 71 Common Swift - *Apus apus pekinensis*
14/06: 2+, Labahe;
- 72 Pacific Swift - *Apus pacificuskanoi*
30/05: 10+, Tangjiahe
12/06: 10+, Labahe
16/06: 3+, Erlangshan;
- 73 Salim Ali's Swift - *Apus salimalii* - [Endemic](#)
06/06: 10+, Mengbishan;
07/06: 50+, Wolong;
08/06: +, Wuyipeng;
- 74 House Swift - *Apus nipalensis nipalensis*
09/06: +, En route;
10/06: 10+, Longcanggou;
17/06: +, Chengdu;
- 75 Crested Kingfisher - *Megaceryle lugubris guttulata*
29/05: 5+, Tangjiahe;
- 76 Crimson-breasted Woodpecker - *Dendrocopos cathpharius pernyi* - [Restricted Range](#)
30/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
- 77 Darjeeling Woodpecker - *Dendrocopos darjellensis desmursi* - [Restricted range](#)
10/06: 3, Longcanggou;
12/06: 1, Labahe;
13/06: 1, Labahe;
- 78 Great Spotted Woodpecker - *Dendrocopos major beicki*
31/05: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
- 79 Black Woodpecker - *Dryocopus martius khamensis*
05/06: HO, Mengbishan;
- 80 Bay Woodpecker - *Blythipicus pyrrhotis pyrrhotis*
12/06: 1, Longcanggou;
- 81 Common Kestrel - *Falco tinnunculus interstinctus*
30/05: 1, En route;
07/06: 1, Balangshan;

- 09/06: 1, Balangshan;
- 82 Long-tailed Minivet - *Pericrocotus ethologus ethologus*
04/06: 3+, Baxi;
08/06: +, Wuyipeng;
09/06: +, Balangshan;
10/06: +, Longcanggou;
12/06: 15+, Labahe;
14/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: +, Erlangshan;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
16/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 83 Short-billed Minivet - *Pericrocotus brevirostris affinis*
30/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
- 84 Grey-backed Shrike - *Lanius tephronotus tephronotus*
30/05: +, En route;
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: +, Jiuzhaigou;
03/06: +, Baxi;
04/06: 1, En route to Maerkang;
05/06: 1, Mengbishan;
06/06: 2, Mengbishan;
06/06: +, En route;
09/06: +, Balangshan;
15/06: 1, Erlangshan;
- 85 Black Drongo - *Dicrurus macrocercus cathoecus*
30/05: 1, En route;
02/06: 1, Gongangling pass;
09/06: 1, Balangshan;
- 85 Ashy Drongo - *Dicrurus leucophaeus leucogenys*
29/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
- 86 Sichuan Jay - *Perisoreus internigrans* - **Endemic** - **Vulnerable**
03/06: 2, Baxi;
05/06: HO, Mengbishan;
- 87 Eurasian Jay - *Garrulus glandarius sinensis*
31/05: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
15/06: 1, Erlangshan;
- 88 Azure-winged Magpie - *Cyanopica cyanus cyanus*
04/06: 2, En route to Maerkang;
- 89 Red-billed Blue Magpie - *Urocissa erythroryncha alticola*
28/05: +, En route;
29/05: +, Tangjiahe;
31/05: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
07/06: +, Wolong;
09/06: +, En route;
10/06: +, Longcanggou;
11/06: +, Longcanggou;
13/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: +, Labahe;
- 90 Eurasian Magpie - *Pica pica bottanensis*
30/05: 1, En route;
02/06: 1, En route;
14/06: 4, Erlangshan;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
16/06: 3, Erlangshan;

- 91 Spotted Nutcracker - *Nucifraga caryocatactes macella*
 08/06: 2, Wuyipeng;
 13/06: 5+, Labahe;
 14/06: 2+, Labahe;
 14/06: 1, Erlangshan;
 15/06: +, Erlangshan;
 16/06: 3+, Erlangshan;
- 92 Red-billed Chough - *Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax himalayanus*
 30/05: 2, En route;
 02/06: +, En route;
 02/06: +, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
 03/06: +, Rouergai to Hongyuan;
 06/06: 2, En route;
- 93 Alpine Chough - *Pyrrhocorax graculus forsythi*
 07/06: ++, Balangshan;
- 94 Daurian Jackdaw - *Coloeus dauuricus*
 02/06: 3, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
 03/06: 1, Baxi;
 04/06: 1, Baxi;
- 95 Carrion Crow - *Corvus corone orientalis* -
 31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
 01/06: +, Jiuzhaigou;
 02/06: +, En route;
 03/06: +, Baxi;
 04/06: +, En route to Maerkang;
orientalis sometimes split as separate species
- 96 Large-billed Crow - *Corvus macrorhynchos tibetosinensis*
 29/05: 5+, Tangjiahe;
 01/06: +, Jiuzhaigou;
 02/06: +, En route;
 05/06: 5+, Mengbishan;
 07/06: +, Balangshan;
 12/06: 3, Labahe;
 13/06: +, Labahe;
 14/06: +, Labahe;
 15/06: +, Erlangshan;
 16/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 97 Northern Raven - *Corvus corax tibetanus*
 02/06: +, En route;
 06/06: 2+, Balangshan;
 07/06: +, Balangshan;
- 98 Fire-capped Tit - *Cephalopyrus flammiceps olivaceus*
 30/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
 08/06: 4, Wuyipeng;
 10/06: 1, Longcanggou;
- 99 Yellow-browed Tit - *Sylviparus modestus modestus*
 08/06: 3, Wuyipeng;
- 100 Rufous-vented Tit - *Periparus rubidiventris whistleri*
 03/06: 1, Baxi;
 04/06: 2, Baxi;
 04/06: 1, Mengbishan;
 05/06: 5+, Mengbishan;
 06/06: 5+, Mengbishan;
 09/06: 2, Balangshan;

- 101 Coal Tit - *Periparus ater eckodedicatus*
08/06: 5+, Wuyipeng;
10/06: 2, Longcanggou;
14/06: 2+, Labahe;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 102 Yellow-bellied Tit - *Pardaliparus venustulus* - Endemic
30/05: 2, Tangjiahe;
10/06: 2, Longcanggou;
12/06: 2, Longcanggou;
13/06: 3+, Labahe;
- 103 Grey Crested Tit - *Lophophanes dichrous dichroides*
03/06: +, Baxi;
04/06: 2+, Baxi;
04/06: 2, Mengbishan;
16/06: 1, Erlangshan;
- 104 White-browed Tit - *Poecile superciliosus* - Endemic
04/06: 1, Baxi;
- 105 Pere David's Tit - *Poecile davidi* - Endemic
31/05: 3, Jiuzhaigou;
- 106 Sichuan Tit - *Poecile weigoldicus* - Endemic
03/06: 4, Baxi;
- 107 Ground Tit - *Pseudopodoces humilis* - Near-endemic
02/06: 2, En route;
02/06: 2, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
03/06: ++, Rouergai to Hongyuan;
- 108 Japanese Tit - *Parus minor tibetanus*
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: 2, Jiuzhaigou;
03/06: 1, Baxi;
04/06: 1, Baxi;
07/06: 2, Balangshan;
15/06: 1, Erlangshan;
16/06: 2, Erlangshan;
- 109 Green-backed Tit - *Parus monticolus yunnanensis*
29/05: ++, Tangjiahe;
30/05: +, Tangjiahe;
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: 5+, Jiuzhaigou;
07/06: +, Wolong;
08/06: +, Wuyipeng;
10/06: +, Longcanggou;
11/06: +, Longcanggou;
12/06: +, Labahe;
13/06: +, Labahe;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
16/06: 5+, Erlangshan;
- 110 Oriental Skylark - *Alauda gulgula inopinata*
02/06: 10+, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
03/06: ++, Rouergai to Hongyuan;
04/06: ++, En route to Maerkang;
- 111 Horned Lark - *Eremophila alpestris elwesi*
02/06: 2, En route;
02/06: 6, Ruoergai to flowerlake;

- 112 Tibetan Lark - *Melanocorypha maxima maxima* - Near-endemic
02/06: 8, Ruogai to flowerlake;
- 113 Collared Finchbill - *Spizixos semitorques semitorques*
29/05: 2, Tangjiahe;
13/06: 1, Labahe;
14/06: 1, Erlangshan;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
16/06: 2, Erlangshan;
- 114 Brown-breasted Bulbul - *Pycnonotus xanthorrhous andersoni*
09/06: 2, En route;
14/06: 5+, Erlangshan;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
16/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 115 Light-vented Bulbul - *Pycnonotus sinensis sinensis*
28/05: 2, En route;
06/06: 1, En route - rob only;
09/06: +, En route;
16/06: 1, Chengdu;
17/06: ++, Chengdu;
- 116 Black Bulbul - *Hypsipetes leucocephalus leucothorax*
12/06: 3, Longcanggou;
13/06: 1, Labahe;
- 117 Barn Swallow - *Hirundo rustica gutturalis*
02/06: 3, En route;
09/06: +, En route;
17/06: +, Chengdu;
- 117 Pale Martin - *Riparia diluta*
04/06: +, En route to Maerkang (Rob only);
- 118 Eurasian Crag Martin - *Ptyonoprogne rupestris*
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: 3+, Jiuzhaigou;
- 119 Asian House Martin - *Delichon dasypus cashmeriense*
03/06: +, Baxi;
05/06: +, Mengbisha;
06/06: +, En route;
07/06: +, Balangshan;
08/06: +, Wuyipeng;
09/06: +, En route;
12/06: +, En route;
12/06: +, Labahe;
13/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: +, Labahe;
- 120 Red-rumped Swallow - *Cecropis daurica rufula*
12/06: +, En route;
16/06: ++, Chengdu;
17/06: +, Chengdu;
- 121 Chinese Wren-babbler - *Pnoepyga mutica* - Endemic
30/05: 2, Tangjiahe;
08/06: 1, Wuyipeng;
10/06: 1, Longcanggou;
13/06: 1, Labahe;
- 122 Pygmy Wren-babbler - *Pnoepyga pusilla pusilla*

- 29/05: 2, Tangjiahe;
 30/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
 07/06: HO, Wolong;
 08/06: 1, Wuyipeng;
 10/06: HO, Longcanggou;
 11/06: HO, Longcanggou;
 12/06: +, Longcanggou;
 12/06: +, Labahe;
 13/06: +, Labahe;
 15/06: 1, Erlangshan;
- 123 Rufous-faced Warbler - *Abroscopus albogularis fulvifacies*
 17/06: 1, Chengdu;
- 124 Brown-flanked Bush Warbler - *Horornis fortipes davidianus*
 29/05: 2, Tangjiahe;
 08/06: +, Wuyipeng;
 10/06: +++, Longcanggou;
 11/06: +, Longcanggou;
 12/06: +, Longcanggou;
 12/06: +, Labahe;
 14/06: +, Erlangshan;
 15/06: +, Erlangshan;
 16/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 125 Yellow-bellied Bush Warbler - *Horornis acanthizoides acanthizoides* - **Near Endemic**
 01/06: 5+, Jiuzhaigou;
 02/06: +, Gongangling pass;
 04/06: HO, Baxi;
 05/06: HO, Mengbishan;
 08/06: 1, Wuyipeng;
 09/06: +, Balangshan;
 11/06: ++, Longcanggou;
 12/06: +, Longcanggou;
 12/06: +, Labahe;
 14/06: +, Labahe;
- 126 Aberrant Bush Warbler - *Horornis flavolivaceus intricatus*
 08/06: 1, Wuyipeng;
 11/06: ++, Longcanggou;
 12/06: ++, Longcanggou;
 12/06: +++, Labahe;
 13/06: ++, Labahe;
 14/06: ++, Labahe;
- 128 Chestnut-headed Tesia - *Cettia castaneocoronata castaneocoronata*
 13/06: 4+, Labahe;
- 129 Black-throated Bushtit - *Aegithalos concinnus talifuensis*
 29/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
 09/06: 2, En route - chengdu;
 16/06: +, Erlangshan;
 17/06: ++, Chengdu;
- 130 Black-browed Bushtit - *Aegithalos bonvaloti bonvaloti* - **Near-endemic**
 07/06: 3, Balangshan;
 08/06: 5+, Wuyipeng;
 13/06: 10+, Labahe;
 14/06: 2, Labahe;
 15/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 131 Sooty Bushtit - *Aegithalos fuliginosus* - **Endemic**
 29/05: 1 large flock, Tangjiahe;
 31/05: ++, Jiuzhaigou;

- 132 Crested Tit-warbler - *Leptopoecile elegans* - Endemic
03/06: 1, Baxi;
04/06: 2, Baxi;
04/06: 1, Mengbishan;
05/06: 2, Mengbishan;
- 133 Alpine Leaf Warbler - *Phylloscopus occisinensis* - Endemic
02/06: 5+, Gongangling pass;
05/06: +, Mengbishan;
06/06: 2+, Mengbishan;
07/06: +, Balangshan;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
16/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 134 Buff-throated Warbler - *Phylloscopus subaffinis* - Near-Endemic
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 135 Yellow-streaked Warbler - *Phylloscopus armandii armandii* - Near-Endemic
03/06: +, Baxi;
04/06: 3+, Baxi;
- 136 Buff-barred Warbler - *Phylloscopus pulcher pulcher*
01/06: 2+, Jiuzhaigou;
02/06: 2, Gongangling pass;
05/06: +, Mengbishan;
06/06: ++, Mengbishan;
06/06: +, Balangshan;
07/06: +, Balangshan;
09/06: +, Balangshan;
- 137 Chinese Leaf Warbler - *Phylloscopus yunnanensis* - Breeding Endemic
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: +, Jiuzhaigou;
03/06: +, Baxi;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 138 Hume's Leaf Warbler - *Phylloscopus humei mandellii*
01/06: +, Jiuzhaigou;
03/06: +, Baxi;
04/06: +, Baxi;
04/06: +, Mengbishan;
05/06: ++, Mengbishan;
06/06: +, Mengbishan;
07/06: +, Balangshan;
- 139 Greenish Warbler - *Phylloscopus trochiloides obscuratus*
30/05: HO, En route;
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: +, Jiuzhaigou;
02/06: +, Gongangling pass;
03/06: +, Baxi;
04/06: ++, Baxi;
04/06: +, Mengbishan;
05/06: ++, Mengbishan;
06/06: +, Mengbishan;
07/06: +, Balangshan;
09/06: +, Balangshan;
- 140 Large-billed Leaf Warbler - *Phylloscopus magnirostris*
31/05: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: ++, Jiuzhaigou;
03/06: +, Baxi;
05/06: HO, Mengbishan;

07/06: +, Balangshan;
09/06: +, Balangshan;
10/06: ++, Longcanggou;
12/06: ++, Longcanggou;
12/06: ++, Labahe;
13/06: ++, Labahe;
14/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: +, Erlangshan;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
16/06: +, Erlangshan;

141 Claudia's Leaf Warbler - *Phylloscopus claudiae* - [Breeding Endemic](#)

30/05: +, Tangjiahe;
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
07/06: +, Balangshan;
08/06: ++, Wuyipeng;
09/06: +, Balangshan;
10/06: +, Longcanggou;
11/06: +, Longcanggou;
12/06: ++, Longcanggou;
12/06: ++, Labahe;
13/06: ++, Labahe;
14/06: ++, Labahe;
16/06: +, Erlangshan;

142 Emei Leaf Warbler - *Phylloscopus emeiensis* - [Endemic](#)

10/06: +, Longcanggou;
11/06: +, Longcanggou;
12/06: +, Longcanggou;

143 Kloss's Leaf Warbler - *Phylloscopus ogilviegranti disturbans*

29/05: +, Tangjiahe;
30/05: +, Tangjiahe;
08/06: +, Wuyipeng;
10/06: +, Longcanggou;
12/06: +, Longcanggou;

144 Sichuan Leaf Warbler - *Phylloscopus forresti* - [Breeding Endemic](#)

31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: +, Jiuzhaigou;
02/06: +, Gongangling pass;
03/06: +, Baxi;
05/06: +, Mengbisha;
11/06: +, Longcanggou;
12/06: +, Labahe;
13/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: +, Labahe;
16/06: +, Erlangshan;

145 Sulphur-breasted Warbler - *Phylloscopus ricketti*

30/05: 2, Tangjiahe;

146 Grey-crowned Warbler - *Seicercus tephrocephalus*

10/06: +, Longcanggou;
11/06: +, Longcanggou;
12/06: +, Longcanggou;
13/06: +, Labahe;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;

147 Bianchi's Warbler - *Seicercus valentini* - [Near Endemic](#)

29/05: +, Tangjiahe;
30/05: +, Tangjiahe;
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: ++, Jiuzhaigou;

- 07/06: 1, Balangshan;
08/06: ++, Wuyipeng;
13/06: 1, Labahe;
- 148 Martens's Warbler - *Seicercus omeiensis*- **Breeding Endemic**
30/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
10/06: +, Longcanggou;
12/06: +, Longcanggou;
13/06: +, Labahe;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
16/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 149 Alström's Warbler - *Seicercus soror* - **Breeding Endemic**
29/05: +, Tangjiahe;
- 150 Chestnut-crowned Warbler - *Seicercus castaniceps sinensis*
29/05: +, Tangjiahe;
30/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
12/06: +, Longcanggou;
- 151 Sichuan Bush Warbler - *Locustella chengi* - **Breeding endemic**
10/06: 2, Longcanggou;
- 152 Spotted Bush Warbler - *Locustella thoracica* - **Regional high altitude restricted**
02/06: 2, Gongangling pass;
07/06: HO, Wolong;
- 153 Baikal Bush Warbler - *Locustella davidi davidi*
01/06: HO, Jiuzhaigou - Rob only;
- 154 Brown Bush Warbler - *Locustella luteoventris*
11/06: 1, Longcanggou;
12/06: 1, Labahe;
13/06: 1, Labahe;
14/06: +, Labahe;
- 155 Black-streaked Scimitar Babbler - *Pomatorhinus gravivox ruficollis* - **Near Endemic**
08/06: 2, Wuyipeng;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
16/06: 5+, Erlangshan;
- 156 Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler - *Pomatorhinus ruficolliseidos*
13/06: 2, Labahe;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 157 Rufous-capped Babbler - *Stachyridopsis ruficepsdavidi*
12/06: +, Longcanggou;
13/06: 2+, Labahe;
- 158 Dusky Fulvetta - *Alcippe brunnea weigoldi* - **Endemic**
10/06: 1, Longcanggou;
- 159 David's Fulvetta - *Alcippe davidi davidi* - **Near-Endemic**
30/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
17/06: 2, Chengdu;
- 160 Chinese Babax - *Babax lanceolatus bonvaloti* - **Near-Endemic**
12/06: 1, Labahe - Rob only;
13/06: 1, Labahe - Rob only;
14/06: 2, Erlangshan;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
16/06: ++, Erlangshan;
- 161 Snowy-cheeked Laughingthrush - *Garrulax sukatschewi* - **Endemic - Vulnerable**

- 03/06: HO, Baxi;
- 162 Barred Laughingthrush - *Garrulax lunulatus* - Endemic
08/06: 1, Wuyipeng;
- 163 Giant Laughingthrush - *Garrulax maximus* - Endemic
03/06: HO, Baxi;
05/06: 5+, Mengbishan;
06/06: 10+, Mengbishan;
06/06: +, En route;
06/06: +, Balangshan;
07/06: 5+, Balangshan;
09/06: +, Balangshan;
- 164 Spotted Laughingthrush - *Garrulax ocellatus artemisiae*
10/06: HO, Longcanggou;
11/06: 2, Longcanggou;
- 165 Plain Laughingthrush - *Garrulax davidi concolor*- Endemic
03/06: 4, Baxi;
- 166 Buffy Laughingthrush - *Garrulax berthemyi* - Endemic
10/06: 2, Longcanggou;
12/06: 1, Longcanggou;
- 167 White-browed Laughingthrush - *Garrulax sannio oblectans*
30/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
17/06: ++, Chengdu;
- 168 Elliot's Laughingthrush - *Trochalopteron elliotii* - Endemic
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: ++, Jiuzhaigou;
02/06: 4, Gongangling pass;
03/06: ++, Baxi;
04/06: ++, Baxi;
05/06: ++, Mengbishan;
06/06: +, Mengbishan;
07/06: +, Wolong;
08/06: +, Wuyipeng;
09/06: +, Balangshan;
12/06: +, Labahe;
13/06: ++, Labahe;
14/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: ++, Erlangshan;
15/06: ++, Erlangshan;
16/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 169 Red-winged Laughingthrush - *Trochalopteron formosum formosum*- Near-Endemic
10/06: HO, Longcanggou;
11/06: 2+ more heard, Longcanggou;
- 170 Blue-winged Minla - *Minla cyanouroptera wingatei*
10/06: 3+, Longcanggou;
- 171 Emei Shan Liocichla - *Liocichla omeiensis* - Endemic - Vulnerable
10/06: 5+, Longcanggou;
- 172 Red-billed Leiothrix - *Leiothrix lutea lutea*
01/06: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
10/06: ++, Longcanggou;
11/06: +, Longcanggou;
12/06: 5+, Longcanggou;
- 173 Golden-breasted Fulvetta - *Lioparus chrysotis swinhoii*

- 10/06: 2, Longcanggou;
11/06: 5+, Longcanggou;
13/06: 2+, Labahe;
14/06: 2, Labahe;
- 174 Rufous-tailed Babbler - *Moupinia poecilotis* - [Endemic](#)
16/06: 2, Erlangshan;
- 175 White-browed Fulvetta - *Fulvetta vinipectus bieti*
09/06: 1, Balangshan;
15/06: 3, Erlangshan;
- 176 Chinese Fulvetta - *Fulvetta striaticollis* - [Endemic](#)
03/06: 3, Baxi;
04/06: 2, Baxi;
05/06: 4, Mengbishan;
- 177 Grey-hooded Fulvetta - *Fulvetta cinereiceps cinereiceps* - [Endemic](#)
07/06: 1, Balangshan;
08/06: 2, Wuyipeng;
10/06: +, Longcanggou;
11/06: 3+, Longcanggou;
12/06: 2, Longcanggou;
13/06: 3+, Labahe;
- 178 Great Parrotbill - *Conostoma aemodium*
08/06: 2, Wuyipeng;
- 179 Three-toed Parrotbill - *Cholornis paradoxa paradoxa* - [Endemic](#)
08/06: 2, Wuyipeng;
- 180 Brown Parrotbill - *Cholornis unicolor*
13/06: 3, Labahe;
- 181 Vinous-throated Parrotbill - *Sinosuthora webbiana suffusa*
29/05: 4, Tangjiahe;
- 182 Fulvous Parrotbill - *Suthora fulvifrons cyanophrys*
13/06: 3, Labahe;
- 183 Golden Parrotbill - *Suthora verreauxi verreauxi*
10/06: 1, Longcanggou;
11/06: 5, Longcanggou;
- 185 Stripe-throated Yuhina - *Yuhina gularis omeiensis*
13/06: 1, Labahe;
- 186 White-collared Yuhina - *Yuhina diademata diademata* - [Near-Endemic](#)
29/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
08/06: 2, Wuyipeng;
09/06: 1, Balangshan;
10/06: ++, Longcanggou;
12/06: +, Labahe;
13/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: 2, Erlangshan;
15/06: ++, Erlangshan;
16/06: ++, Erlangshan;
- 187 Chestnut-flanked White-eye - *Zosterops erythropleurus*
29/05: 2, Tangjiahe;
- 188 Japanese White-eye - *Zosterops japonicus simplex*
15/06: 3, Erlangshan;

- 189 Goldcrest - *Regulus regulus yunnanensis*
03/06: 1, Baxi;
- 190 Eurasian Wren - *Troglodytes troglodytes szetschuanus*
06/06: 1, Balangshan;
- 191 Chestnut-vented Nuthatch - *Sitta nagaensis montium*
12/06: 2, Labahe;
15/06: 2, Erlangshan;
- 192 Przevalski's Nuthatch - *Sitta przewalskii* - Endemic
05/06: 1, Mengbishan;
- 193 Hodgson's Treecreeper - *Certhia hodgsoni khamensis*
04/06: 1, Baxi - check foto's;
05/06: 1, Mengbishan;
- 194 Bar-tailed Treecreeper - *Certhia himalayana yunnanensis*
01/06: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
- 195 Crested Myna - *Acridotheres cristatellus cristatellus*
28/05: +, En route;
16/06: 1, Chengdu;
17/06: +, Chengdu;
- 196 Red-billed Starling - *Spodiopsar sericeus* - Endemic
17/06: 1, Chengdu;
- 197 White-cheeked Starling - *Spodiopsar cineraceus*
17/06: +, Chengdu;
- 198 Sichuan Thrush - *Zoothera griseiceps* – Near- Endemic
09/06: 1, Balangshan;
- 199 Long-tailed Thrush - *Zoothera dixoni* - Near-Endemic
06/06: 1+1 heard, Mengbishan;
- 200 Scaly Thrush - *Zoothera dauma dauma*
01/06: 1, Jiuzhaigou - Rob only;
09/06: 1, Balangshan;
- 201 Grandala - *Grandala coelicolor*
07/06: 20+, Balangshan - valley;
- 202 Chinese Blackbird - *Turdus mandarinus sowerbyi* - Endemic
05/06: 2, Mengbishan - in valley;
17/06: +, Chengdu;
- 203 Chestnut Thrush - *Turdus rubrocanus gouldii*
30/05: +, En route;
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
02/06: +, En route;
03/06: ++, Baxi;
05/06: +, Mengbishan;
06/06: +, En route;
07/06: ++, Balangshan;
09/06: +, Balangshan;
14/06: +, Erlangshan;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
16/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 204 Kessler's Thrush - *Turdus kessleri* - Endemic
30/05: 2, En route;
02/06: ++, Gongangling pass;

- 03/06: ++, Baxi;
 04/06: ++, Baxi;
 05/06: ++, Mengbishaan;
 06/06: +, Mengbishaan;
- 205 Chinese Thrush - *Turdus mupinensis* - Endemic
 30/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
- 206 Oriental Magpie-Robin - *Copsychus saularis prosthopellus*
 28/05: +, En route;
 09/06: 2, En route;
- 207 Dark-sided Flycatcher - *Muscicapa sibirica rothschildi*
 01/06: 5+, Jiuzhaigou;
 06/06: 2, Mengbishaan;
 12/06: 1, Labahe;
 14/06: 1, Labahe;
- 208 Ferruginous Flycatcher - *Muscicapa ferruginea*
 30/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
 31/05: 2, Jiuzhaigou;
 12/06: 3, Labahe;
 14/06: 1, Labahe;
- 209 Chinese Blue Flycatcher - *Cyornis glaucicomans* - Breeding Endemic
 10/06: 1, Longcanggou;
- 210 Rufous-bellied Niltava - *Niltava sundara sundara*
 29/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
 30/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
 13/06: 1, Labahe - check fotos;
- 211 Verditer Flycatcher - *Eumyias thalassinus thalassinus*
 10/06: 3+, Longcanggou;
 11/06: +, Longcanggou;
 12/06: 1, Labahe;
 13/06: 2+, Labahe;
 14/06: 2, Labahe;
 16/06: 1, Erlangshan;
- 212 White-browed Shortwing - *Brachypteryx montanacruialis*
 12/06: 2, Labahe;
 13/06: 5+, Labahe
 14/06: +, Labahe;
 Several singing birds were brown, but als blue males seen.
- 213 Indian Blue Robin - *Larvivora brunnea brunnea*
 31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
 01/06: +, Jiuzhaigou;
 08/06: +, Wuyipeng;
 14/06: 1, Erlangshan;
- 214 White-bellied Redstart - *Luscinia phoenicuroides ichangensis*
 12/06: 2, Labahe;
 13/06: 3+, Labahe;
 15/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 215 White-tailed Rubythroat - *Calliope pectoralis tschebaiewi*
 07/06: 1, Balangshan;
 Soon to be split from the Himalayan birds.
- 216 Siberian Rubythroat - *Calliope calliope beicki*
 02/06: 1, Gongangling pass - rob only;

- 217 Firethroat - *Calliope pectardens* - **Breeding Endemic** - **Near-threatened**
 07/06: HO, Balangshan;
 08/06: 1, Wuyipeng;
 09/06: HO, Balangshan;
 14/06: 1+ more heard, Erlangshan;
 15/06: 5+, Erlangshan;
 16/06: 2+ more heard, Erlangshan;
- 218 White-tailed Robin - *Myiomela leucura leucura*
 29/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
 12/06: 1, Longcanggou;
 15/06: 4+, Erlangshan;
 16/06: HO, Erlangshan;
- 219 White-browed Bush Robin - *Tarsiger indicus yunnanensis* - **Near-Endemic**
 08/06: 4, Wuyipeng;
 10/06: 1, Longcanggou;
- 220 Himalayan Bluetail - *Tarsiger rufilatus*
 31/05: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
 03/06: 1, Baxi;
 04/06: 1, Baxi;
 06/06: 1, Mengbishan;
 06/06: 1, Balangshan;
- 221 Golden Bush Robin - *Tarsiger chrysaeus chrysaeus*
 09/06: 1, Balangshan;
 14/06: 1, Erlangshan;
 16/06: 3+, Erlangshan;
- 222 Little Forktail - *Enicurus scouleri*
 12/06: 4, Longcanggou;
- 223 Slaty-backed Forktail - *Enicurus schistaceus*
 05/06: 1, Mengbishan - in valley;
- 224 White-crowned Forktail - *Enicurus leschenaultia sinensis*
 31/05: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
 10/06: 2, Longcanggou;
 13/06: 1, Labahe;
 15/06: 2, Erlangshan;
- 225 Spotted Forktail - *Enicurus maculatus guttatus*
 12/06: 3, Longcanggou;
- 226 Blue Whistling Thrush - *Myophonus caeruleus temminckii*
 31/05: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
 09/06: 1, En route;
 12/06: 1, Longcanggou;
 13/06: 1, Labahe;
 14/06: 1, Erlangshan;
 15/06: 1, Erlangshan;
- 227 Slaty-backed Flycatcher - *Ficedula hodgsonii*
 31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
 01/06: ++, Jiuzhaigou;
 02/06: +, Gongangling pass;
 03/06: +, Baxi;
 04/06: HO, Baxi;
 05/06: ++, Mengbishan;
 06/06: +, Mengbishan;
 10/06: +, Longcanggou;
 14/06: +, Labahe;

- 228 Rufous-gorgeted Flycatcher - *Ficedula strophinata strophinata*
 08/06: 2, Wuyipeng;
 13/06: 3, Labahe;
 14/06: 1, Labahe;
- 229 Taiga Flycatcher - *Ficedula albicilla*
 04/06: 1, Baxi (Helen only);
- 230 Ultramarine Flycatcher - *Ficedula superciliaris aestigma*
 04/06: 1, Baxi;
- 231 Slaty-blue Flycatcher - *Ficedula tricolor diversa*
 31/05: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
 01/06: +, Jiuzhaigou;
- 232 Black Redstart - *Phoenicurus ochruros rufiventris*
 30/05: +, En route;
 02/06: +, En route;
 02/06: +, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
 03/06: +, Baxi;
 03/06: ++, Rouergai to Hongyuan;
- 233 Hodgson's Redstart - *Phoenicurus hodgsoni* - **Breeding Endemic**
 31/05: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
- 234 White-throated Redstart - *Phoenicurus schisticeps* - **Near-Endemic**
 30/05: 2, En route;
 02/06: +, Gongangling pass;
 02/06: +, En route;
 03/06: ++, Baxi;
 04/06: +, Baxi;
 04/06: 2, Mengbishan;
 05/06: +, Mengbishan;
 06/06: +, Mengbishan;
 07/06: 1, Wolong;
 09/06: 2, Balangshan;
 14/06: 2+, Erlangshan;
- 235 Daurian Redstart - *Phoenicurus aureus leucopterus*
 30/05: +, En route;
 31/05: 2, Jiuzhaigou;
 15/06: 5+, Erlangshan;
 16/06: ++, Erlangshan;
- 236 Blue-fronted Redstart - *Phoenicurus frontalis*
 05/06: 3+, Mengbishan;
 06/06: 2, Mengbishan;
 06/06: 3+, Balangshan;
 07/06: ++, Balangshan;
 09/06: 2, Balangshan;
- 237 Plumbeous Water Redstart - *Phoenicurus fuliginosus fuliginosus*
 29/05: ++, Tangjiahe;
 30/05: +, Tangjiahe;
 30/05: +, En route;
 01/06: ++, Jiuzhaigou;
 02/06: +, En route;
 07/06: 1, Wolong;
 08/06: 2, Wuyipeng;
 09/06: +, En route;
 10/06: 1, Longcanggou;
 12/06: +, Longcanggou;
 12/06: +, Labahe;
 13/06: +, Labahe;

- 14/06: +, Labahe;
- 238 White-capped Redstart - *Phoenicurus leucocephalus*
30/05: 3, En route;
31/05: 5, Jiuzhaigou;
02/06: +, En route;
03/06: 1, Baxi;
04/06: 2, Mengbishan;
05/06: 2, Mengbishan;
06/06: 2+, Mengbishan;
06/06: +, En route;
06/06: 1, Balangshan;
07/06: 2, Balangshan;
08/06: 2, Wuyipeng;
12/06: +, Labahe;
13/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: +, Labahe;
- 239 Blue Rock Thrush - *Monticola solitarius pandoo*
30/05: 4, En route;
09/06: +, En route;
- 240 Siberian Stonechat - *Saxicola maura przewalskii*
02/06: 2, Gongangling pass;
03/06: ++, Rouergai to Hongyuan;
04/06: +, En route to Maerkang;
- 241 White-throated Dipper - *Cinclus cinclus przewalskii*
31/05: 3, Jiuzhaigou;
- 242 Brown Dipper - *Cinclus pallasii przewalskii*
29/05: +, Tangjiahe;
30/05: +, Tangjiahe;
31/05: 2, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
10/06: 1, Longcanggou;
12/06: 2, Longcanggou;
12/06: +, Labahe;
- 243 Mrs. Gould's Sunbird - *Aethopyga gouldiae dabryii*
08/06: 3, Wuyipeng;
10/06: 2, Longcanggou;
11/06: +, Longcanggou;
12/06: +, Longcanggou;
12/06: 2, Labahe;
13/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: 1, Erlangshan;
15/06: ++, Erlangshan;
16/06: ++, Erlangshan;
- 244 Russet Sparrow - *Passer rutilans intensor*
15/06: 1, Erlangshan;
- 245 Eurasian Tree Sparrow - *Passer montanus tibetanus*
28/05: +, En route;
02/06: +, En route;
03/06: +, Rouergai to Hongyuan;
04/06: +, En route to Maerkang;
09/06: +, En route;
17/06: ++, Chengdu;
- 246 Rock Sparrow - *Petronia petronia brevirostris*
03/06: 3, Rouergai to Hongyuan;

- 247 Tibetan Snowfinch - *Montifringilla adamsi xerophila* - Endemic
04/06: 3, En route to Maerkang;
- 248 White-rumped Snowfinch - *Onychostruthus taczanowskii* - Near-Endemic
02/06: ++, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 249 Rufous-necked Snowfinch - *Pyrgilauda ruficollis ruficollis* - Near-Endemic
02/06: 2, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
- 250 Alpine Accentor - *Prunella collaris nipalensis*
07/06: 10+, Balangshan;
- 251 Robin Accentor - *Prunella rubeculoides nipalensis*
03/06: 4, Rouergai to Hongyuan;
- 252 Rufous-breasted Accentor - *Prunella strophinata strophinata*
03/06: 2, Baxi;
05/06: 3+, Mengbishan;
06/06: 1, Mengbishan;
07/06: 5+, Balangshan;
- 253 Maroon-backed Accentor - *Prunella immaculata*
04/06: 1, Mengbishan;
06/06: HO, Mengbishan;
09/06: 1, Balangshan;
- 254 Grey Wagtail - *Motacilla cinerea cinerea*
29/05: ++, Tangjiahe;
31/05: +, Jiuzhaigou;
07/06: 2, Balangshan;
07/06: +, Wolong;
09/06: +, En route;
10/06: +, Longcanggou;
11/06: +, Longcanggou;
12/06: +, Longcanggou;
12/06: +, Labahe;
13/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: +, Labahe;
14/06: +, Erlangshan;
15/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 255 White Wagtail - *Motacilla alba*
29/05: 1, *leucopsis*, Tangjiahe;
30/05: 2, *subpersonata*, en route;
31/05: +, *subpersonata*, Jiuzhaigou;
03/06: 1, *subpersonata*, Baxi;
07/06: +, *subpersonata*, Wolong;
09/06: +, *subpersonata*, en route;
12/06: 2, *subpersonata*, Labahe;
13/06: +, *subpersonata*, Labahe;
17/06: +, *subpersonata*, Chengdu;
- 256 Olive-backed Pipit - *Anthus hodgsoni hodgsoni*
07/06: 3, Balangshan;
14/06: 3+, Erlangshan;
16/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 257 Rosy Pipit - *Anthus roseatus*
02/06: ++, Gongangling pass;
05/06: +, Mengbishan;
06/06: 3+, Balangshan;
07/06: ++, Balangshan;

- 258 Przevalski's Finch - *Urocynchramus pylzowi* - Endemic
04/06: 2, En route to Maerkang;
- 259 Collared Grosbeak - *Mycerobas affinis* - Regional high altitude restricted
05/06: 1, Mengbishan;
06/06: 1, Mengbishan;
- 260 White-winged Grosbeak - *Mycerobas carnipes carnipes*
31/05: 2, Jiuzhaigou;
05/06: 5+, Mengbishan;
06/06: 3+, Mengbishan;
- 261 Brown Bullfinch - *Pyrrhula nipalensis ricketti*
12/06: 2, Labahe;
- 262 Grey-headed Bullfinch - *Pyrrhula erythaca erythaca* - Near-Endemic
31/05: 3, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
03/06: 2, Baxi;
05/06: 3, Mengbishan;
06/06: 2, Mengbishan;
14/06: 2, Labahe;
14/06: 1, Erlangshan;
15/06: 1, Erlangshan;
16/06: 5+, Erlangshan;
- 263 Blanford's Rosefinch - *Agraphospiza rubescens* - Near-Endemic
01/06: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
- 264 Dark-breasted Rosefinch - *Procarduelis nipalensis nipalensis*
07/06: 2, Balangshan;
09/06: +, Balangshan;
- 265 Plain Mountain Finch - *Leucosticte nemoricola nemoricola*
06/06: 30+, Balangshan;
07/06: ++, Balangshan;
- 266 Brandt's Mountain Finch - *Leucosticte brandti haematopygia*
07/06: 2, Balangshan;
- 267 Common Rosefinch - *Carpodacus erythrinus roseatus*
02/06: 1, Gongangling pass;
04/06: +, Baxi;
07/06: ++, Balangshan;
09/06: ++, Balangshan;
10/06: +, Longcanggou;
16/06: +, Erlangshan;
- 268 Pink-rumped Rosefinch - *Carpodacus waltoni eos* - Endemic
05/06: 10+, Mengbishan;
- 269 Dark-rumped Rosefinch - *Carpodacus edwardsii edwardsii*
01/06: 1, Jiuzhaigou;
- 270 Sharpe's Rosefinch - *Carpodacus verreauxii*- Near-Endemic
09/06: 1, Balangshan;
- 271 Vinaceous Rosefinch - *Carpodacus vinaceus*
31/05: 1, Jiuzhaigou - Helen only;
10/06: 1, Longcanggou;
11/06: 1, Longcanggou;
15/06: 2, Erlangshan;
16/06: 3+, Erlangshan;

- 272 Three-banded Rosefinch - *Carpodacus trifasciatus*- [Near-endemic](#)
04/06: 1, Baxi;
05/06: 1, Mengbishan;
06/06: 2, Mengbishan;
- 273 Chinese White-browed Rosefinch - *Carpodacus dubius femininus* - [Endemic](#)
03/06: ++, Baxi;
04/06: +, Baxi;
05/06: ++, Mengbishan;
06/06: ++, Mengbishan;
06/06: ++, Balangshan;
07/06: ++, Balangshan;
09/06: +, Balangshan;
- 274 Red-fronted Rosefinch - *Carpodacus puniceus*
07/06: 2, Balangshan;
- 275 Crimson-browed Finch - *Carpodacus subhimachalus*- [Near-Endemic](#)
07/06: 1, Balangshan;
09/06: 1, Balangshan;
- 276 Twite - *Linaria flavirostris miniakensis*
02/06: 8, Ruoergai to flowerlake;
03/06: 10, Rouergai to Hongyuan;
- 277 Red Crossbill - *Loxia curvirostra himalayensis*
04/06: 5+, Baxi;
- 278 Tibetan Serin - *Spinus thibetanus*- [Near-Endemic](#)
03/06: 15, Baxi;
06/06: 1, Mengbishan;
- 279 Slaty Bunting - *Emberiza siemsseni* - [Endemic](#)
29/05: 1, Tangjiahe;
30/05: 2, Tangjiahe;
31/05: 2, Jiuzhaigou;
01/06: +, Jiuzhaigou;
- 280 Godlewski's Bunting - *Emberiza godlewski iomissa*
03/06: 2, Baxi;
03/06: 5+, Rouergai to Hongyuan;
04/06: 1, Baxi;
06/06: 1, En route;
15/06: 4, Erlangshan;
16/06: 1, Erlangshan;
- 281 Yellow-throated Bunting - *Emberiza elegans elegantula*
30/05: 1, En route;
15/06: 2, Erlangshan;
16/06: 1, Erlangshan;