

Sierra Leone

2017 Year Report

&

Records of Interest



(White necked Picatharte - Picathartes gymnocephalus ©David Monticelli)

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INTRODUCTION

This is the report of the activities, initiatives and the most interesting bird species that have been recorded in 2017 by myself or by others.

The idea of this 39p. birding report - a first of its kind !- is :

- to give a global image of what has been seen and done in Sierra Leone in 2017;
- to hopefully open the way to new birding initiatives and field projects.

The 2017 birding data have been collected from various internet platforms and sources as well as through contacting people. As a consequence, certain information is most probably missing. The enclosed annotated birdlist gives a fairly good snapshot of last year's available data.

It also means you are definitely part of this year report initiative. So please, do contact us :

- for any further information or help;
- for giving us datas and feedbacks about your experience and any interesting birding records made around the country.

Whatever the way you choose for birding Sierra Leone a lot is still to be done there. It is no terra incognita but for some tricky species, *there still is no really reliable site* in the country.

I hope this first of his kind year report in this - magnificent and safe (!) - country of Sierra Leone will motivate more birdwatchers to come !

Best regards,

Momoh B. Sesay



I'm working as **African Bird Club representative for Sierra Leone & as BirdLife International Field officer attached at Conservation Society of Sierra Leone (CSSL)** helping Birdlife International on various projects - among other on the White-Necked Picarthertes at Kambui Hill Forest.

As an official touristic guide focussed on wildlife and nature conservation I'm (co) organizing various field initiatives for all kinds of customers.

As a passionate birdwatcher, I'm birding since more than ten years here in Sierra Leone and got the chance to take part in many roundtrips, surveys and field reseaches all around the country.

If my full name is Momoh B Sesay people often call "Modu"

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Benoit Forget, belgian journalist and political adviser who visited the country as an independent birdwatcher in januari 2010 (cf. report on [Cloudbirdersinternet](http://www.cloudbirdersinternet.com) site, ABC or Netflugl : http://www.netflugl.dk/trip_reports/africa/SierraLeone_2010_BFo.pdf + various articles on Ornithomedia birding magazine <http://www.ornithomedia.com/>). He did support the whole initiative and realization of this 2017 birding report.

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(Enclosed picture with Momoh Sesay ("Modu") & Ben Forget taken near Freetown - 2010).

...And special thanks as well for all these anonymous motivated field workers of Sierra Leone so essential for the protection of nature!



Grey "Timneh" Parrot (Psittacus Erithacus) Survey Team at Mabondah with Dr Rowan Martin. Momoh Bai Sesay, Dr Okoni Williams, Musa and Alfred. December 2017,.

BIRDING SIERRA LEONE

Some essential introductory information to Sierra Leone is to be found on African Birdclub website.



The most famous birding areas in Sierra Leone are the following :

- **Freetown -Western Peninsular forest Reserve;**
- **Bumbuna savanna area;**
- **Outamna Kilimi NP;**
- **Tingi Mountains Hills;**
- **Tiwai Island;**
- **Kambui Hills (North/South);**
- **Gola Forest;**
- **Sonfon lake;**
- **Loma mountains;**
- **Outamba - Kilimi NP;**
- **Mamunta Mayosso.**

A lot of less known places and remoted areas are however still definitely to be more thoroughly prospected.

FURTHER READINGS & INFORMATION ON BIRDING SIERRA LEONE

- <https://www.africanbirdclub.org/countries/Sierra-Leone/introduction>;
- http://fatbirder.com/links_geo/africa/sierra_leone.html.

Nature conservation in SL and partners:

- <https://www.rspb.org.uk/our-work/conservation/projects/building-conservation-capacity-in-sierra-leone/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/conservationsl/>
- <http://www.tiwaiisland.org/Site/>
- <http://www.golarainforest.org/apps/blog/>
- <https://blogs.mediapart.fr/bfo/blog/111111/gola-projet-pilote-en-sierra-leone-quels-droits-pour-les-populations-locales> (french)
- <https://blogs.scientificamerican.com/guest-blog/conflicts-and-cooperation-in-conservation-adventures-in-researching-the-pygmy-hippopotamus-on-tiwai-island-sierra-leone/>

Selection of birding reports:

- <http://www.birdquest-tours.com/pdfs/report/SIERRA%20LEONE%20REP%2018-0-.pdf>
- <https://www.cloudbirders.com/tripreport>
- http://www.netfugl.dk/trip_reports/africa/SierraLeone_2010_BFo.pdf
- https://www.researchgate.net/publication/281632427_Observations_of_Rufous_Fishing_Owl_Scotopelia_ussleri_in_Sierra_Leone

You may recall that on the 5th September 2016, ABC Sierra Leone started its activities according to the work plan. I started introduce ABC to various people potentially interested to become members. I visited as well institutions that are partners to environmental issues in Sierra Leone such as the Conservation Society of Sierra Leone (CSSL), the National Protection Agency (NPA) and the National Association of Certified Tourist Guides (NACTG).

The first meeting was organized on the 1st October 2016. Since then meetings are organized every last Saturday of every month. The idea was to bird in the morning and then meet and discuss current issues and projects.

According to the work plan, I had targeted five schools both primary and secondary to introduce ABC and encourage teenagers and professors to become member. As I started operation late this 2016, I started with three Schools : two primary and one Secondary School at Wellington Eastern part of Freetown and the Western area. The Schools are Freetown Secondary School for Girls the Wellington Muslim Association Primary School and the International Mission School. I continued this sensibilisation program in 2017.

International meetings

Senegal : PAOC meeting with Dr Rowan Martin (South Africa) - Grey Parrot project.

We have started collecting the Swab for the parrot, which are saold in the markets and confiscated once and posted the swab to UK for analysis. We had already submitted proposal on the Grey Parrot to Martin and were waiting for funding to start the survey .



Grey Parrots trade in Sierra Leone - Photo by David Monticelli

Working with Dr Okoni Williams who Lecture at Fourahbay College and Head of Biological Department. We are already registered by, ecotourism and Environmental Impact Assessment Company called Stigma Nature Services We had organized African Bird Club in Sierra Leone with Dr Arnold Okoni Williams Interim Chairman including Eight other Members.

Meeting with ABC Chairman : discussion on the Club in Sierra Leone that were interested and I sent a short report about my work to promote the club. With the help of the Chairman given me the opportunity, for my country to become member of the club.

Germany : Meeting in Berlin - Wadden Sea Secretariat / trade fair. I was invited to attend the trade fair in Berlin, to develop Eco-Tourism in Sierra Leone, on the East Atlantic Flyways with the National Association of Certified Tourist Guide [NACTOG].

Field surveys

I have conducted various survey this year 2017. Among others for Cematt Company, Sierra Rutile, Sierra Mining Company and Gold Tree.

These Companies hire our consultancy and Tours firm Sigma Nature Services for us to conduct Environmental Impact Assessment for them.

Apart with these consultancies I conducted different field surveys, among other. :

Conducted the January 2017, water birds count implemented by Conservation Society of Sierra Leone (CSSL), Areas covered on the count were :

- Sierra Leone River Estuary,
- Yawribay
- Kargboro Creek.



Photos of Kambui Hill Forest Trail birding with Dr Hazell and Water birds count at the Kargboro creek mudflat ©?)

I took part in the Picathertes project monitoring and survey on the 19th April to the 22nd 2017, at **Kamboi Hills Forest Reserve**. The Forest lies 5km west of kenema on the road to Blama, and it's northern and southern sectors are bisected by the highway to Bo. It's primarily demarcated a regulated logging area for the timber industry, to provide incomes to local communities, but it is also rich in wildlife, and home to the highest peak in the east, which stands at 645m.

The project was organized by Hazell Thompson of BirdLife international the Biodiversity of the Conservation Society Papanie Bai Sesay, Field Technician and myself (field officer Momoh Bai Sesay), for the Picathertes Project at Kamboi Hill Forest implemented by the Conservation Society of Sierra Leone.

I also took part in a **one month Biodiversity survey for CSSL, at Lake Sonfon** a project sponsored by African Bird Club (ABC) to look for the following Target species:

- Pied-winged Swallow (*Hirundo leucosoma*);
- Emerald Starling (*Lamprotornis iris*);
- Splendid Sunbird (*Cinnyris coccinigastrus*);
- Yellow-winged Pytilia (*Pytilia hypogrammica*);

- Dybowski's Twinspot (*Euschistospiza dybowskii*).

Lake Sonfon and environs IBA is known to support a rich bird community. Because the area is poorly studied, more species of the Sudan-Guinea Savannah biome are expected to occur than have been recorded to date. In the 2016 surveys, a total of 148 bird species were recorded .

Cf. online report: https://www.africanbirdclub.org/sites/default/files/2016_Lake_Sonfon.pdf

I conducted a **field survey at Kambui Hill South from the 22nd to the 28th November 2017**

Species recorded as follow.

NO	DATE SPOTTED	COMMON NAME	DESTINATION	Activity
1	19 th September 2017	Black-Headed Rufous Warbler	Morselolo Rutile	Survey
2	19 th September 2017	Finsch's Flycatcher Thrush, Honey Guide Greenbul.	Morselolo	Survey
3	19 th November 2017	White-Necked Picathartes, Western Bluebill, Sharpe's Apalis.	Serabu Koya [Kambui Hill] New Site	Survey
4	21 th November 2017	Rufous Winged Illadopsis, Forest Scrub Robin, Yellow Casqued Hornbill, Western Bluebill.	Tacugama Chimps Sanctuary	Birding
5	28 th November 2017	Yellow-Casqued Hornbill, African Green Pigeon, African Pied Hornbill, Klaas's Cuckoo.	Western Peninsular forest	Birding
6	2 th December to 6 th 2017	Sierra Leone Prinia/Black-Headed Rufous Warbler	Loma Mountain	Birding
7	2 nd December to 6 th 2017	Yellow-Casqued Hornbill, Brown Casqued Hornbill.	Loma Mountain	Birding
8	10 th December 2017	Crimson Seedcraker, Black & White/Vanga Flycatcher, Turatis Boubou, Dybowski's Twinspot.	Golf Club Lumley Beach	Birding
9	11 th -12 th December 2017 to 14 th February 2018	Gray Parrot [Timneh]	Western Area, Ribi, Shenge, Rutile and Kambai	Survey

I conducted de continuation and conclusion of the Kambui Hill field survey in December 2017.

As far as the Timneh parrot survey is concerned it started on the 12th December 2017, at the Western Peninsular Forest Reserve and Community in Freetown that have the ecological habitat status of the Species. The survey and the interview goes simultaneously in the process of searching for the Grey Timneh Parrot. The areas covered various villages in the region. According to survey and interviews there are areas within this communities where people can testify they saw the species before around there community. It's just because of human activities that the species stopped coming again. Some areas don't know or see the bird. and we found two houses were the species is used as pet and one in another village where 2 adult Grey Parrots were breeding in a tree close the house and got four chicks. According to the care taker of the Grey Parrot, the species flowed for two or three days and come back to their nest.

On the 18th to the 19th December 2017, we extended the survey to the Southern Province Ribi and Gbompeh Chiefdom. The Villages visited on survey and the executions of the questionnaires are Jamaica Village, Mokomba, Mosangboma, Doya and Sea Port. This locations survey was covered with Canopy forest mangroves, Wild palm trees and Coconuts plantation along the sand banks and mud close the rivers. According to interview and survey the species usually fly across the villages with flocks and gave alarms, the locals responded to them in greetings in Krio Ku sae ya while they are flying across. They nest in holes of dead palm trees, on the mangroves trunks and big canopy forest trees. The areas covered on the survey told us that the bird was very difficult to catch because of is nesting patterns and the fact that it bites very seriously. When villagers want to catch the bird they used cloths rap it in their hand grab the species. On the survey people testified that

people around the village catch the Grey parrot when deforested the mangroves sometimes got hold of the chicks. The people pet the Grey Timneh Parrot share telephone numbers with us for a visit to see the species and they also identified a tree where they feed on in the villages. On the survey we saw two Grey parrot at our first stop Jamaica village, roost on the mangroves gave their alarm calls and two at Makomba Village fly across the village. The peak of seen them in large flocks is between January and February although they can see them throughout the season.

On the 30th December 2017, we survey Shenge region We administer the questionnaires and conducted transect walk around the villages looking for nest and feeding sites. According to the survey observation the Grey Parrots are flying across the villages and villagers showed us the life flowers the Grey Parrots feed on all the villages visited. One fisherman interviewed told us that mostly the species breed on the mangroves trunk holes and also reported that somebody sold the Grey Parrot at Le 200,000 each, so when they cut down the mangroves to construct boat the Grey parrots were captured on that processed especially the chicks. Within the two feeding sites visited at Shenge region, I saw twenty two Grey Parrots feeding on the life flower trees fourteen on the first feeding site and ten from the second feeding site and two fly across the village. Our local guides who volunteer to monitor the activities of the Grey Parrot data, sighted about **four hundred and thirty two Grey Parrots around Shenge Town from the 16th November to the 12th December 2017** between 7 and 8am in the morning some are feeding other fly across the town.

On the 21st January 2018, we went in the field with Dr Rowan Martin Director of the World Parrot Trust. We Surveyed different communities at Moyamba District and Administer questionnaires form on the status of species.

Birding Tours & ecotourism

The EIA Bird list will have attached no birding tour for this year 2017.

I am only doing office field work prospection for Endemics and nesting sites.

With our advices towards conservation issues about nature in our country, people have seen that birds are very important in the ecosystem. Our communities have realized that Nature will make ecotourism develop in our Sierra Leone. We have hope for ecotourism to grow because both the Minister and Director of Tourism are with us.

Trainings

Improving Capacity of Bird Watching Guides in Sustainable Eco-Tourism in Sierra Leone - 30th Septembre to the 1st Octobre 2017 Sponsored by the Wadden Sea Secrétariat.

The Training took place at Shenge Town the southern part of our country Sierra Leone (Coordinate N: 0756253 W: 01232345 Élévation 125m). I was accompanied by David Monticelli who is working for the European Union and is definitely a good photographic birder. He might be right claiming to be the very first western Tourist to visit Kargboro Creeks Migratory site on the training. The training started with Stakeholders meeting with the elders to introduce the Project, we started with prayer and welcome address commented by the Paramount chief representative. Introduction of all Participants that attended comprising of following communities Shenge, Kata, Tissana Point, Plantain Island and Turtle Island. They were all encouraged to become African Bird Club membres and take the trainings on a practical session.



The purpose of the meeting was elaborated by the National Association of Certified Tourist Guide Trainer officer (myself Momoh Bai Sesay).

We pointed out that our project Status is to improving capacity of Bird Watching Guides in a Sustainable eco-tourism in Sierra Leone.

And stressed the idea that we want our communities to cooperate with us to have a sustainable tourism programme in their members, for them to have benefit from tourism activities.



We introduced bird watchers and bird rangers how to identify birds at the port side Shenge Town. We took them out on boat to the Kargboro Creek.

I also introduced the African Bird Club association to the trainees that showed their happiness to become ABC members.

In the evening we went out on a birding with the trainees where we spotted three European Turtle Dove on the 1st of September 2017 with David Monticelli who accompanied us on the training.

Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM

Species spotted by trainees during the birding exercise :

No	Common Names	Numbers
1	Bar-Tailed Godwit	3
2	Pink Backed Pelican	3
3	Western Reef Heron	2

4	Whimbrel	5
5	Eurasien Curlew	200
6	Pied Avocet	40
7	Little Ringed plover	30
8	Grey Plover	10
9	Marsh Sandpiper	1
9	African Fish Eagle	1
10	Grey Heron	2
11	Royal Tern	10
12	Sandwich Tern	5
13	Gull billed Tern	2
14	Palm-Nut Vulture	7
15	Hooded Vulture	2
16	Common Sandpiper	25
17	Eurasian Oystercatcher	4



Sandwich Tern was captured by youth around our marine shore came from Denmark ringing code 480 V-3 Denmark. The Director of National Tourist Board explaining to Student the importance of migratory birds and there flyways (© ?) .

ABC Bulletin

Since we started getting the first Bulletin for the ABC for sure all the members received it although we've got some technical problems (the Bulletin didn't open according to ABC members, myself included!).

Funding

We received support and funding from the Wadden Sea Secretariat to initiate ecotourism activities on coastal areas like Aberdeen Creek, Yawribay and Kargboro Creek.

Encouraging



On a Nature Club launched by National Association of Certified Tourist Guide at the monument and relics. As the field officer and trainer for the Organization, I encouraged students to become ABC Members .

ABC - SL Meetings

African Bird Club SL Members held their first meeting discussing the way forward of the club activities. Members came up with a lots of suggestions for the club to have full operation 2018/20 as follows:

1. Organize regular meetings every month end;
2. Form Nature clubs in schools;
3. Bird watching with ABC Members every last Saturday of the month;
4. Fund Raising;
5. Project writing.



We only have organized one meeting to see the way forward for the club, among others because of the rains. We postponed all activities for November and introduced a WhatsApp Line to communicate with members.

Global Sierra Leone 2017

ANNOTATED BIRDLIST



(Forest Robin © David Monticelli - 2010)

Momoh Sesay & Benoit Forget

Introduction

Birding has been relatively limited this year as far as foreign birdwatchers are concerned. Probably more than a twenty foreign birdwatchers visited the country in 2017 .

No real organized birding group has neither visited the country this year. As a result, on a total SL Birdlist of 646 (ABC), 334 bird species have been recorded for SL Leone in 2017.

The 2017 birding data have been collected from various internet platforms and sources as well as through contacting birdwatchers. As a consequence, certain information is most probably missing. However, this first annotated year list gives a fairly good snapshot of the available information.

Some general observations can be made about this year : :

- Very few data have been collected on seabirds and waders;
- On a reasonable potential 30, of only 16 species of raptors with no data for the white backed vulture;
- Only 3 species of owls have been recorded but including the rufous fishing owl;
- This year has brought somewhat limited data for savanna birdspecies;
- Limited data have as well been recorded for waders and species from the western palearctic.
- All forest species of hornbills have been recorded this year.

Even if the information needs confirmation, it seems 2 new species have been added to the Sierra Leone birdlist this year :

- black stork;
- african silverbill.

Certain UGE & globally threatened species haven't been seen this year:

- white breasted guineafowl;
- Nimba Flycatcher;
- Western Wattled Cuckoo-Shrike.

What is actually the status of these species for SL? Further field survey might bring answers to the question.

Some much sought after species have been recorded:

- Crested tiger heron;
- Rufous Fishing-owl ;
- Sierra Leone Prina;
- Black headed rufous warbler.

Apart with the IBAs, some important SL birding places haven't been visited even ones this year such as:

- Outamba Kilimi,
- Kangari hills.

It seems reasonable to think that some remoted areas probably still hold nice birding surprises. Some searching remain needed as certain places still haven't recently (or ever) been surveyed as far as birds are concerned.

After some difficult years, 2018 - 2019 might be bring some good news as birding tour seem to slowly make their come back.

Certain Infrastructures badly need to be restored, some are unfortunately totally lacking.

Apart with birding there has been one very fruitful mammal survey this year conducted by Jon Hall .

More feedbacks are needed from field working: RSPB is working in SL since many years. This year surely has brought some good data that might be interesting to share.

Abbreviations

C. Davies : CD

Places

Freetown Western Peninsula: : FWP.
Outamba - Kilimi. National Park:- OKNP.
Mamuta Mayosso Wildlife Sanctuary:: MM.
Gola North:: GN.GRNP
Gola East: : GE. GRNP
Loma Mountain: : LM
Kambui Hill:: KHN/S
Tingi Hills : TH
Tiwai Istand: TI :
Lake Sonfon: LS

Comments

NSR : Nothing Special to Report - common species :
NDA No Data Available/not recorded this year

(UGE) : Upper Guinea Endemic,
(NE) : Near Endemic
(T) : Threatened

Potentially New species for SL birdlist are also put in RED

Names of the main contributors

Modu Sesay : MS

Dr Martin : DrM

David Monticelli: DM

Wouter Rommens : WR

Steve Thorpe : ST

John Hall : JH

Various observers : VO

Anonymous : A

Nathan Peace : NP

Aaron Kortenhoven : AK

Mary Crickmore : MC

Magnus Grylle: MG

ABC Key to status information

B - Breeding record confirmed
E - locally Extinct including former breeding records
I - Introduced species
M - Migrant including on passage through this country

N - Nearctic
O - Oceanic
P - breeds in Palearctic
R - Resident
SAT - Satellite record
V - Vagrant
W - Winters (non-breeding season)
X - Rejected record § and ? -

NB : Combinations of these keys have been used throughout and should be self-explanatory but the following are some of the more common examples: RB - Resident in the country and breeding records

confirmed; PW - breeds in the Palearctic and winters in the country; AM - Intra African Migrant; RB/PW - there is both a resident breeding population and a wintering population.

MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017

SYSTEMATIC SL 2017 - BIRDLIST

- 1 Little Grebe *Tachybaptus ruficollis* - 4 NP, Rokel/Seli River/ Reservoir FWP, 25/05/17.
- 2 RB Reed Cormorant *Phalacrocorax africanus* - +/-200, NP, Rokel/Seli River/ Reservoir FWP, 25/05/17.
- 3 R African Darter *Anhinga rufa* 2, NP, Rokel/Seli River/ Reservoir FWP, 25/05/17.
- 4 RB Pink-backed Pelican *Pelecanus rufescens* 3 - Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM.
- 5 RB White-crested Tiger Heron *Tigriornis leucolopha*--2 (TI C. Davies, 02/2017).
- 6 P Black-crowned Night Heron *Nycticorax nycticorax* --6 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 7 RB/P Squacco Heron *Ardeola ralloides*--4 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017; 2 NP, Rokel/Seli River/ Reservoir FWP, 25/05/17; 1 MG, 16/09/17, FWP.
- 8 R Cattle Egret *Bubulcus Cattle Egret*-- NSR.
- 9 RB Striated Heron *Butorides striata* --2 (TI and TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; 1 MG, 12/09/17, Lumley Beach, FWP; 1 MG, 16/09/17, FWP.
- 10 R Black Heron *Egretta ardesiaca* Black Heron--6 (Freetown) A.
- 11 RB Western Reef Heron *Egretta gularis* - 3 ST, Sea Coach Terminal, Freetown, 07/07/17; 2 Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM.
- 12 R/P Little Egret *Egretta garzetta* --3 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 13 R Intermediate Egret *Egretta intermedia* --8 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 14 P Great Egret *Egretta alba* VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 15 P Purple Heron *Ardea purpurea* - 1 MG, 16/09/17, FWP.
- 16 R/P Grey Heron *Ardea cinerea* Gray Heron--2 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017; 2 Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 2 NP, Rokel/Seli River/ Reservoir FWP, 25/05/17; 1 MG, 16/09/17, FWP.
- 17 AM Black-headed Heron *Ardea melanocephala* --NSR.
- 18 R Goliath Heron *Ardea goliath* --1 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017.

- 19 RB Hamerkop Scopus umbretta --1 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 4 NP, Rokel/Seli River/ Reservoir FWP, 25/05/17.
- 20 RB Woolly-necked Stork Ciconia episcopus --10 (TI and TH) C. Davies, 02/2017, VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; 1 NP, Rokel/Seli River/ Reservoir FWP, 25/05/17; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 21 **NEW for Sierra Leone : Black Stork Ciconia nigra, 1ex VO, LS survey 04/2017.**
- 22 R Hadada Ibis Bostrychia hagedash Hadada Ibis--5 (TI and MM) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 23 RB Spur-winged Goose Plectropterus gambensis --about 35 (TI and (MM)) C. Davies, 02/2017
- 24 R Hartlaub's Duck Pteronetta hartlaubii --1 flying downriver TI , C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 25 RB Bat Hawk Macheiramphus alcinus--1 (LM) C. Davies, 02/2017; AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.
- 26 RB Black-shouldered Kite Elanus caeruleus 1 MG, Sea Coach Terminal, Freetown, 11/09/17.
- 27 AMB/P Black Kite Milvus migrans - NSR.
- 28 R African Fish Eagle Haliaeetus vocifer - 1 Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM.
- 29 RB Palm-nut Vulture Gypohierax angolensis --NSR - 7 - Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; +/- 30, NP, Rokel/Seli River/ Reservoir FWP, 25/05/17.
- 30 RB **(T)** Hooded Vulture Necrosyrtes monachus --NSR -1 MG, 15/09/17, NPAA HQ, FWP ; Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 2 MS/DM, 01/10/2017.
- 31 R Western Banded Snake Eagle Circaetus cinerascens VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 32 RB African Harrier Hawk Polyboroides typus AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017. 1 NP, Rokel/Seli River/ Reservoir FWP, 25/05/17; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 MG, 12/09/17, Lumley Beach, FWP; 1 MG, 15/09/17, (Congo Dam) FWP; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 33 P Western Marsh Harrier Circus aeruginosus VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 34 RB Shikra Accipiter badius --2 (Makeni and Freetown) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; 3 ST, Sea Coach Terminal, Freetown, 07/07/17; 1 MG, 16/09/17, FWP; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 35 RB Black Sparrowhawk Accipiter melanoleucus VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 36 AM Grasshopper Buzzard Butastur rufipennis --1 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017.



(Grasshopper Buzzard *Butastur rufipennis* © David Monticelli)

37 RB Lizard Buzzard *Kaupifalco monogrammicus*--1 (Makeni) C. Davies, 02/2017; AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

38 RB Red-necked Buzzard *Buteo auguralis* --4 (TI and LM) C. Davies, 02/2017; AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

39 Cassin's Hawk-Eagle--2 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017.

40 RB Long-crested Eagle *Lophaetus occipitalis* - VO, LS survey 04/2017.

(41 RB **(T)** White-breasted Guineafowl *Agelastes meleagrides* **(UGE)** : NDA No Data Available/not recorded this year).

42 RB Crested Guineafowl *Guttera pucherani* --2 (TI C. Davies, 02/2017).

43 RB Stone Partridge *Ptilopachus petrosus* : At least 1, Loma Mountains DM, MS, 21-23/04/2017 .

44 RB Ahanta Francolin *Francolinus achantensis* --6 (LM) and 6 heard (GE and TH C. Davies, 02/2017, AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

45 RB Double-spurred Francolin *Francolinus bicalcaratus* --4 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017; AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

46 R White-spotted Flufftail *Sarothrura pulchra*--1 heard (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

- 47 R? Buff-spotted Flufftail *Sarothrura elegans*; AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 48 RB Black Crake *Amaurornis flavirostra*, VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 49 R Purple Swamphen *Porphyrio porphyrio* --1 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 50 RB African Finfoot *Podica senegalensis* --1 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 51 RB African Jacana *Actophilornis africanus*--about 30 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017, VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 52 P Eurasian Oystercatcher *Haematopus ostralegus* - 4 Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM.
- 53 P Pied Avocet *Recurvirostra avosetta* - Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM, 40.
- 54 RB Senegal Thick-knee *Burhinus senegalensis* --2 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 55 RB Egyptian Plover *Pluvianus aegyptius* --2 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017; J.; 1 (at least, cf. picture in report), ,Hall & rspb Team Mammal survey Gola,04/2017.
- 56 RB Collared Pratincole *Glareola pratincola* --6 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 57 MB Rock Pratincole *Glareola nuchalis* --25 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 58 P Little Ringed Plover *Charadrius dubius* - 30 Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM.
- 59 R Forbes's Plover *Charadrius forbesi* VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 60 RB African Wattled Lapwing *Vanellus senegallus* --2 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 61 AMB White-headed Lapwing *Vanellus albiceps* --1 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 62 P Bar-tailed Godwit *Limosa lapponica* 3 - Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM.
- 63 P Whimbrel *Numenius phaeopus* - 2 ST, Sea Coach Terminal, Freetown, 07/07/17 - 5 Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM; 1 MG, 16/09/17, FWP.
- 64 P Eurasian Curlew *Numenius arquata* - 200 - Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM.
- 65 P Marsh Sandpiper *Tringa stagnatilis* - Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM 1 .
- 66 P Common Sandpiper *Actitis hypoleucos* --6 (Tiwai) C. Davies, 02/2017; 25 Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM.
- 67 P Gull-billed Tern *Sterna nilotica* - 1 Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM.
- 68 AM Royal Tern *Sterna maxima* -3 ST, Sea Coach Terminal, Freetown, 07/07/17; 10 Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM.

69 P Sandwich Tern *Sterna sandvicensis* - 1 MG, 12/09/17, Lumley Beach, FWP; Shenge Coastal Training 30/09 - 01/10/2017 MS/DM . Sandwich Tern was captured by youth around our marine shore came from Denmark ringing code 480 V-3 Denmark.

70 P Black Tern *Chlidonias niger* - 1 Freetown harbour DM, 25/04/2017 ad non breeding plumage. or 1st summer.; a group of +/- 50, MG, Sea Coach Terminal, Freetown, 11/09/17.

71 P White-winged Tern *Chlidonias leucopterus* - 1 Freetown WR, 09/10/2017.

72 RB African Green Pigeon *Treron calvus* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; - VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017. VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 MG, 15/09/17, (Congo Dam) FWP; MS Western Peninsular forest (Freetown), 28/11/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

73 RB Blue-headed Wood Dove *Turtur brehmeri* --2 seen (GE) and 5 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

74 RB Tambourine Dove *Turtur tympanistria*--NSR.

75 RB Blue-spotted Wood Dove *Turtur afer* --10 seen 15 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017, VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

76 R Western Bronze-naped Pigeon *Columba iriditorques* --1 seen (GE) and about 30 heard at various sites C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

77 RB Red-eyed Dove *Streptopelia semitorquata* --NSR.

78 RB Vinaceous Dove *Streptopelia vinacea* --NSR.

79 P European Turtle Dove *Streptopelia turtur* - 3 MS/DM 01/10/2017.

80 R Laughing Dove *Streptopelia senegalensis* Laughing Dove-- (Freetown) NSR.

81 R (T) Tinneh (Grey) Parrot *Psittacus erithacus*: Cf special data collected in november & december 2017 surveys. Let's mention a maximum of 432 birds together around Shenge Town from the 16th November to the 12th December 2017.

82 RB Red-headed Lovebird *Agapornis pullarius* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

83 R Great Blue Turaco *Corythaeola cristata* -, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; -8 seen 2 heard - various places - C. Davies, 02/2017, VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

84 RB Green Turaco / Guinea Turaco *Tauraco persa* --16 heard C. Davies, 02/2017, VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

85 RB Yellow-billed Turaco *Tauraco macrorhynchus* --, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 6 heard (Gola only) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

86 RB Western Grey Plantain-eater *Crinifer piscator* Western Plantain-eater--2 heard (Gola East) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 3 MG, Sea Coach Terminal, Freetown, 11/09/17.

- 87 AMB Levillant's Cuckoo *Clamator levillantii* , Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 88 AM Red-chested Cuckoo *Cuculus solitarius*--2 heard C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 89 M Black Cuckoo *Cuculus clamosus* , AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.
- 90 R Dusky Long-tailed Cuckoo *Cercococcyx mechowi* --1 heard (LM) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 91 R Olive Long-tailed Cuckoo *Cercococcyx olivinus*--1 heard (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 92 R African Emerald Cuckoo *Chrysococcyx cupreus*--1 seen (GE) 11 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 93 AMB Klaas 's Cuckoo *Chrysococcyx klaas*-, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 4 heard C. Davies, 02/2017, MS Western Peninsular forest (Freetown), 28/11/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 94 AMB Dideric Cuckoo *Chrysococcyx caprius* , VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 95 RB Yellowbill *Ceuthmochares aereus* , Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; C. Davies, 02/2017 (?);VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 96 RB Black-throated Coucal *Centropus leucogaster*--6 heard C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 97 RB Senegal Coucal *Centropus senegalensis* --3 seen 3 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 MG, 12/09/17, Lumley Beach, FWP; 1 MG, 15/09/17, NPAA HQ, FWP; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 98 RB Barn Owl *Tyto alba* AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.
- 99 RB **(T)** Rufous Fishing-owl *Scotopelia ussheri* **(UGE)** : 1 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017.



Rufous Fishing-owl - Scotopelia ussheri © David Monticelli

100 RB African Wood Owl *Strix woodfordii*--3 heard (TI and TH) C. Davies, 02/2017.

101 RB Long-tailed Nightjar *Caprimulgus climacurus*--1 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017.

102 M Black-shouldered Nightjar *Caprimulgus nigriscapularis*--2 heard (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017; AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017..

103 AMB Standard-winged Nightjar *Macrodipteryx longipennis* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017..

104 R Sabine's Spinetail *Rhaphidura sabini*--1 (Tii) C. Davies, 02/2017.

105 RB African Palm Swift *Cypsiurus parvus* - (Freetown) NSR - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017..

106 R African Black Swift *Apus barbatus*; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

107 P Common Swift *Apus apus* - 5, MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017.

108 RB Little Swift *Apus affinis* -- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.; 2 (Kono) C. Davies, 02/2017; 10 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017; 50 MG, 12/09/17, Lumley Beach, FWP; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

109 RB Narina's Trogon *Apaloderma narina*--1 seen (GN) and 3 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

110 RB Chocolate-backed Kingfisher *Halcyon badia* --3 seen 16 heard, various places, C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

111 MB Grey-headed Kingfisher *Halcyon leucocephala* -- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.; 8, various places C. Davies, 02/2017.

112 RB Blue-breasted Kingfisher *Halcyon malimbica* -- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 1 (GE) C. Davies, 02/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

113 AMB Woodland Kingfisher *Halcyon senegalensis* --1 (Freetown) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19-22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 2 NP, Rokel/Seli River/ Reservoir FWP, 25/05/17; 1 WR, FWPA, 09/10/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

114 RB Striped Kingfisher *Halcyon chelicuti* --1 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

115 AMB African Pygmy Kingfisher *Ceyx pictus* --6 various places, C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19-22/04 2017.

116 R White-bellied Kingfisher *Alcedo leucogaster* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.

117 RB Malachite Kingfisher *Alcedo cristata* Malachite Kingfisher--1 (TI) AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.; - C. Davies, 02/2017.

118 RB Shining-blue Kingfisher *Alcedo quadibrachys* : VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.



Merops muelleri © David Monticelli)

119 RB Pied Kingfisher *Ceryle rudis* - NSR

120 RB Blue-headed / Blue-moustached Bee-eater *Merops muelleri* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 1 (Gola North) C. Davies, 02/2017.

121 RB Black Bee-eater *Merops gularis* --1 (en route GE to G N) C. Davies, 02/2017.

122 RB Little Bee-eater *Merops pusillus* --10 (TI and LM) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

123 AM White-throated Bee-eater *Merops albicollis*-- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; , 5, MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017. VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

124 P Blue-cheeked Bee-eater *Merops persicus* -- NSR

(Blue-headed / Blue-moustached Bee-eater

125 RB Blue-bellied Roller *Coracias cyanogaster* --1 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017; 1 MG, Sea Coach Terminal, Freetown, 11/09/17.

126 MB Broad-billed Roller *Eurystomus glaucurus* -- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.; 10 various places, C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; 4, NP, Rokel/Seli River/ Reservoir FWP, 25/05/17.

127 RB Black Scimitarbill *Rhinopomastus aterrimus* VO, LS survey 04/2017.

128 RB White-crested Hornbill *Tropicranus albocristatus*--3 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

129 RB Black Dwarf Hornbill *Tockus hartlaubi* --1 (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.

130 RB Red-billed Dwarf Hornbill *Tockus camurus*--3 (TI, GN and GE) C. Davies, 02/2017.

131 RB African Pied Hornbill *Tockus fasciatus* --NSR -1 NP, Rokel/Seli River/ Reservoir FWP, 25/05/17; MS Western Peninsular forest (Freetown), 28/11/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017, VO, LS survey 04/2017.

132 AMB African Grey Hornbill *Tockus nasutus* VO, LS survey 04/2017.

133 RB Piping Hornbill *Bycanistes fistulator*--17 (TI and GE) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

134 R Black-and-white-casqued Hornbill *Bycanistes subcylindricus* -1 (GE) C. Davies, 02/2017

135 R Brown-cheeked Hornbill *Bycanistes cylindricus* (**UGE**) : 3 (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017; MS Loma Mountain, 2nd December to 6th 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

136 R Black-casqued Hornbill *Ceratogymna atrata* --2 (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.

137 RB (**T**) Yellow-casqued Hornbill *Ceratogymna elata* --about 40 - various places - C. Davies, 02/2017; MS, Tacugama Chimps Sanctuary, 21/11/2017. MS Western Peninsular forest (Freetown), 28/11/2017; MS Loma Mountain, 2nd December to 6th 2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

138 R Bristle-nosed Barbet *Gymnobucco peli* ; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

139 RB Naked-faced Barbet *Gymnobucco calvus* --8 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

140 RB Speckled Tinkerbird *Pogoniulus scolopaceus* --7 seen 6 heard, C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

141 RB Red-rumped Tinkerbird *Pogoniulus atroflavus*-- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 1 seen (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

142 RB Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird *Pogoniulus bilineatus* AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.; --3 seen, C. Davies, 02/2017; 1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

- 143 RB Hairy-breasted Barbet *Tricholaema hirsuta* -- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 1 (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 144 RB Vieillot's Barbet *Lybius vieilloti*--3 seen 4 heard (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 145 RB Double-toothed Barbet *Lybius bidentatus* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017. 1 ST, The Hub Hotel, Freetown, 05/07/17.
- 146 RB Cassin's Honeybird *Prodotiscus insignis* --2 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 147 R Yellow-footed Honeyguide *Melignomon eisentrauti* --1 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 148 R Spotted Honeyguide *Indicator maculatus* --1 seen (TI) and 5 heard C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 149 RB Greater Honeyguide *Indicator indicator* --1 heard (LM) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 150 R Willcocks's Honeyguide *Indicator willcocksii* --1 (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 151 R Little Green Woodpecker *Campethera maculosa* --5 C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 152 RB Buff-spotted Woodpecker *Campethera nivosus*--3 C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 153 RB Melancholy Woodpecker *Dendropicos lugubris* --3 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 154 RB Cardinal Woodpecker *Dendropicos fuscescens* - VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 155 RB Fire-bellied Woodpecker *Dendropicos pyrrhogaster*--2 seen (Tiand TH) and 1 heard C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 156 RB Grey Woodpecker *Dendropicos goertae* AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; -2 (Freetown) C. Davies, 02/2017; 1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 -08 April 2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 MG, Sea Coach Terminal, Freetown, 11/09/17; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 157 R Rufous-sided Broadbill *Smithornis rufolateralis* Rufous-sided Broadbill--4 heard (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 158 R African Broadbill *Smithornis capensis* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017, VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 159 R Sun Lark *Galerida modesta*, Loma Mountains DM, MS, 21-23/04/2017 .
- 160 R Square-tailed Saw-wing *Psalidoprocne nitens* --7 (GN and TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 ST, The Hub Hotel, Freetown, 04/07/17; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12/2017.
- 161 RB Fanti Saw-wing *Psalidoprocne obscura* -- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 18 (TI and LM) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; 1 MG, Sea Coach Terminal, Freetown, 11/09/17; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

162 P Common Sand Martin *Riparia riparia* --common in suitable areas; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

163 MB Red-breasted Swallow *Cecropis semirufa* - VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 NP, Bumbuna, 22/05/17; 3 ST, Sea Coach Terminal, Freetown, 07/07/17.

164 RB Lesser Striped Swallow *Cecropis abyssinica*-- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 10 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017; ,2 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017; VO, KHS 19-22/04 2017.

165 MB Red-rumped Swallow *Cecropis daurica*--19 C. Davies, 02/2017; 2 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017. 2 ST, The Hub Hotel, Freetown, 05/07/17.

166 RB Preuss's Cliff Swallow *Petrochelidon preussi* --7 (TI and LM) C. Davies, 02/2017.

167 RB White-throated Blue Swallow *Hirundo nigrita*--1 (hand-pulled ferry between TI and GE) C. Davies, 02/2017.

168 RB Red-chested Swallow *Hirundo lucida* --7 (villages near Gola) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19-22/04 2017.

169 PW Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica* --5 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; 2 MG, 12/09/17, Lumley Beach, FWP.

170 P Common House Martin *Delichon urbicum* - 1MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017.

171 PW Western Yellow Wagtail *Motacilla flava* --about 10 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017: VO, LS survey 04/2017.

172 RB African Pied Wagtail *Motacilla aguimp* --4 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017.

173 RB Long-billed Pipit *Anthus similis* Loma Mountains DM, MS, 21-23/04/2017

174 PW Tree Pipit *Anthus trivialis* Tree Pipit--1 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017.

175 RB Yellow-throated Longclaw *Macronyx croceus*; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

176 RB Red-shouldered Cuckoo-Shrike *Campephaga phoenicea* --4 (TH) C. Davies, VO, LS survey 04/2017/02/2017.

177 RB Little Greenbul *Andropadus virens* -- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 7 C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

178 RB Little Grey Greenbul *Andropadus gracilis* -6 (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.

179 RB Ansorge's Greenbul /*Andropadus ansorgei* (Cameroon Sombe G.)VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

180 RB Slender-billed Greenbul *Andropadus gracilirostris* Slender-billed Greenbul--2 (TI and GN) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

181 RB Yellow-whiskered Greenbul *Andropadus latirostris*- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 3 seen 25 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey, 11/12-2017.

182 RB Honeyguide Greenbul *Baeopogon indicator*--10 seen 25 heard C. Davies, 02/2017, MS Morselolo, 19/09/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey, 11/12-2017.

183 RB Spotted Greenbul *Ixonotus guttatus*--3 bathing in a river (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.

184 RB Simple Greenbul *Chlorocichla simplex*-- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; about 20 C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017.

185 RB Yellow-throated Leaflove *Chlorocichla flavicollis* - 1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 -08 April 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

186 R Swamp Palm Bulbul *Thescelocichla leucopleura*-- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 15 seen 5 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

187 RB Leaf-love *Pyrrhurus scandens* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

188 RB Icterine Greenbul *Phyllastrephus icterinus* --4 (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

189 R (T) White-throated Greenbul *Phyllastrephus albigularis* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017.

190 RB Red-tailed Bristlebill *Bleda syndactylus* AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; - VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

191 R (T) Green-tailed Bristlebill *Bleda eximius* (UGE) : VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

192 RB Grey-headed Bristlebill *Bleda canicapillus* --2 seen (Freetown) C. Davies, 02/2017 VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

193 RB Western Bearded Greenbul *Criniger barbatus*--3 seen (GE and GN) and 11 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

194 RB Red-tailed Greenbul *Criniger calurus*--5 C. Davies, 02/2017.

195 RB (T) Yellow-bearded Greenbul *Criniger olivaceus* (UGE) : 4 seen (GE and GN) and 1 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017.

196 RB Common Bulbul *Pycnonotus barbatus* --NSR; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

197 R Western Nicator *Nicator chloris*-- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 1 seen (TI) and 8 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

198 RB Forest Robin *Stiphronis erythrothorax*--1 seen (TI) 2 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

- 199 P Common Nightingale *Luscinia megarhynchos* - VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 200 RB Snowy-crowned Robin-Chat *Cossypha niveicapilla* - 1 , MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 201 RB Forest Scrub Robin *Cercotrichas leucosticta*--6 heard C. Davies, 02/2017. MS, Tacugama Chimps Sanctuary, 21/11/2017.
- 202 RB (African) Common Stonechat *Saxicola torquatus*--3 (LM) C. Davies, 02/2017, At least 1, Loma Mountains DM, MS, 21-23/04/2017.
- 203 PW Whinchat *Saxicola rubetra* --2 (Bumbuna) C. Davies, 02/2017; 1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 -08 April 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 204 RB Fire-crested Alethe (/Whiete Tailed) *Alethe diademata* --6 seen 25 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 205 R White-tailed Ant Thrush *Neocossyphus poensis*--3 (TI and GE) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 206 RB Finsch's Flycatcher-Thrush *Stizorhina finschii* -- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 6 seen 20 heard C. Davies; MS Morselolo 19/09/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 207 RB African Thrush *Turdus pelios* -- V.O. Freetown, AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 MG, 16/09/17, FWP.
- 208 RB Black-headed Rufous Warbler *Bathmocercus cerviniventris*-(UGE) :-1 (LM) C. Davies, 02/2017;; MS. Morselolo 19/09/17. MS, Loma Mountain, 2nd December to 6th 2017.
- 209 RB Moustached Grass Warbler *Melocichla mentalis* AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; - VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017, VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 210 PW Melodious Warbler *Hippolais polyglotta* --2 (Freetown) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 211 RB Senegal Eremomela *Eremomela pusilla* --4 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017
- 212 R Green Crombec *Sylvietta virens* --3 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 213 RB Lemon-bellied Crombec *Sylvietta denti* --1 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 214 P Willow Warbler *Phylloscopus trochilus* --about 25 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017.
- 215 P Eurasian Blackcap *Sylvia atricapilla*--1 (LM) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 216 R Kemp's Longbill *Macrosphenus kempii* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12/2017.
- 217 RB Grey Longbill *Macrosphenus concolor* --6 seen 17 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017 ; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12/2017.

218 RB Green Hylia *Hylia prasina* Green Hylia--6 seen about 50 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19-22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

219 RB Red-faced Cisticola *Cisticola erythrops* -- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 1 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; , 1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 -08 April 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

220 RB Singing Cisticola *Cisticola cantans* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

221 RB Whistling Cisticola *Cisticola lateralis* AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

222 RB Lazy/rock loving Cisticola *Cisticola aberrans* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017.

223 RB Croaking Cisticola *Cisticola natalensis* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

224 RB Short-winged / siffling Cisticola *Cisticola brachypterus* --1 (Bumbuna) C. Davies, 02/2017.

225 RB Tawny-flanked Prinia *Prinia subflava* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 5 C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

226 RB (T) Sierra Leone Prinia *Schistolais leontica* (UGE) :--4 (LM) C. Davies, 02/2017, MS Loma Mountain, 2nd December to 6th 2017.

227 RB Red-winged Warbler *Heliolais erythropterus*--1 (Bumbuna) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

228 RB Sharpe's Apalis *Apalis sharpie* (UGE) : --7 seen about 20 heard C. Davies, 02/2017. MS, Serabu Koya [Kambui Hill] New Site, 19/11/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; 1 MG, 15/09/17, (Congo Dam) FWP; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

229 RB Green-backed Camaroptera *Camaroptera brachyura*--1 seen (TH) 2 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 MG, 12/09/17, Lumley Beach, FWP.

230 RB Olive-green Camaroptera *Camaroptera chloronota* --2 seen 4 heard (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

231 RB Oriole Warbler *Hypergerus atriceps* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; -3 (Freetown - golfe) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 MG, Sea Coach Terminal, Freetown, 11/09/17; 1 MG, 12/09/17, Lumley Beach, FWP.

232 RB White-browed Forest Flycatcher *Fraseria cinerascens*--4 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017.

233 RB Northern Black Flycatcher *Melaenornis edolioides* 1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 -08 April 2017; - VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

234 RB Pale Flycatcher *Bradornis pallidus* --1 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017.

235 PW Spotted Flycatcher *Muscicapa striata* , 1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017.

236 RB Ussher's Flycatcher *Muscicapa ussheri* --1 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

237 P European Pied Flycatcher *Ficedula hypoleuca*--5 (TH and LM) C. Davies, 02/2017; 1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 -08 April 2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

238 RB African Blue Flycatcher *Elminia longicauda* - ,1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

239 RB Dusky Crested Flycatcher *Elminia nigromitrata* --1 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017, VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12/2017.

240 RB Blue-headed Crested Flycatcher *Trochocercus nitens* --3 seen (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017, commonly heard; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12/2017.

241 RB African Paradise Flycatcher *Terpsiphone viridis* --1 (GE) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12/2017.

242 RB Red-bellied /Black-headed Paradise Flycatcher *Terpsiphone rufiventer* -- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 9 C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

243 RB Black-and-white Flycatcher *Bias musicus*, MS, Golf Club Lumley Beach - Freetown, 10/12/2017.

244 RB Chestnut /West African Wattle-eye *Dyaphorophya castanea* -- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 5 (GN and TI) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

245 RB Brown-throated Wattle-eye *Platysteira cyanea*--4 seen (Freetown) and 5 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; , 1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017.

246 RB Bioko Batis *Batis poensis*--2 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017.

247 RB (T) White-necked Picathartes *Picathartes gymnocephalus* White-necked Rockfowl (UGE) :--5 (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017; MS, Serabu Koya [Kambui Hill] New Site, 19/11/2017. VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017.

248 RB Pale-breasted Illadopsis *Illadopsis rufipennis* --2 heard (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.

249 RB Brown Illadopsis *Illadopsis fulvescens* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 8 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

250 R Blackcap Illadopsis *Illadopsis cleaveri*--2 seen 2 heard (GE) C. Davies, 02/2017.

251 RB Rufous-winged Illadopsis *Illadopsis rufescens* (UGE) : --1 seen 2 heard (GE) C. Davies, 02/2017, MS, Tacugama Chimps Sanctuary, 21/11/2017. VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

- 252 R Puvel's Illadopsis *Illadopsis puveli* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 253 RB Blackcap Babbler *Turdoides reinwardtii* VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 254 RB Capuchin Babbler *Phyllanthus atripennis* AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.
- 255 RB White-shouldered Black Tit *Parus guineensis* - VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 256 RB Tit-hylia *Pholidornis rushiae* --1 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 257 RB Western Violet-backed Sunbird *Anthreptes longuemarei* --1 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017
- 258 RB Mouse-brown Sunbird *Anthreptes gabonicus* --9 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 259 RB Green Sunbird *Anthreptes rectirostris* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017.
- 260 RB Little Green/Seimund Sunbird *Anthreptes seimundi*--10 (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 261 RB Green-headed Sunbird *Cyanomitra verticalis* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 ST, The Hub Hotel, Freetown, 05/07/17; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 262 RB Blue-throated Brown Sunbird *Cyanomitra cyanolaema* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.
- 263 RB Western Olive Sunbird *Cyanomitra obscura* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; -10 seen 25 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 264 RB Buff-throated Sunbird *Chalcomitra adelberti* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 265 R Scarlet-chested Sunbird *Chalcomitra senegalensis* ; VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 266 RB Collared Sunbird *Hedydipna collaris* --1 C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 MG, 15/09/17, NPAA (HQ), FWP; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 267 RB Olive-bellied Sunbird *Cinnyris chloropygius* --4 (GN and TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 268 R Tiny Sunbird *Cinnyris minullus* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017 MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 269 RB Variable Sunbird *Cinnyris venustus* -- NSR; AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 270 RB Johanna's Sunbird *Cinnyris johannae*--4 (TI and GE) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 271 R Superb Sunbird *Cinnyris superbus* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 272 RB Splendid Sunbird *Cinnyris coccinigastrus*1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 -08 April 2017; - VO, LS survey 04/2017.

273 RB Copper Sunbird *Cinnyris cupreus* (UGE) : --2 (Bumbuna) C. Davies, 02/2017; 1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 -08 April 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 MG, 15/09/17, NPAA (HQ), FWP.

274 RB African Yellow White-eye *Zosterops senegalensis* --4 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; 1 MG, 15/09/17, NPAA (HQ), FWP.

275 RB Common Fiscal *Lanius collaris* AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; --3 (THi) C. Davies, 02/2017; 1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 -08 April 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

276 RB Yellow-billed Shrike *Corvinella corvina* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017.

277 RB Many-coloured Bush-Shrike *Telophorus multicolor* AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; - VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

278 RB Orange/Sulphur-breasted Bush-Shrike *Telophorus sulfureopectus*--2 (MM and Freetown) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

279 RB Black-crowned Tchagra *Tchagra senegalus*-- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 4 seen 4 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

280 RB Sabine's Puffback *Dryoscopus sabinii* --6 heard C. Davies, 02/2017.

281 RB Northern Puffback *Dryoscopus gambensis* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; -5 (TI and Freetown) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017, VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 MG, 16/09/17, FWP; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

282 RB Tropical Boubou *Laniarius aethiopicus* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

283 R Turati's Boubou *Laniarius turatii* (NE) : MS, Golf Club Lumley Beach - Freetown, 10/12/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

284 R Brubru *Nilaus afer* VO, LS survey 04/2017.

285 RB Red-billed Helmet-Shrike *Prionops caniceps*- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.; 7 (TI and GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.

286 R Black-winged Oriole *Oriolus nigripennis* --1 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

287 RB Western Black-headed Oriole *Oriolus brachyrhynchus*-- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 6 seen 11 heard C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017. VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

288 MB African Golden Oriole *Oriolus auratus* --1 (Bumbuna) C. Davies, 02/2017, ,1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

289 R Square-tailed Drongo *Dicrurus ludwigii* - VO, LS survey 04/2017.

290 RB Shining Drongo *Dicrurus atripennis* Shining Drongo--5 (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19-22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

291 RB Fork-tailed Drongo *Dicrurus adsimilis* : 3 NP, Rokel/Seli River/ Reservoir FWP, 25/05/17; Velvet-mantled/Fork-tailed Drongo (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

292 RB Velvet-mantled Drongo *Dicrurus modestus* --18 (TI and Gola) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19-22/04 2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

293 RB Pied Crow *Corvus albus* 578 R Piapiac *Ptilostomus afer* - NSR.

294 R Copper-tailed Starling *Lamprotornis cupreocauda* Copper-tailed Starling--10 (GE) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

295 AMB Splendid Starling *Lamprotornis splendidus* --2 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017.

296 RB Emerald Starling *Lamprotornis iris* (NE) : AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 10 (TH and Bumbuna) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

297 AMB Violet-backed Starling *Cinnyricinclus leucogaster* -2 AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 5 C. Davies, 02/2017; 1, MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017.

298 RB Northern Grey-headed Sparrow *Passer griseus* --NSR.

299 RB Bush Petronia *Petronia dentata*--2 (Bumbuna) C. Davies, 02/2017.

300 RB (T) Gola Malimbe *Malimbus ballmanni* /Ballman's Malimbe (UGE) --1 (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.



(Gola Malimbe *Malimbus ballmanni* © David Monticelli - 2010)

- 301 RB Red-vented Malimbe *Malimbus scutatus*--2 (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 302 RB Crested Malimbe *Malimbus malimbicus* --1 (GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 303 RB Blue-billed Malimbe *Malimbus nitens* --2 (GE and GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 304 RB Red-headed Malimbe *Malimbus rubricollis* --6 (TI) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 305 RB Black-necked Weaver *Ploceus nigricollis* -- V.O. Freetown AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 1 ST, The Hub Hotel, Freetown, 04/07/17.
- 306 RB Vieillot's Black Weaver *Ploceus nigerrimus*-- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; about 20 (black and chestnut race) C. Davies, 02/2017, VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 NP, Bumbuna,, 22/05/17; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 307 RB Village Weaver *Ploceus cucullatus* --NSR VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 308 RB Yellow-mantled Weaver *Ploceus tricolor* --3 (TI and TH) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 308 RB Maxwell's Black Weaver *Ploceus albinucha*--3 (TI and GN) C. Davies, 02/2017.
- 309 RB Compact Weaver *Ploceus superciliosus* - VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 310 RB Grosbeak Weaver *Amblyospiza albifrons* - VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 311 MB Red-headed *Quelea erythrogastra*; VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 312 RB Black-winged Bishop *Euplectes hordeaceus* VO, LS survey 04/2017; 1 MG, Sea Coach Terminal, Freetown, 11/09/17. 1 MG, FWP, 16/09/17.
- 313 RB Yellow-mantled Widowbird *Euplectes macroura* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 314 RB Red-collared Widowbird *Euplectes ardens* - VO, LS survey 04/2017.
- 315 RB Grey-headed Negrofinch *Nigrita canicapillus* VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.
- 316 RB Chestnut-breasted Negrofinch *Nigrita bicolor*--4 (Tiwai and Tinggi) C. Davis 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.



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317 RB Grey-headed Oliveback *Nesocharis capistrata* - VO, LS survey 04/2017.

318 RB Orange-cheeked Waxbill *Estrilda melpoda* --1 (Tingi) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

319 RB Common Waxbill *Estrilda astrild* Common Waxbill--12 (LM) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017.

320 RB Western Bluebill *Spermophaga haematina* MS, Serabu Koya [Kambui Hill] New Site, 19/11/2017. MS, Tacugama Chimps Sanctuary, 21/11/2017; MS & DrM Kambui survey 11/12-2017.

321 RB Crimson Seedcracker *Pyrenestes sanguineus* MS, Golf Club Lumley Beach - Freetown, 10/12/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

322 RB Dybowski's Twinspot *Euschistospiza dybowskii* MS, Golf Club Lumley Beach - Freetown, 10/12/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

323 R Yellow-winged Pytilia *Pytilia hypogrammica*--1 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

324 RB Red-billed Firefinch *Lagonosticta senegala* Red-billed Firefinch-- NSR.

325 R Black-bellied Firefinch *Lagonosticta rara* 1 MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 -08 April 2017; - VO, LS survey 04/2017.

326 RB African Firefinch *Lagonosticta rubricata*--6 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; 1 MG, 15/09/17, (Congo Dam) FWP.

327 NEW for Sierra Leone - African silverbill *Euodice cantans* 32 ex (!)AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017.

328 RB Bronze Mannikin *Lonchura cucullata* - AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 10 (Freetown) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, KHS 19- 22/04 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

329 RB Black-and-White Mannikin *Lonchura bicolor*, VO, LS survey 04/2017.

330 R Parasitic Weaver *Anomalospiza imberbis* - VO, LS survey 04/2017.

331 R Pin-tailed Whydah *Vidua macroura* Pin-tailed Whydah--about 20, C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017; 30 MG, 16/09/17, FWP.

332 R Togo Paradise Whydah *Vidua togoensis* --1 male (Bumbuna) C. Davies, 02/2017.

333 RB Jambandu Indigobird *Vidua raricola* prob. --1 (TH) C. Davies, 02/2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

334 RB Yellow-fronted Canary *Serinus mozambicus* --1 (Bumbuna) C. Davies, 02/2017; 1, MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017. 1 ST, The Hub Hotel, Freetown, 04/07/17.

335 RB Cabanis's Bunting *Emberiza cabanisi* --2 (MM) C. Davies, 02/2017.

336 RB Cinnamon-breasted Bunting *Emberiza tahapisi* /Gosling's Bunting- AK, Foria (Northern SL) 19/02/2017; 6 (TH and LM) C. Davies, 02/2017; 1, MC, CES GuestHouse (Yakala Region - Northern SL) 05 April 2017; VO, LS survey 04/2017.

Mammals

As far as mammals are concerned, some very interesting data have been recorded in April 2017 by a group of 4 Brittons that focused on 3 places for their fieldwork with the help of local RSPB guides:

- T : Tiwai;
- S Sileti;
- G: Gola.

Their final mammal list goes as follows :

1. Allen's Wood Mouse *Hylomyscus alleni* T
2. Pel's Scaly-tailed Squirrel *Anomalurus pelii* T
3. African Palm Civet *Nandinia binotata* G, S
4. Straw-colored Fruit Bat *Eidolon helum* T
5. Hammer-headed Fruit Bat *Hypsignathus monstrosus* M
6. Buettikofer's Epauletted Bat *Epomops buettikoferi* T
7. Noack's Roundleaf Bat *Hipposideros ruber* (and/or *H. caffer*/ *H. fuliginosus*) T
8. Unidentified Horseshoe Bat T
9. Beatrix's Bat *Glauconycteris beatrix* T
10. Demidoff's Galago *Galagoides demidoff* T
11. Thomas' Galago *Galagoides thomasi* T, S
12. Potto *Perodicticus potto* T, S

13. Western Pied Colobus *Colobus polykomos* T, S
14. Western Red Colobus *Piliocolobus badius* T
15. Olive Colobus *Procolobus verus* T
16. Sooty Mangabey *Cercocebus atys* T
17. Campbell's Monkey *Cercopithecus campbelli* T, S
18. Diana Monkey *Cercopithecus diana* T, S
19. Lesser Spot-nosed Monkey *Cercopithecus petaurista* T
20. Green Monkey *Chlorocebus sabaues* T
- 21. Pygmy Hippopotamus *Hexaprotodon liberiensis* G**
22. Red River Hog *Potamochoerus porcus* T*
- 23. Water Chevrotain *Hyemoschus aquaticus* G**
- 24. Royal Antelope *Neotragus pygmaeus* S**
25. Maxwell's Duiker *Cephalophus maxwellii* M, S
26. Yellow-backed Duiker *Cephalophus silvicultor* S
27. Western Tree Hyrax *Dendrohyrax dorsalis* S

Cf. their report and record shots cf. John Hall's on line documents :

<http://www.mammalwatching.com/2017/04/15/pygmy-hippo-2017-search-podgy-unicorn/>

https://www.inaturalist.org/observations?place_id=7487&subview=grid&user_id=jonhall100

As far as sea mammals are concerned let's finally mention these 2 Humpback whales off Banana island, Freetown Peninsula, Sierra Leone. - 04th november 2017.



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