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Northern and Central Angola endemics 12-Day Exploratory Birding Trip

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The highly localised and endemic Braun's Bushshrike

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Background

With twelve birding and travel days in-hand, this trip was designed to provide an excellent opportunity to seek the majority of the country's special avifauna within a relatively short time frame. Our small team consisted of just two, one birder and a herpetologist. Both had previous work experience in Angola, which helped greatly and the trip ran smoothly.

Some of the days involved long drives, the longest being around eight hours. Most of the main tar roads were in good condition, but we did endure some bad stretches too. The Angolans we met along the way were generally friendly and helpful. Food and accommodation were considered good, considering the country's tourism sector is in the early stages of development with visa requirements being relaxed in 2018 for foreign visitors to the country.

Birds in bold are regarded as the specials seen on this trip and best sought in Angola or Equatorial Africa and are generally not found in Southern Africa.

We plan to run a second trip to this wonderful country in the near future, not only to do it all again, but to seek the specials we missed on this particular tour.

Day 1 - 23/8/2019 Luanda

Arrived in Luanda from Cape Town, South Africa on an evening flight and cleared customs with no complications. We checked into our comfortable hotel not far from the airport and fine-tuned the following days plan.

Day 2 - 24/8/2019 Luanda to Northern Scarp Forests

After a good breakfast, we departed Luanda, which takes about an hour and a half to travel through, since there are high levels of congestion. Once we cleared the city limits we were greeted with amazing Baobab savannah before ascending into higher-lying forested countryside.

Some of the birds seen on the first part of our drive to the northern scarp forests (Damengola forest area included: Bateleur, Lesser striped swallow, **Bubbling Cisticola**, Little Bee-eater, **Village Weaver (race nigriceps)**, the common endemic **Red-backed mousebird**, Palmnut Vultures (common throughout the tour), a male **Oustalet's Sunbird** and Tambourine Dove.

Pulling-off on a mountain pass, we observed a flock of scarce **White-bibbed Blue Swallow** flying below us, above the canopy. At Dangi River we saw African Harrier-hawk, Rattling Cisticola and **Compact Weaver**.

Another roadside stop in a wide drainage line produced a perched Long-crested Snake Eagle and **Buff-spotted Woodpecker**.

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We arrived at our destination, a series of intact forests, which lie along three main ridgelines stretching southeast to northwest. The closest town is Quitexe and the regional centre is the large town of Uige about an hours drive from where we birded.

Arriving at a patch of forest which we had examined on Google Maps back home in Cape Town, South Africa was very exciting, knowing that we were going to experience an entirely new suite of birds.

The light conditions were tough being overcast and bright. This was the case throughout most of our tour, which made photography challenging. Photographing the birds we saw, especially the sunbirds helped with their identification and were an important strategy in the harsh light.

Birds for the afternoon included **Bannerman's** and **Blue-throated Sunbird** feeding in a large flowering coral tree. **White-breasted Nigrita**, **Hartert's Camaroptera**, **Green Crombec**, **Green Hylia** and **Velvet-mantled Drongo** were seen.



Green Hylia

Day 3 - 25/8/2018 – Northern Scarp Forests

Early morning results outside of the forests produced Yellow throated Leaflove, **Carmalite Sunbird**, Broad-billed roller, Black Saw-wing, Palmnut Vulture, African Green Pigeon, African Fish Eagle and an obliging Black-throated Wattle eye. A sought-after **Black-throated Bulbul** was also seen at close range, as well as African Yellow White-eye, **Black-necked Weaver** and Coppery-tailed Coucal.

In a degraded section of forest we heard a bird, which we knew must be, one of the main species for the trip, the beautiful **Braun's Bushshrike**. We detected some movement in the thick bush and we knew it was the bird making its way closer to

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inspect us. After making its alarm call, it suddenly appeared for a brief period in front of us. Our sighting did not last long, but this very special African bird was in the bag and we could now focus on obtaining better views later on.

Other birds seen while walking in the area included the impressive **Yellow-billed Barbet**, which showed brilliantly. **Grey Apalis** and **Green Crombec** crept around the foliage above us, gleaning insects from leaves and Klaas's Cuckoo called persistently. A perched **Red-necked Buzzard**, **Dusky Blue Flycatcher**, **Black and White Mannikin** and **Splendid Glossy Starling** were also seen.



Black-collared Bulbul

A densely vegetated stream produced **Grey-throated Tit Flycatcher**, **African Pied Hornbill**, **Green-headed Sunbird**, **Olive-bellied Sunbird**, **Angolan Batis**, African Pygmy Kingfisher, Grey-tit Flycatcher, a beautiful **Perrin's Bush Shrike**, **Rufous-vented Paradise** and African Paradise Flycatcher and excellent views of a confiding Little Greenbul. Other surprises included a **Rufous-crowned Eremomela** and **Simple Greenbul**.

Birding a thicker piece of jungle produced some incredible birds, which included a flock of seven **Black Casque Hornbills**, which flew over the jungle above us. We encountered this impressive species on a number of occasions during the tour, which would usually alert us to their presence from the "whirring" of their wings through the canopy.

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Black-casqued Hornbill

Above us appeared a soaring raptor, which turned out to be a **Cassin's Hawk Eagle**, possibly one of the birds of the trip. To add to the excitement an **African Piculet** was located, perched quietly in the canopy above us. Other new birds included **Velliot's Black Weaver**, **Slender-billed Weaver** and **Blue-breasted Kingfisher**.



Cassin's Hawk Eagle

During the afternoon we drove to a different section of the forest which was less disturbed. The highlight for us was a group of impressive **Great Blue Turacos** running about the canopy of a huge fruiting tree. The raucous cackles could not be mistaken for anything else, and the experience had a jurasic feel about it. Other birds recorded during the afternoon included **Afep Pigeon**, Olive Sunbird, Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird and the skulky **Blue Malkoa**. We heard **Guinea Turaco** calling from the forest on a number of occasions but did not see them. Grey-headed and **Red-fronted Parrots**, along with a juvenile **Black-bellied Seed-eater** were also seen.

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Day 4 - 26/8/2019 Quitexe Forests to Uige to Kalandula

Early morning produced a calling African Broadbill, a species that we recorded throughout much of the tour. **Chattering Cisticola** was seen in patch of tall grass adjacent to the forest. A fruiting tree was popular with **Speckled Tinkerbird** and **Falkenstein's (yellow-necked) Greenbul**. Grey-headed Parrots and a pair of **Slender-billed Greenbuls** were seen on the forest edge. More views of **White-breasted Nigrita** and **Great Blue Turaco** were had, as well as **Black-faced Canary**, **Yellow-throated Nicator** and a great pair of pair of **Black-necked Weavers**.



Black-faced Canary

A calling **Many-coloured Bushshrike** could not be located and **Purple-throated Cuckooshrike** was seen in the canopy above. **White-collared Oliveback**, a highly sought-after seedeater, showed beautifully and a flock of feeding **Black Bee-eaters** on the forest edge put the cherry on top. **Grey-headed Nigrita**, **Black-collared Bulbul**, **Brown-eared Woodpecker** and Blue-spotted Wood Dove were also seen, the latter being a common species in this part of the world.

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Black Bee-eaters



White-collared Oliveback

Some repeat sightings included African Pygmy Kingfisher, **Rufous-vented Paradise Flycatcher**, **Black** and **White Mannikin** and Klaas's Cuckoo. Grey Waxbills and a Tawny flanked Prinia were also found in some secondary growth near the forest. Re-visiting the fruiting tree from earlier we added **Honeyguide Greenbul**, **Yellow-whiskered Greenbul**, **Plain Greenbul** and **Black-winged Oriole** to our list.

An unexpected record included three **Forest Swallows**, a relatively new addition to the Angolan national list, found perched and hawking insects on the forest edge. Some agricultural lands adjacent to the forest produced **Orange-cheeked Waxbill**, a flock of **Long-tailed Starling**, **Northern Grey-headed Sparrow** and a male **Black and White Shrike Flycatcher**. Orange-breasted Bushshrike was heard and shortly

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afterwards the highly localised and endemic **Braun's Bushshrike** was seen again, providing perfect views of itself to us. This was one of the best moments of the trip.

Day 5 - 27/8/2019 Uige to Kalandula area

We travelled to the Kalandula area, about six hours by road, where we would look for the spectacular **White-headed Robin Chat**, a dream bird for most world listers. We stopped frequently on-route in a variety of habitats which included miombo woodland, rivers and grasslands. Some of the birds on-route included **Long-legged Pipit**, **Black Scimitarbill**, Red-breasted Swallow, African Hoopoe, Swamp Boubou, **Red-throated (Angolan) Cliff Swallow** and excellent views of male and female Copper Sunbird. Other birds included **Red-backed Mousebird**, which were common, African Broadbill, **African Pied Hornbill**, Batleur, Broad-billed Roller, Cape Glossy Starling and Black Kite.



Red-backed Mousebird

A roadside stop at a stream with densely vegetated banks produced **Grey-chinned Sunbird**, Blue Waxbill and an exquisite **Black-throated Wattle-eye**, an unexpected surprise, as it flew across the stream right in front of us.

We stopped at the spectacular Kallundulla Falls on the Lucala River, which was very impressive. This national wonder requires some on-site management by local government and was overrun with locals trying to sell their services as tourist guides. We hope that that the sight is better managed in the future, as this does detract from the incredible beauty of the falls.

On-route we passed through some good-looking looking miombo woodlands and shortly afterwards arrived at the main forest patch we planned to bird for the next two days. Birding the miombo produced species such as Striped Kingfisher, Violet-backed Starling, Eastern Paradise Whydah's and a flock of the sought-after **Sharp-tailed Starling**, a very tough species in Southern Africa. Venturing into the forest, our

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main target was the highly sought-after and localised **White-headed Robin Chat**. Some stealthy birding produced a view of this spectacular bird, which appeared in the canopy above us. Sporting a brilliant white head and long orange tail and body, this species has been seen by relatively few birders in the world and is only known from a handful full of sites between the DRC and Angola. During this time a **Grey-winged Robin Chat**, another target bird, flew past us at low level. Angola's national bird, the beautiful **Red-crested Turaco** called continuously throughout the afternoon, but we were unable to get views of them on this day.

Day 6 - 28/8/2019 Kallundulla Forests

With another full day at our disposal to bird the area we dedicated the morning and late afternoon to the forest and the warmer part of the day to its edges and miombo woodland. Great views of **Anchieta's Barbet** were obtained in the Miombo Woodland.

We found **White-headed Robin Chat** for a second time, perched side-on this time, offering us the views we wanted. Birding along the forest edges produced Pearl-spotted Owlet, a calling African Broadbill, **Perrin's Bushshrike**, Klaas's Cuckoo, Dark-backed Weaver, **Velliot's Black Weaver**, **Carmalite Sunbird** and surprisingly two **Red-headed Lovebirds** at a flowing coral tree.

A spectacular **Red-crested Turaco** in flight got us excited, since this is one of Angola's top birds. Square-tailed Drongo, Black-backed Puffback, Collared Sunbird, Black-crowned Tchagra and White-browed Scrub Robin were also seen.

A pair of localised **Bocage's Weaver** appeared in the woodland and allowed time to study both sexes individual characteristics. Tricky to see, **Pale-Olive Greenbul** was viewed in some secondary growth. Back in the miombo woodland we recorded Black Kite, Broad-billed Roller, Short-winged Cisticola, **Landana Firefinch**, Moustached Grass Warbler, **Black and White Mannikin** and **Fawn-coloured Waxbill**, Black-collared Barbet, Emerald-spotted Wood-dove and very good views of male and female Green Twinspot at very close range.

Day 7 - 29/8/2019 Kallundulla Forests to Kissama (Quicama) National Park

Some early morning birding produced a glimpse of a **Grey-winged Robin Chat**, which flew across an opening in the forest. A stunning **Perrin's Bushshrike** was well seen and photographed in a clearing, along with **Velliot's Black Weaver** and **Carmalite Sunbird**.

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Perrin's Bushshrike

Western Violet-backed Sunbirds were surprisingly common and seen feeding within the adjacent woodlands. Other birds included Black-backed Puffback, Black-crowned Tchagra, **Black-winged Oriole**, Square-tailed Drongo, **Sharp-tailed Starling**, Black Cuckoo Shrike, Green-capped Eremomela, Tropical Boubou, **Orange-cheeked Waxbill** and **Landana Firefinch**. **Ross Turaco** was heard but not seen and Blue-spotted Wood Doves was common along the track edges. A small flock of feeding **Red-crested Turacos** in large fruiting trees were located. These spectacular birds are a must see, and despite being very vocal can be difficult to locate.



Red-crested Turaco

On-route to Kissama National Park we saw our first **Grey Kestrel**, along with Lizard Buzzard and Bateleur. Near the Kwanza River we saw Black-winged Pratincole, Cape Glossy Starling and Lilac-breasted Roller and Schalow's Turaco. **Pluto Monkey**, sub-species of Blue Monkey and new mammal for us, was seen in the dense Baobab

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woodlands and we spent some time admiring this handsome primate. Nearing our birding destination for the late afternoon, a **Black Bishop** flew across the road along with a lucky sighting of two **Grey-striped Francolin**, another endemic and target species.

Day 8 - 30/8/2019 – Baobab Forests, Kissama National Park

An early start produced a brief view of a calling **Grey-striped Francolin** on the edge of some burnt grassland. **Monteiro's Bushshrike** another Angolan endemic, made things tough for us, as we birded the dry thicket edges. It was seen briefly, as it flew across a grassy clearing but that was our only view of this wary a little seen species. A pair of endemic **White-fronted Wattle-eye** provided quality views, along with **Angola Batis** and a very obliging **Forest Scrub Robin**. Other birds during the morning included Orange-breasted Bush-Shrike, Blue Waxbill, Black-backed Puffback, Grey-backed Camaroptera and Dark-backed Weaver. A flock of **Mottled Swifts** cut through the sky above us and Pale Olive Greenbul was seen well. Extras included Yellow-breasted Apalis, Grey-tit Flycatcher, Little Bee-eater and Cape Glossy Starling, which were very common in the area.

Day 9 - 31/8/2019 Kissama National Park

The morning spell produced species like Greater Honeyguide, Lizard buzzard and a beautiful Orange-winged Pytilia. A calling **Monteiro's Bushshrike** got our spirits up and after considerable effort we managed reasonable views of this difficult species. **Mottled Spinetail** were seen flying between the Baobabs and other species included Grey Go Away Bird, **Grey Kestrel**, African Harrier Hawk, Yellow-billed Hornbill, Cape Turtle Dove, Lilac-breasted Roller, Namaqua Dove, Black-winged Kite and Holub's Golden Weaver

Travelling along the coast on-route to Kumbira Forest we saw Kelp Gull, Greater Flamingo, Little Egret, Black-winged Stilt, Brown-throated Martin, Western Cattle Egret, **Bubbling Cisticola**, **Red-faced Mousebird** and Laughing Dove. **Red-chested Swallow** was seen as we approached the escarpment along with a Peregrine Falcon. We arrived in the area of Conda where we began our serious birding again. Terrific views of a perched **Grey Kestrel** were had not far from Kumbira Forest. A Blue-spotted Wood Dove foraged along the track and a walk into the some thicker bush produced a few of the strange looking **Naked-faced Barbet**, feeding in a fruiting tree.

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Grey Kestrel

Day 10 – 1/9/2019 Kumbira Forest

Birding in this well-known endemic hotspot produced a number of new birds, as we explored the various tracks between the farmlands remnant forest patches. It was evident that the forest had been severely degraded over the years and that the biodiversity was in trouble here. Despite this we had a successful day with excellent views of the endemic and unobtrusive **Gabela Akalat**. A magnificent looking male **Red-headed Bluebill** was seen and other species included **Pink-footed Puffback**, **Superb** and **Little Green Sunbird** and **Rufous Thrush Flycatcher** in the canopy. **Gabela Bushshrike** a target bird however was let down for us. Once recorded as being common in the area, we did not hear a single individual, despite concerted efforts at exact locations where it had been previously recorded. During our next visit we plan to visit other forest patches in the area where this species is still said to occur.

Other species recorded during the day included **Northern Scrub Robin**, **Brown-eared Woodpecker**, **Yellow-throated Nicator**, **Yellow-whiskered Greenbul**, **Red-crested Turaco**, **Crowned Hornbill**, **Falkenstein's Greenbul**, **Angola Batis**, **Southern Hyliota**, **Green Crombec**, **Red-necked Buzzard**

Collared Sunbird, **Olive-bellied Sunbird**, **Palm-nut Vulture**, **Black-faced Canary**, **Rufous-vented Paradise Flycatcher**, **Tambourine Dove** and **African Broadbill**. The elusive **Gabon Coucal** and **White-spotted Flufftail** were heard during the mornings and evenings but unfortunately, no views obtained of these skulky birds.

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The highly localised and endemic Gabela Akalat

Day 11 - 2/9/2019 Kumbira Forest

Another full day in the Kumbira produced more great birds including the beautiful **White-tailed Blue Flycatcher**, **Dusky Tit** and the endemic and sought-after **Pulitzer's Longbill**.

Further species included Grey Waxbill, **Black-necked weaver**, Purple-banded Sunbird, Blue Waxbill, **Falkenstein's Greenbul**, Southern Hyliota, **Green Crombec**, **Petit's Cuckooshrike** and **Olive-bellied Sunbird**.

Our evening stay at a nearby guest farm provided us with the opportunity to bird some adjacent woodland where we heard **Red-crested Turaco**, had very good views of **Anson's Firefinch** in some tall grass adjacent to a stream, with **Orange-cheeked Waxbill** in attendance. **Petit's Cuckooshrike**, **Falkenstein's Greenbul** and African Yellow White-eye were also seen in some riparian vegetation.

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Forest Scrub Robin

Day 12 - 3/9/2019 - Mount Moco

With our time drawing to a close we made our way to Mount Moco, Angola's tallest mountain for a short visit, which would equate to an afternoon and morning of birding. We decided we would bird the grasslands below the mountain on this trip, due to our time constraints and the full day required hiking up and down the mountain again.

On-route to the area we recorded African Yellow Warbler, Hamerkop, African Stone Chat, **Angola Swallow**, Lesser-striped Swallow, **Ansorge's Firefinch**, Black Saw-wing, White Helmet Shrike, Paradise Flycatcher, Klaas's Cuckoo and Gabar Goshawk.



A sub-adult Black-necked Eremomela

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Arriving in the general area of Mount Moco we stopped to bird some stunted miombo woodland, which produced a surprising number of birds which included specials like **Salvadori's** and the sought-after **Black-necked Eremomela**.

Other species included Black-bellied Bustard, White-fronted Bee-eater, African Marsh Harrier, Buffy Pipit, Red-capped Lark, **Oustalet's Sunbird**, **Leppe Cisticola**, Yellow-eyed and **Black-faced Canary** and Capped Wheatear.

Day 13 - 4/9/2019 Mount Moco grasslands to Lubango

With only the morning to bird the area we decided our target would have to be the scarce and tricky **Bocage's Sunbird**. While walking patches of grassland and some of the ravines between the hills, we found some great species. These included displaying **Angola Lark** which were tricky to get close views of, and **Yellow-crowned Canary**, **Lepe Cisticola**, Schalow's Turaco in open country, **Black-faced Canary**, **Red-backed Mousebird**, **Moustached Grass Warbler** and **Oustalet's Sunbird**.

Time spent observing flowering trees in a ravine, produced our first **Bocage's Sunbird**. At one stage an impressive male flew directly over us, showing off its iridescent coppery plumage. These sunbirds are considered rare and tough find on a trip to Angola. We were lucky to obtain a further sighting of this species later in the morning.

Other species included a **Black-collared Bulbul** and the sought-after **Black and Rufous Swallow**. Very content with our short and productive visit to the area, we set-off for the long eight-hour drive to the southern city of Lubango, where we would spend our last night.

Day 14 - 5/9/2019 Tundavulla (Lubango)

With only a few hours left on our trip we birded the top of the impressive Tundavulla escarpment, which drops away to the Namib eco-region, some 800m below. Birds recorded included: Wailing Cisticola, African Rock Martin, Rufous-naped Lark, Short-toed Rock Thrush, Spotted Eagle Owl, Collared Sunbird, Olive Woodpecker, Rock Kestrel, Augur Buzzard and Buffy Pipit.

Angolan Cave Chat, a truly special and beautiful bird, was located with relative ease and provided absolutely gob-smacking views from only a few metres away, in its spectacular environment. We had seen this species on our northern Namibia birding tours on two previous occasions, but seeing it here was very special experience. A calling **Finch's Francolin** went unseen, reinforcing that we would soon return to bird Angola again and try for the species that had eluded us this time round.

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The highly prized Angolan Cave Chat

Trip List

List version IOC version 10.1 (source IGoTerra)

Species seen during the trip are marked **1**

Special species heard during the trip are marked **H**

Note: Species seen on previous trips to Angola's Namib Desert Region offered in the Fangs and Feathers Angola Essentials Birding Tour are marked with an X below, but were not encountered on this tour and are merely listed here for reference purposes.

#	Common name	Scientific name	Seen	Heard
1	Helmeted Guineafowl	Numida meleagris	1	
2	Grey-striped Spurfowl	Pternistis griseostriatus	1	
3	Spur-winged Goose	Plectropterus gambensis	1	
4	Egyptian Goose	Alopochen aegyptiaca	1	
5	Cape Teal	Anas capensis	1	
6	Mottled Spinetail	Telacanthura ussheri	1	
7	African Palm Swift	Cypsiurus parvus	1	
8	Alpine Swift	Tachymarptis melba	1	
9	Little Swift	Apus affinis	1	
10	White-rumped Swift	Apus caffer	1	
11	Great Blue Turaco	Corythaeola cristata	1	
12	Guinea Turaco	Tauraco persa		H
13	Schalow's Turaco	Tauraco schalowi	1	
14	Red-crested Turaco	Tauraco erythrophus	1	
15	Ross's Turaco	Musophaga rossae	1	
16	Grey Go-away-bird	Corythaixoides concolor	1	
17	Rüppell's Korhaan	Eupodotis rueppellii	X	
18	Black-bellied Bustard	Lissotis melanogaster	1	
19	Gabon Coucal	Centropus anelli	1	

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20	Coppery-tailed Coucal	Centropus cupreicaudus	1
21	Blue Malkoha	Ceuthmochares aereus	1
22	Klaas's Cuckoo	Chrysococcyx klaas	1
23	Rock Dove	Columba livia	1
24	Afep Pigeon	Columba unicincta	1
25	Red-eyed Dove	Streptopelia semitorquata	1
26	Ring-necked Dove	Streptopelia capicola	1
27	Laughing Dove	Spilopelia senegalensis	1
28	Emerald-spotted Wood Dove	Turtur chalcospilos	1
29	Blue-spotted Wood Dove	Turtur afer	1
30	Tambourine Dove	Turtur tympanistria	1
31	Namaqua Dove	Oena capensis	1
32	African Green Pigeon	Treron calvus	1
33	Little Grebe	Tachybaptus ruficollis	1
34	Greater Flamingo	Phoenicopterus roseus	X
35	Lesser Flamingo	Phoeniconaias minor	X
36	African Oystercatcher	Haematopus moquini	X
37	Black-winged Stilt	Himantopus himantopus	1
38	Pied Avocet	Recurvirostra avosetta	X
39	Blacksmith Lapwing	Vanellus armatus	1
40	Grey Plover	Pluvialis squatarola	X
41	Common Ringed Plover	Charadrius hiaticula	X
42	Kittlitz's Plover	Charadrius pecuarius	X
43	Three-banded Plover	Charadrius tricollaris	X
44	White-fronted Plover	Charadrius marginatus	X
45	Eurasian Whimbrel	Numenius phaeopus	X
46	Ruddy Turnstone	Arenaria interpres	X
47	Curlew Sandpiper	Calidris ferruginea	X
48	Sanderling	Calidris alba	X
49	Little Stint	Calidris minuta	X
50	Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos	X
51	Common Greenshank	Tringa nebularia	X
52	Black-winged Pratincole	Glareola nordmanni	1
53	Grey-headed Gull	Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus	X
54	Kelp Gull	Larus dominicanus	1
55	Caspian Tern	Hydroprogne caspia	X
56	Greater Crested Tern	Thalasseus bergii	X
57	Sandwich Tern	Thalasseus sandvicensis	X
58	Damara Tern	Sternula balaenarum	X
59	Common Tern	Sterna hirundo	X
60	Atlantic Yellow-nosed Albatross	Thalassarche chlororhynchos	X
61	Cape Gannet	Morus capensis	X
62	Reed Cormorant	Microcarbo africanus	1
63	White-breasted Cormorant	Phalacrocorax lucidus	1
64	Cape Cormorant	Phalacrocorax capensis	X
65	African Darter	Anhinga rufa	X
66	African Sacred Ibis	Threskiornis aethiopicus	1
67	Hadada Ibis	Bostrychia hagedash	1

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68	Squacco Heron	Ardeola ralloides	1	
69	Western Cattle Egret	Bubulcus ibis	1	
70	Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea	1	
71	Black-headed Heron	Ardea melanocephala	1	
72	Goliath Heron	Ardea goliath	X	
73	Little Egret	Egretta garzetta	1	
74	Hamerkop	Scopus umbretta	1	
75	Great White Pelican	Pelecanus onocrotalus	X	
76	Western Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	X	
77	Black-winged Kite	Elanus caeruleus	1	
78	African Harrier-hawk	Polyboroides typus	1	
79	Palm-nut Vulture	Gypohierax angolensis	1	
80	Black-chested Snake Eagle	Circaetus pectoralis	1	
81	Brown Snake Eagle	Circaetus cinereus	1	
82	Bateleur	Terathopius ecaudatus	1	
83	Martial Eagle	Polemaetus bellicosus	1	
84	Long-crested Eagle	Lophaetus occipitalis	1	
85	Cassin's Hawk-eagle	Aquila africana	1	
86	Lizard Buzzard	Kaupifalco monogrammicus	1	
87	Gabar Goshawk	Micronisus gabar	1	
88	Pale Chanting Goshawk	Melierax canorus	X	
89	African Marsh Harrier	Circus ranivorus	1	
90	Black Kite	Milvus migrans	1	
91	African Fish Eagle	Haliaeetus vocifer	1	
92	Red-necked Buzzard	Buteo auguralis	1	
93	Western Barn Owl	Tyto alba	1	
94	Spotted Eagle-owl	Bubo africanus	1	
95	Vermiculated Fishing Owl	Scotopelia bouvieri		H
96	African Wood Owl	Strix woodfordii	1	
97	Pearl-spotted Owlet	Glaucidium perlatum	1	
98	Speckled Mousebird	Colius striatus	X	
99	Red-backed Mousebird	Colius castanotus	1	
100	Red-faced Mousebird	Urocolius indicus	1	
101	African Hoopoe	Upupa africana	1	
102	Black Scimitarbill	Rhinopomastus aterrimus	1	
103	Damara Red-billed Hornbill	Tockus damarensis	X	
104	Monteiro's Hornbill	Tockus monteiri	X	
105	Southern Yellow-billed Hornbill	Tockus leucomelas	1	
106	Crowned Hornbill	Lophoceros alboterminatus	1	
107	African Pied Hornbill	Lophoceros fasciatus	1	
108	Black-casqued Hornbill	Ceratogymna atrata	1	
109	Lilac-breasted Roller	Coracias caudatus	1	
110	Broad-billed Roller	Eurystomus glaucurus	1	
111	Brown-hooded Kingfisher	Halcyon albiventris	1	
112	Striped Kingfisher	Halcyon chelicuti	1	
113	Blue-breasted Kingfisher	Halcyon malimbica	1	
114	African Pygmy Kingfisher	Ispidina picta	1	
115	Pied Kingfisher	Ceryle rudis	1	

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116	Black Bee-eater	Merops gularis	1
117	Swallow-tailed Bee-eater	Merops hirundineus	1
118	Little Bee-eater	Merops pusillus	1
119	White-fronted Bee-eater	Merops bullockoides	1
120	Olive Bee-eater	Merops superciliosus	X
121	Naked-faced Barbet	Gymnobucco calvus	1
122	Anchieta's Barbet	Stactolaema anchietae	1
123	Speckled Tinkerbird	Pogoniulus scolopaceus	1
124	Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird	Pogoniulus bilineatus	1
125	Acacia Pied Barbet	Tricholaema leucomelas	1
126	Black-collared Barbet	Lybius torquatus	1
127	Yellow-billed Barbet	Trachyphonus purpuratus	1
128	Greater Honeyguide	Indicator indicator	1
129	African Piculet	Sasia africana	1
130	Buff-spotted Woodpecker	Campethera nivosa	1
131	Brown-eared Woodpecker	Campethera caroli	1
132	Cardinal Woodpecker	Dendropicos fuscescens	1
133	Olive Woodpecker	Dendropicos griseocephalus	1
134	Rock Kestrel	Falco rupicolus	1
135	Grey Kestrel	Falco ardosiaceus	1
136	Dickinson's Kestrel	Falco dickinsoni	1
137	Lanner Falcon	Falco biarmicus	1
138	Peregrine Falcon	Falco peregrinus	1
140	Red-fronted Parrot	Poicephalus gulielmi	1
141	Brown-necked Parrot	Poicephalus fuscicollis	1
142	Rüppell's Parrot	Poicephalus rueppellii	X
143	African Broadbill	Smithornis capensis	1
144	Pirit Batis	Batis pririt	1
146	Angolan Batis	Batis minulla	1
147	White-tailed Shrike	Lanioturdus torquatus	X
148	Black-throated Wattle-eye	Platysteira peltata	1
149	White-fronted Wattle-eye	Platysteira albifrons	1
150	Black-necked Wattle-eye	Platysteira chalybea	1
151	Monteiro's Bushshrike	Malaconotus monteiroi	1
152	Grey-headed Bushshrike	Malaconotus blanchoti	1
153	Many-colored Bushshrike	Chlorophoneus multicolor	1
154	Orange-breasted Bushshrike	Chlorophoneus sulfureopectus	1
155	Gorgeous Bushshrike	Telophorus viridis	1
156	Bokmakierie	Telophorus zeylonus	X
157	Brown-crowned Tchagra	Tchagra australis	1
158	Black-crowned Tchagra	Tchagra senegalus	1
159	Pink-footed Puffback	Dryoscopus angolensis	1
160	Black-backed Puffback	Dryoscopus cubla	1
161	Braun's Bushshrike	Laniarius brauni	1
162	Tropical Boubou	Laniarius major	1
163	Swamp Boubou	Laniarius bicolor	1
164	White-crested Helmetshrike	Prionops plumatus	1
165	Black-and-white Shrike-flycatcher	Bias musicus	1

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166	Black Cuckooshrike	Campephaga flava	1
167	Petit's Cuckooshrike	Campephaga petiti	1
168	Purple-throated Cuckooshrike	Campephaga quiscalina	1
169	Magpie Shrike	Urolestes melanoleucus	1
170	Southern Fiscal	Lanius collaris	1
171	Black-winged Oriole	Oriolus nigripennis	1
172	Common Square-tailed Drongo	Dicrurus ludwigii	1
173	Fork-tailed Drongo	Dicrurus adsimilis	1
174	Velvet-mantled Drongo	Dicrurus modestus	1
175	Rufous-vented Paradise Flycatcher	Terpsiphone rufocinerea	1
176	African Paradise Flycatcher	Terpsiphone viridis	1
177	Cape Crow	Corvus capensis	1
178	Pied Crow	Corvus albus	1
179	White-tailed Blue Flycatcher	Elminia albicauda	1
180	Carp's Tit	Melaniparus carpi	1
181	Dusky Tit	Melaniparus funereus	1
182	Yellow-throated Nicator	Nicator vireo	1
183	Spike-heeled Lark	Chersomanes albofasciata	X
184	Gray's Lark	Ammomanopsis grayi	X
185	Grey-backed Sparrow-lark	Eremopterix verticalis	X
186	Rufous-naped Lark	Mirafraga africana	1
187	Angolan Lark	Mirafraga angolensis	1
188	Red-capped Lark	Calandrella cinerea	X
189	African Red-eyed Bulbul	Pycnonotus nigricans	X
190	Dark-capped Bulbul	Pycnonotus tricolor	1
191	Slender-billed Greenbul	Stelgidillas gracilirostris	1
192	Little Greenbul	Eurillas virens	1
193	Plain Greenbul	Eurillas curvirostris	1
194	Yellow-whiskered Greenbul	Eurillas latirostris	1
195	Honeyguide Greenbul	Baeopogon indicator	1
196	Falkenstein's Greenbul	Chlorocichla falkensteini	1
197	Simple Greenbul	Chlorocichla simplex	1
198	Yellow-throated Leaflove	Atimastillas flavicollis	1
199	Pale-olive Greenbul	Phyllastrephus fulviventris	1
200	Black-collared Bulbul	Neolestes torquatus	1
201	Black Saw-wing	Psolidoprocne pristoptera	1
202	Brown-throated Martin	Riparia paludicola	1
203	Banded Martin	Riparia cincta	1
204	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	1
205	Angolan Swallow	Hirundo angolensis	1
206	White-throated Swallow	Hirundo albigularis	1
207	Wire-tailed Swallow	Hirundo smithii	1
208	White-bibbed Swallow	Hirundo nigrita	1
209	Black-and-rufous Swallow	Hirundo nigrorufa	1
210	Pearl-breasted Swallow	Hirundo dimidiata	1
211	Rock Martin	Ptyonoprogne fuligula	1
212	Black Bee-eater	Merops gularis	1
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271	African Paradise Flycatcher	Terpsiphone viridis	1
272	Cape Crow	Corvus capensis	X
273	Capped Wheatear	Oenanthe pileata	X
274	Familiar Chat	Oenanthe familiaris	X
275	Western Violet-backed Sunbird	Anthreptes longuemarei	1
276	Little Green Sunbird	Anthreptes seimundi	1
277	Grey-chinned Sunbird	Anthreptes rectirostris	1
278	Collared Sunbird	Hedydipna collaris	1
279	Green-headed Sunbird	Cyanomitra verticalis	1
280	Bannerman's Sunbird	Cyanomitra bannermani	1
281	Blue-throated Brown Sunbird	Cyanomitra cyanolaema	1
282	Carmelite Sunbird	Chalcomitra fuliginosa	1
283	Amethyst Sunbird	Chalcomitra amethystina	1
284	Scarlet-chested Sunbird	Chalcomitra senegalensis	1
285	Bocage's Sunbird	Nectarinia bocagii	1
286	Olive-bellied Sunbird	Cinnyris chloropygius	1
287	Ludwig's Double-collared Sunbird	Cinnyris ludovicensis	X
288	Marico Sunbird	Cinnyris mariquensis	1
289	Superb Sunbird	Cinnyris superbus	1
290	Oustalet's Sunbird	Cinnyris oustaleti	1
291	Copper Sunbird	Cinnyris cupreus	1
292	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	1
293	Cape Sparrow	Passer melanurus	X
294	Northern Grey-headed Sparrow	Passer griseus	1
295	White-browed Sparrow-weaver	Plocepasser mahali	X
296	Sociable Weaver	Philetairus socius	X
297	Scaly-feathered Weaver	Sporopipes squamifrons	X
298	Slender-billed Weaver	Ploceus pelzelni	1
299	Black-necked Weaver	Ploceus nigricollis	1
300	Bocage's Weaver	Ploceus temporalis	1
301	Holub's Golden Weaver	Ploceus xanthops	1
302	Village Weaver	Ploceus cucullatus	1
303	Vieillot's Black Weaver	Ploceus nigerrimus	1
304	Dark-backed Weaver	Ploceus bicolor	1
305	Red-billed Quelea	Quelea quelea	1
306	Black Bishop	Euplectes gierowii	1
307	White-winged Widowbird	Euplectes albonotatus	1
308	White-breasted Nigrita	Nigrita fusconotus	1
309	Grey-headed Nigrita	Nigrita canicapillus	1
310	White-collared Oliveback	Nesocharis ansorgei	1

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311	Orange-winged Pytilia	Pytilia afra	1
312	Green Twinspot	Mandingoa nitidula	1
313	Black-bellied Seedcracker	Pyrenestes ostrinus	1
314	Red-headed Bluebill	Spermophaga ruficapilla	1
315	Landana Firefinch	Lagonosticta landanae	1
316	Jameson's Firefinch	Lagonosticta rhodopareia	1
317	Blue Waxbill	Uraeginthus angolensis	1
318	Grey Waxbill	Estrilda perreini	1
319	Fawn-breasted Waxbill	Estrilda paludicola	1
320	Orange-cheeked Waxbill	Estrilda melpoda	1
321	Common Waxbill	Estrilda astrild	1
322	Bronze Mannikin	Lonchura cucullata	1
323	Black-and-white Mannikin	Lonchura bicolor	1
324	Cape Wagtail	Motacilla capensis	1
325	African Pied Wagtail	Motacilla aguimp	X
326	African Pipit	Anthus cinnamomeus	1
327	Buffy Pipit	Anthus vaalensis	1
328	Long-legged Pipit	Anthus pallidiventris	1
329	Black-faced Canary	Crithagra capistrata	1
330	Yellow-fronted Canary	Crithagra mozambica	1
331	Yellow Canary	Crithagra flaviventris	1
332	Yellow-crowned Canary	Serinus flavivertex	1
333	Cinnamon-breasted Bunting	Emberiza tahapisi	1
<u>Total species seen on the trip</u>			<u>265</u>