



# LESVOS

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## TRIP REPORT

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Photos: Golden Oriole, Scop's Owl, Collared Flycatcher, Lesvos Orchid, Glossy Ibis, Citrine Wagtail, Bee-eater.



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## ***Some highlights and top sightings:***

- ~Golden Orioles (a tree full!)
- ~The Flycatcher Show in Sigrí
- ~The Bee-eater Christmas Tree
- ~Great Spotted Cuckoo
- ~Ortolan Bunting
- ~Scops Owls
- ~Hoopoes
- ~Little Crake

- ~Short-toed Eagles
- ~Bushes full of Wagtails & other species
- ~Flamingos, of course
- ~The Tsiknias River spectacle
- ~Red-footed Falcons
- ~The Lesvos Orchid
- ~Scopoli's Shearwaters following the fishing boat into Sigrí

### **Day 1 – April 14**

We arrived on various flights today to sparkling sunshine over Lesvos. Some of us had a chance to look around the hotel grounds and surrounds and we enjoyed a lovely lunch at what became our favorite taverna in the quaint fishing village of Skala Kalloni. From our lunch table, we could see Great Crested Grebes and a few Yelkouan Shearwaters. We met the Tsiknias River in the afternoon which offered our first Squacco Heron and then checked the Mesa Pool which offered 15 Garganey, a male Citrine Wagtail and a little group of Marsh Sandpipers. Across the road, the Kalami marsh offered a Northern Lapwing (rare), a gorgeous Steppe Buzzard, a Marsh Harrier, two Alpine Swifts and four Pallid Swifts in the larger flock of Common Swifts, a couple of Red-rumped Swallows, and a single Glossy Ibis. The afternoon run at the Kalloni Salt Pans yielded nearly 30 Black-tailed Godwits, 4 dozen Gull-billed Terns, and a Mediterranean Gull. This wasn't bad for the arrival day as the tour had not really officially started.



By the end of the day, all had arrived and we gathered for our first dinner in the Kalloni Bay Hotel. Everyone was excited to finally be on the island, some having waited two years to get there.

## Day 2 – April 15

This morning we took a pre-breakfast walk to the nearby Christou River mouth, close to our hotel. From the beach overlooking the clear still waters of Kalloni Bay we soon found a superb adult Slender-billed Gull, plus both Common and Sandwich Terns.

We then walked over to the estuary mouth where the morning light was perfect and found a few nice looking Kentish (Snowy) Plovers, plus a lone Grey (Black-bellied) Plover, 4 Little Stints, a distant Marsh Sandpiper and a Greenshank. A group of 30 Wood Sandpipers and a couple of Ruff flew in and, at the back of an area of scrubby grass, we found 3 Eurasian Stone Curlew. The soon to be very familiar Crested Larks were all around and Yellow-legged Gulls constantly flew over. Several Greater Flamingos looked superb as they flew in showing bright pink wings.

We returned for breakfast and then made a short drive to Papiana, a small tiny village not far from our hotel where. We parked near the school and, after searching the eucalyptus trees, we found a tiny **Eurasian Scops Owl** sat close to a trunk and about 20 ft up. A local couple was out on their verandah having breakfast and enjoying our delight at having seen the owl.

Moving on, we drove back to Kalamari Marsh that had offered so much for us yesterday. We had to catch up the late arrivals and the area did not disappoint. A flock of 15 Glossy Ibis flew over as we parked the vans. We stood

overlooking the reedy marsh viewing from an old bridge looking across the road to the Mesa pool. The open water held 14 Garganey, 4 Northern Shoveler, several Eurasian Coot and a group of flamingos. In a bush beside the pool, a Common Kingfisher sat surveying the waters edge and Black-winged Stilts waded around only ankle deep.



We could see the Kalloni Bay beyond the pool and a group of 75 Yelkouan Shearwaters flew back and forth giving quite reasonable views. Back on the muddy pool, we found 4 Marsh Sandpipers, a few Wood sandpipers, Little Ringed Plover, Common Sandpiper and some Yellow Wagtails of the Black-headed race (*feldegg*). More Garganey were seen flying behind us and brought our total to an amazing 22, the most we have ever seen together on the island. Next up was a Marsh Harrier that flew past as we tried to view both Common Reed and Sedge Warblers in a small patch of reeds right beside us.

We continued on toward Achladeri with a brief stop for 3 Black Storks perched on a concrete block. A big cement lorry forced us to move on quickly and it wasn't long before we arrived at the forest and started our search for one of the island's top birds, the Krüper's Nuthatch. In just a few minutes we heard a Nuthatch call and got brief views of it in a tree close to where we parked. Searching the forest it took us a while to relocate the bird and get better views. Chaffinches were everywhere and we found Pied Flycatcher, some Long-tailed Tits, Wood Warbler, and a few very mobile Serins. A Short-toed Eagle and later a Long-legged Buzzard flew over the forest and then we found a nice male Collared Flycatcher, a superb early migrant that this tour was aimed to coincide with. A Common Cuckoo could be heard but was too far away to see.





With the success of the Krüper's Nuthatch under our belts, we headed back to Skala Kalloni and our Taverna lunch. We then gathered and set off to the nearby Tsiknias River where a very showy **Purple Heron** stood right out in the open.

Our next stop was to scan the Kalloni Salt Pans which we would do many times over the course of the week. Excitement ensued when three Short-toed Eagles had us out of the vans looking up. Looking back toward the pans, a Great Spotted Cuckoo appeared and was watched with amazement as it busily fed on insects along the salt pan embankment. These were incredible views of this often elusive species.



Moving on to the nearby Alykes Wetland, we found a group of 16 Greater Short-toed Larks, and a Tawny Pipit. Back to the Salt Pans again where the evening light was fantastic and we watched two groups of Black-tailed Godwits plus the other shorebirds we had seen already during the day. As a finale to the day we got superb looks at a close Black Stork feeding beside the ford on the Tsiknias River. What a brilliant first official day !!!!

### Day 3 – April 16

This morning our pre breakfast excursion was to the inland lake – called Metochi. The dogs here were extremely noisy this morning and the water level was very high. Never-the-less, we found both Reed and Sedge Warblers and Cetti’s Warbler. We heard a singing Savi’s Warbler, which quite expectedly did not show itself. Little Grebes were present and then Christine found a female Little Crake that soon disappeared into the reeds. A Hoopoe was heard calling and Eurasian Jays were flying back and forth.



We returned for breakfast after which we drove straight up to Kavaki. A Chukar was spotted on a rock as we drove up and we got super views of one sat on the cliff face overlooking the sea. A Blue Rock Thrush was displaying from a telephone tower and nearby a Ruppell’s Warbler briefly went into song flight and flew away unfortunately, leaving the Subalpine Warblers to put on a much better show. A Peregrine Falcon flew past and we enjoyed very showy Black-eared Wheatears and a Lesser Whitethroat. A Mimosa Orchid was a nice find and Scarce Swallowtail and Eastern Festoon butterflies were noted. Out at sea it was dead calm which allowed us to spot pod of up to 100 Mobula Rays feeding near the surface. Moving on, we stopped at Molivos Castle where Alpine Swift and Common Swifts were flying around as we enjoyed a lovely coffee and view. A Pied Flycatcher was seen from our perch and several distant Yelkouan Shearwaters were spotted.



From here we drove to Parasma Reservoir where a Eurasian Wigeon was seen alongside good numbers of Ruddy Shelduck and Yellow-legged Gulls. A few Red veined Darter dragonflies were noted as well as more Scarce and Common Swallowtail butterflies. From here we drove the north coast road stopping to see a pair of Masked Shrikes, Black-eared Wheatears, and a couple of Cretzschmar's Buntings. Quite a few interesting flowers were seen and better views of Subalpine Warblers.



Continuing on we had a great look at a couple of **Eurasian Turtle Doves** perched on power lines. We stopped at "Megala Therma" to experience the thermal springs in the sea. The sand was piping hot, too hot to touch really but it was tangible evidence of the volcanic activity under the island.

We continued up to a raptor watch point near Argenos, a village near Mount Lepetimos, the highest point on the island of Lesbos. The watch point, overlooking the Aegean and the close coast of Turkey offered a number of Common Buzzards and Short-toed Eagles as well as Alpine Swifts, a Cirl Bunting, and a few Linnets.

Afterwards, we made our way back to Kalloni, stopping briefly at the hotel before driving out toward the Salt Pans. On the Tsiknias River mouth we saw 2 Mediterranean Gulls, Common Terns, and a Common Snipe. On the Salt Pans, in perfect evening light, we noted great numbers of Ruff and Wood Sandpipers, a few Black-tailed Godwits and 13 Little Stints.

On to Mesa, a gorgeous Steppe Buzzard was seen well perched on a fence post. Glossy Ibis flew over, a Common Kingfisher posed, and several smart looking Garganey were on the pools alongside Northern Shoveler. Out in the bay we could see 3 Great Crested Grebes drift past.

And in the sky above us were 6 Mediterranean Gulls circling around with a few Yellow-legged Gulls hawking insects. A Marsh Harrier flew past as we boarded the vans to return to the hotel after another very successful day.

#### Day 4 – April 17

Today we made a pre-breakfast visit to the east side of the Kalloni Salt Pans. It was a dull morning with spits of rain but that didn't dampen our spirits. A Zitting Cisticola showed in the reeds and out along the track we scoped a perched female Red-footed Falcon. On the Salt Pans a Black Stork posed while Great Cormorant and Northern Shoveler were noted. Several Little Terns flew in and perched allowing great scope views and up to 30 or more Common Terns fished in a flock together.



After breakfast we drove up to Mesa where we soon located a very smart **Spur-winged Plover** that cooperated for great views. There were also 6 Red-throated Pipits in their brick red colors and a Marsh Sandpiper fed energetically in the mud. Out in the bay, there were now 6 Great Crested Grebes.

From here we drove to the Potamia Old Reservoir where 5 Black-crowned Night Herons emerged from the shoreline vegetation. A lonely Garganey was seen and there were at least five Little Crakes hiding along the reedy edges. We also checked Metochi Lake and found another two **Little Crakes** with one male showing exceedingly well for more than 20 minutes.



We then went for lunch at our favorite restaurant in town, and after a short rest back at the hotel, we drove out to the Tsiknias River. Along the way, Gina spotted a Cattle Egret perched on a telegraph wire (strange)! At the Tsiknias River ford, we watched a female Citrine Wagtail and several very smart Black-headed Wagtails.

We checked the Alykes Wetlands and saw a Hoopoe fly as we drove by. The sheep fields were slow so we decided to check the race track to see if we could find the Hoopoe. We drove slowly, the two vans side by side, until the bird was spotted flying up to a pole. Scope views



were appreciated of this iconic bird, worth the extra effort to see. Rain was starting so we headed back to our hotel where the Cattle Egret was seen perched on the power lines again.

### Day 5 – April 18

Overnight rains offered promising migration conditions so this morning, we decided to drive straight to the Meladia Valley on the west side of the island. A male Red-footed Falcon was one of the first birds we saw, but it was colder and windier than we expected so small birds were keeping well down and sheltered. Our first short walk produced brief views of everything, such as Blackcap, Greater Whitethroats, Eastern Orphean Warblers, Spotted and Pied Flycatchers. A pair of Western Rock Nuthatches also proved elusive and 2 Ortolan Buntings were flushed up by a noisy donkey.

We moved on a little and Gina spotted a Barred Warbler which disappeared before everyone could get on it. Pied and **Collared Flycatchers** appeared, more Orphean Warblers and several Woodchat Shrikes. Moving towards Sigri, good numbers of Tree Pipits started to appear plus more flycatchers including Spotted, Great Reed Warbler and Common Nightingale.



From Sigri we drove to Faneromeni area seeing many more Collared, Pied and Spotted Flycatchers. A brief Common Cuckoo flew off and we heard a singing Savi's Warbler. We continued walking a dirt track to find a tree filled with 8 **Golden Orioles**, a real spectacle to see for a bird that can be surprisingly elusive. We scoped the birds and enjoyed great views of this often difficult to see species.



We drove to the upper ford for lunch and continued the (visual) feast of three species of flycatcher, plus 2 Purple Herons, Wood Warbler, and overhead, a male Montagu's Harrier. At the lower ford we were delighted to find yet another female Citrine Wagtail, plus both male and female Little Crakes showing well out in the open. On the beach we found some shelter from the wind and scoped both Scopoli's and Yelkouan Shearwaters. The fields contained small flocks of Yellow Wagtails of at least three different forms.

We stopped in Sigri to enjoy a hot drink at the café before heading back toward Kalloni with a final stop for a nice Little Owl perched in a dead tree. We had a delightful stop for some rare and exquisite Lesvos Orchids near Antissa and then continued to our hotel where there were now **two Cattle Egrets**.



### Day 6 – April 19

Our pre-breakfast excursion took us to the Tsiknias River, past the Salt Pans and on to Alykes Sheep fields. We had a flock of 20 Glossy Ibis, 3 Purple Herons, many Ruff and Yellow Wagtails, and a perched female Red-footed Falcon. Out on the sheep fields we counted 32 Greater Short-toed Larks, plus a Montagu's Harrier. A Common Starling was a bit out of season sat on a Sheep's back.



After breakfast we returned to the Tsiknias River where countless Sedge, Reed and Great Reed Warblers jumped back and forth among the reeds all trying to sing at the same time. Quite a commotion! The **Glossy Ibis** looked superb showing iridescent greens and purples and Little Ringed Plover and a female Little Crake were seen.

Further on another Little Crake was spotted and Christine seemed to spotting them all. We returned to Skala Kalloni for lunch and then we set off to Metochi Lake. Nothing seen from here so we visited the Scops Owl site

and saw one bird sat out in full view. We also saw a pair of Eurasian Nuthatches, which are not an easy bird to find on Lesvos.

We then drove past the Salt Pans noting 18 Gull-billed Terns. At Achladeri, we found the Krüper's Nuthatch again and tracked down a Short-toed Treecreeper that tried its best to elude us. Violet Limodore or Violet bird's-nest orchid were just starting to flower on the forest floor and the regular Chaffinches and Tits kept us entertained.

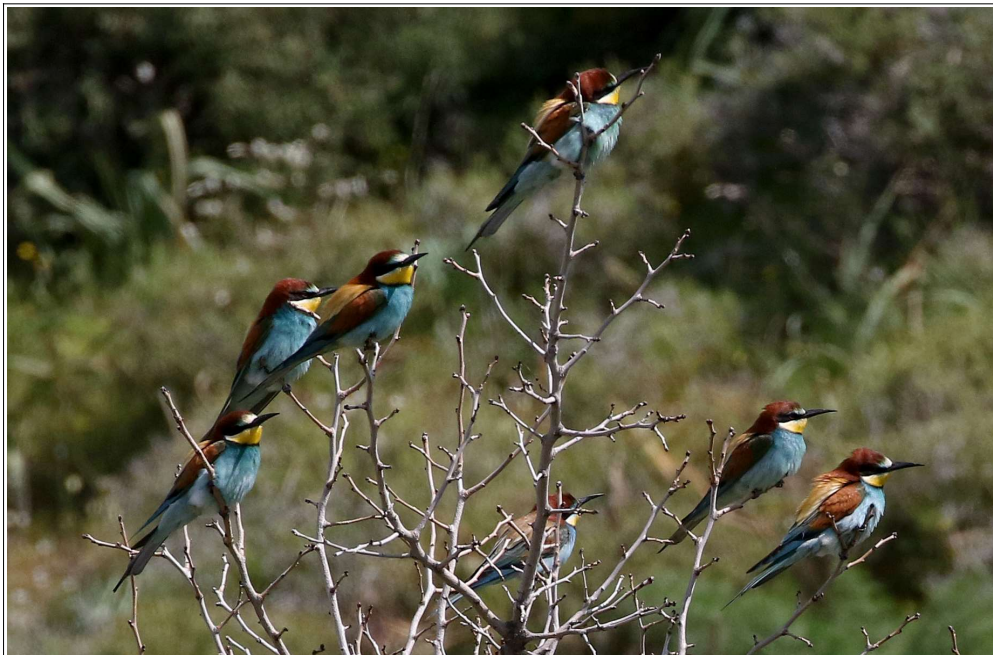


Back at Kalami Marsh, the Steppe Buzzard showed well as did the Northern Lapwing. Driving back along the Tsiknias track, some of us got brief views of the male Pallid Harrier before it disappeared from view. With Marsh Harrier and Montagu's Harrier also seen, it made for a perfect end to the day. Well almost, as another female **Citrine Wagtail** posed on the river ford.

### Day 7 – April 20

We started off along Tsiknias River by the ford where 2 female Garganey showed very close and a Savi's Warbler was singing with numerous Great Reed, Reed and Sedge Warblers. A Common Cuckoo was seen perched on a distant wire and hundreds of Sand Martins perched in the reeds, right in front of us.

At the Alykes sheep fields were 13 Greater Short-toed Larks and a male Montagu's Harrier. There were now nine Great Crested Grebes on the sea and 8 Mediterranean Gulls flew over. Along the Lotzaria Track, we saw 6 Whimbrel fly over, countless Sedge Warblers and Whinchats. And then, after crossing the ford, the male Pallid Harrier flew right in front of us.



It was our last full day and time to head west! At the Faneromeni Lower Ford, we watched both male and female Little Crakes feeding up river. Several Lesser Kestrels flew over as did 8 Bee-eaters. At the upper ford, there were more Bee-eaters plus a Purple Heron and lots of Collared, Pied and Spotted Flycatchers. On our way toward Sigi village, we stopped for a tree full of Bee-eaters. What a sight!

We visited the fantastic Petrified Forest Museum and our friend there let us set up our picnic lunch in the cafe. As we were eating, a fishing boat sailed into the harbor followed by hundreds of Yellow-legged Gulls and around 200 Scopoli's Shearwaters. We check them carefully as this was an incredible number of Scopoli's and not a single Yelkouan among them. As the boat docked, the birds all turned around and went back out to sea. We have never seen this in all the 20 years of visiting Lesvos!



After lunch, we drove to the Old Cheese Factory (Sanatorium) where we found an Icterine Warbler and male Common Redstart in the same tree. Further along the track, there was either the same or another Icterine Warbler and a male Sardinian Warbler.



Moving on to the Meladia Valley we found three **Ortolan Buntings**, a Willow Warbler, another Icterine Warbler and big numbers of Orphean, Whitethroat, Lesser Whitethroat, Blackcaps, Spotted, Pied and Collared Flycatchers, Woodchat Shrikes, and a male Montagu's Harrier.

The pressure was on for our last chance to find one of the specialties of the island, the Cinereous Bunting. We drove the coast road back toward Kalloni and stopped along the road to survey a rocky hillside. Nothing! The sun was starting to drop below the hillside and we knew we were running out of time. Paul and Steve walked up the road and soon signalled for us to come up and see the

prize – a Cinereous Bunting! We found it and all had good views through the scope!

Finally back at the Christou River, we finished by finding a Spur-winged Plover and a Black-headed Gull. We enjoyed our final dinner together and a recap of the many highlights of this special island.

**Day 8 – April 21**

Today we said goodbye and headed home with many memories of this charming Greek island and its birds.

Thanks to our wonderful travellers who've joined us for many tours. It was a pleasure to share these experiences with you. And thanks to Paul Manning for sharing his knowledge and enthusiasm with us making for an extra special tour.

Gina & Steve

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Short-toed Eagle!



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## LESVOS, GREECE

### SPECIES LIST April 14 – 21, 2022

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A = Number of species recorded on tour    B = Number of days out of 7 recorded  
 C = Highest daily count    H = Heard Only    N/C = No Count    C=Common  
 Follows IOC WORLD BIRD LIST v(10.1)

| A  | SPECIES                         | SCIENTIFIC NAME                  | B | C   |
|----|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|-----|
| 1  | Common Shelduck                 | <i>Tadorna tadorna</i>           | 6 | 20+ |
| 2  | Ruddy Shelduck                  | <i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>        | 7 | 40+ |
| 3  | Garganey                        | <i>Spatula querquedula</i>       | 6 | 22  |
| 4  | Northern Shoveler               | <i>Spatula clypeata</i>          | 3 | 6   |
| 5  | Eurasian Wigeon                 | <i>Mareca penelope</i>           | 1 | 1   |
| 6  | Mallard                         | <i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>        | 5 | 5   |
| 7  | Chukar Partridge                | <i>Alectoris chukar</i>          | 2 | 3   |
| 8  | Common Quail                    | <i>Coturnix coturnix</i>         | 2 | H   |
| 9  | Scopoli's Shearwater            | <i>Calonectris diomedea</i>      | 2 | 200 |
| 10 | Yelkouan Shearwater             | <i>Puffinus yelkouan</i>         | 3 | 100 |
| 11 | Little Grebe                    | <i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>    | 4 | 4   |
| 12 | Great Crested Grebe             | <i>Podiceps cristatus</i>        | 6 | 9   |
| 13 | Greater Flamingo                | <i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>     | 7 | 250 |
| 14 | Black Stork                     | <i>Ciconia nigra</i>             | 7 | 4   |
| 15 | White Stork                     | <i>Ciconia ciconia</i>           | 7 | 5   |
| 16 | Glossy Ibis                     | <i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>      | 5 | 20  |
| 17 | Black-crowned Night Heron       | <i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>     | 1 | 5   |
| 18 | Squacco Heron                   | <i>Ardeola ralloides</i>         | 1 | 1   |
| 19 | Western Cattle Egret            | <i>Bubulcus ibis</i>             | 2 | 2   |
| 20 | Grey Heron                      | <i>Ardea cinerea</i>             | 6 | 3   |
| 21 | Purple Heron                    | <i>Ardea purpurea</i>            | 5 | 21  |
| 22 | Great Egret                     | <i>Ardea alba</i>                | 7 | 4   |
| 23 | Little Egret                    | <i>Egretta garzetta</i>          | 7 | 10  |
| 24 | European Shag                   | <i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i> | 2 | 5   |
| 25 | Great Cormorant                 | <i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>       | 4 | 4   |
| 26 | Short-toed Snake Eagle          | <i>Circaetus gallicus</i>        | 6 | 6   |
| 27 | Eurasian Sparrowhawk            | <i>Accipiter nisus</i>           | 2 | 1   |
| 28 | Western Marsh Harrier           | <i>Circus aeruginosus</i>        | 7 | 3   |
| 29 | Pallid Harrier                  | <i>Circus macrourus</i>          | 2 | 1   |
| 30 | Montagu's Harrier               | <i>Circus pygargus</i>           | 3 | 2   |
| 31 | Long-legged Buzzard             | <i>Buteo rufinus</i>             | 4 | 2   |
| 32 | Common Buzzard                  | <i>Buteo buteo</i>               | 5 | 4   |
| 33 | Common Buzzard (Steppe Buzzard) | <i>Buteo buteo vulpines</i>      | 2 | 1   |
| 34 | Water Rail                      | <i>Rallus aquaticus</i>          | 1 | H   |
| 35 | Little Crane                    | <i>Porzana parva</i>             | 5 | 7   |
| 36 | Common Moorhen                  | <i>Gallinula chloropus</i>       | 5 | 4   |
| 37 | Eurasian Coot                   | <i>Fulica atra</i>               | 5 | 6   |
| 38 | Eurasian Stone-curlew           | <i>Burhinus oedicephalus</i>     | 2 | 3   |
| 39 | Black-winged Stilt              | <i>Himantopus himantopus</i>     | 6 | 10+ |
| 40 | Pied Avocet                     | <i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>    | 6 | 100 |
| 41 | Northern Lapwing                | <i>Vanellus vanellus</i>         | 2 | 1   |
| 42 | Spur-winged Lapwing             | <i>Vanellus spinosus</i>         | 2 | 1   |
| 43 | Grey Plover                     | <i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>      | 2 | 1   |
| 44 | Little Ringed Plover            | <i>Charadrius dubius</i>         | 7 | 4+  |

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| 45  | Kentish Plover             | <i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>    | 4 | 10   |
| 46  | Whimbrel                   | <i>Numenius phaeopus</i>          | 1 | 6    |
| 47  | Black-tailed Godwit        | <i>Limosa limosa</i>              | 4 | 28   |
| 48  | Ruff                       | <i>Calidris pugnax</i>            | 7 | 100+ |
| 49  | Little Stint               | <i>Calidris minuta</i>            | 5 | 13   |
| 50  | Common Snipe               | <i>Gallinago gallinago</i>        | 3 | 1    |
| 51  | Common Sandpiper           | <i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>         | 6 | 2    |
| 52  | Green Sandpiper            | <i>Tringa ochropus</i>            | 2 | 4    |
| 53  | Marsh Sandpiper            | <i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>         | 4 | 6    |
| 54  | Wood Sandpiper             | <i>Tringa glareola</i>            | 7 | 294  |
| 55  | Common Greenshank          | <i>Tringa nebularia</i>           | 6 | 2    |
| 56  | Slender-billed Gull        | <i>Chroicocephalus genei</i>      | 1 | 1    |
| 57  | Black-headed Gull          | <i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i> | 1 | 1    |
| 58  | Mediterranean Gull         | <i>Ichthyaetus melanocephalus</i> | 3 | 8    |
| 59  | Yellow-legged Gull         | <i>Larus michahellis</i>          | 7 | C    |
| 60  | Gull-billed Tern           | <i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i>      | 2 | 48   |
| 61  | Sandwich Tern              | <i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>    | 1 | 2    |
| 62  | Little Tern                | <i>Sternula albifrons</i>         | 1 | 5    |
| 63  | Common Tern                | <i>Sterna hirundo</i>             | 6 | 40   |
| 64  | Rock Dove                  | <i>Columba livia</i>              | 7 | C    |
| 65  | European Turtle Dove       | <i>Streptopelia turtur</i>        | 4 | 2    |
| 66  | Eurasian Collared Dove     | <i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>      | 7 | C    |
| 67  | Great Spotted Cuckoo       | <i>Clamator glandarius</i>        | 1 | 1    |
| 68  | Common Cuckoo              | <i>Cuculus canorus</i>            | 3 | 2    |
| 69  | Eurasian Scops Owl         | <i>Otus scops</i>                 | 2 | 1    |
| 70  | Little Owl                 | <i>Athene noctua</i>              | 2 | 3    |
| 71  | Alpine Swift               | <i>Tachymarptis melba</i>         | 2 | 2    |
| 72  | Common Swift               | <i>Apus apus</i>                  | 7 | N/C  |
| 73  | Pallid Swift               | <i>Apus pallidus</i>              | 1 | 4    |
| 74  | Common Kingfisher          | <i>Alcedo atthis</i>              | 2 | 1    |
| 75  | European Bee-eater         | <i>Merops apiaster</i>            | 1 | 42   |
| 76  | Eurasian Hoopoe            | <i>Upupa epops</i>                | 6 | 2    |
| 77  | Lesser Kestrel             | <i>Falco naumanni</i>             | 1 | 15   |
| 78  | Common Kestrel             | <i>Falco tinnunculus</i>          | 4 | 1    |
| 79  | Red-footed Falcon          | <i>Falco vespertinus</i>          | 3 | 2    |
| 80  | Peregrine Falcon           | <i>Falco peregrinus</i>           | 5 | 2    |
| 81  | Woodchat Shrike            | <i>Lanius senator</i>             | 7 | 25   |
| 82  | Masked Shrike              | <i>Lanius nubicus</i>             | 3 | 6    |
| 83  | Eurasian Golden Oriole     | <i>Oriolus oriolus</i>            | 1 | 8    |
| 84  | Eurasian Jay               | <i>Garrulus glandarius</i>        | 6 | 4    |
| 85  | Western Jackdaw            | <i>Coloeus monedula</i>           | 2 | 20   |
| 86  | Hooded Crow                | <i>Corvus cornix</i>              | 7 | C    |
| 87  | Northern Raven             | <i>Corvus corax</i>               | 5 | 8    |
| 88  | Sombre Tit                 | <i>Poecile lugubris</i>           | 1 | 2    |
| 89  | Eurasian Blue Tit          | <i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>        | 6 | 4    |
| 90  | Great Tit                  | <i>Parus major</i>                | 6 | 4    |
| 91  | Woodlark                   | <i>Lullula arborea</i>            | 2 | H    |
| 92  | Crested Lark               | <i>Galerida cristata</i>          | 7 | C    |
| 93  | Greater Short-toed Lark    | <i>Calandrella brachydactyla</i>  | 3 | 32   |
| 94  | Bank Swallow (Sand Martin) | <i>Riparia riparia</i>            | 5 | 150  |
| 95  | Barn Swallow               | <i>Hirundo rustica</i>            | 7 | N/C  |
| 96  | Eurasian Crag Martin       | <i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>     | 2 | 4    |
| 97  | Common House Martin        | <i>Delichon urbicum</i>           | 7 | C    |
| 98  | Red-rumped Swallow         | <i>Cecropis daurica</i>           | 7 | 6    |
| 99  | Cetti's Warbler            | <i>Cettia cetti</i>               | 7 | 2 H7 |
| 100 | Long-tailed Tit            | <i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>        | 1 | 4    |
| 101 | Willow Warbler             | <i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>     | 1 | 1    |
| 102 | Wood Warbler               | <i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>    | 2 | 3    |

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| 103 | Great Reed Warbler         | <i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>  | 5 | 12  |
| 104 | Sedge Warbler              | <i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i> | 7 | 25  |
| 105 | Eurasian Reed Warbler      | <i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>    | 6 | 20  |
| 106 | Eastern Olivaceous Warbler | <i>Iduna pallida</i>              | 3 | H   |
| 107 | Icterine Warbler           | <i>Hippolais icterina</i>         | 1 | 3   |
| 108 | Savi's Warbler             | <i>Locustella luscinioides</i>    | 3 | H   |
| 109 | Zitting Cisticola          | <i>Cisticola juncidis</i>         | 3 | 1   |
| 110 | Eurasian Blackcap          | <i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>         | 2 | 10  |
| 111 | Barred Warbler             | <i>Sylvia nisoria</i>             | 1 | 1   |
| 112 | Lesser Whitethroat         | <i>Sylvia curruca</i>             | 3 | 8   |
| 113 | Eastern Orphean Warbler    | <i>Sylvia crassirostris</i>       | 3 | 8   |
| 114 | Common Whitethroat         | <i>Sylvia communis</i>            | 3 | 5   |
| 115 | Subalpine Warbler          | <i>Sylvia cantillans</i>          | 3 | 12  |
| 116 | Sardinian Warbler          | <i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>       | 1 | 1   |
| 117 | Rüppell's Warbler          | <i>Sylvia ruppeli</i>             | 1 | 2   |
| 118 | Eurasian Nuthatch          | <i>Sitta europaea</i>             | 1 | 2   |
| 119 | Krüper's Nuthatch          | <i>Sitta krueperi</i>             | 2 | 2   |
| 120 | Western Rock Nuthatch      | <i>Sitta neumayer</i>             | 2 | 2   |
| 121 | Short-toed Treecreeper     | <i>Certhia brachydactyla</i>      | 1 | 1   |
| 122 | Common Starling            | <i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>           | 1 | 1   |
| 123 | Common Blackbird           | <i>Turdus merula</i>              | 7 | 8   |
| 124 | Spotted Flycatcher         | <i>Muscicapa striata</i>          | 3 | 40  |
| 125 | Common Nightingale         | <i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>      | 7 | 6   |
| 126 | European Pied Flycatcher   | <i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>         | 5 | 25  |
| 127 | Collared Flycatcher        | <i>Ficedula albicollis</i>        | 4 | 25  |
| 128 | Common Redstart            | <i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>    | 1 | 1   |
| 129 | Blue Rock Thrush           | <i>Monticola solitarius</i>       | 2 | 1   |
| 130 | Whinchat                   | <i>Saxicola rubetra</i>           | 7 | 250 |
| 131 | European Stonechat         | <i>Saxicola rubicola</i>          | 7 | 6   |
| 132 | Northern Wheatear          | <i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>          | 2 | 1   |
| 133 | Isabelline Wheatear        | <i>Oenanthe isabellina</i>        | 1 | 2   |
| 134 | Black-eared Wheatear       | <i>Oenanthe hispanica</i>         | 4 | 10  |
| 135 | House Sparrow              | <i>Passer domesticus</i>          | 7 | C   |
| 136 | Spanish Sparrow            | <i>Passer hispaniolensis</i>      | 6 | 80  |
| 137 | Rock Sparrow               | <i>Petronia petronia</i>          | 1 | 1   |
| 138 | Western Yellow Wagtail     | <i>Motacilla flava</i>            |   |     |
| 139 | Blue-headed Wagtail        | <i>M. f. flava</i>                | 5 | 4   |
| 140 | Black-headed Wagtail       | <i>M. f. feldegg</i>              | 7 | 50  |
| 141 | Grey-headed Wagtail        | <i>M. f. thunbergi</i>            | 2 | 3   |
| 142 | Intergrade/varient sp      | <i>M. f. superciliaris</i>        | 2 | 1   |
| 143 | Citrine Wagtail            | <i>Motacilla citreola</i>         | 4 | 1   |
| 144 | White Wagtail              | <i>Motacilla alba</i>             | 5 | 4   |
| 145 | Tawny Pipit                | <i>Anthus campestris</i>          | 2 | 3   |
| 146 | Tree Pipit                 | <i>Anthus trivialis</i>           | 4 | 15  |
| 147 | Red-throated Pipit         | <i>Anthus cervinus</i>            | 2 | 6   |
| 148 | Common Chaffinch           | <i>Fringilla coelebs</i>          | 7 | 8   |
| 149 | European Greenfinch        | <i>Chloris chloris</i>            | 5 | 4   |
| 150 | Common Linnet              | <i>Linaria cannabina</i>          | 2 | 8   |
| 151 | European Goldfinch         | <i>Carduelis carduelis</i>        | 7 | 4   |
| 152 | European Serin             | <i>Serinus serinus</i>            | 3 | 4   |
| 153 | Corn Bunting               | <i>Emberiza calandra</i>          | 7 | C   |
| 154 | Cinereous Bunting          | <i>Emberiza cineracea</i>         | 2 | 1   |
| 155 | Ortolan Bunting            | <i>Emberiza hortulana</i>         | 2 | 3   |
| 156 | Cretzschmar's Bunting      | <i>Emberiza caesia</i>            | 3 | 4   |
| 157 | Cirl Bunting               | <i>Emberiza cirius</i>            | 4 | 2   |

## Other sightings



| A  | SPECIES                       | SCIENTIFIC NAME                  | B    | C  |
|----|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|------|----|
| 1  | Persian Squirrel              | <i>Sciurus anomalus</i>          | 4    | 2  |
| 2  | Red Fox                       | <i>Vulpes vulpes</i>             | 3    | 2  |
| 3  | Bottle-nosed Dolphin          | <i>Tursiops truncatus</i>        | 1    | 8  |
| 4  | Common Pipistrelle            | <i>Pipistrellus pipistrellus</i> | 4    | 30 |
| 5  | Spur-thighed Tortoise         | <i>Testudo graeca</i>            | 1    | 1  |
| 6  | Stripe-necked Terrapin        | <i>Mauremys rivulata</i>         | 5    | C  |
| 7  | Starred Agama                 | <i>Laudakia stellio</i>          | 1    | 2  |
| 8  | Balkan Green Lizard           | <i>Lacerta trilineata</i>        | 1    | 1  |
| 9  | European Glass Lizard         | <i>Psuedopus apodus</i>          | 1    | 1  |
| 10 | Turkish Gecko                 | <i>Hemidactylus turcicus</i>     | 1    | 1  |
| 11 | Levant Water Frog             | <i>Pelophylax bedriagae</i>      | 6    | C  |
| 12 | Eastern Tree Frog             | <i>Hyla orientalis</i>           | 1    | 1  |
| 13 | Red-winged Grasshopper        | <i>Oedipoda germanica</i>        | 1    | 2  |
| 14 | Blue-winged Grasshopper       | <i>Oedipoda caeruleans</i>       | 1    | 1  |
| 15 | Egyptian Grasshopper          | <i>Anacridium aegyptum</i>       | 1    | 1  |
| 16 | Dung Beetle                   | <i>Scarabaeinae</i>              | 2    | 2  |
| 17 | Violet Carpenter Bee          | <i>Xylocarpus violacea</i>       | 3    | 4  |
| 18 | Scarce Swallowtail            | <i>Iphiclidides podalirius</i>   | 1    | 6  |
| 19 | Swallowtail                   | <i>Papilio machaon</i>           | 4    | 4  |
| 20 | Eastern Festoon               | <i>Allancastris cerisy</i>       | 2    | 2  |
| 21 | Falso Apollo                  | <i>Archon apollinus</i>          | 1    | 1  |
| 22 | Brimstone                     | <i>Gonepteryx rhamni</i>         | 1    | 1  |
| 23 | Large White                   | <i>Pieris brassicae</i>          | 3    | 6  |
| 24 | Small White                   | <i>Pieris rapae</i>              | 2    | 3  |
| 25 | Eastern Bath White            | <i>Pontia edusa</i>              | 1    | 1  |
| 28 | Orange Tip                    | <i>Anthocharis cardamines</i>    | 5    | 20 |
| 29 | Clouded Yellow                | <i>Colias crocea</i>             | 4    | 2  |
| 30 | Cleopatra                     | <i>Gonepteryx cleopatra</i>      | 1    | 1  |
| 31 | Small Copper                  | <i>Lycaena phlaeas</i>           | 3    | 4  |
| 32 | Holly Blue                    | <i>Celastrina argiolus</i>       | 1    | 3  |
| 33 | Common Blue                   | <i>Polyommatus icarus</i>        | 2    | 4  |
| 34 | Brown Argus                   | <i>Aricia agestis</i>            | 1    | 1  |
| 35 | Red Admiral                   | <i>Vanessa atalanta</i>          | 2    | 4  |
| 36 | Painted Lady                  | <i>Vanessa cardui</i>            | 1    | 1  |
| 37 | Wall Brown                    | <i>Lasiommata megera</i>         | 3    | 1  |
| 38 | Small Heath                   | <i>Coenonympha pamphilus</i>     | 1    | 2  |
| 39 | Red-veined Darter             | <i>Sympetrum fonscolombii</i>    | 1    | 6  |
| 40 | Small-flowered Serapias       | <i>Celastrina argiolus</i>       | Seen |    |
| 41 | Barbary Nut Iris              | <i>Moraea sisyrinchium</i>       | Seen |    |
| 42 | Black Mustard                 | <i>Brassica Nigra</i>            | Seen |    |
| 43 | Sand Stock                    | <i>Malcolmia littorea</i>        | Seen |    |
| 44 | Corn Marigold                 | <i>Glebionis segetum</i>         | Seen |    |
| 45 | Chamomile                     | <i>Matricaria chamomilla</i>     | Seen |    |
| 46 | Giant Fennel                  | <i>Ferula communis</i>           | Seen |    |
| 47 | Tamasisk                      | <i>Tamarix</i>                   | Seen |    |
| 48 | Scarlet Pimpernel             | <i>Anagallis arvensis</i>        | Seen |    |
| 49 | Crown Anemone                 | <i>Anemone coronaria</i>         | Seen |    |
| 50 | Star of Bethlehem             | <i>Ornithogalum umbellatum</i>   | Seen |    |
| 51 | Judas Tree                    | <i>Cercis siliquastrum</i>       | Seen |    |
| 52 | Rough Poppy                   | <i>Papaver hybridum</i>          | Seen |    |
| 53 | Calabrian Pine (Turkish Pine) | <i>Pinus brutia</i>              | Seen |    |

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| 54 | Rigid Euphorbia (Spurge)  | <i>Euphorbia rigida</i>        | Seen |
| 55 | Mimosa Orchid             | <i>Mimosa pudica</i>           | Seen |
| 56 | Nodding Star of Bethlehem | <i>Ornithogalum nutans</i>     | Seen |
| 57 | Peacock Anemone           | <i>Anemone hortensis</i>       | Seen |
| 58 | Bermuda Buttercup         | <i>Oxalis pes-caprae</i>       | Seen |
| 59 | Narrow-leaved Lupin       | <i>Lupinus angustifolius</i>   | Seen |
| 60 | Purple Salsify            | <i>Tragopogon porrifolius</i>  | Seen |
| 61 | Wavyleaf Mullein          | <i>Verbascum sinuatum</i>      | Seen |
| 62 | Quince                    | <i>Cydonia oblonga</i>         | Seen |
| 63 | Lesvos Orchid             | <i>Ophrys lesbis</i>           | Seen |
| 64 | Wild Gladioli             | <i>Gladiolus communis</i>      | Seen |
| 65 | Winged Sea-lavender       | <i>Limonium lobatum</i>        | Seen |
| 66 | Wild Asparagus            | <i>Asparagus prostratus</i>    | Seen |
| 67 | Violet Limodore           | <i>Limodorum abortivum</i>     | Seen |
| 68 | Burgundy Loosestrife      | <i>Lysimachia atropurpurea</i> | Seen |
| 69 | Dragon Arum               | <i>Dracunculus vulgaris</i>    | Seen |

