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March 27 – April 06, 2024



Photo: Group getting a big helping hand finding the birds!!!

Vietnam - 2024

27th March – 06th April 2024

HIGHLIGHTS

Either for rarity value, excellent views or simply a group favourite.

- **Germain's Peacock Pheasant** ٠
- **Bar-bellied Pitta**
- **Siamese Fireback** •
- **Indochinese Barbet** •
- **Dulat Shrike-Babbler**
- **Grey-crowned Crocias** •
- **Dalat Bush Warbler** •
- **Banded Kingfisher** •
- Long-tailed Broadbill •
- **Slaty-legged Rail** •
- **Collared Falconet** •
- **Dusky Broadbill** •
- **Kloss's Leaf-Warbler** •
- **Black-throated Sunbird**
- Yellow-billed Nuthatch •
- **Black Eagle (so close)**
- **Necklaced Barbet** •

- ٠ **Blue-naped Pitta**
 - **Golden-crested Myna**
- **Great Slaty Woodpecker** •
- **Streaked Wren-babbler** •
- **Grey-bellied Tesia** •
- **Collared Laughingthrush** •
- **Slaty-breasted Rail** •
- **Chestnut-winged Cuckoo** •
- **Banded Broadbill** •
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- **Oriental Scops Owl** •
- **Slender-billed Oriole** •
- Mrs Gould's Sunbird •
- **Hume's Treecreeper** •
- **Rufous-browed Flycatcher** •
- **Oriental Pied Hornbill** •
- **Grey Nightjar**

- Vietnamese Cutia •
- **Blue-bearded Bee-eater**
- **Banded Kingfisher** •
- **Green-legged Partridge** •
- **Heart-spotted Woodpecker** •
- **Black-and-red Broadbill** •
- White-spectacled Sibia
- **Clicking Shrike-Babbler**
- **Great-eared Nightjar** •
- **Black-headed Parrotbill** •
- **Red Crossbill**
- **Slaty-breasted Rail** •
- Laced Woodpecker •
- Sambar
- **Southern Yellow-cheeked Crested Gibbon**
- **Black-shanked Douc**

SUMMARY:

Our inaugural tour to Vietnam was underway, with everyone arriving a day or so early, allowing for some cultural exploration in the city. The nearby river introduced a few of us to

some common bird species, and once the tour began, we headed for Cat Tien National Park and stayed in lovely, clean, air-conditioned cabins within the park. Birds and noisy Gibbons were right outside our rooms, and all the birding was conveniently close by. We saw some amazing species, including Germain's Peacockpheasant. Siamese Fireback. Golden-crested Mynas. Blue-bearded Bee-eater, Banded Kingfisher, Blackand-red Broadbill, Slaty-legged Rail, Collared Falconet, and the enormous Great Slaty Woodpecker. We then moved on to Dilinh and struggled a bit with the foggy weather. From our wonderful lodge, we spotted a Chestnut-winged Cuckoo, and then, on the nearby forested roads, we tracked down a Streaked Wren-babbler, glimpsed a brief Long-tailed Broadbill, spotted an Indochinese Barbet, and observed some



other elusive forest birds. Our final destination was Dulat, where we visited a variety of different habitats in search of more special birds. In the mountain pine forests and edges, we found Collared Laughingthrushes, Vietnamese Cutias, Grey-crowned Crocias, Hume's Treecreeper, Grey-bellied Tesia, Yellow-billed Nuthatch, Rufous-backed Sibias, and Rufousbrowed Flycatcher, plus much more. A bit of night birding rewarded us with sightings of an Oriental Scops Owl and Grey Nightjars. Our guide, Minh, was absolutely superb, providing us with top-notch birding experiences and wonderful insights into Vietnamese culture and food.

Chinese Francolin

Day 1 Arrival Day - Ho Chí Mính Cíty - 27th March

Everyone had arrived at least a day early, and introduced themselves to the hustle and bustle of the busy city of Ho Chi Minh, formerly called Saigon and still called this by many locals including our guide, Minh. A good night's rest and we were all ready for our adventure starting tomorrow.

Day 2 Ho Chí Mính - Cat Tíen - 28th March

Today, we indulged in a leisurely breakfast before our departure from the city, aiming to avoid the early morning traffic rush. Once our coach arrived, we embarked on our journey through the vibrant hustle and bustle of Ho Chi Minh, navigating amidst the swarm of seven million motorcycles, heading towards Cat Tien National Park a three-hour drive away. The journey offered little in terms of bird sightings, yet provided ample glimpses into the Vietnamese way of life. Around noon, we reached the ferry crossing to the park, loading our luggage before sailing across the river to the Cat Tien Forest, where our cabins near the park headquarters awaited. The heat was guite intense, so we were relieved to retreat to our rooms and switch

on the air-conditioning. Following a delightful lunch, during which we spotted some exquisite Golden Gem dragonflies, we took a brief rest until the temperature began to drop slightly around 3 pm. Exploring the vicinity of our cabins, we encountered a nesting pair of Ashy Drongos, possibly a split into Grevish Drongo, and a White-rumped Shama feasting on termites. Our journey continued on foot along the road, where we sighted a few Bronzed Drongos and a couple of Streak-eared Bulbuls nestled in the garden shrubbery. Other brief sightings included an Oriental Magpie Robin and a Grey-eyed Bulbul disappearing behind a tree. However, our luck changed as we stumbled upon a



stunning Black-crested Bulbul, an incredible looking Greater Racket-tailed Drongo, and a flock of Golden Crested Mynas, which we observed through our scopes in a fruiting tree. Moving just a few meters ahead, we encountered a Lesser Yellownape and shortly after, a Blacknaped Oriole and a Common Flameback. We then followed a small track, where we were rewarded with the sight of a confiding Great Iora and a pair of Chinese Pond Herons. Although a Common Tailorbird made a fleeting appearance, the Black-naped Monarch put on a splendid show. Continuing our walk along the road, we were thrilled to spot Oriental Pied Hornbills, a Black Bulbul, and hear the call of a White-bellied Woodpecker. Amidst the forest clearing, we were fortunate to witness the majestic flight of one such woodpecker and the fleeting presence of a Blue-naped Pitta darting across the road. Only a few of us managed to catch a glimpse of it. Next, we spotted a pair of Dollarbirds perched on a dead tree and a Striped-throated Bulbul tending to its fledgling. Suddenly, the sky turned grey, and the distant rumble of thunder signalled an approaching storm. Hastily, we made our way back, but the rain caught up with us, drenching us thoroughly before we reached the safety of our cabins.

Day 3 Cat Tien National Park - 29th March

This morning, we started with an early breakfast before gathering by the truck that would transport us along one of the roads to a different area of the forest. Before boarding, we were greeted by the distant calls of Buff-cheeked Gibbons, also known as Southern Yellow-cheeked Crested Gibbon, leading us to spot a group perched atop some bare trees. As we observed them, Minh pointed out a Blue-bearded Bee-eater followed shortly by a White-throated



Kingfisher, and even a Green Pigeon tending to its nest. An Indochinese Cuckoo-shrike made a brief appearance overhead, while Asian Palm Swifts darted around in the sky. Once aboard our open truck, we journeyed a few kilometres into the park, spotting Emerald Doves along the roadside and a pair of Junglefowl disappearing into the foliage. Upon reaching our drop-off point, we proceeded to walk slowly along the road. Ashy-headed Green Pigeons made an impressive display, while a family of Blackshanked Duc's quietly observed us from the treetops. We scoped a Golden-fronted Leafbird perched atop one tree and caught glimpses of Vernal Hanging Parrots flying overhead. A few Red-breasted Parakeets also flew overhead before our attempts to locate a Green-eared Barbet, were successful. Continuing on, we encountered a Dark-necked

Tailorbird and a stunning **Crimson Sunbird**. Nearby, a male **Black-hooded Oriole** and several Stripe-cheeked Bulbuls also caught our attention. Despite hearing them, we

unfortunately couldn't spot a Laced Woodpecker, Heart-spotted Woodpecker, or Pale-headed Woodpecker. However, we were rewarded by a pair of huge Great Slaty Woodpeckers that flew across the road. As we ventured further along a side trail into the forest, we got varying views of a secretive Bar-bellied Pitta. Other birds spotted along this track included a Bay Woodpecker, Great Iora, Pin-striped Tit-babbler, and a Rubythroated Sunbird. With the heat intensifying, we decided to return to the shuttle bus and head back to the lodge for lunch. After a break during the hottest part of the day, we returned to the forest. Despite hearing the calls of an Orange-bellied Trogon, it remained elusive. However, we did spot our first Black-and-red Broadbill a little further along. A Green-billed Malkoha also caught our



eye, and later, we observed a very close Pin-striped Tit Babbler. Our luck continued as we enjoyed excellent views of a Chinese White-faced Drongo, while the remainder of the afternoon yielded sightings of a Banded Kingfisher and varying views of another Bar-bellied Pitta as it moved in and out of the bamboo. Later, as it became dusk, we attempted to spot a Blyth's Frogmouth but only managed to hear one or two calls.

Day 4 Cat Tien National Park - 30th March

This morning, after breakfast, we set off again to explore a different area of the forest. Along the way, a Laced Woodpecker flew over and perched in a nearby tree, giving us a great view. Upon reaching our drop-off point, we were greeted with a delightful array of birds, without even needing to move. Green-eared Barbets were unusually visible, alongside Blue-eared Barbets, several Asian Fairy Bluebirds flitted about in the treetops, and we successfully tracked down a calling Banded Broadbill, enjoying scope views of this elusive bird. Nearby, we spotted a Banded Kingfisher and later, a Green-billed Malkoha made a conspicuous appearance. In the canopy, a pair of Golden Crested Mynas caught our attention, while a

Heart-spotted Woodpecker flew overhead. We scoped a Thick-billed Green Pigeon and also observed a Streaked Spiderhunter. Continuing along the track, we encountered a Bar-winged Shrike Flycatcher and a striking male Blackhooded Oriole. Those at the front of the group were treated to the sight of a male Siamese Fireback darting across the path before disappearing into dense cover. Ashy Woodswallows also flew overhead, and we were thrilled to spot an Orange-breasted Trogon through our scopes. Following some noise from the treetops, we were treated to the sight of a



pair of copulating Collared Falconets. Moving on, we stumbled upon an **Abbott's Babbler** feeding beneath a bush, and a Red-breasted Parakeet perched in a tall dead tree. The call of a Great Slaty Woodpecker led us on a merry chase as it flitted from tree to tree, mostly staying out of view, but eventually seen by all. Several Pin-striped Tit-Babblers foraged nearby, and while observing these, we spotted a Velvet-fronted Nuthatch. A distant call then caught our attention, and soon we were watching a Crested Serpent Eagle circling high above. Continuing our exploration, we observed a couple of Dark-necked Tailorbirds and an Asian Brown Flycatcher before turning back to witness a Green-legged Partridge walking through a bamboo patch. Along the way, we glimpsed a pair of Silver Langurs and spotted a Crested Goshawk circling above. Our last bird sighting of the morning was a Dusky Broadbill perched



high in a tree, which we managed to scope before returning to the lodge for lunch and some rest. In the afternoon, our adventure resembled a safari as we leisurely drove along one of the other tracks in our opentop truck. In the first open area, we spotted a female Green Peafowl, followed by a Brown Shrike and some Red Collared Doves perched in the treetops, plus a pair of Sooty-headed Bulbuls in one of the trees. A large male Sambar Deer caught our attention, and as we continued, Tony spotted a Chinese Francolin perched on a grassy mound. We then saw a Paddyfield Pipit, and in a tree filled with seed pods, we found a pair of Vinousbreasted Starlings. Further along, we observed a male

Junglefowl and spotted another Sambar near a pond, along with a Chinese Pond Heron. A Little Cormorant flew off, and we enjoyed good views of a lone perched Blossom-headed Parakeet, with two Green Imperial Pigeons flying overhead. At the end of our drive, we reached a small watchtower where some of the group watched a beautiful male Green Peafowl. On our way back, near dusk, we spotted a couple of Pig-tailed Macaques, and in the same area, we heard and caught distant views of a flying Great-eared Nightjar.

Day 5 Cat Tien National Park - 31st March

This morning, we visited one of the bird hides and had an enlightening discussion about the ethics surrounding birdwatching and hides in Vietnam. Upon entering the hide, we were greeted by the sight of a female **Siamese Fireback**, later joined by its stunning male



counterpart. Next, we spotted a Slaty-legged Crake and a pair of Blue-rumped Pittas. Among the smaller birds were Blackheaded Bulbuls, Puffthroated Babblers, and **Buff-fronted** Babblers. Indochinese



Blue Flycatchers, both male and female, made appearances, as did female Siberian Robins. The highlight was witnessing a male Germain's Peacock Pheasant displaying its magnificent



plumage. Green-legged Partridges made brief appearances, while a Jungle Fowl remained elusive in the background. White-rumped Shamas, Dark-necked Tailorbirds, and Stripecheeked Bulbuls were seen regularly, and a Greater Coucal provided excellent views. In the distance, a Lesser Mousedeer was spotted by a few lucky observers. After this memorable experience, we strolled back towards the lodge, taking a short trail to observe some Whitecrested Laughingthrushes. A quick coffee break was followed by a walk to another trail, where we were treated to sightings of Southern Yellow-cheeked Crested (Buff-cheeked Gibbons).

In the afternoon, we drove to a forested area, intending to search for Bar-bellied Pitta. However, just as we were about to start our search, the heavens opened, and torrential rain accompanied by thunder and lightning forced us to seek shelter under a bus stop. We patiently waited for the covered shuttle to pick us up and return us to the lodge.

Day 6 Cat Tien - Dílinh - 01* April

This morning, we started with a quick coffee before setting off on foot along the road towards some expansive bamboo areas. Bronzed Drongos perched on the telephone wires, soon joined by the larger Racket-tailed Drongo. A Rufescent Prinia offered excellent views as it sat out in the open, followed by a Chinese White-faced Drongo striking a pose on a wire. We then spotted a Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpecker, though it proved challenging to see high up in the



Minivets, Green-billed Malkohas, Racket-tailed Treepies, a Blue-bearded Bee-eater, and then a fantastic display from Heart-spotted Woodpeckers. After returning for breakfast, we packed our bags and headed to the river ferry, where we met up with our coach and set off for our next destination. We arrived at our lovely hotel in the early afternoon and, after settling in, reconvened in the afternoon to admire the view from the veranda of the restaurant area overlooking the coffee plantations. There, we spotted lots of Ashy Drongos, the occasional Black Drongo, Black-necked Starlings, a Burmese Shrike, and then had great looks at a **Chestnut-winged Cuckoo**. We also observed a Lineated Barbet, White-throated Kingfisher, and out in the distant rice

treetops. Fortunately, a Laced Woodpecker flew over and landed within view, allowing everyone to get a proper look. A Hoopoe also flew by before we were treated to sightings of a showy pair of Black-and-red Broadbills. Next, a blue-winged Leafbird caught our attention, along with a very confiding pair of Buff-breasted Babblers. Thick-billed Green Pigeons made an appearance, followed by great scope views of an Asian Barred Owlet calling from a distant tree. Continuing along the road, we enjoyed good looks at Redbreasted Parakeets, shortly followed by an Indochinese Roller. Low down in the closest bushes, we spotted a Little Spiderhunter and a Scaly-breasted Munia. As we slowly progressed, we encountered a Pin-striped Tit-Babbler, Asian Fairy Bluebirds, Scarlet



fields, we saw a Pintail Snipe, Watercock, Greater Coucals, and Chinese Pond Herons. Later, we drove to some hillsides, making a couple of stops where we were fortunate enough to see Barred Cuckoo-Doves. Slowly walking the road, we spotted Flavescent Bulbuls, a Grey-capped Emerald Dove, Grey-throated Tits, Maroon Orioles, and in a small mixed flock, we found Yellow-browed Warblers, Scarlet Minivets, Black-winged Cuckoo-shrikes, a elusive Mugimaki Flycatcher, and heard the calls of Long-tailed Broadbills.

Day 7 Dílính - Dalat - 02nd Apríl

This morning, we enjoyed an early breakfast and spotted a few birds in the garden, including a Mugimaki Flycatcher and an Asian Brown Flycatcher. Setting off for a morning of birding, we passed by a Hair-crested Drongo perched on a gate before reaching the ridge where we



began our walk alongside the forest road. The misty weather posed a challenge, frustrating all of us initially. Despite the conditions, we managed to find an Indochinese (Annam) Barbet and eventually spotted an Streaked Wren-Babbler after a bit of effort. We also encountered Streaked Spiderhunters and Grey-eyed Bulbuls before venturing onto a forest trail in pursuit of the elusive Indochinese Green Magpies. Despite their calls, they proved incredibly difficult to observe clearly. While attempting to catch glimpses of them, we also briefly spotted both Long-tailed and Silver-breasted Broadbills, as well as some very active Red-billed Scimitar-babblers. Returning to the trail, we rejoined our bus and drove back down the road until the mist cleared. Here, we embarked on a downhill walk and soon encountered a mixed flock of birds. Among them, we sighted a Lesser Racket-tailed Drongo, followed by Indochinese Barbets, a brief sighting of a Mountain

Fulvetta, several Grey-crowned Tits, and a frustratingly elusive Black-headed Parrotbill. After

a fabulous lunch, we packed our bags in preparation to move on. While in the paddy fields, we spotted a Slaty-breasted Rail. Our next destination was a birding spot near Dalat. At the edge of the pine forest, we observed Grey Bushchats, a couple of Bar-winged Flycatcher-Shrikes, a Hill Prinia, and White-cheeked Laughingthrushes. We also witnessed Streaked Spiderhunters feeding on purple flowers. A walk along a trail provided further views of Hill Prinias, and we were delighted to encounter a group of five Vietnamese Cutias. Finally, we spotted a White-faced Jay before retreating as rain appeared imminent.



Day 8 Dalat - Mount Langbian - 03rd April

This morning, we enjoyed an early breakfast before embarking on our journey to Mount Langbian. At our first stop, where we were dropped off, Minh soon heard one of our target species, the Collared Laughingthrush. Patiently waiting, we were eventually rewarded with good views of five of these special birds. While a Lesser Shortwing was only spotted by a few of us, we all managed to catch sight of a Large Niltava and a group of Mountain Fulvettas. Several White-cheeked Laughingthrushes were also spotted, along with a Little Pied Flycatcher and brief glimpses of a White-browed Scimitar Babbler. Continuing along the track, we found Kloss's Warblers, and with some patience, everyone was able to see a Grey-bellied Tesia and a pair of Grey-throated Babblers. A Collared Owlet started calling, and we successfully tracked it down for excellent views. Moving slowly onward, we encountered small flocks of Grey-capped Tits, along with Green-backed (Langbian) Tits, a Verditer Flycatcher, and Chestnut-vented Nuthatches. A Mountain Bulbul was spotted next, followed shortly by



amazing views of four **Hume's**



Treecreepers. We also spotted 2barred Warblers and

some fabulous **Dalat Shrike-Babblers**. Nearby, we observed Little Pied Flycatchers, more Kloss's Warblers, and then were treated to the sight of a Black Eagle flying low within the forest. Our next sighting was a pair of **White-speckled Sibias**, along with



Blyth's Warblers flitting around the treetops, as well as a group of Brown-backed Bulbuls. In one tree, we found Pygmy Woodpeckers and several Chestnut-vented Nuthatches. As we made our way down, we noticed an early Mugimaki Flycatcher. We returned to the hotel for a rest before setting off again at 4:00 PM. During a roadside stop, we only managed to spot a Blue-winged Minla. At dusk, we were delighted to encounter a Large-tailed Nightjar, and we heard the calls of a Mountain Scops Owl and a couple of Hodgson's Frogmouths, though we didn't manage to see them.

Day 9 Dalat - Valley - 04th April

After an early breakfast, we made our way to the Ta Nung Valley. One of the first birds we encountered was a Square-tailed Drongo Cuckoo, which called incessantly from the pine trees above us. Perched on a dead tree, we scoped Streaked Spiderhunters and some Scaly-breasted Munias. Moving to a flowering hillside, we were treated to fantastic views of **Black-throated (Langbian) Sunbirds**. As we explored the park, we spotted Grey-capped Tits, Kloss's Warblers, and two Vietnamese Greenfinches perched on a pine tree. A pair of White-throated Fantails showed themselves well, alongside Mountain Bulbuls and an Indochinese



Barbet. Although we struggled to see the Grey-crowned Crocias, which called from the tallest



treetops, we did manage to spot a smart looking Large Niltava. Later, on a flowering bottlebrush tree, **Mrs Gould's (Annam) Sunbirds** made a splendid appearance. We also observed various butterflies and dragonflies. Returning to the hotel for a rest, we headed out again in the afternoon to

explore Lake Road. A small stream attracted numerous

birds, including Blue-winged Minlas, Kloss's Warblers, a White-faced Jay, and a Grey Nightjar perched on a branch of a pine tree, spotted by Gina. We then had a hard task seeing a delightful Rufous-browed Flycatcher, what a superb yet skulking bird. As dusk fell, we enjoyed excellent views of Grey Nightjars, while a Long-tailed Nightjar's call echoed through the evening air. Following the call of an **Oriental Scops Owl**, we were rewarded with great sightings. Although a Hodgson's Frogmouth called nearby, it remained elusive.



Day 10 Dalat - Valley - 05th April

After an early breakfast, we set off to an area along the roadside. Here, we quickly spotted a Rufous-capped Babbler, and after some frantic moments, we finally set eyes on the elusive Grey-crowned Crocias. Nearby, we observed a smart looking Rufous-backed Sibia. As we

rounded a corner, we enjoyed excellent views of a Clicking Shrike-Babbler, accompanied by several Oriental White-eyes and a Grey-capped Canary Flycatcher. Moving on to our next stop, we walked a track into the forest. Along the way, we encountered an adult **Chestnut-vented Nuthatch** tending to a nest hole. We also spotted a few Kloss's and Blyth's Leaf Warblers,



Scarlet Minivets, and in the denser forest, a couple of Dalat Shrike-Babblers. A pair of Blackheaded Parrotbills



made an appearance, and although we heard a Blue Pitta, it remained elusive. However, a mixed flock contained four or more Grey-headed Canary Flycatchers and a very nice **Yellow-billed Nuthatch**. In another patch of forest, while attempting to locate the pitta again, we were rewarded with a group of Black-hooded Laughingthrushes moving through. On our way out, we caught sight of a male Long-tailed (Annam) Minivet. Our next destination was a high elevation pine forest,

where we found a Burmese Shrike and a very smart **Slender-billed Oriole**. Grey-chinned Minivets were also present, along with a confiding pair of Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpeckers. After enjoying our picnic lunch, we headed to our last stop of the day, where we walked a track up to a hilltop. We scoped a Yellow-vented Green Pigeon, and further up, we got good looks at a singing Plaintive Cuckoo and quite a few Vietnamese Greenfinches. A female Red Crossbill flew in, followed shortly by a male. We also got more views of Greenfinches and a nice Verditer Flycatcher. On our way down, we could hear



an Indochinese Green Magpie, but despite our best efforts, we only managed to hear this incredibly elusive bird. Back down on the road, we rested on the bus before dusk, where we soon had multiple sightings of Grey Nightjars flying around. Although we heard the Hodgson's Frogmouth close by, we couldn't detect it.

Day 11 Dalat - Ho Chí Mính - 06th Apríl

After breakfast, we packed our luggage onto the bus and set off towards Saigon. Our first stop led us to walk a short distance to an area of grassy dry scrub. A Radde's Warbler made an appearance along with several **Grey Bush Chats**. Here, we worked hard and were eventually rewarded with super-close looks at a Dalat Bush Warbler. On our way back, we encountered Hill Prinias, Kloss's Warblers, Twobarred Warblers, and Yellow-browed Warblers. We then drove back, enjoying a nice lunch stop with superb views.

Kind regards

Steve & Gina



BIRDLIST FOR VIETNAM 2024

A = Number of species recorded on tour B = Number of days out of 11 recorded C = Highest daily count H = Days Heard only N/C = No Count E = Endemics

This list follows the IOC WORLD BIRD LIST v (14.3) and as such names may be different than some of the field guides and other taxonomy's * notes below checklist for certain species

Α	SPECIES	Ε	SCIENTIFIC NAME	B	С	Н
1	Rufous-throated Partridge		Arborophila rufogularis annamensis	1		1
2	Orange-necked Partridge	Е	Arborophila davidi	1		1
3	Green-legged Partridge		Tropicoperdix chloropus	3	2	1
4	Green Peafowl		Pavo muticus	1	4	
5	Germain's Peacock-Pheasant	Е	Polyplectron germaini	1	1	1

6	Chinese Francolin	Francolinus pintadeanus	1	1	1
7	Red Junglefowl	Gallus gallus	3	2	
8	Silver Pheasant	Lophura nycthemera	1		1
9	Siamese Fireback	Lophura diardi	2	2	
10	Little Grebe	Tachybaptus ruficollis	3	1	
11	Rock Dove	Columba livia	5	N/C	
12	Oriental Turtle-dove	Streptopelia orientalis	2	3	
13	Red Collared Dove *	Streptopelia tranquebarica	2	6	
14	Spotted Dove	Spilopelia chinensis	5	2	
15	Barred Cuckoo-dove	Macropygia unchall	2	3	
16	Zebra Dove	Geopelia striata	7	4	
17	Common Emerald Dove *	Chalcophaps indica indica	3	2	
18	Ashy-headed Green-pigeon	Treron phayrei	1	2	
19	Thick-billed Green-pigeon	Treron curvirostra	3	2	
20	Yellow-vented Green-pigeon	Treron seimundi	1	2	
21	Wedge-tailed Green-pigeon	Treron sphenurus	1		1
22	Green Imperial-pigeon	Ducula aenea	1	2	-
23	Mountain Imperial-pigeon	Ducula badia	3	3	
24	Hodgson's Frogmouth	Batrachostomus hodgsoni	3		3
25	Blyth's Frogmouth *	Batrachostomus affinis continentalis	1		2
26	Great Eared-nightjar	Lyncornis macrotis	1	1	
27	Grey Nightjar	Caprimulgus jotaka	2	6	2
28	Large-tailed Nightjar	Caprimulgus macrurus	1	1	3
29	Silver-backed Needletail	Hirundapus cochinchinensis	1	3	5
30	Brown-backed Needletail	Hirundapus giganteus	2	2	
31	Germain's Swiftlet	Aerodramus germani	7	50+	
32	Asian Palm-swift	Cypsiurus balasiensis	8	6	
33	House Swift	Apus nipalensis	4	4	
34	Greater Coucal	Centropus sinensis	4	4	
35	Green-billed Malkoha	Phaenicophaeus tristis	6	2	
36	Chestnut-winged Cuckoo	Clamator coromandus	1	1	
37	Asian Koel	Eudynamys scolopaceus	2	1	1
38	Violet Cuckoo	Chrysococcyx xanthorhynchus	2	1	2
39	Banded Bay Cuckoo	Cacomantis sonneratii	3	1	3
40	Plaintive Cuckoo	Cacomantis sonneratii	1	1	2
40	Square-tailed Drongo-cuckoo	Surniculus lugubris	1	1	2
41	Indian Cuckoo		1	1	1
42		Cuculus micropterus		1	1
43 44	Slaty-legged Crake	Rallina eurizonoides	1	1	
44 45	Slaty-breasted Rail Watercock	Lewinia striata Gallicrex cinerea	1	1	
			1	1	11
46	Black-crowned Night-heron	Nycticorax nycticorax	1	1	Н
47	Striated Heron	Butorides striata	1	1	
48	Chinese Pond-heron	Ardeola bacchus	9	10	
49	Eastern Cattle Egret	Bubulcus coromandus	2	50	
50	Intermediate Egret	Ardea intermedia	2	1	
51	Little Egret	Egretta garzetta	2	2	
52	Little Cormorant	Microcarbo niger	3	1	
53	Red-wattled Lapwing	Vanellus atronuchalis	1	1	
54	Pintail Snipe	Gallinago stenura	1	1	

55	Brown Boobook	Ninox scutulata	1		1
56	Collared Owlet	Glaucidium brodiei	1	1	4
57	Asian Barred Owlet	Glaucidium cuculoides	1	1	1
58	Collared Scops-owl	Otus lettia	3		3
59	Oriental Scops-owl	Otus sunia	1	1	1
60	Western Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	1	1	
61	Crested Serpent-eagle	Spilornis cheela	1	1	
62	Black Eagle	Ictinaetus malaiensis	2	1	
63	Crested Goshawk	Accipiter trivirgatus	1	1	
64	Orange-breasted Trogon	Harpactes oreskios	1	2	1
65	Red-headed Trogon	Harpactes erythrocephalus	1		1
66	Oriental Pied Hornbill	Anthracoceros albirostris	3	3	
67	Eurasian Hoopoe	Upupa epops	2	2	
68	Blue-bearded Bee-eater	Nyctyornis athertoni	2	1	1
69	Chestnut-headed Bee-eater	Merops leschenaulti	1	2	
70	Indochinese Roller	Coracias affinis	1	1	
71	Oriental Dollarbird	Eurystomus orientalis	4	3	
72	Banded Kingfisher	Banded Kingfisher	2	1	
73	White-breasted Kingfisher	Halcyon smyrnensis	5	2	
74	Coppersmith Barbet	Psilopogon haemacephalus	2	1	
75	Blue-eared Barbet	Psilopogon cyanotis	3	2	
76	Red-vented Barbet	Psilopogon lagrandieri	1		1
77	Green-eared Barbet	Psilopogon faiostrictus	3	4	1
78	Lineated Barbet	Psilopogon lineatus	2	1	1
79	Necklaced Barbet	Psilopogon auricularis	2	3	1
80	Indochinese Barbet *	Psilopogon annamensis	5	2	1
81	White-browed Piculet	Sasia ochracea	1		1
82	Speckled Piculet	Picumnus innominatus	1	1	1
83	Heart-spotted Woodpecker	Hemicircus canente	2	3	1
84	Bay Woodpecker	Blythipicus pyrrhotis	2	1	1
85	Common Flameback	Dinopium javanense	3	1	
86	Pale-headed Woodpecker	Gecinulus grantia	1	1	
87	Black-and-buff Woodpecker	Meiglyptes jugularis	1	1	1
88	Lesser Yellownape	Picus chlorolophus	1	1	1
89	Laced Woodpecker	Picus vittatus	2	1	1
90	Great Slaty Woodpecker	Mulleripicus pulverulentus	1	1	1
91	White-bellied Woodpecker	Dryocopus javensis	1	3	
92	Gray-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	Yungipicus canicapillus	3	4	1
92 93	Collared Falconet	Microhierax caerulescens	1	2	1
93 94	Vernal Hanging-parrot	Loriculus vernalis	6	6	
94 95	Blossom-headed Parakeet	Psittacula roseata	0	0	
95 96	Red-breasted Parakeet	Psittacula alexandri	3	2	
90 97	Blue-rumped Pitta	Hydrornis soror	2	2	1
97 98	Blue Pitta	Hydrornis soror Hydrornis cyaneus	2		1 2
98 99	Bar-bellied Pitta	Hydrornis cyaneus Hydrornis elliotii	1	2	
100		Psarisomus dalhousiae	1	1	1
100	Long-tailed Broadbill				1
101	Dusky Broadbill Black-and-red Broadbill	Corydon sumatranus	1	1	
102		Cymbirhynchus macrorhynchos	2	2	
103	Silver-breasted Broadbill	Serilophus lunatus	1	1	

104	Banded Broadbill	Eurylaimus harterti	1	1	1
105	Maroon Oriole	Oriolus traillii	3	1	1
106	Black-hooded Oriole	Oriolus xanthornus	3	2	1
100	Black-naped Oriole	Oriolus chinensis diffusus	1	2	
108	Slender-billed Oriole	Oriolus tenuirostris	1	1	
109	White-browed Shrike-babbler *	Pteruthius aeralatus annamensis	2	4	1
110	Clicking Shrike-babbler	Pteruthius intermedius	2	1	
111	White-bellied Erpornis	Erpornis zantholeuca	3	2	
112	Long-tailed Minivet *	Pericrocotus annamensis	2	4	
113	Scarlet Minivet	Pericrocotus speciosus	4	6	
114	Large Cuckooshrike	Lacedo pulchella <i>nipalensis</i>	2	1	1
115	Black-winged Cuckooshrike	Lalage melaschistos	2	3	1
116	Indochinese Cuckooshrike	Lalage polioptera	1	1	
117	Ashy Woodswallow	Artamus fuscus	2	2	
118	Bar-winged Flycatcher-shrike	Hemipus picatus	6	2	
119	Large Woodshrike	Tephrodornis virgatus	4	1	
120	Common Iora	Aegithina tiphia	2	1	1
120	Great Iora	Aegithina lafresnayei	5	1	1
121	White-throated Fantail	Rhipidura albicollis	2	2	1
122			2	1	1
123	Black Drongo	Dicrurus macrocercus	3	1	1
124	Ashy Drongo *	Dicrurus leucophaeus innexus	4	1	
123	Sooty Drongo	Dicrurus leucophaeus	5	4	
120	Bronzed Drongo	Dicrurus aeneus	3	-	1
127	Lesser Racquet-tailed Drongo	Dicrurus remifer		1	1
	Hair-crested Drongo	Dicrurus hottentottus hottentottus	1	1	
129 130	Greater Racquet-tailed Drongo	Dicrurus paradiseus	5	2	1
130	Black-naped Monarch Brown Shrike	Hypothymis azurea	1	1	1
		Lanius cristatus superciliosus	1	1	
132	Burmese Shrike	Lanius collurioides	4	2	
133	Racquet-tailed Treepie	Crypsirina temia	2	3	
134	Indochinese Green Magpie	Cissa hypoleuca	1	1	2
135	White-faced Jay	Garrulus leucotis	4	2	
136	Eastern Jungle Crow	Corvus levaillantii	2	2	
1371	Grey-headed Canary-flycatcher	Culicicapa ceylonensis	1	6	
138	Green-backed Tit *	Parus monticolus legendrei	4	4	
139	Hill Prinia	Prinia superciliaris	4	2	
140	Rufescent Prinia	Prinia rufescens	2	2	1
141	Common Tailorbird	Orthotomus sutorius	2	2	
142	Dark-necked Tailorbird	Orthotomus atrogularis	4	2	
143	Pygmy Cupwing	Pnoepyga pusilla	1		1
144	Dalat Bush Warbler	Locustella idonea	1	2	
145	Asian House Martin	Delichon dasypus	1	2	
146	Red-rumped Swallow	Cecropis daurica daurica	3	2	
147	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica rustica	2	2	
148	Ochraceous Bulbul	Alophoixus ochraceus	6	2	
149	Grey-eyed Bulbul	lole propinqua propinqua	5	1	
150	Ashy Bulbul *	Hemixos flavala remotus	3	4	
151	Mountain Bulbul	Ixos mcclellandii tickelli	3	2	
152	Black Bulbul	Hypsipetes leucocephalus	6	4	

153	Black-crested Bulbul	Pycnonotus flaviventris	2	1	
155	Sooty-headed Bulbul	Pycnonotus aurigaster	4	2	
155	Stripe-throated Bulbul	Pycnonotus finlaysoni	5	4	
155	Flavescent Bulbul	Pycnonotus flavescens	3	2	
157	Yellow-vented Bulbul	Pycnonotus goiavier analis	2	2	
157	Streak-eared Bulbul	Pycnonotus conradi	5	4	
159	Black-headed Bulbul	Brachypodius atriceps	1	1	
160	Yellow-browed Warbler	Phylloscopus inornatus	4	2	1
161	Radde's Warbler	Phylloscopus schwarzi	1	1	1
161	Two-barred Warbler	Phylloscopus plumbeitarsus	3	2	2
162	Pale-legged Leaf-warbler	Phylloscopus tenellipes	1	1	2
164	Blyth's Leaf-warbler	Phylloscopus reguloides	3	2	1
165	Kloss's Leaf-warbler	Phylloscopus ogilviegranti	4	6	1
165	Grey-bellied Tesia	Tesia cyaniventer	1	2	1
167	Mountain Tailorbird	Phyllergates cucullatus	2	1	2
167	Grey-crowned Tit	Aegithalos annamensis	6	8	2
169	Black-headed Parrotbill	Psittiparus margaritae	2	2	2
109				4	2
	Oriental White-eye Red-billed Scimitar-babbler	Zosterops palpebrosus	1	-	
171 172		Pomatorhinus ochraceiceps	1	3	
	White-browed Scimitar-babbler	Pomatorhinus schisticeps	1	1	
173	Large Scimitar-babbler	Erythrogenys hypoleucos	1	1	
174	Grey-throated Babbler	Stachyris nigriceps nigriceps	1	2	
175	Pin-striped Tit-babbler	Mixornis gularis gularis	4	2	
176	Grey-faced Tit-babbler	Mixornis kelleyi	2	1	1
177	Rufous-capped Babbler	Cyanoderma ruficeps	2	1	1
178	Puff-throated Babbler	Pellorneum ruficeps	1	2	_
179	Spot-throated Babbler	Pellorneum albiventre	1	1	_
180	Buff-breasted Babbler	Trichastoma tickelli	3	2	_
181	Abbott's Babbler	Malacocincla abbotti	1	2	
182	Streaked Wren-babbler *	Gypsophila brevicaudata rufiventer	1	1	
183	Mountain Fulvetta	Alcippe peracensis	4	6	-
184	Vietnamese Cutia	Cutia legalleni	1	5	1
185	White-crested Laughingthrush	Garrulax leucolophus diardi	1	3	1
186	Black-hooded Laughingthrush	Garrulax milleti	1	5	
187	White-cheeked Laughingthrush	Garrulax vassali	5	4	
188	Collared Laughingthrush	Trochalopteron yersini	1	5	
189	White-spectacled Sibia	Heterophasia robinsoni	1	2	2
190	Rufous-backed Sibia	Leioptila annectens annectens	1	2	1
191	Blue-winged Minla *	Actinodura cyanouroptera orientalis	3	3	_
192	Grey-crowned Crocias	Laniellus langbianis	1	1	1
193	Hume's Treecreeper *	Certhia manipurensis	1	4	
194	Chestnut-vented Nuthatch	Sitta nagaensis	5	4	
195	Velvet-fronted Nuthatch	Sitta frontalis	1	1	
196	Yellow-billed Nuthatch	Sitta solangiae	1	2	
197	Black-collared Starling	Gracupica nigricollis	4	4	
198	Vinous-breasted Myna	Acridotheres leucocephalus	3	2	
199	Golden-crested Myna	Ampeliceps coronatus	4	15	
200	Oriental Magpie-robin	Copsychus saularis	4	2	
201	White-rumped Shama	Kittacincla malabarica	5	2	

202	Asian Brown Flycatcher	Muscicapa dauurica dauurica	6	1	
203	Large Niltava	Niltava grandis	2	1	
204	Verditer Flycatcher	Eumyias thalassinus	3	1	
205	Rufous-browed Flycatcher	Anthipes solitaris	1	1	1
206	Indochinese Blue-flycatcher	Cyornis sumatrensis	2	2	
207	Lesser Shortwing *	Brachypteryx leucophris langbianensis	1	1	
208	Siberian Blue Robin	Larvivora cyane	1	1	
209	Siberian Rubythroat	Calliope calliope	2		4
210	Narcissus Flycatcher	Ficedula narcissina	1	1	
211	Mugimaki Flycatcher	Ficedula mugimaki	4	1	
212	Little Pied Flycatcher	Ficedula westermanni	3	2	
213	Grey Bushchat	Saxicola ferreus	5	2	
214	Asian Fairy-bluebird	Irena puella	2	4	1
215	Golden-fronted Leafbird	Chloropsis aurifrons aurifrons	2	2	
216	Blue-winged Leafbird	Chloropsis moluccensis	4	1	
217	Thick-billed Flowerpecker *	Dicaeum agile obsoletum	1	1	
218	Little Spiderhunter	Arachnothera longirostra	1	1	
219	Purple-naped Spiderhunter	Arachnothera hypogrammica	1	1	
220	Streaked Spiderhunter	Arachnothera magna	4	1	1
221	Ruby-cheeked Sunbird	Chalcoparia singalensis	1	1	
222	Black-throated Sunbird *	Aethopyga saturata johnsi	1	3	
223	Mrs. Gould's Sunbird *	Aethopyga gouldiae annamensis	2	2	
224	Crimson Sunbird *	Aethopyga siparaja seheriae	3	1	
225	Scaly-breasted Munia	Lonchura punctulata nisoria	4	10	
226	House Sparrow *	Passer domesticus indicus	5	6	
227	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	Passer montanus	6	8	
228	Paddyfield Pipit	Anthus rufulus	2	1	
229	Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea	2	1	
230	Vietnamese Greenfinch	Chloris monguilloti	2	12	1
231	Red Crossbill *	Loxia curvirostra	1	2	1







Blue-rumped Pitta

Collared Owlet

Green-legged Partridge

Other sightings

Α	SPECIES	SCIENTIFIC NAME	B	C
1	Pallas' Squirrel	Callosciurus erythraeus	5	3
2	Cambodian Striped Squirrel	Tamiops rodolphii	3	4
3	Black Giant Squirrel	Ratufa bicolor	1	1
4	Maritime Striped Squirrel	Tamiops maritimus	1	1
5	Northern Treeshrew	Tupaia belangeri	1	4
6	Sambar	Rusa unicolor	1	15
7	Northern Red Muntjac	Muntiacus vaginalis	1	1
8	Lesser Oriental Chevrotain	Tragulus kanchil	1	1
9	Long-tailed Macaque	Macaca fascicularis	1	2
9	Southern Yellow-cheeked Crested Gibbon	Nomascus gabriellae	3	4
10	Black-shanked Douc	Pygathrix nigripes	2	4
11	Germain's Langur	Trachypithecus germaini	1	2
12	Lesser Short-nosed Fruit Bat	Cynopterus brachyotis	1	1
13	Lesser Asian False-vampire Bat	Mergaderma spasma	1	1
14	Tokay Gecko	Gekko gecko	2	2
	Dragonfly & Damselflies			
15	Golden Gem	Libellago lineata	3	6
16	Common Blue Jewel	Heliocypha perforata	1	4
17	Peacock Jewel	Aristocypha fenestrella	1	1
18	Chalky Percher	Diplacodes trivialis	1	3
10	Common Parasol	Neurothemis fluctuans	1	2
20	Grizzled Pintail		2	4
20	Wandering Glider	Acisoma panorpoides Pantala flavescens	3	8
21	Blue Marsh Hawk		1	2
23	Indigo Dropwing	Orthetrum glaucum Trithemis festiva	1	1
23	Oriental Scarlet	Crocothemis servilia	1	1
25	Yellow Featherleg		1	1
26	Crimson-tailed Marsh Hawk	Copera marginipes	1	1
20	Common Bluetail	Orthetrum pruinosum	1	1
21	Butterflies	Ischnura senegalensis	1	
28	Zebra Blue	Leptotes plinius	1	1
29	Banded Tree Brown	Leptotes plintus	1	1
30	Elbowed Pierrot	Caleta elna	1	1
31	Fluffy Tit	Zeltus amasa	1	1
32	Restricted Demon	Notocrypta curvifascia	1	1
33	Spotless Grass Yellow	Eurema laeta	1	2
34			1	1
35	(<i>No English Name</i>) Common Yoeman	Taxila dora	1	1
36	Blue Admiral	Cirrochroa tyche	1	1
37	Gram Blue	Kaniska canace	1	1
38		Euchrysops cnejus	1	2
	White Dragontail	Lamproptera curius	1	
39	Cruiser	Vindula erota		1
40	Lesser Grass Blue	Zizina otis	2	10
41	Common Grass Yellow	Eurema hecabe	3	6
42	Common Cerulean	Jamides celeno	1	1

43	Common Four-Ring	Ypthima huebneri	3	6
44	Tiny Grass Blue	Zizula hylax	2	6
45	Great Eggfly	Hypolimnas bolina	1	2
	Other			
46	Cerulean Carpenter	Xylocopa caerulea	1	1
47	Giant Golden Orbweaver	Nephila pilipes	1	1
48	Atlas Moth	Attacus atlas	1	1

Species below have alternate names depending on authority used. The above checklist follows the I.O.C.

Red Collared Dove (Streptopelia tranquebarica humilis) Sometimes referred to as Red Turtle Dove.

Common Emerald Dove (Chalcophaps indica indica) Also known as Grey-capped Emerald Dove

Blyth's Frogmouth (Batrachostomus affinis continentalis) Sometimes referred to as Indochinese Frogmouth

Indochinese Barbet (Psilopogon annamensis) Sometimes called Annam Barbet

White-browed (Dalat) Shrike-babbler (Pteruthius aeralatus annamensis)

Dalat Shrike-babbler was formerly split from Pied [White-browed] Shrike-babbler P. flaviscapis (Rheindt & Eaton 2009). A recent reassessment of the vocalizations by Boesman et al (2016) further suggests that the original split of the mainland taxa of White-browed Shrike-babbler may have been premature. Lump with Pteruthius aeralatus following del Hoyo & Collar (2016) and HBW/BirdLife.

Long-tailed Minivet (Pericrocotus ethologus annamensis) Locally referred to as Annam Minivet

Ashy Drongo (Dicrurus leucophaeus)

I simply cannot work out this complex of subspecies Dicrurus leucophaeus innexus - does not appear to be present in Vietnam. The follow are present in Veitnam: Dicrurus leucophaeus bondi Dicrurus leucophaeus mouhoti Dicrurus leucophaeus hopwoodi Dicrurus leucophaeus salangensis Dicrurus leucophaeus leucogenis

Eastern Jungle Crow (Corvus levaillantii) Considered by some as a subspecies of Large-billed Crow

Green-backed Tit (Parus monticolus legendrei) This subspecies sometimes called Langbian Tit

Ashy Bulbul (Hemixos flavala remotus) This subspecies also called Brown-backed Bulbul

Streaked Wren-babbler (Gypsophila brevicaudata rufiventer) This subspecies also known locally as Annam Streaked Wren-babbler

Blue-winged Minla (Actinodura cyanouroptera orientalis) This subspecies known as Plain Minla

Hume's Treecreeper (Certhia manipurensis) Also called Manipur or Burmese Treecreeper **Lesser Shortwing** (Brachypteryx leucophris langbianensis) This subspecies can be called Langbian Lesser Shortwing

Thick-billed Flowerpecker (Dicaeum agile obsolete) This subspecies may be called Modest Flowerpecker

Black-throated Sunbird (Aethopyga saturata johnsi) This subspecies can be called Langbian Sunbird

Mrs. Gould's Sunbird (Aethopyga gouldiae annamensis) Subspecies also called Annam Sunbird

Red Crossbill (Loxia curvirostra meridionalis) This subspecies is very isolated from all other Red Crossbills and sometimes refered to as Dalat Red Crossbill

Southern Yellow-cheeked Crested Gibbon (Nomascus gabriellae) Also called Buff-cheeked Gibbon

Black-shanked Douc (Pygathrix nigripes) Also called Black-shanked Douc Langur



Southern Yellow-cheeked Crested Gibbon



Golden Gem (Libellago lineata)



White Dragontail (Lamproptera curius)



Lesser Short-nosed Fruit Bat



Atlas Moth (Attacus atlas)

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