

**U.K. tally:** 310  
**US tally:** 440  
**Total world:** 1,540

### world list

1. Abyssinian ground hornbill
2. Abyssinian longclaw
3. Abyssinian white-eye
4. Acorn woodpecker
5. African black-headed oriole
6. African drongo
7. African fish-eagle
8. African harrier-hawk
9. African hawk-eagle
10. African mourning dove
11. African palm swift
12. African paradise flycatcher
13. African paradise monarch
14. African pied wagtail
15. African rook
16. African white-backed vulture
17. Agami heron
18. Alder flycatcher
19. Alexandrine parakeet
20. Amazon kingfisher
21. American avocet
22. American bittern
23. American black duck
24. American coot
25. American crow
26. American dipper
27. American flamingo
28. American golden plover
29. American goldfinch
30. American herring gull
31. American kestrel
32. American magpie
33. American oystercatcher
34. American pipit
35. American pygmy kingfisher
36. American redstart
37. American robin
38. American swallow-tailed kite
39. American tree sparrow
40. American white pelican
41. American wigeon
42. American woodcock
43. Ancient murrelet
44. Andean avocet
45. Andean condor

46. Andean flamingo
47. Andean gull
48. Andean negrito
49. Andean swift
50. Anhinga
51. Anna's hummingbird
52. Antillean crested hummingbird
53. Antillean euphonia
54. Antillean mango
55. Antillean nighthawk
56. Antillean palm-swift
57. Apapane
58. Aplomado falcon
59. Arabian bustard
60. Arcadian flycatcher
61. Arctic redpoll
62. Arctic skua
63. Arctic tern
64. Armenian gull
65. Arrow-headed warbler
66. Ash-throated flycatcher
67. Ashy-headed goose
68. Ashy-headed laughing thrush
69. Ashy storm-petrel
70. Asian black bulbul
71. Asian openbill
72. Asian palm-swift
73. Asian paradise flycatcher
74. Asian woolly-necked stork
75. Atlantic puffin
76. Augur buzzard
77. Austral blackbird
78. Austral negrito
79. Austral thrush
80. Australasian pelican
81. Australasian pipit
82. Avocet
83. Azure-headed jay
84. Azure-winged magpie
85. Bahama mockingbird
86. Bahama woodstar
87. Bahama yellowthroat
88. Baillon's crake
89. Baird's sandpiper
90. Bald eagle
91. Balearic shearwater
92. Baltimore oriole
93. Bananaquit
94. Band-tailed pigeon
95. Bank myna

96. Barbuda warbler
97. Bare-eyed pigeon
98. Bare-faced ibis
99. Bare-throated tiger-heron
100. Bar-headed goose
101. Barn owl
102. Barn swallow
103. Barnacle goose
104. Barred buttonquail
105. Barred owl
106. Barred warbler
107. Barrow's goldeneye
108. Bar-tailed godwit
109. Bar-winged cinclodes
110. Bat falcon
111. Bay wren
112. Bay-breasted warbler
113. Bearded tit (reedling)
114. Belted kingfisher
115. Berylline hummingbird
116. Bewick's swan
117. Bicoloured wren
118. Bimaculated lark
119. Black currawong
120. Black eagle
121. Black guillemot
122. Black kite
123. Black oystercatcher
124. Black phoebe
125. Black redstart
126. Black skimmer
127. Black stork
128. Black swan
129. Black swift
130. Black tern
131. Black vulture
132. Black-and-white monjita
133. Black-and-white warbler
134. Black-and-yellow silky flycatcher
135. Black-bellied sandgrouse
136. Black-bellied whistling duck
137. Black-billed wood-hoopoe
138. Black-browed albatross
139. Black-browed reed-warbler
140. Blackburnian warbler
141. Blackcap
142. Black-capped chickadee
143. Black-capped donacobious
144. Black-cheeked woodpecker
145. Black-chested buzzard-eagle

146. Black-chested jay
147. Black-chinned hummingbird
148. Black-chinned siskin
149. Black-collared hawk
150. Black-collared starling
151. Black-cowled oriole
152. Black-crested bulbul
153. Black-crowned night heron
154. Black-crowned palm-tanager
155. Black-eared kite
156. Black-eared wheatear
157. Black-faced antthrush
158. Black-faced bunting
159. Black-faced grassquit
160. Black-faced ibis
161. Black-footed albatross
162. Black-fronted piping-guan
163. Black-headed grosbeak
164. Black-headed gull
165. Black-headed heron
166. Black-headed ibis
167. Black-headed oriole
168. Black-headed saltator
169. Black-headed tody flycatcher
170. Black-headed weaver
171. Black-hooded sierra-finch
172. Black-naped monarch
173. Black-naped oriole
174. Black-necked grebe
175. Black-necked swan
176. Blackpoll warbler
177. Blackstart
178. Black-striped sparrow
179. Black-tailed godwit
180. Black-throated blue warbler
181. Black-throated diver
182. Black-throated green warbler
183. Black-throated grey warbler
184. Black-throated laughingthrush
185. Black-throated mango
186. Black-throated sparrow
187. Black-throated thrush
188. Black-throated trogon
189. Black turnstone
190. Black-whiskered bulbul
191. Black-whiskered vireo
192. Black-winged kite
193. Black-winged lovebird
194. Black-winged stilt
195. Blue grosbeak

196. Blue ground-dove
197. Blue jay
198. Blue magpie
199. Blue rock thrush
200. Blue tit
201. Blue-and-yellow tanager
202. Blue-black grassquit
203. Blue-black grosbeak
204. Blue-breasted bee-eater
205. Blue-cheeked bee-eater
206. Blue-crowned motmot
207. Blue-faced malkoha
208. Blue-grey gnatcatcher
209. Blue-grey tanager
210. Blue-headed vireo
211. Blue-naped mousebird
212. Blue-tailed bee-eater
213. Blue-tailed emerald
214. Bluethroat
215. Blue-winged goose
216. Blue-winged macaw
217. Blue-winged teal
218. Blue-winged warbler
219. Boat-billed flycatcher
220. Boat-billed heron
221. Boat-tailed grackle
222. Bobolink
223. Bohemian waxwing
224. Bonaparte's gull
225. Bonelli's eagle
226. Booted eagle
227. Booted warbler
228. Brahminy kite
229. Brambling
230. Brandt's cormorant
231. Brant
232. Brazilian teal
233. Brent goose
234. Brewer's blackbird
235. Brewer's sparrow
236. Bridled quail-dove
237. Bright-rumped attila
238. Bristle-crowned starling
239. Broad-billed tody
240. Broad-tailed hummingbird
241. Broad-winged hawk
242. Bronzed cowbird
243. Bronze-tailed plumeleteer
244. Bronze-winged jacana
245. Bronzy hermit

246. Brown booby
247. Brown creeper
248. Brown dipper
249. Brown jay
250. Brown noddy
251. Brown parisoma
252. Brown pelican
253. Brown scrubwren
254. Brown shrike
255. Brown skua
256. Brown snake-eagle
257. Brown thrasher
258. Brown-and-yellow marshbird
259. Brown-backed mockingbird
260. Brown-breasted flycatcher
261. Brown-capped babbler
262. Brown-chested martin
263. Brown-crested flycatcher
264. Brown-eared bulbul
265. Brown-headed barbet
266. Brown-headed cowbird
267. Brown-hooded gull
268. Brown-hooded parrot
269. Brown-necked raven
270. Brown-rumped seedeater
271. Brown-throated parakeet
272. Brunnich's guillemot
273. Buff-bellied pipit
274. Buff-breasted sandpiper
275. Bufflehead
276. Buff-necked ibis
277. Buff-throated foliage-gleaner
278. Buller's shearwater
279. Bull-headed shrike
280. Bullock's oriole
281. Burrowing owl
282. Burrowing parrot
283. Bushtit
284. Cackling goose
285. Cactus wren
286. California gnatcatcher
287. California gull
288. California quail
289. California scrub-jay
290. California towhee
291. Calliope hummingbird
292. Canada goose
293. Canada warbler
294. Canary-winged finch
295. Canivet's emerald

296. Canvasback
297. Canyon wren
298. Cape May warbler
299. Caribbean dove
300. Caribbean elaenia
301. Caribbean grackle
302. Caribbean martin
303. Carolina chickadee
304. Carolina wren
305. Carrion crow
306. Caspian gull
307. Caspian tern
308. Cassin's auklet
309. Cassin's vireo
310. Cattle egret
311. Cattle tyrant
312. Cave swallow
313. Cayman parrot
314. Cedar waxwing
315. Cerulean warbler
316. Cetti's warbler
317. Ceylon frogmouth
318. Ceylon rufous babbler
319. Ceylon woodshrike
320. Chaffinch
321. Chalk-browed mockingbird
322. Chestnut bulbul
323. Chestnut munia
324. Chestnut piculet
325. Chestnut sparrow
326. Chestnut-backed chickadee
327. Chestnut-bellied sandgrouse
328. Chestnut-coloured woodpecker
329. Chestnut-headed oropendula
330. Chestnut-mandibled toucan
331. Chestnut-naped francolin
332. Chestnut-sided warbler
333. Chiguanco thrush
334. Chilean flamingo
335. Chilean flicker
336. Chilean giant hummingbird
337. Chilean mockingbird
338. Chilean swallow
339. Chiloé wigeon
340. Chimango caracara
341. Chimney swift
342. Chinese bulbul
343. Chinese pond-heron
344. Chipping sparrow
345. Chotoy spinetail

346. Chough
347. Chukar
348. Cinereous tit
349. Cinnamon bittern
350. Cinnamon teal
351. Cinnamon-bellied ground-tyrant
352. Cinnamon-chested bee-eater
353. Cirl bunting
354. Clamorous reed warbler
355. Clapper rail
356. Clark's nutcracker
357. Clay-coloured robin
358. Clay-coloured sparrow
359. Cliff swallow
360. Coal tit
361. Cocoa thrush
362. Cocoli heron
363. Collared aracari
364. Collared crow
365. Collared treepie
366. Common black hawk
367. Common blackbird
368. Common bronzewing
369. Common bulbul
370. Common bullfinch
371. Common bush tanager
372. Common buzzard
373. Common camaroptera
374. Common chiffchaff
375. Common coot
376. Common crossbill
377. Common cuckoo
378. Common fiscal
379. Common goldeneye
380. Common grackle
381. Common grasshopper warbler
382. Common greenshank
383. Common ground-dove
384. Common gull
385. Common iora
386. Common kestrel
387. Common kingfisher
388. Common linnet
389. Common moorhen
390. Common myna
391. Common nighthawk
392. Common nightingale
393. Common parauque
394. Common pochard
395. Common poorwill



396. Common raven
397. Common redpoll
398. Common redshank
399. Common redstart
400. Common sandpiper
401. Common scoter
402. Common shelduck
403. Common spoonbill
404. Common swift
405. Common tailorbird
406. Common tern
407. Common tody-flycatcher
408. Common waxbill
409. Common whitethroat
410. Common wood pigeon
411. Common yellowthroat
412. Connecticut warbler
413. Copper's hawk
414. Coppersmith barbet
415. Cormorant
416. Corn bunting
417. Corncrake
418. Cory's shearwater
419. Coscoroba swan
420. Crag martin
421. Creamy-bellied thrush
422. Crescent honeyeater
423. Crested bobwhite
424. Crested caracara
425. Crested drongo
426. Crested duck
427. Crested finchbill
428. Crested francolin
429. Crested guan
430. Crested lark
431. Crested orendula
432. Crested serpent-eagle
433. Crested treeswift
434. Crimson rosella
435. Crimson-backed tanager
436. Crimson-crested woodpecker
437. Crimson-fronted parakeet
438. Crow-billed drongo
439. Cuban blackbird
440. Cuban bullfinch
441. Cuban crow
442. Cuban emerald
443. Cuban grassquit
444. Cuban green woodpecker
445. Cuban martin

446. Cuban pewee
447. Cuban tody
448. Cuban trogon
449. Curlew sandpiper
450. D'Orbigny's chat-tyrant
451. Dark-eyed junco
452. Dark-fronted babbler
453. Dark-necked tailorbird
454. Daurian redstart
455. Dead Sea sparrow
456. Desert lark
457. Desert warbler
458. Desert wheatear
459. Dolphin gull
460. Dotterel
461. Dot-winged antwren
462. Double-collared seedeater
463. Double-crested cormorant
464. Downy woodpecker
465. Dunlin
466. Dunnock
467. Dusky antbird
468. Dusky flycatcher
469. Dusky robin
470. Dusky thrush
471. Dusky warbler
472. Dusky-capped flycatcher
473. Eared dove
474. Eastern black redstart
475. Eastern bluebird
476. Eastern great tit
477. Eastern kingbird
478. Eastern meadowlark
479. Eastern phoebe
480. Eastern screech owl
481. Eastern spot-billed duck
482. Eastern spotted dove
483. Eastern towhee
484. Eastern wood-pewee
485. Eastern yellow wagtail
486. Egyptian goose
487. Eider
488. Elegant crested-tinamou
489. Elegant euphonia
490. Elegant tern
491. Eleonora's falcon
492. Emerald toucanet
493. Ethiopian siskin
494. Eurasian collared dove
495. Eurasian crane

496. Eurasian curlew
497. Eurasian hobby
498. Eurasian jackdaw
499. Eurasian jay
500. Eurasian oystercatcher
501. Eurasian reed warbler
502. Eurasian siskin
503. Eurasian sparrowhawk
504. Eurasian starling
505. Eurasian teal
506. Eurasian tree sparrow
507. Eurasian treecreeper
508. Eurasian wigeon
509. Eurasian woodcock
510. European bee-eater
511. European golden plover
512. European goldfinch
513. European greenfinch
514. European nightjar
515. European robin
516. European roller
517. European storm petrel
518. European turtle dove
519. Evening grosbeak
520. Evermann's redstart
521. Eyebrowed thrush
522. Eye-ringed flatbill
523. Fan-tailed raven
524. Fasciated antshrike
525. Fascinated tiger heron
526. Ferruginous duck
527. Field flicker
528. Field wren
529. Fieldfare
530. Firecrest
531. Fire-eyed diucón
532. Firewood-gatherer
533. Fish crow
534. Flame robin
535. Flame-coloured tanager
536. Flame-throated warbler
537. Forest wagtail
538. Fork-tailed flycatcher
539. Fork-tailed sunbird
540. Forster's tern
541. Fox sparrow
542. Fox-kestrel
543. Franklin's gull
544. Fulvous whistling-duck
545. Fulvous-vented euphonia

546. Fulmar
547. Gadwall
548. Galah
549. Gambel's quail
550. Gannet
551. Garden warbler
552. Garganey
553. Giant cowbird
554. Giant kingbird
555. Giant wood-rail
556. Gila woodpecker
557. Gilded flicker
558. Glaucous gull
559. Glaucous-winged gull
560. Glittering-bellied emerald
561. Glossy ibis
562. Goldcrest
563. Golden-bellied flycatcher
564. Golden-breasted starling
565. Golden-breasted woodpecker
566. Golden-collared manakin
567. Golden-crowned kinglet
568. Golden-crowned sparrow
569. Golden eagle
570. Golden-fronted woodpecker
571. Golden-hooded tanager
572. Golden parrotbill
573. Golden-spotted ground-dove
574. Golden-winged cacique
575. Golden-winged warbler
576. Goosander
577. Grace's warbler
578. Graceful prinia
579. Great bittern
580. Great black-backed gull
581. Great blue heron
582. Great bustard
583. Great cormorant
584. Great crested grebe
585. Great egret
586. Great grebe
587. Great grey shrike
588. Great horned owl
589. Great kiskadee
590. Great northern diver
591. Great reed warbler
592. Great shearwater
593. Great skua
594. Great spotted woodpecker
595. Great tinamou

596. Great tit
597. Great white pelican
598. Great-crested flycatcher
599. Greater Antillean grackle
600. Greater blue-eared glossy starling
601. Greater coucal
602. Greater flameback
603. Greater flamingo
604. Greater rhea
605. Greater roadrunner
606. Greater sand plover
607. Greater spotted eagle
608. Greater thornbird
609. Greater white-fronted goose
610. Greater yellowlegs
611. Great-tailed grackle
612. Green-backed tit
613. Green bee-eater
614. Green hermit
615. Green heron
616. Green honeycreeper
617. Green imperial-pigeon
618. Green jay
619. Green kingfisher
620. Green parakeet
621. Green sandpiper
622. Green violet-ear
623. Green woodpecker
624. Green-backed firecrown
625. Green-backed heron
626. Green-backed sparrow
627. Green-billed coucal
628. Green-breasted mango
629. Green-crowned brilliant
630. Green-headed tanager
631. Green-throated carib
632. Green-winged saltator
633. Green-winged teal
634. Grenada flycatcher
635. Grey-backed shrike
636. Grey catbird
637. Grey francolin
638. Grey go-away bird
639. Grey hawk
640. Grey-headed swamphen
641. Grey heron
642. Grey hornbill
643. Grey hypocolius
644. Grey jay
645. Grey kingbird

646. Grey partridge
647. Grey phalarope
648. Grey plover
649. Grey shrike-thrush
650. Grey thrasher
651. Grey treepie
652. Grey trembler
653. Grey vireo
654. Grey wagtail
655. Grey woodpecker
656. Grey-breasted martin
657. Grey-breasted prinia
658. Grey-breasted seedsnipe
659. Grey-breasted wood wren
660. Grey-capped emerald dove
661. Grey-cheeked thrush
662. Grey-crowned palm-tanager
663. Grey-crowned rosy finch
664. Grey-headed batis
665. Grey-headed chacalaca
666. Grey-headed fish-eagle
667. Grey-headed sparrow
668. Grey-headed swamphen
669. Grey-hooded gull
670. Grey-hooded sierra-finch
671. Greyish saltator
672. Greylag goose
673. Grey-necked wood-rail
674. Griffon vulture
675. Groove-billed ani
676. Groundscraper thrush
677. Guillemot
678. Guira cuckoo
679. Gull-billed tern
680. Hairy woodpecker
681. Hamerkop
682. Hammond's flycatcher
683. Harlequin duck
684. Harris's hawk
685. Hawaiian coot
686. Hawaiian duck
687. Hawfinch
688. Heermann's gull
689. Helmeted guineafowl
690. Hemprich's hornbill
691. Hen harrier
692. Henslow's sparrow
693. Hermit thrush
694. Herring gull
695. Hill myna

696. Hill swallow
697. Hispaniolan lizard-cuckoo
698. Hispaniolan woodpecker
699. Hoffman's woodpecker
700. Honduran emerald
701. Honey buzzard
702. Hooded crow
703. Hooded merganser
704. Hooded oriole
705. Hooded vulture
706. Hooded warbler
707. Hooded wheatear
708. Hoopoe
709. Horned puffin
710. House crow
711. House finch
712. House martin
713. House sparrow
714. House wren
715. Hudsonian godwit
716. Hume's leaf-warbler
717. Hume's wheatear
718. Hutton's vireo
719. Iberian chiffchaff
720. Iceland gull
721. Icterine warbler
722. Imperial cormorant
723. Indian cormorant
724. Indian peafowl
725. Indian pitta
726. Indian pond heron
727. Indian pygmy woodpecker
728. Indian robin
729. Indian roller
730. Indian silverbill
731. Indian swiftlet
732. Indigo bunting
733. Intermediate egret
734. Isabelline wheatear
735. Jabiru stork
736. Jack snipe
737. Jamaican becard
738. Jamaican crow
739. Jamaican elaenia
740. Jamaican euphonia
741. Jamaican mango
742. Jamaican oriole
743. Jamaican tody
744. Jamaican woodpecker
745. James flamingo

746. Japanese pygmy woodpecker
747. Japanese wagtail
748. Java sparrow
749. Jerdon's bushlark
750. Jerdon's leafbird
751. Juniper titmouse
752. Keel-billed toucan
753. Kelp gull
754. Kentish plover
755. Kentucky warbler
756. Killdeer
757. King eider
758. King rail
759. Kittiwake
760. Kittlitz's murrelet
761. Knot
762. Kori bustard
763. Ladder-backed woodpecker
764. Lammergeier
765. Lance-tailed manakin
766. Lapland bunting
767. Lappet-faced vulture
768. Lapwing
769. Large-billed crow
770. Large-billed leaf warbler
771. Lark-like bushrunner
772. Laughing dove
773. Laughing gull
774. Layard's parakeet
775. Lazuli bunting
776. Leach's petrel
777. Least bittern
778. Least flycatcher
779. Least grebe
780. Least sandpiper
781. Least tern
782. Legge's flowerpecker
783. Legge's hawk-eagle
784. Lesser Antillean bullfinch
785. Lesser Antillean Flycatcher
786. Lesser black-backed gull
787. Lesser goldfinch
788. Lesser greenlet
789. Lesser grey shrike
790. Lesser kestrel
791. Lesser kiskadee
792. Lesser nighthawk
793. Lesser redpoll
794. Lesser rhea
795. Lesser scaup



796. Lesser seed-finch
797. Lesser spotted woodpecker
798. Lesser whistling duck
799. Lesser whitethroat
800. Lesser yellow-headed vulture
801. Lesser yellowlegs
802. Lesser yellownape woodpecker
803. Levant sparrowhawk
804. Limpkin
805. Lincoln's sparrow
806. Lineated woodpecker
807. Little auk
808. Little bee-eater
809. Little bittern
810. Little blue heron
811. Little bunting
812. Little cormorant
813. Little egret
814. Little grebe
815. Little green bee-eater
816. Little gull
817. Little hermit
818. Little owl
819. Little pied flycatcher
820. Little plover
821. Little stint
822. Little swift
823. Little tern
824. Little weaver
825. Loggerhead kingbird
826. Loggerhead shrike
827. Long-billed dowitcher
828. Long-eared owl
829. Long-tailed duck
830. Long-tailed fiscal
831. Long-tailed hermit
832. Long-tailed meadowlark
833. Long-tailed shrike
834. Long-tailed skua
835. Long-tailed tit
836. Long-tailed tyrant
837. Long-winged harrier
838. Louisiana waterthrush
839. Lovely cotinga
840. Lucy's warbler
841. Maccoa duck
842. MacGillivray's warbler
843. Magellanic oystercatcher
844. Magnificent frigatebird
845. Magnolia warbler

846. Magpie
847. Magpie robin
848. Magpie tanager
849. Maguari stork
850. Malabar pied hornbill
851. Mallard
852. Manchurian reed-warbler
853. Mandarin duck
854. Mangrove cuckoo
855. Manx shearwater
856. Marabou
857. Marbled murrelet
858. Marico sunbird
859. Marsh harrier
860. Marsh sandpiper
861. Marsh tit
862. Marsh warbler
863. Marsh wren
864. Masked gnatcatcher
865. Masked lapwing
866. Masked laughingthrush
867. Masked shrike
868. Masked tityra
869. Masked wagtail
870. Masked yellowthroat
871. Meadow pipit
872. Mealy parrot
873. Melodious blackbird
874. Merlin
875. Mexican mallard
876. Mississippi kite
877. Mistle thrush
878. Mocking chat
879. Moltoni's warbler
880. Monk parakeet
881. Monk parakeet
882. Montagu's harrier
883. Montezuma's oropendula
884. Moorhen
885. Moorland francolin
886. Mosque swallow
887. Mottled duck
888. Mottled owl
889. Mottled swift
890. Mountain bluebird
891. Mountain caracara
892. Mountain chickadee
893. Mountain parakeet
894. Mountain wren
895. Mourning dove

896. Mourning warbler
897. Mourning wheatear
898. Mouse-coloured tyrannulet
899. Moustached warbler
900. Muscovy duck
901. Mute swan
902. Namaqua dove
903. Nashville warbler
904. Neotropic cormorant
905. New Holland honeyeater
906. Nicaraguan grackle
907. Northern barred-woodcreeper
908. Northern cardinal
909. Northern flicker
910. Northern fulmar
911. Northern goshawk
912. Northern harrier
913. Northern jacana
914. Northern mockingbird
915. Northern parula
916. Northern rough-winged swallow
917. Northern scrub-flycatcher
918. Northern waterthrush
919. Northern wheatear
920. Northwestern crow
921. Nuttall's woodpecker
922. Ocellated antbird
923. Olivaceous cormorant
924. Olive bee-eater
925. Olive pigeon
926. Olive sunbird
927. Olive thrush
928. Olive-backed pipit Olive-sided flycatcher
929. Olive-throated parakeet
930. Orange-bellied nightingale thrush
931. Orange-bellied trogon
932. Orange-billed babbler
933. Orange-billed sparrow
934. Orange-breasted green-pigeon
935. Orange-chinned parakeet
936. Orange-crowned warbler
937. Orangequit
938. Orchard oriole
939. Oriental darter
940. Oriental magpie-robin
941. Oriental reed warbler
942. Oriental skylark
943. Osprey
944. Ostrich
945. Ovenbird

946. Pacific black duck
947. Pacific diver
948. Pacific golden plover
949. Pacific wren
950. Pacific-slope flycatcher
951. Paddyfield pipit
952. Pale martin
953. Pale-billed flowerpecker
954. Pale-billed woodpecker
955. Pale-crested woodpecker
956. Palestine sunbird
957. Pale-vented pigeon
958. Pallas's grasshopper warbler
959. Pallid harrier
960. Pallid swift
961. Palmchat
962. Palm warbler
963. Panama flycatcher
964. Patagonian sierra-finch
965. Pearly-eyed thrasher
966. Pectoral sandpiper
967. Pelagic cormorant
968. Penduline tit
969. Peregrine
970. Phainopepla
971. Pheasant
972. Pheasant-tailed jacana
973. Pied flycatcher
974. Pied kingfisher
975. Pied wagtail
976. Pied-billed grebe
977. Pigeon guillemot
978. Pileated woodpecker
979. Pine siskin
980. Pine warbler
981. Pink-backed pelican
982. Pink-footed goose
983. Pink-footed shearwater
984. Piñon jay
985. Pintail
986. Pin-tailed sandgrouse
987. Piratic flycatcher
988. Plain chachalaca
989. Plain prinia
990. Plain wren
991. Plain xenops
992. Plain-brown woodcreeper
993. Plain-colored tanager
994. Planalto woodcreeper
995. Plumbeous ibis

996. Plush-crested jay
997. Pomarine skua
998. Prairie warbler
999. Prong-billed barbet
1000. Prothonotary warbler
1001. Ptarmigan
1002. Puna hawk
1003. Puna plover
1004. Puna rhea
1005. Puna yellow-finch
1006. Purple gallinule
1007. Purple finch
1008. Purple heron
1009. Purple sandpiper
1010. Purple sunbird
1011. Purple-rumped sunbird
1012. Purple-throated carib
1013. Purple-throated euphonia
1014. Purple-throated fruitcrow
1015. Purple-throated mountain gem
1016. Pygmy nuthatch
1017. Pyrrhuloxia
1018. Rainbow lorikeet
1019. Razorbill
1020. Red grouse
1021. Red kite
1022. Red shoveler
1023. Red-backed hawk
1024. Red-backed shrike
1025. Red-bellied woodpecker
1026. Red-billed blue magpie
1027. Red-billed firefinch
1028. Red-billed hornbill
1029. Red-billed leiothrix
1030. Red-billed pigeon
1031. Red-billed scythebill
1032. Red-billed streamertail
1033. Red-billed tropicbird
1034. Red-breasted blackbird
1035. Red-breasted flycatcher
1036. Red-breasted goose
1037. Red-breasted merganser
1038. Red-breasted nuthatch
1039. Red-capped lark
1040. Red-capped manakin
1041. Red-checked cordon-bleu
1042. Red-chested sunbird
1043. Red-crested cardinal
1044. Red-crested finch
1045. Red-crested pochard

1046. Red-crowned ant-tanager  
1047. Red-crowned woodpecker  
1048. Reddish egret  
1049. Red-eyed dove  
1050. Red-eyed vireo  
1051. Red-faced cormorant  
1052. Red-faced malkoha  
1053. Red-flanked bluetail  
1054. Red-footed booby  
1055. Red-footed falcon  
1056. Red-gartered coot  
1057. Red-headed sapsucker  
1058. Red-headed woodpecker  
1059. Red-knobbed coot  
1060. Red-legged honeycreeper  
1061. Red-legged partridge  
1062. Red-legged thrush  
1063. Red-lored amazon  
1064. Red-masked parakeet  
1065. Red-necked grebe  
1066. Red-necked phalarope  
1067. Red-necked pigeon  
1068. Red-rumped cacique  
1069. Red-rumped swallow  
1070. Red-shouldered blackbird  
1071. Red-shouldered hawk  
1072. Red-tailed comet  
1073. Red-tailed hawk  
1074. Red-tailed shrike  
1075. Red-tailed wheatear  
1076. Red-throated ant-tanager  
1077. Red-throated diver  
1078. Red-throated pipit  
1079. Red-vented bulbul  
1080. Red-wattled lapwing  
1081. Red-whiskered bulbul  
1082. Redwing  
1083. Red-winged blackbird  
1084. Red-winged starling  
1085. Reed bunting  
1086. Reed cormorant  
1087. Rhinoceros auklet  
1088. Richard's pipit  
1089. Ridgway's hawk  
1090. Ring ouzel  
1091. Ring-billed gull  
1092. Ringed kingfisher  
1093. Ringed plover  
1094. Ring-necked dove  
1095. Ring-necked duck

1096. Ring-necked parakeet  
1097. Roadside hawk  
1098. Robust woodpecker  
1099. Rock dove/Feral pigeon  
1100. Rock martin  
1101. Rock pipit  
1102. Rook  
1103. Roseate spoonbill  
1104. Roseate tern  
1105. Rose-breasted grosbeak  
1106. Rose-coloured starling  
1107. Rose-ringed parakeet  
1108. Rosy-patched bush-shrike  
1109. Rouget's rail  
1110. Rough-legged buzzard  
1111. Royal tern  
1112. Ruby-crowned kinglet  
1113. Ruby-throated hummingbird  
1114. Ruby-topaz hummingbird  
1115. Ruddy duck  
1116. Ruddy ground-dove  
1117. Ruddy quail-dove  
1118. Ruddy shelduck  
1119. Ruddy-tailed flycatcher  
1120. Rueppel's black chat  
1121. Rueppel's griffon  
1122. Rueppel's long-tailed starling  
1123. Rufescent tiger-heron  
1124. Ruff  
1125. Rufous hornero  
1126. Rufous hummingbird  
1127. Rufous motmot  
1128. Rufous-and-white wren  
1129. Rufous-bellied thrush  
1130. Rufous-capped babbler  
1131. Rufous-capped warbler  
1132. Rufous-collared sparrow  
1133. Rufous-crowned sparrow  
1134. Rufous-naped lark  
1135. Rufous-naped wren  
1136. Rufous-sided warbling-finch  
1137. Rufous-tailed hummingbird  
1138. Rufous-tailed shrike  
1139. Rufous-tailed solitaire  
1140. Russet-throated puffbird  
1141. Rufous turtle dove  
1142. Rustic bunting  
1143. Rusty blackbird  
1144. Rusty flower-piercer  
1145. Rusty-collared seedeater

1146. Rusty-margined guan  
1147. Sabine's gull  
1148. Sacred ibis  
1149. Sad flycatcher  
1150. Saffron finch  
1151. Saffron-billed sparrow  
1152. Sage sparrow  
1153. Sand martin  
1154. Sanderling  
1155. Sandhill crane  
1156. Sandwich tern  
1157. Sardinian warbler  
1158. Savanna hawk  
1159. Savannah sparrow  
1160. Say's phoebe  
1161. Sayaca tanager  
1162. Scale-crested pygmy-tyrant  
1163. Scaly-breasted munia (aka Nutmeg manakin)  
1164. Scaly-breasted thrasher  
1165. Scaly-headed parrot  
1166. Scaly-naped pigeon  
1167. Scarlet minivet  
1168. Scarlet tanager  
1169. Scarlet-headed blackbird  
1170. Scarlet-rumped cacique  
1171. Scaup  
1172. Scott's oriole  
1173. Scrub tit  
1174. Seaside sparrow  
1175. Sedge warbler  
1176. Sedge wren  
1177. Semipalmated plover  
1178. Semipalmated sandpiper  
1179. Sepia-capped flycatcher  
1180. Serendib scops-owl  
1181. Serin  
1182. Shag  
1183. Sharpbill  
1184. Sharp-shinned hawk  
1185. Sharp-tailed grouse  
1186. Shelley's starling  
1187. Shikra  
1188. Shore lark  
1189. Short-billed dowitcher  
1190. Short-billed minivet  
1191. Short-billed pigeon  
1192. Short-eared owl  
1193. Short-toed eagle  
1194. Short-winged grebe  
1195. Shoveler



1196. Siberian stonechat  
1197. Silveryeye  
1198. Silvery-cheeked hornbill  
1199. Sky lark  
1200. Slate-coloured seedeater  
1201. Slaty-legged crake  
1202. Slaty-tailed trogon  
1203. Slavonian grebe  
1204. Small minivet  
1205. Small-billed elaenia  
1206. Smew  
1207. Snail kite  
1208. Snipe  
1209. Snow bunting  
1210. Snow goose  
1211. Snowy egret  
1212. Snowy owl  
1213. Snowy-bellied hummingbird  
1214. Social flycatcher  
1215. Socotra cormorant  
1216. Socotra sparrow  
1217. Solitary black cacique  
1218. Solitary sandpiper  
1219. Sombre rock-chat  
1220. Sombre tit  
1221. Song sparrow  
1222. Song thrush  
1223. Sooty gull  
1224. Sooty robin  
1225. Sooty shearwater  
1226. Sooty tyrannulet  
1227. Sooty-fronted spinetail  
1228. South American snipe  
1229. South American stilt  
1230. South American tern  
1231. Southern lapwing  
1232. Southern nightingale-wren  
1233. Southern screamer  
1234. Spanish sparrow  
1235. Speckled mousebird  
1236. Speckled pigeon  
1237. Spectacled bulbul  
1238. Spectacled tyrant  
1239. Spectacled warbler  
1240. Spot-billed duck  
1241. Spot-billed pelican  
1242. Spot-breasted plover  
1243. Spot-flanked gallinule  
1244. Spotted antbird  
1245. Spotted crake

1246. Spotted dove  
1247. Spotted flycatcher  
1248. Spotted nothura  
1249. Spotted redshank  
1250. Spotted sandpiper  
1251. Spotted towhee  
1252. Spot-winged pigeon  
1253. Spot-winged thrush  
1254. Spur-winged goose  
1255. Spur-winged lapwing  
1256. Squacco heron  
1257. Squirrel cuckoo  
1258. Sri Lanka barbet  
1259. Sri Lanka hanging-parrot  
1260. Sri Lanka junglefowl  
1261. Sri Lanka myna  
1262. Sri Lanka red-backed woodpecker  
1263. Sri Lanka scimitar-babbler  
1264. Sri Lanka spurfowl  
1265. Sri Lanka thrush  
1266. Sri Lanka white-eye  
1267. Sri Lanka wood pigeon  
1268. Starling  
1269. Steller's jay  
1270. Steppe eagle  
1271. Stock pigeon  
1272. Stonechat  
1273. Stone-curlew  
1274. Strange-tailed tyrant  
1275. Streaked saltator  
1276. Streak-headed woodcreeper  
1277. Streaky seedeater  
1278. Streamer-tailed tyrant  
1279. Stripe-crowned spinetail  
1280. Striped cuckoo  
1281. Striped-tailed hummingbird  
1282. Stripe-throated hermit  
1283. Strong-billed honeyeater  
1284. Stub-tailed spadebill  
1285. Subalpine warbler  
1286. Sulphur-crested cockatoo  
1287. Summer tanager  
1288. Superb fairy-wren  
1289. Surf scoter  
1290. Swainson's hawk  
1291. Swainson's thrush  
1292. Swainson's warbler  
1293. Swallow-tailed manakin  
1294. Swallow-tanager  
1295. Swamp sparrow

1296. Tacazze sunbird  
1297. Tawny eagle  
1298. Tawny owl  
1299. Tawny pipit  
1300. Tawny-shouldered blackbird  
1301. Temminck's cormorant  
1302. Temminck's seedeater  
1303. Temminck's stint  
1304. Tengmalm's owl  
1305. Tennessee warbler  
1306. Thekla lark  
1307. Thick-billed crow  
1308. Thick-billed raven  
1309. Three-striped warbler  
1310. Three-toed woodpecker  
1311. Thrush-nightingale  
1312. Toco toucan  
1313. Townsend's solitaire  
1314. Townsend's warbler  
1315. Tree pipit  
1316. Tree sparrow  
1317. Tree swallow  
1318. Tricoloured blackbird  
1319. Tricoloured heron  
1320. Tri-coloured munia  
1321. Tristram's starling  
1322. Tropical boubou  
1323. Tropical kingbird  
1324. Tropical mockingbird  
1325. Tropical parula  
1326. Tropical peewee  
1327. Trumpeter swan  
1328. Tufted duck  
1329. Tufted puffin  
1330. Tufted titmouse  
1331. Tundra bean goose  
1332. Turkey vulture  
1333. Turnstone  
1334. Turquoise-browed motmot  
1335. Twite  
1336. Two-banded warbler  
1337. Unicolored blackbird  
1338. Upland goose  
1339. Upland sandpiper  
1340. Variable antshrike  
1341. Variable seedeater  
1342. Variable sunbird  
1343. Varied thrush  
1344. Varied tit  
1345. Veery

1346. Velvet-fronted nuthatch  
1347. Velvet scoter  
1348. Venezuelan troupial  
1349. Verdin  
1350. Vermilion flycatcher  
1351. Vervain hummingbird  
1352. Vesper sparrow  
1353. Village weaver  
1354. Vinous-breasted myna  
1355. Vinous-throated parrotbill  
1356. Violaceous euphonia  
1357. Violaceous trogon  
1358. Violet sabrewing  
1359. Violet-bellied hummingbird  
1360. Violet-green swallow  
1361. Virginia rail  
1362. Vitelline warbler  
1363. Von der Decken's hornbill  
1364. Wandering tatler  
1365. Warbling vireo  
1366. Warbling white-eye  
1367. Water pipit  
1368. Water rail  
1369. Wattled ibis  
1370. Wattled jacana  
1371. Wedge-billed woodcreeper  
1372. Wedge-tailed eagle  
1373. West Indian whistling-duck  
1374. West Indian woodpecker  
1375. Western bluebird  
1376. Western grebe  
1377. Western gull  
1378. Western kingbird  
1379. Western meadowlark  
1380. Western sandpiper  
1381. Western slaty-antshrike  
1382. Western spindalis  
1383. Western swamphen  
1384. Western tanager  
1385. Western turtle-dove  
1386. Western wood-pewee  
1387. Whimbrel  
1388. Whinchat  
1389. White ibis  
1390. White monjita  
1391. White stork  
1392. White wagtail  
1393. White-backed black tit  
1394. White-banded mockingbird  
1395. White-barred piculet

1396. White-bearded manakin  
1397. White-bellied antbird  
1398. White-bellied drongo  
1399. White-billed starling  
1400. White-breasted nuthatch  
1401. White-breasted waterhen  
1402. White-browed bulbul  
1403. White-browed crake  
1404. White-browed fantail  
1405. White-browed sparrow-weaver  
1406. White-capped water redstart  
1407. White-cheeked pintail  
1408. White-cheeked starling  
1409. White-cheeked turaco  
1410. White-chinned thrush  
1411. White-collared manakin  
1412. White-collared pigeon  
1413. White-collared seedeater  
1414. White-collared swift  
1415. White-crowned parrot  
1416. White-crowned pigeon  
1417. White-crowned sparrow  
1418. White-crowned wheatear  
1419. White-eared bulbul  
1420. White-eyed parakeet  
1421. White-eyed vireo  
1422. White-faced ibis  
1423. White-faced whistling-duck  
1424. White-fronted parrot  
1425. White-fronted swift  
1426. White-headed buffalo-weaver  
1427. White-headed marsh-tyrant  
1428. White-headed munia  
1429. White-headed woodpecker  
1430. White-necked jacobin  
1431. White-necked puffbird  
1432. White-rumped sandpiper  
1433. White-rumped shama  
1434. White-rumped swallow  
1435. White-rumped swift  
1436. White-shouldered tanager  
1437. White-tailed eagle  
1438. White-tailed emerald  
1439. White-tailed hawk  
1440. White-tailed plover  
1441. White-tailed starfrontlet  
1442. White-tailed trogon  
1443. White-throated dipper  
1444. White-throated hummingbird  
1445. White-throated kingfisher

1446. White-throated magpie-jay  
1447. White-throated sparrow  
1448. White-throated swift  
1449. White-tipped dove  
1450. White-tufted grebe  
1451. White-whiskered puffbird  
1452. White-winged becard  
1453. White-winged black tern  
1454. White-winged cliff chat  
1455. White-winged coot  
1456. White-winged dove  
1457. White-winged parakeet  
1458. White-winged snow finch  
1459. Whooper swan  
1460. Wild turkey  
1461. Willet  
1462. Williamson's sapsucker  
1463. Willow flycatcher  
1464. Willow sparrow  
1465. Willow tit  
1466. Willow warbler  
1467. Wilson's phalarope  
1468. Wilson's plover  
1469. Wilson's snipe  
1470. Wilson's storm petrel  
1471. Wilson's warbler  
1472. Winding cisticola  
1473. Wood duck  
1474. Wood nuthatch  
1475. Wood sandpiper  
1476. Wood stork  
1477. Wood thrush  
1478. Wood warbler  
1479. Woodchat shrike  
1480. Woodcock  
1481. Woodhouse's scrub-jay  
1482. Woodland kingfisher  
1483. Woodlark  
1484. Worm-eating warbler  
1485. Wren  
1486. Wrenlet  
1487. Wryneck  
1488. Yellow "mangrove" warbler  
1489. Yellow flycatcher  
1490. Yellow oriole  
1491. Yellow wagtail  
1492. Yellow warbler  
1493. Yellow wattlebird  
1494. Yellow-backed oriole  
1495. Yellow-bellied elaenia

1496. Yellow-bellied flycatcher  
1497. Yellow-bellied sapsucker  
1498. Yellow-bellied seedeater  
1499. Yellow-bellied waxbill  
1500. Yellow-billed babbler  
1501. Yellow-billed blue magpie  
1502. Yellow-billed cardinal  
1503. Yellow-billed cuckoo  
1504. Yellow-billed duck  
1505. Yellow-billed pintail  
1506. Yellow-billed siskin  
1507. Yellow-billed tern  
1508. Yellow-breasted chat  
1509. Yellow-browed bulbul  
1510. Yellow-browed warbler  
1511. Yellow-crowned night heron  
1512. Yellow-eared toucanet  
1513. Yellow-faced grassquit  
1514. Yellow-fronted barbet  
1515. Yellow-green tyrannulet  
1516. Yellowhammer  
1517. Yellow-headed blackbird  
1518. Yellow-headed caracara  
1519. Yellowish pipit  
1520. Yellow-legged gull  
1521. Yellow-naped amazon  
1522. Yellow-rumped cacique  
1523. Yellow-rumped siskin  
1524. Yellow-rumped warbler  
1525. Yellow-tailed black cockatoo  
1526. Yellow-tailed oriole  
1527. Yellow-tailed warbler  
1528. Yellow-throated euphonia  
1529. Yellow-throated honeyeater  
1530. Yellow-throated petronia  
1531. Yellow-throated vireo  
1532. Yellow-throated warbler  
1533. Yellow-winged blackbird  
1534. Yellow-winged tanager  
1535. Yucatán vireo  
1536. Yucatán woodpecker  
1537. Zebra dove  
1538. Zenaida dove  
1539. Zitting cisticola  
1540. Zone-tailed hawk

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1. Mute swan
2. Bewick's swan
3. Whooper swan

4. Tundra bean goose
5. Pink-footed goose
6. White-fronted goose
7. Greylag goose
8. Canada goose
9. Barnacle goose
10. Brent
11. Red-breasted goose
12. Egyptian goose
13. Shelduck
14. Mandarin duck
15. Wigeon
16. American wigeon
17. Gadwall
18. Teal
19. Green-winged teal
20. Mallard
21. Pintail
22. Garganey
23. Blue-winged teal
24. Shoveler
25. Red-crested pochard
26. Pochard
27. Ring-necked duck
28. Ferruginous duck
29. Tufted duck
30. Greater scaup
31. Lesser scaup
32. Eider
33. Long-tailed duck
34. Common scoter
35. Velvet scoter
36. Goldeneye
37. Smew
38. Red-breasted merganser
39. Goosander
40. Ruddy duck
41. Red-legged partridge
42. Red grouse
43. Grey partridge
44. Pheasant
45. Red-throated diver
46. Black-throated diver
47. Great northern diver
48. Black-browed albatross
49. Fulmar
50. Cory's shearwater
51. Great shearwater
52. Sooty shearwater
53. Manx shearwater



54. Balearic shearwater
55. Wilson's storm petrel
56. European storm petrel
57. Gannet
58. Cormorant
59. Shag
60. Bittern
61. American bittern
62. Squacco heron
63. Cattle egret
64. Little egret
65. Great egret
66. Grey heron
67. Purple heron
68. Black stork
69. Glossy ibis
70. Spoonbill
71. Little grebe
72. Great crested grebe
73. Red-necked grebe
74. Slavonian grebe
75. Black-necked grebe
76. Honey buzzard
77. Red kite
78. White-tailed eagle
79. Marsh harrier
80. Hen harrier
81. Pallid harrier
82. Montagu's harrier
83. Goshawk
84. Sparrowhawk
85. Buzzard
86. Rough-legged buzzard
87. Golden eagle
88. Osprey
89. Water rail
90. Spotted crake
91. Corncrake
92. Moorhen
93. Coot
94. Crane
95. Stone-curlew
96. Black-winged stilt
97. Avocet
98. Oystercatcher
99. Grey plover
100. Golden plover
101. American golden plover
102. Pacific golden plover
103. Dotterel

104. Ringed plover
105. Little ringed plover
106. Lapwing
107. White-tailed lapwing
108. Kentish plover
109. Whimbrel
110. Curlew
111. Black-tailed godwit
112. Bar-tailed godwit
113. Turnstone
114. Knot
115. Ruff
116. Curlew sandpiper
117. Temminck's stint
118. Sanderling
119. Dunlin
120. Purple sandpiper
121. Little stint
122. White-rumped sandpiper
123. Buff-breasted sandpiper
124. Pectoral sandpiper
125. Western sandpiper
126. Wilson's phalarope
127. Grey phalarope
128. Common sandpiper
129. Spotted sandpiper
130. Green sandpiper
131. Spotted redshank
132. Greenshank
133. Lesser yellowlegs
134. Marsh sandpiper
135. Wood sandpiper
136. Redshank
137. Jack snipe
138. Long-billed dowitcher
139. Woodcock
140. Snipe
141. Arctic skua
142. Great skua
143. Puffin
144. Black guillemot
145. Razorbill
146. Guillemot
147. Little tern
148. Gull-billed tern
149. Caspian tern
150. Black tern
151. White-winged black tern
152. Sandwich tern
153. Common tern

154. Roseate tern
155. Arctic tern
156. Sabine's gull
157. Kittiwake
158. Bonaparte's gull
159. Black-headed gull
160. Little gull
161. Mediterranean gull
162. Common gull
163. Lesser black-backed gull
164. Herring gull
165. Yellow-legged gull
166. Caspian gull
167. Iceland gull
168. Glaucous gull
169. Great black-backed gull
170. Rock dove/Feral pigeon
171. Stock dove
172. Woodpigeon
173. Collared dove
174. Turtle dove
175. Rufous turtle dove
176. Cuckoo
177. Barn owl
178. Little owl
179. Tawny owl
180. Long-eared owl
181. Short-eared owl
182. Nightjar
183. Swift
184. Hoopoe
185. Bee-eater
186. Kingfisher
187. Wryneck
188. Green woodpecker
189. Great spotted woodpecker
190. Lesser spotted woodpecker
191. Kestrel
192. Red-footed falcon
193. Merlin
194. Hobby
195. Eleonora's falcon
196. Peregrine
197. Ring-necked parakeet
198. Red-backed shrike
199. Great grey shrike
200. Woodchat shrike
201. Masked shrike
202. Chough
203. Magpie

204. Jay
205. Jackdaw
206. Rook
207. Carrion crow
208. Hooded crow
209. Raven
210. Goldcrest
211. Firecrest
212. Penduline tit
213. Blue tit
214. Great tit
215. Coal tit
216. Marsh tit
217. Willow tit
218. Bearded tit
219. Woodlark
220. Skylark
221. Shore lark
222. Sand martin
223. Crag martin
224. Swallow
225. House martin
226. Red-rumped swallow
227. Cetti's warbler
228. Long-tailed tit
229. Yellow-browed warbler
230. Hume's leaf-warbler
231. Dusky warbler
232. Wood warbler
233. Chiffchaff
234. Iberian chiffchaff
235. Willow warbler
236. Blackcap
237. Garden warbler
238. Barred warbler
239. Lesser whitethroat
240. Moltoni's warbler
241. Whitethroat
242. Dartford warbler
243. Grasshopper warbler
244. Booted warbler
245. Icterine warbler
246. Sedge warbler
247. Marsh warbler
248. Reed warbler
249. Great reed warbler
250. Waxwing
251. Nuthatch
252. Treecreeper
253. Wren

254. Starling
255. Rose-coloured starling
256. Dipper
257. Ring ouzel
258. Blackbird
259. Black-throated thrush
260. Fieldfare
261. Song thrush
262. Redwing
263. Mistle thrush
264. American robin
265. Spotted flycatcher
266. Robin
267. Nightingale
268. Bluethroat
269. Red-flanked bluetail
270. Red-breasted flycatcher
271. Pied flycatcher
272. Black redstart
273. Redstart
274. Whinchat
275. Stonechat
276. Wheatear
277. Dunnock
278. House sparrow
279. Tree sparrow
280. Yellow wagtail
281. Eastern yellow wagtail
282. Grey wagtail
283. Pied wagtail
284. Richard's pipit
285. Tree pipit
286. Meadow pipit
287. Rock pipit
288. Water pipit
289. Buff-bellied pipit
290. Brambling
291. Chaffinch
292. Hawfinch
293. Bullfinch
294. Greenfinch
295. Linnet
296. Twite
297. Lesser redpoll
298. Common redpoll
299. Common crossbill
300. Goldfinch
301. Serin
302. Siskin
303. Snow bunting

304. Lapland bunting
305. White-throated sparrow
306. Corn bunting
307. Yellowhammer
308. Reed bunting
309. Little bunting
310. Rustic bunting

### United States list

1. Red-throated diver
2. Pacific diver
3. Great northern diver
4. Red-necked grebe
5. Slavonian grebe
6. Pied-billed grebe
7. Western grebe
8. Black-footed albatross
9. Fulmar
10. Buller's shearwater
11. Pink-footed shearwater
12. Sooty shearwater
13. Leach's storm-petrel
14. Ashy storm-petrel
15. American white pelican
16. Brown pelican
17. Magnificent frigatebird
18. Great cormorant
19. Double-crested cormorant
20. Red-faced cormorant
21. Pelagic cormorant
22. Brandt's cormorant
23. Anhinga
24. Gannet
25. Red-footed booby
26. Brown booby
27. American bittern
28. Least bittern
29. Great blue heron (also, Würdemann's heron (subspecies); also, Great-white heron)
30. Great egret
31. Snowy egret
32. Reddish egret
33. Tricoloured heron
34. Little blue heron
35. Cattle egret
36. Green heron
37. Black-crowned night heron
38. Yellow-crowned night heron
39. White ibis
40. Glossy ibis
41. Roseate spoonbill

42. Wood stork
43. Mute swan
44. Trumpeter swan
45. Canada goose
46. Cackling goose
47. Hawaiian goose
48. Brent (Brant)
49. Greater white-fronted goose
50. Snow goose
51. Fulvous whistling-duck
52. Wood duck
53. Mallard
54. Hawaiian duck
55. Mottled duck
56. American black duck
57. Gadwall
58. Pintail
59. American wigeon
60. Shoveler
61. Cinnamon teal
62. Blue-winged teal
63. Green-winged teal
64. Canvasback
65. Ring-necked duck
66. Scaup
67. Lesser scaup
68. Eider
69. King eider
70. Harlequin duck
71. Long-tailed duck
72. Surf scoter
73. Goldeneye
74. Bufflehead
75. Hooded merganser
76. Goosander
77. Red-breasted merganser
78. Ruddy duck
79. Turkey vulture
80. Black vulture
81. Northern harrier
82. Snail kite
83. Mississippi kite
84. Swallow-tailed kite
85. Sharp-shinned hawk
86. Copper's hawk
87. Northern goshawk
88. Common black hawk
89. Harris's hawk
90. Red-shouldered hawk
91. Broad-winged hawk

92. Swainson's hawk
93. Red-tailed hawk
94. Rough-legged buzzard
95. Golden eagle
96. Bald eagle
97. Osprey
98. Merlin
99. American kestrel
100. Peregrine
101. California quail
102. Gambel's quail
103. Pheasant
104. Red grouse
105. Sharp-tailed grouse
106. Wild turkey
107. Purple gallinule
108. Moorhen
109. American coot
110. Hawaiian coot
111. Clapper rail
112. King rail
113. Virginia rail
114. Limpkin
115. Sandhill crane
116. Grey plover
117. American golden plover
118. Pacific golden plover
119. Semipalmated plover
120. Killdeer
121. Black oystercatcher
122. American oystercatcher
123. American avocet
124. Black-necked stilt
125. Greater yellowlegs
126. Lesser yellowlegs
127. Solitary sandpiper
128. Willet
129. Spotted sandpiper
130. Upland sandpiper
131. Whimbrel
132. Hudsonian godwit
133. Turnstone
134. Black turnstone
135. Wandering tattler
136. Knot
137. Sanderling
138. Dunlin
139. Pectoral sandpiper
140. White-rumped sandpiper
141. Western sandpiper



142. Semipalmated sandpiper
143. Least sandpiper
144. Long-billed dowitcher
145. Short-billed dowitcher
146. American woodcock
147. Snipe
148. Wilson's snipe
149. Grey phalarope
150. Red-necked phalarope
151. Long-tailed skua
152. Arctic skua
153. Pomarine skua
154. Bonaparte's gull
155. Black-headed gull
156. Grey-hooded gull
157. Franklin's gull
158. Laughing gull
159. Common gull
160. Ring-billed gull
161. California gull
162. American herring gull
163. Iceland gull
164. Glaucous gull
165. Glaucous-winged gull
166. Western gull
167. Lesser black-backed gull
168. Greater black-backed gull
169. Heermann's gull
170. Sabine's gull
171. Kittiwake
172. Caspian tern
173. Royal tern
174. Elegant tern
175. Common tern
176. Arctic tern
177. Forster's tern
178. Least tern
179. Gull-billed tern
180. Brown noddy
181. Black skimmer
182. Guillemot
183. Brunnich's guillemot
184. Pigeon guillemot
185. Ancient murrelet
186. Kittlitz's murrelet
187. Marbled murrelet
188. Cassin's auklet
189. Rhinoceros auklet
190. Tufted puffin
191. Horned puffin

192. Mourning dove
193. White-winged dove
194. Collared dove
195. Spotted dove
196. Zebra dove
197. Common ground dove
198. Rock dove/Feral pigeon
199. Band-tailed pigeon
200. White-crowned pigeon
201. Red-masked parakeet
202. Monk parakeet
203. White-winged parakeet
204. Mangrove cuckoo
205. Yellow-billed cuckoo
206. Greater roadrunner
207. Barn owl
208. Long-eared owl
209. Great horned owl
210. Snowy owl
211. Barred owl
212. Tengmalm's owl
213. Burrowing owl
214. Eastern screech owl
215. Common poorwill
216. Common nighthawk
217. Lesser nighthawk
218. Chimney swift
219. Black swift
220. White-fronted swift
221. Broad-tailed hummingbird
222. Anna's hummingbird
223. Black-chinned hummingbird
224. Ruby-throated hummingbird
225. Calliope hummingbird
226. Rufous hummingbird
227. Belted kingfisher
228. Acorn woodpecker
229. Red-headed sapsucker
230. Red-bellied woodpecker
231. Williamson's sapsucker
232. Yellow-bellied sapsucker
233. Downy woodpecker
234. Hairy woodpecker
235. Three-toed woodpecker
236. Nuttall's woodpecker
237. White-headed woodpecker
238. Northern flicker
239. Pileated woodpecker
240. Olive-sided flycatcher
241. Western wood-pewee

242. Eastern wood-pewee
243. Pacific-slope flycatcher
244. Arcadian flycatcher
245. Yellow-bellied flycatcher
246. Willow flycatcher
247. Alder flycatcher
248. Least flycatcher
249. Hammond's flycatcher
250. Dusky flycatcher
251. Black phoebe
252. Eastern phoebe
253. Say's phoebe
254. Vermilion flycatcher
255. Ash-throated flycatcher
256. Great-crested flycatcher
257. Grey kingbird
258. Eastern kingbird
259. Western kingbird
260. Loggerhead shrike
261. Grey vireo
262. Red-eyed vireo
263. Black-whiskered vireo
264. Warbling vireo
265. Hutton's vireo
266. White-eyed vireo
267. Yellow-throated vireo
268. Cassin's vireo
269. Blue-headed vireo
270. Steller's jay
271. Blue jay
272. Woodhouse's scrub-jay
273. California scrub-jay
274. Grey jay
275. Piñon jay
276. Clark's nutcracker
277. American magpie
278. Raven
279. American crow
280. Northwestern crow
281. Fish crow
282. Northern rough-winged swallow
283. Bank swallow
284. Violet-green swallow
285. Tree swallow
286. Cliff swallow
287. Swallow
288. Juniper titmouse
289. Tufted titmouse
290. Black-capped chickadee
291. Carolina chickadee

292. Mountain chickadee
293. Chestnut-backed chickadee
294. Verdin
295. Bushtit
296. Red-breasted nuthatch
297. White-breasted nuthatch
298. Pygmy nuthatch
299. Brown creeper
300. Carolina wren
301. House wren
302. Wren
303. Marsh wren
304. Cactus wren
305. Canyon wren
306. American dipper
307. Red-whiskered bulbul
308. Red-vented bulbul
309. Wrentit
310. Warbling white-eye
311. Golden-crowned kinglet
312. Ruby-crowned kinglet
313. Blue-grey gnatcatcher
314. Townsend's solitaire
315. Mountain bluebird
316. Western bluebird
317. Eastern bluebird
318. Varied thrush
319. American robin
320. White-rumped shama
321. Java sparrow
322. Chestnut munia
323. Scaly-breasted munia
324. Wood thrush
325. Veery
326. Swainson's thrush
327. Grey-cheeked thrush
328. Hermit thrush
329. Grey catbird
330. Northern mockingbird
331. Brown thrasher
332. Starling
333. Common myna
334. American pipit
335. Phainopepla
336. Waxwing
337. Cedar waxwing
338. Northern parula
339. Orange-crowned warbler
340. Tennessee warbler
341. Blue-winged warbler

342. Golden-winged warbler
343. Nashville warbler
344. Lucy's warbler
345. Yellow warbler
346. Chestnut-sided warbler
347. Magnolia warbler
348. Cape May warbler
349. Black-throated blue warbler
350. Cerulean warbler
351. Blackburnian warbler
352. Yellow-rumped warbler
353. Black-throated grey warbler
354. Townsend's warbler
355. Black-throated green warbler
356. Prairie warbler
357. Palm warbler
358. Pine warbler
359. Bay-breasted warbler
360. Blackpoll warbler
361. Yellow-throated warbler
362. Grace's warbler
363. Worm-eating warbler
364. Prothonotary warbler
365. Black-and-white warbler
366. American redstart
367. Swainson's warbler
368. Ovenbird
369. Northern waterthrush
370. Louisiana waterthrush
371. Kentucky warbler
372. Connecticut warbler
373. Mourning warbler
374. MacGillivray's warbler
375. Common yellowthroat
376. Wilson's warbler
377. Canada warbler
378. Hooded warbler
379. Yellow-breasted chat
380. Summer tanager
381. Western tanager
382. Scarlet tanager
383. Northern cardinal
384. Black-headed grosbeak
385. Rose-breasted grosbeak
386. Blue grosbeak
387. Lazuli bunting
388. Indigo bunting
389. Red-crested cardinal
390. Spotted towhee
391. Eastern towhee

392. California towhee
393. Rufous-crowned sparrow
394. Sage sparrow
395. Black-throated sparrow
396. American tree sparrow
397. Brewer's sparrow
398. Clay-coloured sparrow
399. Chipping sparrow
400. Henslow's sparrow
401. Seaside sparrow
402. Savannah sparrow
403. Golden-crowned sparrow
404. White-throated sparrow
405. White-crowned sparrow
406. Fox sparrow
407. Song sparrow
408. Lincoln's sparrow
409. Swamp sparrow
410. Dark-eyed junco
411. Lapland bunting
412. Western meadowlark
413. Eastern meadowlark
414. Bobolink
415. Brown-headed cowbird
416. Yellow-headed blackbird
417. Tricoloured blackbird
418. Red-winged blackbird
419. Brewer's blackbird
420. Rusty blackbird
421. Common grackle
422. Boat-tailed grackle
423. Great-tailed grackle
424. Bullock's oriole
425. Baltimore oriole
426. Hooded oriole
427. Orchard oriole
428. Scott's oriole
429. Brambling
430. Evening grosbeak
431. Apapane
432. Grey-crowned rosy finch
433. Purple finch
434. House finch
435. Common redpoll
436. Arctic redpoll
437. Pine siskin
438. Lesser goldfinch
439. American goldfinch
440. House sparrow

## **U.K. butterfly species list**

1. Adonis blue
2. Black hairstreak
3. Brimstone
4. Brown argus
5. Brown hairstreak
6. Chalkhill blue
7. Clouded yellow
8. Comma
9. Common blue
10. Dark-green fritillary
11. Dingy skipper
12. Duke of Burgundy
13. Essex skipper
14. Gatekeeper
15. Glanville fritillary
16. Grayling
17. Green hairstreak
18. Green-veined white
19. Grizzled skipper
20. Heath fritillary
21. Holly blue
22. Large blue
23. Large skipper
24. Large white
25. Long-tailed blue
26. Marbled white
27. Meadow brown
28. Mountain ringlet
29. Orange tip
30. Painted lady
31. Peacock
32. Purple emperor
33. Purple hairstreak
34. Red Admiral
35. Ringlet
36. Silver-spotted skipper
37. Silver-studded blue
38. Silver-washed fritillary
39. Small blue
40. Small copper
41. Small heath
42. Small pearl-bordered fritillary
43. Small skipper
44. Small tortoiseshell
45. Small white
46. Speckled wood
47. Swallowtail
48. Wall
49. White admiral

- 50. White-letter hairstreak
- 51. Wood white

**Isle of Grain, Kent: 16 September, 1984** As per Alex Carlisle's notes, "took Jo and Terry to the Isle of Grain. Saw an **ARCTIC SKUA** at sea and (a) Buff-breasted sandpiper on a small pool."

**Beddington Sewage Farm, Hackbridge, Surrey: September 24-30, 1984** On one evening of these dates, **LESSER YELLOWLEGS** (new species for the U.K.)

**Argeles Plage, France: July 1985** European bee-eater; Hoopoe, and Cirl bunting

**Spain: December 2001** Purple swamphen (in Córdoba) and White stork (in Zafra)

**Melbourne, Australia, and Tasmania: January 2002** Masked lapwing; Cormorant; Australasian pelican; Pacific black duck; Common bronzewing; Sulphur-crested cockatoo; Yellowtailed black cockatoo; Galah; Crimson rosella; Rainbow lorikeet; Black currawong; Wedge-tailed eagle; Black swan; Superb fairywren; Field wren; Scrub tit; Australasian pipit; Brown scrubwren; Silvereye; Flame robin; Dusky robin; New Holland honeyeater; Yellow-throated honeyeater; Crescent honeyeater; Strong-billed honeyeater; Grey shrike-thrush, and Yellow wattlebird

**El Salvador, Guatemala, Costa Rica and Nicaragua: June 2002**

**Cartago**—Mealy parrot

**Monteverde**—American swallow-tailed kite (flying beneath me during a zipline tour); Azure-headed jay; Black-and-yellow silky flycatcher; Black-bellied whistling duck; Elegant euphonia; Eye-ringed flatbill; Flame-coloured tanager; Flame-throated warbler; Golden-bellied flycatcher; Green hermit; Green-crowned brilliant; Grey hawk; Groove-billed ani; Hoffman's woodpecker; Little hermit; Masked tityra; Orange-bellied nightingale thrush; Orange-bellied trogon; Prong-billed barbet; Purple-throated mountain gem; Scale-crested pygmy-tyrant; Short-billed pigeon; Striped-tailed hummingbird; Three-striped warbler; Violet sabrewing; White-shouldered tanager; White-throated magpie-jay; White-winged dove; Wood stork; Yellow-naped amazon; Yellow-tailed warbler, and Yellow-throated euphonia

**Selva Verde**—Chestnut-mandibled toucan; Fascinated tiger heron; Grey-necked wood-rail; Green kingfisher, and Keel-billed toucan

**Volcán del Viejo**—Blue-crowned motmot

**On the road to Liberia**—Jabiru stork

**Other locations**— American dipper; Anhinga; Band-tailed pigeon; Black-headed tody flycatcher; Black vulture; Blue-grey tanager; Bronzed cowbird; Bronzy hermit; Brown booby; Brown-chested martin; Brown jay; Cattle egret; Chestnut-coloured woodpecker; Chestnut-headed oropendula; Clay-coloured robin; Common bush tanager; Common ground dove; Crested caracara; Crimson-fronted parakeet; Dusky-capped flycatcher; Eastern meadowlark; Emerald toucanet; Great-blue heron; Great kiskadee; Great-tailed grackle; Great egret; Green-backed heron; Green violet-ear; Grey-breasted wood wren; Magnificent frigatebird; Montezuma's oropendula; Nicaraguan grackle; Northern jacana; Olivaceous cormorant; Osprey; Red-lored amazon; Ringed kingfisher; Royal tern; Ruddy quail-dove; Rufous-collared sparrow; Rufous-naped wren; Snowy egret; Sooty robin; Tropical kingbird; Turquoise-browed motmot; Turkey vulture; White-tailed emerald; White-winged dove; Yellow-eared toucanet; Yellow-faced grassquit, and Yellow flycatcher



**Panama: April 2003** Berylline hummingbird; Black phoebe; Black-cowled oriole; Black-striped sparrow; Blue-black grassquit; Blue-grey tanager; Collared aracari; Common ground-dove; Crested oropendula; Crimson-backed tanager; Golden-fronted woodpecker; Great kiskadee; Great tailed grackle; Green parakeet; Grey-headed chacalaca; Hoffman's woodpecker; Keel-billed toucan; Lesser kiskadee; Lesser seed-finch; Orange-billed sparrow; Red-billed pigeon; Red-billed tropicbird; Red-breasted blackbird; Red-capped manakin; Red-crowned woodpecker; Ringed kingfisher; Ruddy ground-dove; Rufous-and-white wren; Rufous-capped warbler; Saffron finch; Sharpbill; White-bellied antbird; Yellow-billed siskin; Yellow-faced grassquit; Yellowish pipit, and Yellow-naped amazon

#### **Hawaii: December 2004**

(Note: in late 2016, the American Birding Association voted to add certain Hawaiian birds to the official ABA list; the final Hawaiian list of birds able to be added to the ABA list is supposed to be finalised by the end of 2017)

**Chinaman's Hat, O'ahu**—Pacific golden plover

**Diamondhead, O'ahu**—Common waxbill; Scaly-breasted munia

**Hanalei, Kauai**—Hawaiian stilt (endangered subspecies in Hawaii; also, seen in Poi'pu, Kauai); Hawaiian goose, and Red-whiskered bulbul

**James Campbell National Wildlife Refuge, O'ahu**—Black-crowned night heron; Cattle egret; Common moorhen (endangered in Hawaii); Hawaiian coot, and Hawaiian duck

**Manoa Falls, O'ahu**—White-rumped shama

**Waimea Beach, O'ahu**—Japanese white-eye; Red-footed booby

**Other locations**—Apapane; Common myna; Java sparrow; Red-crested cardinal; Chestnut munia; Red-vented bulbul; Pacific golden plover; Spotted dove, and Zebra dove

#### **Chile: December 2004**

**Bahia de Última Esperanza**—Brown skua; Brown-hooded gull; Dolphin gull, and South American tern

**Cerro Castillo en route to Torres del Paine**—Andean condor and Andean flamingo

**Cueva del Milodón**—Canary-winged finch; Chimango caracara; Grey-breasted seedsnipe; Grey-hooded sierra-finch; Patagonian sierra-finch; Sedge wren, and Yellow-winged blackbird

**Glacier Serrano**—Green-backed firecrown

**Hacienda Los Lingues**—Chilean giant hummingbird

**Patagonia, near Rubens Hotel**—Coscoroba swan; Crested duck, and Lesser rhea

**Puerto Natales**—Austral blackbird; Baird's sandpiper; Black-necked swan; Magellanic oystercatcher, and Red-backed hawk on a large rock by the shore

**Punta Arenas**—Imperial cormorant; Kelp gull; Southern lapwing, and Upland goose

**Rio Serrano**—Ashy-headed goose; Bar-winged cinclodes; Black-faced ibis (also called Buff-necked ibis), and Chilean flicker

**Puritana River, en route to El Tatio**—Puna rhea

**Salar de Atacama**—Andean avocet; Chilean flamingo; James flamingo Puna plover, and Wilson's phalarope

**Sendero Ascendio**—Cinnamon-bellied ground-tyrant, and Fire-eyed diucón

**Torres del Paine**—Black-chested buzzard-eagle; Black-chinned siskin; Chiloé wigeon; Long-tailed meadowlark; Olivaceous cormorant; Pectoral sandpiper; Red shoveler; Red-gartered coot; White-tufted grebe; White-winged coot; Yellow-billed pintail, and Yellow-rumped siskin

**various locations**—American kestrel; Austral blackbird; Austral negrito; Austral thrush; Cattle egret; Chilean mockingbird; Chilean swallow; Crested caracara; Eared dove; House sparrow, and Rufous-collared sparrow

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: Dec. 26, 2004** On Cherry Hill, just off of the 72nd St. Transverse, was a **TENGMALM'S OWL** (new species for US; in US, named Boreal owl), adult sitting in tree and widely seen by park birder. First sighting ever in New York City

**Shinnecock Inlet, Southampton, Long Island, New York, USA: Jan. 30, 2005** On the tip of the water break next to the coastguard's station, with narrow inlet breaching two spits and bay behind. Immediate sighting of **BRUNNICH'S GUILLEMOT** (new species for US), in near-to-breeding plumage; second example, winter plumage, flew in wake of boat towards the sea and dropped down to give good sightings, but then was lost. **SURF SCOTER** (new species for US), close to shore, as were **RED-THROATED DIVER** (new species for US); Red-necked grebe, **LONG-TAILED DUCK** (new species for US), five Brant; (also, four Harbour seals). Greater black-backed Gull; Herring Gull; and Song sparrow, all seen on land Baldwin County Park, Baldwin, Long Island, New York, USA: Jan. 30, 2005 No sign of the Harris sparrow seen here in weeks previous. Numerous White-throated sparrow, Downy woodpecker, Brown thrasher and Merlin perched in tree

**Atlantic City, New Jersey, USA: Feb. 16, 2005 Marshes by Chelsea Heights** Great blue heron; Goosander; Red-breasted merganser; Bufflehead; Brant; Swamp sparrow

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: Feb. 22, 2005** Red-tailed hawk; Red-bellied woodpecker; Downy woodpecker; Black-capped chickadee; Tufted titmouse; White-breasted nuthatch; Fox sparrow; White-throated sparrow; Song sparrow; Dark-eyed junco; Northern cardinal; Red-winged blackbird (two); American black duck, and Shoveler

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: March 7, 2005** White-breasted nuthatch; Red-bellied woodpecker; Downy woodpecker; Black-capped chickadee; **WOOD DUCK** (new species for US, and Shoveler

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: March 12, 2005** White-breasted nuthatch; Downy woodpecker; Black-capped chickadee; **AMERICAN WOODCOCK** (new species for US), four examples (Tanner's Spring, The Over, Indian Cave (two)); Shoveler; Brown creeper, Dark-eyed junco; **RUSTY BLACKBIRD** (new species for US, Upper Lobe); **PURPLE FINCH** (new species for US); Red-tailed hawk; House finch; Tufted titmouse; Fox sparrow (near Warbler Rock); Red-winged blackbird

**Fort Myers/Sanibel Island, Florida, USA: March 22-24, 2005** Some birds seen on other days apart from when they are first listed.

**Punta Rassa; March 22**—Yellow-rumped warbler; Palm warbler; Osprey (two on nest, plus two young; c. 10 Osprey seen during the three days); Anhinga; Magnificent frigatebird; Red-bellied woodpecker; **MOTTLED DUCK** (new species for US); House Sparrow; Cardinal; American crow; **WOOD STORK** (new species for US; two individuals); Glossy Ibis; White Ibis; Tricoloured heron; Little blue heron; Brown pelican; Mockingbird; European starling; Boat-tailed grackle; Common grackle; Great egret, and Snowy egret; **SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER** (new species for US); Laughing gull; Ring-billed gull; **EURASIAN COLLARED DOVE** (new species for US); Common moorhen

**Punta Rassa; March 23**—Great blue heron; White pelican (c. 70 birds); **BLACK VULTURE** (new species for US; confirmed sightings, seen on same days as sightings of Turkey vulture); Yellow-crowned night heron; **SPOTTED SANDPIPER** (new species for US, wading along beach); Double-crested cormorant; Belted kingfisher; **CASPIAN TERN** (new species for US, in Fort Myers Harbour), and Grey catbird

**J.N. “Ding” Darling National Wildlife Refuge, Sanibel Island; March 24**—**REDDISH EGRET** (new species for US, just the one, dancing madly); **ROSEATE SPOONBILL** (new species for US, c. 12 birds, some flying in to roost in mangrove trees); Killdeer; Dunlin, Sanderling; Turnstone; Willet; Cattle egret; **ROYAL TERN** (new species for US); Forster’s tern; Knot; Least sandpiper; Greater yellowlegs; **BLUE-WINGED TEAL** (new species for US; c. 50 birds); Pied-billed grebe. Also, one alligator

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: March 29, 2005** During a run, saw two birders at the grassy patch on the northwest side of where the 102nd St. Transverse joins the Loop. In one evergreen tree, of two, were three Eastern screech owl, one adult, with two young

**Forest Park, Queens, New York, USA: March 31, 2005** At the Water Hole at the northwest side of the park, in early evening, was a male **PROTHONOTARY WARBLER** (new species for US) in full breeding plumage. Flew into vision, sat on a bush for five seconds and then deeper in a bush for five minutes of excellent views. Disappeared for 10 minutes before being relocated bathing in the swampy water. Also, Carolina wren and Hairy woodpecker. Warbler first seen at 5:20 p.m. on a windless, cloudy day, then again at 5:35

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: April 6, 2005** At the north end of the park. Four Eastern screech owl in evergreens; along loch, wonderful sights of **LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH** (new species for US), with eye stripe very white; also, Song sparrow. On Great Hill, two Golden-crowned kinglet and flock of Dark-eye juncos; on the way home in Morningside Park, first Eastern phoebe of the year. Also, wonderful view of perched Red-tailed hawk

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: April 8, 2005** First warblers of Central Park this year, Palm warblers and very drab Pine warblers; also, the reported **YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER** (new species for US) At 6 p.m. on north side of Great Lawn. Amazing views of very Nuthatch-like behaviour scaling up tree trunks and Flycatcher-like behaviour hunting insects in sorties. Peregrine seen swooping over said birds; small flock of Chipping sparrow, and first Red-breasted nuthatch of year

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: April 9, 2005** I and another birder rediscovered the yellow-throated warbler, seen this time at east side of Turtle Pond. Also, Cedar waxwing. At the Azalea Pond, immature **COOPER’S HAWK** (new species for US). Much discussion as to whether it might have been an immature Sharp-shinned hawk, but consensus was that streaking and large head and neck pointed to Cooper’s

**Forest Park, Queens, New York, USA: April 14, 2005** At the Water Hole again, quite the spot this year. The male Prothonotary warbler remains, probably the same one as was seen on April 6, although two others have been sighted. Only one present today, but the views were much better than previous. It seems quite used to birdwatchers as it searched for insects no more than 10 feet away. Brilliant yellow. Also, present, was **SWAINSON’S WARBLER** (new species for US), for which most birdwatchers were present. Views were amazingly

close, the bird sometimes no more than five feet away searching the underside of leaves for insects. Occasionally, remained stock still for two or three minutes. Flew, but was relocated on east side of waterhole, but it was never in the company of the Prothonotary warbler, as it preferred drier material away from water hole. Also, Downy woodpecker

**Mill Creek Marsh, Secaucus, New Jersey: April 13, 2005** Palm warbler; Red-winged blackbird; Eastern phoebe; Tree Swallow on this relatively recently restored area of marshland by the New Jersey Turnpike

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: April 16, 2005** Another male Prothonotary warbler turned up in the west side of the Lake, close to the Upper Lobe. Also, at the same spot a Blue-grey gnatcatcher. A little further around, in the Cave, was an Orange-crowned warbler. Up by the Loch was a White-eyed vireo

**South Florida, USA: April 17-20, 2005**

**On Dania Beach**—three **GULL-BILLED TERN** (new species for US), many Royal tern and Brown pelican; in the grounds of the Doral Resort, Spa & Golf Course in Doral, Miami, was a Loggerhead shrike

In late afternoon, at **Bill Baggs State Park, Cape Florida, Key Biscayne**—Black-throated blue warbler; Blackpoll warbler; Ovenbird; Prairie warbler. Many Red-bellied woodpecker, and several White ibis

**On route to the Everglades**—Cattle egrets, Great egret, Great-blue heron, Black vulture, Turkey vulture. Near the Miccosukkee Indian Restaurant, at well-known site, flying **SNAIL KITE** (new species for US). On Loop Road, **BARRED OWL** (new species for US, great views); **LIMP KIN** (new species for US; perched in tree) and **RED-SHOULDERED HAWK** (new species for US; really close). Peregrine and several alligators, including young. (Also, two otters) On drive home, two Swallow-tailed kite, and Black-crowned night heron

**On route to Key West**—at Wild Bird Center, in Tavernier, White Ibis; Brown pelican, Great white heron (new sub-species for US), Great egret, Royal tern and 14 **BLACK-NECKED STILT** (new species for US)

**At Fort Zachery State Park in Key West**—on beach: Sanderling and Turnstone; in scrub land by fort and near car park: Black-and-white warbler; Prairie warbler; Grey catbird; Grey kingbird (new species for US); Indigo bunting. Two Osprey on nest platform in far corner, and in tatty bush cover **BOBOLINK** (new species for US; hard to pin down but eventually a great view; I believe a female was in male's company, but that was even harder to confirm). Also, Common yellowthroat

**On Little Sugarloaf Key**—in well-documented site, two **MANGROVE CUCKOO** (new species for US; good view of one, which then dropped down and out of sight. Other was a bird rushing through the mangrove as I was being bitten to death by mosquitoes)

**In Fairchild Botanical Garden, Coral Gables, Miami**—Red-shouldered hawk; Common moorhen; Anhinga; Green heron

**In Tree Tops State Park, Davie, near Fort Lauderdale**—Tricoloured heron; Green heron; **PURPLE GALLINULE** (new species for US; good sight but deep in reeds) and **SNIPE** (new species for US; deep in reeds but visible)

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: April 22-24, 2005** Overcast, seasonably cool weekend with some rain, heavy on Saturday night. Also, the wind was in the wrong direction for migration to this spot: Northern rough-winged swallow; Barn swallow; several Northern flicker, one Blue-grey gnatcatcher; Black-crowned night-heron; Palm warbler; lots of Yellow-rumped warbler, half a dozen or so Black-and-white warbler; Hermit thrush;

Eastern towhee; Blue-headed vireo; White-throated sparrow, Eastern kingbird; still around in late April, Dark-eyed junco, Ruddy duck and Bufflehead Mill Creek Marsh, Secaucus, New Jersey: April 26, 2005 Warmer than weekend but still windy. Several Brown-headed cowbird; two Spotted sandpiper, and Savannah sparrow

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: May 1, 2005** Started at 8:30 a.m. with steady rain, which stopped at 8:50. Continued overcast and very cold for the time of year, so much so that the hands were a little numb at 11; following a cup of coffee, returned to birding and, soon after, to a sunny, beautiful day with temperatures in the mid-60s. Four Cedar waxwing along Reservoir. At Turtle Pond, Tree swallow; Barn swallow; Northern rough-winged swallow; Eastern towhee; Yellow warbler; while on path towards Belvedere Castle, Magnolia warbler; Northern flicker. In the Rambles, Chimney swift; Brown thrasher (very high); Wood thrush; several Veery; Grey catbird; Eastern towhee; Baltimore oriole; Hermit thrush, Song sparrow; Field sparrow; White-throated sparrow; Black-throated blue warbler; Black-Throated green warbler; Black-and-white warbler; Ovenbird; Northern waterthrush, as well as a second Yellow warbler by the Boathouse. Along lower lobe of the Lake, nesting Green heron; two Eastern screech owl. Palm warbler and Red-Bellied Woodpecker along Delacourt Oval, and five Ruddy duck, one male, four females, on Reservoir. On the Pool, another Northern waterthrush, while along and above the Loch, Blue-grey gnatcatcher; American redstart; House wren; second Baltimore oriole, this one at head height, singing; right at the end of the day a wonderful male Rose-breasted grosbeak on the Great Hill. In total, 52 species

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: May 6-8, 2005** Dull weekend, with bad light. Went running on Saturday instead of birding, a good move as reports for this day were low. Friday was dull, too, but there was some brightening up by Sunday. On Friday, highlights were Solitary sandpiper and Black-throated blue warbler, while on Sunday at the Maintenance Field saw a male **BLUE-WINGED WARBLER** (new species for US) singing and displaying with excellent views and, my own discovery, a male Orchard oriole, very low down and out in the opening. Both the warbler and oriole often disappeared into the thick but re-emerged several times. Also present in the Ramble were Northern flicker, Black-and-white warbler, Wood thrush, and Green heron, hunting at the Azalea Pond, while at Tanner's Spring were Eastern towhee and Northern parula

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: May 10, 2005** A bright early evening in which I had no more than an hour to bird watch before a running class. In the Rambles, an American redstart; first Scarlet tanager of the year. Then a report came in of a species that was first seen in the Rambles at midday, which led to me running two miles in 15 minutes to see **KENTUCKY WARBLER** (new species for US) in the North Woods, off a path that led off right from the Loch. I think it was a male, but it did not show as much black marking to the head as perhaps a male might have but more than perhaps a female would do. The bird was jumping up continually on both sides of the path and gave great views

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: May 13, 2005** A dull evening (one of many this year), in which the only notables were Red-eyed vireo, male and female Black-throated blue warbler, Cedar waxwing, Ovenbird, Black-throated green warbler, Magnolia warbler and Spotted sandpiper in the Turtle Pond

**Forest Park, Queens, New York, USA: May 14, 2005** Arrived at 11:30 a.m. following the Queens half-marathon (1:29:12; 6:47 pace), but the day was productive. The waterhole in the

park is a great deal smaller than when I came here in late March and mid-April, but an artificial bathing pool brought in many species, including Indigo bunting; Nashville warbler; Blackburnian warbler. Also around were Northern Parula; Lincoln's sparrow; female Downy woodpecker, American redstart, Scarlet tanager and first-year **SUMMER TANAGER** (new species for US). Additional species included Northern waterthrush; Blackpoll warbler, and Chestnut-sided warbler

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: May 15, 2005** Just an hour in the North Woods, but I did see my first Canada warbler of the year, as well as Black-throated green warbler; Magnolia warbler; Least flycatcher; Red-eyed vireo; female Scarlet tanager. Later on in **Croton Point Park, Croton-on-Hudson (on the Hudson River)**—I saw 10-plus Yellow warbler (probably breeding here); Baltimore oriole; pair of Brown thrasher; Blackpoll warbler; American goldfinch; Chipping sparrow; Savannah sparrow; Song sparrow; Eastern wood-pewee, and Eastern phoebe

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: May 22, 2005** The sun tried to break through but never quite made it. In the North Woods were two Baltimore oriole; Wood thrush; Magnolia warbler; Canada warbler; Chestnut-sided warbler, but the highlights today were a Wilson's warbler; adult **MARSH WREN** (new species for US). It was hard to locate, but I finally had some excellent views of its curved beak, dark cap and white eye-stripe

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: May 28-30, 2005** The weather was beautiful all weekend, but the season is gearing to a close, with an American redstart the only warbler seen during an hour's walk on Sunday. Friday was good, the highlights being a late Yellow-throated warbler; Nashville warbler. Other warblers seen were female Black-throated blue warbler; female Blackpoll warbler; Common yellowthroat; Black-and-white warbler; four Wilson's warbler, and Canada warbler. Also seen were White-breasted nuthatch; female Scarlet tanager; Tufted titmouse; Ovenbird; Red-eyed vireo; Warbling vireo; three **OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER** (new species for US), one in Strawberry Fields, the second in the Rambles, the third along the Loch. Also present in large numbers was Swainson's thrush

**Westminster West, Vermont, USA: June 4-5, 2005** Most birds stayed way up in the tops of the trees in this very wooded area. Family of Eastern phoebe nesting in the garden of Francesca's cousin Magdi; Ruby-throated hummingbird regularly came to the feeder, as did Black-capped chickadee. Also, Hermit thrush; American goldfinch; Song sparrow; Chipping sparrow, and Hairy woodpecker

**Hong Kong/China/Macao: June 2005** Barn swallow; Black kite; Magpie; Black-crowned night-heron; Red-billed blue magpie; Chinese bulbul; Chinese pond-heron; Common kingfisher; Daurian redstart; Fork-tailed sunbird; Greater coucal; Intermediate egret; Japanese white-eye; Large-billed crow; Little grebe; Magpie robin; Masked laughingthrush; Pallid swift; Red-whiskered bulbul; Rose-ringed parakeet; Spot-billed duck; Eastern spotted dove; Sulphur-crested cockatoo; Tree sparrow; White wagtail, and Zitting cisticola

**Spain, August 2006 Around Cuéllar and Sepulveda, north Spain**—Griffon vulture; Eurasian bee-eater; European roller

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: Sept. 6, 2005** On the East Side, just east of the Wildflower Meadow, on the path that leads off from the 102nd Street Transverse, a

**CONNECTICUT WARBLER** (new species for US). Several of this warbler, rare for New York City, have been recorded this year

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: Sept. 23, 2005** At Wagner Cove, Magnolia warbler; Black-and-white warbler; Black-throated blue warbler; Wilson's warbler; American redstart; also, Ruby-crowned kinglet; Rufous-sided towhee. At the Oven, three House wren; two Marsh wren; Brown thrasher, and Ruby-throated hummingbird

**England, Dec. 2005 Off M4 on the road to Lambourne in Oxfordshire—RED KITE** (new species for U.K.), three individuals seen flying around solitary house and adjacent fields Aldington, Kent—Bullfinch, male and female

**Arizona, USA: Jan. 2006 Chloride—GREATER ROADRUNNER** (new species for US), seen as it avoided my car in Chloride, Ariz, stretching its neck out in typical style Agua Fria River, just south of Wickenburg—**HARRIS'S HAWK** (new species for US), chestnut wings and legs and white and black tail clearly visible; scuttling in sage bush **SHORE LARK** (new species for US), and north of Wickenburg, five or six **CACTUS WREN** (new species for US), one seemingly acting as a sentinel on top of a road sign

**Panama: March 29-April 9** Great tinamou; Pied-billed grebe; Brown pelican; Neotropic cormorant; Anhinga; Magnificent frigatebird; Great blue heron; Great egret; Snowy egret; Little blue heron; Cattle egret; White ibis; Green heron; Green-backed heron (subspecies of Green heron); Black vulture; Turkey vulture; Osprey; Snail kite; Grey hawk; Mallard; Crested caracara; Yellow-headed caracara; Grey-headed chachalaca; Crested guan; Purple gallinule; Wilson's plover; Southern lapwing; American oystercatcher; Wattled jacana; Lesser yellowlegs; Sanderling; Laughing gull; Royal tern; Pale-vented pigeon; White-tipped dove; Ruddy ground-dove; Orange-chinned parakeet; Red-lored amazon; Squirrel cuckoo; Grove-billed ani; Little hermit; Violet-bellied hummingbird; White-necked jacobin; Black-throated mango; Rufous-tailed hummingbird; Bronze-tailed plumeleteer; Snowy-bellied hummingbird; White-tailed trogon; Violaceous trogon; Black-throated trogon; Slaty-tailed trogon; Blue-crowned motmot; Rufous motmot; Ringed kingfisher; Belted kingfisher; Green kingfisher; American pygmy kingfisher; Black-cheeked woodpecker; Red-crowned woodpecker; Lineated woodpecker; Crimson-crested woodpecker; Plain xenops; Plain-brown woodcreeper; Northern barred-woodcreeper; Fasciated antshrike; Western slaty-antshrike; Dot-winged antwren; Dusky antbird; Spotted antbird; Ocellated antbird; Stub-tailed spadebill; Yellow-green tyrannulet; Yellow-bellied elaenia; Sepia-capped flycatcher; Common tody-flycatcher; Black-headed tody-flycatcher; Ruddy-tailed flycatcher; Long-tailed tyrant; Bright-rumped attila; Panama flycatcher; Great kiskadee; Lesser kiskadee; Tropical kingbird; Grey kingbird; Fork-tailed flycatcher; Purple-throated fruitcrow; Golden-collared manakin; Lance-tailed manakin; Red-capped manakin; Grey-breasted martin; Mangrove swallow; Black-chested jay; Brown jay; Bay wren; House wren; Tropical mockingbird; Yellow warbler; Yellow "mangrove" warbler (subspecies of above); Chestnut-sided warbler; Black-and-white warbler; Northern waterthrush; Plain-colored tanager; Crimson-backed tanager; Blue-grey tanager; White-shouldered tanager; Golden-hooded tanager; Green honeycreeper; Red-legged honeycreeper; Fulvous-vented euphonia; Scarlet tanager; Red-throated ant-tanager; Streaked saltator; Blue-black grosbeak; Black-striped sparrow; Variable seedeater; Yellow-bellied seedeater; Great-tailed grackle; Northern oriole; Yellow-backed oriole; Scarlet-rumped cacique; Yellow-rumped cacique; Crested oropendola, and House sparrow

**Montauk and area, Long Island, New York: USA, April 2006** Seen off tip of Montauk, with probably 30 to 40 Lesser scaup, along with four Surf Scoter, was pair of **EIDER** (new species for US). Lincoln sparrow seen acting furtively in brambles 200 metres or so back from the lighthouse car park. In the town of North Sea, saw Osprey on nest, mating

**Central Park, New York, New York, USA: Apr. 25, 2006** First visit to Central Park this year. Palm warbler and Yellow-rumped warbler present, also, female Ruby-crowned kinglet and both Northern waterthrush and Louisiana waterthrush in same area, the Oven. Also, Swamp sparrow and Hermit thrush

**Central Park, New York, New York, USA: Apr. 28, 2006** Winds were not in a favourable direction all weekend. Did see a Rufous-sided towhee at Tanner's Spring and several Hermit thrush. Also, one Eastern Phoebe

**Central Park, New York, New York, USA: Apr. 30, 2006** In the North Woods. Red-breasted nuthatch in same tree as Black-and-white warbler. Also, Red-bellied woodpecker, Red-tailed hawk

**Central Park, New York, New York, USA: May 6, 2006** Excellent day, with more than seven hours of birding. Almost two hours were spent at the same spot in Strawberry Field, where I spotted Red-eyed vireo; Blue-headed vireo; White-eyed vireo; Warbling vireo, two Ruby-throated hummingbird; male Tennessee warbler; Nashville warbler; Magnolia warbler; Prairie warbler; Northern parula; three Blackburnian warbler. Elsewhere, notable sights included Baltimore oriole; Wilson's warbler; Eastern screech owl; White-crowned sparrow; Blue-winged warbler; Chestnut-sided warbler; Black-and-white warbler; American redstart; Canada warbler; a bathing Scarlet tanager and, on the Reservoir, a Slavonian grebe. Also, the first of the year's Grey catbird; Ovenbird; Swainson's thrush and Common yellowthroat, and, along the Great Lawn, a Rose-breasted grosbeak

**Central Park, New York, New York, USA: May 11, 2006** Overcast. Birds were there, but between 5:30 and 8 one needed to search. Sparrows in abundance, including Chipping sparrow; Swamp sparrow and White-crowned sparrow. Eastern phoebe; several Baltimore oriole; one Rufous-sided towhee; Wilson's warbler; Black-throated blue warbler; Magnolia warbler, and Chestnut-sided warbler

**Central Park, New York, New York, USA: May 12, 2006** I spent 105 minutes yesterday looking for a particular bird in a Tulip tree in the Shakespeare Garden, to no avail. Spent 45 minutes today doing the same at the same tree, which contained Scarlet tanager; six Baltimore oriole; Rose-breasted grosbeak; male Black-throated blue warbler and a dozen Yellow-rumped warbler, before I saw the yellow and black chest of a male Cape May warbler, only my second ever. The bird then displayed prominently for five minutes before disappearing, which echoes its performance in this tree of the last two days, according to other witnesses

**Central Park, New York, N.Y., USA: May 12-14, 2006** Sunny afternoon on Friday, the 12th. Yellow-crowned night-heron a nice find in the extreme south of the park and the first Worm-eating warbler found in the Rambles. On the Sunday, a duller, quieter day, I saw my first Yellow warbler of the year, as well as a second Cape May warbler and Hooded warbler, my first for several years. The highlight was a **YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO** (new species



for US) in the Rambles, at the Captain's Bench. A female Rose-breasted grosbeak was present at Tanner's Spring, as was a Grey-cheeked thrush

**Florida Keys, Fla., USA: May 15-19, 2006**

**Fort Zachary State Park, Key West**—Cattle egret; Grey kingbird; juvenile Blackpoll warbler

**Key West Botanical Garden, Stock Island**—**WHITE-CROWNED PIGEON** (new species) in two flocks of three birds. Quite shy, but on this rainy day there was no one else present besides me, and the staff at the reception said it was the first time this species has returned since last year's hurricane. Also, Great-crested flycatcher, and, so quickly, my second-ever Yellow-billed cuckoo

**Long Key State Park**—American redstart; Black-and-white warbler; single examples of American golden plover and Wilson's plover. Deeper in the mangrove, I saw Northern waterthrush and **BLACK-WHISKERED VIREO** (new species for US)

**Hawk's Cay**—I saw, incredibly, my third-ever Yellow-billed cuckoo, not much higher than head-height in hotel grounds. Key Colony Golf Course—two **BURROWING OWL** (new species for US), which were easily approachable

**Dagny Johnson Key Largo Hammock Botanical State Park**—my second-ever Black-whiskered vireo. In both occurrences, the black whisker was very evident, and in the second case so were plagues of mosquitoes

**Central Park, New York, New York, USA: May 20, 2006** What seemed like a quiet day produced numerous warblers, many of them female, including Blackburnian warbler; Blackpoll warbler; Black-throated green warbler; Also spotted was a male Prairie warbler and male and female American redstart (very numerous); Canada warbler; and Wilson's warbler. In the north end of the park was a Northern flicker and a Veery

**Central Park, New York, USA: May 27, 2006** The migration season seems pretty much over. Very little around, but I did see a beautiful Magnolia warbler; female American Redstart; and Red-eyed vireo

**Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge, New York, USA: May 28, 2006** A twitch for three **FULVOUS WHISTLING-DUCK** (new species for US) reported earlier that morning. Very easy to find, a small crowd watching them between benches six and seven on the West Pond. Other species included Willet; Greater black-backed gull; Herring gull; Least Sandpiper; Snowy egret; Osprey (on nest); Glossy ibis, and a beautiful Little blue heron, the light shining perfectly on it. Also, two other great findd, a **WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER** (new species for US) and an **ALDER FLYCATCHER** (new species for the US)

**Wave Hill, The Bronx, New York, USA: May 29, 2006** Two Cedar waxwing in a tree of this botanical garden

**Cold Spring, New York, USA: across August 2006** House- and pet-sitting on and off for three weeks. Great blue heron; Blue-grey gnatcatcher; Blackpoll warbler (many); Black-capped chickadee; male Rose-breasted grosbeak; two Ruby-throated hummingbird; Scarlet tanager (singing wildly, bobbing in each direction); Willow flycatcher; Hairy woodpecker; Downy woodpecker; Peregrine mobbing Blue Jay; American goldfinch; American redstart; male Indigo bunting at Cargill Reservoir; Cooper's Hawk sitting on wire; (pet Helmeted guineafowl) **Trip to Doodletown**—spectacular Indigo bunting; lots of Willow flycatcher; Louisiana waterthrush; White-breasted nuthatch. Northern flicker, and Baltimore oriole

**Manitoga Reserve**—Downy woodpecker, Hairy woodpecker and one **PILEATED WOODPECKER** (new species for US) at top of dead tree

**Cabo San Lucas area, Baja California Sur, Mexico: August 21-24, 2006** Hooded oriole; Pyrrhuloxia (evidently not similar in coloration to the Cardinal); Vermilion flycatcher (extraordinary; I saw just the one male, and briefly at that); Grey thrasher (this caused me some confusion, as all the Sibley guide distribution maps had no thrasher in southern Baja. That it was a thrasher was not of concern, and then this morning I saw that one of Baja's endemics was this species, which goes no farther north, hence no inclusion in Sibley); Belted kingfisher (this was odd. Again, there was no mistaking what this was. One online guide said that a few do summer in its winter range, where they can find water, which might mean that the two aforementioned ponds were permanent); Greater yellowlegs (Sibley has very few waders present in summer, but this and the following I definitely ID'ed); Pectoral sandpiper; Wilson's plover (the only plover present in Baja in summer); Killdeer (several); Brown pelican (hundreds, even though Sibley suggests none should be in Baja in August); Osprey; Mexican mallard (subspecies; they look like Mallard, but with no striking drakes; California quail (a family close to the hotel. I thought, oh, Gambel's, as I have seen that species in Arizona and Nevada, but a reading of Sibley says that the two species, ranges do not overlap); Caspian tern; Heermann's gull (ID'ed by range; there are very few gulls in Baja in August. Actually, Sibley says there is only one); Greater roadrunner; White-winged dove; Cactus wren; California gnatcatcher; Verdin (this is a wonderful bird; I saw five or six); Western scrub-jay (my first Blue jay variation, in a palm tree right in front of the hotel lobby); Gila woodpecker (many woodpeckers, almost everywhere. with lots of holes in cacti); Ladder-backed woodpecker, and Gilded flicker

**Argentina: September 3-24, 2006** Greater rhea; Spotted nothura; Elegant crested-tinamou; Great grebe ;Anhinga; Neotropical cormorant; Cooi heron; Rufescent tiger-heron; Great egret; Cattle egret; Black-crowned night-heron; Maguari stork; Jabiru; Plumbeous ibis; Buff-necked ibis; Bare-faced ibis; White-faced ibis; Southern screamer; White-faced whistling-duck; Brazilian teal; Andean condor; Lesser yellow-headed vulture; Black vulture; Snail kite; Long-winged harrier; Black-collared hawk; Roadside hawk; Savanna hawk; White-tailed hawk; Red-backed hawk; Puna hawk; Mountain caracara; Crested caracara; Chimango caracara; Yellow-headed caracara; Peregrine; Aplomado falcon; American kestrel; Black-fronted piping-guan; Rusty-margined guan; Limpkin; Giant wood-rail; Grey-necked wood-rail; White-winged coot; Moorhen; Purple gallinule; Spot-flanked gallinule; Wattled jacana; South American stilt; Southern lapwing; South American snipe; Andean gull; Yellow-billed tern; Spot-winged pigeon; Eared dove; Ruddy ground-dove; Golden-spotted ground-dove; White-tipped dove; Blue ground-dove; Blue-winged macaw; White-eyed parakeet; Monk parakeet; Mountain parakeet; Scaly-headed parrot; Burrowing parrot; Guira cuckoo; Squirrel cuckoo; Burrowing owl; White-collared swift; Andean swift; White-throated hummingbird; Red-tailed comet; Glittering-bellied emerald; Ringed kingfisher; Amazon kingfisher; Green kingfisher; Toco toucan; Field flicker; Golden-breasted woodpecker; White-barred piculet; Robust woodpecker; Pale-crested woodpecker; White-bearded manakin; Swallow-tailed manakin; Temminck's seedeater; White-winged becard; Black-and-white monjita; White monjita; Andean negrito; D'Orbigny's chat-tyrant; Strange-tailed tyrant; Streamer-tailed tyrant; White-headed marsh-tyrant; Sooty tyrannulet; Cattle tyrant; Spectacled tyrant; Piratic flycatcher; Great kiskadee; Boat-billed flycatcher; Vermilion flycatcher; Variable antshrike; Rufous hornero; Stripe-crowned spinetail; Sooty-fronted spinetail; Firewood-gatherer; Chotoy spinetail; Planalto woodcreeper; Red-billed scythebill; Plush-crested jay; Grey-breasted martin; White-rumped swallow; House Wren; Mountain wren; Black-capped

donacobious; Brown-backed mockingbird; White-banded mockingbird; Chalk-browed mockingbird; Creamy-bellied thrush; Rufous-bellied thrush; Chiguanco thrush; Greater thornbird; House sparrow; Lark-like bushrunner; Masked gnatcatcher; Black-chinned siskin; Two-banded warbler; Tropical parula; Masked yellowthroat; Golden-winged cacique; Red-rumped cacique; Solitary black cacique; Giant cowbird; Unicolored blackbird; Scarlet-headed blackbird; Brown-and-yellow marshbird; Rufous-collared sparrow; Black-hooded sierra-finch; Rufous-sided warbling-finch; Saffron finch; Puna yellow-finch; Red-crested finch; Double-collared seedeater; Rusty-collared seedeater; Saffron-billed sparrow; Red-crested cardinal; Yellow-billed cardinal; Magpie tanager; Sayaca tanager; Swallow-tanager; Green-headed tanager; Blue-and-yellow tanager; Red-crowned ant-tanager; Rusty flower-piercer; Purple-throated euphonia; Violaceous euphonia; Greyish saltator, and Green-winged saltator

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: October 5, 2006** Cape May warbler; immature White-crowned sparrow; Field Sparrow, and Dark-eyed Junco

**Bear Mountain area, New York, USA: October 8, 2006** A bright, sunny day in the Tompkins Cove area. Blackpoll warbler; Yellow-rumped warbler; also, Willow flycatcher; Hairy woodpecker, and, of most interest, two Eastern bluebird, only the second time I have ever seen them

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: October 10, 2006** In the Wildflower Meadow at the north end of the park, I saw Blue grosbeak, only my second time—again—that I have seen this species. This was a first-winter bird so contained absolutely no blue. Also, Black-capped chickadee; Rufous-sided towhee, and Song sparrow

**Central Park, New York, New York, USA: October 31, 2006** Excellent sighting of the uncommon **HENSLOW'S SPARROW** (new species for US) in the Pinetum. Luckily, I was running in the area when I saw two excited birdwatchers, otherwise I would have missed this

**Riverside Park, New York, New York, USA: January 7, 2007** At 92nd Street, two immature Red-headed woodpeckers. Good views, at 115th Street, of immature Cape May warbler (really should not be here at all this time of year). Flying at eye-height in the trees of the park when viewed from the drive; also present Yellow-bellied sapsucker; Downy woodpecker, and Red-tailed hawk

**Mill Creek Marsh, Secaucus, New Jersey, USA: February 22, 2007** Mostly iced-over water courses. Five or six Fox sparrow; 16 or so Goosander; six or so Hooded merganser; two Gadwall, and one Hairy woodpecker

**North England: April 18-23, 2007** Chaffinch; Greenfinch; Goldfinch; Redwing (Bamburgh Castle, Northumberland); **BARNACLE GOOSE** (new species for U.K.); Mallard; Shoveler; Sky lark; Reed bunting (Bamburgh Castle, Northumberland); Wheatear (Bamburgh Castle, Northumberland); Dipper (River Aln, Alnwick, Northumberland); Canada goose; Eider (Lindisfarne, Northumberland); Kittiwake (Bamburgh Castle, Northumberland); Greater black-backed gull; Lesser black-backed gull; Herring gull; Black-headed gull; Robin; Blackbird; House sparrow; Swallow; House martin; Spotted flycatcher; Blue tit; Great tit; Coal tit; Long-tailed tit; Pied wagtail; Grey wagtail (River Aln, Alnwick, Northumberland); Carrion crow; Jackdaw; Green woodpecker; Grey heron; Sparrowhawk; Common buzzard; Oystercatcher; Pheasant (hundreds of them), and Lapwing

**Forest Park, Queens, New York, USA: April 26, 2007** Steady drizzle; first birding of the season. Black-and-white warbler; Yellow-rumped warbler; Northern waterthrush; Pine warbler; Eastern towhee, and Black-capped chickadee

**Forest Park, Queens, New York, USA: April 27, 2007** Clear. Louisiana waterthrush

**Central Park, New York, USA: April 29, 2007** (cloudy, bad light, turning to intermittent sunshine) Yellow-billed cuckoo (North Woods); Worm-eating warbler (The Loch); Nashville warbler (The Oven); Solitary sandpiper (The Loch); Great northern diver (amazingly close views, this time); Black-and-white warbler; Palm warbler; Pine warbler; Northern waterthrush; Yellow-bellied sapsucker; Northern flicker; Ovenbird; Veery; Wood thrush; Hermit thrush; Swamp sparrow; Baltimore oriole; Red-winged blackbird, and Eastern towhee

**Central Park, New York, USA: April 30, 2007** (sunny evening) Hairy woodpecker; Green heron

**Central Park, New York, USA: May 5, 2007** (early morning) Yellow-billed cuckoo (Azalea Pond); Worm-eating warbler (Azalea Pond); Tennessee warbler (Captain's Bench); American redstart; Common yellowthroat; Blue-headed vireo (Azalea Pond; Strawberry Field); Yellow-throated warbler (Azalea Pond; Strawberry Field); Prairie warbler (Azalea Pond; Strawberry Field); Veery; Hermit thrush; Magnolia warbler (Cherry Hill); Black-throated blue warbler (Strawberry Field); Black-capped night-heron; Downy woodpecker, and Savannah sparrow (Strawberry Field)

**Central Park, New York, USA: May 7, 2007** (sunny evening) An incredibly social and cooperative Kentucky warbler, all the way out in the open in Strawberry Field. It was very actively feeding on flies, bouncing up and down as is its nature and at one point bouncing over my shoe

**Garden City Golf Club, Garden City, New York, USA: May 9, 2007** (lunch break) Swainson's thrush

**Central Park, New York, USA: May 9, 2007** (half an hour in park only; sunny evening) Warbling vireo

**Riverside Park, New York, USA: May 12, 2007** Baltimore Oriole; Red-bellied woodpecker; Downy woodpecker; Crested titmouse; Swainson's thrush, three male and one female; Scarlet tanager, and 19 species of warbler—Yellow-rumped warbler; Yellow warbler; Blue-winged warbler; Blackburnian warbler; Black-and-white warbler; Black-throated blue warbler; Black-throated green warbler; Worm-eating warbler; Common yellowthroat; American redstart; Ovenbird; Wilson's warbler; Pine warbler; Northern parula; Northern waterthrush; Magnolia warbler; Black-and-white warbler; Chestnut-sided warbler, and Blackpoll warbler

**Central Park, New York, USA: May 19, 2007** (overcast) Male Cape May warbler; Canada Warbler, and Bay-breasted warbler, my first for several years

**Antigua & Barbuda, Caribbean: June 9-13, 2007** Black-winged stilt; White-crowned pigeon; Red-necked pigeon; Lesser Antillean bullfinch; Antillean crested hummingbird; Green-throated carib; Bananaquit; Black-faced grassquit; White-cheeked pintail; Magnificent

frigatebird; Roseate tern; Royal tern; Caribbean elaenia; Caribbean grackle; Caribbean martin; Antillean Euphonia; Purple-throated carib; Barbuda warbler; Broad-winged hawk; Lesser Antillean Flycatcher (berlepschii); Zenaida Dove; Common Ground Dove; American kestrel; Yellow warbler; Lesser yellowlegs; Tricoloured heron; Yellow-crowned night heron, and Black-crowned night heron

**Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge, Oceanville, New Jersey, USA: July 1, 2007** Osprey, **SEASIDE SPARROW** (new species for US); Gull-billed tern; **LEAST FLYCATCHER** (new species for the US), and **KING RAIL** (new species for US)

**Greenland (Ilulissat and Nuuk): July 12-16, 2007** I was under the impression this would be a birding Mecca, but many Web sites disabused me of that idea. With all that space, birds can truly be a long way from any one of the 60,000 residents, so why be near people? But here are some new species seen, plus one other bird, having never really birded before in north England or north Europe Black Guillemot; Little auk; Glaucous gull; Iceland gull; Common raven; Snow bunting; Lapland bunting; Pomarine skua; Long-tailed skua, and Shore lark

**Smith Island, Md., and Tangier Island, Va., and points between. USA: August 3-5, 2007** Seen on three-day kayaking trip with stops in Smith and Tangier islands: Osprey (many, if not hundreds); Black skimmer; White-rumped sandpiper; Pectoral sandpiper; Sanderling; Turnstone; American oystercatcher; Seaside sparrow (many); Green heron; Tricoloured heron; Great blue heron; Yellow-crowned night heron; Black-crowned night heron; Snowy egret; Common egret; **CLAPPER RAIL** (new species for US); Royal tern; Arctic tern; Greater black-backed gull; Peregrine; Brown pelican (hundreds), and Glossy ibis

**Northern Ireland and Republic of Ireland; Saturday-Wednesday, June, 2007** Grey heron; Gannet; Northern fulmar; Stonechat; Rock pipit; Kittiwake, and **CORNCRAKE** (new species for U.K.), quite the sighting in this country, in Glenarriff, Glens of Antrim, the first seen in the area for quite some time, although reintroduction efforts are under way and thorough

**Jamaica Bay, New York, NY USA: September 9, 2007** Two Pied-billed grebe; Hudsonian godwit; Wilson's phalarope, and Red-necked phalarope; both phalaropes in winter plumage and often passing across one another to provide contrast in identification. Western form of Willet and three Ruddy duck

**China (Beijing, Beijing area and Gobi Desert near to Dunhuang): September 2007** Azure-winged magpie; Bar-headed goose; Magpie; Black-browed reed-warbler; Black-faced bunting; Chinese pond-heron; Forest wagtail; Hen harrier; Large-billed crow; Manchurian reed-warbler; Olive-backed pipit; Pallas's grasshopper warbler; Red-billed blue magpie; Eastern spotted dove; Tree sparrow; Vinous-throated parrotbill; White wagtail; Willow tit, and Yellow-throated warbler (three individuals)

**Bahamas: January 2008** Yellow-throated warbler; Bahama mockingbird; Bahama yellowthroat; Loggerhead kingbird; White-crowned pigeon; Bahama woodstar; Cuban emerald; Red-legged thrush, and Red-breasted merganser

**Prospect Park, New York, USA: February 3, 2008** Pintail (female) and Sharp-shinned hawk

### **Jamaica: March 2008**

**Mandeville area**—Cattle egret; White-crowned pigeon; Black-throated blue warbler; Yellow-faced grassquit; Black-faced grassquit; Jamaican mango; Bananaquit; Greater Antillean grackle; Jamaican euphonia; Bahama mockingbird; Northern mockingbird; Jamaican elaenia; Jamaican crow; Smooth-billed ani; Turkey vulture, and American kestrel  
**Marshall's Pen, Mandeville**—Green-backed heron; Red-billed streamertail; Jamaican tody; White-winged dove; Caribbean dove; Olive-throated parakeet; Jamaican woodpecker; American redstart; Sad flycatcher; White-chinned thrush; Rufous-tailed solitaire; Arrow-headed warbler; Orangequit, and Jamaican oriole  
**Black Morass River**—Osprey; Great egret; Snowy egret; Little blue heron; Saffron warbler; West Indian whistling-duck, and Black-crowned night heron  
**YS Falls**—Red-billed streamertail and Vervain hummingbird  
**Port Kaiser road**—Antillean nighthawk

**Central Park, New York City, NY, USA: March 25, 2008** Eastern screech-owl (in hollow of tree at the junction of the 102nd St. Transverse and the Loop. on the inner side of the loop)

**Central Park, New York City, NY, USA: March 29, 2008** Immature Western tanager, a rarity for the park. It is considered that the bird is a male. It had the distinctive wing barring, but there was no red on the head at all. Also, a House finch and very attractive male Yellow-bellied sapsucker

**Tompkins Square Park, New York City, NY, USA: April 1, 2008** In a most unlikely spot, a male **SCOTT'S ORIOLE** (new species for US), which is the same bird that was in January and February often seen in nearby Union Square Park. It is decidedly more adult in plumage now (compared with photos posted of the Union Square Park bird), but as this is the first recorded incidence of this bird in New York State, it is certainly the same one. The head is black, but there is some mottling of black and brown on the nape that sometimes looks green. Two white wing bars are evident. It now has bugs to fit on but flew to yards from me as it tapped at sap scratchings that it had made in a small viburnum bush. Also, Eastern phoebe, a definite harbinger of Spring

### **Honduras: April 2008**

**West Bay/Lighthouse Point**—White-crowned pigeon; Canivet's emerald; Yellow-bellied elaenia; Olive-sided flycatcher; Brown-crested flycatcher, and Grey hawk

**Carambola Gardens**—Yellow warbler; Summer tanager; Yucatán vireo; Yucatán woodpecker; Black-and-white warbler, and Green-breasted mango

**Oak Ridge**—Belted kingfisher; Magnificent frigatebird; Caspian tern, and Brown pelican  
**Pollytilly Bight**—Ovenbird

**Pico Bonito**—Hooded warbler; Chestnut-sided warbler; Magnolia warbler; American redstart; Black-throated green warbler; Honduran emerald; Yellow-tailed oriole; Mealy parrot; White-crowned parrot; Brown jay; Lovely cotinga; White-collared manakin; Melodious blackbird; Wedge-billed woodcreeper; Violaceous trogon; Piratic flycatcher; Masked tityra; Striped cuckoo; Clay-coloured robin; Blue-headed vireo; Yellow-throated euphonia, and Black-cowled oriole

**Río Cangregal**—Green kingfisher; Keel-billed toucan; Montezuma's oropendola; Black phoebe, and Grey-breasted martin

**Cuero y Salado**—Ringed kingfisher; Black-throated trogon; Great blue heron; Little blue heron; Boat-billed heron; Green heron; Bat falcon; Common black hawk; Buff-throated foliage-gleaner; Prothonotary warbler; Golden-fronted woodpecker; White-whiskered

puffbird; White-necked puffbird; Sandwich tern; Red-throated ant-tanager; Variable seedeater; American pygmy kingfisher; Rufescent tiger-heron; Northern jacana, and Muscovy duck

**Útila**—Indigo bunting; Smooth-billed ani, and Townsend's warbler; (also, Spinner dolphins)

**Central Park, New York City, NY, USA: April 19, 2008** Prairie warbler; Yellow-rumped warbler; Blue-headed vireo, and Ruby-crowned kinglet (one flashed ruby crown)

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: April 20, 2008** Wood duck; Brown creeper; Blue-headed vireo; Pine warbler; Black-capped chickadee; Downy woodpecker; Northern flicker; 10 flyover Glossy ibis, and Palm warbler

**New England, USA: April 25-28, 2008** Eastern phoebe; Song sparrow; Black-capped chickadee; Goldfinch; Eider (Biddeford Pool and Popham Beach, Me.); Surf scoter (Biddeford Pool); Yellow-bellied sapsucker (Stockbridge, Mass.); Pileated woodpecker (Stockbridge, Mass.), and Osprey; also, (Atlantic grey seal: 30, Popham Beach); (American black bear: Hancock Shaker Village, Hancock, Mass.)

**Garden City, Long Island, NY, USA: May 6, 2008** (lunchtime) Great-crested flycatcher; Baltimore oriole; Bronzed cowbird; Scarlet tanager; Northern parula, and Black-and-white warbler

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: May 11, 2008 CERULEAN WARBLER** (new species for US) was the highlight, seen in the Lookout, with excellent views; also seen were Black-and-white warbler; Northern parula; Black-throated green warbler (several); Black-throated blue warbler; Yellow-rumped warbler; American redstart; Ovenbird (several); Magnolia warbler; Chestnut-sided warbler, and Yellow warbler. Other species included Red-tailed hawk; Spotted sandpiper; Rose-breasted grosbeak; Downy woodpecker; Least flycatcher; White-eyed vireo; Grey-cheeked thrush; Monk parakeet, and Osprey

**Garden City, Long Island, NY, USA: May 13, 2008** (lunchtime) Great-crested flycatcher; Baltimore oriole (male and female); Scarlet tanager; Northern parula; Eastern phoebe; Least flycatcher, and Chimney swift

**Garden City, Long Island, NY, USA: May 14, 2008** (lunchtime) Great-crested flycatcher; Baltimore oriole (male and female); Eastern phoebe; Least flycatcher (at nest); Eastern kingbird; Canada warbler, Blackpoll warbler, Magnolia warbler, Warbling vireo; Ovenbird; Wood thrush; Brown-headed cowbird, and Black-throated blue warbler

**Central Park, New York, NY, USA: May 15, 2008** (afternoon) Baltimore oriole; Scarlet tanager; Northern parula; Black-and-white warbler; Black-throated blue warbler, Yellow-rumped warbler, American redstart; Ovenbird; Magnolia warbler; Chestnut-sided warbler; Red-tailed hawk; Rose-breasted grosbeak, Blackpoll warbler, Blue-headed vireo; Wood thrush; Veery; Swainson's thrush; White-breasted nuthatch; Ruby-throated hummingbird; Swamp sparrow; Chipping sparrow, and Northern waterthrush

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: May 17, 2008** Black-and-white warbler; Black-throated blue warbler; Yellow-rumped warbler; Ovenbird (several); Magnolia warbler; Rose-breasted grosbeak; Baltimore oriole; Scarlet tanager; Chimney swift; Canada warbler; Wood thrush; Veery; Swainson's thrush, and Eastern kingbird

**Garden City, Long Island, NY, USA: May 19, 2008** (overcast and windy) Great-crested flycatcher; American redstart; Red-tailed hawk; Downy woodpecker, and Canada warbler

**Garden City, Long Island, NY, USA: May 20, 2008** (rain) Two Scarlet tanager

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: May 25, 2008** Blackburnian warbler; Chestnut-sided warbler; Tennessee warbler; Magnolia warbler; Canada warbler; American redstart; Black-throated green warbler; Orchard oriole (male and female); Black-capped chickadee; House finch; Cedar waxwing; Veery; Ovenbird, and Swainson's thrush

**Garden City, Long Island, NY, USA: May 27, 2008** Alder flycatcher

**Die Biesbosch, The Netherlands: June 30, 2008** Common spoonbill and Water rail, neither species I have seen in the U.K.

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: Sept. 14, 2008** Blue-winged warbler; Grey catbird; Blue-grey gnatcatcher; Yellow-bellied sapsucker; Downy woodpecker; American redstart; Black-and-white warbler, and Canada warbler Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: Oct. 4, 2008 Northern waterthrush; Magnolia warbler; Ruby-crowned kinglet, and Red-tailed hawk

**Cherry Apartments, Garden City, NY, USA: Oct. 7, 2008** Sitting proud as day on the top of a small bush in the middle of a lawn in the middle of a planned community sat a **CLAYCOLOURED SPARROW** (new species for US)

**Northern Portugal: Oct. 11-14, 2008** Chiffchaff; Siskin; Green woodpecker; Great-spotted woodpecker; Black redstart; Robin; Bonelli's eagle; Red kite; Great tit, and Stonechat

**Garden City, NY, USA: Oct. 20, 2008** First Dark-eyed junco (three in total) of the season

**Somerset (Shapwick Marsh, Ham Wall, Chew Valley Lake, etc.): Dec. 4-7, 2008** Chiffchaff; Merlin; Marsh harrier; Sparrowhawk; Peregrine (near Lambourn, Wiltshire); Chaffinch; Bullfinch; Siskin; Goldcrest; Common Redpoll; Mute swan; Great-crested grebe; Little grebe; Tufted duck; Pochard; Mallard; Common coot; Moorhen; Grey heron; Kingfisher; House sparrow; Dunnock; European starling—2 million in roosting; Black-headed sparrow; Herring gull; Rook; Common crow; Jackdaw; Pheasant; Blackbird; Blue tit; Long-tailed tit; Goosander; Robin; Magpie, and Lapwing

**Kisenna Pond, Flushing, Queens, New York, USA: January 2, 2009** In a triangle of grass between a main road and an exit ramp was a **CAKCLING GOOSE** (new species for US) and **PINK-FOOTED GOOSE** (3rd record for New York State; first record for New York City; new species for US)

**Dominican Republic: February 2009**

**Parque Nacional de los Haïteses and Parque Nacional del Este**—Grey kingbird; Loggerhead kingbird; Red-footed booby; American kestrel; Hispaniolan woodpecker; Hispaniolan lizard-cuckoo; Palmchat; White-cheeked pintail; Cattle egret; Common egret; Little blue heron; Bananaquit; Yellow-faced grassquit; Ridgway's hawk; Antillean mango; Vervain hummingbird; Village weaver; Antillean palm-swift; Caribbean martin; Broad-billed tody; Black-crowned palm-tanager; Grey-crowned palm-tanager; Limpkin; Magnificent



frigatebird; Cave swallow; Osprey; Black-crowned night heron; Solitary sandpiper; Black-whiskered vireo; Prairie warbler; Black-throated blue warbler; Brown pelican; Turkey vulture; Smooth-billed ani; Greater Antillean grackle; Northern parula; American redstart, and Scaly-breasted munia (aka Nutmeg manakin)

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: April 5, 2009** Black-capped chickadee; Palm warbler; Pine warbler; Northern flicker; American kestrel, and Wood duck

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: April 12, 2009** Northern flicker; Palm warbler; Pine warbler; Hermit thrush; Blue-grey gnatcatcher; Osprey (with fish); Belted kingfisher, and Brown creeper

**Garden City Golf Club, Garden City, NY, USA: April 16, 2009** (lunch break) Red-bellied woodpecker; Northern flicker; Eastern phoebe, and Red-tailed hawk

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: April 16, 2009** Yellow-throated warbler at the Boat Pond, off 72nd St.; it's been here for six days now; my second U.S. record of this species

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: April 18-19, 2009** 43 species seen. Red-bellied woodpecker; Pine warbler; Palm warbler; Black-and-white warbler; Magnolia warbler (very, very early); Louisiana waterthrush; Eastern phoebe; **AMERICAN BITTERN** (new species for US), high in tree over The Ravine; Dark-eye junco; Savannah sparrow; Swamp sparrow; White-throated sparrow, and Hermit thrush

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: April 25-26, 2009** A fantastic weekend, with 53 species seen. Reported Townsend's warbler, but not seen by me. Eastern towhee; Yellow-throated warbler (my 3rd US record); Prairie warbler; Hooded warbler; Prothonotary warbler; Orchard oriole; Baltimore oriole; Hairy woodpecker; Ruby-throated hummingbird; House wren; Golden-crowned kinglet; Black-throated green warbler; Yellow warbler; Pine warbler; Palm warbler; Black-and-white warbler; Bronzed cowbird; Merlin; Tufted duck; Grey catbird, and Blue-grey gnatcatcher

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: April 27, 2009** Evening birding, and a little disappointing, except for the Lookout area. Blue-headed vireo and Yellow-throated warbler, both at eye level; Eastern Towhee and many of those seen on my last outing, except for the three underlined A-listers

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: April 29, 2009** Evening birding and on a chillier day than the previous three of heatwave. Again, a little disappointing, except for Blue-headed vireo and Blue-grey gnatcatcher, until right at the end when I saw two Brown thrasher and two male Indigo bunting low in a bush

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: May 2, 2009** A grey, drizzly morning, but the birding was good. Veery; Indigo Bunting (only one and in the same spot as on April 29, 2009); Northern waterthrush; Common yellowthroat; two Scarlet tanager; Chestnut-sided warbler; Blackburnian warbler; Black-throated green warbler; Black-throated blue warbler; Wood Thrush; Hermit thrush; Ovenbird, and Red-eyed vireo

**Riverside Park, New York City, NY, USA: May 4, 2009** The dire weather continues, but a report came in of an increasingly rare species, so I twitched it after work. In an oak tree opposite 115th St. and Riverside Drive was a **GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER** (new species for US). It flew to an adjacent tree and for five minutes was frantically tugging at seeds. It gave two decent views that allowed for identification before flying off and not returning

**Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands: May 2009** Pied-billed grebe; Red-footed booby; Magnificent frigatebird; Green heron; Great blue heron; Great egret; Tricolored heron; West Indian whistling-duck; Purple gallinule; American coot; Black-necked stilt; Spotted sandpiper; Turnstone; Royal tern; Cayman parrot (subspecies of Cuban parrot); White-crowned pigeon; Zenaida dove; White-winged dove; Common ground-dove; Caribbean dove; Rose-throated parrot; Smooth-billed ani; West Indian woodpecker (*Melanerpes supercilialis caymanensis* subspecies); Loggerhead kingbird; Eastern wood-pewee; Purple martin; Barn swallow; Northern mockingbird (*Mimus polyglottos orpheus* subspecies); Bananaquit; Vitelline warbler (endemic); Greater Antillean grackle, and Western spindalis

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: May 23-25, 2009** **ARCADIAN FLYCATCHER** (new species for US); Northern waterthrush; Magnolia warbler; Red-tailed hawk; Green heron; Blackpoll warbler; American redstart; Yellow-rumped warbler; Baltimore oriole; Orchard oriole; Indigo bunting; Tennessee warbler; six Tricoloured heron flying over; Scarlet tanager, and Yellow-breasted flycatcher

**California: June 4-13, 2009** **WESTERN GREBE** (new species for US); **AMERICAN AVOCET** (new species for US); Brown pelican; Double-crested cormorant; **PELAGIC CORMORANT** (new species for US); Green heron; Canada goose; **CINNAMON TEAL** (new species for US); Mallard; Turkey vulture; Red-tailed hawk; Killdeer; Black-necked stilt; Spotted sandpiper; **WESTERN GULL** (new species for US); **CALIFORNIA GULL** (new species for US); Caspian tern; Mourning dove; Eurasian collared dove; **BAND-TAILED PIGEON** (new species for US); **LESSER NIGHTHAWK** (new species for US); **COMMON POORWILL** (new species for US); **BLACK SWIFT** (new species for US); **WHITE-FRONTED SWIFT** (new species for US); **CALLIOPE HUMMINGBIRD** (new species for US); Hairy woodpecker; **ACORN WOODPECKER** (new species for US); **NUTTALL'S WOODPECKER** (new species for US); **WHITE-HEADED WOODPECKER** (new species for US); **WILLIAMSON'S SAPSUCKER** (new species for US); **RED-HEADED SAPSUCKER** (new species for US); **CALIFORNIA QUAIL** (new species for US); **WOODHOUSE'S SCRUB-JAY** (new species for US); Steller's jay; Common raven; Common crow; Violet-green swallow; Barn swallow; **WESTERN WOOD-PEEWEE** (new species for US); Brown creeper; **PYGMY NUTHATCH** (new species for US); **PACIFIC SLOPE FLYCATCHER** (new species for US); **BLACK PHEOBE** (new species for US); **SAY'S PHEOBE** (new species for US); **CHESTNUT-BACKED CHICKADEE** (new species for US); **WRENTIT** (new species for US); **MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRD** (new species for US); **WESTERN BLUEBIRD** (new species for US); **AMERICAN PIPIT** (new species for US); House wren; American robin; Northern mockingbird; Nashville warbler; **McGILLIVRAY'S WARBLER** (new species for US); Western tanager; **BLACK-HEADED GROSBEAK** (new species for US); **SPOTTED TOWHEE** (new species for US); **SAGE SPARROW** (new species for US); **BREWER'S SPARROW** (new species for US); Rufous-headed sparrow; Dark-eyed junco; Bullock's oriole; **WESTERN MEADOWLARK** (new species for US); **TRICOLOURED**

**BLACKBIRD** (new species for US); Red-winged blackbird; Brewer's blackbird; Great-tailed grackle, and House sparrow

**Svalbard/Spitsbergen, Norway: August 21-28, 2009** Eider; Little auk; Brunnich's guillemot; Rock ptarmigan; Atlantic puffin; Great skua; Long-tailed skua; Arctic skua; Glaucous gull; Sabine's gull; Northern fulmar; Kittiwake; Snow bunting; Pink-footed goose and Barnacle goose

**Belize: October 17-23, 2009** Brown pelican; Neotropic cormorant; Anhinga; Magnificent frigatebird; Bare-throated tiger-heron; Great blue heron; Great egret; Snowy egret; Little blue heron; Tricoloured heron; Cattle egret; Agami heron; Yellow-crowned night-heron; White ibis; Roseate spoonbill; Black vulture; Turkey vulture; Black-bellied whistling-duck; Osprey; Snail kite; Black-collared hawk; Roadside hawk; Bat falcon; Plain chachalaca; Limpkin; Black-necked stilt; Northern jacana; Laughing gull; Pale-vented pigeon; Ruddy ground-dove; Olive-throated parakeet; Brown-hooded parrot; White-crowned parrot; White-fronted parrot; Red-lored amazon; Mottled owl; Common parouque; Long-tailed hermit; Stripe-throated hermit; Canivet's emerald; Rufous-tailed hummingbird; Black-headed trogon; Slaty-tailed trogon; Blue-crowned motmot; Belted kingfisher; American pygmy kingfisher; Keel-billed toucan; Golden-fronted woodpecker; Lineated woodpecker; Pale-billed woodpecker; Streak-headed woodcreeper; Black-faced antthrush; Tropical peewee; Vermillion flycatcher; Bright-rumped Attila; Dusky-capped flycatcher; Great crested flycatcher; Great kiskadee; Boat-billed flycatcher; Social flycatcher; Tropical kingbird; Fork-tailed flycatcher; White-eyed vireo; Yellow-throated vireo; Red-eyed vireo; Lesser greenlet; Green jay; Brown jay; Mangrove swallow; Plain wren; Wood thrush; Clay-coloured robin; Grey catbird; Tropical mockingbird; Tennessee warbler; Nashville warbler; Magnolia warbler; Black-throated blue warbler; Black-throated green warbler; Yellow-rumped warbler; Yellow-throated warbler; Black-and-white warbler; Prothonotary warbler; Ovenbird; Northern waterthrush; Louisiana waterthrush; Common yellowthroat; Hooded warbler; Red-throated ant-tanager; Summer tanager; Blue-grey tanager; Yellow-winged tanager; Yellow-throated euphonia; Slate-coloured seedeater; White-collared seedeater; Variable seedeater; Green-backed sparrow; Black-headed saltator; Rose-breasted grosbeak; Red-winged blackbird; Great-tailed grackle; Melodious blackbird, and Montezuma oropendola

**Central Park, New York, New York, USA: November 21, 2009 GREAT HORNED OWL** (new species in US) in the Ramble near the Rustic Shelter

**Caribbean (St. Lucia/Barbados/Martinique/U.S. Virgin Islands/Bahamas): March 19-24, 2010** Brown booby; Magnificent frigatebird; Bananaquit; Bahama mockingbird; Bahama mockingbird; Western spindalis; American kestrel; Osprey; Turkey vulture; Brown pelican; Great blue heron; Cattle egret; White-cheeked pintail; American oystercatcher; Black-necked stilt; Sanderling; Laughing gull; Zenaida dove; Key West quail-dove; Burrowing owl; Green-breasted mango; Grey kingbird; Cuban pewee; Caribbean martin; Pearly-eyed thrasher; Palm warbler, and Grey trembler

**Turkey: April 2-11, 2010** Common buzzard; Marsh harrier; Levant sparrowhawk; Lesser kestrel; Peregrine; White stork; Ring-necked parakeet; Grey heron; Little owl; Common hoopoe; Common magpie; Great tit; Goldfinch; Chiffchaff; Coal tit; Sombre tit; Desert lark; Crested lark; Whinchat; Northern wheatear; Willow sparrow; Reed bunting, and White-winged snow finch

**Garden City Golf Club: May 4, 2010** (lunch break) Common yellowthroat; Ovenbird; Pine warbler; Grey catbird; Hairy woodpecker; Eastern kingbird; Rose-breasted grosbeak, and Hermit thrush

**Garden City Golf Club, Wednesday, May 5, 2010** (lunch break) Yellow-rumped warbler; Black-throated blue warbler; Ovenbird; Blackpoll warbler, and Black-and-white warbler

**Garden City Golf Club: May 7, 2010** (lunch break) Northern parula; American redstart, and Red-bellied woodpecker

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: May 9, 2010** Windy evening with a chill and mostly grey light. Two Carolina wren; House wren; Magnolia warbler; Eastern kingbird; American redstart; Black-capped chickadee; Hermit thrush; Ovenbird, and Eastern towhee

**Central Park, Wednesday: May 12, 2010** Cloudy, bad light, grey, drizzle. Hermit thrush; Ovenbird; Louisiana waterthrush; Northern waterthrush; Common yellowthroat; American redstart; Hooded warbler (female); Nashville warbler; Blue-winged warbler; Canada warbler; Black-and-white warbler; and Blue jay

**Garden City Golf Club: May 13, 2010** (lunch break) Northern parula; Magnolia warbler; Yellow-rumped warbler; Black-and-white warbler; Chipping sparrow; Baltimore oriole, and Hermit thrush

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: May 14, 2010** (late afternoon) Black-throated green warbler; Dark-eyed junco; Cedar waxwing; Chimney swift, and Veery

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA; May 15, 2010** (7 a.m.-1 p.m.) Glorious day, 59 species in total. Blackburnian warbler; Cape May warbler; Least flycatcher; Northern flicker; Red-bellied woodpecker; Eastern wood-peewee; Bay-breasted warbler; Mourning warbler; Green heron; Red-tailed hawk; Ruby-throated hummingbird; Nashville warbler; Tennessee warbler; Chestnut-sided warbler; Black-and-white warbler; Northern parula; Yellow-rumped warbler; Black-throated blue warbler; Ovenbird; Swainson's thrush; Grey-cheeked thrush; Canada warbler; White-eyed vireo; Red-eyed vireo; Scarlet tanager; Baltimore oriole; Yellow-breasted flycatcher; Great-crested flycatcher; Magnolia warbler; Blackpoll warbler; Wilson's warbler; American redstart; Common yellowthroat; Louisiana waterthrush; Northern waterthrush; Brown-headed cowbird; Indigo bunting; Yellow-bellied flycatcher; White-throated sparrow; White-breasted nuthatch, and Yellow-throated vireo

**Central Park, New York: May 15, 2010** (8 a.m.–1 p.m.) Canada warbler; Bay-breasted warbler; Cape May warbler; Black-and-white warbler; Black-throated blue warbler; Ruby-throated hummingbird; Magnolia warbler; Yellow-rumped warbler; Canada warbler; Black-crowned night heron; American redstart; Northern parula; Northern waterthrush; Ovenbird; Common Yellowthroat; Red-eyed vireo; Blackburnian warbler; Baltimore oriole; Great northern diver; Rose-breasted grosbeak; Scarlet tanager; Eastern wood-pewee; Swainson's thrush, and Solitary sandpiper

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: May 22, 2010** (early afternoon) Olive-sided flycatcher; Canada warbler; Semipalmated sandpiper; Red-winged blackbird; Swainson's thrush; Blackpoll warbler; Common yellowthroat, and Magnolia warbler

**Wilton and Branchville, Conn, and Doodletown, New York: May 27, 2010** Swamp sparrow; Song sparrow; Black-crowned night-heron; White-breasted nuthatch; Wild turkey; Common raven; Louisiana waterthrush; Blue-grey gnatcatcher; Eastern phoebe, and Eastern wood-peewee

**Jamaica Bay Wildlife Refuge, Broad Channel, Queens, New York: May 30, 2010** Osprey; Great egret; Snowy egret ; Yellow-crowned night heron; Glossy ibis; Black duck; Forster's tern; Laughing gull; Willet; Dunlin; Sanderling; Semipalmated plover; Grey catbird; Yellow warbler; Great crested flycatcher; Song sparrow; Tree swallow; Cedar waxwing; Black-throated blue warbler; Eastern towhee; Wood thrush; Oystercatcher; Great blue heron, and Short-billed dowitcher

**Curaçao: June 2-6, 2010** American kestrel; Bananaquit; Bare-eyed pigeon; Black-faced grassquit; Blue-tailed emerald; Brown-crested flycatcher; Brown pelican; Brown-throated parakeet; Crested bobwhite; Crested caracara; Common ground-dove; Eared dove; Green heron; Groove-billed ani; Magnificent frigatebird; Neotropical cormorant; Northern scrub-flycatcher; Osprey; Red-necked pigeon Ruby-topaz hummingbird; Rufous-collared sparrow; Saffron finch; Scaly-naped pigeon; Small-billed elaenia; Tropical mockingbird; Troupial; White-tipped dove; Yellow oriole, and Yellow warbler

**Northern coast and Tayrona National Park, Colombia: August 2010** Bicoloured wren; Brown-throated parakeet; Little blue heron; Russet-throated puffbird; Southern nightingale-wren; White-tailed starfrontlet; Long-tailed hermit; Mouse-colored tyrannulet; Zone-tailed hawk; Chestnut piculet; Southern lapwing, and Crimson-crested woodpecker

**Aruba: August 2010** American kestrel; Bananaquit; Bare-eyed pigeon; Black-faced grassquit; Black-necked stilt; Brown-throated parakeet; Burrowing owl; Green heron; Groove-billed ani; Magnificent frigatebird; Neotropical cormorant; Rufous-collared sparrow; Tropical mockingbird; Troupial; White-tipped dove; Yellow oriole, and Whimbrel Grenada: September 2010 Antillean crested hummingbird; Grenada flycatcher; Cocoa thrush, and Broad-winged hawk

**Ebber Gorge and Cheddar Reservoir, Somerset: Nov. 26, 2010** Wigeon; Mute swan; Tufted duck; Coot; Moorhen; Great-crested grebe; Little grebe; Pochard; Nuthatch; Goldcrest; Bullfinch; Treecreeper; Common raven; Common buzzard; Kestrel; Red kite; Carrion crow; Rook; Goldcrest; Great-spotted woodpecker; Greenfinch; Chaffinch; Blue tit; Great tit; Long-tailed tit; Pheasant, and Fieldfare

**Central Park, New York City, New York, USA: Dec. 11, 2010** In the Maintenance Yard area of central Park, a Varied thrush, second for me and certainly the first on the East Coast. This bird has been here for a week, and it stayed for approximately two weeks afterwards. Great views in good sunshine

**Martha's Vineyard, Mass., USA: March 24-27, 2011** Northern cardinal; Common grackle; European starling; House sparrow; Mallard; White-winged scoter; Shore lark (50+); Savannah sparrow (six); Eider; American black duck; Goldeneye (four); **NORTHERN HARRIER** (new species for US); Osprey (four, and the first week they came back, apparently); Great egret; Red-tailed hawk; Merlin; Double-crested cormorant; Bufflehead; Song sparrow; White-breasted nuthatch; Blue jay; American goldfinch; Great northern diver; Hooded merganser; Red-breasted merganser (many); Greater black-backed gull; Ring-billed

gull; Herring gull; Oystercatcher; Sanderling; Grey plover; Dunlin; Scaup; Black-capped chickadee; Northern flicker; Red-bellied woodpecker; American crow; Mute swan; Carolina wren (three); House wren, and Mourning dove

**Columbia Bottom Conservation Area, St. Louis County, Mo., USA; April 6, 2011**

Peregrine; Red-tailed hawk; Cooper's hawk; **WILSON'S SNIPE** (new species for US); Killdeer; American goldfinch; Lesser yellowlegs; Greater yellowlegs; Brown thrasher; Blue-winged teal; Grey heron, and Shoveler

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: April 17, 2011** A little windy, but sunny. First day of birding, in the late afternoon, in new spring-migration year. Hermit thrush; Brown creeper; Pine warbler; Palm warbler; Common yellowthroat; Northern parula. Also, Peregrine flying over edge of Green Wood Cemetery

**Havana, Viñales, and Trinidad, Cuba: April 21-May 1, 2011** Cuban trogon; Cuban tody; West Indian woodpecker; Cuban pewee; Cuban bullfinch; Cuban emerald; Cuban green woodpecker; Northern mockingbird; Giant kingbird; Loggerhead kingbird; Killdeer; Cuban martin; Turkey vulture; Black vulture; Red-tailed hawk; Red-shouldered blackbird; Cuban grassquit; Red-winged blackbird; Tawny-shouldered blackbird; American kestrel; Western spindalis; Red-legged thrush; Common black hawk; Grey kingbird; Yellow warbler; White-collared swift; Cuban blackbird; Cattle egret; Great egret; Green heron; Tricoloured heron; Great blue heron; Black-necked stilt; Least grebe; Brown pelican; Neotropic cormorant; Magnificent frigatebird; Little blue heron; Snowy egret; Helmeted guineafowl; Purple gallinule; Laughing gull; Cuban crow; Yellow-throated vireo, and Great Antillean grackle

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: May 8, 2011** 66 species total, including 21 warblers. American redstart (male and female); Bay-breasted warbler (on Lookout Hill, two paths above Wellhouse); Black-and-white warbler; Black-throated blue warbler (male and female); Black-throated green warbler (male and female); Blue-winged warbler (near Lullwater Bridge); Cape May warbler (saw four; one birder saw five and heard eight); Chestnut-sided warbler; Common yellowthroat; Hooded warbler (west of Wellhouse; for 15 minutes or so in full view on path); Louisiana waterthrush (Lower Pool); Magnolia warbler; Nashville warbler; Northern parula (male and female); Northern waterthrush (five); Ovenbird; Pine warbler (Quaker Cemetery); Tennessee warbler (Quaker Cemetery); Worm-eating warbler (immediately south of Quaker Cemetery and, later, west side of Lookout Hill; probably same bird); Yellow warbler, and Yellow-rumped warbler. Other species were Black-capped chickadee; Blue-grey gnatcatcher; Eastern kingbird; Great-crested flycatcher; Green heron; Hermit thrush. House wren; Indigo bunting (male); Northern flicker; Northern oriole; Northern rough-winged swallow; Peregrine; Pine siskin; White-breasted nuthatch; Red-eyed vireo; Red-tailed hawk; Rose-breasted grosbeak; Scarlet tanager; Spotted sandpiper; Veery, and Wood thrush

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA; May 14, 2011** 50 species total; harder birding today, leaden light. Northern parula; Yellow warbler; Chestnut-sided warbler; Magnolia warbler; Black-throated blue warbler; Black-throated green warbler; Yellow-rumped warbler; Cape May warbler; Blackpoll warbler; Black-and-white warbler; American redstart; Ovenbird; Common yellowthroat; Yellow-breasted chat (second one ever; first in well over 10 years); Red-eyed vireo; Warbling vireo; Blue-headed vireo; Yellow-throated vireo; Orchard oriole (male and female); Baltimore oriole; Scarlet tanager; Peregrine; Red-tailed hawk; Chimney

swift; Veery; Rose-breasted grosbeak (male and female); Hairy woodpecker, and Downy woodpecker

**Grand Canyon, Ariz., USA: May 21-23, 2011** Before, during and after my rim-to-rim-to-rim run across and back across the Grand Canyon with my friend Alex Mittnacht—American crow; American dipper; Black phoebe; **BLACK-THROATED SPARROW** (new species for US); Black vulture; Broad-tailed hummingbird. **CANYON WREN** (new species for US); **CASSIN'S VIREO** (new species for US); **CLARK'S NUTCRACKER** (new species for US); Common raven; **GRACE'S WARBLER** (new species for US); **LUCY'S WARBLER** (new species for US); **PIÑON JAY** (new species for US); Pygmy nuthatch; Say's phoebe; Spotted towhee; Steller's jay; Vermilion flycatcher; Western bluebird; Western sandpiper; Western scrub-jay; Western tanager; **WHITE-THROATED SWIFT** (new species for US); **YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD** (new species for US), and Yellow-rumped warbler

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: May 28, 2011** Very quiet, marking the end of the season. Cedar waxwing (four); male Orchard oriole; Northern waterthrush, and Red-eyed vireo

**Rockefeller State Park, Sleepy Hollow, NY, USA: June 9, 2011** Wonderful views of perched, singing Kentucky warbler; also, Blue-winged warbler and several Rufous-sided towhee

**St. Kitts and Nevis: July 13-July 16, 2011** Magnificent frigatebird; Brown pelican; Little tern; Kentish (Snowy) plover; American kestrel; Red-winged hawk; Green-throated carib; Bridled quail-dove; Grey kingbird; Yellow-crowned night-heron; Great-blue heron; Black-necked stilt; Purple gallinule; Cattle egret; Turnstone; Snowy egret; Semipalmated plover; Sanderling; Zenaida dove; Common ground-dove; Scaly-naped pigeon; Antillean crested hummingbird; Lesser Antillean flycatcher; Caribbean martin; Tropical mockingbird; Scaly-breasted thrasher; Palm warbler; Black-faced grassquit, and Lesser Antillean bullfinch

**Coney Island, Brooklyn, NY, USA; July 31, 2011** An absolute star has come to American soil for only its second-ever recording, a **GREY-HOODED GULL** (new species for US), sitting on a lamppost or on the beach and occasionally squabbling with Laughing gull. Many birders—to the amusement of beachgoers—including one who had flown in from Chicago. Brilliant views

**Manitou/Garrison, Hudson Valley, NY, USA: Sept. 4, 2011** Red-bellied woodpecker; Downy woodpecker; Hairy woodpecker; Pileated woodpecker; White-breasted nuthatch; Red-shouldered hawk; Tennessee warbler; Black-throated green warbler; Black-capped chickadee, and Red-eyed vireo

**Providenciales and North Caicos, Turks & Caicos Islands: Oct. 7-12, 2011** Black-winged stilt; White-crowned pigeon; White-cheeked pintail; Royal tern; Caribbean elaenia; American kestrel; Tricoloured heron; Yellow-crowned night heron; Black-crowned night heron; Green heron; American flamingo; Yellow-billed cuckoo (probably at least 40 on North Caicos alone); West Indian whistling duck; Osprey; Kentish plover; Bahama woodstar (on North Caicos); Eastern wood peewee; Grey kingbird; Bahama mockingbird; Yellow-throated warbler (on my balcony), and Brown pelican

**Central Park, New York City, NY, USA: Nov. 25, 2011** Went to see the reported Black-throated grey warbler, but to no avail; I did see an Orange-crowned warbler, though, low to the ground, flitting and feeding around a bush

**Central Park, New York City, NY, USA: Dec. 28, 2011** Barred owl, only my second, with great views in the Pinetum area alongside the Great Lawn

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: Dec. 30, 2011** Sharp-shinned hawk and Great blue heron

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, NY, USA: Jan. 2, 2012** Downy woodpecker; Hairy woodpecker; red-bellied woodpecker; White-breasted nuthatch; House finch; Pied grebe; Hooded merganser, and Red-tailed hawk

**Central Japan: Feb. 11-19, 2012** American wigeon; Mallard; Eastern Spot-billed duck; Shoveler; Common pochard; Tufted duck; Goosander; Little grebe; Grey heron; Little egret; Temminck's cormorant; Cormorant; Merlin; Black-eared kite; Golden eagle; Turnstone (wintering). Japanese pygmy woodpecker; Great spotted woodpecker; Bull-headed shrike; Eurasian jay; Azure-winged magpie; Carrion crow; Large-billed crow; Eastern great tit; Coal tit; Varied tit; Long-tailed tit; Brown-eared bulbul; Red-billed leiothrix; Eurasian nuthatch; White-cheeked starling; Dusky thrush; Daurian redstart; Brown dipper; Eurasian tree sparrow; White wagtail, and Japanese wagtail

**American Museum of Natural History, Manhattan, New York, USA: Feb. 28, 2012** Rufous hummingbird seen at feeder (the bird has miraculously wintered in New York City, in a mild winter; this being my first Eastern Seaboard sighting of this species) at 4:30 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.; fed at feeder, perched on nearby branches and sallied once into the air

**High Weald Way, Kent/Sussex: April 15, 2012** One Yellowhammer near Groombridge, followed by five or six along a hedgerow near Frant

**Palazzo, Marche, Italy: July 2012** Short-toed eagle

**Shapwick March, Somerset: September 1, 2012** OSPREY (new species for U.K.). (Also, Slow worm and Adder)

**Hyde Park, London: February 2, 2013** First for Central London, two Bearded tit; also, Fieldfare and Redwing

**Ethiopia: March 23-April 6, 2013** (some birds seen in more than one location)

**Addis Ababa**—Wattled ibis; Black kite; Hooded vulture; Lappet-faced vulture; African paradise flycatcher; Speckled mousebird; Grey-headed batis; Olive sunbird; Tacazze sunbird; Brown-rumped seedeater, and Streaky seedeater

**Lalibela and Lalibela Hudad**—Lammergeyer; Brown snake-eagle; African hawk-eagle; African white-backed vulture; Rueppel's griffon; Fox-kestrel; Chestnut-naped francolin; Moorland francolin; Speckled pigeon; White-collared pigeon; Western turtle-dove; Ring-necked dove; African mourning dove; Black-winged lovebird; Mottled swift; Little bee-eater; Blue-breasted bee-eater; Blue-cheeked bee-eater; Cinnamon-chested bee-eater; Hemprich's hornbill; Abyssinian ground hornbill; Grey woodpecker; Red-capped lark; Rufous-naped lark; African pied wagtail; Rueppel's black chat; Sombre rock-chat; Mocking chat; Black cap



(male and female); Lesser whitethroat; Groundscraper thrush; Winding cisticola; Brown parisoma; White-backed black tit; Variable sunbird; Red-chested sunbird; Marico sunbird; African black-headed oriole; Fan-tailed raven; Red-winged starling; White-billed starling; Greater blue-eared glossy starling; Rueppel's long-tailed starling; Grey-headed sparrow; Socotra sparrow; Black-headed weaver; Little weaver; Baglafaecht weaver; Red-cheeked cordon-bleu, and Ethiopian siskin

**Great Rift Valley**—Ostrich; Cormorant; Reed cormorant; Great white pelican; Pink-backed pelican; Black-headed heron; Hamerkop; Marabou; White-faced whistling-duck; Maccoa duck; Yellow-billed duck; African fish-eagle; Red-knobbed coot; Spur-winged lapwing; Grey go-away bird; Red-billed hornbill; African palm swift; Pied kingfisher; Woodland kingfisher; Von der Decken's hornbill; Red-rumped swallow; Thrush-nightingale; Olive thrush; Long-tailed fiscal; Common fiscal; White-browed sparrow-weaver, and Red-eyed dove

**Bale Mountains/Harena Forest**—Sacred ibis; Egyptian goose; Spur-winged goose; Blue-winged goose; Ruddy shelduck; Augur buzzard; Tawny eagle; Steppe eagle; Rouget's rail; Spot-breasted plover; Grey-headed gull; Olive pigeon; Blue-naped mousebird; Silvery-cheeked hornbill; Thekla lark; Abyssinian longclaw; Common bulbul; Common camaroptera; African paradise monarch; Tropical boubou; Thick-billed raven; African drongo, and Yellow-bellied waxbill

**Awash National Park**—African harrier-hawk; Crested francolin; Helmeted guineafowl; Arabian bustard; Kori bustard; Wood sandpiper; Laughing dove; White-rumped swift; Little swift; Olive bee-eater; White-winged cliff chat; African rook; White-headed buffalo-weaver, and Rosy-patched bush-shrike

**Other areas**—Little egret; White stork (near to Sof Omar Caves); White-cheeked turaco (near to Gelesso); Black-billed wood-hoopoe (on the road to Dinsho); Mosque swallow (village of Sheikh Hussein); Abyssinian white-eye (Harer); Bristle-crowned starling (Sof Omar Caves); Shelley's starling (on the road to Harer); Golden-breasted starling (near to the Wabe Shebele River); Chestnut sparrow (Harer); Yellow-throated petronia (Harer), and Red-billed firefinch (Harer)

(Also, Oryx; Boror's reedbuck; Warthog; Olive baboon; Geleda baboon; Bale monkey; Vervet monkey; Colobus monkey; Mountain nyala; Lesser kudu; Ethiopian wolf; Abyssinian hare; Giant mole rat; Black-backed jackal; Salt's dik dik; Camel, and Hippopotamus)

**Dulwich Park, London: April 15, 2013** In the American Garden, numerous Willow warbler; Greenfinch; Long-tailed tit; Coal tit; Blue tit; Great tit; Ring-necked parakeet, and male **PIED FLYCATCHER** (new species for U.K.), I believe the first to be seen in London in 2013

**Rome, Italy: April 25-May 3, 2013** Sardinian warbler

**Hampshire: May 4-6, 2013 New Forest**—Cuckoo; Stonechat, and Skylark

**Buckler's Hard**—Curlew

**Ovington**—Grey wagtail

**Weeting Heath, Norfolk / Lakenheath Fen, Suffolk: May 26, 2013**

**Weeting Heath**—**STONE CURLEW** (new species for U.K.) and Green woodpecker

**Lakenheath Fen**—**EURASIAN CRANE** (new species for UK); male **RED-FOOTED FALCON** (new species for U.K.); **CETTI'S WARBLER** (new species for U.K.); Cuckoo; Bittern; Reed bunting; Greater spotted woodpecker; Sedge warbler; Garden warbler; Lesser whitethroat; Whitethroat; Hobby (five or six); Great crested grebe; Linnet; Bearded tit; Common buzzard; Rook; Jackdaw

**Brandon**—Mandarin duck

**Peckham Rye Park, London: June 3, 2013** Female **LONG-TAILED DUCK** (new species for UK) and about 10 feet away in the most unlikely spot, a very small pond in an ornamental garden in a suburban park

**Chew Valley Lake, Somerset: December 7, 2013** **BLACK-THROATED DIVER** (new species for U.K.); two **PINK-FOOTED GOOSE** (new species for U.K.); another Long-tailed duck; Red-breasted merganser; Goosander; Common gull; Teal; Mistle thrush; Little egret; Redwing; Grey wagtail; Little grebe; Great-crested grebe, and Cormorant with a fishing hook through its beak on which was hooked a fish

**Sydenham Woods, London: December 19, 2013** **FIRECREST** (new species for U.K.), just up the hill from my home

**Cleveland, Ohio: January 5-11, 2014** Bitterly cold, with two days being -33°C. **SNOWY OWL** (new species for US); **GLAUCOUS GULL** (new species for US); **ICELAND GULL** (new species for US); Thayer's gull, a new subspecies for me, of Iceland gull); possibly 3,000 Red-billed merganser; several hundred Goosander, and Rough-legged buzzard

**Broadmead Brook, near Marshfield, Gloucestershire: February 22, 2014** **RED-FLANKED BLUETAIL** (new species for U.K.), most likely, male, with blue seemingly increasing along rump and back; yellowhammer, and Common raven. (Also, at the Folly Farm Centre, Stowey, my first time seeing Badger, at dusk, one dominant male emerging from sett for one-minute merely to, seemingly, mark its territory before disappearing back underground

**Pangbourne and Goring/Streatley, Berkshire and Oxfordshire: April 18-19, 2014** Red kite; Kestrel; Reed bunting, Lapwing; first Swallow of year; Cuckoo (heard, first of year); Treecreeper; Nuthatch; Red-legged partridge; Chiffchaff, and Blackcap. (Also, Hare; Grass snake; and Slow worm)

**Skye, Inner Hebrides, and Fortingall area, mainland Scotland: July 5-19, 2014**  
**Skye**—Common greenshank; Common sandpiper; Common raven; **WHITE-TAILED EAGLE** (new species for U.K.); **GOLDEN EAGLE** (new species for U.K.); Gannet; Northern fulmar; **RED-THROATED DIVER** (new species for U.K.); **BLACK GUILLEMOT** (new species for U.K.); Guillemot; **RAZORBILL** (new species for U.K.); Cormorant; **SHAG** (new species for U.K.); Grey wagtail; Pied wagtail; female Cuckoo; Oystercatcher; Wheatear; House martin; Jackdaw; Hooded crow; Skylark; Grey heron; Greater black-backed gull; Lesser black-backed gull; Common gull; Common tern; Arctic tern; Chaffinch; Goldfinch; Rock pipit; Meadow pipit; Water pipit; Whinchat; Stonechat; Swallow; Common redpoll; Twite; **KITTIWAKE** (new species for U.K.); Corn bunting; Kestrel; Common buzzard; Wren, and Rock dove. (Also: flowers: Common spotted orchid; Northern marsh orchid; Bog asphodel, and Lesser heath orchid. Animals: Common seal; Grey seal; Red deer; Six-spotted burnet, and Common rustic)  
**Fortingall**—Raven; Grey wagtail; Pied wagtail; Oystercatcher; Wheatear; House martin; Jackdaw; Hooded crow; Skylark; Meadow pipit; Whinchat; Stonechat; Swallow; Common buzzard; Wren; Pheasant; Common partridge; Treecreeper; Red-legged partridge; Goldcrest; Greater spotted woodpecker; Eurasian siskin, and **COMMON CROSSBILL** (new species

for U.K.). (Also: animals: Red deer; Red squirrel; Pine marten (in woods at start of Glen Lyon)

**Kentucky, Tennessee, Ohio, USA August 8-20, 2014**

**Kentucky and Tennessee**—Eastern meadowlark; Indigo bunting, and Savannah sparrow. (Also, Bison and Elk)

**Ohio**—Cedar waxwing; Solitary sandpiper; Tricoloured heron, and Green heron

**Alexandra Palace, London: August 31, 2014 WRYNECK** (new species for U.K.); Redstart, Spotted flycatcher, Chiffchaff; Common whitethroat, and Whinchat

**Dunbar to North Berwick, East Lothian, and Edinburgh, Scotland: December 6, 2014 ROUGH-LEGGED BUZZARD** (new species for U.K.); Goldeneye; red-breasted merganser; Goosander; Teal; Eider; Stonechat; Wren; Yellowhammer; Goldcrest; Goldfinch; Chaffinch; Kittiwake; Purple sandpiper; Curlew; Lapwing; Redshank; Greenshank; Knot; Chiffchaff; Grey wagtail; Oystercatcher; Ringed plover; Rook; Kestrel; Pheasant, and Little grebe

**Hydra, Greece: October 2015** Blue-rock thrush

**Somerset: December 12-14, 2014 GREAT EGRET** (new species for U.K.); Little egret (five at Chew Valley Lake); Kingfisher; Goosander; Red-breasted merganser; Bittern; Goldeneye; Sparrowhawk; Common buzzard, and Red-breasted goose, considered likely escape or from a feral population

**Cleveland, Ohio: January, 2015** Bitterly cold, but not as bad as January 2014, in the low - 20s°C. **ARCTIC REDPOLL** (new species for US), at lighthouse at Wendy Park, Cleveland. Also, Snowy owl, with an excellent view on top of mast near Mentor-on-the-Lake by Lake Erie

**Malta, Gozo and Camino, Malta: May 7-12, 2015** Blue rock thrush; Sardinian warbler; Spectacled warbler; Spanish sparrow; Spotted flycatcher, and Icterine warbler in mist netting station on Comino

**Somerset Levels: May 15-16, 2015** Great egret (two, most likely nesting); Little egret; Marsh harrier; Hobby (at least 30); Sedge warbler; Reed warbler; Blackcap; Common whitethroat; Barn owl, and Dipper

**Toledo and surroundings, Spain: November 7-8, 2015** Great bustard (30-35 individuals); Eurasian crane (250-300 individuals); Pallid harrier; Spoonbill (10); White stork (six); Zitting cisticola; Stonechat; Pochard; Marsh harrier; Red kite (three); Corn bunting; Red-legged partridge; Great crested grebe, and Little grebe

**Rainham Marshes RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: November 15, 2015 WATER PIPIT** (new species for U.K.); Meadow pipit; Stonechat; Pintail; Teal; Gadwall, and Snipe

**Albufera Marshes, Valencia, Spain: January 2, 2016** Crag martin, 40 or so, and one Swallow well out of season. Also, Glossy ibis; Kingfisher; Black redstart (three); Redstart; Chiffchaff; Red-legged partridge; Black-necked stilt; Cattle egret; Little egret; Great egret; Grey heron; Marsh harrier; Shoveler; Shelduck, and Meadow pipit

**Cleveland and area, Ohio: January 9, 2016** Unseasonably warm. **BRAMBLING** (new species for US; 2nd state record for Ohio), Remsen Road, near Allardale Park, at bird feeder of a house standing alone in Granger Township near to Medina; female **KING EIDER** (new species for US) on Lake Erie off Euclid; also, there a Slavonian grebe); **BLACK-HEADED GULL** (new species for US; amusing, considering how many million probably seen in Europe, with U.S. birders understandably very excited, at Wendy Park, Cleveland. Lastly, off-season sighting of Ovenbird in downtown Cleveland at Chester Avenue and 12th Street

**Al Ain, United Arab Emirates: February 6-7, 2016** Bank myna; Bimaculated lark; Black-winged kite; Blue rock thrush; European roller; Graceful prinia; Green bee-eater; Grey francolin; Hoopoe; Hume's wheatear; Indian silverbill; Masked wagtail; Pale martin; Purple sunbird; Redstart; Red-tailed wheatear; Red-vented bulbul; Red-wattled lapwing, and White-eared bulbul

**Beddington Sewage Farm, Hackbridge, Surrey: February 14, 2016** Slightly overcast with sunny intervals; not too chilly. **YELLOW-LEGGED GULL** (new species for U.K.), and Redpoll

**Iceland (Reykjavik area): February 29-March 2, 2016** Redpoll; Redwing; Eider; Long-tailed duck (first time seeing males of the species); Whooper swan; Pink-footed goose; Glaucous gull; Great skua; Iceland gull; Northern fulmar, and Eider subspecies (*Somateria mollissima borealis*)

**Germany (from train on way from Berlin to Prague): March 5, 2016** Approximately 50 Eurasian crane

**Saint-Saphorin to Lutry, Switzerland: March 13, 2016** Dipper

**Southwark Park, Surrey Docks, London: April 3, 2016** Shoveler; female Common scoter; two Grey wagtail, and two Little grebe

**Crossness Nature Reserve, Belvedere, Kent: April 10, 2016** **RING OUZEL** (new species for U.K.); Kestrel; Teal, and Shelduck

**Brent Reservoir, Hendon, London: April 17, 2016** **YELLOW-BROWED WARBLER** (new species for U.K.), seen at 11 a.m. after 90-minute wait. The bird was seen in this location for almost two weeks, but this was the last time it was seen; it is believed to be the same individual that turned up for a week in December

**Puglia, Italy: April 30-May 3, 2016** **Punta Prosciutto**—Pied flycatcher; Spotted flycatcher; Wood sandpiper, in our rented house's very small pond; Willow warbler; Squacco heron; Whinchat; Stonechat, and Yellowhammer—15 Kestrel all hovering above the same field

**Otford, Kent: May 10, 2016** **RUFOUS TURTLE DOVE** (new species for U.K.) at the corner of The Butts and The Old Walk; 12th recorded sighting for the U.K.; Nightingale in wooded area to the back of houses

**Hodder's Combe, Quantocks, Somerset: May 20, 2016** **WOOD WARBLER** (new species for U.K.). three or four seen, excellent views from above the bird on two occasions; male

singing heartily); Pied flycatcher, male and female around nest boxes; male Redstart; Cuckoo (one seen, three or four heard); Garden warbler; Treecreeper; Greater spotted woodpecker; Green woodpecker; Spotted flycatcher, and Kestrel

**Beverley Brook, Barnes, London: May 22, 2016 IBERIAN CHIFFCHAFF** (new species for U.K.; seen well; called only once, sort of a half call); also, Wren; nesting Blackcap

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: May 28, 2016** Little ringed plover; Sand martin; House martin, and Lapwing. (Also, Bee orchid)

**Thursley Common, Surrey: May 29, 2016 WOODLARK** (new species for U.K.; pair of Linnet (pair), and Stonechat. The intention was to find Dartford warbler, which are present here, but no luck

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: June 4, 2016** Sand martin; Lapwing; Cetti's warbler; Reed warbler; Whitethroat; Reed bunting; Green woodpecker, and Common tern, but no sign all day of Little bittern, which had been present for six days (it was not seen since)

**River Colne, Wivenhoe, and adjacent woodland, Essex: June 5, 2016** Shelduck; Common tern; Whitethroat; Reed bunting; Linnet; Yellowhammer; Greenfinch, and Chaffinch

**Brent Reservoir, Hendon, London: June 11, 2016 SPOTTED SANDPIPER** (new species for U.K.) seen from hide after about 15 minutes' wait. Was seen all day after first being reported early in the morning, but it was not seen on the 12 June or thereafter. Also, Little-ringed plover; pair of Stock dove, and Green sandpiper

**Timsbury, Greylake and Collard Hill (The Poldens), Somerset Levels: June 25, 2016** Great egret; Little egret; Glossy ibis (x2); Marsh harrier; Cuckoo; Redshank; Garden warbler (brief views); Reed warbler; Cetti's warbler; Kestrel, and Buzzard. (Also, Shrew; Grass snake; Large blue (butterfly); Marbled white; Small magpie ... also in moth trap: Eared hawkmoth; Elephant hawkmoth; Privet hawkmoth; Burnished brass; Heart and dart; Buff ermine; Buff arches; Silver Y, and Mottled beauty)

**Staines Reservoir, Middlesex: July 16, 2016 BLACK-NECKED GREBE** (new species for U.K.), in summer plumage; four Linnet, and Common tern

**Mendip Hills, Somerset, and other local sites: July 30-31, 2016** Mostly sunny, warm but not hot; searching for butterflies, with 23 species seen, seven of which were new to me. Red kite; female Redstart; two pairs of Bullfinch, one male sallying from and to branch; Raven; Buzzard; Kestrel; Coal tit; Blackcap, and Long-tailed tit

**Suffolk and Norfolk: August 6-7, 2016**

**Minsmere RSPB Reserve**—No sign of the Purple swamphen, which is the first for U.K. and had been seen the evening before, but **WATER RAIL** (new species for U.K.);

**MEDITERRANEAN GULL** (new species for UK), and two Lesser whitethroat

**Dunwich Heath**—**DARTFORD WARBLER** (new species for U.K.)

**Titchwell RSPB Reserve**—**SPOONBILL** (new species for U.K.); juvenile Bearded tit; Ruff, and Black-tailed godwit

**Ohio, USA: September 9-11, 2016**

**McGee Marsh, Port Clinton**—Black-throated blue warbler; American redstart; Blackpoll warbler; Sandhill crane; Great blue heron; Tricoloured heron; Black-capped chickadee; Bald eagle; Ruby-throated hummingbird; American goldfinch; House finch, and Red-winged blackbird

**Wendy Park, Cleveland**—Yellow warbler; Magnolia warbler; Bay-breasted warbler; Blackpoll warbler; Black-and-white warbler; American redstart; Tennessee warbler; Cape May warbler; Blackburnian warbler; Yellow-bellied flycatcher; Willow flycatcher; Swainson's thrush; Northern flicker; Warbling vireo, and Caspian tern

**Lakefront Reserve, Cleveland**—Common yellowthroat; Wilson's warbler; Connecticut warbler; Cape May warbler; Blackburnian warbler; Magnolia warbler; Bay-breasted warbler; Blackpoll warbler; Canada warbler; Red-eyed vireo; Swainson's thrush; Northern flicker; Warbling vireo; Black-crowned night-heron, and Ruby-throated hummingbird

**Prospect Park, Brooklyn, New York, USA: September 20, 2016** Virginia rail seen after three attempts, in phragmites reeds close to the Wheelhouse. Good views for perhaps two minutes only

**Brent Reservoir, Hendon, London: October 1, 2016 FERRUGINOUS DUCK** (new species for U.K.), a drake; Pintail; Shoveler; Pochard, and Chiffchaff

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: October 8, 2016** Jack snipe; Snipe; Little egret; Lapwing; Wigeon; Teal; Shelduck; Shoveler; Little grebe; Stonechat, and Reed bunting. (Also. weasel and a very accommodating Water vole)

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: October 23, 2016 CATTLE EGRET** (new species for U.K.), took some searching for but, first, a distance view, and, then, quite close views; Kingfisher; Raven; Little egret; Barn owl; Reed bunting, and Stonechat and Whinchat in the same binoculars' frame

**Cam Valley, Somerset, and other local sites: November 5-7, 2016** Dipper (near Combe Hay); Redwing (30 or 40); possible Waxwing (Timsbury; saw bird of right size and movement, with a pale, yellowish band at base of tail, but not possible to confirm); Lesser yellowlegs (Cheddar Reservoir; 2nd ever for me in U.K.); first time seeing trilogy of egrets, Cattle (Westhay Moor), Great white (ditto) and Little egret; Water rail (Westhay Moor), and Marsh harrier

**Rome, Italy: Christmas to New Year's 2017** Treecreeper and several Black redstart

**Broadfield, near Crawley, West Sussex: January 7, 2017** On Beachy Road, a suburban street, **ROSE-COLOURED STARLING** (new species for U.K.), a first-year bird, but one that appears to be moulting fast, with pinkish tones emerging and speckled, black throat

**Poulter Park, Mitcham, and Beddington Sewage Farm, Hackbridge, Surrey: January 14, 2017** Siberian chiffchaff (new sub-species for U.K.), two examples along River Wandle; also, Chiffchaff; Grey wagtail; Pied wagtail, and **CASPIAN GULL** (new species for U.K.)

**Canonbury, London: January 15, 2017 22** Waxwing (I went to see them on 14 January, but dipped); miserable weather, but very regular sightings on the same two berry trees on Poet's Road. (First Waxwing sighting for me for more than 30 years)

**Liwa, Western Regions and Abu Dhabi, Yas Island golf course, United Arab Emirates: February 2017** Alexandrine parakeet; Hoopoe; Bluethroat; Golden plover; Whimbrel; Curlew; Greenshank; Bar-tailed godwit; Black-winged stilt; Bimaculated lark; Black-eared wheatear; Chestnut-bellied sandgrouse; Desert warbler; Desert wheatear; Graceful prinia; Greater flamingo; Greater sand plover; Green sandpiper; Grey francolin; Grey hypocolius; Isabelline wheatear; Laughing dove; Lesser grey shrike; Namaqua dove; Oriental skylark; Red-vented bulbul; Red-wattled lapwing; Rufous-tailed shrike; Tree pipit; Western reef-egret; Honey buzzard, and Eastern black redstart

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: February 11, 2017** Green woodpecker; two Bittern, one flying after losing a squabble, and Pintail

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: February 12, 2017** Avocet (14); two Short-eared owl; four Snipe, and Black-tailed godwit

**Brent Reservoir, Hendon, London: March 16, 2017 RING-NECKED DUCK** (new species for U.K.), a drake; Scaup; Pintail; Shoveler; Teal, and Gadwall

**Dungeness RSPB Reserve, Lydd, Kent: March 19, 2017** Very blustery. Ring-necked duck (yes, a second); **LONG-EARED OWL** (new species for U.K.); **ICELAND GULL** (new species for U.K.); Tree sparrow

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: April 2, 2017 GLAUCOUS GULL** (new species for U.K.); Snipe, 2 x Ruddy duck; Little ringed plover, and Redshank. (Also, Peacock butterfly)

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: April 8, 2017** Warm, 22°, calm day. One male Bearded tit (photographed); Jack snipe; Snipe; possibly 30 Redshank; Yellow wagtail; Marsh harrier, and best views I've had of Cetti's warbler. (Also, Orange tip)

**Reykjavik, North Iceland, Lake Mývatn, Iceland: April 13-23, 2017** Barrow's goldeneye (Laxá River); Snow bunting (Borgarvirki and Ólafsfjörður); Harlequin duck (Blöndóus); Slavonian grebe (Reykjahlíð and Varmahlíð); Goosander (hard to see in Iceland; Vesturhópshólar); Red-breasted merganser; Mallard; Wigeon; Tufted duck; Long-tailed duck; Eider; Whooper swan; Barnacle goose; Pink-footed goose; Greylag goose; Gannet; Oystercatcher; Redshank; Dunlin; Curlew; Ptarmigan; Redwing; Blackbird (unusual in Iceland); Purple sandpiper; Golden plover; European starling; Feral pigeon/Rock dove; Raven; Merlin; White-tailed eagle (Snaefellsnes); Cormorant; Black guillemot; Guillemot; Greater black-backed gull; Lesser black-backed gull; Herring gull; Black-headed gull; Iceland gull; Glaucous gull; Redpoll; Snipe; Red-throated diver, and Great northern diver

**Ras al-Khor, Dubai, United Arab Emirates: April 25, 2017** Socotra cormorant; female Purple sunbird; Straited heron; Greenshank; Kentish plover; Little ringed plover; Dunlin; Whimbrel; Greater flamingo; Common myna; Hoopoe; Black-winged stilt; Western reef-egret; Grey heron; Eurasian collared dove; Great egret; Green sandpiper, and Sociable plover

**Epping Forest, Essex: May 14, 2017** Two pairs of Mandarin duck on Blackweir Hill Pond

**The Thames, Belvedere/Abbey Wood, London: April 20, 2017** Did not see the Bonaparte's gull I came to see, but Common gull; Hobby, and Kestrel. (Also, Common seal, a first for me in London)

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: April 21, 2017** Snipe (very close from Peacock Hide); House martin, and Sand martin

**Strumpshaw Fen and Buckenham Marsh, Norfolk: April 27, 2017 MONTAGU'S HARRIER** (new species for U.K.); Kingfisher; Cetti's warbler; Sedge warbler; Marsh harrier; Common tern; Whitethroat; 10 Avocet; Rook, and four Redshank. (Also, Swallowtail and Orange tip)

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: April 28, 2017** Redshank; two Little ringed plover, and Reed warbler. (Also, Green hairstreak)

**Arne RSPB Reserve, Arne and area, Dorset: June 10-11, 2017** Curlew; Black-tailed godwit; **ATLANTIC PUFFIN** (new species for U.K.) at Dancing Ledge; Green woodpecker; Rock pipit, and Linnet. (Also, Lime hawkmoth; Poplar hawkmoth, and Sika deer)

**Minsmere RSPB Reserve, Saxmundham, Suffolk: June 24-25, 2017**

**Minsmere**—50+ Mediterranean gull; two Spotted redshank; four Kittiwake; three Barnacle goose; Sandwich tern; Common tern; three Bittern; Marsh harrier; Hobby; numerous Avocet; 20+ Knot; 50+ Black-tailed godwit; Little egret; Yellowhammer; Sparrowhawk, and Tawny owl, almost driving into the windscreen at night. (Also, Stoat)

**Hazlewood Marshes**—Great egret; Avocet; two Red kite (Also, Purple emperor, Theberton Wood, and Essex skipper, Snape Warren RSPB Reserve)

**Staines Reservoir, Middlesex: July 1, 2017 ROSEATE TERN** (new species for U.K.), 1st-summer (?), all black bill, black cap, pale wings; seven or eight Little-ringed plovers out of a reported 19); Common tern, and two Black-necked grebe in full summer plumage

**Slimbridge, Gloucestershire: July 15, 2017** Ruff, including one male with partial collar; Eurasian crane (there is a breeding program here); Black-tailed godwit; two Little ringed plover, including one juvenile; Redshank; Green sandpiper; distant Peregrine; Common buzzard; Blackcap, and Reed warbler

**Cliffe Marshes, Kent: July 22, 2017 MARSH SANDPIPER** (new species for U.K.); Black-winged stilt, an adult with four chicks (according to BBC, 22 nesting attempts between 1983 and 2016 have only resulting in fledglings from three nests), the presence of nesting birds at Cliffe only made common knowledge when the Marsh sandpiper was discovered; Spoonbill (one of two reported); Black-tailed godwit; Ruff; Common sandpiper; Redshank; Green sandpiper, and Avocet. At one point, Grey heron, Avocet and Spoonbill all in the same spot

**East Leake Cemex Quarry, East Leake, Nottinghamshire: July 29, 2017 EUROPEAN BEE-EATER** (new species for U.K.). Saw five of reported seven that had built three nests, but the news in the mid part of a very rainy, cool August resulted, reportedly, in no fledglings; also, Common buzzard; Hobby, and Kestrel

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: July 30, 2017 PECTORAL SANDPIPER** (new species for U.K.); Green sandpiper; Greenshank, and juvenile Bearded tit



**Tennessee/Ohio: August 5 and 13-14, 2017**

**Enterprise State Park, Chattanooga—CAROLINA CHICKADEE** (new species for US) **Wilderness Road, near Funk, Ohio**—Indigo bunting; Pileated woodpecker; seven White-rumped sandpiper, and 20 Sandhill crane

**Beaver Marsh, Peninsula, Ohio—LEAST BITTERN** (new species for US), really good views and at 2:30 p.m., the bird staying still and visible or skulking and half-visible for 15 minutes; also, Wood duck; Red-winged blackbird, and Willow flycatcher. (Also, Otter; Groundhog; Snapping turtle; Monarch butterfly; Grey hairstreak; Pipeline swallowtail; Silver-spotted skipper (US-named species (*Epargyreus clarus*), not the same as the European one)); Eastern tiger swallowtail, and Fiery skipper

**Oare Marshes Nature Reserve, Oare, Faversham, Kent: August 26, 2017 LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER** (new species for U.K.); **BONAPARTE'S GULL** (new species for U.K.), the same bird I failed to see on April 20, 2017; Little stint (first for many years); Spotted redshank; Redshank; Bar-tailed godwit (three); Black-tailed godwit (hundreds); Yellow-wagtail; Ringed plover; Dunlin; Knot; Ruff, and 100 to 200 Golden plover

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: September 16, 2017** Whinchat; Wheatear; Hobby; Black tern; juvenile Cuckoo; Green sandpiper; Kestrel; Scaup; Green woodpecker; Chiffchaff, and Stonechat

**Ingrebourne Valley, Hornchurch, Essex: September 23, 2017 SPOTTED CRAKE** (new species for U.K.), seen immediately and for 10 minutes, before it disappeared into reeds. Also, three Snipe flying overhead

**Estanque del Pujol, El Saler, Valencia, Spain: October 1, 2017** Greater flamingo (10 or so); Black-capped night-heron; Black-winged stilt, and Woodchat shrike. Also, numerous Swallow, and a few House martin

**Oare Marshes Nature Reserve, Oare, Faversham, Kent: October 7, 2017 WILSON'S PHALAROPE** (new species for U.K.), spinning and very evident among the larger Lapwing; Little stint and Long-billed dowitcher still there, and maybe 100 Avocet. Out on Faversham Creek was a Black-necked grebe

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: October 30, 2017** Female brambling above but not on feeders; also, Bittern

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: November 12, 2017** I re-discovered the female Ring ouzel seen the day before, for seconds on a grassy area along the Sheltered Lagoon trail and then in thicket behind. The rediscovered bird was seen by one other birder. Also, Bittern; two female Goldeneye; three Common gull

**Sri Lanka: 18 November-3 December, 2017**

**Dickoya/Castlereigh**—Hill swallow; Barn swallow; Blue-tailed bee-eater; Coppersmith barbet; Forest wagtail; Sri Lanka red-backed woodpecker (endemic); White-bellied drongo; Thick-billed crow; Common tailorbird; Plain prinia; Red-vented bulbul; Yellow-billed babbler; Oriental magpie-robin; Sri Lanka white-eye (endemic); Cinerous tit

**Sinharaja Rainforest**—Sri Lanka spurfowl (endemic); Sri Lanka junglefowl (endemic); Black eagle; Legge's hawk-eagle; Sri Lanka wood pigeon (endemic); Grey-capped emerald

dove; Orange-breasted green-pigeon; Sri Lanka green-pigeon (endemic); Green imperial-pigeon; Sri Lanka hanging-parrot (endemic); Rose-ringed parakeet; Red-faced malkoha (endemic); Green-billed coucal (endemic); Greater coucal; Serendib scops-owl (endemic); Ceylon frogmouth; Crested treeswift; Little green bee-eater; Grey hornbill (endemic); Brown-headed barbet; Yellow-fronted barbet (endemic); Sri Lanka barbet (endemic); Indian pygmy woodpecker; Lesser yellownape woodpecker; Common iora; Scarlet minivet; Small minivet; Crested drongo (endemic); Black-headed oriole; Blue magpie (endemic); Grey-breasted prinia; Black-crested bulbul; Asian black bulbul; Yellow-browed bulbul; Large-billed leaf warbler; Sri Lanka scimitar-babbler (endemic); Dark-fronted babbler; Orange-billed babbler (endemic); Ashy-headed laughing thrush (endemic); Brown-capped babbler (endemic); Hill myna; Sri Lanka myna (endemic); Sri Lanka thrush (endemic); Spot-winged thrush (endemic); Black-naped monarch; Asian paradise flycatcher; Brown-breasted flycatcher; Pale-billed flowerpecker; Legge's flowerpecker (endemic); Grey wagtail; Ceylon rufous babbler (endemic), and Layard's parakeet (endemic)

**Udawalawe/Weli-oya**—Barred buttonquail; Intermediate egret; Asian openbill; Cattle egret; Asian woolly-neck stork; Indian cormorant; Black-headed ibis; Oriental darter; Indian pond heron; Grey-headed fish-eagle; Slaty-legged crake; Lesser whistling-duck; Purple swamphen; Black-winged stilt; Pheasant-tailed jacana; Indian roller; Common kingfisher; Malabar pied hornbill; Velvet-fronted nuthatch; Indian robin; Tri-coloured munia, and Jerdon's bushlark  
**Ahaspokuna**—Indian peafowl; Blue-faced malkoha; Little swift; Asian palm-swift; Brown shrike; Indian pitta; Jerdon's leafbird, and Paddyfield pipit

**Unakuruwa/Tangalle**—Greater flameback; Purple-rumped sunbird; Ceylon woodshrike (endemic); White-browed fantail; White-browed bulbul; Gull-billed tern; White-breasted waterhen; Little tern, and Common tern

**Galle**—Curlew and common sandpiper

**Other sites**—Purple heron; Little egret; Spot-billed pelican; Little cormorant; Great cormorant; Shikra; Brahminy kite; Crested serpent-eagle; Red-wattled lapwing; Rock dove/Feral pigeon; Eastern spotted dove; Indian swiftlet; White-throated kingfisher; House crow; Common myna, and Purple sunbird

**Titchfield Haven, Stubbington, Hampshire: December 12, 2017 BARRED WARBLER** (new species for U.K.); a first-year bird seen just behind the visitor centre. Also, Kingfisher; Buzzard; Redwing; Redshank; Turnstone; Sanderling; Ringed plover; Eider and Oystercatcher

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: December 13, 2017** Mostly miserable weather, but during a sunny window of 10 minutes the best views of a Bittern I have ever had.

**Dungeness RSPB Reserve, Lydd, Kent: December 17, 2017** A pleasant, sunny day, turning rainy in afternoon. Dartford warbler, near to Britannia pub; Tree sparrow; Long-eared owl; Goosander; Goldeneye; Great egret; Marsh harrier; male Brambling

**St Andrew's Churchyard, Bramfield, Hertfordshire: January 7, 2018 HAWFINCH** (new species for U.K.); 26 were reported. No idea how many I saw, but striking males, as well as females, in this irruption in several parts of the U.K.; also, Goldcrest; Fieldfare; Chaffinch; Greenfinch; Long-tailed tit, and Red kite

**Pulborough Brooks RSPB, Pulborough, Sussex; 14 January, 2018** My first visit to this RSPB reserve, and a great day. **TUNDRA BEAN GOOSE** (new species for U.K.) and **TEMMINCK'S STINT** (new species for U.K.), the latter seen through a fellow birder's

scope. Grey and dumpy appearance, with a clear differentiation between head and breast. Active, and then it flew first left, showing white tail feathers, and then right and into deep cover. Also, Goldcrest; Bewick's swan, and two RUDDY SHELDUCK (new species for U.K.), but one I will regard as an escapee unless told otherwise—no record of this species as been accepted on the British list since the mid-20th Century. NOTE: Bean goose, as of the first day of 2018, has been split into two separate species, Tundra bean goose and Taiga bean goose, which I have not seen

**Walthamstow Wetlands Reserve, London; 21 January, 2018** Very cold, with a mixture of quick thick snow and incessant rain, but during a break from either, a 90-minute wait resulted in **LITTLE BUNTING** (new species for U.K. and my 250th U.K. species). Saw the bird for no more than 10 seconds, but approximately 10 birders were there. Conditions meant birds, including Reed bunting and Dunnock, were sheltering in scrub and hardly venturing out. Also seen were Kingfisher; Peregrine falcon, and Common redshank

**Staines Reservoir, Surrey; 26 January, 2018 SHORE LARK** (new species for U.K.) seen on the banks of the south reservoir. This bird has been seen at the reservoir on and off for several months and is in fact the American sub-species American horned lark, so if one day the birding eggheads decide to separate all or some of the many subspecies of "Horned lark," notably in this case *Eremophila alpestris* or *Eremophila alpestris hoyti* (the Staines bird is likely to be one of those two sub-species) I will just have to see a British shore lark and get to add an armchair tick of the bird I saw today

**Al-Wathba Nature Reserve, Al-Wathba, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, 27 January 2018** My first time here, and what transpired as one of the most memorable days ever at this reserve. The 19th-ever Moustached warbler for the UAE and the 31st-ever Baillon's crake, with both these birds new for me anywhere.

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: February 3, 2018** Pintail; Snipe; Little egret; Cetti's warbler; Redwing

**Puertomingalvo, Spain: February 17-19, 2018** Cirl bunting; Common crossbill; Griffon vulture

**Millwall Outer Dock, Canary Wharf, London: March 18, 2018** Shag (juvenile, but a great sighting in London); Mediterranean gull

**Musandam Peninsula, Oman: April 14-15** Rose-ringed parakeet; Indian roller; Common redstart; Red-tailed shrike; Woodchat shrike; Desert wheatear; Common tern

**Al Hamra Resort, Ras al Khaimah, United Arab Emirates: April 16-19** Hoopoe; Indian roller; Graceful prinia; Red-vented bulbul; White-eared bulbul; Green sandpiper; Red-wattled plover; Purple sunbird

**Carlton Marshes, Oulton Broad South, Suffolk: April 28, 2018** A slightly chilly day, unseasonal. **AMERICAN BITTERN** (new species for U.K.), a wait of five hours or so. It has been reported for most of April, but in the last few days appearing only in the hour before dusk. I missed its first flight as I walking along the River Waveney so as to feel a little warmer, but it reappeared for three flights, during which I could identify it properly and for a view of 30 seconds performed the classic next-stretched-up pose. Also, two Yellow wagtail,

including one very bright male; 10 or so Avocet; Short-eared owl, and ever-present Marsh harrier

**Nazeling Mead, Broxbourne, Hertfordshire: April 29, 2018** Weather still unseasonably chilly, a couple of degrees cooler than the day before (American bittern not seen today either, hunkered down to keep warm, no doubt. **RED-RUMPED SWALLOW** (new species for U.K.), two views of the bird). Many swallow, House martin and Sand martin

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: April 29, 2018** One Wheatear; three Whinchat, including a very bright male; one Dunlin; one Little ringed plover and one Ringed plover, all these last three on the same tiny shingle island

**Ham Wall RSPB Reserve, Glastonbury, Somerset: May 5, 2018** Glorious sunny weather. Cuckoo; Marsh harrier; three or four Hobby; Great egret; Cetti's warbler; Sedge warbler; Reed warbler; Willow warbler; Chiffchaff, and Bittern. (Also, numerous Orange tip butterflies)

**Denge Wood, Canterbury, Kent: May 7, 2018** Bullfinch singing; Green woodpecker; Great spotted woodpecker. (Also, and the reason I went to these woods, my first sighting of (two) Duke of Burgundy butterflies)

**Dungeness RSPB Reserve, Dungeness, Kent: May 7, 2018** Numerous Whitethroat and Reed bunting; several Sedge warbler; two Great egret; Greenshank; Whimbrel; three Little gull, including one adult but without solidly black head; two Bar-tailed godwit, including one adult; Oystercatcher, and Linnet. Cuckoo heard

**Botany Bay/Oaken Wood, Chiddingfold, Surrey: May 19, 2018** (Visit especially to see Wood white butterfly, which is confined to here as far as South East England is concerned and a species I had not seen before)

**Dungeness, Kent, and other Kentish spots: May 20, 2018** A very chilly start, but things became warm and sunny at around 11 a.m. A productive day with an adult male **KENTISH PLOVER** (new species for U.K.) and **HOOPOE** (new species for U.K.). The Kentish plover was on a spit all day viewable from the main building of RSPB Dungeness, while the distant but identifiable sightings of the Hoopoe were off Dengemarsh Road on the military training area. Also, Greenshank; Dunlin; 3 x Sanderling; 3 x Common scoter (two males and a female); Sedge warbler; Whitethroat; Linnet; Marsh harrier, and Hobby. Also seen and heard at Yocklett's Bank, on the chalk escarpments in the centre of Kent, one Nightingale. (Other wildlife sightings: Small copper at Dungeness; Monkey orchid and Green-veined orchid at Park Gate Down, and Lady orchid and Fly orchid at Yocklett's Bank)

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: May 26, 2018** Whinchat; Kestrel; Marsh harrier; Hobby; Redshank; Sedge warbler, and Cetti's warbler. (Also, Harbour porpoise in River Thames)

**Denbies Ridge, Dorking, Surrey: May 27, 2018** Yellowhammer. (Also, my reason for coming here, Adonis blue butterfly, a new species for me and my 44th U.K. butterfly; also, Brown argus; Common blue, Small copper; Brimstone, and Dingy skipper)

**Isles of Scilly, Cornwall: July 27-August 3, 2018 WILSON'S STORM PETREL** x 5 (new species for U.K.); **EUROPEAN STORM PETREL** x 50 (new species for U.K.); **GREAT SKUA** (new species for U.K.); **MANX SHEARWATER** x 500 (new species for U.K.); **SOOTY SHEARWATER** x 3 (new species for U.K.); **GREAT SHEARWATER** x 10 (new species for U.K.); **CORY'S SHEARWATER** x 2 (new species for U.K.). Pelagic on July 30 choppy water (1.8-metre waves) but more birds; pelagic on 3 August much calmer and fewer birds, but a Wilson's storm petrel on both sailings and also on last sailing—(Blue shark and Porbeagle Shark. Also, Common dolphin on both sailings, and Harbour porpoise coming out of Penzance)

**Bath Nature Reserve, Bath, Ohio, USA: August 18, 2018 WESTERN KINGBIRD** (new species for US); Henslow's sparrow; Cedar waxwing; Northern oriole; Osprey

**Wanstead Flats, Manor Park, London: September 1, 2018** Not many birds, but a first-winter Red-backed shrike, my first of this species for many years, and a Whinchat; also, a Blackcap. The shrike I saw quickly upon arrival and then numerous times after that, but it was active and effortlessly disappeared

**Wanstead Flats, Manor Park, London: September 2, 2018** Returned for the Red-backed shrike and a second afternoon of excellent views

**Streat/Plumpton, Sussex: September 9, 2018 HONEY BUZZARD** (new species for U.K.) seen over fields and moving towards South Downs

**Royston, Hertfordshire: September 23, 2018 PALLID HARRIER** (new species for U.K.) seen over fields along Icknield Way. Saw it almost immediately, and some very close-up views of a juvenile bird. Also, Yellow wagtail; Peregrine falcon

**Gravesend, Kent: September 29, 2018** (Startling discovery on 25 September and still there on the Saturday of the weekend, a Beluga whale, the southernmost sighting ever of this Arctic mammal. Perhaps along with a specimen seen in 1913, and some 3,100 kilometres south of its usual range. It has been swimming in the River Thames quite happily, and the authorities are happy to allow it to make its own mind as to where to go—at least for the moment.) Also seen, Black-tailed godwit; Dunlin and Common ringed plover

**Welney Wetland Centre, Welney, Norfolk: October 6, 2018** A pretty grim day weather-wise, although the heavier rain seen later on kept away. **WHOOPEE SWAN** (new species for U.K.) seen, with probably 50 individuals newly arrived as I sat there. Also, 32 x Eurasian crane, 5 x Arctic tern; Snipe; Sparrowhawk; several Tree sparrows; Greylag goose, and Black-tailed godwit

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: October 7, 2018** As beautiful, sunny and calm a day as the day before was grim, chilly and wet. Cattle egret out in front of a hide for 60 minutes; also, Greylag goose; Lapwing; Pochard, and Teal. Out on the Thames were Curlew; Redshank, and Avocet

**Chew Valley Lake, Somerset: November 14, 2018** Very windy, with a little rain. Adult male Yellow-legged gull, one Little Egret, two Great egret and, just down the road, five Cattle egret

**Oare Marshes Nature Reserve, Oare, Faversham, Kent: October 27, 2018 AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER** (new species for U.K.), dark-grey cap sitting on very bold white supercilium, and with dark splotches on breast. Lost soon after sighting amidst mass of Golden plover, Lapwing, Black-tailed godwit and some number of Grey plover. Also, Jack snipe bobbing up and down; Little owl; Linnet; Brant; Grey wagtail; Avocet; Kestrel; Sparrowhawk, and Marsh harrier. (Three Velvet scoter seen, but not by me, and this would have been a new species for U.K., too)

**Beddington Sewage Farm, Hackbridge, Surrey: November 4, 2018** The first time I have walked around this closed birding area since 1984 (see above, September of that year), that first time sneaking in to see a rare wader, but this time as part of an organized walk. Warm for the time of year. Water pipit; Tree sparrow (my first in Greater London); Snipe x 15; Green sandpiper x 3; male and female Stonechat; Common gull x 5

**Margate, Kent, England: November 8, 2018** A failed attempt to see the White-billed diver that had been seen for several days and was seen later this day (the bird a week or so later was found dead on a beach in Suffolk). I did see Purple sandpiper x 4; several Curlew; flock of Sanderling; Rock pipit, and Hen harrier

**Central Park and Riverside Drive, New York City, NY: November 18 and 24, 2018** Red-headed woodpecker; Wood duck; Red-tailed hawk; Cooper's hawk; also, a Peregrine falcon mobbing another Red-tailed hawk; House finch; Hooded merganser, and Cardinal. Also, a Mandarin duck, very celebrated in the New York City media, but evidently an escapee

**Gallatin, NY: November 24, 2018** Pileated woodpecker; Black-capped chickadee

**Shoeburyness, Essex, England: December 1, 2018** Black-throated diver in Gunners Pool, a small lake, hence excellent views; also, 10x Red-throated diver; 50x Common scoter; Purple sandpiper; Little egret; 30x Brant; Rock pipit, and Stonechat

**Margate to Broadstairs, and Deal, Kent, England: December 7, 2018:** Red-throated diver; Black-throated diver; Rock pipit; Purple sandpiper; Oystercatcher; Little egret. At Deal was a flock of 20 or so Common scoter, but three reported Velvet scoter not seen

**Herne Bay to Reculver, Kent, England: December 21, 2018: SNOW BUNTING** (new species for U.K.); Sanderling; Curlew; Redshank; Oystercatcher; Turnstone

**Staines Reservoir, Surrey; December 22, 2018** My bogie bird defeated, a **GREAT NORTHERN DIVER** (new species for U.K.), distant but identifiable. Also, Goldeneye; Wigeon; Pochard, and Linnet

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: December 23, 2018** Yellow-legged gull; good views of Bittern that then flew

**Albufera Marshes, Valencia, Spain: December 29, 2018** Highlights were Booted eagle drying on a tree after a failed catch of Black-winged stilt (there were approximately 100) and a juvenile Bluethroat. Also, Crag martin; Kingfisher; Black redstart; Redstart; Chiffchaff; Cattle egret; Little egret; Great egret; Grey heron; Teal x 300, Red-crested pochard (x5); Shoveler; Shelduck, Stonechat; Whinchat; Crested lark, and Meadow pipit

**Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates: February 2-3, 2019**

**Al-Wathba Nature Reserve**—Tawny pipit; Desert wheatear; 16 x Black-necked grebe; Clamorous reed warbler; Black-winged stilt; Greater flamingo; Kentish plover; Greater spotted eagle; Marsh harrier; Marsh sandpiper; Common sandpiper; Spur-winged plover; Little grebe; Graceful prinia, and Grey-headed swamphen (the “Purple swamphen” has recently been split six ways, the original Purple swamphen now named Western swamphen)

**Jebel Hafeet, Al Ain**—Egyptian vulture; Red-tailed wheatear; Hume’s wheatear; Blue rock thrush; Hoopoe; Indian roller; Red-wattled lapwing; Sacred ibis; Cattle egret, and Crag martin

**Zakher Pools, Al Ain**—Crested lark; White-rumped sandpiper; Curlew; Ferruginous duck; Pochard, and Socotra cormorant

**Cassiobury Park, Watford, Herts.: February 17, 2019** One view of Lesser-spotted woodpecker close to the Flamingo enclosure of the Carpdell Fish Farm. Also, Red kite and Great spotted woodpecker

**Crossness Nature Reserve, Belvedere, Kent: February 20, 2019** A 20-kilometre run from my home at 6:15 a.m. and a 30-minute window to see **PENDULINE TIT** (new species for U.K.), which another birder heard and I located. The view lasted 10 seconds, but the mask and red to the top of the back were evident. Then I needed to run to catch the train up to London to go to work. The bird was seen on another four occasions, but always fleetingly, during the day. It was found on February 18.

**Lübbenau, Spreewald, Germany: March 2-3, 2019**

60 x Eurasian crane flying on thermals, plus two seen flying and fortunately see again in a field for the closest views I have had of this species; also, Red kite; 100 x Tree sparrow; 4 x Black woodpecker, three flying overhead, one on a tree; Great spotted woodpecker; Green woodpecker; Treecreeper; Nuthatch

**Ashdown Forest, Sussex, England: March 23, 2019**

Unsuccessful search for the Great grey shrike that has been present, but mobile, all winter. Singing chiffchaff; Dartford warbler; Raven

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: March 24, 2019**

Great views of Bittern, which has not been seen since March 24 and probably has left for its breeding grounds. Also, female Goldeneye; Water pipit; two Sand martin; Snipe; Peregrine falcon. Wigeon still here; also, Pochard, Lapwing; one Gadwall on the River Thames

**Ingrebourne Valley, Hornchurch, Essex: March 30, 2019** No luck finding the Green-winged teal reported the previous day. There were a sizable number of Eurasian teal. Also, 5 x Green sandpiper; Stock dove; Gadwall; Little egret, and one solitary Lapwing

**Vange March, Pitsea, Essex: March 30, 2019** Distant, bad views of one Garganey. Also, Avocet; 3 x Spotted redshank; Redshank, and Great egret

**Wanstead Flats, Manor Park, London: April 1, 2019** Very happy bobbing around on the small, innocuous Jubilee Pond a male Garganey, providing the best views I have had of this duck. Other birders reported it as having been skittish in the morning, hassled by other birds and flying away on at least one occasion, but for me, arriving at midday, it was very calm. On

walk across the heathland, also, Kestrel; Greenfinch singing, and Skylark displaying. The Garganey was present for only this one day

**Albufera, Mallorca, Balearic Islands, and other sites: April 6-7, 2019**

**Albufera**—Zitting cisticola; Red-knobbed coot (with large identity collars; Europe-based number for the species purported to be fewer than 100); Red-crested pochard; Squacco heron; Black-crowned night-heron; Cattle egret; Little egret; Grey heron; Spotted redshank; Common ringed plover; Little ringed plover; Kentish plover; Common redshank; Common sandpiper; Yellow wagtail; Chiffchaff; Siskin, and Black-winged stilt

**Albuferita**—Swift; White-rumped swift; Swallow; House martin; Sand martin; Booted eagle, and Stonechat

**Boquer Valley**—Balearic warbler; Cirl bunting, and Blue rock thrush

**Banyalbufar**—Red kite (diminishing numbers on the Balearics) and Blackcap

**South Downs, near Fulking and Ditchling, Sussex, England: April 21, 2019** Two Rook, a species I never see within London, at Clayton, and at Ditchling two Lesser whitethroat

**Sydenham, London, England: April 21, 2019** In the parking area behind my flat a Grey wagtail, a quite unusual “garden” tick some distance away from water

**Mount Athos. Halkidiki, Greece: May 5-10, 2019**

Whinchat; Stonechat; Garden warbler; 3 x Nightingale; Little bittern (at Iviron Monastery); Woodchat shrike; Red-backed shrike; Chiffchaff; Sardinian warbler; Spotted flycatcher; Subalpine warbler; Raven; Hooded crow; Cory’s shearwater; Swallow; Swift; Alpine swift; House martin; Sand martin, and Tree pipit

**Crossness Nature Reserve, Belvedere, Kent: May 18, 2019** My second new species for the U.K. in 2019, and both have been in this somewhat innocuous site that when I was a child was not birded but is increasingly being so and this bringing up exciting finds. Today it was a **GREAT REED WARBLER** (new species for U.K.), which is the first for the London birding area. I saw it very soon after arriving, and heard its fairly loud croaking call. Somewhat a challenge to see and photograph as the view was from behind a metal fence with reeds in between me and the reeds in which it was flitting. Also, reed warbler, Sedge warbler, and two Whitethroat feeding young

**Dungeness, Kent, and other Kentish spots: May 26, 2019** Essentially a day out with my parents to show my Mum orchids, and we went to Park Gate Down and Yocklett’s Bank. At the first we saw Monkey orchid; one or two Early purple orchid still in near enough good shape and Common twayblade. At the latter we saw Lady orchid, two Fly orchid and one, my first ever, Greater butterfly orchid, and in bloom, perhaps early for this species.

A quick trip down to Littlestone, near Old Romney, failed to produce the Serin that has been reported most of the week, mostly because for the first time in that week the wind picked up. A quick visit to Dungeness to get a cup of coffee produced Common gull on nest box right by the visitor centre; Oystercatcher; Common tern; Pochard; Great crested grebe, and Little stint.

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: May 27, 2019**

Quite quiet. Redshank; Ringed plover; Little ringed plover on eggs (a wire cage has been placed around the pair); two Common tern; Sand martin; Swift; Blackcap, and two Stock dove. (Disappointing in butterflies, too, with only a Red admiral, Brimstone and Large white seen.)



**Dungeness, Kent, and other Kentish spots: June 1, 2019**

I caught up with the **SERIN** (new species for U.K.) on a very much calmer day, the bird still in the conifer tree by a house and singing. In total, 51 species, including Lesser whitethroat; Whitethroat; Sedge warbler; Reed warbler; Cuckoo; Hobby; Whimbrel; Linnet, and one Mediterranean gull

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: June 2, 2019** Warm and still. Barn owl; Redshank (three perched on posts, two of them on consecutive perches); Curlew; Cetti's warbler; Cuckoo, and 3 x Avocet

**Lea Valley, Seventy Acres Lake/Fishers Green, Essex: June 2, 2019** drake Ring-necked duck. It took a while to find, hidden behind an island, after a search around the whole lake. Good views, and far better than the one other time I have seen it

**Ditchling Common Country Park, near Burgess Hill, East Sussex: June 22, 2019** Garden warbler, Chiffchaff; Lesser whitethroat and male Bullfinch. (Also, my reason for coming here, Black hairstreak, a new species for me and my 45th U.K. butterfly, in a recently discovered colony for this rare butterfly; also, Common blue, Ringlet; Red admiral; Meadow brown, Speckled wood and Painted lady. It took a while to see the Black hairstreak, but one was quite docile at ground level, another paused for some while in the branches maybe two metres above head height)

**East Blean Woods, near Hoath, Kent: June 23, 2019** (And another rare species, my 46th U.K. butterfly, Heath fritillary. Quite easy to see once in the right black, the species seeming to be jittery in flight and more than happy to alight on bracken at about one metre above the ground. I might have seen 15 individuals in 30 minutes; also, Painted lady (quite numerous on my walk to the woods from Herne Bay), Red admiral and Ringlet)

**Hutchinson's Bank/Chapel Bank, New Addington, Surrey: July 6, 2019** (Butterflies along the chalk escarpments—one Small blue; Common blue; Ringlet; hundreds of Marbled white, and a dozen Dark-green fritillary)

**Fairmile Common, Cobham, Surrey: July 13, 2019** (Within the M25 London orbital road but on heathland with bell heather, my 47th U.K. butterfly species, both male and female Silver-studded blue; also, my first Gatekeeper of the year)

**Oare Marshes Nature Reserve, Oare, Faversham, Kent: July 14, 2019** My third-ever Lesser yellowlegs and second-ever Bonaparte's gull, very likely the same adult that has been wrongly migrating here for seven or eight years and also likely remains somewhere in the U.K. all year and comes to Oare to moult. In mid-July, though, it is in full summer plumage; also, Spotted redshank; Common redshank; Black-tailed godwit (500); one very early Golden plover; Bearded tit; Peregrine, and three male Ruff in close to summer plumage

**Headley Heath, Tadworth, Surrey: July 20, 2019** (Butterflies on heath and chalkside, including a new species, my 48th U.K. butterfly species, one single White-letter hairstreak, and on a white flower on a chalk hillside, not near elm or bramble; also, Brown argus; White admiral; Dark-green fritillary; Silver-washed fritillary; Large skipper; Small skipper; Gatekeeper; Painted lady, and Grayling on stony soil among the gorse. No luck with the Silver-spotted skipper, of which a few reports have come in.) Juvenile green woodpecker

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: July 28, 2019** Water dredged from some of the marsh area. Wood sandpiper; 3 x Ruff; Avocet; 200 x Black-tailed godwit; Lapwing; 10 x Little egret, and Curlew. (Grey seal basking on the river shore)

**Oare, Uplees and Conyer marshes, Faversham, Kent: August 5, 2019** More of a wonderful walk with Francesca, my wife, than a birding excursion, but the Bonaparte's gull remains, although now heavily moulted. Also, Curlew; Whimbrel; 10 x Common sandpiper; 5 x Oystercatcher; Marsh harrier, and 3 x Kestrel, but not much on the East Flood due to maintenance. (Also, Clouded yellow butterfly and several Painted lady)

**Hutchinson's Bank, New Addington, Croydon; 25 August, 2019** A visit to see if I could spot a Glanville fritillary butterfly (I did not), which for the first time in this introduction site reputedly started by person or persons unknown in 2011 had a second brood, albeit probably lesser in number than the first brood in April/May. But as I and another birder-turned-summer-butterfly-watcher searched a steep-sided paddock I spotted a **GOSHAWK** (new species for U.K.) that floated over the tree line scattering pigeons. A juvenile, it showed large broad wings, pear-drop shape splotches running from neck to belly, pale belly and correct banding on the tail. It was also large, with all the ID marks together ruling out Common buzzard and/or female Sparrowhawk. (Also, Chalkhill blue, Brown argus; Small copper; Dark-green fritillary, and Silver-washed fritillary butterflies; and a Common shrew, a species I do not remember seeing before.)

**Oare Marshes Nature Reserve, Oare, Faversham, Kent: August 31, 2019** A Peregrine spent much of the day peering at the pigeons and waders. Also, a Kestrel; 2 x Curlew sandpiper, with one adult retaining some summer plumage; Knot; Golden plover; Grey plover; a juvenile Wood sandpiper; 300 x Black-tailed godwit; Water rail; 30 x Dunlin, also some retaining summer plumage, and the Bonaparte's gull remains, although I was lucky to pick it out in its autumn plumage as I was searching for Curlew sandpiper

**Titchfield Haven, Stubbington, Hampshire: September 21, 2019** **BLUETHROAT** (new species for U.K.), seen from the Meon Hide, with two good views of a minute or so each out in the open, and some more half-hidden views within the reeds. Also, Turnstone by the harbour

**Somerset (West Hay; Chew Valley Lake): Oct. 5-6, 2019** Little egret, Great egret and Cattle egret all in the same telescope view. All told, 13 x Great egret; 6 x Little egret, and 3 x Cattle egret, two of which showed yellow blush to head. Also, 2 x Yellow-legged gull; Pintail; Little grebe, and numerous Gadwall

**Mai Po Reserve and Tai Po Kau, New Territories; Pokfulam, Hong Kong Island, Hong Kong: 20-21 October, 2019**

Spoonbill; Eastern spot-billed duck; Gadwall; Little egret; Great egret; Greenshank; Black-winged stilt; Azure-winged magpie; White-throated kingfisher; Collared crow; Little grebe; Great-crested grebe; Kingfisher; Plain prinia; Common sandpiper; Green sandpiper; Chinese pond-heron; Grey heron; Purple heron; Greater coucal; White-breasted waterhen; Rufous-capped babbler; Great cormorant; Marsh harrier (female); Black kite; Eastern spotted dove; Long-tailed shrike; Oriental reed warbler; Black-collared starling; Daurian redstart (female);

Oriental magpie robin; Pied kingfisher; Grey treepie; Black-throated laughingthrush; Chestnut bulbul

**Mai Chau, Pu Luong and Van Long, Vietnam: 30 October-8 November, 2019**

(Birding not impressive, with the sense that conservation is not a priority and the cognisance of birds being things to sing from cages)

Blue rock thrush; Eyebrowed thrush; Red-vented bulbul; Black-whiskered bulbul; Black-crested bulbul; Little egret; White-throated kingfisher; Kingfisher; Siberian stonechat; Grey-backed shrike; Yellow-billed blue magpie; Japanese white-eye; White wagtail; Grey wagtail; Little grebe; Grey-headed swamphen; Crow-billed drongo; Asian palm swift; White-browed crane; Cinnamon bittern; Bronze-winged jacana; Chinese pond heron; Short-billed minivet; Black-naped oriole; Asian brown flycatcher; Collared treepie; Little pied flycatcher; Oriental magpie robin; White-capped water redstart; Common myna; Green-backed tit; Crested finchbill; Golden parrotbill; White-headed munia; Black-throated laughingthrush; Dark-necked tailorbird

**Oare Marshes, Faversham, Kent: 17 November, 2019**

Gadwall; Little egret; Great-crested grebe; Kingfisher; Grey heron; Marsh harrier; Black-tailed godwit; Redshank (100+); Dunlin (1,000+); Avocet (50+); Pintail (three drakes, one duck); Shoveler; Snipe; 6 x Bearded tit (but all juveniles); 2 x Curlew, and 2 x Bewick's swan

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: December 7, 2019**

Birds mostly difficult to see. Jack snipe; Snipe; Goldeneye (female); Caspian gull (my second ever); Bittern, and Pintail (three drake, one duck)

**Whipsnade Zoo, Whipsnade, Bedfordshire: December 14, 2019**

First visit to this zoo (I did not see much of it) for a **BLACK-THROATED THRUSH** (new species for U.K. and my 275th) amid a flock of Redwing. Great views of it flying across open space pretty much as soon as the gates opened at 10, but fresh wind following heavy rain saw all birds staying a little distant. Good views later, on berry bushes. Also, Red kite

**Slimbridge, Gloucestershire: December 16, 2019** 2 x Water rail, right in front of the Willow Hide, and the best views I have had of this species, and two of them; 24 x Bewick's swan; 10 x Pintail; numerous Ruff; Redshank; Dunlin; Black-tailed godwit, and Lapwing; Rook; Stonechat; Greylag goose; two Eurasian crane flyovers (but, again, there is a reintroduction scheme here)

**Portland (various sites), Dorset: December 17, 2019** Very productive day, with 2 or 3 Great northern diver; 2 to 3 Black-throated diver; 20 x Great crested grebe; 2 x Little grebe; 6 to 8 Black-necked grebe; **VELVET SCOTER** (a new species for U.K.; female, and one I found by scanning large geese flocks); 200+ Brent goose, both dark- and light-bellied forms; 4 x Eider; 30 Red-breasted merganser; 2 x Razorbill; 3 x Common guillemot; Black guillemot; Gannet; 30 x Mediterranean gull; 5 x Cormorant, and 30 x Shag. (A Bottlenose dolphin—we had a grandstand view of a harbour-patrol boat's staff untangling a dolphin from fishing netting, after which the dolphin seemed to raise a tail out of the water as a thank-you gesture, spin around the small boat a couple of times and then swim towards the harbour mouth)

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: December 20, 2019** Sparrowhawk (female); Barn owl; 7 x Snipe; Curlew; 2 x Avocet; Dunlin; Skylark, and Blackcap (female); the water levels were very high following a great deal of rain over the last couple of weeks

**Walthamstow Wetlands Reserve, London; 26 January, 2020** Firecrest, maybe two, as I saw one twice amid a flock of 12 or so Long-tailed titmice; also on the reservoir, female Goldeneye and two Peregrine falcons bathing and then flying to a nearby pylon

**Valentines Park, Gants Hill, London; 26 January, 2020** Amazingly, someone on a RSPB walk in a place I suspect is not birded often, a Turtle dove, a species seen here in the summer overwintering and likely remaining from last summer. Amid a flock of 20 or so Collared dove. It is my first Turtle dove for probably 30 years; when I was a teenager, I would see 50 on any summer's day, but that is a thing of the past

**Perrymead Lake, East Horsely, Surrey; 22 February, 2020** One drake Goosander and two drake Mandarin duck, on a pond that was filled fairly high with flood water

**Frensham Common, Frensham, Surrey: 22 February, 2020** Great grey shrike, the best view I have ever had, and only my second example. Excellent views of a bird constantly making a circle around one part of the common. Also, Treecreeper

**Poulter Park, Mitcham, Surrey: March 1, 2020** 2 x Siberian chiffchaff (sub-species) in pretty much the same spot I saw one, my first, three years ago in January 2017 on the River Wandle. Also, my second-ever Yellow-browed warbler, always moving and largely hidden, but seemingly chasing Chiffchaff and other species from one bushy trees. Grey wagtail, male Blackcap

**Sydenham Woods, London: March 29, 2020** The world is in the grip of COVID-19 coronavirus, and everyone is remaining at home, only going out close to their home once a day for exercise, shopping or emergencies, and the death toll—mainly the old and those with existing health conditions—is numbering in 10s of 1,000s around the world. Any birding is local, that is very local. I did see 2 x Stock dove, drinking in a pond, and 6 or 7 x Redwing, which is pretty late in the season for this species. Also, a Wren singing like crazy

**From the window of my home, Sydenham, London: March 31, 2020** Marsh harrier floating over the houses. I wonder if the very noticeable absence of people on the streets, cars on the road and noise in the air might be beneficial to nature, certainly as now we are in the breeding season?

**Hutchinson's Bank, New Addington, Surrey: May 2, 2020** (I saw the first sighting anywhere in the U.K. of a new species for me (my 49th for the U.K.), Glanville fritillary after several years of trying to find one on this site, which is not recognised by Butterfly Conservation, despite the population being self-sustaining. I saw two examples, one showing the underwings, one showing the outer-wings, and also six or so caterpillars of the species. Also, Dingy skipper)

... also, Glanville fritillary on 20 May and 7 June

**South Benfleet, Essex: June 13, 2020**

The COVID-19 lockdown has eased slightly. **MARSH WARBLER** (a new species for U.K.), difficult to see, but on the two occasions I got a good view, sufficient to ID this species, its long primaries being the main feature. Also, Common tern; Little egret; Goldfinch. (Also, first Small skipper and Marbled white butterflies of the year)

**Sandwich Estate, Kent: June 22, 2020**

Skylark; Linnet; Reed bunting; Spotted flycatcher; Common ringed plover; Stonechat; Whitethroat. (Also, my first Lizard orchid)

**Dungeness, Kent: June 26, 2020**

After some searching after an almost immediate flyover, a **GULL-BILLED TERN** (a new species for U.K.) that was flying and fishing actively but always fairly distantly over the site's ARC Pit. Also, my third U.K. Black-winged stilt and on Dungeness beach a Black redstart

**Oare Marshes Nature Reserve, Oare, Faversham, Kent: July 11, 2020** Bonaparte's gull again, the rare American gull that comes from somewhere to moult every year here; also, Spotted redshank; Common redshank (30); Skylark; Linnet; Yellow wagtail; Black-tailed godwit (30); Curlew (four), and an escaped falcon mix with two tags.

**Oare Marshes Nature Reserve, Oare, Faversham, Kent: July 18, 2020** Lesser yellowlegs, almost exactly a year after one came last year; also, two Yellow wagtail; Little gull; a very close Curlew; one Knot; Dunlin; Avocet; Skylark; 30 Redshank

**Hutchinson's Bank, New Addington, Surrey: July 19 and 20, 2020** On first day, overcast, juvenile Goldfinch and adult and juvenile Green woodpecker; on second day, 2 x Marsh titmouse (I saw one here last year). (Also, several Marbled white; second-brood individuals of Common blue and Small blue; Gatekeeper; Ringlet; Meadow brown, and one Dark-green fritillary)

**Cuckmere Haven, Sussex: July 26, 2020** Great views of an adult male Little stint and a juvenile Wood sandpiper. Also, Little ringed plover; Rock pipit; Dunlin; Shelduck; Linnet; Skylark; Buzzard; Kestrel; Peregrine, and Oystercatcher

**Dungeness, Kent, England: 1 August, 2020:** Great white egret; 100 x Gadwall; 20 x Pochard; Ruff; 10 x Gannet; Common tern; Yellow wagtail; Meadow pipit; Stonechat; Whitethroat; female Wheatear and two young; Oystercatcher; Little egret, and juvenile Mediterranean gull

**Headley Heath, Tadworth, Surrey: August 9, 2020** First-ever sighting of a Silver-spotted skipper, my 50th U.K. butterfly species

**Beckenham Place Park, Beckenham, Kent: 11 August, 2020:** Word has got out that there are now fledged 2 x juvenile Hobby, perched on tree branches, of a rare example of this species nesting in a London park. Juveniles were not very confident yet of flying; another juvenile was flying, though, as were two adults that kept pretty much out of the picture save for a hawking expedition or three

**Shapwick March, Somerset: September 4, 2020:** Osprey; Marsh harrier; Hobby; Little egret, and Great egret. Also in Somerset, Raven

**Nuthurst, Sussex: September 5-11, 2020** Spotted flycatcher; Marsh titmouse; Wren; Great spotted woodpecker; Coal tit. Also, elsewhere in Sussex, Wheatear; Marsh harrier; Common sandpiper, and Red kite

**Ditchling Beacon, Sussex: September 5-6, 2020** On arrival to Sussex from Somerset, set off to see a **DOTTEREL** (a new species for U.K.). I had no luck on the Saturday evening, when three were present, but I did see Wheatear and Grey partridge, but I saw one, and one only, on the Monday morning

**East Head, Sussex: September 10, 2020** Bar-tailed godwit; Curlew; Whimbrel; 200 x Oystercatcher; Dunlin; Redshank, and Greenshank

**Pagham Harbour RSPB Reserve, Sussex: September 5-6, 2020** 40 x Cattle egret, certainly the most I have ever seen and possibly the most anywhere collectively in the U.K. (the reserve in 2020 recorded the first breeding success for the country); Whinchat; Stonechat; male and female Redstart; one Spoonbill; Spotted redshank; Redshank; Snipe; Yellow wagtail; Curlew; Black-tailed godwit; Great black-backed gull, and Kingfisher

**Whitehawk, Brighton, Sussex: September 19, 2020** Following a 25-mile run from Hassocks to and along the South Downs Way to Southease and back across a separate section of the Downs to Telscombe and above Rottingdean, my first-ever sighting of a Long-tailed blue, my 51st U.K. butterfly species. Also, butterfly species Clouded yellow and Wall

**Sandwich Estate, Kent: September 20, 2020**  
Juvenile Skylark; Wheatear; Stonechat; Common buzzard; Kestrel; Linnet

**Shuart Marshes, Kent: October 18, 2020** Quick trip down the Thames past Faversham to see a **MASKED SHRIKE** (a new species for the U.K.), the fourth ever to come to the United Kingdom and the first for Kent. Also, Goldcrest; Swallow; House martin, and Kingfisher. (The shrike disappeared sometime in the night of 18-19 October)

**Chew Valley Lake, Somerset: October 28, 2020** Tried to find the Lesser scaup that has been seen distantly from the Moreton hide but with no success. Great egret and Grey heron both catching perch; also, Little egret; Little grebe; Lesser yellowlegs (my fifth in the U.K.); Goosander, and Goldeneye

**Somerset Levels, Somerset: October 29, 2020** 143 Cattle egret (hardly a rarity any more, especially in this area) in three groups. Also, my third Glossy ibis; Great egret; Little egret; Fieldfare; Redwing; one male Bearded titmouse, and 2 x eclipse Wigeon

**Willsbridge Mill, Avon: October 30, 2020** Grey wagtail

**Bewbush Brook, Crawley, Sussex: October 31, 2020** On the way home from Somerset a stop-off to see **DUSKY WARBLER** (a new species for the U.K.). I enjoyed a couple of somewhat brief looks as it, firstly, came in ahead of a group of Long-tailed titmouse, which could have been a coincidence, and then, secondly, for a little more time to better see its brown-russet back, eye-stripe and large Wren-like stature. (Also found out today that the Bottlenose dolphin, seen almost a year ago on December 17, 2019, in Weymouth Harbour

being freed from netting, died. It was the only dolphin to live almost exclusively in and around the harbour and unfortunately had a collision with a boat.)

**Worth Marshes and Kingsdown, Kent: November 21, 2020**

Failed to see the Eastern yellow wagtail, which has been seen that day, but I did see two, maybe three, of the five reported **LAPLAND BUNTING** (a new species for the U.K.) as I left the area they had last been seen in and walked along footpaths to the right of the village of Worth. Also, three Jack snipe and several Stonechat.

As I was leaving to go home, news came in of a real find at Kingsdown, a 15-minute drive away, and I got to see **CRAG MARTIN** (a new species for the U.K.) with about 10 minutes left of good light. Great views as it started to roost against the white cliff side. It was seen briefly the next day as it flew south, but it returned on Monday, 23 November, too. It had been found, so I was told, by a “non-birder” who thought what he thought was a Sand martin did not quite look right, so he called a birding friend who came down to see it, confirmed its identity and spread the word. That does not sound like a “non-birder” to me

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: November 26, 2020** 5 x Pintail; one Water pipit that I found and managed to show several other people, for most of whom it constituted a new species, so that was satisfying, as it is usually someone else who shows me a bird, or I hear of one being seen somewhere. Several Marsh harrier, Buzzard sitting on a post and two Redshank on the River Thames. Wigeon back in high number. I bumped into an old friend, Joel Williams and his daughter

**Sonning, Oxfordshire: November 29, 2020** My first Redwing of the winter

**Thursley Common, Surrey: December 4, 2020** Arrived at first light to try and find two species that have been seen the previous six days but not the day before I went, which was a day of horrendous rain. I found the **RUSTIC BUNTING** (new species for U.K.) and Little bunting, which comprised only my second sighting, and definitely the best. Both birds were elusive, often hiding in the grass among scrub and gorse, and several Reed bunting confused the identification. The light was best before 9:30 a.m., which was when I took my only photographs. The rest of the time did not produce good sightings, maybe because there was later on a dozen people there looking for the birds. Also, Red kite; one Dartford warbler; 2 x Fieldfare; Coal tit, and Goldcrest

**Swale Estuary and Capel Fleet, Isle of Sheppey, Kent: December 7, 2020** A very murky, foggy day, a heavy mist that did not lift. Beautifully atmospheric, and I met one other birder all day. Along the Swale I saw Curlew, also calling; Redshank and 100 x White-fronted goose in two groups. At Capel Fleet a scan in the gloom revealed a Barn owl, at 2:15 p.m., and, my first for decades, Hen harrier, a female. All photos were certainly not show-stoppers. Also, Turnstone, Redshank, and Oystercatcher on the shore at Leysdown-on-Sea, by the Shellness Estate

**Letcombe Regis, Oxfordshire: December 11, 2020** GREAT BUSTARD (new species for U.K.), but one I will regard as an escapee unless told otherwise—even though the population is self-sustaining, all birds do come from a reintroduction programme on Salisbury Plain. A magnificent bird, the heaviest flying bird on the planet. Also, a Fieldfare sitting on a fence, and a male Pheasant who might have walked across the field in which the bustard was if the bustard was not five times as large

**Stearth Marshes, Cheddar Reservoir and Barrow Gurney Reservoir, Somerset:**

**December 12, 2020** A sunny day among several of gloom, and an **EASTERN YELLOW WAGTAIL** (new species for the U.K.), a relatively recent split from the Yellow wagtail, at Stearth. After not seeing one on November 21, 2020, it was good to catch up with one here, but it was hard work to find. It also is notable in that it is the first “lifer” Alex Carlisle and I have seen together for more than 30 years, his U.K. list being far larger and mine and I having lived in the USA for 20 years. Some birders had arrived at dawn, 7:30, and it was seen only once all day, at 2 p.m. We did hear it a couple of hours before we saw it, and it was lucky we managed to see it at all. We had turned the car around while eating lunch to view a compost heap that the bird occasionally favoured, and it was only because we were now facing the marsh wall that we saw some birders show signs of anxiousness. We were out of the car in a flash and run up and along the wall to where we had been earlier to view the birds for perhaps no more than 40 seconds before it flew up, around in a circle above our heads and disappeared. Other birders scattered along the wall would have missed it for sure. Also, good views of Hen harrier low over the marshes and a Merlin that shot though and took out a Redshank. We also saw Nature Watch’s Iolo Williams and Mya-Rose Craig filming for an upcoming series, possibly the Penduline tit that would only be able to be seen well with a very high-powered TV camera.

Last stop was Cheddar Reservoir for a **RED-CRESTED POCHARD** (new species for the U.K.), a species that is not reported but does not have huge numbers in the U.K. outside of one park in the Cotswolds, a species that I simply had not got around to seeing before.

Our first stop of the day was Barrow Gurney Reservoir for a very confiding Great northern diver, definitely my best views, and my first U.K. male Long-tailed duck, a super thing, as is the diver. Also, a Common sandpiper

**Cooling Marshes and Salt Fleet, Cooling, Kent: December 20, 2020** A long, muddy walk from Cooling Castle across the marshes to Salt Fleet, the scene of a hurried swim across Egypt Bay creek 35 years ago or so with Alex Carlisle and Clive Gilby. This time around I did not walk around the Thames shore path so far but saw a **RICHARD’S PIPIT** (new species for the U.K.) that flew out of cover and landed 50 or so metres from me. Evident supercilium that went over the eye to the bill, long legs and upright stance. It was skittish. Also, two Peregrine falcon; Marsh harrier; Kestrel; 200 x Shelduck; 50 x Skylark, a flock of Redwing and Fieldfare. Also saw two dead foxes laid neatly side by side off Rye Street in Cooling, which I reported, although I have no idea if a crime was perpetrated

**Reculver and Oare Marshes Nature Reserve, Faversham, Kent: January 3, 2021**

At Reculver, 3 x Snow bunting, my best views of this wonderful species, although flitty and sometimes difficult to see amid the shingle. Also, Sanderling; Curlew; Redshank; Oystercatcher; 40 x Corn bunting; 20 x Reed bunting; 50 x Meadow pipit; Stonechat; 100 x Brent goose; Common buzzard

At Oare, 4 x Bearded tit (I had expected stronger winds today, but no), including two males, one of which was confiding for at least one close-up photo; 20 x Pintail; Gadwall; Teal; Kingfisher hovering over Oare Creek; one Turnstone; 3 x Curlew; 100 x Avocet; several Shelduck; Dunlin; 3 x Grey plover. In addition, a Slow-worm (I reported this to the relevant herpetology website), which I thought initially was dead and which when I realised it was not moved gently with gloves off the sea-wall path and into an area of denser vegetation, and a Common seal in Oare Creek



**Rivers Pool and Ravensbourne, London; February 27, 2021** So very little birding as we mope around in the midst of a 3.5-month lockdown to at least 12 April, but two Grey wagtail; Kingfisher zipping up and down; Sparrowhawk, and Goldcrest

**Crossness Nature Reserve, Belvedere, Kent: March 12, 2021** 2 x Fieldfare; 3 x Grey wagtail; Teal; Pochard; Wigeon; Shelduck; Gadwall; 5 x Redshank, and 3 x Barnacle goose (I heard of a birder who has 195 species for this site but not a Barnacle goose, well, until March 13, 2021. The resident southern population of this goose I believe is to get or has got recognition as a self-sustaining population, but I have seen many of the Solway Firth between England and Scotland so definitely know I have an accepted example

**Peckham Rye Park, London; March 14,15, 16 and 17, 2021** Four visits on four consecutive days to see a Little owl roosting in a pine tree just outside the perimeter of Sexby Gardens. The best views I have had of this species; also, on 14 March, a Great-spotted woodpecker

**Crossness Nature Reserve, Belvedere, Kent: March 20, 2021** Great view of a Cetti's warbler flying over reeds. Also, Curlew; 4 x Black-tailed godwit; 3 x Oystercatcher, and a Peregrine falcon

**Crossness Nature Reserve, Belvedere, Kent: March 27, 2021** 2 x Peregrine falcon; one male and one female Wheatear (first for the year); several Chiffchaff; 2 x Stock dove, and Oystercatcher

**Hutchinson's Bank, New Addington, Surrey: March 28, 2021** Two Red kites and 2 x Skylark on Farleigh Golf Course

**Moors Nature Reserve, Redhill, Surrey: April 1, 2021** Female Ring-necked duck quite close to the bank that gave excellent views. This is only third I have seen, and the first female. Also, Coal tit; Little grebe, and nesting Great crested grebe

**Staines Moors and Staines Reservoir, Staines, Surrey: 1 April, 2021** My first visit to Staines Moors to try and see (I did not) reported Ring ouzel, but Linnet; 50 x Skylark; male Wheatear; Green woodpecker; Blackcap; Chiffchaff, and first Swallow of the year, while on the reservoir was a Little ringed plover and 50 x Pied wagtail

**Barcombe Cross, Sussex: April 10, 2021** An early drive down to see **WHITE-THROATED SPARROW** (new species for the U.K.) that had been reported in the previous two days and could well be the same individual as was seen (and suppressed) in Kent in January. After a hour of searching it gave great views at approximately 8 a.m. on a chilly morning. On the way home stopped off at Weir Wood Reservoir and saw Nuthatch and year's first Whitethroat

**Crossness Nature Reserve, Belvedere, Kent: April 16, 2021** My first walk to the Southern Marsh area of this reserve, where I found a female Ring ouzel and watched it for 45 minutes, with it being in the company of four Song thrush

**Shrewsbury Park, Shooters Hill, Kent: April 20, 2021** Tawny owl. I had been told of it and its location, and it was quite easily found, although there was no sign of its chicks, which have been seen

**Samphire Hoe and Dungeness, Kent: April 23, 2021** At Samphire Hoe, Black redstart; Meadow pipit; Stonechat; numerous Linnet; 3 x Raven; also, my first-ever Early spider orchid, the main reason for my visit. After searching for two hours, I found one flowering example with one flower, as well as several orchids not yet in bloom

At Dungeness, at sea, Gannet; Common tern, and 16 Whimbrel; on a low, flat roof of the nuclear power station, Iceland gull; and in the RSPB reserve, on the feeder, 2 x Brambling, one male, and Greenfinch, and out in the field 32 x Curlew, which was a very nice sight, as well as Sedge warbler

**Nettlebed, Oxfordshire: April 24, 2021** On a walk with friends, an albino Pheasant being looked at carefully by a Red kite, of which I saw many, this being the epicentre of the English reintroduction of this species some 20 years ago or so. Having my first pint in a pub (outdoors being the only seating allowed at the moment) I saw that the town-sign mural of the village featured a Red kite

**Hartslock, Oxfordshire, and Hambleden, Buckinghamshire: May 16, 2021** An orchid trip, essentially, but at Hartslock a Cuckoo calling and breaking cover, but also a few Lady orchid, a handful of Monkey orchid and numerous examples of Lady-Monkey orchid, the only place in the U.K. where these exist

In the Hambledon area, Military orchid (the first time I have seen them) in one of only three places in the U.K. they exist, and three Early purple orchid. The Military orchid were still in closed spikes, but I found one “soldier” who was out of barracks, so to speak. Also, maybe 40 Red kite, one Common buzzard and three or four Orange tip butterflies

**Cumbria and County Durham: May 29-June 1, 2021** A short holiday. At Cross Keys, Cautley Spout, for all four days a Cuckoo calling, and I had good views on three occasions and once seeing it mobbed by a group of passerines. Also, Siskin; Coal tit; Meadow pipit; Stonechat; Skylark; Oystercatcher; Grey wagtail; Common sandpiper; Lapwing; Buzzard; Swallow; Sand martin; House martin, and Swift. At Langdon Beck, no sign of Black grouse, with the weather very warm, but lots of Curlew and Lapwing

**Magpie Bottom, Shoreham, Kent: 6 June, 2021** Another orchid trip, with Man orchid; Common twayblade; Common spotted orchid (just starting to bloom), and Early purple orchid (one, and on its last legs). Also, 3 x Broad-leaved helleborine, but a few weeks from flowering. Nightingale heard and Mistle thrush seen

**Nuthurst, Sussex, and other spots in Sussex: June 26-July 17, 2021** In the garden of the cottage we stayed in, Yellowhammer; Song thrush; Greater-spotted woodpecker; Red kite; Buzzard; Coal tit; Nuthatch

At Knepp, White stork (a new species for me in the U.K., but these are introduced birds); male Bullfinch (to go with the female Bullfinch I saw at Warnham Nature Reserve, Horsham) At Amberley Brooks, distant but credible view of a juvenile White-tailed eagle, also one from a reintroduction project, in its case on the Isle of Wight (local birders on line suggest it is searching for a breeding ground of its own); I had almost given up searching for it when I saw what seemed to me to be an unusual lump on a tree

(Other wildlife sightings dominated by orchids: At Heyshott, my first-ever Musk orchid (12 spikes), after a long search and amazement at how tiny they are); also Chalk fragrant orchid; Common twayblade, and Bee orchid, and nearby hundreds and hundreds of Pyramidal orchid. At Firl Beacon, my first sighting of Frog orchid (nine spikes)

**Dulwich, London: July 23, 2021** On a run, a Little owl

**Minsmere RSPB Reserve, Saxmundham, Suffolk: August 1, 2021** **WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER** (new species for the U.K.), with great views, and once probing the mud very close to the East Hide; also, distant but ID-able Pectoral sandpiper; 3 x Spotted redshank; 3 x Kittiwake; Bittern and Great egret flyovers; Marsh harrier; Ruff; Ringed plover; Black-tailed godwit

**Oare Marshes, Faversham, and Cliffe, Kent: August 14, 2021** At Oare, Bonaparte's gull (the same returning one, I imagine); 3 x Little tern; Greenshank. (Also, Grass snake and Marsh frog)

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: August 15, 2021** All three species of egret, Cattle, Great and Little. Also, Marsh harrier; Yellow-legged gull, and Curlew. (Later on, went to near Vigo, Kent, and found my first Violet helleborine)

**Frampton Marsh RSPB Reserve, Frampton, Lincolnshire: August 21, 2021** My first visit to this reserve, and a great day. **PACIFIC GOLDEN PLOVER** (new species for the U.K.), with so-so views followed later by good views to both sides of the sea wall, and **BLACK STORK** (new species for the U.K.), With again initially so-so views, but later on it flew right over my head, once being mobbed by an Avocet. Also, Spotted sandpiper; Ringed plover; Little ringed plover; 2 x Little stint; Greenshank; Redshank; Green sandpiper; Common sandpiper; numerous Ruff; 26 x Spoonbill; numerous Snipe; Dunlin; Little owl; Short-eared owl; Kestrel; Merlin; adult Cuckoo that flew in front of my car as I drove into the reserve; Wheatear; numerous Yellow wagtail; Greater scaup

**Dubai, United Arab Emirates: September 18-22, 2021** Qudra Lakes and Ras al Khor: Greater flamingo; Grey Francolin; Stone curlew; Lesser grey shrike; White-tailed lapwing; Sociable plover; Grey plover; Ringed plover; Kentish plover; Ruff; Dunlin; Redshank; Greenshank; Red-vented bulbul; White-cheeked bulbul; Shikra; Marsh harrier; Grey heron; Western reef heron; Little egret; Great egret; Black-winged stilt; Common sandpiper; Green sandpiper; Sooty gull (Al Mamzar); Blue-cheeked bee-eater; Indian roller; Hoopoe; Fulvous whistling-duck. (Also, Arabian gazelle and Sand gazelle)

**London Wetland Centre, Barnes, London: September 23, 2021** Pectoral sandpiper, my third one in the U.K. and the nearest, although not so very close

**Isles of Scilly, Cornwall, England: October 2-9, 2021** 100 species, exactly, seen from the moment Alex Carlisle and I left Timsbury to my return home, including two species seen on October 10

**Hayle Estuary, Cornwall (October 1)**—2 x Bar-tailed godwit; Black-tailed godwit; Oystercatcher; Redshank and Greenshank

#### **Isles of Scilly**

October 2—Scillonian III Crossing (Penzance to Hugh Town): Eider; **BALEARIC SHEARWATER** (new species for the U.K.); Sooty shearwater; Manx shearwater and Gannet

Lower Moors: Greenshank and Water rail

Porth Hellick—Water rail; Spotted crake; Glossy ibis; Pectoral sandpiper; Greenshank and Merlin

October 3—Hugh Town: Great crested grebe (rarity for the Isles of Scilly)  
Bryher—Buff-breasted sandpiper (my second only; this is the species I believe I start my U.K. list with, having seen one in September or October 1977 in Cliffe, Kent); 2 x Pink-footed goose and Brent (Pale-bellied form)  
Tresco—Dotterel  
October 4—St. Agnes: **BUFF-BELLIED PIPIT** (new species for the U.K.), and 2 x Pied wagtail (White wagtail sub-species)  
Lower Moors—Water rail  
October 5—St. Mary's: Woodchat shrike (my second only, and one of the Balearic sub-species *Lanius senator badius*) and Snow bunting  
St. Martin's—**RED-BREASTED FLYCATCHER** (new species for U.K.)  
October 6—On a Pelagic from the Sapphire: Sandwich tern; Peregrine falcon; Great skua (my second only); Arctic skua (my second only); 2 x Puffin; Razorbill; Guillemot; Manx shearwater; Sooty shearwater and Arctic tern. (Also a Common dolphin breaching the water)  
October 7—Porthmellon: Sanderling  
Porth Hellick—Pectoral sandpiper snuggled up next to a Snipe; Bar-tailed godwit and Yellow-browed warbler. (Also a Hummingbird hawkmoth)  
October 8—St. Agnes: Snow bunting; Whitethroat; Willow warbler and Whinchat  
The Garrison—Pied flycatcher  
October 9—Peninnis: male and female Black redstart  
The Garrison—Pied flycatcher; Spotted flycatcher; Yellow wagtail; Black redstart and Whinchat

**Normandy Marsh, Lyminster, England: October 10, 2021 WESTERN SANDPIPER** (new species for U.K.), I believe the 13th for the U.K., and Little stint. The sandpiper smaller than surrounding Dunlin and possessed a characteristic bobbing movement as it moved and searched for food

**Dulwich, London, England: October 17, 2021** On a walk with Francesca, a Little owl and, later, a Peregrine falcon

**Rainham RSPB Reserve, Purfleet, Essex: October 24, 2021** A couple of decent but fleeting views of Dartford warbler, but the first time I have seen this species within view of Dartford itself, the town in which I was born. Also, 4 x Cattle egret

**Thamesmead, Erith, Crayford, Kent: November 19, 2021**  
Searching with Alex and Mike for Caspian gull, with a few examples we thought were our quarry, but turned out not to be. Yellow-legged gull, though.

**Oare Marshes, Faversham, and Cliffe, Kent: November 28, 2021** Hoping for a day of strong northerly or easterly winds, with alcids and tubenoses, but it was a gorgeous if chilly day, with the winds not moving the way I wanted. Grey plover; Curlew; 60 x Avocet; Golden plover; several murmuration of Knot in the distance; Marsh harrier hovering over the Thames, and Brent  
At Cliffe, Black-throated diver; Kingfisher, and Red-breasted merganser

**Blacktoft Sands RSPB, Goole, Yorkshire: December 16, 2021** Visit to see the long-staying **WHITE-TAILED LAPWING** (new species for U.K.), which, although I assumed it was

still there, I found for myself, waiting for five minutes before it popped out from behind a small muddy islet. Also, quite a number of Snipe

**Carr Vale Nature Reserve, Chesterfield, Derbyshire: December 16, 2021** Stopped off on the way home to see **AMERICAN WIGEON** (new species for U.K.), among numerous (Eurasian) wigeon and Teal; also, much to my surprise, **WILLOW TIT** (new species for U.K.), which I called out (the other birders there were looking at right angles to the flat-tray bird feeder at the American wigeon) as Marsh tit, but was delightfully corrected. I saw one on another occasion, too. Also, 3 x Pink-footed goose and 2 x Pintail, both species flying overhead

**Pulborough Brooks RSPB, Pulborough, Sussex: December 19-31, 2021** A few birding visits among two weeks near Horsham for Christmas. For dearest little White, one of our cats, I dedicate a wonderful sighting of a Lesser-spotted woodpecker on two visits; also, Goshawk; Marsh harrier; White-fronted goose; Bullfinch

At Warnham Nature Reserve, Horsham, a Bullfinch and five titmouse species—Blue, Coal, Great, Long-tailed and Marsh

At Southwick Shore Canal, Shoreham-on-Sea, a Long-tailed duck, apart from two Cormorant, the only bird on the canal

**Western Parade, Eastbourne, Sussex: January 16, 2022**

**HUME'S LEAF-WARBLER** (new species for U.K.). Seen within a minute. I heard it zip over, and had good views of a flitty bird. Two birders standing next to me said they had waited 45 minutes before they saw it the same moment

**Isles of Grain and Sheppey, Kent: January 22, 2022**

At Yantlet Creek, Isle of Grain, no luck with a reported Glossy ibis but several Sanderling and Turnstone, while at Leysdown on the Isle of Sheppey, probably 100 Brambling, while on the beach by Little Groves Leisure Park, seven Shore lark. This is the first time I have seen the European *Eremophila alpestris flava* Shore lark, but I did see an American horned lark in the U.K. at Staines Reservoir, Surrey on 26 January, 2018, which could be referred to as the principal Shore or Horned lark prototype. There are 42 subspecies globally.

At Capel Fleet, probably 200 Golden plover and 1,000 Brent. Also, a small flock of White-fronted goose and a Red kite

**Marsh Farm Country Park, South Woodham Ferrers, Essex: January 23, 2022**

My 300th U.K. species, **RED-BREASTED GOOSE** (new species for U.K.). I arrived at the site at approximately 9 a.m. just as another birder, Daniel Field, a Canadian ornithologist teaching and researching at Cambridge University, arrived, too, so we introduced ourselves and decided to find the goose together. It was not in the flock of Brent goose present, and we walked all the way around the country park to where Clementsgreen Creek meets the River Crouch, where we saw the Red-breasted goose fly in all on its own. We searched for it along the river bank, but then heard word that it was within the original flock. After that, we had great views, and it, and the flock, came somewhat close. Also, Grey plover; Golden plover; Dunlin; Rock pipit, and a "Black" brent, or Brant, subspecies (*Branta bernicla nigricans*)

**Oslo, Norway: January 24-27, 2022**

A work trip, and I did not leave Central Oslo, but the crow here is only the Hooded crow, and in the harbour was a pair of resplendent Goldeneye

**Eastbourne, Sussex: February 12, 2022**

**AMERICAN ROBIN** (new species for U.K.), seen not so far from the sighting of the Hume's leaf warbler less than a calendar month before. Glorious sunshine, and I arrived at 7 a.m. Seen immediately, and it flew and perched within 15 feet for fantastic views. (I am aware that I never gave a second glance of the 500,000 of this species I saw when I lived in the US, apart from enjoying its habit of walking fast forward three steps, coming to a halt, then repeating.) I went to see if I could see the Hume's leaf warbler again, but the surf was making a lot of noise, it was chilly and the wind blew, so I did not give it long. On the way home, right on the outskirts of Eastbourne at Polegate, there was a Hooded crow. A local said it had been there for three weeks, and I rather suspect the same is true of the American robin, even though it came to birders' attention only on February 8

**Priory Country Park, Bedford, Bedfordshire: February 26, 2022**

**GREEN-WINGED TEAL** (new species for U.K.). A gorgeous sunny day, mild for the time of year, and this new species that took some while to find. There were not so many teal, at least even half-visible, but a slow scan through lots of reeds finally revealed one with the tell-tale white bands going down through the breast. Also there, one Greater white-fronted goose; Marsh harrier; 3 x Snipe; 2 x Oystercatcher, and a flock of 40 feral Barnacle geese. A stop off at RSPB Sandy, the organisation's HQ and a place I have never been to, showed Siskin; Coal tit; 3 x Red kite, 2 x Greenfinch, and a Nuthatch

**Crossness Nature Reserve, Belvedere, Kent: February 27, 2022**

Common sandpiper; 20 x Redshank; 20 x Black-tailed godwit; Wigeon; Pochard; Gadwall; 100s of Teal; Linnet; Peregrine

**Epping Forest, Essex: March 20, 2022**

On a walk with friends, a Firecrest in really good light

**Mayow Park, Sydenham, London: March 29, 2022**

Francesca took a photo of a "strange bird" she saw while out on a run, and it was the escaped Crested caracara from London Zoo, which has been roaming around south and southeast London (and last heard at Kemsing, Kent) for three weeks. A team came from the zoo to see if they could recapture it, but they failed, obviously. (It was finally recaptured.)

**Lower Pond Lane Ponds, Marlow, Buckinghamshire: April 3, 2022**

**BLUE-WINGED TEAL** (new species for U.K.). So, two American teal U.K. lifers for me in a row, this one being a female; also, a Red kite landed in a tree very close to me, and I got a couple of good photos before it saw me and dashed off

**Abberton Reservoir, Peldon, Essex: April 9, 2022**

**LESSER SCAUP** (new species for U.K.), which took some finding. There were only two flocks of tufted duck on the reservoir, a small flock of six and a large flock of maybe 200. It was not in the smaller flock, and in the larger flock it took a lot of searching, but finally I saw the grey back, upright head and small bobble to the back of the head. It was not windy today, but all the ducks were diving, and it was very easy to lose. Also, a pair of Goldeneye and my first Swallow of the year

**Mucking Marshes, East Tilbury, Essex: April 9, 2022**

My second-ever Temminck's stint, which I believe is the same bird that has been seen in Cliffe, Kent, and was found by a friend of mine, Paul Dietrich. Really tidy individual, with

the pale brown head and breast band showing nicely. Also, a Ringed plover and a Little ringed plover, my first for the year

### **Ham Wall RSPB Reserve, Somerset: April 23, 2022**

A very unpromising day that turned into a very warm one, albeit with some gusts of strong breeze. The highlights were six Glossy ibis all in a group (five of which later took to the air, scared off by an overenthusiastic photographer) and five Garganey, including four males. Also, Great egret; Willow warbler; Blackcap, and a Bittern, although also we heard three or four booming, one very close but still unseen

### **Grunwald, Berlin, Germany: May 2, 2022**

The first train stop—albeit a fairly long one from the Zoo area of Berlin—to a very large deciduous wood area dropping down to the Havelsee lake. Incredible birding so close to the city centre, with Hawfinch; Redstart; Nightingale; Wood warbler; Black woodpecker; Treecreeper; Nuthatch, and a pair of Crane on the small Platsee

### **Richmond, London, to Oxford, 100-mile Centurion Running race: May 7-8, 2022**

I ran 100 miles—actually, 102 due to a bridge being closed by the Environmental Agency the evening before the race's start—from London to Oxford along the Thames Path. Forty-two species recorded, including Green woodpecker, Marsh tit and four calling Cuckoo

### **Regents Park, London: May 14, 2022**

Heard numerous times before seen, an Iberian chiffchaff. The second time I have seen this species, but the first time I have heard and seen it singing repeatedly

### **Skokholm Island, Pembrokeshire, Wales: May 29, 2022**

Quite extraordinary how I got here. On a trip to celebrate Francesca's birthday, and a trip modelled on her pace and interests, we had a planned trip to Skomer Island, essentially to see Puffin, but due to northerly winds it is impossible or dangerous for boats to land there, even if the sea looks like a millpond. I was told it has everything to do the swell. For a few days I had seen that on the normally inaccessible island next to Skomer, Skokholm, there had been a **MOLTONI'S WARBLER** (new species for U.K.) present, so when I got an email saying the Skomer trip was cancelled, I called the number for the special birding boat organised, especially to see that species. Apparently, it is only the third time this century a boat has been organised to land at the bird reserve, which is always off limits (the other two boat trips were organised to see a Swainson's thrush and a Yellow-rumped warbler). Twenty-nine birders were met at the jetty and literally frogmarched to where the warbler had been seen. It was very elusive, but I saw it well twice, but never long enough to photograph. Also, spotted an **ICTERINE WARBLER** (new species for U.K.), among the few birders who were far enough along the trail to get back to the boat, so I got two new species, even though it, too, was very flitty. Also, Puffin; Razorbill, and Guillemot, my best views of these three birds I have ever had. Raven, too. It was a real privilege to come to this island. A memorable day. The Moltoni's warbler is, I believe, the 12<sup>th</sup> record for the U.K., and all of them have been in fringe, usually very isolated destinations, with the exception of two at Blakeney Point, Norfolk. It also is the first for Wales. The Icterine warbler was the 30<sup>th</sup> for Skokholm but the first since September 2014, just the third this century and the second to be seen in May



(Moltoni's warbler twitch, Skokholm Island, Wales; May 30, 2022)



(I am the last in line up the hill from the jetty, Skokholm Island, Wales)

**Worth Marshes and Stodmarsh, Kent: June 2, 2022**



Capping off what has been a very remarkable week of bird an **ELEONORA'S FALCON** (new species for U.K.), the first-ever twitchable example of the species for the country, with its appearances always being for one day only. This one has been here for since May 26, the day before I was happily ensconced in Wales. I was there at 0645, and I waited until 0712 before it dropped from its roost in the Great Wood to start patrolling the marsh in front of it. Very good views, including one of its hunting and devouring a dragonfly. Also, my second-ever Red-footed falcon, this one a juvenile with a white face and belly and a Hobby. There were at least six Hobby in Stodmarsh, as well as several Marsh harrier. Also, at Worth were several Avocet with chicks and two Little ringed plover

### **City of London: June 11, 2022**

A non-birding day to a series of "secret" gardens opened up once a year as part of the Open Gardens event. At the Nomura Insurance Co. headquarters on Angel Lane, I was very privileged to be invited to the rooftop garden, usually out of bounds, and not open during this event, to see Small-flowered tongue orchid, which were discovered at the site in 2021 and which were the first of its species to be discovered in the United Kingdom since 1989. There are almost 30 spikes, but already this year they were fading, but there was one with some flowers

### **Old Lodge, Ashdown Forest, Nutley, Sussex: June 12, 2022**

12 x Redstart, males and females; 12 x Dartford warbler, with the first time I have managed to photograph one; 2 x Tree pipit; Wood lark; Red kit; Buzzard, and Hobby. (Also, Heath-spotted orchid)

### **Bempton Cliffs RSPB, Yorkshire, and Idle Washlands, Nottinghamshire: June 26, 2022**

At long last, a chance to catch up with the famed **BLACK-BROWED ALBATROSS** (new species for U.K.) that erroneously arrived here in summer 2021 and has returned for a second lost but wonderfully so year. I arrived at 9 a.m. and waited for 90 minutes before it decided to launch itself off some hidden rock crag, but the wait was well worth it, the huge bird circling three of four times right beneath me. It then disappeared, and it did not reveal itself for more than five hours. I had long gone, with the winds picking up noticeably. Also, Puffin; Razorbill; Guillemot; Fulmar, and Kittiwake. By the visitor centre were several Tree sparrow

On the way home, stopped off at Idle Washlands to see a **CASPIAN TERN** (new species for U.K.). This is the largest tern species, and it dwarfed a Black-headed gull standing next to it. Also, one Wood sandpiper

### **San Francisco, California: July 19-26, 2022**

**Fort Mason, Crissy Field and the Presidio** — **HOODED ORIOLE** (new species for US); **RED-MASKED PARAKEET** (new species for US); **VESPER SPARROW** (new species for US); **HUTTON'S VIREO** (new species for US); **ANNA'S HUMMINGBIRD** (new species for US); Black phoebe; Pygmy nuthatch; **BUSHTIT** (new species for US); **CALIFORNIA TOWHEE** (new species for US); Song sparrow; White-crowned sparrow; Lesser goldfinch; Nuttall's woodpecker; Surf scoter; Western grebe; **LAZULI BUNTING** (new species for US); **HEERMANN'S GULL** (new species for US); **CALIFORNIA SCRUB-JAY** (new species for US); Pacific wren; Cooper's hawk; Red-tailed hawk; Red-shouldered hawk; Peregrine; Killdeer; Pigeon guillemot; Brown pelican; American white pelican; Great blue heron; Brewer's blackbird; Pied grebe; Ruddy duck; American coot, and Collared dove

**HALF MOON BAY PELAGIC, with Alvaro's Adventures** — Pigeon guillemot; Brown pelican; **BLACK TURNSTONE** (new species for US); **WANDERING TATLER** (new species for US); **ASHY STORM-PETREL** (new species for US); **BLACK-FOOTED ALBATROSS** (new species for US); Black oystercatcher; Pelagic cormorant; **BULLER'S SHEARWATER** (new species for US); California gull; **CASSIN'S AUKLET** (new species for US); Double-crested cormorant; **ELEGANT TERN** (new species for US); **GREY PHALAROPE** (new species for US); Guillemot; Heermann's gull; Marbled murrelet; **BRANDT'S CORMORANT** (new species for US); **PINK-FOOTED SHEARWATER** (new species for US); Red-necked phalarope; Rhinoceros auklet; Sooty shearwater; Sabine's gull; Tufted puffin; Western gull; **LONG-TAILED SKUA** (new species for US); Arctic skua, **FULMAR** (new species for US), and **POMARINE SKUA** (new species for US)

Also, Killer whale (x 3); Humpback whale (x2); Harbour seal, and California sea lion

**Pagham Harbour RSPB and Medmerry RSPB reserves, July 30, 2022** A trip to see **SQUACCO HERON** (new species for U.K.), which was seen with no fuss at all intermingling with 20 or so Cattle egret. Very little else at the reserve.

At Medmerry, on what remained a humid if not sunny day, Curlew sandpiper in mostly summer plumage; Yellow wagtail; Ringed plover, and a Wood sandpiper that I rediscovered deep in grass but which then took a long walk along and back along a stretch of mud. A great many Sand martin were flying around

**Greenwich, London, July 31, 2022** Following seeing a wonderful photograph online of four Peregrine falcon on a church weathercock, a quick hop to see two of them. I waited for 40 minutes before I saw one fly by quickly, and then two play-fought acrobatically and settled on two protuberances of the Catholic Church of Our Lady Star of the Seas. The priest of the church, Father Kevin, happened to be on a stroll, and he invited me into his back garden to get a better look as the light in the afternoon was directly in front of me if I stood in front of the church. He and his wife, Frances, and daughter, Lisa, were very kind and hospitable, and I promised I would send some photos to them for their use, even if I did issue the caveat that the steel-grey light was not perfect for photography