

Yam Is. (Iama) Bird Checklist

Torres Strait Australia.

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#n	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Emerald Dove	<i>Chalcophaps indica</i>	Res bre	UC,	1,
2.	Bar-shouldered Dove	<i>Geopelia humeralis</i>	Res bre	MC nest building Oct-Nov, P 12 Jul 1974,	1,5,
3.	Rose-crowned Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus regina</i>	Res bre	Breeds in dense vegetation,	1,
4.	Pied Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula bicolor</i>	Res bre	Breeds Sep – Jan, P 12 Jul 1974,	1,5,
5.	Great Frigatebird	<i>Fregata minor</i>	Vag	UC, 1 obs 12 Jul 1974,	1,5,
6.	Australian Pelican	<i>Pelecanus conspicillatus</i>	Res	Numbers irruptive,	1,
7.	Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striatus</i>	Vag?	P,	1,
8.	Eastern Great Egret	<i>Ardea modesta</i>	Vag	Irregular visitor,	1,
9.	Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>	Win mig,	UC,	1,
10.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	Res bre	Mostly white phase, P 12 Jul 1974,	1,5,
11.	Australian White Ibis	<i>Threskiornis molucca</i>	Vag	Irregular visitor,	1,
12.	Straw-necked Ibis	<i>Threskiornis spinicollis</i>	Win mig	MC,	1,
13.	White-bellied Sea-eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>	Reg vis	Breeds in Western islands and visits Yam regularly,	1,
14.	Brahminy Kite	<i>Haliastur indus</i>	Win mig/Vag	R,	1,
15.	Beach Stone-curlew	<i>Esacus magnirostris</i>	Res bre	Breeds Sept,	1,
16.	Lesser Sand Plover	<i>Charadrius mongolus</i>	Sum mig	C in Sum, MC in Winter,	1,
17.	Masked Lapwing	<i>Vanellus miles</i>	Res	No evidence of breeding yet,	1,
18.	Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	Sum Mig	C Spr & Aut, UC Sum & Win,	1,
19.	Grey-tailed Tattler	<i>Tringa brevipes</i>	Sum Mig	C Spr, Sum & Aut, UC in Win,	1,
20.	Common Sandpiper	<i>Tringa hypoleucos</i>	Spr/Aut Mig	C Spr & Aut, UC in Sum & Win,	1,
21.	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Spr/Aut Mig	MC Spr & Aut, UC Sum,	1,
22.	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	Spr/Aut Mig	P,	1,
23.	Black Noddy	<i>Anous minutus</i>	Res	P, P 12 Jul 1974,	1,5,
24.	Black-naped Tern	<i>Sterna sumatrana</i>	Res	P,	1,
25.	Forest Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus macleayii</i>	Spr/Aut mig	Numbers vary between years,	1,
26.	Sacred Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus sancta</i>	Sum Mig	C in Sum, VC most years Spr/Aut, P 12 Jul 1974,	1,5,
27.	Rainbow Bee-eater	<i>Merops ornatus</i>	Spr/Aut mig	A roosting sometimes at night,	1,
28.	Dollarbird	<i>Eurystomus orientalis</i>	Spr/Aut mig	MC,	1,
29.	Noisy Pitta	<i>Pitta versicolor</i>	Spr/Aut mig	P,	1,
30.	Varied Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus versicolour</i>	Res bre	Bre in woodlands & mangroves, P, P 12 Jul 1974,	1,2,5,
31.	Brown-backed Honeyeater	<i>Ramsayornis modestus</i>	Res bre	Bre in swamps in wet season, P,	1,2,
32.	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>	Win Mig	P,	1,
33.	Mangrove Golden Whistler	<i>Pachycephala melanura</i>	Res bre	P,	1,2,
34.	White-breasted Woodswallow	<i>Artamus leucorhynchus</i>	Res bre	C, P,	1,2,
35.	Leaden Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra cyanoleuca</i>	Mig	Breeding uncertain,	1,
36.	Shining Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra alecto</i>	Res bre	Breeds in woodland and mangroves,	1,

37.	Black-faced Monarch	<i>Monarcha m. melanopsis</i>	Spr/Aut mig	P in woodland & mangroves, P,	1,2,
38.	Spectacled Monarch	<i>Monarcha trivirgatus albiventris</i>	Mig bre	Breeds in Summer, P, C 12 Jul 1974 in monsoon forest,	1,2,4,5,
39.	Golden-headed Cisticola	<i>Cisticola exilis diminutus</i>	Res bre	Breeds in Wet, P,	1,2,4,
40.	Pale White-eye	<i>Zosterops citrinellus</i>	Res bre	Bre in wet season, C 12 Jul 1974,	1,5,
41.	Yellow-bellied Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia jugularis</i>	Res bre	C, Mostly outside of forests, P 12 Jul 1974,	1,2,5,
42.	Chestnut-breasted Mannikin	<i>Lonchura castaneothorax</i>	Res bre	Bre Aug-Nov, P, C 12 Jul 1974,	1,2,5,

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Ecological status

End = Endemic to Island unless otherwise stated, **Res bre** = Resident breeder, **Res** = resident ie breeding not proven or not likely. For seabirds it means they have or should be found in that area: note other refs. **Vag** = Vagrant, **Res/mig** = Part of population migratory, **Sum mig** = Summer migrant, **Win mig** = Winter migrant, **Spr/Aut mig** = Passage migrant in Spring and Autumn, **Intro** = Introduced.

Abundance

R = rare, **S** = scarce, **UC** = uncommon, **MC** = moderately common, **LC** = locally common, **C** = common, **VC** = very common, **A** = abundant **P** = present.

Colour coding applies only to one species on a particular list. eg. An abundance comment in **red** for the Brown Booby refers to the Ref # in **Red** for that species only.

Alternate Island Names & alternate common Bird Names are recorded in two separate spreadsheet files.

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