

Loop Island Bird Checklist

Chesterfield Group, New Caledonia

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Wedge-tailed Shearwater	<i>Ardenna pacificus</i>	Res bre	1 bird Dec 1990, 6144 occupied Territories 22-23.10.2008, 5836 active nests 28.1.2009, 6,000 nests 13.12.2005,	1,2,3,4,
2.	Lesser Frigatebird	<i>Fregata a. ariel</i>	Res bre	8 birds Dec 1990, 2 Ad M over atoll 28.1.2009, 2 ad 13.12.2005,	1,3,4,
3.	Great Frigatebird	<i>Fregata minor</i>	Res bre	Eggs & yng Apr 1973, Poss starting br 18 Apr 1974, 1 Ad 22.10.2008, 3 F 28.12.2009,	1,2,3,
4.	Little Black Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	Vag	10 obs 2-3 Oct 1977,	1,
5.	Masked Booby	<i>Sula dactylatra personata</i>	Res	Nestlings 18 Apr 1974, 55 br 2-3 Oct 1977, 100 birds Dec 1990, 62 Ad 26 nests c eggs & chicks 23.10.2008, 17 prs 8 juv 9 imm Jan 2009, 46 ad 9 chicks 13.12.2005, 1 banded bird with Aust band.	1,2,3,4,
6.	Red-footed Booby	<i>Sula sula rubripes</i>	Res bre	Apr 1973 building eggs & young on Loop, 300 nests at all stages 2-3 Oct 1977 (both morphs), 50 birds Dec 1990, 165 nests C eggs, chicks & imm 22.10.2008, 80 pr 40 juv 40 imm 28.1.2009, 896 juv & ad & 28 cheiks 13.12.2005.	1,2,3,4,
7.	Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster plotus</i>	Res	21 on Loop 2-3 Oct 1977, 85 nests c eggs and chicks, 54 pr 2 eggs 8 chicks 14 juv 28.1.2009, 34 active ensts 13.12.2005,	1,2,3,4,
8.	Buff-banded Rail	<i>Rallus philippensis</i>	Res bre	Sev seen 18 Apr 1974, 1 obs 2-3 Oct 1977, 1 juv 1 dead Ad 22.10.2008, 1 obs 13.12.2005,	1,2,3,
9.	Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis f. fulva</i>	Sum mig	P Nov 1968,	1,
10.	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	Sum mig	12 obs on Loop 2-3 Oct 1977, 3 obs 28.1.2009, 6 obs 13.12.05,	1,3,4,
11.	Wandering Tattler	<i>Tringa incana</i>	Sum mig	2 obs 22.10.2008, 1 obs 28.1.2009,	2,3,
12.	Sooty Tern	<i>Onychoprion fuscata serrata</i>	Res bre	Lge chicks (many dead) Apr 1973, 2-3000 with yng Oct 1977, Some yng early Oct 1977, Less common 18 Apr 1974, 300 birds Dec 1990, 700 Imm & 459 dead chicks 22.10.2008, 540 ad only 28.1.2009, 3,000 nests & 10,000 birds 13.12.2005,	1,2,3,4,
13.	Black-naped Tern	<i>Sterna sumatrana</i>	Res	15 birds Dec 1990, 10 Ads 22.10.2008, 33 Ad 28.1.2009,	1,2,3,
14.	Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii cristatus</i>	Res bre	5-6 birds with eggs 18 Apr 1974, 2 obs 4 Oct 1977, 1 Ad 22.10.2008, 44 ad in br plumage 28.1.2009,	1,2,3,
15.	Brown Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus pileatus</i>	Res bre	600 with few lge yng 2-3 Oct 1977, Many inc 18 Apr 1974, 80 birds present 13.12.2005,	1,2,3,4,
16.	Black Noddy	<i>Anous m. minutus</i>	Res bre	70 Ad 18 nests c eggs 22.10.2008, 443 nests with eggs 28.1.2009, 18 Apr 1973, -starting to incubate, Terry Walker found many old nests Dec 1990, 500 Ad 5 nestlings 22-23.10.2008, 390	1,2,4,5,

KEY

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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