

Bellona Island Bird Checklist

Solomon Islands

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Lesser Frigatebird	<i>Fregata ariel</i>	Res	200 circling over E. tip Aug 1963, F obs 13 Oct 1976,	8,11,12,14,
2.	Red-footed Booby	<i>Sula sula</i>	Res	P,	12,
3.	Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster</i>	Res	P,	12,
4.	Eastern Great Egret	<i>Ardea modesta</i>	Vag	Obs.	3,12,
5.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	Res bre	P. Coll. 1933. Obs Nov 1953.	7,8,8,10,12,
6.	Royal Spoonbill	<i>Platalea regia</i>	Vag,	P, residents said it visits occasionally 1976,	3,6,14,
7.	Australian White Ibis	<i>Threskiornis molucca pygmaeus</i>	Res bre	P, Abundant 2 obs. Aug 1953, Obs 1930, VC on airstrip 1976, & A with 4 rookeries obs by Coultas 30 May 1930,15 in Sep 1990,	6,8,11,12, 14,15,
8.	Eastern Osprey	<i>Pandion cristatus melvillensis</i>	Res	P, Obs. Nov. 1953.	3,8,12,
9.	Brown Goshawk	<i>Accipiter fasciatus fasciatus</i>	Res bre	P, 1 coll. 30 May 1930, 2 obs 13 Oct 1976, 2 over airstrip 21/9/1990,	3,8,9,12,14, 15,
10.	Purple Swamphen [Spotless Crane	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio samoensis</i> <i>Porzana tabuensis</i>	Res bre Res bre	P, Obs. 30 May 1930, reported as raiding gardens, UC, known from Local info, Locals say exterminated by cats	8,9,12,14, 13,14,]
11.	Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus variegates</i>	Sum mig	Obs, 1 obs at airstrip 13 Oct 1976,	12,14,
12.	Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis dominica</i>	Sum mig	Obs, 3 small grps on airstrip & soccer field Oct 1976, 19 on airstrip 18/9/1990,	12,14,15,
13.	Greater Sand Plover	<i>Charadrius leschenaultii leschenaultii</i>	Sum mig	Obs,	12,
14.	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleuca</i>	Sum mig	P, Reported to Wolff & Diamond,	12,14,
15.	Red-necked Stint	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>	Sum mig	1 on airstrip 21/9/1990	15,
16.	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	Sum mig	1 on airstrip 21.9.1990,	15,
17.	Long-toed Stint	<i>Calidris subminuta</i>	Sum mig/Vag	1 seen airfield 21/9/1990.	5,
18.	Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii cristatus</i>	Res bre	MC,	12,
19.	Bridled Tern	<i>Onychoprion a. anaethetus</i>	Res	P, Reported to Wolff & Diamond,	12,14,
20.	Black-naped Tern	<i>Sterna s. sumatrana</i>	Res	P, Reported to Wolff & Diamond,	12,14,
21.	Brown Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus pileatus</i>	Res	P, Reported to Wolff & Diamond,	12,14,
22.	Pacific Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula p. pacifica</i>	Res bre	Coll AMNH, Obs. 30 May 1930, Informants used to net it R now,	3,8,9,14,
23.	Mackinlay's Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia mackinlayi arossi</i>	Res bre	P,Obs, Reported to Wolff & Diamond as occasional visitor,	3,12,14,
24.	Bronze Ground Dove	<i>Gallicolumba beccarii solomonensis</i>	Res bre	P,Obs, Reported to Wolff & Diamond,	3,12,14,
25.	Nicobar Pigeon	<i>Caloenas nicobarica nicobarica</i>	Res bre	P,Obs, Reported to Wolff & Diamond,	3,12,14,
26.	Silver-capped Fruit-Dove [Yellow-bibbed Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus richardsii cyanopterus</i> <i>Lorius chlorocercus</i>	Res bre Vis	P, Obs. 30 May 1930. Obs. Nov 1953, Heard often 1976, Informants say it appears for a while after storms,	3,8,8,9,14, 14,]

27.	Song Parrot	<i>Geoffroyus heteroclitus</i>	Res	4 obs 3.2.1990,	17,
28.	Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	<i>Chalcites lucidus harterti</i>	Win mig	C, 1 coll. 30 May 1930, Reported as resident 1976, C in forest,	1,8,9,14,16,
29.	Fan-tailed Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis flabelliformis pyrrhophanus</i>	Mig	1 spec. AMNH. 1 coll. 30 May 1930,	2,4,8,9,
30.	Glossy Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia esculenta desiderata</i>	Res bre	Coll by AMNH, Descr. by locals, coll Oct 1962 VC Oct 1976,	3,8,14,16,
				C over all habitats,	
31.	Uniform Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus vanikorensis lugubris</i>	Res bre	Coll by AMNH, Descr. by locals, C 13 Oct 1976,	3,8,14,
32.	Eastern Barn Owl	<i>Tyto javanica crassirostris</i>	Res bre	Coll by AMNH 1958, Descr. by Locals, & Oct 1976,	3,8,14,
33.	Collared Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus chloris amoena</i>	Res bre	Coll AMNH, Obs. 30 May 1930. Coll. 1933. Obs. Nov 1953.	3,8,9,10,16,
				MC in forest,	
34.	Sacred Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus s. sancta</i>	Res/mig?	P, Coll. 1933, Reported to Wolff,	3,8,10,14,
35.	Barred Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina lineata gracilis</i>	Res mig	P, Obs. 30 May 1930. Coll. 1933. Obs. Nov 1953., Heard	3,8,9,10,14,
				1976 – only resident passere,	
	[Rennell Starling	<i>Aplornis insularis</i>	Res bre	Obs. 30 May 1930., Suggested this species does not occur,	8,9,14,]
36.	Singing Starling	<i>Aplornis cantorooides</i>	Res bre	P, Informants said it occasionally visits 1976,	3,14,

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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