

Utupua Island Bird Checklist

Santa Cruz Group, Solomon Islands

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster</i>	Res	several flocks of 100+ Apr 1955.	14,
2.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	Res	P, 1 white seen Nov 1955.	1,2,5,14,
3.	Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striatus</i>	Res bre	P, Common near mangroves.	1,14,
4.	Pied Goshawk	<i>Accipiter albogularis sharpei</i>	Res bre	P, C,	1,14,16,
5.	Purple Swampphen	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
6.	Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>	Sum Mig	9 seen on spit Nov 1955.	14,
7.	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	Sum Mig	1 spec Sep. 2 Nov 1955.	7,14,
8.	Wandering Tattler	<i>Tringa incana</i>	Sum Mig	3 Coll. Sep.	7,
9.	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Sum Mig	2F coll Sep AMNH,	19,
10.	Black Noddy	<i>Anous minutus minutus</i>	Res	Fiji banded birds recaptured 17.9.1980 & 21.8.81.	18,
11.	Red-bellied Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus greyii</i>	Res bre	P, Coll. 1920's.	1,17,
12.	Pacific Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula pacific pacifica</i>	Res bre	P, Coll.	1,15,
13.	Pacific Emerald Dove	<i>Chalcophaps longirostris sandwichensis</i>	Res bre	P, 2M1F Coll.	1,15,
14.	Santa Cruz Ground-Dove	<i>Gallicolumba sanctaecrucis</i>	Res bre	P, Rare	1,11,
15.	Mackinlay's Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia mackinlayi trougtoni</i>	Res bre	P, 3M coll.	1,15,
16.	Coconut Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus haematodus massena</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
17.	Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx lucidus layardi</i>	Win Vag	P, 1 rec but no known host on this island	1,4,
18.	Glossy Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia esculenta uropygialis</i>	Res bre	P, 1 unsexed skin in AMNH,	1,20.
19.	Collared Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus chloris utupuae</i>	Res bre	P,	1,2,
20.	Pacific Swallow	<i>Hirundo tahitica subfusca</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
21.	Polynesian Triller	<i>Lalage maculosa melanopygia</i>	Res bre	3 coll. Sep. 1926.	1,3,8,
22.	Island Thrush	<i>Turdus poliocephalus vanikorensis</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
23.	Rufous Fantail	<i>Rhipidura rufifrons utupuae</i>	Res bre	P, 14 spec. AMNH	1,10,
24.	Common Golden Whistler	<i>Pachycephala pectoralis utupuae</i>	Res bre	P, 8+ coll 1926,	1,6,
25.	Cardinal Myzomela	<i>Myzomela cardinalis</i>	Res bre	P, 6+ spec. AMNH	1,9,

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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