

Long 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	Breeds, Old nests Dec 1990,	1,
2.	Lesser Frigatebird	<i>Fregata a. ariel</i>	Res bre	nests & eggs Long 26 Sep 1957, Terry Walker reported it still breeding there,	1,
3.	Great Frigatebird	<i>Fregata minor</i>	Res bre	eggs & yng Apr 1973, Nests 26 Sep 1957, 60 nests with eggs & yng 4 oct 1977,	1,
4.	Masked Booby	<i>Sula dactylatra personata</i>	Res bre	Br 26 Sep 1957, few br 4 Oct 1977, 300 birds obs Dec 1990,	1,
5.	Red-footed Booby	<i>Sula sula rubripes</i>	Res bre	P Apr-May 1859, eggs 26 Sep 1957, few Ads 4 Oct 1974, 199 1, birds obs Dec 1990,	1,
6.	Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster plotus</i>	Res	Appear to lay 2/3 eggs but raise 1 yng 26 Sep 1957, the most common booby on 4 Oct 1977, 650 birds Dec 1990,	1,
7.	Buff-banded Rail	<i>Rallus philippensis</i>	Res bre	F coll May 1859 Mus Vic, Obs Apr-May 1859, sev 4 Oct 1977,	1,
8.	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	Sum mig	P 4 Oct,	1,
9.	Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	Sum mig	Obs by Terry Walker,	1,
10.	Sooty Tern	<i>Onychoprion fuscata serrata</i>	Res bre	Ads P Oct 1977, 1 bird Dec 1990,	1,
11.	Fairy Tern	<i>Sternula nereis exsul</i>	Res bre	Sev 4 Oct 1977 as did Terry Walker later, - but Little & Fairy v similar in this region!	1,
12.	Black-naped Tern	<i>Sterna sumatrana</i>	Res	2 birds obs Dec 1990,	1,
13.	Brown Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus pileatus</i>	Res bre	2-3 Oct 1977 noddies outnumbered Sooty Terns, 200 Dec 1990,	1,
14.	Black Noddy	<i>Anous m. minutus</i>	Res bre	300 birds Dec 1990,	

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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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