

# Duchess (Uruma) Island Bird Checklist

D'Entrecasteaux Archipelago, PNG

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Lesser Frigatebird	<i>Fregata a. ariel</i>	Res	P, 1 obs 30 May 2010,	2,3,5,
2.	Orange-footed Scrubfowl	<i>Megapodius reinwardt</i>	Res Bre	2 obs & huge nest mound at top of island May 2010,	5,
3.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta s. sacra</i>	Res bre	Observed	1,3,
4.	Eastern Osprey	<i>Pandion cristatus melvillensis</i>	Res	Obs.	1,4,
5.	Beach Stone-Curlew	<i>Esacus magnirostris (no ssp)</i>	Res bre	Observed,	1,3,
6.	Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>	Res	6 obs 30 May 2010,	5,
7.	Pied Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula bicolor</i>	Res	2 obs 30 May 2010,	5,
8.	Island Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula pistrinaria</i>	Res	1 obs 30 May 2010,	5,
9.	Nicobar Pigeon	<i>Caloenas nicobarica</i>	Res	8 very nervous birds obs 30 May 2010,	5,
10.	Collared Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus chloris sordid or colona?</i>	Res bre	Coll, 4 obs May 2010,	1,3,5,
11.	Rufous Fantail	<i>Rhipidura rufifrons louisianensis</i>	Res bre	Coll, 4 obs May 2010,	1,3,5,
12.	Willie Wagtail	<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Res bre	1 obs 30 May 2010,	5,
13.	Mangrove Golden Whistler	<i>Pachycephala melanura dahl</i>	Res bre	Coll, 4 obs May 2010,	1,3,5,
14.	Varied Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus versicolour vulgaris</i>	Res bre	Obs, 4 obs 30 May 2010,	1,3,5,
15.	Louisiades White-eye	<i>Zosterops g. griseotinctus or aignani</i>	Res bre	Coll, 8 obs 30 May 2010,	1,3,5,
16.	White-breasted Woodswallow	<i>Artamus leucorhynchus</i>	Res bre	2 obs 10 May 2010,	5,
17.	Singing Starling	<i>Aplornis cantoroides</i>	Res	10 obs 30 May 2010,	5,
18.	Torresian Crow	<i>Corvus orru</i>	Res	1 obs 30 May 2010,	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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