

Karkar (Dampier) Island Systematic Bird Checklist

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Streaked Shearwater	<i>Calonectris leucomelas</i>	Sum mig	1 indiv 150+ offshore Oct 1981. Grps of 3/4 Mar. C. 150 obs 1,4,6,8,27, 8km to NE on 8.3.2002,	1,4,8,
2.	Wedge-tailed Shearwater	<i>Ardenna pacificus</i>	Res	1 indiv. 75+ offshore Oct 2 light phase C.	4,
3.	Flesh-footed Shearwater	<i>Ardenna carneipes</i>	Spr/Aut mig	1 offshore Oct,	1,
4.	Sooty Shearwater	<i>Ardenna griseus</i>	Spr/Aut mig	1 offshore 21 Oct 1974,	4,
5.	Christmas Shearwater	<i>Ardenna nativitatis</i>	Res	2 rec. 29 Oct = 1 st rec for PNG	1,8,
6.	Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster</i>	Res	1 offshoe 15 Oct 1974, 3,	1,8,
7.	Lesser Frigate-bird	<i>Fregata ariel</i>	Res	400, 10 offshore, 15 over Is.	3,
8.	Great Frigatebird	<i>Fregata minor</i>	Vag	1 indiv	19,
9.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	Res	UC all grey but locals reported white.	19,
10.	White-bellied Sea-eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>	Res bre	1 seen over lowlands - attacked by Brahminy Kite	19,
11.	Brahminy Kite	<i>Haliastur indus</i>	Res bre	MC. C 0-1550m 2 coll.	2,19,
12.	Pacific Baza	<i>Aviceda subcristata</i>	Res bre	3 seen Oct 81. MC sea level-1100m, 3 coll.	8,19,
13.	Meyer's Goshawk	<i>Accipiter meyerianus</i>	Res bre	Coll. R. a pair inhabited the summit crater, M coll.	2,19,
14.	Doria's Hawk	<i>Megatriorchis doriae</i>	?	1 obs Oct 1981.	8.
15.	Brown Falcon	<i>Falco berigora novaeguineae</i>	Res	1 obs twice at airport once at crater.	19.
16.	Red-necked Rail	<i>Rallina t. tricolor</i>	Res bre	sev. Heard Oct 81. Shy,	8,16,
17.	Bare-eyed Rail	<i>Gymnocrex p. plumbeiventris</i>	Res bre	MC but shy, P 1915,	16,22,
18.	Melanesian Scrubfowl	<i>Megapodius affinis/ eremita</i> x-breed	Res bre	2 obs. Oct 81. MC in lowlands UC<700m 3 coll 2 mounds loc.	8,17,19,
19.	Bush Hen	<i>Amaurornis olivaceus</i>	Res bre	Sev heard Oct 81. MC heard < 450m 1 coll.	8,19,
20.	Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis dominica</i>	Sum Mig	20 at airstrip. Group at airstrip 17 May 1969.	8,19,
21.	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Sum Mig	C. on beaches and roadside puddles.	8,
22.	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	Sum Mig	1 on Fw lake Oct 81	8,
23.	Red-necked Phalarope	<i>Lobipes lobatus</i>	Sum mig	1 rec of 3, 90 offshore 29 th Oct 81. Lge Flock	1,4,5,8,
24.	Arctic Jaeger	<i>Stercorarius parasiticus</i>	Mig	2 recs 3 offshore Oct 81. 1 in Oct.	1,4,5,
25.	Long-tailed Skua	<i>Stercorarius longicaudus</i>	Sum mig	1 rec.	2,
26.	Pomarine Skua	<i>Stercorarius pomarinus</i>	Spr/Aut mig	8 South of Island Oct 81.	4,
27.	Black-naped Tern	<i>Sterna sumatrana</i>	Res Bre	40 offshore	8,
28.	Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	Sum mig	rec of 600. 100's Oct 81.	1,8,
29.	Sooty Tern	<i>Onychoprion fuscata</i>	Res	100's offshore. A. Oct 81.	1,8,
30.	Bridled Tern	<i>Onychoprion anaethetus</i>	Res Bre	VC. Oct 81.	8,
31.	Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>	Res Bre	3 offshore	8,
32.	Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>	Res Bre	350 offshore Oct C. Several groups	1,8,19,

33.	Lesser Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bengalensis</i>	Res	Few.	8,
34.	White-winged Black Tern	<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>	?	1 rec	1,
35.	Brown (Common) Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus</i>	Res	200 Oct. A. Oct 81.	1,8,
36.	Black (White-capped) Noddy	<i>Anous minutus</i>	Res	C. Oct 81.	8,
37.	Superb Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus superbus</i>	Res bre	VC. Oct 81. A. 0-1330m 12 coll.	8,19,
38.	Orange-bellied Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus iozonus</i>	Res bre	LMC at 4 sites of roadside & regrowth < 330m	2,19,
39.	White-bibbed Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus rivoli bellus</i>	Res bre	A. 1220-1700m in forest. 25 coll.	19,
40.	Wompoo Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus magnificus septentrionalis</i> <i>P. magnificus puella x poliura</i>	Res bre Res bre	VC. Oct 81. MC-C. C < 950m 14 coll.	2,8,16,19,
41.	Black-billed Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia nigrirostris nigrirostris</i>	Res bre	R. 3 seen & coll, 300-100m	2,19,
42.	Mackinlay's Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia mackinlayi krakari arossi</i>	Res bre	A. in regrowth and forest edge. C in lowlands UC<1120m	2,5,7,8, 16,19,
43.	Great Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia reinwardtii griseotincta</i>	Res bre	3 rec Oct 81. UC 0-700m C 700-1200m 9 coll.	2,8,19,
44.	Nicobar Pigeon	<i>Caloenas n. nicobarica</i>	Res bre	MC,	2,16,
45.	Bronze Ground Dove	<i>Gallicolumba beccarii johannae</i>	Res bre	In lowlands 3 seen & coll. in lowlands.	2,15,16, 18,19,
46.	White-bibbed Ground Dove	<i>Gallicolumba jobiensis jobiensis</i>	Res bre	1 rec. Oct. 81. c 5 seen 2 coll. wide range of hab.	2,8,16,19,
47.	Stephan's Dove	<i>Chalcophaps stephani stephani</i>	Res bre	VC. Oct 81. C. MC in lowlands 6 coll.	8,16,19,
48.	Island Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula pistrinaria</i>	Res bre	?	2,
49.	Pinon Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula pinon jobiensis</i>	Res bre	MC Not seen residents say it has gone.	2,16,19,
50.	Zoe Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula zoeae</i>	Res bre	P, MC. Oct 81. L & UC 0-950m 3 coll.	2,8,19,
51.	Pied Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula bicolor spilorrhoea</i>	Res bre	C – almost daily.	2,11,16,19,
52.	Rainbow Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus haematodus massena</i>	Res bre	C. in forest & plantations C. 0-1500m esp. at crater 19 coll.	2,8,16,19,
53.	Red-chinned Lorikeet	<i>Charmosyna rubrigularis krakari</i>	Res bre	C. 1150-1280m on Volcano. UC. lower down, C>680m 28 col	2,5,7,8,16, 19,
54.	Red-flanked Lorikeet	<i>Charmosyna placentis</i>	Res bre	VC. In forest & coconuts.	8,
55.	Buff-faced Pygmy Parrot	<i>Micropsitta pusio</i>	Res bre	C. in forest. Oct 81. UC	8,19,
56.	Orange-fronted Hanging Parrot	<i>Loriculus aurantiifrons</i>	Res bre	1 heard Oct 81. MC. 1 st rec for Isl. 4 coll.	2,8,19,
57.	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	Res bre	?	2,
58.	Brush Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus variolosus fortior oreophilus</i>	Res bre/Win Mig	Sev in forest & regrowth. MC. C 0-1400m. incl forest	2,8,16,19,
59.	Little Bronze-cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx minutillus poecilurus</i>	Win mig	MC	16,
60.	Shining Bronze-Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx lucidus plagosus</i>	Res bre	MC 0-300m 3 coll.	19,
61.	Eastern Koel	<i>Eudynamis orientalis rufiventris</i>	Res bre/Win mig	6 spec. AMNH R, MC 0-300m 1 coll.	2,12,16,19,
62.	Channel-billed Cuckoo	<i>Scythrops novaehollandiae</i>	Win mig	1 obs @ 600m 6Jun Meek coll 1 on 10 Mar.	19,
63.	Eastern Barn Owl	<i>Tyto javanica meeki</i>	Res bre	Said to be common. MC. Locals described it and have a name	2,8,16,19,
64.	Barking Owl	<i>Ninox connivens assimilis</i>	Res bre	1 spec. AMNH. Heard every night 1100m 2 coll.	2,12,19,
65.	Large-tailed Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus macrurus yorki</i>	Res bre	Heard every night 1100m 2 seen sleeping near coast. 1 coll.	16,19,
66.	Uniform Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus vanikorensis granti</i>	Res bre	?	2,
67.	Mountain Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus h. hirundinacea</i>	Res bre	C. in clearings, 1 spec. AMNH, C 280-top, none in lowlands.	2,8,13,19,
68.	Glossy Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia esculenta</i>	Res	C. right to sea level. UC at all altitudes. 9 coll.	2,8,19,
69.	Sacred Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus sancta</i>	Win mig	C 0-620m Forest edge, streams & open regrowth. 11 coll.	2,19,
70.	Beach Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus saurophaga</i>	Res bre	?	2,
71.	Common Paradise Kingfisher	<i>Tanysiptera galatea</i>	Res bre	VC in forest behind Wadau. A in lowlands UC<900m 25 coll.	8,19,
72.	Variable Dwarf Kingfisher	<i>Ceyx lepidus solitarius</i>	Res bre	UC <1080m 7 coll in nets.	16,19,
73.	Azure Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo azurea</i>	Res bre	7 obs in lowlands 1 coll. 600m	2,19,
74.	Rainbow Bee-eater	<i>Merops ornatus</i>	Win mig	MC at forest edge <1130m 10 coll.	2,19,

75.	Dollarbird	<i>Eurystomus orientalis waigiouensis</i>	Res bre	MC, UC < 580m	4,16,19,
		<i>E. o. pacificus</i>	Win mig	UC. 1 coll.	
76.	Hooded Pitta	<i>Pitta sordida hebetior</i>	Res bre	LMC-LC in forest, regrowth & remnant forests. P only 750-1300m Meek Coll 6, D & L Coll.1. P,	9,16,19,26,
77.	Pacific Swallow	<i>Hirundo tahitica frontalis</i>	Res bre	2 resident at Wadau. UC-LA near fresh water. UC in lowlands	2,8,9,19,
78.	Tree Martin	<i>Petrochelidon n. nigricans</i>	Win mig/vag	1 at airport 7 Jun 1969.	19,
79.	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	Sum mig	UC-LMC in Mtn streams, lake and pond shores.	9,
80.	Slender-billed Cicadabird	<i>Coracina tenuirostris</i>	Res/Mig	UC in forest, forest edges, gardens, savanna & mangroves	2,7,19,
				R at sea level, UC<650m C < 100m 16 coll.	19,
81.	Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>	Win mig	1 obs. 7 Jun.	19,
82.	Island Thrush	<i>Turdus poliocephalus</i>	Res bre	LMC-C in Mtn Forests and Mtn scrub. UC 1260-1680m 5 coll	9,19,
83.	Island Leaf-Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus poliocephalus hamlini</i>	Res bre	MC-C in Lg & Sm forests & edges 1100-1500m. MC 6 coll.	2,9,10,19,25,
84.	Large-billed Gerygone	<i>Gerygone magnirostris affinis</i>	Res bre	LC-VC in mangroves, swamps and other wet locations. L & UC < 300m 5 coll. at forest edge & gardens.	2,9,19,23,
	[Brown-breasted Gerygone	<i>Gerygone ruficollis</i>	Res?	Heard 2x by Diamond at crater, needs confirmation.	19,
85.	Willie Wagtail	<i>Rhipidura leucophrys melaleuca</i>	Res bre	C-VC in man-made or naturally open country < 850m 5 seen.	8,9,19,24,
86.	Northern Fantail	<i>Rhipidura rufiventris</i>	Res bre	?	2,
87.	Island Monarch	<i>Monarcha cinerascens nigrirostris</i>	Res bre	UC. But was inside forest. MC-VC in littoral Habitats. MC <1600m 14 coll., P,	2,5,8,9,16,19,
				P, Mar-Oct in forest edges & partly cleared areas. 2 obs June.	26,
88.	Satin Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra cyanoleuca</i>	Win mig	VC. Anywhere there was cover. <1220m =no Comp. C<1200	2,9,19,
89.	Shining Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra alecto chalybeocephalus</i>	Res bre	17 coll. F's have a pale back.	2,8,9,16,19,
				C. in forest & plantations. MC-C in forests. C in lowlands	20,21,
90.	Black Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia aspasia</i>	Res bre	UC< 1340m 25 coll.	8,9,19,
91.	Yellow-bellied Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia jugularis</i>	Res bre	MC-C mostly outside of forests. C 0-1100m In & out of forests	9,19,
				16 coll.	
92.	Scarlet-bibbed Myzomela	<i>Myzomela sclateri</i>	End Bismarck	At crater. MC. In f. canopy or isolated flowering trees. A>1300	5,8,9,15,
				m. C at 1270m. UC down to 1130m. 3M Coll.	16,19,21,
93.	Red-capped Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum geelvinkianum rubrocoronatum</i>	Res bre	Sev. Rec. Oct 81. MC-C but inconspicuous. MC<1130m 8 coll.	8,9,19,
94.	Blue-faced Parrot-Finch	<i>Erythrura trichroa sigillifera</i>	Res bre	UC-C & secretive. Common, UC 300-1400m 5 coll.	2,9,11,16,
					19,
95.	Streak-headed Munia	<i>Lonchura tristissima</i>	Res bre	UC, Locally nomadic. UC groups (<6) < 580m. 4 coll. eats insects on this island which has no grass-warbler.	2,9,19,
96.	Metallic Starling	<i>Aplornis metallicus</i>	Res bre	A. in regrowth & clearings. MC-VC. C < 320m 27 coll.	2,8,9,19,
97.	Singing Starling	<i>Aplornis cantorooides</i>	Res bre	VC. in coastal plantations. LC. R in lowlands MC above range of <i>A. metallicus</i> .	8,9,19,

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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