

# Panaunau Is. Bird Checklist

## W of Engineer Grp, Milne Bay P.N.G.

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Orange-footed Scrubfowl	<i>Megapodius reinwardt macgillivrayi</i>	Res	Supported on sandy area with trees, 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009,	1,
2.	Great Frigatebird	<i>Fregata minor</i>	Res	Obs 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009,	1,
3.	White-bellied Sea-eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>	Res bre	Pr with imm obs near nest 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009,	1,
4.	Black-naped Tern	<i>Sterna sumatrana</i>	Res	Possibly defending nest sites on NE Point 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009,	1,
5.	Bridled Tern	<i>Onychoprion anaethetus</i>	Res	P 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009,	1,
6.	Black Noddy	<i>Anous minutus</i>	Res	P 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009,	1,
7.	Pied Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula bicolor</i>	Res	P 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009,	1,
8.	Beach Kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus saurophaga</i>	Res	P 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009,	1,
9.	Varied Honeyeater	<i>Lichenostomus versicolor intermedia</i>	Res	P 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009,	1,
10.	Mangrove Golden Whistler	<i>Pachycephalus melaneura</i>	Res	P 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009,	1,
11.	Willie Wagtail	<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Res	P 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009,	1,
12.	Torresian Crow	<i>Corvus orru</i>	Res	2+ harassing eagles 10 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2009,	1,

### 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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