

Pityilu Islet Bird Checklist

Off Nth Coast of Manus. PNG

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| # | Common Name | Scientific Name | Ecol. Status | Abundance | References |
|----|-----------------------|---|--------------|-----------------------------------|------------|
| 1. | Melanesian Scrub Fowl | <i>Megapodius eremita</i> | Res bre | P, Obs Jul 1991, C M coll 1945, | 1,2,3,6, |
| 2. | Buff-banded Rail | <i>Gallirallus philippensis admiralitatis</i> | Res bre | P, M coll 1945, | 1,6, |
| 3. | Whimbrel | <i>Numenius phaeopus variegatus</i> | Sum mig | P, Obs. Jul 1991, 1or2 coll 1945, | 1,3,6, |
| 4. | Stephan's Ground Dove | <i>Chalcophaps s. stephani</i> | Res | R M coll 1945, | 6, |
| 5. | Rainbow Lorikeet | <i>Trichoglossus haematodus flavicans</i> | Res bre | 1 or 2 birds coll 1945, | 6, |
| 6. | Sacred Kingfisher | <i>Todiramphus s. sancta</i> | Win mig | 1 or 2 coll 1945, | 6, |
| 7. | Brush Cuckoo | <i>Cacomantis variolosus blandus</i> | Res | MC 1 coll 1945, | 6, |
| 8. | Shining Flycatcher | <i>Myiagra alecto chalybeocephalus</i> | Res | Obs Jul 1991, | 3,5, |
| 9. | Island Monarch | <i>Monarcha cinerascens fulviventris</i> | Res bre | P, M coll 1945, | 1,4,6, |

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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