

Kulambangra (Kolombangra) Island Bird Checklist

New Georgia Group, Solomon Islands.

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Heinroth's Shearwater	<i>Puffinus heinrothi</i>	Res	2 indiv. 2 or 3 birds feeding with noddies.	4,34,
2.	Lesser Frigatebird	<i>Fregata ariel</i>	Res	MC, MC on 13 th - 15 th Dec 2005,	8,42,
3.	Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster</i>	Res	2 @8km to NW 15.12.2005,	42,
4.	Australian Pelican	<i>Pelecanus conspicillatus</i>	Vag	Rare, 4 off Ringgi Aug 1990.3 @ Ghatere 06/02 & 1/03. 12 arrived early 1952.	2,3,27,35.
5.	Little Pied Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax m. melanoleucos</i>	Vag	P,	2,
6.	Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striatus solomonensis</i>	Res bre	Common	1,2,8,8,
7.	Eastern Great Egret	<i>Egretta modesta</i>	Vag	1 st rec near Kukundu 22 Jun 2002,	43,
8.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta s. sacra</i>	Res bre	P, 1 spec AMNH. C Dec 2005,	1,2,8,21,42,
9.	Rufous Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax caledonicus mandibularis</i>	Res bre	P,	1,2,
10.	Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	Vag	1 bird on stone jetty for 1 week	30,
11.	Black Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus flavicollis woodfordi</i>	Res bre	P,	2,
12.	Pacific Baza	<i>Aviceda subcristata proxima</i>	Res bre	P, MC even hunting in town of Ringgi.	2,36,
13.	Brahminy Kite	<i>Haliastur indus flavirostris</i>	Res bre	P, High density nesting 1.5-2.0 km apart. P,	1,2,36,42,
14.	Meyer's Goshawk	<i>Accipiter meyerianus</i>	Res bre	F coll 1927 AMNH, 2 obs in 1990's	1,2,5,18,27,
15.	Variable Goshawk	<i>Accipiter novaehollandiae rubianae</i>	Res bre	P, C in all forests	1,2,36,
16.	Pied Goshawk	<i>Accipiter albogularis gilvus</i>	Res bre	P, C, Coll for BM, 1 seen near Kukundu, Seen 4x in forest.	1,2,5,9,31,36,39,
17.	Solomons Sea Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus sanfordi</i>	End Sol	P, UC 7 persecuted by Expat & local, 1 disused nest 1 km from shore up a river.	2,4,8,36,
18.	Eastern Osprey	<i>Pandion cristatus melvillensis</i>	Res bre	P, C, 1 seen near Kukundu, High density nests 1.5-2 km apart. even in villages. 1 Coll. Apr. 1929.	2,8,31,36,41,
19.	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	?	1 seen, 3 recs 1998. 1 at Camp Professor,	8,27,31,
20.	Oriental Hobby	<i>Falco severus papuanus</i>	Win Mig	P, 1 obs Aug 1990.	2,27,
21.	Pacific Black Duck	<i>Anas superciliosa pelewensis</i>	Res bre	P, 4 at creek mouth Kukundu Dec 2005,	1,2,42,
22.	Melanesian Scrub Fowl	<i>Megapodius eremita</i>	Res bre	P, 1 near Irii,	1,8,31,
23.	Roviana Rail	<i>Gallirallus rovianae</i>	End NGa	LC,C, 3 Kukundu, 2 on airstrip, <4 on Strip. 4 at Kukundu Dec 2005,	2,4,8,27,29,31,34,37,42,
24.	Buff-banded Rail	<i>Rallus philippensis rovianae</i>	Res bre	P,	2,
25.	Rufous-tailed Bush-hen	<i>Amaurornis moluccanus nigrifrons</i>	Res bre	P,	2,33,
26.	Purple Swamp-hen	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio samoensis</i>	Res bre	P, 1 Coll. Apr. 1929.	1,41,
27.	Beach Thick-knee	<i>Esacus magnirostris</i>	Res bre	P, Mod Common. 1MIF Coll. Apr. 1929.	2,41,
28.	Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>	Sum mig	34 on Kukundu Airstrip 14.12.2005,	42,
29.	Grey-tailed Tattler	<i>Tringa brevipes</i>	Sum mig	1 spec Oct.	2,19,
30.	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Sum mig	P, 1 at Irii 14.12.2005,	13,42,
31.	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	Sum mig	3 on Kukundu Airstrip 14.12.2005,	42,

32.	Black-naped Tern	<i>Sterna sumatrana sumatrana</i>	Res	Mod Common, 1 offshore 15.12.2005,	7,42,
33.	Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii cristatus</i>	Res bre	LC along the whole south & west coasts Dec 2005,	42,
34.	Brown Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus pileatus</i>	Res	3 seen 1km, 1@12 km 1@3km 2@18 km offshore 15.12.2005,	42,
35.	Superb Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus s. superb</i>	Res bre	P, 1 between Iriri & Camp Professor	1,2,8,31,
36.	Yellow-bibbed Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus solomonensis vulcanorum</i>	Res bre	P, 4+ Coll.	2,8,15,20,
37.	Claret-breasted Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus viridis lewisi</i>	Res bre	P. 1 at Kukundu 14.12.2005,	1,2,9,42,
38.	Red-knobbed Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula r. rubricera</i>	Res bre	Common, Sev on Lwr Mt Veve. 1 Patupaele Rd 15.12.2005,	1,2,8,9,31,42,
39.	Island Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula p. pistrinaria</i>	Res bre	Common, MC flying along the coast Dec 2005,	1,2,42,
40.	Pale Mountain Pigeon	<i>Gymnophaps solomonensis</i>	End Sol	Moderately common, 15 near Camp Professor,	1,2,4,29,31,
41.	White-throated Pigeon	<i>Columba vitiensishalmaheira</i>	Res bre	Uncommon, MC > Camp Professor,	1,2,8,31,
42.	Mackinlay's Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia mackinlayi arossi</i>	Res bre	Common MC,	2,9,31,
43.	Crested Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Reinwardtoena crassirostris</i>	End Sol	Rare	2,9,
44.	Stephan's Dove	<i>Chalcophaps stephani mortoni</i>	Res bre	P,	2,
45.	Bronze Ground-Dove	<i>Gallicolumba beccarii intermedia</i>	Res bre	P, Heard & taped Feb 1998.	2,27,
46.	Nicobar Pigeon	<i>Caloenas nicobarica</i>	Res bre	P,	1,2,
47.	Cardinal Lory,	<i>Chalcopsitta cardinalis</i>	Res bre	Common	1,2,8,9,31,
48.	Rainbow Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus haematarodus massena</i>	Res bre	Common, C Dec 2005,	1,2,8,9,42,
49.	Duchess Lorikeet	<i>Chamosyna margarethae</i>	End Sol	Moderately common Lowland forest, P,	1,2,9,12,30,47,
50.	Meek's Lorikeet	<i>Chamosyna meeki</i>	End Sol	Common, 20 Camp Professor,	2,8,9,12,31,
51.	Finsch's Pygmy Parrot	<i>Micropsitta finschii tristrami</i>	End Sol	MC,	1,2,10,
52.	Red-breasted Pygmy Parrot	<i>Micropsitta bruijnii rosea</i>	End W Sol	Scarce	2,9,
53.	Ducorp's Cockatoo	<i>Cacatua ducorpsi</i>	End Sol	Common, 1 Patupaele Logging road 15.12.2005,	1,2,8,9,42,
54.	Eclectus Parrot	<i>Eclectus roratus solomonensis</i>	Res bre	Locally common, 6 near Iriri,	1,2,8,31,
55.	Song (Singing) Parrot [Oriental Cuckoo	<i>Geoffroyus h. heteroclitus</i> <i>Cuculus saturatus</i>	Res bre Sum mig	Moderately common Rare – Mayr does not name islands for this species	1,2,9, 1,]
56.	Brush Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis variolosus addendus</i>	Res bre	P, 2 spec. AMNH.	1,6,8,23,
57.	Fan-tailed Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis flabelliformis meeki</i>	Win mig	Small numbers, 3 Camp Professor,	8,31,
58.	Eastern Koel	<i>Eudynamys orientalis alberti</i>	Win mig	Heard 13.12.2005,	42,
59.	Buff-headed Coucal	<i>Centropus milo albidiventris</i>	Res bre	P, 2 near Iriri,	2,8,9,31,
60.	Eastern Barn Owl	<i>Tyto javanica</i>	Res bre	1 obs. 1 nestling being fed Sept 1990.	28,36,
61.	White-throated Nightjar	<i>Eurostopodus mystacalis nigripennis</i>	Res bre	P,	2,9,
62.	Uniform Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus vanikorensis lugubris</i>	Res bre	P,	1,2,
63.	White-rumped Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus spodiopygius reichenowi</i>	Res bre	P, 1M skin AMNH,	1,2,8,48,
64.	Glossy Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia esculenta becki</i>	Res bre	Abundant	1,2,8,14,
65.	Moustached Tree-Swift	<i>Hemiprocne mystacea woodfordiana</i>	Res bre	MC, 4 skins in Mus coll,	1,2,8,9,31,48,
66.	Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis salomonensis</i>	Res bre	MC, 2 on beach at Kukundu,	1,2,8,31,
67.	Little Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo pusilla richardsi</i>	Res bre	P,	2,9,
68.	Variable Dwarf Kingfisher	<i>Ceyx lepidus collectoris</i>	Res bre	P,	2,9,30,
69.	Sacred Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus s. sanctus</i>	Win Mig	P, 1+ Coll. Apr. 1929.	2,9,41,
70.	Collared Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus chloris alberti</i>	Res bre	P, 1 at Patupaele Road 15.12.2005,	1,2,9,42,42,
71.	Beach Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus s. saurophaga</i>	Res bre	P,	1,2,9,
72.	Forest Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus macleayii</i>	Vag	v rare 3 obs on 4 days Aug 1990	27,
73.	Ultramarine Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus leucopygia</i>	Vag	1 rec needs confirmation,	30,
74.	Dollar Bird	<i>Eurystomus orientalis solomonensis</i>	Win Mig	P, 1 below Camp Professor,	1,2,8,31,
75.	Blyth's Hornbill	<i>Aceros plicatus mendanae</i>	Res bre	Common <9 rec/day 1990, &<3/day 1998. P,	2,27,42,
76.	Pacific Swallow	<i>Hirundo tahitica subfusca</i>	Res bre	Coll Mar 1927, Common, 2 at Kukundu Dec 2005,	1,2,5,9,40,42,

77.	Melanesian Cuckoo-Shrike	<i>Coracina caledonica kulambangrae</i>	Res bre	P, 7M6F Coll.	2,9,10,40,
78.	Barred Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina lineata ombriosa</i>	Res bre	P,	2,9,
79.	White-bellied Cuckoo-Shrike	<i>Coracina papuensis elegans</i>	Res bre	P, 1 st 1 Coll. Apr. 1929. MC Dec 2005,	1,2,41,42,
80.	Slender-billed Cicada Bird	<i>Coracina tenuirostris saturiator</i>	Res bre	P, Camp Professor,	1,2,8,9,31,
81.	Solomons Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina holopolia pygmaeum</i>	End Sol	Uncommon 3 coll. Oct. 1927.	2,9,20,
82.	Island Thrush	<i>Turdus poliocephalus kulambangrae.</i>	Res bre	Rare? 2 coll. Sep 1927. Only in Montane forest, Descr of type coll 1901 Tring Mus,	1,2,4,22,29,49,
83.	Kolombangara Leaf-Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus amoenus</i>	End Kul	P, Disc. Oct 1927, 3 spec	1,2,5,24,29,40,46,
84.	Island Leaf-Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus poliocephalus pallescens</i>	End Bis-Sol	P, 4 near summit Mt Veve,	1,2,4,8,11,31,31,40,46,
85.	White-winged Fantail	<i>Rhipidura cockerelli albina</i>	End Sol	P, 12 spec. AMNH, 1 Camp Professor,	1,2,8,9,10,26,31,
86.	Willie Wagtail	<i>Rhipidura leucophrys melaleuca</i>	Res bre	P, C,	1,2,8,26,31,42,
87.	Rufous Fantail	<i>Rhipidura rufifrons granti</i>	Res bre	P, ? spec. AMNH, Sev High on Mt Veve, 1 Coll. Apr 1929.	2,8,9,26,31,41,
88.	White-capped Monarch	<i>Monarcha richardsii</i>	End Nga Grp	P, lower slopes Mt Veve, 5 Coll. Apr. 1929.	2,8,9,10,29,31,41,
89.	Kolombangara Monarch	<i>Monarcha b. brownii</i>	End Sol	UC, MC, 1 Camp Professor, UC regrowth & gardens believes should be separated from Vela Levella spp.	2,4,8,9,10,29,31,34,45,
90.	Steel-blue Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra ferrocyanea feminina</i>	Res bre	Common, Several Camp Professor, 1 coll. Apr. 1929.	2,8,9,31,41,
91.	Pacific (Scarlet) Robin	<i>Petroica multicolor kulambangrae</i>	Res bre	UC, F & imm M differ from other SS. 2 near summit Mt Veve,	1,2,4,8,17,31,
92.	Common Golden Whistler	<i>Pachycephala pectoralis centralis</i>	Res bre	C, 6+ spec taken 1928. C high on Mt Veve,	1,2,8,9,16,31,44,
93.	Yellow-bellied Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia jugularis flavigaster</i>	Res bre	C. 1-9 Coll. Apr. 1929. C 2005,	1,2,41,42,
94.	Kulambangra White-eye	<i>Zosterops murphyi</i>	End Kulamb.	Common in Mtns >900m 14M6F Coll. 1927.	1,4,5,8,29,38,
95.	Central Solomons White-eye	<i>Zosterops rendovae kulambangrae</i>	End Nga Grp	MC, M & 2F Col Several High on Mt Veve, 16M5F Coll. 1927.	2,4,5,8,9,31,38,
96.	Yellow-vented Myzomela	<i>Myzomela eichhorni eichhorni</i>	End Sol	C. M&F coll 1927, 6+ spec. AMNH, C higher sloper Mt Veve, 1 Coll. 1929	2,4,5,8,9,12,25,31,41,
97.	Blue-faced Parrot-finch	<i>Erythrura trichroa ssp?</i>	Res bre	Uncommon	2,
98.	Singing Starling	<i>Aplornis cantoroides</i>	Res bre	C. 1-10 Coll. Apr. 1929. C Dec 2005,	1,2,8,41,42,
99.	Brown-winged Starling	<i>Aplornis g. grandis</i>	End Sol	Common 5 coll. Several Camp Professor,	2,8,9,20,31,
100.	Metallic Starling	<i>Aplornis metallicus nitida</i>	Res bre	Common, 2 at Kukundu, 1 at Patupaele 15.12.2005,	1,2,8,9,31,42,
101.	Yellow-faced Myna	<i>Mino dumontii sanfordi</i>	Res bre	A, Coll, Several near Iriri, 1 Coll. Apr 1929, 2 Kukundu,	2,5,8,9,31,41,42,

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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