# **Autumn Birding in South Turkey 13-20.9 1991**

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#### Route

14.9 Antalya - Göksu
15.9 Birecik
16.9 Isikli - Belen - Iskenderun
17.9 Belen
18.9 Belen - Ceyhan
19.9 Demirkazik - Eregli
20.9 Eregli - Karapinar - Akseki/par

#### General

The crew consisted of Tapani Numminen, Markku Lauren and myself. Our plan was to get the four species we'd missed on our previous trip and still needed for our lists and then to see some migration. We drove a total of 2631 km in seven days and used about \$20//person a day for all our needs, incl. petrol, food and hotel. We had altogether 191 species. The air-ticket cost 995 FIM (\$235). The car prices had gone up, we paid  $2.100.000 \, \text{TL}$  (\$450) for one week. Hotels cost  $50.000\text{-}119000 \, \text{TL}$  for three with  $90.000 \, \text{being common}$ . Current exchange rate was  $1000 \, \text{TL} = 0.90 \, \text{FIM} = 0.21 \, \text{USD}$ . Traffic was erratic as usual, we saw three crashes on the first day.

On our previous trip we found out that very few Turks speak anything but Turkish, this time there were even fewer.

#### Some comments on the sites

For full information on the sites (as well as general info), see our June 1990 or any other Turkey report.

#### Göksu delta

The ground was much drier than in June, so it was easy to drive around and we visited places where we hadn't been before.

#### Birecik

In the morning we visited the 'normal' sites. During the hottest period of the day we drove around, both east and west of the town, but didn't discover anything of great value.

#### Belen

We didn't have much information about good raptorwatching points, so decided to find our own. The best time for Lesser Spotted Eagles is about the third week of September so we were a little early. Others, like Steppe and Spotted Eagles, turn up even later.

In the morning we had problems with the fog, this may probably affect the migration, both numbers and routes. On clear days part of the raptors may fly across the mountains further north, thus missing Belen. So days with low clouds (but no fog) are probably the best.

As we 'missed' the start of the migration on all three days, we didn't find out when it starts, according to '\*' it is rather late. There seems to be at least three different routes in the Belen region, possibly others more to the west. There are several possible watching points, none of which is clearly 'the best'. The best choice probably depends on the weather and personal intrests.

We know of the following (from west to east, north to south):

#### The Güzelayla Road

There seemed to be rather a good view to the east from at least to points along this route, one was just below the village of Müftüler, the other just below the village of Güselayla. As we visited these sites in the evening we didn't find out whether they were on the route.

# Sarimazi village (hotel Seyran)

It should be possible to watch the migration from the roof. The birds are a bit far away though.

## Belen village

There's a road up to the west of the village, drive about 500 m, stop at the cemetary. This site is not so high, but numbers are pretty good.

#### Radar Station road

This road (paved) starts towards the north from the bus station at the village south of Belen. 1.5 km up there is a good watching site, unfortunately there is a risk of getting arrested even though there are no prohibiting signs. We didn't go there. Watching can also be done from this village, but the traffic is rather disturbing.

## The Pass

Just above the highest point of the pass (740m) there are three possible watching points. Take a track which starts just south of the highest point and goes north uphill. The two lower sites are both quarries and visited by trucks. The highest has a very good view all around, but you may miss birds flying very low above the road. You are also in view of the radar station. The birds pass this point rather nicely, but most will either be against the sun, or above you, thus making identification and searching rather difficult.

#### West of the Pass

Just north of the highest point of the pass there is a paved road to the south. This goes through a village (where the road becomes a track) and continues west. We found three possible watching points. Number 1 is pretty good, but on the left there is a mountain which may hide part of the birds. Especially Lesser Spotted Eagles seemed to like to take the western route. The view towards the north and east is very good, but there is no view towards the south.

Site 2 may be the best. It is rather high up (maybe 1000 m?) with views towards the north - southeast. Thus most birds seen will be easy to identify since the sun is in ones back. Part of the birds fly low down in the valley and may be difficult to spot, but most of them start to soar just south of the site. Some birds will come pretty close. Birds passing over the mainroad and

the mountains to the north of this seemed mostly to be close enough for identification. This site is 8.9 km from the main road (along the track, estimated about 3-4 km as the crow flies).

Site 3 was good when the fog was thick in the valley. The view is good towards the north, restricted towards the south, good enough towards the west, but somewhat restricted towards the east. The mountain between site 2 and 3 is too high to see over. But some birds follow the peak of this mountain. The valley along which most birds fly is going north-south and the birds are therefore easy to view. Many come straight over, unfortunately mostly not low enough. It takes about 20 minutes to drive the track up to this site from the main road (12.5 km).

Site 4 which we did not reach, is a high plateau west of the main road in the middle of the valley. It may be good for photography. We did not find the track which leads to it, though. There were several other unexplored tracks, there may still be better viewpoints to find in this region.

## The petrol station

About a km south of the pass there is a petrol station, try this for watching migrators crossing the mountains too soon.

## Eregli, Akgöl

The lake was very dry indeed. We first thought that there was no water at all, but then we discovered a small area of water 12 km west of Bögecik. We had good views from a cliff by the road, but the birds were rather far away. We did not visit sites 1 and 2, but site 1 could be good for Greater Sandplover even in autumn even if it looks dry.

#### Karapinar

There is a crater on the south side of the road, \*. There is a lake on the bottom of this crater where we had some birds. A site to visit if you have a few extra hours when you drive by.

#### 18 km N Akseki

Good for Woodpeckers (White-backed and Middle-spotted), Red-breasted Nuthatch, Woodlark, \*. Very easy site to visit.

# **Itinerary**

<u>Friday - Saturday, 13-14th September</u> 835.3 km Antalya - Gaziantep

We flew to Antalya where we arrived 22.30. We picked up our luggage, changed some money and rented a car from Europear. It was a Sahin (local Fiat 131). When the car deal had been completed it was already 23.30. We had our first bird, a Little Owl, at the airport, sitting on a pylon.

We drove all night along the coast road (390 km) to Tasucu. When dawn came at 6.15 we still had not reached the town, but stopped a few times to bird. At 7.35 we reached the Göksu delta where we birded until 14.00. The big lake was difficult to see, although we managed a Purple Gallinule and a Dalmatian Pelican (lifer). Also some Night Herons, White Pelicans, Squacco

Herons, Purple Herons, Ruddy Shelducks, a Marbled Teal, Black and White-winged Terns and Penduline Tits. The best view was from the southern side of the lake. Then we checked another smaller lake where we had some Flamingos. Driving back north we flushed a male Black Francolin and three Stone-Curlews.

We checked the north side, but it was pretty dry. Found a Little Bittern in the little 'marsh'. Had a meal at a local restaurant (about 10.000 TL//person) (\$2). I found that Turkish food served at small local restaurants was pretty good, but that served at larger, more touristy places was less good.

Driving east we stopped and had a look at the old ruin at Toprakkale which was built in the 14th? century. Very good view from ruin which lies up on a hill overlooking the plain. It is supposed to be good on spring migration, which I can well believe.

We continued to Gaziantep where we stayed at the hotel Mercram. The car was locked into a car park and I was a bit worried that we wouldn't get it out in time the next morning. It was a little difficult to explain that we wanted the car at 5 am, since nobody spoke a word in anything but Turkish.

We had dinner at a pretty expensive looking restaurant, but the food turned out to be a little on the spicy side.

Sunday, 15th September 116.5 km Birecik

When I got to the car-park the gate was locked and no-one was in sight. Just as I had feared. However, luckily the guard was sleeping in a small room in the park, I just had to wake him up. Which I managed to do after shouting and hitting the gate for about 5 minutes. When I asked him why he had not opened up, he showed me that he did not have a watch!

Drove to Birecik which we reached at 6.15. We walked down the big canyon and almost immediately an Eagle Owl flew straight over us. We tried to find some See-see Partridges, but no luck. Had two Menetries' Warblers and lots of Black-eared Wheatears. We returned to the shore (of Euphrat) in time to see the Black-bellied and Pin-tailed Sandgrouse fly over (7.45-8.30).

Next we checked the 'green canyon' for songbirds. Had several Menetries' Warblers, a Golden Oriole and a female Dead Sea Sparrow.

It was already getting hot (10.30), so we went for a beer in the Owl Park. No Striated Scops around though. Checked the river from the shadow of a tree and then went for a drive, first on the west side of the river. Had three Blue-cheeked Bee-eaters on the powerlines north-west of the colony. We managed to reach the river further up, by driving along some bad tracks, but had nothing much for it. Temperature was now about 36 C, but the slight breeze was still cooling, not like it hade been in June 1990, when the furnace hot wind just made it worse. I guess it must have been nearer 45 C then. Drove around behind the town on the east side, but found nothing. Drove back through the town and were quite relieved when we discovered streets which were just broad enough to let us through. I don't know what would have happened if the car had been 20 cm broader, since we were going steeply down-hill and there was hardly any room to turn.

Went for a beer to the motel (just west of the bridge, north of the road) where we booked rooms for the night and took a shower. By then it was 5pm and again cool enough to bird on foot. Went back to the big canyon and managed to see three See-sees (lifer), which flew up at the bottom of the canyon, when we were walking on top. Two Desert Larks were drinking from the pool. We got back to the car just in time before it got dark.

We returned to the Owl Park and ordered a meal and wrote down our observations while waiting for the Striated Scops to appear. Which it did, just after 8pm. Had nice views as it sat in the trees.

Monday, 16th September 367.1 km Birecik - Belen

We got up early and were at Isikli at dawn. Had five Great Rock Nuthatch, Sombre Tit, two Rock Thrush, four Bimaculated Larks and on the other side of the village a Syrian Woodpecker. Left at 9 am.

We stopped en route to photograph the scenery and found a Rock Nuthatch. When we left Markku had forgotten his camera on the front of the car and after a while it fell off. I saw it fly past the window and ran after it and managed to catch it just before a bus would have run it over. It was a little damaged though, but may be usable. Drove south towards Belen Pass (near the Syrian border).

We reached the pass at midday and Tapani soon spotted some raptors flying high up. Spent some time in trying to find a good watching spot. (We wanted to avoid the road up to the radar station as a Finnish crew was arrested there last year.) In the end we settled for a good spot at a quarry. The only problem was that most birds flew against the sun. Had time to see two Griffon Vultures, 210 White Pelicans, 15 Black Storks, 9 White Storks, 2 Short-toed Eagles, some Aquila Eagles and a flock of 1000 Levant Sparrowhawks before some thick fog came in from the coast and it got rather quiet.

We drove to Iskenderun and checked the harbour which was rather empty. Drove a nice road up to Guzelayla (12 km) and down to Sarimazi, the village next to Belen, (8 km). The scenery was beautiful and there were two or three spots which might be good for raptor watching.

We still wanted to find more watching points so we went up another track which started just at the highest point of the pass (740 m). Managed to find one spot which looked pretty good and decided to return there in the morning. Checked in at the Sayran in Sarimazi and had dinner.

<u>Tuesday, 17th September</u> 44.1 km Belen

Early in the morning I discovered I'd contracted a stomach desease so I wasn't too unhappy when I noticed it was quite foggy outside. At 7 I woke up the boys and we went out to look for songbirds in the valley. Not many about though. The boys ate breakfast while we watched towards the north, but no raptors came into view. Except a Levant Sparrowhawk which probably wasn't migrating at the moment.

We went up to the spot we'd found the previous day anyway. Raptor watching from 10.25-14.20. The most common raptor seemed to be Marsh Harrier. Also had a few eagles, Levant Sparrowhawks, Honey Buzzards, etc, but not enough. A local invited us to tea, but we pretended not to understand, since there was no way we could explain that we just didn't have the time. We decided that the hill on our left was probably hiding a lot of raptors, so we left and drove west. As the road went up another hill, we spotted five Lesser Spotted Eagles plus an assortment of other eagles and decided to stay there. It was pretty late though, so we didn't have time to see much. The sums for the day were 44 White Pelicans, 66 Marsh Harrier, 7 Short-toed Eagles, 425 Levant Sparrowhawks, 16 Aquilas, 9 Booted Eagles and an Alpine Swift.

We got back to the hotel at 18.45 and had dinner. I ate a few tomatoes.

Wednesday, 18th September 386.0 km Belen - Demirkazik

We slept pretty late as the weather was again bad, with fog. Started at 7 am, did some shopping and went up to the site we'd found the previous afternoon. Migration was very slow in starting, but then suddenly, at just after 11 am, there was a crowd of Lesser Spotted Eagles, Booted Eagles and Levant Sparrowhawks. 30 minutes later the migration stopped and we realized that once again we were standing in the wrong place.

Drove down and stopped rather near site I (where we had started the previous day). We found that from this spot we had a very good view of the whole valley from high up and there were birds everywhere. Part of them were pretty far away, but since we had the sun in our back we could identify them anyway. Except we didn't have time to identify them all, there were too many. It was also a little difficult to find some of them as they were flying against the ground, not the sky.

We stayed for three hours and saw quite enough (in the sense that it would not have been possible to study properly a larger number of birds). Part of the birds came pretty close, unfortunately only few close enough for photography. We saw one middle-phase Booted Eagle which even came close enough to shoot. Unfortunately against the sun.

We drove north and took the route via Sarimazi to Ceyhan. The road was quite good, but we did not see many birds.

We stopped for a beer in Tarsus. A small part of the new motorway had been completed and we tried it, only to find that there was a speed-limit of 40 kmp and at the end we had to pay toll! We had supper at a local restaurant in Potanzi, the meal was quite good.

When we arrived at the lodge at Demirkazik the doors were closed and it seemed very dark, but after we'd been making some noice the doors were opened.

<u>Thursday, 19th September</u> 239.6 km Demirkazik - Eregli

At dawn we drove up part of the track up the mountain. Halfway up the engine died due to the steep angle of the track and lack of oxygen. So we walked up the rest which took one and a

half hours. We spent the next seven hours on the plataeu. At first we walked around the spring, which produced flocks of Snowfinches, Crimson-winged Finches, Red-fronted Serins and Shore Larks. The Snowfinch flock, which we estimated at 300, was very impressive. I was beginning to get depressed we continued towards the upper end of the canyon. And there, at last, we found two Radde's Accentors (lifer). They gave good views too. We went down the canyon about 50 meters and stayed there for about half an hour, but no sign of the Wallcreepers nor any Alpine Accentors.

We were running out of time, so we climbed back up on the plateau and left. Just before we reached the car a Golden Eagle, a Booted Eagle and two Griffon Vultures passed us. Checked out of the hotel and drove towards Eregli. Our plan wasto do most of the lake this day, but we were too late. When we reached Akgöl there was only about an hour of daylight left and the lake looked very dry indeed. We took the Bögecik road and finally, after 12 km, we found the birds, swimming in what was left of the huge lake. The 'pool' was maybe a few hundred meters long. We only had time to see that there were lots of pelicans, egrets, herons, shorebirds and Marsh Harriers. A flock of Swallows and Sand Martins rose towards the sky, we estimated it at 20,000.

As it got dark a thunderstorm was nearing, and we got to see the most spectacular lightnings I ever saw! We wanted to photograph, but then the rain came, before it was dark enough. The flashes surrounded us on all sides, but I think the car wasn't hit. We hoped that this would ensure some more water for the birds and the fish. There was also a hailstorm with hails so large we were afraid the car might be damaged.

We had dinner at a local restaurant in Eregli, just by the hotel. It was still raining hard.

<u>Friday, 20th September</u> 642.7 km Eregli - Antalya

We left the hotel at 5.40, while it was still dark. When dawn came we saw that it was still cloudy. When we reached the 'pool' of the previous evening we also found out that it was cold! We had to put on all the clothes we had. It felt a lot colder than the 13C the meter showed. For the next three hours we kept watching the pool, but it was difficult to identify the smaller birds, it was too dark. Then the sun came through for a few minutes and we got some shorebirds and ducks. Goodies included about five Dalmatian Pelicans (at least one juvenile), pair of Ferrugineous Duck, Hen Harrier, 200 Pygmy Cormorants and 900 White Pelicans.

As we were leaving a German-speaking crew arrived, but they were just beginning their trip so they did not have much to tell us. They had visited a crater site near Karapinar though, which was on our route.

Before leaving the area we checked the villages of Adabaq and Tatlikuyu where we had about 20 Lesser Kestrels and four Red-footed Falcons.

Stopped in Eregli to make a phonecall to confirm the flight home. It cost 7.000 TL (\$ 1.5). There was just a crowd in front of the phone counter in the post office and two phones, so one had to make the call with everyone hanging over ones shoulder.

We wanted to visit another site on the north side of Akgöl, but the rain of the previous evening had made the track slippery, so we turned around after having seen some Short-toed and Lesser Short-toed Larks.

10 km short of Karapinar we quickly checked the crater and had three new species for the trip, Black-necked Grebe, Shelduck and Kentish Plover.

It was a long drive to Akseki, 350 km. The mountain road between Beysehir and Akseki was slow but beautiful. Unfortunately I'm afraid it will not stay that way since I presume that the new road they are building to Akseki will continue north all the way to Beysehir. It would be understandable as it probably is an imortant route, but it will be a terrible loss to nature. The road south of Akseki certainly is a good road, but one sees almost nothing, it is so wide and when one does it almost makes one cry, the landscape looks so broken. It is the worst job I've ever seen a road do to a beautiful mountain landscape. They've just gone through ripping and tearing and depositing huge hillsides of gravel. At one point they seemed to be diverting a stream from a beautiful canyon, it looked as if the road will be going right along the bottom, with the stream under it, concealed under cement.

18 km north of Akseki we checked a 'new' site (found in Doug Page's report). As soon as we stepped out of the car a woodpecker was seen, unfortunately it flew off and we lost it. But soon after another was heard calling, a call that sounded strange to us. So we followed and about half an hour later the bird finally came into view, a beautiful Middle-spotted Woodpecker (lifer). There were also lots of other birds about, Wooddlarks, Krupers Nuthatches, Redstarts, Mistle Thrushes, Sombre Tits and a Wood Warbler.

We still had some daylight left on the drive down to the coast road. Markku did some shopping, then we drove to the airport where we had some trouble in getting the two-hour delay confirmed. We packed our stuff on the pavement and returned the car. Afterwards we had ample time, for once, to write some postcards.

The flight left at 2 am and we landed at 6 am. While we waited for the luggage Tapani phoned a friend who was en route to the airport as he was to leave for Mallorca at 8 am. We were a bit surprised to hear that a Sabine's Gull had been present for several days, just 60 km off. But we'd taken our own car along, just in case, so as soon as the boys had fetched the car we drove north. Boy, was I relieved when we reached the site and the bird was still present. We spent some time there and got excellent views, it was very tame.

While we were photographing, my pager went off: Flamingo, almost on our route home. So we went there and saw it and then we drove home.

# **List of Species:**

Little Grebe *Tachybaptus ruficollis* 80 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 2 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 200 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Great Crested Grebe *Podiceps cristatus* 10 at Göksu deltaon 14th Sep. 5 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Black-necked Grebe *Podiceps nigricollis* 11 at Meke Gölü (Karapinar) on 20th Sep.

## Pygmy Cormorant Phalacrocorax pygmeus

7 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 2 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 19th Sep. 200 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

#### White Pelican Pelecanus onocrotalus

2 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 210 at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 44 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 150 on 18th Sep. 500 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 19th Sep. 900 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

#### Dalmatian Pelican Pelecanus crispus

1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 5 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

# Little Bittern Ixobrychus minutus

1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

## Night Heron Nycticorax nycticorax

8 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 10 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

# Squacco Heron Ardeola Ralloides

5 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

## Little Egret *Egretta garzetta*

40 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 15 *Egr gar//Bub ibi* at Birecik on 15th Sep. 200 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

#### Great White Egret *Egretta alba*

50 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

## Grey Heron Ardea cinerea

40 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 20 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

## Purple Heron Ardea purpurea

5 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

#### Black Stork Ciconia nigra

15 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 14 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 43 on 18th Sep. 10 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

#### White Stork Ciconia ciconia

3 at Erdemli on 14th Sep. 9 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 13 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 191 on 18th Sep. 10 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 19th Sep. 50 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

## Glossy Ibis Plegadis falcinellus

3 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 2 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

## Spoonbill Platalea leucorodia

25 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

# Greater Flamingo Phoenicopterus ruber

210 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 25 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

## Greylag Anser anser

1 wing-invalid at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

## Ruddy Shelduck Tadorna ferruginea

15 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 5 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

#### Shelduck Tadorna tadorna

10 at Meke Gölü (Karapinar) on 20th Sep.

#### Wigeon Anas penelope

20 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

# Teal Anas crecca

50 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 at Akgöl (Eregli), 5 at Meke Gölü (Karapinar) on 20th Sep.

#### Mallard *Anas platyrhychos*

50 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 5 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 50 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

#### Pintail Anas acuta

1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 100 at Akgöl (Eregli), 2 at Meke Gölü (Karapinar) on 20th Sep.

# Garganey Anas querquedula

15 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 3 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

## Shoveler Anas clypeata

2 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 5 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

## Duck sp. *Anas sp*.

200 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 10 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

#### Marbled Duck *Marmaronetta angustirostris*

1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

# Red-crested Pochard Netta rufina

1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 100 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

# Pochard Aythya ferina

200 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 2 males at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

## Ferrugineous Duck Aythya nyroca

Pair at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

#### Tufted Duck Aythya fuligula

Pair at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20<sup>th</sup> Sep.

#### Honey Buzzard Pernis apivorus

13 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 at Isikli, 4 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 24

migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 3 on 18th Sep.

# Black Kite Milvus migrans

One at Haciishakli-Bograk, 1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 2 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 4 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep.

## Egyptian Vulture Neophron percnopterus

11 migrating at Belen pass on 18th Sep.

# Griffon Vulture Gyps fulvus

2 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 2 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

#### Short-toed Eagle Circaetus gallicus

2 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 7 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 6 on 18th Sep.

## Marsh Harrier Circus aeruginosus

20 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 3 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 66 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 19 on 18th Sep. 3 at Demirkazik, 1 Demirkazik - Eregli on 19th Sep. 30 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 19th Sep and 20th Sep.

## Hen Harrier Circus cyaneus

1 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

#### Pallid Harrier Circus macrourus

Adult male at Birecik on 15th Sep. Juvenile at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

## Montagu's Harrier Circus pygargus

5 juveniles at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. Juvenile at Birecik on 15th Sep. 1 migrating at Belen pass on 18th Sep.

#### Pallid//Montagu's Harrier Circus mac//pyg

2 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 at Isikli-Nurdagi on 16th Sep. 4 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep.

#### Sparrowhawk *Accipiter nisus*

4 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 1 on 18th Sep.

## Levant Sparrowhawk Accipiter brevipes

1000, 61, 1 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 425 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep. 427 on 18th Sep.

## Sparrowhawk sp. Accipiter nis//bre

2 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 3 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 3 on 18th Sep.

#### Common Buzzard Buteo buteo

1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 3 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 2 on 18th Sep. 1 Demirkazik - Eregli on 19th Sep.

#### Long-legged Buzzard Buteo rufinus

1 at Belen pass on 18th Sep. 1 Konya - Beysehir, 1 at Cevizei on 20th Sep.

# Lesser Spotted Eagle Aquila pomarina

11 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 69 on 18th Sep.

# Spotted Eagle sp. Aquila pom//cla

6 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 5 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 9 on 18th Sep.

# Golden Eagle Aquila chrysaetos

1 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

#### Booted Eagle *Hieraaetus pennatus*

1 pale phase 5 km E Belen on 16th Sep. 2 dark, 7 pale migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 6 dark, 1 middle and 16 pale on 18th Sep. 1 pale at Demirkazik on 19<sup>th</sup> Sep.

## Osprey Pandion haliaetus

2 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 2 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep.

#### Large raptor

One at Haciishakli-Bograk on 14th Sep. 1 Isikli-Nurdagi, 4 5 km E Belen on 16th Sep. 50 buzzard sp., 10 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 10 buzzard sp., 5 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 2 buzzard sp., 24 on 18th Sep.

#### Lesser Kestrel Falco naumanni

22 at Akgöl (Eregli), 2 + 60 probably this species Karapinar - Konya on 20th Sep.

#### Kestrel Falco tinnunculus

2 at Göksu delta, 2 at Harabeleri, Toprakkale on 14th Sep. 2 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 2 at Isikli, 2 Isikli-Nurdagi, 1 Nurdagi-Kirkhan, 1 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 2 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep.

#### Kestrel sp. *Falco nau//tin*

3 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 2 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 5 on 18th Sep. 1 between Iskenderun and Sarimazi (north), 2 between Sarimazi (north) and Ceyhan on 18th Sep. 2 at Demirkazik, 1 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 19th Sep. 5 at Akgöl (Eregli), 2 at Sazgecit (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

#### Red-footed Falcon Falco vespertinus

1 male migrating at Belen pass on 18th Sep. 4 at Akgöl (Eregli), 4 at Sazgecit (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

#### Hobby Falco subbuteo

1 at M/"ft/"ler on 16th Sep. 2 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 7 on 18th Sep. 1 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep. 3 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

#### Peregrine Falco peregrinus

Adult and juvenile at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep.

Small Raptor Accipiter//Falco

1 at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 3 migrating at Belen pass on 18th Sep.

Small Falcon Falco sp.

3 migrating at Belen pass on 17<sup>th</sup> Sep.

Caspian Snowcock Tetraogallus caspius

2 seen and 3 heard at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

Chukar Alectoris chukar

1 at Haciishakli-Bograk on 14th Sep. Call heard at Meke Gölü (Karapinar) on 20th Sep.

See-see Partridge Ammoperdix griseogularis

3 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Black Francolin Francolinus francolinus

Male at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Water Rail Rallus aquaticus

10 heard at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Moorhen Gallinula chloropus

20 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 seen, 1 heard at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Purple Gallinule Porphyrio porphyrio

1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Coot Fulica atra

500 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 100 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Crane Grus grus

Call heard at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Black-winged Stilt *Himantopus himantopus* 

20 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 10 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Avocet Recurvirostra avosetta

13 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 50 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Stone Curlew Burhinus oedicnemus

3 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Collared Pratincole Glareola pratincola

1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Pratincole sp. Glareola sp.

10 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Little Ringed Plover Charadrius dubius

1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Ringed Plover Charadrius hiaticula

7 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. Propable Ringed at Birecik on 15th Sep. One Charadrius probable Ringed at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Kentish Plover *Charadrius alexandrinus* 1 at Meke Gölü (Karapinar) on 20th Sep.

Grey Plover *Pluvialis squatarola* 3 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Spur-winged Plover *Hoplopterus spinosus* 10 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 2 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Lapwing Vanellus vanellus

2 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 at Akgöl (Eregli), 1 at Meke Gölü (Karapinar) on 20th Sep.

Little Stint Calidris minuta

60 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 4 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 2 at Meke Gölü (Karapinar) on 20th Sep.

Temminck's Stint *Calidris temminckii* 1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Curlew Sandpiper *Calidris ferruginea* 2 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Dunlin Calidris alpina

10 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 at Meke Gölü (Karapinar) on 20th Sep.

Stint Calidris sp.

50 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Ruff Philomachus pugnax

4 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Snipe Gallinago gallinago

150 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 6 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Black-tailed Godwit Limosa limosa

4 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Whimbrel *Numenius phaeopus* 

3 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Curlew Numenius arquata

Call heard at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Spotted Redshank Tringa erythropus

8 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. Call heard at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Redshank Tringa totanus

15 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. Call heard at Akgöl (Eregli), 1 at Meke Gölü (Karapinar) on 20th Sep.

Greenshank Tringa nebularia

2 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. Call heard at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Green Sandpiper Tringa ochropus

3 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Wood Sandpiper *Tringa glareola* 60 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Sandpiper Tringa sp.

50 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Common Sandpiper Actitis hypoleucos

2 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 3 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Black-headed Gull Larus ridibundus

4 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 2 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Slender-billed Gull Larus genei

1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 2 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 5 at Iskenderun on 16th Sep. 50 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Black-headed//Slender-billed Gull Larus rid//gen

3 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 400 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Armenian Gull *Larus armenicus* 

5 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 3 at Iskenderun on 16th Sep. 10 Beysehir - Cevizei on 20th Sep.

Large Gull Larus sp.

3 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 20 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Sandwich Tern Sterna sandvicensis

3 at Iskenderun on 16th Sep.

Common Tern Sterna hirundo

3 at Iskenderun on 16th Sep.

Black Tern Chlidonias niger

10 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

White-winged Tern Chlidonias leucopterus

10 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 65 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Blackish Tern Chlidonias sp.

10 at Göksu delta, 40 at Erdemli-Harabeleri on 14th Sep. 35 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 20 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Black-bellied Sandgrouse *Pterocles orientalis* 150 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Pin-tailed Sandgrouse *Pterocles alchata* 30 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Rock Dove Columba livia

Recorded daily in varying numbers. 150 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 15 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

Collared Dove Streptopelia decaocto

Recorded on six days. 30 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Turtle Dove Streptopelia turtur

9 at Haciishakli-Bograk, 80 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1500 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 5 at Isikli on 16th Sep. 1 at Belen pass on 18th Sep. 1 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Palm Dove *Streptopelia senegalensis* 5 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Cuckoo Cuculus canorus

1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Striated Scops Owl Otus brucei

1 at Birecik on 15th Sep. Found just after 8 pm sitting on a branch. Kept looking for prey and flew to another branch a few times.

Eagle Owl Bubo bubo

1 in the big wadi at Birecik on 15<sup>th</sup> Sep flying over us at 6.15 in the morning.

Little Owl Athene noctua

One seen at Antalya airport (carpark) on 13th Sep, one seen at Byerebucak II, 1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 Eregli-Bögecik, 1 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Nightjar Caprimulgus europaeus

1 at Demirkazik on 18th Sep. 1 on 20th Sep.

Swift Apus apus

1 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep.

Alpine Swift *Apus melba* 

6 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 1 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep.

Kingfisher *Alcedo atthis* 

30 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Pied Kingfisher Ceryle rudis

3 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Blue-cheeked Bee-eater *Merops superciliosus* 3 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

# Bee-eater Merops apiaster

5 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.5 at Isikli, 5, call, 35, 30 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 75 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep, 89 and 3 calls on 18th Sep. 4 between Sarimazi (north) and Ceyhan, 30 at Tarsus on 18th Sep. 73+4 at Demirkazik, 2+4+30+1 Demirkazik - Eregli on 19th Sep.Call heard at Meke Gölü (Karapinar), 4+7 Konya - Beysehir, 6 at Cevizei, 11+2 Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

#### Roller Coracias garrulus

3 at Erdemli-Harabeleri on 14th Sep. 2 at Belen pass on 18th Sep. 1 between Iskenderun and Sarimazi (north), 1 between Sarimazi (north) and Ceyhan on 18th Sep.

Hoopoe *Upupa epops* 1 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Wryneck *Jynx torquilla* 1 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

Syrian Woodpecker *Dendrocopus syriacus* 1 at Isikli on 16th Sep.

Middle-spotted Woodpecker *Dendrocopus medius* Male Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

Woodpecker *Dendrocopus sp.* 1 heard Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

Desert Lark *Ammomanes deserti* 2 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Bimaculated Lark *Melanocorypha bimaculata* 4 at Isikli on 16th Sep.

Short-toed Lark *Calandrella brachydactyla* 2 at Sazgecit (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Lesser Short-toed Lark *Calandrella rufescens* 20 at Sazgecit (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Short-toed Lark sp. *Calandrella sp.* 1 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Crested Lark *Galerida cristata* 150 at Göksu delta on 14<sup>th</sup> Sep. 30 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Wood Lark Lullula arborea

1 heard singing at Isikli on 16th Sep. Call at Belen pass on 18th Sep. 3 Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

Shore Lark *Eremophila alpestris* 60 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

Sand Martin Riparia riparia

150 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 300 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 4 at Isikli, 10 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 5 at Belen pass on 18th Sep. 50 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Crag Martin *Hirundo rupestris* 10 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

Swallow Hirundo rustica

40 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 5 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 4 at Isikli, 20 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 380 migrating at Belen pass on 18th Sep. Estimated 20.000 (incl. a few Sand Martins) at Akgöl (Eregli) on 19<sup>th</sup> Sep. 1000 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Red-rumped Swallow *Hirundo daurica* 1 migrating at Belen pass on 18th Sep.

Tawny Pipit *Anthus campestris* 2 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Tree Pipit Anthus trivialis

4 at Göksu delta, 5 at Harabeleri, Toprakkale on 14th Sep. 1 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Water Pipit *Anthus spinoletta* 1 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

Yellow Wagtail Motacilla flava

150 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 25 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 1 at Isikli on 16th Sep. 1 at Belen pass on 18th Sep. 20 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep. 30 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20<sup>th</sup> Sep.

Grey Wagtail Motacilla cinerea

1 migrating at Topbogazi Gecidi on 16th Sep. 2 at Sarimazi on 17th Sep.

Pied Wagtail Motacilla alba

5 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep. 1 at Akgöl (Eregli), 6 Beysehir - Cevizei on 20th Sep.

Yellow-vented Bulbul *Pycnonotus xanthopygos* 

4 at Bograk-Tasucu, 4 at Harabeleri, Toprakkale on 14th Sep. 4 at Sarimazi on 17th Sep.

Wren *Troglodytes troglodytes* 4 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

Radde's Accentor *Prunella ocularis* 2 at Demirkazik on 19<sup>th</sup> Sep.

Black Redstart Phoenicurus ochruros

6 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

## Redstart Phoenicurus phoenicurus

10 at Isikli on 16th Sep. 1 at Belen pass on 17th and 18th Sep. Female at Demirkazik on 19th Sep. Female at Meke Gölü (Karapinar), 15 Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

#### Whinchat Saxicola rubetra

5 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 3 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

## Isabelline Wheatear Oenanthe isabellina

2 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 3 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 2 at Isikli, 1 Nurdagi-Kirkhan on 16th Sep. 1 at Akgöl (Eregli), 2 Karapinar - Konya on 20th Sep.

## Northern Wheatear Oenanthe oenanthe

5 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 5 at Demirkazik, 2 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 19th Sep. 1 Eregli-Bögecik, 10 at Akgöl (Eregli), 2 at Meke Gölü (Karapinar) on 20th Sep.

# Black-eared Wheatear Oenanthe hispanica

15 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 20 at Isikli, 1 Isikli-Nurdagi on 16th Sep. 1 Karakasla (Akseki), 3 Akseki - Manavgat on 20th Sep.

## Finsch's Wheatear Oenanthe finschii

2 males and 2 female plumaged at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

## Wheatear sp. *Oenanthe sp.*

5 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 5 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 1 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

#### Rock Thrush Monticola saxatilis

Male and female at Isikli on 16th Sep.

#### Blue Rock Thrush Monticola solitarius

3 at Yesilce on 16th Sep. 2 females at Isikli on 16th Sep. 1 Beysehir - Cevizei on 20th Sep.

## Ring Ouzel *Turdus torquatus*

1 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

#### Fieldfare *Turdus pilaris*

1 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

#### Mistle Thrush *Turdus viscivorus*

20 Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

## Cetti's Warbler Cettia cetti

2 at Sarimazi on 17th Sep.

## Graceful Prinia Prinia gracilis

30 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 3 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

#### Reed Warbler Acrocephalus scirpaceus

1 heard singing at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 2 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Great Reed Warbler *Acrocephalus arundinaceus* 3 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Acrocephalus Warbler *Acrocephalus sp.* 5 at Birecik on 15<sup>th</sup> Sep.

Menetries Warbler *Sylvia mystacea* 15 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Lesser Whitethroat *Sylvia curruca* 2 at Isikli on 16th Sep. 1 Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

Whitethroat Sylvia communis

1 juvenile at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 5 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Garden Warbler *Sylvia borin* 2 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 2 at Isikli on 16th Sep.

Black-cap Sylvia atricapilla

1 at Harabeleri, Toprakkale on 14th Sep. 2 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 2 at Isikli on 16th Sep. 1 at Sarimazi on 17th Sep.

Wood Warbler *Phylloscopus sibilatrix* 1 Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

Chiffchaff *Phylloscopus collybita* 1 at Belen pass on 17th Sep.

Willow Warbler Phylloscopus trochilus

5 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 2 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 2 at Isikli on 16th Sep. Call at Belen pass on 17th Sep. 2 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Phylloscopus Warbler *Phylloscopus sp.* 

20 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 2 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 5 at Belen pass on 17th Sep. 2 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

Spotted flycatcher Muscicapa striata

5 at Harabeleri, Toprakkale on 14th Sep. 6 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 3 at Isikli on 16th Sep. 3 at Belen pass on 17th and 18th Sep. 2 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep. 1 at Akgöl (Eregli), 1 at Sazgecit (Eregli), 10 Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

Long-tailed Tit Aegithalos caudatus

4 at Belen pass on 17th Sep. 20 at Belen pass on 18th Sep.

Sombre Tit Parus lugubris

3 at Isikli, 2 Isikli-Nurdagi on 16th Sep. 2 Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

Coal Tit Parus ater

32 at Belen pass on 17th Sep. 2 at Cevizei on 20th Sep.

#### Blue Tit Parus caeruleus

## Great Tit Parus major

2 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 3 at Isikli on 16th Sep. 2 at Sarimazi on 17th Sep. 5 at Belen pass on 17th Sep.

# Krüper's Nuthatch Sitta krueperi

10 Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

# Great Rock Nuthatch Sitta tephronota

5 at Isikli on 16th Sep.

## Rock Nuthatch Sitta neumayer

5 Isikli-Nurdagi on 16th Sep. 5 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep. 3 at Akgöl (Eregli), 1 Akseki – Manavgat on 20th Sep.

# Penduline Tit Remiz pendulinus

10 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

#### Golden Oriole Oriolus oriolus

1 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

#### Red-backed Shrike Lanius collurio

1 at Bograk-Tasucu, 10 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 5 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 2 at Isikli on 16th Sep. 1 at Belen pass on 17th Sep. 1 between Iskenderun and Sarimazi (north), 2 between Sarimazi (north) and Ceyhan on 18th Sep. 1 at Sazgecit (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

## Lesser Grey Shrike Lanius minor

12 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 2 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 1 between Iskenderun and Sarimazi (north), 3 between Sarimazi (north) and Ceyhan on 18th Sep. 1 Demirkazik - Eregli on 19th Sep. 1 Karapinar - Konya on 20th Sep.

#### Masked Shrike Lanius nubicus

Juvenile at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 at M/"ft/"ler on 16th Sep. 1 Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

#### Jay Garrulus glandarius

Call at Belen pass on 17th Sep.1 at Belen pass on 18th Sep. 1 Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

#### Magpie Pica pica

1 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep. 17 Demirkazik - Eregli on 19th Sep. 10 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

# Alpine Chough Pyrrhocorax graculus

50 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

#### Chough *Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax*

60 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

Jackdaw Corvus monedula

40 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 200 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Rook Corvus frugilegus

10 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

Carrion Crow Corvus corone

10 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Raven Corvus corax

2 at Haciishakli-Bograk, 2 at Göksu delta on 14th Sep.

Starling *Sturnus vulgaris* 

250 at Birecik on 15th Sep. 1 Demirkazik - Eregli on 19th Sep. 300 at Akgöl (Eregli) on 20th Sep.

House Sparrow Passer domesticus

Recorded daily.

Dead Sea Sparrow Passer moabiticus

200 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Rock Sparrow Petronia petronia

50 at Birecik on 15th Sep.

Snow Finch Montifringilla nivalis

350 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

Chaffinch Fringilla coelebs

20 at M/"uft/"uler, 2 at Guzelayla on 16th Sep. Call at Belen pass on 17th Sep. 10 at Belen pass on 18th Sep.

Red-fronted Serin Serinus pusillus

30 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

Greenfinch Carduelis chloris

3 at Isikli on 16th Sep. 6 at Belen pass on 17th Sep. 1 Karakasla (Akseki) on 20th Sep.

Goldfinch Carduelis carduelis

1 heard at Göksu delta on 14th Sep. 1 at Isikli on 16th Sep. 2 migrating at Belen pass on 17th Sep. 3 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep. 1 at Akgöl (Eregli), 2 at Cevizei on 20th Sep.

Linnet Carduelis cannabina

4 at Isikli on 16th Sep. 20 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep. Call heard Konya - Beysehir on 20th Sep.

Crimson-winged Finch Rhodopechys sanguinea

20 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.

Rock Bunting *Emberiza cia*1 at Guzelayla on 16th Sep. 1 at Belen pass on 17th Sep. 5 at Demirkazik on 19th Sep.
1 Beysehir - Cevizei on 20th Sep.