# Tripreport to Peninsular Malaysia, Feb 11<sup>th</sup> - March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2002.

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#### Flights and visas

Peninsular Malaysia is a well known and popular birding destination since several years. All travel information needed is to be found on the internet or in any guidebook to the region. There are several airlines from Sweden to choose from to Kuala Lumpur or Singapore. We flew KLM from Copenhagen to Saigon, Vietnam, with a stopover in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia (up to six weeks). The return ticket was 9850 Skr. A Malaysian visa valid for three months, free of charge, is issued upon arrival.

#### Language and religion

English is the second language and widely spoken and the majority of the Malays are muslims.

#### Money

The local currency is called Malaysian Ringit and 1 RM was equivalent to about 3 Skr at the time of our visit. Credit cards and Traveller's Cheques seemed widely accepted but try to change your money in major towns.

#### Health

For vaccinations, check with your local GP. Peninsular Malaysia is supposed to be free from malaria and we didn't take any prophylaxis. Mosquitos were slightly annoying at Kuala Selangor and some trails in Taman Negara. Bring an insect repellent and a mosquito-net. With almost no rain leeches were not a major problem, but they were present at Fraser's Hill and Taman Negara, so we wore leech-proof socks after rain and early mornings before the paths had dried up. Food was generally very good and safe, even the ice-cream. We had no stomach problems at all.

#### **Transport and accomodation**

The public transport network is excellent and cheap. We travelled by public buses and taxi to reach our birding sites. Accommodation is fairly cheap depending on standard and availability. We didn't pre-book accommodation at any site, but it may be advisable to do so. In all, we found birding and travelling in Malaysia to be very easy, safe and hassle free.

#### Weather

Kuala Selangor and Taman Negara was very hot and humid with temperatures reaching 35 C so we tried to avoid the midday heat and brought lot's of water. Early mornings at the Gap and Fraser's Hill was normally a bit misty and chilly, 15-17 C, before the sun broke through. Birding here was quite pleasant even in the middle of the day and birds remained active through the day. We had very few days with rain and it all fell during the evenings and nights at the Gap and Taman Negara.

#### **Preparations**

We didn't carry a telescope wich could have been useful at certain times. We didn't use any tapes or play-backs to attract birds with the exception of the Rusty-naped Pitta at Fraser's Hill, when birding with Mr Choo and when joining David Bishop on two occasions in Taman Negara. A good idea is to listen in to a tape or CD-ROM covering the birdcalls of SE Asia before you set off. A Field Guide to the Birds of South-East Asia by Craig Robson or A Field Guide to the Birds of West Malaysia and Singapore by Allen Jeyarajasingam and Alan Pearson are the best books of the area.

#### References/litterature

Robson, C. (2000) **A Field Guide to the Birds of South-East Asia**. New Holland Publishers (UK) Ltd. We also read a number of trip reports available on the internet before choosing where to go. We used links from <a href="https://www.club300.se">www.club300.se</a> or <a href="https://www.skof.se">www.skof.se</a>.

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#### **Sites**

The following sites cover different habitats and the majority of the species occuring in Peninsular Malaysia can be seen with some luck and patience. It's good to have at least three weeks or more and most of this time is possibly best spent in Taman Negara. All sites can be easily reached with public transport and they are all worth a visit even though you only have a few days. Going between Oct-Nov to Mar-Apr has the advantage of including some passage migrants and wintering species.

#### Lake Gardens 020212

This urban park is situated in the heart of Kuala Lumpur. Perhaps not the best birdingsite you could think of but well worth a visit if you want to escape the citylife for a couple of hours. Visited one afternoon. Birds included Coppersmith Barbet, Blue-tailed Bee-eater, Pink-necked Pigeon, Peaceful Dove, Straw-headed Bulbul and more.

#### Kuala Selangor Nature Park/Taman Alam Kuala Selangor (KS) 020213-0215

Situated on the west coast of Peninsular Malaysia, only two hours by bus from Kuala Lumpur. It consists of 201 hectares of mangrove and secondary forest with a lagoon in the middle. The water level is controlled via sluice gates. There are four major trails and a few badly maintained hides in the park. There used to be a boardwalk through the mangroves but this is now closed, as well as some of the hides. This made birding more difficult, particulary for typical mangrove species. Check out more info and details on <a href="http://naturepark.freeserver.com">http://naturepark.freeserver.com</a> or <a href="http://hydec.com/ksnp.">http://hydec.com/ksnp.</a>

**Bukit Melawati** is the name of the hill overlooking the town and the park. Look for the radio mast on the top. Bird along the road to the top and back to town. The view is quite nice.

Most birders stay within the park and there are chalets with attached wash-room for rent inside the park, 45 RM, but no food for sale. For booking and more information: <a href="MSNP\_MNS@HOTMAIL.COM">KSNP\_MNS@HOTMAIL.COM</a> or tel 03-32892294. We stayed at Hotel Kuala Selangor in town, only a 10 minutes walk from the park. A nice room with AC and attached bath was 50 RM. Tel 03-32892709. The food was good at Seri Kampong Restaurant in town. The bus from KL to Kuala Selangor leaves from Pudu Raya Bus Station, near Chinatown. The 5 RM ticket can be bought on the bus. There's a 2 RM entrence fee to the park and maps available from the HQ.

#### The Gap and Fraser's Hill (G and FH) 020216-0222

The Gap is situated below Fraser's Hill at an altitude of about 800 m. This means that the avifauna somewhat differs from that of Fraser's Hill at 1300 m. The only place to stay at the Gap is at the Gap Resthouse, an old colonial style hotel with very nice and spacious rooms. You'll find the hotel by the road to your right, coming from Kabu Bahru, just before the Old road coming down from Fraser's Hill. The birding is done in the surrounding forest along the roads leading to Raub, Kabu Bahru or to Fraser's Hill. We liked the Gap so much that we chose to stay here during our whole visit to the area. We walked, took the bus or hitchhiked the 8 km road up and down to Fraser's Hill.

Information about Fraser's Hill regarding accommodation, trails, birds, maps etc can be obtained from the homepage of Fraser's Hill Nature Education Centre at <a href="http://www.wwfmalaysia.org/fhnec">http://www.wwfmalaysia.org/fhnec</a> or by calling the Information Centre, tel 09-3622201, 09-3622248.

A good local birdwatcher named K.S. Durai is very helpful and up to date with the latest sightings at Fraser's Hill and the Gap. He works at the Nature Centre, but takes on guided tours, if he has time. We didn't use him as a guide but he provided us with valuable information. He can be reached at  $\underline{durefh@hotmail.com}$ .

The room with attached bath at the Gap Resthouse was very good value at 41 RM. The restaurant closed at 20.00 but if you pre-ordered your meals you could have them later. We took a taxi from Kuala Selangor to the Gap. We haggled over the price and settled at 100 RM for the  $2 \frac{1}{2}$  hours drive, wich saved us a lot of time.

### Taman Negara (TN) 020224-0309

Taman Negara Wildlife Reserve is said to be the oldest rainforest in the world. It covers an area of 4343 km2 and concists of lowland rainforest as well as montane forest around the Gunung Tahan mountain, the highest mountain in west Malaysia at 2147 m. Most tourists only visit the area and trails close to the resort or HQ, and so did we. To get to the mountain you need a guide for the four day trekk to the top and you'll have to carry all your equipment. Most montane species can be seen at Fraser's Hill, anyway.

Taman Negara possibly offers the best birding on Peninsula Malaysia and you can spend days or even weeks and still find new species along the different trails close to the HQ.

For more information regarding trails, accommodation, maps etc try <a href="http://www.taman-negara.com">http://www.taman-negara.com</a>

We found the Tahan River Trail, that follows the north bank of the Tahan river, to be the best and we walked it as far as to Tabing Hide on several days. We made four boat trips. One down to Pengkalan Blau where we were dropped and then we walked the trail west of the Tembeling river, passing Yong and Blau Hide, back to Kuala Tahan. One up the Tahan river as far as to Lata Berkoh and back. One up to Kuala Trenggan, then birding the

trail to Kumbang Hide and back. Boat back to Kuala Tahan. One up to Kuala Keniam Lodge, birding in the area of the lodge, and then back by boat.

The HQ or resort area with it's fruiting and flowering trees was good for spiderhunters, flowerpeckers, parrots and bulbuls. We also visited the forest and plantations south-east of Kuala Tahan village on two occasions.

We stayed in Kuala Tahan village at Tahan Guest House, five minutes walk from the main jetty and the floating restaurants. A room with a fan and attached bath was 40 RM. Basic, but nice and clean. Tel 09-2667752. The owner is a friend of Durai's and he's interested in birds. Accomodation within the Resort was way to expensive for us. We had our meals at Lia Restaurant, one of the floating ones. Nice and cheap food. We also hired the motorised canoes here for our boat trips wich was much cheaper than renting them from the resort inside the park. Our driver and guide, May, working at Lia's, was interested in birds and very good at spotting them from the boat. We paid 80 RM to Kuala Trenggan and 100 RM to Kuala Keniam for a full days birding, everything included, shared between four people. The boat up Tahan river can only be arranged from the HQ and costed us 90 RM for 3 hours since it's within the reserve and public boats are not allowed to go there.

To get to Taman Negara we took the local bus from the Gap to Raub where we changed buses for Benta. From Benta we took the bus to Jerantut. The journey took three hours and costed 11 RM. In Jerantut we spent the night at Hotel Sri Emas. Basic room with attached bath was 30 RM. At the hotel we bought an open return ticket to Kuala Tahan, the boat trip from Kuala Tembeling and back included. The last day we took the 09.00 clock boat from Kuala Tahan in order to catch a minibus from Jerantut on to Kuala Lumpur. The minibus to KL costed 26 RM and took about four hours.

# **Systematic list of birds following:**

## A Field Guide to the Birds of South-East Asia by Craig Robson.

Black Partridge One male seen briefly along Jenet Muda Trail, TN.

Malayan Partridge Heard twice along Bishop's Trail, FH.

Red Junglefowl Frequently heard and a group of 6 birds seen along Langur Trail, KS.

Crested Fireback One male seen at the start of Tahan River Trail, TN.

Malayan Peacock Pheasant One male seen well along the Swamp Loop. Another male seen near Yong Hide.

Also heard on three more dates but difficult to locate, TN.

Great Argus One male seen on the Jenet Muda Trail on three dates. Dancing ground on the

actual path. One male seen near Yong Hide. Up to five birds heard daily, TN.

Rufous Piculet One bird seen along Tahan River Trail, TN.

White-bellied Woodpecker One pair seen along Tahan River Trail on three dates. One male crossing the

river on boat trip near Kuala Trenggan, TN.

Banded Woodpecker One male seen along Jenet Muda Trail, TN.

Crimson-winged Woodpecker One female along the Old road, G. A few along Tahan River Trail, TN.

Greater Yellownape Several along different trails at FH.

Checker-throated Woodpecker Singles on two different dates along Tahan River Trail, TN.

Laced Woodpecker A few seen at KS.

Olive-backed Woodpecker One female seen along Tahan River Trail, TN.

Common Flameback A few at KS. 2 behind Kuala Tahan village and a single bird along Tahan River

Trail, TN.

Maroon Woodpecker One along the Old road, G. Another near Kuala Keniam, TN.

Rufous Woodpecker One along Jenet Muda Trail and one near Kuala Trenggan, TN.

Orange-backed Woodpecker One male along Bishop's Trail, FH. Up to 3 on two dates along Tahan River

Trail, TN.

Buff-rumped Woodpecker One along the Telekom Loop, FH. Another along Tahan River Trail, TN.

Buff-necked Woodpecker Up to 4 on two dates along Tahan River Trail and one near Kuala Trenggan,

TN.

Grey-and-buff Woodpecker One male along the Old road, G. One female along Jenet Muda Trail, TN.

Fire-tufted Barbet Commonly heard and seen at FH.

Lineated Barbet 3-4 seen at Bukit Melawati, KS. Heard from the entrence to the park, but not

recorded inside the actual park.

Gold-whiskered Barbet Fairly common by call at the G and FH. A few seen. Also recorded in TN.

Red-throated Barbet Fairly common by call at the G and TN. Only 3 birds seen.

Black-browed Barbet Commonly heard and several seen at the G and F H.

Yellow-crowned Barbet Fairly common by call in TN. Only 3 birds seen.

Blue-eared Barbet Commonly heard at the G and TN. Several seen.

Coppersmith Barbet Several at Lake Gardens. A few seen and heard at Bukit Melawati, KS.

Brown Barbet Singles seen on two dates in fruiting tree 1 km down KKB road from the G. 2

birds seen along Tahan River Trail, TN.

Oriental Pied Hornbill Several seen along different trails in TN.

Black Hornbill One on boat trip to Kuala Tahan and another on the way back to Kuala

Tembeling. One male on boat trip to Kuala Keniam, TN.

Rhinoceros Hornbill One female at Bukit Melawati, KS. The park warden had no recollection of this

species beeing seen in modern time at this site and was very sceptical.

Apperently, this bird was later accompanied by a male and seen by several

birders. Heard and seen almost daily in TN. Also heard at FH.

Helmeted Hornbill The great call of this species was heard almost daily in TN. Only managed to

get very brief views of a single bird near Kuala Trenggan.

Wreathed Hornbill 4 birds seen from the terrace at the Gap Resthouse. One female in the forest

behind Kuala Tahan and a pair on the boat trip to Kuala Keniam, TN.

(Red-naped Trogon) A too brief view for a positive identification of single female large trogon near

Kumbang Hide, TN, was probably this species.

Cinnamon-rumped Trogon Heard along the trail to Kumbang Hide and near Kuala Keniam, TN.

Scarlet-rumped Trogon One pair seen along the trail to Kumbang Hide. One near Kuala Keniam, TN.

Orange-breasted Trogon One male seen along the Old road near the lower gate, G.

Red-headed Trogon 4 birds seen along Bishop's Trail on three dates, FH.

Red-bearded Bee-eater 2 along the Old road and a single bird down the KKB road, G. 2 at Kuala

Keniam, TN.

Blue-throated Bee-eater Two flocks of about 40 birds at dusk at KS. Seen in various numbers on four

dates in TN.

Blue-tailed Bee-eater 6 at Lake Gardens. Fairly common at KS.

Common Kingfisher Several seen at KS and TN.

Blue-eared Kingfisher A single bird seen on boat trip to Kuala Trenggan, TN.

Blue-banded Kingfisher A pair seen on different dates along the Tahan River, TN.

Black-backed Kingfisher One bird seen in the forest along the Tahan River Trail, TN.

Rufous-backed Kingfisher Singles along Tahan River Trail, Jenet Muda Trail and the trail to Kumbang

Hide, TN.

Banded Kingfisher One male seen along the Old road, near the lower gate at the Gap.

Stork-billed Kingfisher Only one seen at KS. A few seen in TN.

White-throated Kingfisher Seen almost daily at most sites.

Black-capped Kingfisher 2-3 seen daily at KS. A few along the rivers in TN.

Collared Kingfisher 4-5 seen daily at KS.

Large Hawk Cuckoo One bird seen near the HQ in TN.

Indian Cuckoo Commonly heard in TN. Only 3 birds seen.

Banded Bay Cuckoo Heard daily in TN. Only 2 birds seen.

Plaintive Cuckoo Several heard in TN. 2 seen near Kuala Keniam, TN.

Rusty-breasted Cuckoo 1 seen near Kumbang Hide, TN.

Violet Cuckoo 1 juvenile/first winter seen near the HQ in TN.

Drongo Cuckoo A few heard daily in TN. Only one bird seen.

Asian Koel 5 at Lake Gardens. Fairly common at KS.

Black-bellied Malkoha One along the Old road, G. One along Tahan River Trail and another behind

Kuala Tahan village, TN.

Chestnut-bellied Malkoha A few seen along different trails in TN.

Green-billed Malkoha A few recorded at the G and FH.

Raffles's Malkoha Commonly seen and heard in TN.

Red-billed Malkoha 3 birds seen near Yong Hide, TN.

Chestnut-breasted Malkoha Several seen along different trails in TN.

Greater Coucal Recorded almost daily. Common at KS and TN.

(Brown Coucal) A brief view of one ad near Yong Hide, TN, was probably this species.

(Lesser Coucal) One found dead on the road to Kuala Tahan village, TN.

Dollarbird 1-2 seen daily at KS. Singles on three dates in TN.

Blue-rumped Parrot Up to 6 birds on two dates near the HQ and a single bird behind Kuala Tahan

village, TN.

Blue-crowned Hanging Parrot 3 seen from the Gap Resthouse. Fairly common near the HQ in TN.

Glossy Swiftlet Common at the G and FH.

Himalayan Swiftlet Fairly common in TN. Several seen very well when feeding low along the

rivers. Unidentified swiftlets were seen in fairly large numbers both at KS and

the Gap.

Silver-rumped Needletail Fairly common at the G and in TN.

Brown-backed Needletail About 10 seen each evening from the terrace at the Gap Resthouse. Fairly

common in TN.

Asian Palm Swift Fairly common at KS.

Fork-tailed Swift Very common at the G and FH. Fairly common in TN.

House Swift Common at KS and central Kuala Lumpur. Several recorded at the G and TN.

Grey-rumped Treeswift Seen in various numbers on several dates in TN. Difficult to spot above the

canopy.

Whiskered Treeswift As previous species but more often seen perched, TN.

Collared Scops Owl One heard on two dates just before dusk from Tahan River Trail, TN.

Buffy Fish Owl A pair at dusk by the entrence gate/parking-space at K S. One bird seen perched

on boat trip upriver Kuala Tahan, TN.

(Brown Wood Owl) One large owl without ear-tufts and contrasting whitish markings on upper

mantle in flight flew out from the forest by the HQ in TN and was later seen

perched in poor light. It was most likely this species.

Malaysian Eared Nightjar Up to 7-8 at dusk from the terrace at the Gap Resthouse. Also a few seen over

the HQ in TN.

Large-tailed Nightjar 3-4 heard from the entrence gate/parking-place at KS.

Rock Pigeon The domestic form. Fairly common in urban areas.

Green Imperial Pigeon One along Tahan River Trail and another behind Kuala Tahan village. 3 near

Kuala Trenggan, TN.

Mountain Imperial Pigeon Common at G and FH with up to 30 daily. Also recorded in low numbers in TN.

Little Green Pigeon One along Tahan River Trail and up to 4 on two dates behind Kuala Tahan

village, TN.

Pink-necked Green Pigeon Up to 15 daily at K S. Also one at Lake Gardens.

Thick-billed Green Pigeon Up to 5 seen in a fruiting tree down the KKB road on several dates, G.

Large Green Pigeon 15 near Yong Hide, 10 along Tahan River Trail and 4 near Kuala Keniam, TN.

Yellow-vented Green Pigeon Up to 3 on different dates in fruiting tree down KKB road, G.

Spotted Dove Common at Lake Gardens and KS. Also seen in Kuala Tahan village, TN

Little Cuckoo Dove Seen in small numbers daily at the G and FH.

Emerald Dove One male at Telekom Loop, FH. 2 in the forest behind Kuala Tahan village, TN.

Peaceful Dove One at Lake Gardens. Fairly common at KS.

Masked Finfoot Excellent views of one male on boat trip up Tahan River, about 100 m upriver

from Tabing Hide, T N.

White-breasted Waterhen Several daily at KS. 2 behind the HQ in TN.

Common Sandpiper About 10 in the lagoon at KS. Singles along rivers in TN.

Common Redshank One in the lagoon at KS.

Common Greenshank 2 in the lagoon at KS.

White-bellied Sea Eagle 1-2 ad seen daily at KS.

Lesser Fish Eagle One subad seen on boat trip up Tahan River, TN.

Crested Serpent Eagle 2-3 ad seen at KS. 1 ad at the G and 4 ad at TN.

Brahminy Kite One ad at Lake Gardens. Common at KS.

Crested Goshawk 1-2 seen at Kuala Trenggan, TN.

Black Baza Up to 6 on two dates along the Langur Trail, KS.

Black-shouldered Kite One ad seen at KS.

Oriental Honey Buzzard One from the terrace at the Gap Resthouse and one in the forest behind Kuala

Tahan village, TN.

Changeable Hawk Eagle 2 over the forest behind Kuala Tahan village, TN.

Blyth's Hawk Eagle One ad from the terrace at the Gap Resthouse, another below the Telekom Loop

at FH.

Peregrine Falcon Possibly a pair seen around the mast at Bukit Melawati, KS.

Little Egret One daily in the lagoon at KS.

Grey Heron Several at KS.

Purple Heron A few seen daily in the lagoon at KS.

Great Egret A few seen daily in the lagoon at KS.

Intermediate Egret One daily in the lagoon at KS.

Cattle Egret A single bird on boat trip to Kuala Tahan, TN.

(Javan/Chinese Pond Heron) 1-3 daily in non-breeding plumage at KS. Most certainly the latter, although one

bird seen very well in flight showed no dusky tips to outermost primaries.

Little Heron 2 at Lake Gardens. A few along rivers in TN.

Yellow Bittern One male behind Kuala Tahan village, TN.

Black Bittern One male on boat trip up Tahan River, TN.

Rusty-naped Pitta One bird calling along Bishop's Trail, FH. Responded to tape.

Hooded Pitta 2 birds calling at dusk behind the camping area near the HQ in TN. Excellent

views of a single bird along Tahan River Trail.

Garnet Pitta One bird heard near Kuala Keniam Lodge, TN.

Green Broadbill 2 birds seen on three dates along Tahan River Trail and a single bird seen near

Kumbang Hide, TN. Like with all broadbills more often heard than seen.

Black-and-red Broadbill Several seen along different trails in TN. The easiest broadbill to spot.

Long-tailed Broadbill One along Telekom Loop, another along Bishop's Trail. 2 along the Old road

near the upper gate, FH.

Silver-breasted Broadbill One along the Old road near the lower gate, G.

Banded Broadbill One seen along Tahan River Trail, TN. Also heard a few times.

Black-and-yellow Broadbill Only heard along different trails in TN. They stay high up in the canopy and

therefore almost impossible to find. More common than previous species.

Asian Fairy Bluebird Fairly common at the G and common in TN.

Greater Green Leafbird 2 in a fruiting tree down the KKB road, G. 2 in the forest behind Kuala Tahan

village and one along Tahan River Trail, TN.

Lesser Green Leafbird 2 in fruiting tree near the HQ in TN.

Blue-winged Leafbird Fairly common at the G. A few in TN.

Orange-bellied Leafbird A total of 5 birds on three dates along different trails at FH.

Tiger Shrike 3 birds on different dates along the Old road, G. Also 2 in TN.

Brown Shrike 1-2 daily at KS. One on the Telekom Loop, FH. One in the forest behind Kuala

Tahan village, TN.

Bronzed Drongo Common at the G. A few in TN.

Lesser Racket-tailed Drongo Common at FH.

Greater Racket-tailed Drongo Common at the G and in TN.

Crested Jay Only heard near the HQ, Yong Hide and Tahan River Trail, TN.

Black Magpie One bird seen along Tahan River Trail and one near Kumbang Hide, TN.

Common Green Magpie Only one seen at the start of Bishop's Trail, FH.

House Crow Common in urban areas.

Slender-billed Crow Only one positive id of a single bird seen in a dead tree on two dates on boat

trips near Kuala Trenggan, TN.

Large-billed Crow A few seen daily at most sites.

Dark-throated Oriole Fairly common in TN.

Black-naped Oriole Common at KS and the forest behind Kuala Tahan village, TN.

Black-and-crimson Oriole Seen along most trails at FH with 4-6 birds daily.

Common Iora Only seen with a few at Lake Gardens and KS.

Green Iora 3 along Jenet Muda Trail and 2 near Kuala Keniam, TN.

Javan Cuckooshrike One at High Pines and one along Bishop's Trail, FH.

Bar-bellied Cuckooshrike A few recorded along different trails in TN.

Lesser Cuckooshrike Several in TN.

Pied Triller A few recorded at KS.

Bar-winged Flycatcher-shrike Fairly common at FH, G and TN.

Black-winged Flycatcher-shrike A few near Kumbang Hide and 2 near Kuala Keniam, TN.

Large Woodshrike 5 along the Old road, G

Grey-chinned Minivet Common at FH. Several at the G.

Scarlet Minivet Several at the G. 2 singles in TN

Mangrove Whistler One seen at KS.

White-throated Fantail Common at FH and the G.

Pied Fantail Several at KS.

Spotted Fantail A few seen along different trails in TN.

Black-naped Monarch Fairly common in TN.

Asian Paradise Flycatcher A few seen in TN.

Rufous-winged Philentoma A single male along Tahan River Trail, TN.

Dark-sided Flycatcher One along Jenet Muda Trail, TN.

Asian Brown Flycatcher Fairly common at all sites.

Rufous-browed Flycatcher 2 along Bishop's Trail and one along Hemmant Trail, FH.

Verditer Flycatcher One at the Gap Resthouse. One at the HQ and another at Kuala Keniam, TN.

Grey-headed Canary Flycatcher One along Old road at the G. A few along different trails in TN.

Yellow-rumped Flycatcher One female along Tahan River Trail, TN.

Mugimaki Flycatcher One first-winter male along the Old road, G. Another along the Telekom Loop,

FH.

Rufous-chested Flycatcher 2 males along Jenet Muda Trail, TN.

Little Pied Flycatcher A few along different trails at FH.

Pygmy Blue Flycatcher One male along Hemmant Trail and one pair along Bishop's Trail, FH.

Large Niltava One male along the Old road, G. A total of 5 birds on different trails at FH.

Malaysian Blue Flycatcher Two pairs in the area of Tabing Hide. One male along Tahan River Trail, TN.

Mangrove Blue Flycatcher 3 heard along the embankment to the mangroves at KS.

Oriental Magpie Robin Fairly common at all sites.

White-rumped Shama Fairly common in TN.

White-crowned Forktail One in stream near Kumbang Hide and another on the trail back to HQ from

Yong Hide, TN

Asian Glossy Starling Common at Lake Gardens and KS.

Common Myna As previous species. Also in TN.

Jungle Myna Several seen at KS.

Hill Myna 9 at KS. Several in TN.

Velvet-fronted Nuthatch One along the Old road, G. One near Kuala Keniam, TN.

Blue Nuthatch Finally saw 2-3 birds in a birdwave along Hemmant Trail, FH.

Great Tit A few seen at KS.

Sultan Tit 2-4 seen down the Raub road, G.

Barn Swallow Common at all sites.

Pacific Swallow Common at all sites.

Striated Swallow About 5 at the Gap Resthouse on different dates.

Black-headed Bulbul Common in TN.

Black-crested Bulbul Common around the G and FH.

Grey-bellied Bulbul A few seen along different trails in TN.

Puff-backed Bulbul 3+2 birds on different dates in fruiting tree near the HQ in TN.

Stripe-throated Bulbul Only 2 down the KKB road, G. Fairly common in TN.

Yellow-vented Bulbul Common at all sites.

Olive-winged Bulbul Only 2 seen in fruiting tree near the HQ in TN.

Cream-vented Bulbul Only 2 seen along Bishop's Trail at FH.

Red-eyed Bulbul A few seen along different trails in TN.

Spectacled Bulbul Fairly common in TN.

Straw-headed Bulbul 3 at Lake Gardens. Common along rivers in TN.

Black-and-white Bulbul A total of 10 birds seen along different trails in TN.

Ochraceous Bulbull Common at FH and the G.

Grey-cheeked Bulbul A few seen along different trails in TN.

Yellow-bellied Bulbul Several seen along different trails in TN.

Hairy-backed Bulbul Several seen along different trails in TN.

Buff-vented Bulbul Singles seen on three dates in fruiting tree near the HQ in TN.

Streaked Bulbul Only one seen in fruiting tree near the HQ in TN.

Ashy Bulbul Only 2 seen along the Old road near FH.

Mountain Bulbul Several along different trails at FH.

Rufuscent Prinia Several seen behind Kuala Tahan village, TN.

Yellow-bellied Prinia Several heard and seen at KS.

Mountain Tailorbird Common at FH.

Common Tailorbird Several at KS. A few at the other sites.

Dark-necked Tailorbird Common at the G. A few in TN.

Rufous-tailed Tailorbird Only 2 along Tahan River Trail, TN.

Ashy Tailorbird Common at KS.

Golden-bellied Gerygone 4 birds seen at KS. Heard in TN.

Yellow-browed Warbler 2 birds seen along Bishop's Trail, FH.

Artic Warbler A few at most sites.

Eastern Crowned Warbler Only 2 along Jenet Muda Trail, TN.

Mountain Leaf Warbler A few seen at FH.

Oriental White-eye A few seen at KS.

Everett's White-eye One along Hemmant Trail and another along Bishop's Trail, FH.

Chestnut-crowned Warbler Several along different trails at FH.

Yellow-bellied Warbler A few seen along different trails at FH.

Black Laughingthrush Fairly common at the G and FH.

Chestnut-capped Laughingthr. Common at FH and the G.

White-chested Babbler Only 3 seen near Cegar Anjing Hide, TN.

Ferruginous Babbler Only one bird near Kumbang Hide, TN.

Abbot's Babbler Fairly common at KS and TN.

Black-capped Babbler A few seen along different trails in TN.

Sooty-capped Babbler 3 seen near Yong Hide and 4 near Kumbang Hide, TN.

Scaly-crowned Babbler Fairly common in TN.

Rufous-crowned Babbler Fairly common in TN.

Large Scimitar Babbler 3 birds seen well with tape assistace along Bishop's Trail, FH.

Large Wren Babbler 2 seen near Kumbang Hide and 2 along Jenet Muda Trail, TN.

Streaked Wren Babbler 4 birds seen along Bishop's Trail, FH.

Golden Babbler Common at FH.

Grey-throated Babbler Fairly common at the G and FH.

Black-throated Babbler 6 birds seen in the forest behind Kuala Tahan village. 2 near Kumbang Hide,

TN.

Chestnut-rumped Babbler Fairly common in TN.

Chestnut-winged Babbler Common in TN.

Striped Tit Babbler Common at all sites.

White-browed Shrike Babbler Fairly common at FH.

Black-eared Shrike Babbler Fairly common at FH.

Blue-winged Minla Fairly common at FH.

Silver-eared Mesia Fairly common at FH.

Brown Fulvetta One along Tahan River Trail and 2 near Kumbang Hide, TN.

Mountain Fulvetta Common at the G and FH.

Long-tailed Sibia Common at FH.

White-bellied Yuhina A few seen at the Gap.

Yellow-breasted Flowerpecker 5 in the forest behind Kuala Tahan village, TN.

Crimson-breasted Flowerpecker One male down the Old road, G.

Thick-billed Flowerpecker One in fruiting tree down KKB road, G.

Yellow-vented Flowerpecker One in fruiting tree down KKB road, G. Several in TN.

Orange-bellied Flowerpecker A pair at the Gap Resthouse and a few in TN.

Plain Flowerpecker One along Tahan River Trail and a few at Kuala Tahan village, TN.

Fire-breasted Flowerpecker 2 along the Telekom Loop and 2 along Bishop's Trail, FH.

Scarlet-backed Flowerpecker Only one seen in the flowering trees at the HQ in TN.

Plain Sunbird One along Tahan River Trail and one in the forest behind Kuala Tahan village,

TN.

Brown-throated Sunbird Common at KS. A few in TN.

Ruby-cheeked Sunbird Fairly common at KS. Also a few in TN.

Purple-naped Sunbird Up to 6 along Jenet Muda Trail on different dates, TN.

Olive-backed Sunbird Fairly common at KS.

Black-throated Sunbird Fairly common at FH and the G.

Little Spiderhunter A few at the G. Common in TN.

Long-billed Spiderhunter A few at the G and fairly common in TN.

Spectacled Spiderhunter A few in the HQ area in TN.

Yellow-eared Spiderhunter Several in TN.

Grey-breasted Spiderhunter A few in the HQ area in TN.

Streaked Spiderhunter Fairly common at the G and FH.

Paddyfield Pipit 2 behind Kuala Tahan village, TN.

Forest Wagtail 4 seen at KS.

Grey Wagtail 4-5 daily at FH and G. A few in TN.

Eurasian Tree Sparrow Common in urban areas.

White-rumped Munia A few seen around the Gap.

Scaly-breasted Munia Fairly common at KS and Kuala Tahan village, TN.

White-bellied Munia 15 in grassland behind Kuala Tahan village, TN.