Beijing & Yunnan 29 March – 21 Apr 2008:

An at-a-glance list of 466 bird species & five mammal species recorded.

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<u>Please note that the following list is best considered a work in progress. It should not be quoted without consulting the author.</u>

Based mostly on my own field notes, this brief write-up covers the birds & mammals noted by R Ake, J N Dymond (until 13th), L Lander, K-L Nilsson, D Rehn, R Smith, P Thompson, D Weir & myself on the Plan B trip to Beijing & Yunnan, China.

Thank you all for making this trip so enjoyable, and for sportingly deciding to stay on board when our long looked-forward-to overland through SE Tibet to Lhasa trip plans folded on account of the unrest.

For want of what else to do with them, a few birds noted on 28th are included.

'Part II' of this trip, Wolong & Wawu Shan, Sichuan, will be dealt with separately.

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In the species list the concept "bird-days" is used - it is the avian equivalent of man-hours: for example, separate flocks of ten and 15 Henri's Snowfinches moving through score 25 bird-days, as would the same single individual seen daily for 25 days. The sum of day totals - a handy measure of relative abundance, nothing more.

The sequence of the bird list follows *The Howard and Moore Complete Checklist of the Birds of the World* – 3^{rd} *Edition* (Dickinson 2003), in my opinion by far the most useful one-volume checklist to date.

Initials in brackets after a few single-observer sightings does not imply that I have doubts as to the correctness of the ID.

Species list:

Japanese Quail Coturnix japonica

One at Wild Duck Lake on 30th.

Common Hill Partridge Arborophila torqueola

41 bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

Rufous-throated Hill Partridge Arborophila rufogularis

One heard near Ruili on 21st.

Mountain Bamboo Partridge Bambusicola fytchii

16+ bird-days. Superb views at the side of the road on 10th.

Red Junglefowl Gallus gallus

Four near Yingjiang on 15th.

Silver Pheasant Lophura nychtemera

3+ bird-days. Noted on two dates in Gaoligongshan.

Common Pheasant Phasanius colchicus

Eight bird-days. The genuine article – noted on two dates in the Beijing area.

Lady Amherst's Pheasant Chrysolophus amherstiae

Four males at Gaoligongshan – with patience, two of 'em were seen. Tingaling!

Swan Goose Anser cygnoides

At Wild Duck Lake 450+ on 30th & 275+ on 31st.

Bean Goose Anser fabalis

At Wild Duck Lake 150+ serrirostris on 30th & c85 (c80 serrirostris & three middendorfii) on 31st.

Greater White-fronted Goose Anser albifrons

Two at Wild Duck Lake on both 30+31st.

Whooper Swan Cygnus cygnus

Three bird-days. Noted at Wild Duck lake on 30+31st.

Ruddy Shelduck Tadorna ferruginea

c400 bird-days. Noted on five dates – main event 215+ at Wild Duck Lake on 31st.

Mandarin Duck Aix galericulata

Eight bird-days. Superb views on two dates in the Beijing area.

Gadwall Anas strepera

110+ bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Falcated Duck Anas falcate

At Wild Duck Lake c30 on 30th & 140 on 31st. Superb drakes showing in crisp morning light – wow!

Eurasian Wigeon Anas penelope

44+ bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Mallard Anas platyrhynchos

1,060+ bird-days. Noted on four dates - main event 600+ at Wild Duck Lake on 31st.

Indian Spotbill Anas poecilorhyncha

11 birds at Ruili seen on both 18+20th.

Chinese Spotbill Anas zonorhyncha

26 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Northern Shoveler Anas clypeata

28 bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Northern Pintail Anas acuta

30 at Wild Duck lake on 30th.

Garganey Anas querquedula

Five bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Baikal Teal Anas formosa

At Wild Duck Lake two males & a female on 30th, and a male on 31st. Great views of one of our main target birds.

Common Teal Anas crecca

350 + bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Common Pochard Aythya ferina

72+ bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Ferruginous Duck Aythya nyroca

At Wild Duck Lake two on 30th & one on 31st.

Tufted Duck Aythya fuliqula

250+ bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Common Goldeneye Bucephala clangula

49 bird-days. Noted on three dates in the Beijing area.

Smew Mergellus albellus

At Wild Duck Lake ten on 30th & 80 on 31st.

Goosander Mergus merganser

c44 bird-days. Noted on three dates in the Beijing area.

Little Grebe Tachybaptus ruficollis

130+ bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Great Crested Grebe Podiceps cristatus

215+ bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Black Stork Ciconia nigra

One N of Beijing on 29th.

Cinnamon Bittern Ixobrychus cinnamomeus

Three in the Yingjiang area on 13th.

Striated Heron Butorides striata

Two adults on a sandbar on 12th.

Chinese Pond Heron Ardeola bacchus

One near Ruili on 18th.

Eastern Cattle Egret Bubulcus coromandus

53 bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Grey Heron Ardea cinerea

18 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Great Egret Ardea alba

Four bird-days. Noted on two dates in Yunnan.

Intermediate Egret Egretta intermedia

15 en route on 17th.

Little Egret Egretta garzetta

47+ bird-days. Noted on six dates in Yunnan.

Little Cormorant Phalacrocorax niger

36 bird-days. Noted on two dates at Ruili – main event 35 on 18th.

Great Cormorant Phalacrocorax carbo

18 bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Common Kestrel Falco tinnunculus

11 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Merlin Falco columbarius

One at Wild Duck Lake on 30th.

Saker Falco cherrug

Two birds – an adult female & a 2nd c-y male – put on a good show at Wild Duck Lake on 30th.

Peregrine Falco peregrinus

Three bird-days. Noted near Beijing on two dates.

Osprey Pandion haliaetus

One near Ruili on 18th.

Oriental Honey Buzzard Pernis ptilorhynchus

37 bird-days. Noted on 15 dates.

***The migratory *orientalis* is treated as a full species by Ferguson-Lees & Christie (2008).

Black-shouldered Kite Elanus caeruleus

Five bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Black Kite Milvus migrans lineatus

One at Wild Duck Lake on 30th.

Crested Serpent Eagle Spilornis cheela

14 bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

Hen Harrier Circus cyaneus

Six bird-days. Noted in the Beijing area on three dates.

Crested Goshawk Accipiter trivirgatus

14-15 bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

Besra Accipiter virgatus

Ten bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

Eurasian Sparrowhawk Accipiter nisus

One at Tengchong on 11th was, somewhat surprisingly, the only record...

Northern Goshawk Accipiter gentiles

An adult perched up, mobbed by crows, on 29th.

Grey-faced Buzzard Butastur indicus

One headed N over Gaoligongshan at 13h19 on 10th.

Common Buzzard Buteo buteo japonicus

Ten bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Black Eagle Ictinaetus malayensis

21 bird-days. Noted on ten dates – displaying birds were seen on several occasions.

Mountain Hawk Eagle Spizaetus nipalensis

Seven bird-days. Noted on five dates – one on 14th 'flew across, carrying a squirrel'.

Great Bustard Otis tarda

17 at Wild Duck Lake on 30th - superb views!

White-breasted Waterhen Amaurornis phoenicurus

Three bird-days. Noted on two dates.

Black-tailed Crake Porzana bicolor

Two showed well en route near Tengchong on 10th.

Common Moorhen Gallinula chloropus

Three near Ruili on 18th.

Common Coot Fulica atra

305+ bird-days. Noted on two dates.

Siberian Crane Grus leucogeranus

What was undoubtedly the same 2nd c-y bird was present at Wild Duck Lake on both 30+31st.

White-naped Crane Grus vipio

Nine at Wild Duck Lake on 30th.

Common Crane Grus grus

At Wild Duck Lake 400 on 30th & 340 on 31st.

Ibisbill Ibidorhyncha struthersii

Superb views of seven birds near Beijing on 29th.

Black-winged Stilt Himantopus himantopus

One at Wild Duck Lake on 31st.

Northern Lapwing Vanellus vanellus

At Wild Duck Lake 150+ on 30th & 80+ on 31st.

River Lapwing Vanellus duvaucelii

18 bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Grey-headed Lapwing Vanellus cinereus

Seven bird-days. Noted on two dates.

Red-wattled Lapwing Vanellus indicus

Seven on 13th.

Pacific Golden Plover Pluvialis fulva

One near Lijiang on 2nd.

Long-billed Plover Charadrius placidus

Two near Beijing on 29th.

Little Ringed Plover Charadrius dubius

40+ bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Kentish Plover Charadrius alexandrinus

37 bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Oriental Plover Charadrius veredus

Three at Wild Duck Lake on 31st – Tingaling!

Common Snipe Gallinago gallinago

Two bird-days.

Eastern Black-tailed Godwit Limosa melanuroides

Two at Wild Duck Lake on 30th.

Eurasian Curlew Numenius arguata

Two heard at Wild Duck Lake on 31st.

Spotted Redshank Tringa erythropus

One at Lijiang on 2nd.

Common Greenshank Tringa nebularia

Singles near Yingjiang on 12+16th.

Green Sandpiper Tringa ochropus

11 bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Wood Sandpiper Tringa glareola

Singles noted on two dates.

Common Sandpiper Actitis hypoleucos

16 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Temminck's Stint Calidris temminckii

21+ bird-days. Noted near Yingjiang on two dates.

Dunlin Calidris alpina

Two at Wild Duck lake on 31st.

Small Pratincole Glareola lactea

Up to 250+ near Yingjiang.

Common Gull Larus canus

At Wild Duck Lake two adults on 30th & a 2nd c-y heinei on 31st.

'Yellow-legged' Gull Larus 'cachinnans'

39 mongolicus migr at Wild Duck lake on 30th.

Great Black-headed Gull Larus ichthyaetus

A 2nd c-y near Yingjiang on 16th. Just as well we had that x60 eye-piece!

Brown-headed Gull Larus brunnicephalus

Six bird-days. A 2nd c-y at Wild Duck Lake on 30th & five near Lijiang on 2nd.

Common Black-headed Gull Larus ridibundus

64+ bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Relict Gull Larus relictus

At Wild Duck Lake 11 migr on 30th & 12+ (all 3rd+ c-y) on 31st.

River Tern Sterna aurantia

12-13 birds present near Yingjiang on two dates – two appeared to be still incubating while 3+ fledged juveniles were putting on a good show.

Blue Hill Pigeon Columba rupestris

21 near Beijing on 29th.

Speckled Wood Pigeon Columba hodgsonii

c20 bird-days. Noted on two dates in Gaoligongshan.

Oriental Turtle Dove Streptopelia orientalis

19 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Eurasian Collared Dove Streptopelia decaocto

Five at Wild Duck Lake on 30th.

Spotted Dove Streptopelia chinensis

32 bird-days. Noted on eight dates.

Barred Cuckoo-Dove Macropygia unchall

One on 15th.

Emerald Dove Chalcophaps indica

6-7 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Thick-billed Green Pigeon Treron curvirostra

Nine by the river on 13th.

Pin-tailed Green Pigeon Treron apicauda

12 bird-days. Noted on three dates. Main event nine on 15th.

Mountain Imperial Pigeon Ducula badia

Nine bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Finsch's Parakeet Psittacula finschii

One on 13th.

Large Hawk-Cuckoo Cuculus sparverioides

49 bird-days. Noted on 15 dates – the majority were heard-onlies...

Indian Cuckoo Cuculus micropterus

12 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Common Cuckoo Cuculus canorus

17 bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

Oriental Cuckoo Cuculus saturatus

Nine bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

Banded Bay Cuckoo Cacomantis sonneratii

Seven bird-days. Noted on six dates – nice views on at least two occasions...

Plaintive Cuckoo Cacomantis merulinus

Nine bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Asian Emerald Cuckoo Chrysococcyx maculates

Six bird-days. Noted on four dates – outstanding views!

Violet Cuckoo Chrysococcyx xanthorhynchus

Four bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Square-tailed Drongo Cuckoo Surniculus lugubris

20 bird-days. Noted on eight dates - calling birds were 'scoped on a couple of occasions.

Common Koel Eudynamis scolopaceus

12 bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

Green-billed Malkoha Rhopodytes tristis

One near Yingjiang on 15th.

Greater Coucal Centropus sinensis

Nine bird-days. Noted on three dates – two were seen on 18th.

Lesser Coucal Centropus bengalensis

Four bird-days. Heard on two dates.

Collared Scops Owl Otus lettia

Singles heard near the Gaoligongshan accommodation on two nights.

Collared Owlet Glaucidium brodiei

17 bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

Asian Barred Owlet Glaucidium cuculoides

Eight bird-days. Noted on six dates – seen well.

Grey Nightjar Caprimulgus jokata

Three bird-days. Noted on two dates.

Himalayan Swiftlet Aerodramus brevirostris

One on 14th.

***In addition, a swiftlet seen on 15th was probably NOT this species...

White-throated Needletail Hirundapus caudacutus

12+ bird-days. Noted on two dates near Yingjiang.

White-vented Needletail Hirundapus cochinchinensis

60+ bird-days. Noted near Yingjiang on three dates - excellent views!

***An additional c65 Needletail sp. were seen on 16th.

Asian Palm Swift Cypsiurus balasiensis

92+ bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

Common Swift Apus apus

c15 near Beijing on 29th.

Fork-tailed Swift Apus pacificus

345+ bird-days. Noted on seven dates - main events 120 migr on 30th & 210+ (='lots!') on 31st.

House Swift Apus nipalensis

116+ bird-days. Noted on eight dates.

Crested Treeswift Hemiprocne coronata

Eight bird-days. Noted in the Yingjiang area on three dates.

Red-headed Trogon Harpactes erythrocephalus

A male 'scoped in the Yingjiang area on 14th.

Ward's Trogon Harpactes wardi

A female seen well at c2.380m in the Gaoligongshan on 9th was a trip highlight.

Dollarbird Eurystomus orientalis

One on 14th.

White-throated Kingfisher Halcyon smyrnensis

14 bird-days. Noted on six dates – it was interesting to see two birds displaying on 15th.

Black-capped Kingfisher Halcyon pileata

One, probably a 2nd c-y bird, near Yingjiang on 16th.

Common Kingfisher Alcedo atthis

Five bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Crested Kingfisher Megaceryle lugubris

One near Beijing on 29th.

Pied Kingfisher Ceryle rudis

18+ bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Blue-bearded Bee-eater Nyctiornis athertoni

Eight bird-days. This retiring species was noted on five dates.

Green Bee-eater Merops orientalis

Four in the Yingjiang area on 13th.

***In addition, three bee-eaters flying high & calling on 15th were probably also this species.

Chestnut-headed Bee-eater Merops leschenaulti

14 bird-days. Noted on three dates in the Yingjiang area – main event ten on 15th, incl several birds at their nest holes.

Hoopoe Upupa epops

Three bird-days.

Wreathed Hornbill *Rhyticeros undulates*

One in the Yingjiang area on 15th.

Great Barbet Megalaima virens

70 bird-days. Noted on 15 dates.

Golden-throated Barbet Megalaima franklinii

65 bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

Blue-throated Barbet Megalaima asiatica

99 bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

Blue-eared Barbet Megalaima australis

Two in the Yingjiang area on 15th.

Coppersmith Barbet Megalaima haemacephala

Two birds at their nest near Ruili on 18th.

Northern Wryneck Jynx torquilla

One 'scoped in the Yingjiang area on 13th.

Speckled Piculet *Picumnus innominatus*

Two bird-days. Noted on just two dates.

Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpecker Dendrocopos canicapillus

12 bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Stripe-breasted Woodpecker Dendrocopos atratus

Three bird-days. Noted on two dates.

Darjeeling Woodpecker Dendrocopos darjellensis

Singletons on two dates in the Gaoligongshan.

Great Spotted Woodpecker *Dendrocopos major*

11 bird-days. Noted on four dates – main event five in the Beijing area on 29th.

Rufous Woodpecker Celeus brachyurus

One in the Yingjiang area on 16th – nice views, if brief...

Lesser Yellownape Picus chlorolophus

One on 14th.

Greater Yellownape Picus flavinucha

Singles were noted on two dates.

Grey-headed Woodpecker Picus canus

Ten bird-days. Noted on five dates - main event five in the Beijing area on 29th.

Greater Goldenback Chrysocolaptes lucidus

One heard in the Yingjiang area on 15th.

Bay Woodpecker Blythipicus pyrrhotis

28 bird-days. Noted on 12 dates.

Long-tailed Broadbill Psarisomus dalhousiae

18+ bird-days. Noted on eight dates.

Large Woodshrike Tephrodornis virgatus

14+ bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Ashy Woodswallow Artamus fuscus

Seven bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Common lora Aegithina tiphia

A pair feeding among orange blossom near Ruili on 18th...

Large Cuckoo-shrike Coracina macei

11 bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

Black-winged Cuckoo-shrike Coracina melaschistos

60 bird-days. Noted on 16 dates.

Rosy Minivet Pericrocotus roseus

13 bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Grey-chinned Minivet Pericrocotus solaris

Seven bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Long-tailed Minivet *Pericrocotus ethologus*

39 bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Short-billed Minivet Pericrocotus brevirostris

45 bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

Scarlet Minivet Pericrocotus speciosus

54 bird-days. Noted on eight dates.

***Minivet sp. Pericrocotus sp.

Unidentified minivets were noted on two dates.

Bar-winged Flycatcher-shrike Hemipus picatus

Six bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Brown Shrike Lanius cristatus

One en route on 12th.

Burmese Shrike Lanius collurioides

Five bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Long-tailed Shrike Lanius schach

36 bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

Grey-backed Shrike Lanius tephronotus

Four bird-days. Noted on three dates.

***Long-tailed / Grey-backed Shrike Lanius schach / L. tephronotus

Seven bird-days. Noted en route on two dates.

Chinese Grey Shrike Lanius sphenocercus

One at Wild Duck Lake on 31st.

Slender-billed Oriole Oriolus tenuirostris

9+ bird-days. Noted on four dates - one at Lijiang on 2nd was of especial note...

Maroon Oriole Oriolus traillii

21 bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

Black Drongo Dicrurus macrocercus

320 bird-days. Noted on eight dates. 188 en route on 12th was the main event...

Ashy Drongo Dicrurus leucophaeus

90 bird-days. Noted on 17 dates.

Bronzed Drongo *Dicrurus aeneus*

31 bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

Lesser Racket-tailed Drongo *Dicrurus remifer*

11 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Hair-crested Drongo Dicrurus hottentottus

11 bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Greater Racket-tailed Drongo Dicrurus paradiseus

Two in the Yingjiang area on 15th.

Yellow-bellied Fantail Rhipidura hypoxantha

149 bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

White-throated Fantail Rhipidura albicollis

39 bird-days. Noted on 14 dates.

Black-naped Monarch Hypothymis azurea

Five bird-days. Noted near Ruili on three dates.

Asian Paradise-flycatcher Terpsiphone paradisi

Three males near Ruili on 18th...

Eurasian Jay Garrulus glandarius

Five bird-days. Noted near Tengchong on two dates.

Azure-winged Magpie Cyanopica cyanus

Noted in the Beijing area...

Yellow-billed Blue Magpie Urocissa flavirostris

Two in the Gaoligongshan on 7th – 'scope views for three or four of us through a gap in the foliage.

Red-billed Blue Magpie Urocissa erythrorhyncha

18+ bird-days. Noted on seven dates. Main event eight along the river near Beijing on 29th.

Common Green Magpie Cissa chinensis

Two in the Yingjiang area on 15th.

Grey Treepie Dendrocitta formosae

73 bird-days. Noted on 14 dates.

Collared Treepie Dendrocitta frontalis

11 bird-days. Noted in the Yingjiang area on three dates.

Common Magpie Pica pica

Common in the Beijing area – not systematically recorded.

Red-billed Chough Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax

Two in the Beijing area on 29th.

Daurian Jackdaw Corvus dauuricus

A 2nd c-y bird 'scoped in fields N of Beijing on 29th.

Carrion Crow Corvus corone

Two in the Beijing area on 29th.

Large-billed Crow Corvus macrorhynchos

Six bird-days. Noted in Yunnan on three dates.

'Great' Tit Parus 'major' minor

79 bird-days. Noted on 11 dates.

Green-backed Tit Parus monticolus

35 bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

Yellow-bellied Tit Parus venustulus

4+ in the Beijing area on 28th.

Yellow-cheeked Tit Parus spilonotus

30 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Coal Tit Parus ater

Three at Lijiang on 2nd.

Marsh Tit Parus palustris hellmayri

Six in the Beijing area on 29th.

Yellow-browed Tit Sylviparus modestus

c29 bird-days. Noted on five dates in the Gaoligongshan.

Grey-throated Sand Martin Riparia chinensis

c21 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Barn Swallow Hirundo rustica

191+ bird-days. Noted on 12 dates, incl on 31st at Wild Duck Lake.

Eurasian Crag Martin Ptyonoprogne rupestris

12 N of Beijing on 29th.

Asian House Martin *Delichon dasypus* 275+ bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Nepal House Martin *Delichon nipalense* One over the Gaoligongshan on 5th.

Red-rumped Swallow *Cecropis daurica* 73 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Striated Swallow *Cecropis striolata* 12 bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Long-tailed Tit Aegithalos caudatus vinaceus Five in the Beijing area on 29th.

Black-throated Tit Aegithalos concinnus 84 bird-days. Noted on 12 dates.

Pere Bonvalot's Tit *Aegithalos bonvaloti* 14 bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Asian Short-toed Lark Calandrella cheleensis c10 at Wild Duck Lake on 31st.

Eurasian Skylark Alauda arvensis

110+ bird-days. Noted in the Beijing area on three dates – main event 100+ at Wild Duck Lake on 31st.

Oriental Skylark Alauda gulgula Five near Lijiang on 2nd.

Fan-tailed Warbler *Cisticola juncidis* Three bird-days. Noted on just two dates.

Chinese Hill Warbler *Rhopophilus pekinensis* 18 near Beijing on 29th.

Hill Prinia Prinia superciliaris 18+ bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

Rufescent Prinia *Prinia rufescens* One heard singing near Ruili on 20th.

Grey-breasted Prinia *Prinia hodgsonii* 24 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Mountain Tailorbird *Orthomus cucullatus* 67 bird-days. Noted on 11 dates.

Common Tailorbird *Orthomus sutorius* 41 bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

Crested Finchbill Spizixos canifrons

24 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Striated Bulbul Pycnonotus striatus

35 bird-days. Noted on 11 dates.

Black-crested Bulbul Pycnonotus flaviventris

Five bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Red-whiskered Bulbul Pycnonotus jocosus

26 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Brown-breasted Bulbul Pycnonotus xanthorrhous

89 bird-days. Noted on eight dates - particularly common at Lijiang...

Red-vented Bulbul Pycnonotus cafer

110+ bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

Flavescent Bulbul Pycnonotus flavescens

41 bird-days. Noted on eight dates.

White-throated Bulbul Criniger flaveolus

89 bird-days. Noted on eight dates.

Grey-eyed Bulbul lole propinqua

Five bird-days. Noted in the Yingjiang area on two dates – of note was an adult feeding two f g juveniles at c850m on 15th.

Mountain Bulbul Ixos mcclellandii

93 bird-days. Noted on 14 dates.

Ashy Bulbul Hemixos flavala

16 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Black Bulbul Hypsisetes leucocephalus

400+ bird-days. Noted on 14 dates.

Striated Warbler Megalurus palustris

22 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Chestnut-headed Tesia Oliqura castaneocoronata

16 bird-days. Noted on five dates. Of note was one singing from 3-4m up in a tree on 19th!

Slaty-bellied Tesia Tesia olivea

Nine bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Grey-bellied Tesia Tesia cyaniventer

40 bird-days. Noted on five dates at Gaoligongshan.

Pale-footed Bush Warbler Cettia pallidipes

12 bird-days. Noted on five dates – one taped into view en route on 12th...

Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler Cettia fortipes

15 bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

Aberrant Bush Warbler Cettia flavolivacea

One seen on 19th.

Spotted Bush Warbler Bradypterus thoracicus

One heard singing near Ruili on 18th.

Russet Bush Warbler Bradypterus mandelli

Five bird-days. Undoubtedly the same singing individual noted in Gaoligongshan on four dates, plus one heard at Tengchong.

Indian Reed Warbler Acrocephalus (stentoreus) brunnescens

One near Lijiang on 2nd.

Dusky Warbler Phylloscopus fuscatus

12 bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Tickell's Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus affinis

Ten bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Buff-throated Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus subaffinis

Two at Lijiang on 2nd.

Yellow-streaked Warbler Phylloscopus armandii

Nine bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Buff-barred Leaf Warbler *Phylloscopus pulcher*

55 bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

Ashy-throated Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus maculipennis

32 bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

Pallas's Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus proregulus

57 bird-days. Noted on eight dates. Main event 29 at Lijiang on 3rd – seen well, and plenty of singing going on!

Eastern Lemon-rumped Warbler Phylloscopus forresti

75 bird-days. Noted on 13 dates.

Yellow-browed Warbler Phylloscopus inornatus

101 bird-days. Noted on 13 dates.

Hume's Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus humei

54 bird-days. Noted on 11 dates.

Greenish Warbler Phylloscopus trochiloides

One moulting *plumbeitarsus* near Ruili on 20th.

Blyth's Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus reguloides

154 bird-days. Noted W of the Salween on 17 dates.

Claudia's Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus claudiae

Nine bird-days. Noted at Lijiang on three dates.

White-tailed Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus davisoni

150 bird-days. Noted on 19 dates.

Yellow-vented Leaf Warbler Phylloscopus cantator

Three near Ruili on 21st – one seen by everyone in the group: two others briefly joined it in a three-way song contest. Tingaling!

Grey-crowned Warbler Seicercus tephrocephalus

18 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Bianchi's Warbler Seicercus valentini

65 bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

Emei Flycatcher-warbler Seicercus omeiensis

Four en route on 10th, singing strongly and calling...

Grey-cheeked Warbler Seicercus poliogenys

15 bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Chestnut-crowned Warbler Seicercus castaniceps

45 bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

Broad-billed Warbler Tickellia hodgsoni

Five bird-days. Noted on three dates in the Gaoligongshan.

Black-faced Warbler Abroscopus schisticeps

21 bird-days. Noted in the Gaoligonsghan on five dates.

Yellow-bellied Warbler Abroscopus superciliaris

Six bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Puff-throated Babbler Pellorneum ruficeps

34 bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

Spot-breasted Scimitar Babbler Pomatorhinus erythrocnemis

52 bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler Pomatorhinus ruficollis

73 bird-days. Noted on 14 dates.

Red-billed Scimitar Babbler Pomatorhinus ochraceiceps

27+ bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Slender-billed Scimitar Babbler Xiphirhynchus superciliaris

Two at Gaoligongshan on 8th... only one seen as it briefly let itself be provoked by a tape recording.

Streaked Wren-Babbler Napothera brevicaudata

Two near Ruili on 20th.

Scaly-breasted Wren-Babbler Pnoepyga albiventer

One seen on 8th.

Pygmy Wren-Babbler Pnoepyga pusilla

11 bird-days. Noted at Gaoligongshan on five dates.

Spotted Wren-Babbler Spelaeornis formosus

Nine bird-days. Noted on six dates... taping one in proved a challenge but we finally managed!

Long-tailed Wren-Babbler Spelaeornis reptatus

15 bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Cachar Wedge-billed Babbler Sphenocichla roberti

Four bird-days. Noted on three dates – in three different spots... Tingaling!

Rufous-capped Babbler Stachyris ruficeps

67 bird-days. Noted on 12 dates.

Golden Babbler Stachyris chrysaea

21 bird-days. Noted on six dates – one showed very well on 14th in response to taping.

Grey-throated Babbler Stachyris nigriceps

30 bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

Striped Tit-Babbler Macronous gularis

Four bird-days. Heard-only, on two dates in the Yingjiang area.

Chestnut-capped Babbler Timalia pileata

Three near Yingjiang on 16th.

Yellow-eved Babbler Chrysomma sinense

Two showing well near Ruili on 18th.

Rufous-tailed Moupinia Moupinia poecilotis

Two bird-days. Superb views on 2nd; another heard the next day.

Chinese Babax Babax lanceolatus

9+ bird-days. Noted on two dates – unbeatable 'scope views of two on 2nd.

White-crested Laughingthrush Garrulax leucolophus

80+ bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Lesser Necklaced Laughingthrush Garrulax monileger

13+ bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Greater Necklaced Laughingthrush Garrulax pectoralis

15+ bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Black-throated Laughingthrush Garrulax chinensis

16+ bird-days. Noted on three dates.

***One songster on 18th incorporated spot-on mimicry of Crested Serpent Eagle, Koel & Large Hawk Cuckoo.

Pere David's Laughingthrush Garrulax davidi

14 near Beijing on 29th.

Grey-sided Laughingthrush *Garrulax caerulatus*

Seven bird-days. Noted on two dates – two were taped into view on 19th...

Rufous-necked Laughingthrush Garrulax ruficollis

14+ bird-days. Noted near Ruili on 18th.

***?Spot-breasted Laughingthrush Garrulax merulinus

Two birds heard in the Yingjiang area on 13th were most likely this species.

White-browed Laughingthrush Garrulax sannio

104+ bird-days. Noted on eight dates.

Blue-winged Laughingthrush *Garrulax squamatus*

Ten bird-days. Noted on three dates - 'unbelievable' views on 17th!

Scaly Laughingthrush Garrulax subunicolor

Two adults w/ a juvenile showed well at Gaoligongshan on 5th.

Elliot's Laughingthrush Garrulax elliotii

Nine bird-days. Noted at Lijiang on two dates.

Chestnut-crowned Laughingthrush Garrulax erythrocephalus

20 bird-days. Noted at Gaoligongshan on five dates.

Red-tailed Laughingthrush Garrulax milnei

11+ bird-days. Noted on four dates – memorable 'scope views on 17th.

Red-faced Liocichla Liocichla phoenicea

28 bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Silver-eared Mesia Leiothrix argentauris

65 bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

Red-billed Leiothrix Leiothrix lutea

Eight bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Cutia Cutia nipalensis

Two showed well at Gaoligongshan on 9th.

Black-headed Shrike-Babbler Pteruthius rufiventer

Four bird-days. Noted on three dates at Gaoligongshan – on 9th we had a memorable session w/ one which treated us to 3-4 song variations...

White-browed Shrike-Babbler Pteruthius flaviscapis

90 bird-days. Noted on 14 dates.

Black-eared Shrike-Babbler Pteruthius melanotis

Eight bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Chestnut-fronted Shrike-Babbler Pteruthius aenobarbus

Five bird-days. Noted on four dates at Gaoligongshan.

White-hooded Babbler Gampsorhynchus rufulus

Seven bird-days. Noted on two dates.

Rusty-fronted Barwing Actinodura egertoni

40 bird-days. Noted on eight dates.

Blue-winged Minla Minla cyanouroptera

113 bird-days. Noted on 16 dates.

Chestnut-tailed Minla Minla strigula

98 bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

Red-tailed Minla Minla ignotinta

45 bird-days. Noted on eight dates.

Golden-breasted Fulvetta Alcippe chrysotis

Eight bird-days. Noted on three dates at Gaoligongshan.

Yellow-throated Fulvetta Alcippe cinerea

Nine bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Rufous-winged Fulvetta Alcippe castaneceps

14 bird-days. Noted on five dates.

White-browed Fulvetta Alcippe vinipectus

One in the Gaoligongshan on 10th.

Spectacled Fulvetta Alcippe ruficapilla

17 bird-days. Noted at Lijiang on three dates.

Manipur Fulvetta Alcippe manipurensis

37 bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Rusty-capped Fulvetta Alcippe dubia

71 bird-days. Noted on 12 dates.

'Western' Grey-cheeked Fulvetta Alcippe fratercula

207+ bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

Rufous-backed Sibia Heterophasia annectans

Two singing (one taped in!) near Ruili on 21st.

Grey Sibia Heterophasia gracilis

34 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Black-headed Sibia Heterophasia desgodinsi

20 bird-days. Noted on six dates, incl unexpectedly 2-3 daily at Tengchong (where singing strongly & one seen gathering beard moss for nest building).

Beautiful Sibia Heterophasia pulchella

30 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Long-tailed Sibia Heterophasia picaoides

25 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Striated Yuhina Yuhina castaniceps

148 bird-days. Noted on six dates., incl ten at c2,350m in Gaoligongshan on 9th.

Whiskered Yuhina Yuhina flavicollis

69 bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

Stripe-throated Yuhina *Yuhina gularis*

14 bird-days. Noted in Gaoligonshan on four dates.

White-collared Yuhina Yuhina diademata

32 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Rufous-vented Yuhina Yuhina occipitalis

60 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

White-bellied Yuhina Erpornis zantholeuca

19 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Vinous-throated Parrotbill Paradoxornis webbianus

80 near Beijing on 29th.

Brown-winged Parrotbill Paradoxornis brunneus

16 bird-days. Noted on four dates - 2-3 on two dates up in the Gaoligongshan was a bonus...

Black-throated Parrotbill Paradoxornis nipalensis

12 bird-days. Noted on three dates – excellent views of three coming in to drink & bathe on 8th.

Lesser Rufous-headed Parrotbill Paradoxornis atrosuperciliaris

One near Ruili on 21st.

Greater Rufous-headed Parrotbill Paradoxornis ruficeps

One near Ruili on 21st.

Grey-headed Parrotbill Paradoxornis gularis

Five bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Chestnut-flanked White-eye Zosterops erythropleurus

31+ bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Japanese White-eye Zosterops japonicus

13 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Oriental White-eye Zosterops palpebrosus

44+ bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

Goldcrest Regulus regulus

Six bird-days. Noted on two dates at Lijiang.

Northern Wren Troglodytes troglodytes

Four bird-days. Three near Beijing on 29th & one at Lijiang on 2nd...

Naga Nuthatch Sitta nagaensis

34 bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

White-tailed Nuthatch Sitta himalayensis

Three bird-days. Noted on two dates at Gaoligongshan.

Yunnan Nuthatch Sitta yunnanensis

Ten bird-days. This superb endemic performed at Lijiang... noted on two dates.

Velvet-fronted Nuthatch Sitta frontalis

13 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Bar-tailed Treecreeper Certhia himalayana

Four bird-days. Noted on two dates.

Brown-throated Treecreeper Certhia discolor

13 bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Great Myna Acridotheres grandis

Two in the Yingjiang area on 13th.

***Great Myna Acridotheres grandis / Crested Myna Acridotheres cristellatus

Two near Yingjiang on 12th.

Collared Myna Acridotheres albocinctus

Four bird-days. Noted on two dates.

Vinous-breasted Starling Sturnus burmannicus

Two in the Yingjiang area on 13th.

Black-collared Starling Sturnus nigricollis

Three bird-days. Noted on two dates.

Asian Pied Starling Sturnus contra

Two in the Yingjiang area on 13th.

Chestnut-tailed Starling Sturnus malabaricus

39 bird-days. This subtly attractive species was noted on five dates.

White-cheeked Starling Sturnus cineraceus

One at Wild Duck Lake on 31st.

Eurasian Starling Sturnus vulgaris

12 seen well at Wild Duck Lake on 31st – a surprise!

Blue Whistling Thrush Myophonus caeruleus

Seven bird-days. Noted on four dates. At least three of them were definitely yellow-billed...

Orange-headed Ground Thrush Zoothera citrina

Six bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Zoothera sp.

One briefly on 5th was perhaps a Long-tailed Thrush *Z. dixoni*.

Black-breasted Thrush Turdus dissimilis

71 bird-days. Noted on 11 dates.

Chinese Blackbird Turdus mandarinus

One near Beijing on 28th.

Chestnut Thrush *Turdus rubrocanus*

Seven bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Eyebrowed Thrush *Turdus obscurus*

14+ bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Black-throated Thrush Turdus atrogularis

An adult male was showing well at Lijiang on 2nd.

Naumann's Thrush Turdus naumanni

Ten (four *eunomus*, one intermediate & five 'unidentified') at Lijiang on 2nd.

Purple Cochoa Cochoa purpurea

At male near Ruili on 20th – seen; then heard singing!

Lesser Shortwing Brachypteryx leucophrys

40 bird-days. Noted on ten dates. Memorable views were eventually had by all...

Himalayan Red-flanked Bluetail Tarsiger rufilatus

16+ bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Golden Bush Robin Tarsiger chrysaea

Single(s) on two dates at Gaoligongshan.

Oriental Magpie-Robin Copsychus saularis

34 bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

Hodgson's Redstart Phoenicurus hodgsoni

Two at Lijiang on 4th.

Daurian Redstart Phoenicurus auroreus

56 bird-days. Noted on two dates – main event 55 near Beijing on 29th.

Blue-fronted Redstart Phoenicurus frontalis

12 bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Plumbeous Redstart Rhyacornis fuliginosa

c20 bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

River Chat Chaimarrornis leucocephalus

Six bird-days. Noted on five dates.

White-tailed Robin Myiomela leucura

26 bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

Black-backed Forktail Enicurus immaculatus

Five bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Slaty-backed Forktail Enicurus schistaceus

Two bird-days. Singles noted on two dates.

White-crowned Forktail Enicurus leschenaulti

A pair (around a nest containing three eggs: RS!) near Ruili on 21st.

Spotted Forktail Enicurus maculates

Eight bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Common Stonechat Saxicola torquatus

20 bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Pied Bushchat Saxicola caprata

13 bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Grey Bushchat Saxicola ferreus

14 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Chestnut-bellied Rock Thrush Monticola rufiventris

Two bird-days. Single males were seen on two dates.

Rufous-gorgetted Flycatcher Ficedula strophiata

Six bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Red-throated Flycatcher Ficedula albicilla

24 bird-days. Noted on eight dates.

White-gorgetted Flycatcher Ficedula monileger

Ten bird-days. Three on 17th & seven on 19th – a 'communication error' nearly cost DW this attractive but very, very skulky species; fortunately perseverance paid off (yet again)...

Snowy-browed Flycatcher Ficedula hyperythra

11 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Little Pied Flycatcher Ficedula westermanni

55 bird-days. Noted on 11 dates.

Slaty-blue Flycatcher Ficedula tricolor

Ten bird-days. Noted on seven dates.

Sapphire Flycatcher Ficedula sapphira

Seven bird-days. Noted on three dates – main event five on 9th, incl an immaculate & intermittently showy male...

Asian Verditer Flycatcher Eumyias thalassinus

68 bird-days. Noted on 18 dates.

Pale Blue Flycatcher Cyornis unicolor

Nine bird-days. Noted near Ruili on four dates.

Hill Blue Flycatcher Cyornis banyumas

101 bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

Blue-throated Blue Flycatcher Cyornis rubeculoides

A 2nd c-v male near Ruili on 21st.

Rufous-bellied Niltava Niltava sundara

Three bird-days. Noted on two dates.

Vivid Niltava Niltava vivida

One male at Gaoligongshan on 8th.

Large Niltava Niltava grandis

44 bir-days. Noted on 11 dates.

Small Niltava Niltava macgregoriae

Four bird-days. Singles noted on four dates.

Pygmy Blue Flycatcher Muscicapella hodgsoni

One male singing on 7th.

Grey-headed Flycatcher Culicicapa ceylonensis

108 bird-days. Noted on 18 dates.

Brown Dipper Cinclus pallasii

Two in the Yingjiang area on 13th.

Blue-winged Leafbird Chloropsis cochinchinensis

A pair in the Yingjiang area on 15th.

Orange-bellied Leafbird Chloropsis hardwickii

28+ bird-days. Noted on ten dates.

Plain Flowerpecker Dicaeum concolor One sitting out nicely near Ruili on 18th.

Buff-bellied Flowerpecker *Dicaeum ignipectum* 57 bird-days. Noted on 14 dates.

Mrs. Gould's Sunbird *Aethopyga gouldiae* 51 bird-days. Noted on eight dates.

Green-tailed Sunbird *Aethopyga nipalensis* 32 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Black-throated Sunbird *Aethopyga saturata* Eight bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Crimson Sunbird *Aethopyga siparaja* One male near Ruili on 21st.

Fire-tailed Sunbird Aethopyga ignicauda

172+ bird-days. Noted on three dates – main event 168 migr at Gaoligongshan on 10th.

Streaked Spiderhunter Arachnothera magna

49 bird-days. Noted on nine dates.

Russet Sparrow Passer rutilans

57 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Eurasian Tree Sparrow Passer montanus

Common (esp around Beijing) – not systematically recorded.

Baya Weaver *Ploceus philippinus* 12 in the Yingjiang area on 13th.

White-rumped Munia Lonchura striata 15 bird-days. Noted on two dates.

Scaly-breasted Munia *Lonchura punctulata* 37 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Black-headed Munia Lonchura malacca One [PT et al.] near Yingjiang on 16th.

Siberian Accentor *Prunella montanella* Five showing well near Beijing on 29th.

Maroon-backed Accentor *Prunella immaculata*Two on 10th.

Eastern Yellow Wagtail *Motacilla tschutschensis* Near Yingjiang 500+ on 12th & 200+ on 16th.

Citrine Waqtail Motacilla citreola

Near Yingjiang 40-50 on 12th & 20-25 on 16th – also four near the Burma border on 13th.

Grey Wagtail Motacilla cinerea

12 bird-days. Noted on seven dates, incl near Beijing on 29th.

White Wagtail Motacilla alba

93 bird-days. Noted on 13 dates.

Paddyfield Pipit Anthus rufulus

Four bird-days. Noted on two dates.

Blyth's Pipit Anthus godlewskii

One near Yingjiang on 12th.

Olive-backed Pipit Anthus hodgsoni

67 bird-days. Noted on 13 dates.

Red-throated Pipit Anthus cervinus

One near Yingjiang on 12th [DW].

Rosy Pipit Anthus roseus

28 near Lijiang on 2nd.

Buff-bellied Pipit Anthus rubescens

One at Wild Duck Lake on 31st

Water Pipit Anthus spinoletta

Four at Wild Duck lake on 31st.

Brambling Fringilla montifringilla

305+ bird-days. Noted on five dates, incl at Beijing on 28th & 29th.

Tibetan Siskin Serinus thibetanus

c40 bird-days. Noted on two dates at Gaoligongshan.

Oriental Greenfinch Carduelis sinica

Three near Beijing on 29th.

Black-headed Greenfinch Carduelis ambigua

38 bird-days. Noted on six dates.

Blanford's Rosefinch Carpodacus rubescens

Three males & a female feeding quietly at c1,990m along the ridge on 19th. Tingaling!

Dark-breasted Rosefinch Carpodacus nipalensis

Four on 10th.

Common Rosefinch Carpodacus erythrinus

21 bird-days. Noted on five dates.

Chinese Beautiful Rosefinch Carpodacus davidianus

20 near Beijing on 29th.

Vinaceous Rosefinch Carpodacus vinaceus

Three on 10th.

Scarlet Finch Haematospiza sipahi

One female migr at Gaoligongshan on 5th.

Brown Bullfinch Pyrrhula nipalensis

14 bird-days. Noted at Gaoligongshan on four dates.

Hawfinch Coccothraustes coccothraustes

One at Beijing on 28th.

Chinese Grosbeak Eophona migratoria

Three bird-days. Noted at Lijiang on two dates.

***In addition, ten were seen near Beijing on 28th.

Golden-naped Finch Pyrrhoplectes epauletta

Three males seen well at Gaoligongshan on 6th. A real Dreambird!

Crested Bunting Melophus lathami

Five bird-days. Noted on three dates.

Eastern Rock Bunting Emberiza godlewskii

c207 bird-days. Noted on four dates. Main event c190 near Beijing on 29th, incl 140 together.

Meadow Bunting Emberiza cioides

Seven near Beijing on 29th.

Little Bunting Emberiza pusilla

106 bird-days. Noted on four dates.

Yellow-throated Bunting Emberiza elegans

11 bird-days. Noted on four dates at Beijing, Lijiang & Gaoligongshan.

Black-faced Bunting Emberiza spodocephala

One flying over at Lijiang on 4th.

Pallas's Reed Bunting Emberiza pallasi

13+ at Wild Duck Lake on 31st.

Common Reed Bunting Emberiza schoeniclus

One at Wild Duck Lake on 31st.

Mammals:

Sequence and taxonomy follows "A Guide to the Mammals of China", Smith & Xie (ed.) 2008.

Pallas' Squirrel Callosciurus erythraeus Quite common.

Anderson's Squirrel Callosciurus quinquestriatus At least 2-3 seen.

Black Giant Squirrel Ratufa bicolor Several seen.

Jungle Cat Felis chaus
One seen well at Gaoligongshan on 10th.

Leopard Cat *Prionailurus bengalensis* One rather briefly near Ruili on 17th.