



Paul I. Holt, Bracken Dean, Pendleton, Clitheroe, Lancashire, BB7 1PT, U.K. piholt@hotmail.com In mid-May 2009 I spent 12 days at a couple of sites in southeastern China's Jiangxi & Fujian Provinces. I spent the bulk of my time (nine days) at Wuyi Shan, a fabulous forested mountain that straddles the border of these two provinces before moving on to Wuyuan in northeastern Jiangxi. I had three target species in mind & all three were at Wuyi Shan, a site that I had not visited previously. I saw two of these species Cabot's Tragopan & White-necklaced Partridge but was unable to find the third, Short-tailed Parrotbill. The Huanggang Shan portion of the Wuyi Shan massive was superb, bird rich and very easily accessed with an impressive array of habitats being easily accessed from the road as it passes through broadleaf, pine and bamboo forest before reaching montane grassland close to the peak.

As on all of my recent trips in China I travelled with the ground agent I use for all the Sunbird/Wings tours that I lead in China. I have absolutely no hesitation in recommending her, Wang Qingyu as a guide, ground agent and all-round fixer. She can be contacted at -

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Wuyi Shan Nature Reserve

Wuyi Shan Nature Reserve (NR) covers an area of 567 kms² & straddles the border between Jiangxi to the west and the coastal province of Fujian to the east. Huge tracts of quality forest remain in the reserve &, while much of this is below 1000 metres and a reasonable amount even below 500 metres, Huanggang Shan, the highest peak in the entire Wuyi mountain range, offers easy access to elevations up to 2150 metres.

As a whole Wuyi Shan is one of the best & most interesting places for birding in the whole of southeastern China. The region harbours a number of southeast Chinese endemics such as White-necklaced Partridge, Cabot's Tragopan, Elliot's Pheasant & Brown-chested Jungle Flycatcher and is also home to other sought after species such as Fairy Pitta, Pale-headed Woodpecker & Blunt-winged Warbler. Moreover the region harbours local races of species such as Coal Tit, White-browed Shrike-babbler and Streak-throated Fulvetta that add further interest.

Despite having some superb forest and an impressive array of quality birds the Wuyi Shan NR areas that we saw had clearly been historically logged and there were only a small number of very large trees remaining on the mountain. A large number of the mountain's conifers are young and between 15-20 years old.

Despite ornithological coverage since the time of Pere David in the 1870s and La Touche in the 1920s the hills of the Fujian/Jiangxi border region, like considerable tracts of China, remain massively under-watched and the lure of the Wuyi Shan area has been a strong one for several years.

Access

The region is well served by both road and rail networks & Wuyi Shan town also has its own airport & is served by flights from Beijing, Shanghai, Shenzhen & Hong Kong. The town and airport is about a 70 minute drive away from the reserve's accommodation at Sangang on the Fujian side of the mountain. There's also accommodation 15 kilometres down the Jiangxi side of the border at Xikeng below Huanggang – we never stopped and viewed this but it looked OK. The tourist complex at Xikeng was certainly smaller and the accommodation itself perhaps being very slightly poorer than the equivalent at Sangang.

Its necessary to have your own vehicle with you at Wuyi Shan – the area is a large one & there are three main sites (though I only visited two of these during this visit) and all are sufficiently far from the accommodation as to make walking to & from them impossible. Fortunately vehicles are easily rented, with the help of a travel agent such as Wang Qingyu, in Wuyi town and elsewhere. We initially did just that & rented a vehicle with driver from Wuyi Shan town. He was fine – safe, punctual & friendly but once we started exploring the significantly rougher Masu road he quickly became disenchanted & clearly wanted out. After our first visit to Masu he refused to return & we sacked him, enlisting the services of a driver from Wuyuan that Shanghai birder, Zhang Lin recommended. Mr. Chang was superb –equally polite, punctual, friendly & safe. His slightly larger vehicle had greater ground clearance & he wasn't at all phased by the rough Masu road.

Qingyu had contacted Mr. Zeng Faxu the vice-manager of the Fujian portion of Wuyi Shan Nature Reserve in advance of our visit. Based at Sanggang, Mr. Zeng speaks a small amount of English and is very friendly. His mobile number is 13599312852. All our subsequent arrangements at Wuyi Shan were made through Mr. Zeng – from organising the taxi to pick us up on our arrival at Wuyi Shan airport, to our accommodation at Sanggang to our access in to the Fujian & even the Jiangxi parts of the reserve.

Costs

Foreigners must pay a one off entrance ticket at Wuyi Shan of 80 yuan/person.

Foreigners daily permit/protection fee is 300 yuan/day.

Accommodation in the best rooms at Sanggang cost 280/room/night.

We were also charged 380 yuan/day for the vehicle & driver that came from Wuyi Shan town. We were also expected to pay for the driver's room (he stayed in cheaper accommodation & this cost 180 yuan/night) as well as his food.

Later in the trip we switched to using a Wuyuan-based driver that Shanghai birder, Zhang Lin, recommended. Mr. Cheng Jianbin (mobile 15970358942) had a small five seater vehicle & after Qingyu had contacted him he drove from Wuyuan to meet us at Wuyi Shan and replaced the local driver that we'd been using.

Several other birders have arranged their trips to Wuyi Shan via Mr. Lin Jiansheng of Nanchang (mobile: 13807001872) but he's quite considerably more expensive than Mr. Zeng and apparently now charges 1500/day just for his guiding fee. We understood that the park entrance permit (80 yuan) & the protection fees (300 yuan/person/day) as well as the cost of a vehicle, his food and his accommodation would all be extra.

The part boast 2624 species of 'higher order' plants & over 322 species of bird have been recorded in the nature reserve –and there's till plenty of scope for further additions. I noted four species that were not included in an excellent, detailed & very informative list of the birds of the park produced by Richard Lewthwaite. Richard, in litt. to me on 25 May 2009, suggested that all four were probably new for Jiangxi. They were – Whistling Hawk Cuckoo, Baikal Bush Warbler, Chinese Leaf Warbler & perhaps most surprising of all Grey-crowned Warbler.

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I had originally planned to have visited Wuyi Shan in March 2006 – but my trip failed. However I benefited from the information that I was supplied by Richard Lewthwaite (3 Feb. 2006) & Geoff Carey (7 Feb. 2006) before that jaunt as well as by a couple of lengthy chats with and a potential bird list supplied by Zhang Lin.

DAILY DIARY

Sunday 10 May 2009. Beijing to Wuyi Shan & then to Sangang, Huanggang Shan, Fujian.

We left Tongzhou at 15:10hrs, dropped Chenchen off at one of her classmate's houses & headed on to Beijing airport. Our Xiamen airlines 18:10hrs flight took off exactly on time & arrived in Wuyi Shan, Fujian at 20:05hrs. According to the flight crew it was 25°C when we arrived in Wuyi Shan. Wuyi Shan is at about 130 metres above sea level.

Once we'd retrieved our luggage we headed out, met a local contact who escorted us to a waiting vehicle & headed on. We made a couple of brief stops in Wuyi Shan town to get petrol, buy some mineral water, noodles & a few breakfast and lunch supplies before heading on.

We'd been told that Sangang was about 70 kms from Wuyi Shan and that the drive would take 70 minutes – the distance was correct but the drive took us closer to two hours and we arrived at Sangang at 22:25hrs.

Costs

Plane ticket Beijing to Wuyi Shan Taxi transfer from Wuyi Shan airport to Sangang Room/night in Sangang 2-star guest house Driver's room/night at Sangang Vehicle/day in Wuyi Shan NP Park permit Park entrance permit 1400 yuan/person 380 yuan 200 yuan 60 yuan 400 yuan 300 yuan/day/foreigner 80 yuan one off payment

We stayed at the -

Sangang NNR Protection Station Hotel Sangang, Wuyi Shan, Fujian. Tel: 0086-599-5272290

The Sangang NNR Protection Station Hotel is a supposedly a two-star hotel. The rooms are clean and fairly spacious. There are apparently six good rooms and perhaps ten others that aren't quite so good though I never looked at any of the latter. The six better rooms all have en suite bathrooms with western toilet, wash basin, bath tub (that isn't connected to any water!) & a shower with an individual water heater (so there's effectively 24 hrs hot water!). Strangely the shower head is over the toilet & the water spills on to the floor rather than over the bath. The bed linen was clean and each room had a small kettle, a TV, two chairs etc. The hotel complex also had a restaurant where very tasty, but simple, food was served.

Monday 11 May 2009. All day Huanggang Shan, Fujian & Jiangxi.

We left the Sangang NNR Protection Station Hotel ten minutes late at 04:40hrs & drove up. The road became un-paved almost immediately, then went through an area of tea estate & series of small villages before reaching a small 'col' or ridge 10 kilometres above Sanggang. This ten kilometre drive invariably took us between 25-30 minutes. This ridge marks the boundary of Fujian & Jiangxi provinces & there's a large archway and another forest protection station right on the crest of the ridge here – the Huanggang protection station at about 1150 metres above sea level. The road forks at the forest protection station – the left road is well paved & heads down in to the valley (we took this road the day we left Wuyi Shan & headed to Wuyuan) while the un-paved track up to the right has a locked barrier across it. We had to seek permission for this to be opened. Fortunately Mr. Zeng Faxu knew the guard & permission was quickly granted. The road continued to climb and became increasingly narrow as it snaked its was through the forest along occasionally precipitous sections. We continued on and spent the rest of the day up this road and in Jiangxi. This road eventually goes all the way to the summit of Huanggang Shan – at about kilometre 30.

Today however we stopped at about kilometre 17 (1630 metres), got out & walked from there up to the Wanggang road protection station at kilometre 23.9 (1800 metres). I started to walk at 05:45hrs while the car stayed behind, initially, but the driver & Mr. Zeng soon got bored & went ahead to the Wanggang protection station where a middle aged couple supplied them with hot water & lunch (for a small fee).

Sangang NNR Protection Station Hotel, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian. (27°44.91'N., 117°40.64'E.). 740 metres above sea level.

Sangang is	204 kms southeast of Nanchang
	246 kms northwest of Fuzhou
	366 kms southwest of Hangzhou

Km post 13	1210 metres
Km post 14	1270 metres
Km post 16	1395 metres
Km post 17	1460 metres
Km post 18.	1495 metres
Km post 20	1625 metres
Km post 21	1685 metres
Km post 26	1930 metres
Km post 27	2005 metres

Wanggang road protection station, Huangshan. (27°50.26'N., 117°45.46'E.) (1800 metres above sea level).

From here its 12.7 kilometres in a straight line southwest back to Sangang.

Summit of Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NP, Jiangxi. (27°51.69'N., 117°47.05'E.) (2160 metres above sea level).

From here its 3.767 kilometres in a straight line back to Wanggang & 16.4 kms in a straight line back to Sangang.

Sun rise & sun set on the 11 May 2009

Sun rise05:22hrsSun set18:48hrs

Weather

Clear & dry though the amount of cloud cover gradually increased throughout the day and there were just one or two spots of rain in the mid-afternoon.

It was 14°C at Sangang at 04:30hrs & the humidity was 91%. The temperature climbed to 21°C by 09:30hrs (1700 metres) while the humidity had then dropped back to 57%.

According to Mr. Zeng Faxu the best area for Cabot's Tragopan is between kilometres 19-21 but birds range from about 1300 up to above 1800 metres. The staff of the Wanggang road protection station (at km 23.9) knew of an abandoned tragopan nest immediately behind their buildings.

White-necklaced Partridge VU	4 singles on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the $11/5/2009$. The first was heard, tape lured and seen well, the other three were only heard. The first bird was at about kilometre 20 & <i>ca</i> .100 metres before (below) a blue sign on the left of the track that had white Chinese characters saying 'Please protect nature for people's future'. (27°50.78'N., 117°45.25'E.). This site is 13.26 kilometres northeast of Sangang. (1680, 1710, 1750 & <i>ca</i> .1800 metres)
Chinese Bamboo Partridge	2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the $11/5/2009$. The higher elevation of the two birds was on the hillside not far above the Wanggang road protection station. (<i>ca</i> . 1650 & 1830 metres)
Cabot's Tragopan VU	4 singles (three males & one female) were seen poorly on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi 11/5/2009. The first bird, a calling male was glimpsed near the 'White-necklaced Partridge site' near kilometre 17, two more were encountered between there & Wanggang and the final bird was also glimpsed from about kilometre 24.3 above Wanggang. (1670, 1690 & 1840 metres)
Silver Pheasant	2 single males on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1260 & 1500 metres)
Bay Woodpecker	2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (<1670 metres)
woodpecker sp.	3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1170, 1680 & 1710 metres)
Great Barbet	4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (all were below 1650 metres)
Large Hawk Cuckoo	2 singles were heard in Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian & Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (760 & 1740 metres)
Oriental Cuckoo*	3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1180, 1700 & 1740 metres)
Pacific Swift	4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1700-1850 metres)
Oriental Scops Owl	1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1650 metres)
Barred Cuckoo Dove	2 were heard on the Fujian-Jiangxi border besides the Huanggang Forest Protection Station, in Wuyi Shan NR on the 11/5/2009. (1170 metres)

accipiter sp. egret sp.

Red-billed Blue Magpie

Grey-chinned Minivet Chestnut-bellied Rock Thrush [Blue Whistling Thrush

White-browed Shortwing

Small Niltava Fujian Niltava Plumbeous Water Redstart White-crowned Forktail Chestnut-vented Nuthatch Coal Tit Yellow-bellied Tit

Yellow-cheeked Tit Yellow-browed Tit Barn Swallow Asian House Martin Collared Finchbill Chestnut Bulbul Mountain Bulbul Himalayan Black Bulbul* Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler

Yellowish-bellied Bush Warbler* Goodson's Leaf Warbler Ogilvie-Grant's Leaf Warbler Bianchi's Warbler

White-spectacled Warbler

Chestnut-crowned Warbler Rufous-faced Warbler Greater Necklaced Laughingthrush Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler

Pygmy Wren Babbler Spotted Wren Babbler Red-billed Leiothrix White-browed Shrike Babbler Grey-hooded Fulvetta*

Grey-cheeked Fulvetta Black-chinned Yuhina Vinous-throated Parrotbill

Fire-breasted Flowerpecker Olive-backed Pipit Brown Bullfinch

bunting sp.

Mammals

Stump-tailed Macaque Pallas's Squirrel Black Muntjac 2 flew over the Fujian-Jiangxi border besides the Huanggang Forest Protection Station, in Wuyi Shan NR on the 11/5/2009. (1200 metres) 2 singles heard in Wuyi Shan NR on the 11/5/2009. One was near Sangang, Fujian & the other above Wanggang Road Protection Station at Km 24 on Huanggang Shan, Jiangxi. (780 & 1825 metres) 10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1640-1740 metres) 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1720 metres) 1 bird, possibly this species, was glimpsed on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1550 metres)] 5 singing males (two of which were seen) on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1710-1830 metres) 5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1170 & 1660-1710 metres) 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1680 & 1710 metres) 1 was heard near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 11/5/2009. (1010 metres) 1 was heard near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 11/5/2009. (ca.900 metres) 5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1655-1720 metres) 8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (ca.1650-1740 metres) 2 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR on the 11/5/2009. One was on Huanggang Shan, Yanshan, Jiangxi while the other was close to Sangang, Fujian. (ca.950 & 1680 metres) 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1740 metres) 5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1740-1810 metres) 5 near Sangang, in Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 11/5/2009. (780-1000 metres) 15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1670-1740 metres) 1 near Sangang, in Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 11/5/2009. (1050 metres) 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1690 metres) 10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1670-1750 metres) 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1825 metres) 4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. Two of these were near the Huanggang forest check post on the Fujian-Jiangxi border. (1150, 1800 & 1830 metres) 6 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1735, 1750 & 1810 metres) 30 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1700-1820 metres) 15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (ca.1600-1750 metres) 20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (The lowest was at about 1730 metres) 10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. The lowest of these was near the Huanggang forest check post on the Fujian-Jiangxi border. (1150 & 1640-1780 metres) 15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1650-1830 metres) 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1150-1170 & 1650-1740 metres) 8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1730 metres) 8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. The lowest of these was near the Huanggang forest check post on the Fujian-Jiangxi border. (1150 & 1640-1730 metres) 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1710 metres) 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1690 & 1710 metres) 50 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1150-1180 & 1640-1850 metres) 14 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1650-1740 metres) 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. A pair that were apparently feeding young in the nest they were at about Km 22.5. (1730 metres) 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1665 metres) 20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1140 & 1680-1810 metres) 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. They were all about 500 metres above the Wanggang road protection station. (1800-1810 metres) 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1670-1760 metres) 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1735 metres) 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. They were together at about kilometre 18. (1650-1690 metres) 2 near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 11/5/2009. (metres)

1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1700 metres)

1 was heard near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 11/5/2009. (*ca*.800 metres) 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1710 & 1730 metres) 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (<1650 & *ca*.1700 metres)

Tuesday 12 May 2009. All day Huanggang Shan, Fujian & Jiangxi.

We left Sangang just five minutes late at 04:05hrs & drove back up the road to the Huanggang forest protection station & on in to Jiangxi. Arriving at the protection station 23 minutes after leaving Sangang the staff opened the barrier for us & up we went. We drove about another eight kilometres up in to the forest before I clambered out. It was then 04:55hrs & this site was at 1565 metres & was just about 300 metres before a 15-20 metre tall steel pylon that looked like a mobile phone mast on the left side of the track. There was an impressive looking surveillance camera on the top of the mast. I then walked about eight kilometres from there on up to the Wanggang road protection station at Km 23.7 while the crew & the car went ahead.

Arriving at the Wanggang road protection station at 10:20hrs I had some snacks & a break before continuing to walk right up to the summit (at about Km 30). The crew met me again up at the summit. This six kilometre walk lasted from 11:15-15:20hrs.

I arrived at the summit of Huanggang Shan at 15:20hrs, spent less than ten minutes here & we then all drove back down to Wanggang where we arrived 20 minutes later at 15:50hrs.

Summit of Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NP, Jiangxi. (27°51.69'N., 117°47.05'E.) (2160 metres above sea level).

From here its 3.767 kilometres in a straight line back to Wanggang & 16.4 kms in a straight line back to Sangang.

Weather

An immaculately clear early morning though, as yesterday, the amount of cloud cover gradually increased and it started to rain from about 10:45hrs. This light drizzle continued on-and-off until the mid-afternoon when it again cleared. The summit of the mountain was intermittently shrouded in cloud. The temperature & humidity didn't change much throughout the day -

18°C & 86% humidity at Sangang (760 metres) at 04:00hrs. 19°C & 84% humidity at 1650 metres at 06:50hrs 19°C & 88% humidity at Wanggang (1800 metres) at 10:30hrs

White-necklaced Partridge VU Chinese Bamboo Partridge	3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1690-1720 metres) 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (<i>ca</i> .1820 metres)
Cabot's Tragopan VU	4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1730, 1735 & ca.1850 metres)
Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	2 together on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1720 metres)
Great Spotted Woodpecker	2 singles on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1580 & 1600 metres)
Grey-headed Woodpecker	2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (ca.1550 & ca.1650
Bay Woodpecker	metres) 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (<1520 & 1570 metres)
Great Barbet	4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (cr. 1400-ca. 1700 metres)
Large Hawk Cuckoo	3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (800, 1750 & <i>ca</i> . 1950
Luige Huwk Cuckoo	metres)
Oriental Cuckoo*	3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (<1500, 1660 & <i>ca</i> .1900 metres)
Pacific Swift	1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (ca.1750 metres)
Oriental Scops Owl	1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. It was well up the hillside to
1	the right of the road about 100 metres inside the barrier above the Huanggang forest check post. (ca. 1250 metres)
Barred Cuckoo Dove	4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1550-1645 metres)
Black Eagle	1 about one kilometre above the Wanggang road protection station on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan,
	Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1880 metres)
Red-billed Blue Magpie	3 were heard between Sangang & Huanggang, Fujian on the 12/5/2009. (760 metres)
Grey-chinned Minivet	15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1590-1740 metres)
Chestnut-bellied Rock Thrush	9 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. Other than two birds that were at about
	kilometre 19 the remainder were all within about three kilometres of the summit. (1620 & 1640 & 1990-2060 metres)
Blue Whistling Thrush	1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1655 metres)
White-browed Shortwing	8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. Most of these were within one
-	kilometre (above or below) of the Wanggang road protection station. (1715-1830 metres) [In addition two birds,
	possibly also this species, were heard very distantly at about 1670 metres].
Dark-sided Flycatcher	3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1655 & 1680 metres)
Small Niltava	7 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1430 & 1540-1710 metres)
Fujian Niltava	1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1730 metres)
Plumbeous Water Redstart	3 were heard in the small river within about five kilometres above Sangang Fujian on the 12/5/2009. (780-950 metres)
Common Stonechat	4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. All were quite close to the summit.
	(1975-2115 metres)
Grey Bushchat	2 single singing males near the summit of Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (2030 & 2060 metres)
Chestnut-vented Nuthatch	3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1620-1640 metres)
Coal Tit	8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1640-1920 metres)
Yellow-bellied Tit	2 singles were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. The second was at about Km 22.7 (1650 & 1730 metres)
Yellow-cheeked Tit	2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. They were both at about Km 23. (1740 metres)
Yellow-browed Tit	10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1650-1860 metres)
Barn Swallow	10 between Sangang & Huanggang, Fujian on the 12/5/2009. (780-950 metres)
Asian House Martin	150 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. There were about ten nests on cliffs
	at about kilometre 20 and 79 active nests in the disused/derelict soldiers barracks at the summit. (1675-2050
	metres)
Mountain Bulbul	20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1590-1910 metres)
Himalayan Black Bulbul*	3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1625 & 1870 metres)
Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler	2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. They were both near the Wanggang road protection station. (1810 & 1840 metres)

Yellowish-bellied Bush Warbler* 25 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. Only two of these were noted below the Wanggang road protection station at kilometre 23.7 all the others were between there & the summit especially between kilometres 24-26. (1750-2130 metres) Brown Bush Warbler 36 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. Like Buff-throated Warbler all were between Km 26 & the summit. (1850 & 1910-2145 metres) Russet Bush Warbler* 3 single singing birds on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. The first, and lowest, was at about Km 23.3 - not far below the Wanggang road protection station while the other two were at about Km 25.5. (1755, 1850 & 1865 metres) Buff-throated Warbler 32 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. Like Brown Bush Warbler all were between Km 26 & the summit. (1880-2140 metres) Chinese Leaf Warbler 1 singing bird at about kilometre 22 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. It sang for about one minute & then left and was presumably a migrant. (1735 metres) Goodson's Leaf Warbler 30 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. More than half of these were above the Wanggang road protection station. (1550-2080 metres) Ogilvie-Grant's Leaf Warbler 20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. 14 of these were below the Wanggang road protection station & about six above. (1620- at least 1860 metres) Grey-crowned Warbler 2 singing birds were heard, and one recorded, on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. They were both near Km 27.3. (2015 & 2030 metres) Bianchi's Warbler 35 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. The majority of these were above 1700 metres & about 25 birds were actually above the Wanggang road protection station at 1800 metres. (1670-2050 metres) 14 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. Only one bird was noted above the White-spectacled Warbler Wanggang road protection station. (1570-1810 metres) 15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1570-1850 metres) Chestnut-crowned Warbler 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1750-1860 metres) Rufous-faced Warbler 4, two pairs, on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1650 & ca.1830 metres) Grev-sided [Spot-breasted] Scim. Babbler 8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1560-1855 metres) Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler Pygmy Wren Babbler 5 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1600-1720 metres) Spotted Wren Babbler 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1710 & 1730 metres) [Rufous-capped Babbler 1 bird, possibly this species, was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1720 metres)] Red-billed Leiothrix 100 on Huanggang Shan, Wuvi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. More than half of these were above the Wanggang road protection station at 1800 metres. (1600-2150 metres) 18 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1550-ca1900 metres) White-browed Shrike Babbler 3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. One was near Km 26 & the other two Grey-hooded Fulvetta* close to the summit. The latter birds responded well to playback of a bird recorded on the summit of Emei Shan, Sichuan. (1875 & 2130 metres) Striated Yuhina 5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. They were all at about Km 23.3 - not far below the Wanggang road protection station. (1755 metres) Black-chinned Yuhina 40 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1540-ca.1870 metres) 6, three pairs, on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. The first pair was only Vinous-throated Parrothill about 400 metres above the Wanggang road protection station while the others were between one kilometre about 600 metres below the summit. (1830, 2090 & 2125 metres) Fire-breasted Flowerpecker 6 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1590-1740 metres) 1 near the summit of Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (2115-2145 metres) Rosv Pipit Brown Bullfinch 5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1590, 1650 & 1720 metres) Mammals Stump-tailed Macaque 6 in a single troop Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1640 metres) Pallas's Squirrel 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1690 & 1720 metres) Black Muntjac 2 singles on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. The lowest was at about Km post 23 (one kilometre below the Wanggang road protection station) & the other two kilometres below the summit

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at about Km post 28. (1735 & 2080 metres)

We left the Sanggang guest house at 04:10hrs & drove back up to Huanggang where we crossed the border & again entered Jiangxi. We then drove 13 kilometres up to Km 23 (one kilometre before the Wanggang road protection station) where I climbed out. We'd changed vehicles today – and the new one made much faster progress on the un-paved rocky road so it was only 05:15hrs when I disembarked. In all it took us just 65 minutes to drive the 23 kilometres up from Sangang.

I then spent much of the rest of the day walking slowly back down the road towards Huanggang. In all I explored the area between Kms 23 & almost Km 15 and descended from 1755 down to 1340 metres. It rained hard for about 30 minutes in the late afternoon causing us to leave slightly earlier than planned. However by the time we arrived back at Huanggang the rain had stopped & I spent the last 90 minutes of the day on the small stepped trail through the bamboo above this forest protection station. This latter trail is apparently one of the two best sites in the area for Short-tailed Parrotbill (the other area being between Kms 11-15 on the road between Huanggang & Wanggang).

It was busier on the Huanggang Shan track today – in all we saw about six vehicles while yesterday and the day before we'd seen just one!

Km post 18.	1495 metres	13:30hrs
Km post 17	1460 metres	14:30hrs
Km post 16	1395 metres	15:00hrs

Paved trail immediately above Huanggang forest protection station. 16:40-18:20hrs. (27°48.96'N., 117°42.81'E.) (1150-ca.1300 metres above sea level).

This short trail reaches a small temple complex after about 800 metres. I couldn't find any obvious paths from there leading further on up – but a local farmer told me that there were several but they were all difficult to follow & its easy to get lost on. He told me in no uncertain terms that I should NOT go up there on my own! Much of the trail up to this small temple goes through a fairly large stand of bamboo & it was here that I played my Short-tailed Parrotbill recording repeatedly – but to no avail.

Weather

A dull & over cast morning. 21°C & 78% humidity at Km 23 (1755 metres) at 05:15hrs. There were the occasional spots of rain from mid-morning onwards but it rained torrentially for about 30 minutes from 15:35hrs.

White-necklaced Partridge VU	6 singles were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. These included one was at Km 22.6, two at Km 22.2 & one from about Km 15. (1355, <1400, 1680, 1700 & 1710 metres)
Cabot's Tragopan VU	4 singles (two males & two females) were all seen superbly well on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. They were all the short stretch of road between kilometres 15.3–15.7. The first male was seen at about 15:00hrs & watched on the road, at ranges down to less than 15 metres, for over 30 minutes.
	(27°50.02'N., 117°43.92'E.). I've now encountered ten Cabot's Tragopans in the last three days on Wuyi Shan (five, including two males were seen well, two seen very badly & three others only heard). (1350-1370 metres)
pheasant sp.	3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (<i>ca</i> .1450 & <i>ca</i> .1650 metres)
Speckled Piculet	5 in Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi & Fujian on the 13/5/2009. Three of these were between kilometres 17-18 on the Huanggang to Wanggang road, Jiangxi while the other two were in the bamboo on the hillside above Huanggang, Fujian. (1220, 1400, 1495 & 1540 metres)
White-backed Woodpecker [Rufous Woodpecker	1 male was seen well on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1715 metres) 1 bird, possibly this species, was heard near the Huanggang forest protection station, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (<i>ca</i> .1100 metres)]
Bay Woodpecker	1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (ca.1550 metres)
woodpecker sp.	3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1570, 1690 & 1720 metres)
Great Barbet	3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (<i>ca</i> .1400- <i>ca</i> .1650 metres)
Large Hawk Cuckoo	2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (<i>ca</i> . 1400 & 1760 metres)
Oriental Cuckoo*	2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (<i>ca</i> . 1650 & 1760 metres)
Pacific Swift	4, two seen & two others only heard, on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1460, 1580 & 1730 metres)
Oriental Scops Owl	4 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi & Fujian on the 13/5/2009. Two of these were heard above the Huanggang forest protection station, Fujian before dawn & the other two were between there & Wanggang, Jiangxi. (<i>ca</i> .1250, 1600 & 1670 metres)
Barred Cuckoo Dove	4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1290, 1715 & 1750 metres)
[Mountain Hawk Eagle	1 bird, possibly this species, was heard dist on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (<i>ca</i> .1850 metres)
Orange-bellied Leafbird	2, a pair, near Km 16 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1420 metres)
Eurasian Jay	1 was heard distantly on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1730 metres)
Red-billed Blue Magpie	1 between the Huanggang forest protection station & Sangang, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (980 metres)
Grey-chinned Minivet	12 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1495-1750 metres)
Chestnut-bellied Rock Thrush	4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. Two separate males were seen carrying food & were presumably feeding young in the nest. (1650, 1700 & 1740 metres)
Blue Whistling Thrush	1 near Km 17 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1450 metres)
thrush sp.	1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1700 metres)
White-browed Shortwing	4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1720-1750 metres)
Dark-sided Flycatcher	1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1570 metres)
Ferruginous Flycatcher Small Niltava	2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1720 & 1740 metres) 8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1460, 1490, 1560, 1580, 1640, 1650,
	1670 & 1710 metres)
Fujian Niltava	3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1590, 1620 & 1740 metres)
Plumbeous Water Redstart	1 was heard between the Huanggang forest protection station & Sangang, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (980 metres)
Chestnut-vented Nuthatch	5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1440, 1570, 1630 & 1715 metres)
Coal Tit Vallary halliad Tit	6 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1610-1770 metres)
Yellow-bellied Tit Yellow-cheeked Tit	1 was heard near the Huanggang forest protection station, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (1240 metres) 12, six pairs, on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1560, 1610, 1700, 1715 &
	1730 metres)
Yellow-browed Tit	8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1600-1750 metres)
Black-throated Tit	2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. They were both near Km 19. (1550 metres)
Asian House Martin	50 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 135/2009. (1450-ca.1700 metres)

Chestnut Bulbul 10 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1480-1700 metres) Mountain Bulbul 30 in Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi & Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (1190-1770 metres) Himalayan Black Bulbul* 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1680 metres) Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler 4 in Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian & Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. One of these was between kilometres 16 & 17 on the road between Huanggang & Wanggang while the other three were between the Huanggang forest protection station & Sangang, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (1180-1420 metres) Yellowish-bellied Bush Warbler* 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1680-1750 metres) Russet Bush Warbler* 1 was heard near the Huanggang forest protection station, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (ca.1150 metres) Arctic Warbler 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. Seen near kilometre 21 it was singing & was recorded. (1720 metres) Goodson's Leaf Warbler 21 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1410-1730 metres) 36 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1345-1760 metres) Ogilvie-Grant's Leaf Warbler Plain-tailed Warbler 2 were heard, seen rather poorly & tape recorded ton the 'bamboo trail' above the Huanggang forest protection station, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (27°48.96'N., 117°42.81'E.). This site is 8.3 kilometres northeast of Sangang & 8.6 kilometres southwest of the summit of Wuyi Shan. (1215-1240 metres) Bianchi's Warbler 19 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1600-1745 metres) White-spectacled Warbler 35 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1345-1760 metres) Chestnut-crowned Warbler 18 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1200-1710 metres) Rufous-faced Warbler 3 were heard near kilometre 17 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1400-1440 metres) necklaced laughingthrush sp. 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (ca.1600 metres) 1 was heard between kilometres 17-18 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. Hwamei (1495 metres) Grey-sided [Spot-breasted] Scim. Babbler 8, four pairs, in Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi & Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (1150, 1300, 1650 & 1700 metres) Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler 10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1480-1770 metres) Pygmy Wren Babbler 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1700 metres) Spotted Wren Babbler 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. The highest was near Km 22.3. (ca.1700 & 1740 metres) 2 singles on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1710 & 1740 metres) Rufous-capped Babbler Red-billed Leiothrix 80 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1150-1750 metres) 20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (<1380-1730 metres) White-browed Shrike Babbler Grey-hooded Fulvetta* 3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1720 & 1740 metres) Black-chinned Yuhina 30 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1240-1750 metres) 7 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1430-1750 metres) Fire-breasted Flowerpecker Brown Bullfinch 13 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. I saw one single, a pair & a flock of ten birds. (1580, 1720 & 1760 metres) Mammals 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (ca.1580 metres) Stump-tailed Macaque 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1720 metres) Pallas's Squirrel 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (ca.1500 metres) Black Muntjac

<u>Thursday 14 May 2009. All day Huanggang Shan. Early morning in Jiangxi, afternoon back in</u> Fujian.

We left the Sangang guest house at 04:30hrs & drove back up to six kilometres beyond Huanggang. We climbed out at kilometre 16 (1385 metres), just above where yesterday's first Cabot's Tragopan was seen and Qingyu & me then walked back down the road.

Km post 14	1270 metres	06:30hrs
Km post 13	1210 metres	07:20hrs

Arriving back at Huanggang (1500 metres) at 09:20hrs we then walked about one kilometre down the other, hard surfaced road that also heads in to Jiangxi. This road initially goes through a tall stand of bamboo. I walked down to 1060 metres before heading back up.

I then spent the rest of the day back in Fujian, leaving Huanggang at 10:20hrs & walking back down to Sangang. This 400 metre descent (from 1150 down to 740 metres), ten kilometre walk took me four hours & I arrived back at the Sangang guest house at 14:15hrs. The road goes through an area of significantly degraded secondary woodland and cultivation (mostly tea plantation) and was rather poor. I was tired when I arrived back, wrote my notes up, catalogued my recordings & then had a rest. Qingyu had left me at Huanggang & had headed back to Wuyi Shan town in order to catch a 17:40hrs China Eastern flight to Shanghai where she was meeting a friend in two days time.

Weather

It had rained hard overnight & much of the mountain from mid-way between Sangang & Huanggang was shrouded in low cloud. Fortunately this cleared &, while there were just a few spots of rain in the late morning, overall the day gradually improved. The only temperature reading that I took was 21°C & 68% humidity at kilometre 16 at 05:15hrs (1385 metres).

White-necklaced Partridge VU

Chinese Bamboo Partridge

Cabot's Tragopan VU

Speckled Piculet Grey-headed Woodpecker Bay Woodpecker

Great Barbet

Large Hawk Cuckoo

Oriental Cuckoo* Oriental Scops Owl Oriental Turtle Dove Barred Cuckoo Dove

Chinese Sparrowhawk Chinese Pond Heron Red-billed Blue Magpie

Swinhoe's Minivet Grey-chinned Minivet

Blue Whistling Thrush

Small Niltava Fujian Niltava Plumbeous Water Redstart

Slaty-backed Forktail White-crowned Forktail Grey Bushchat

Yellow-bellied Tit

Great Tit Yellow-cheeked Tit

Black-throated Tit Barn Swallow Red-rumped Swallow

Collared Finchbill Chestnut Bulbul

Mountain Bulbul

Himalayan Black Bulbul* Japanese White-eye Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler

Sulphur-breasted Warbler Goodson's Leaf Warbler

Ogilvie-Grant's Leaf Warbler

Plain-tailed Warbler

White-spectacled Warbler

Chestnut-crowned Warbler

Rufous-faced Warbler

Greater Necklaced Laughingthrush Hwamei Grey-sided [Spot-breasted] Scim. Babbler Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler Pygmy Wren Babbler

1 was heard at kilometre 14.7 (4.7 kilometres above Huanggang) n Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1400 metres) 3 were heard between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (ca.1000 &ca.1150 metres) 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. A male was seen very well on the road at kilometre 14.5 while another un-sexed bird was heard from this same site. We've now encountered 12 different tragopans at Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi. (1290 metres) 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1240 & 1270 metres) 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (ca. 1260 metres) 3 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR on the 14/5/2009. The first was above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other two were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (ca.1020, ca.1120 & 1270 metres) 2 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR on the 14/5/2009. The first was above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the second was between there & Sangang in Fujian. (1020 & <1100 metres) 3 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR on the 14/5/2009. Two were in Fujian (one was above Sangang pre-dawn & the other closer to Huanggang) while the other was above Huanggang in Jiangxi. (ca.850, ca.1200 & 1250 metres) 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (ca. 1250 metres) 1 was heard above Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (ca.1270 metres) 2 singles between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (855 & 1150 metres) 8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. All were singles except for a party of four birds at kilometre 14.1. (1160, 1180, 1240, 1270 & 1380 metres) 1 was heard below Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1120 metres) 1 flew over Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (ca.1250 metres) 9 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Six of these nine were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other three were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (860, 1000, ca.1150 & 1160 metres) 1 flew over Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1170 metres) 16 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 12 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other four were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (750-1350 metres) 4 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. One of these four was seen at roadside nest about three kilometres above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other three were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (780, 860, 910 & 1170 metres) 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1170-1280 metres) 1 was heard Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1190 metres) 42 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Just two of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other 40 were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (750-1175 metres) 1 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (860 metres) 1 was heard Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1190 metres) 7 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. One pair was seen carrying food to young in a nest. (920-1070 metres) 4 singles in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Three of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other was between there & Sangang in Fujian. (980, 1180, 1210 & 1290 metres) 7 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (740-1150 metres) 6 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Two singles were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other four were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (750, 1070, 1280 &1335 metres) 2 were heard above Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1300 metres) 15 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (880-975 metres) 15 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. Several birds were seen collecting mud and nest building. (890-945 metres) 6 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (960-1090 metres) 32 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 22 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other ten were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (820-1360 metres) 25 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 20 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other five were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (910-1360 metres) 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1240 metres) 20 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (740-1060 metres) 35 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Eight of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other 27 were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (890-ca.1200 metres) 3 between Huanggang & Sanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (870-1040 metres) 21 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Almost all of these (20 birds) were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other was between there & Sangang in Fujian. (1010-1360 metres) 52 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 36 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other 16 were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (820-1360 metres) 18 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 11 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other seven were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (960-1220 metres) 23 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 19 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other four were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (940-1400 metres) 52 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 19 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other 33 were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (740-1350 metres) 31 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 16 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other 15 were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (740-1240 metres) 4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1250 & 1360 metres) 4 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (895, ca.980 & 1090 metres) 2 singles between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (1140 &ca.1170 metres) 5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1300-1350 metres) 3 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Two were near (one above & one below) Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other was between there & Sangang in Fujian. (1050-ca.1160 metres)

Spotted Wren Babbler	2 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. They were both very close to Huanggang – the first was about one kilometre above there while the second was about 800 metres below but also still in Jiangxi. (1080 &
	1200 metres)
Rufous-capped Babbler	3 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Two of these were near Huanggang (one above, one below) in Jiangxi while
	the other was between there & Sangang in Fujian. (ca. 1070, 1150 & 1220 metres)
Red-billed Leiothrix	100 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. The majority of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the others
	were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (950-1360 metres)
White-browed Shrike Babbler	7 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1190-ca.1400 metres)
Black-chinned Yuhina	20 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. At least 15 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other two
	were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (1190-1350 metres)
Vinous-throated Parrotbill	11 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. I had two encounters with singles,
	two with pairs & one with a flock of four birds while the final encounter was of a bird that was only heard.
	(870-1030 metres)
Fire-breasted Flowerpecker	2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1300 & 1360 metres)
White Wagtail	4 singles between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (740-950 metres)
White-rumped Munia	1 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (880 metres)
Mammals	
Stump-tailed Macaque	2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (ca. 1240 metres)
Pallas's Squirrel	1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1260 metres)
[Perny's Long-nosed Squirrel	2 animals, probably this species, were heard between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the
I emy s Long-nosed Squitter	14/5/2009. (910 & 950 metres)

Friday 15 May 2009. All day Huanggang Shan, Fujian & Jiangxi.

We left the guest house at 04:00hrs & drove back up to Huanggang where we crossed the border & entered Jiangxi. We then drove almost 14 kilometres up to Wanggang (kilometre 23.7) where I climbed out. Unfortunately we had a puncture on route & this delayed us quite considerably & it was already 06:00hrs when we reached Wanggang. I then headed up hill –walking as far as the Grey-crowned Warblers that I had heard two days previously. I spent all morning on this walk eventually returning to Wanggang at 14:20hrs. I spent just ten minutes there before continuing to walk back down the road. I asked Mr. Zhu to catch me up at 17:30hrs, this he did & once he'd rejoined me we drove on down to Huanggang – only to find that the barrier was locked and the man with the key had gone missing. It took them almost 30 minutes to find this gent!

Km post 21	1685 metres	16:00hrs
Km post 20	1625 metres	16:25hrs
Chinese Bamboo Partrid	lge	4 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR on the 15/5/2009. Three of these were near Wanggang in Jiangxi and the other about mid-way between Huanggang & Sangang in Fujian. (920, 1830 & 1880 metres)
Cabot's Tragopan VU		4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. The first was heard at 04:50hrs (before dawn) about two kilometres in from the Huanggang forest protection station & about 800 metres before the large bridge on this section of the road. The second encounter was with a female that was seen about 700 metres below the Wanggang forest protection station at Km 23.3 and the final encounter was with two birds at Km 19.9 in the later afternoon (the male remaining in view from 16:30-17:45hrs. (1120, 1620 & 1780 metres)
Koklass Pheasant		2 singles were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the $15/5/2009$. They were both heard from the same spot – about two kilometres in from the Huanggang forest protection station before dawn (at 04:50hrs) and both were very distant & well below the road. (<i>ca.</i> 1050 & 1160 metres)
Speckled Piculet		1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1230 metres)
Bay Woodpecker		2 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR on the 15/5/2009. One was in Jiangxi & the other in Fujian. The Jiangxi bird was
~ ~ /		about two kilometres above the Huanggang forest protection station. (ca.980 & 1160 metres)
Great Barbet		2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009.
Large Hawk Cuckoo		2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009.
Oriental Cuckoo*		2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (<i>ca</i> .1250 metres)
Oriental Scops Owl		2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009.
Collared Scops Owl		1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It was about two kilometres in from the Huanggang forest protection station and was well below the road. (<i>ca</i> .1100 metres)
large owl sp.		1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It was accidentally flushed about one kilometre above the Wanggang road protection station. (1845 metres)
Grey Nightjar		1 was heard before dawn on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It was between two and three kilometres above Huanggang. (1200 metres)
Barred Cuckoo Dove		2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1170 & 1680 metres)
Red-billed Blue Magpie		2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009.
Grey-chinned Minivet		5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1640-1870 metres)
Brown Dipper		1 was heard in the stream less than one kilometre above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 15/5/2009. (780
11		metres)
Chestnut-bellied Rock T	ĥrush	6 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1660-2020 metres)
Blue Whistling Thrush		5 in Wuyi Shan NR on the 15/5/2009. One was in Jiangxi & the other four near Sangang in Fujian. (820-980 &
-		1160 metres)
White-browed Shortwin	g	9 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. Seven of these were above the Wanggang road protection station, the other two within 1.5 kilometres below there. (1745-1860 & 1940 metres)
Small Niltava		3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1160-1180 metres)

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(1610-1640 metres) 4 above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 15/5/2009. (750-950 metres) Plumbeous Water Redstart 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1910 & 2010 metres) Grey Bushchat 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1680 metres) Chestnut-vented Nuthatch 5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1720-1920 metres) Coal Tit Yellow-bellied Tit 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It flew over the lowest of the three Blunt-winged Warblers above Wanggang. (1900 metres) 5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1680-1860 metres) Yellow-browed Tit 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1710 metres) Black-throated Tit Barn Swallow 5 above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 15/5/2009. Asian House Martin 100 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. Collared Finchbill 2 near the Huanggang forest protection station on the Fujian-Jiangxi border on the 15/5/2009. (1200 metres) 30 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1200-1900 metres) Chestnut Bulbul Mountain Bulbul 20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. Himalayan Black Bulbul* 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. Yellowish-bellied Bush Warbler* 19 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. 14 of these were above the Wanggang road protection station, the other five were within three kilometres below there. Baikal Bush Warbler* 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It was singing about 800 metres above the Wanggang road protection station at 06:30hrs. (1810 metres) Brown Bush Warbler 15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1900-2010 metres) Russet Bush Warbler* 3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. One was again about 600 metres below the Wanggang road protection station (& was presumably the same bird that was seen here three days previously) while the other two were above there. (1775, 1880 & 1890 metres) Blunt-winged Warbler 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. All four birds (three singing males, one of which was accompanied by a female) were between kilometres 25.3-26.5. The first was about 20-30 metres above the road at km 25.3 (1.4 kilometres above Wanggang). This site is right where the lowest Brown Bush-warblers and lowest Buff-throated Warblers occur and is about 200 metres below a large blue sign on the right of the road. (27°50.33'N., 117°46.23'E.). The second bird was about 850 metres further up the road (at kilometre 26.15) while the third was at Kilometre 26.5. All three songsters were reluctant to sing and could have been very easily over-looked. (1905, 1920 & 1955 metres) Buff-throated Warbler 10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1890-2020 metres) 1 singing bird was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It was at the Arctic Warbler same site as the lowest of the day's Blunt-winged Warblers. (1900 metres) 20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. 13 of these were above the Goodson's Leaf Warbler Wanggang road protection station. 20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. Just two these were above the Ogilvie-Grant's Leaf Warbler Wanggang road protection station. Grey-crowned Warbler 2 singing birds on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. These were the same two birds as those heard three days earlier on the 12 May. Except this time they were both seen, albeit poorly & they were again holding territories on the southeast facing scrub covered hillside near Km 27.3. (27°50.99'N., 117°46.72'E.). This site is almost exactly mid-way between the Wanggang road protection station and the summit and they were sharing this habitat with the likes of Brown Bush-warbler, Bianchi's Warbler and the ubiquitous Red-billed Leiothrix. (2000 & 2010 metres) Plain-tailed Warbler 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. They were both near the Huanggang forest protection station. (1130-1150 metres) Bianchi's Warbler 20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (all were below 2020 metres) 10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (all were below 1850 metres) White-spectacled Warbler Chestnut-crowned Warbler 5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1250-1835 metres) 3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1830 metres) Rufous-faced Warbler Greater Necklaced Laughingthrush 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. Surprisingly they were about 1.8 kilometres above the Wanggang road protection station. (1890 metres) Grey-sided [Spot-breasted] Scim. Babbler 7 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. All seven were above the Wanggang road protection station. (1815-1840 metres) Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler 4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. Pygmy Wren Babbler 4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1230-1750 metres) Spotted Wren Babbler 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It was well below the road about two kilometres in from the Huanggang forest protection station. (ca. 1100 metres) 50 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1640-2030 metres) Red-billed Leiothrix White-browed Shrike Babbler 8 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (ca.1550-1780 metres) 5 were noted on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. All five were above the Grey-hooded Fulvetta* Wanggang road protection station & the lowest was feeding young in a nest. (1870-1955 metres) Black-chinned Yuhina 20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1650-1860 metres) Vinous-throated Parrotbill 4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1850-ca.1960 metres) Fire-breasted Flowerpecker 4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1730-1770 metres) White Wagtail 1 near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 15/5/2009. (780 metres) Rosy Pipit 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1945 metres) Brown Bullfinch 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1640 metres)

3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. They were all quite close to Km 20.

Saturday 16 May 2009. All day Wuyi Shan, Fujian.

We left the Sangang Nature Reserve guest house at 04:00hrs & spent the day at a different site – the road to Masu. Instead of heading up from the hotel we turned right and headed down hill. After driving for about 20 minutes we turned off left. This

small junction is at 565 metres (about 180 metres lower than Sangang) & is not very obvious when approached from above. Coming up hill there's a huge billboard just above the junction & on the same side of the road. This billboard has a photograph of a group of Chinese tourists river rafting. This side road is unpaved & very rough and unfortunately our driver ignored all our requests to slow down and, after repeatedly smacking the bottom of the vehicle on rocks in the road, gave up after about three kilometres! We'd only climbed about 150 metres (& had reached about 710m) when he decided enough was enough. It was still only 04:30hrs – so we sat in the car for about 15 minutes until the first birds of the day started to vocalise.

Today I explored areas between 720-1435 metres.

The entire road is about 16 kilometres long with Masu cun being 15 kilometres from the main Wuyi Shan town to Sanggang road & right at the end of this side track.

Site 1. About 3 kms up the Masu road, near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi. (27°43.1'N., 117°47.4'E). 710 metres.

This site is 5.68 kilometres in a straight line southeast of Sangang.

I heard an unfamiliar partridge calling distantly here & managed to get a very, very poor recording of it. At about 05:00hrs a Fairy Pitta also started to call – it was well up on the hillside to the right of this track & about 500 metres before the road crosses a large bridge over the small river in the valley bottom.

Km post 5	880 metres	08:20hrs	
Small roadside stor	age hut with no wind	ows at Km 6.9. 945 metres	09:30hrs
Km post 7	955 metres	09:30hrs	
Guan Jia cun	965 metres		
Km post 8	1005 metres	10:00hrs	
There's a decent area of bamboo between kilometres 9-10.5.			
Km post 10	1120 metres		
Km post 12	1270 metres	13:45hrs	
Km post 13	1350 metres	14:15hrs	
Km 13.9	road crests a ridge a	at 1435 metres before descending on	the northern side
Km 14	1430 metres	14:35hrs	
Km 15	1330 metres	15:00hrs	

Masu cun, near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi. (27°45.52'N., 117°44.54'E). 1290 metres.

This site is 6.52 kms almost due east of Sangang & 12 kilometres due south of the summit of Huanggang Shan.

Weather

Like yesterday this was another clear, cloudless and very hot day. It was 22°C & 70% humidity where we stopped the car three kilometres up the Masu road (710 metres) at 04:45hrs.

White-necklaced Partridge VU	3, one seen & two heard, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. I saw the last of the three birds of the day – it was at Km 13.3 near Km post 8.1. (<800, <i>ca</i> .830 & 1180 metres)
Arborophila partridge sp.	1 was heard before dawn about 3 kilometres from the start of the Masu forest road, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 16/5/2009. (760 metres)
Silver Pheasant	2, an adult female & a young chick, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. They were at about Km 11 and were seen right in the middle of the day (13:00hrs). (1210 metres)
Speckled Piculet	4 singles were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1055, 1080, 1190 & 1280 metres)
Pale-headed Woodpecker	1 was heard, taped & seen well in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. It was at Km 10.2 (27°44.69'N., 117°43.35'E.). As the crow flies this site is 4.5 kms almost due east of Sangang village. (1170 metres)
Bay Woodpecker woodpecker sp. Great Barbet	2 singles were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (780 & 890 metres) 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1240 metres) 10 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (800-1315 metres)

Red-headed Trogon 3 singles were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. The first was close to where we first stopped the car - three kilometres from the start of the Masu road. (ca.700, ca.860 & 970 metres) 3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (ca. 1000 & 1200 metres) Large Hawk Cuckoo Whistling Hawk Cuckoo 2, one seen & the other only heard, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. One was at about kilometre 8.5 (1.5 kms above Guan Jia cun). (980-1040 metres) Oriental Cuckoo* 4 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (Three birds were at 1350 metres) Crested Goshawk 2, as displaying pair, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. They were over the hillsides near Guan Jia cun - at about Km 8. (ca. 1500 metres) Fairy Pitta VU 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. It was on the hillside to the right of the track about three kilometres from the bottom & about 500 metres before the first bridge. (ca.760 metres) Orange-bellied Leafbird 1 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (860 metres) Red-billed Blue Magpie 5 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (770, 990, 1020 & 1320 metres) Grey Treepie 2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (730 metres) Grey-chinned Minivet 15 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (780-1320 metres) Brown Dipper 1 was heard in the stream besides the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station hotel, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 16/5/2009. (740 metres) Blue Whistling Thrush 3 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (ca.690, 760 & 980 metres) Brown-chested Jungle Flycatcher VU 13 singing birds, three of which were seen, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. Along with the Fairy Pitta and the Pale-headed Woodpecker this was one of the big surprises of the day - in particular the number of birds involved. Birds were seen at Km 3.8 -between one & 1.5 kms above the bridge, Km 4.4, Km 4.7, Km 5, Km 5.7, Km 6, Km 6.3, 300 metres up from Guan Jia cun, Km 9, Km 9.5, Km 10, Km 10.2 & Km 10.5. (790, 830, 860, 860, 900, 910, 920, 1000, 1050, 1020, 1120, 1150 & 1170 metres) Small Niltava 2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. Birds were at kilometres 8.1(about one km above Guan Jia cun) & at Km 13.3. (1020 & 1390 metres) 4 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (690-760 & 1330 metres) Plumbeous Water Redstart Grey Bushchat 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1350 metres) Yellow-bellied Tit 3 singles were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (840 & 920 metres) Yellow-cheeked Tit 6 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. A female was seen carrying food presumably to feed young still in the nest about 3.5 kms from the start of the road. (770, 860, 920, 1050 & 1060 & 1165 metres) Black-throated Tit 4, a family party with one adult and three begging juveniles, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1055 metres) 1 over Masu village near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 16/5/2009. (1330 metres) Barn Swallow 1 over the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station hotel, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 16/5/2009. Red-rumped Swallow (740 metres) Collared Finchbill 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (920 metres) Chestnut Bulbul 50 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (ca.800-1200 metres) Mountain Bulbul 10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (700-1320 metres) 8 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. One bird was seen carrying food & was Goodson's Leaf Warbler presumably feeding young in the nest. (1240, 1300, 1320, 1340 & 1360 metres) Ogilvie-Grant's Leaf Warbler 2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1250 & 1320 metres) Sulphur-breasted Warbler 35 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. For much of the day on the lower portions of the road this was the commonest species. Only eight of these were above 1000 metres. (600 & 705-1210 metres) 11 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (890, 1070, 1225, 1360-1420 metres) White-spectacled Warbler Chestnut-crowned Warbler 23 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (ca.720-1320 metres) 32 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (730-1430 metres) Rufous-faced Warbler Greater Necklaced Laughingthrush 2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (720 metres) 10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (890, 1150, 116 & 1250 metres) necklaced laughingthrush sp. Red-billed Leiothrix 10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1040-1250 metres) Grey-sided [Spot-breasted] Scim. Babbler 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (780 metres) White-browed Shrike Babbler 5 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (ca.1200, 1260 & 1300+ metres) Dusky Fulvetta 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. It was about one kilometre above Guan Jia cun. (ca. 1030 metres) Grey-cheeked Fulvetta 35 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (710-ca.1200 metres) Striated Yuhina 5 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1430 metres) Black-chinned Yuhina 10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (870-1240 metres) White-bellied Erpornis* 8 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (760, 770, 1040 & 1160 metres) Vinous-throated Parrotbill 1 near Masu cun, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 16/5/2009. (1300 metres) 4 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (790, 890, -920 & 1040 Fire-breasted Flowerpecker metres) White Wagtail 2 Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 16/5/2009. One was in Masu village & the other besides the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station hotel. (740 & 1300 metres)

Sunday 17 May 2009. All day Huanggang Shan, Fujian & Jiangxi.

We left the guest house at 04:00hrs & drove back up to Huanggang where we crossed the border & entered Jiangxi. We then drove almost 17 kilometres up to the 'Blunt-winged Warbler site' just above Wanggang (kilometre 24) where we all climbed out. It had rained much of the night & continued to do so throughout most of today & we were shrouded in cloud, it was raining very hard, windy & generally unpleasant when we arrived at this site. Nevertheless the warbler responded immediately – though it remained difficult to see because of the rain squalls. We eventually saw it on our fourth & final attempt. After that we descended to Wanggang where we had breakfast and then spent the rest of the day searching for

Cabot's Tragopans on the mountain's middle slopes. It didn't take us long to find them – but all our early views were of females – and it wasn't until the late afternoon before we eventually saw a male well. Within another 30 minutes we'd had superb views of three different males!

<u>Weather</u>

Olive-backed Pipit

A miserable day. It had rained hard overnight & continued to do so today until about 15:30hrs. Most of the mountain was shrouded in thick, low cloud for much of the day – and again this didn't really lift for any length of time until the late afternoon. It felt cold & damp much of the day – a massive change from the previous two days!

White-necklaced Partridge VU 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (ca.1650 metres) Cabot's Tragopan VU 10 were seen on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009! (The two lowest birds, both males, were at 1285 & 1310 metres) 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (ca.1600 metres) White-backed Woodpecker Bay Woodpecker 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. 5 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (ca. 1500-1760 metres) Great Barbet 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Large Hawk Cuckoo 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Oriental Cuckoo* Pacific Swift 5 over Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 17/5/2009. (850 metres) 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (ca.1650 & 1750 metres) Oriental Scops Owl Barred Cuckoo Dove 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1340 metres) 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1250 metres) Red-billed Blue Magpie Grey-chinned Minivet 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. 1 besides the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the Brown Dipper 17/5/2009. (740 metres) Chestnut-bellied Rock Thrush 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1720 & 1975 metres) Blue Whistling Thrush 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1240-1320 metres) White-browed Shortwing 3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. The highest bird was at the greatest elevation that I have so far encountered this species in Jiangxi at. It was at Km 26.5 & was close to the uppermost of the three Blunt-winged Warblers that I saw two days previously. (1730-1955 metres) 5 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1570, 1620 & 1715 metres) Small Niltava Fujian Niltava 3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1640, 1660 & 1800 metres) Plumbeous Water Redstart 10 between Sangang & Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 17/5/2009. (740-1090 metres) 1 bird, possibly this species, was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1320 [White-crowned Forktail metres)] 2 between Sangang & Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 17/5/2009. (940 & 995 metres) Grey Bushchat Chestnut-vented Nuthatch 3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. The first bird that we saw was a very sickly looking recently fledged juvenile that was sitting, bedraggled in the road and allowed us to walk within three metres of it. At least one of its parents was calling nearby. (1580 & 1705 metres) Coal Tit 4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1680-1720 metres) Yellow-bellied Tit 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Great Tit 1 in the garden of the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 17/5/2009.. (745 metres) Yellow-cheeked Tit 3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Yellow-browed Tit 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Black-throated Tit Barn Swallow 4 between Sangang & Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 17/5/2009. (1030 metres) 20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Asian House Martin 10 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Chestnut Bulbul Mountain Bulbul 10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. 1 was heard near Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 17/5/2009. (1130 metres) Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler Yellowish-bellied Bush Warbler* 3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Brown Bush Warbler 5 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1755 metres) Russet Bush Warbler* 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1955 metres) Blunt-winged Warbler Buff-throated Warbler 5 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. 15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. In addition another bird was heard between Goodson's Leaf Warbler Sangang & Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian. (995-1840 metres) Ogilvie-Grant's Leaf Warbler 5 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Bianchi's Warbler 10 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. White-spectacled Warbler 15 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Chestnut-crowned Warbler 10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Rufous-faced Warbler Grey-sided [Spot-breasted] Scim. Babbler 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. 4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Pygmy Wren Babbler Spotted Wren Babbler 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Rufous-capped Babbler Red-billed Leiothrix 40 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. White-browed Shrike Babbler 6 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Grey-hooded Fulvetta* 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Striated Yuhina 15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1530 metres) Black-chinned Yuhina 20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. Vinous-throated Parrotbill 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1960 metres) Fire-breasted Flowerpecker 4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1535 metres)

White Wagtail Rosy Pipit Brown Bullfinch in the garden of the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House on the 17/5/2009. (750 metres)
 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1980 metres)
 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1560 metres)

Reptiles & amphibians

Snake sp. Slug sp. 1 road killed snake was photographed at 1560 metres. 1 enormous, 30 centimetre long slug was photographed at 1720 metres

Monday 18 May 2009. All day Wuyi Shan, Fujian.

We left the Sangang Nature Reserve guest house at 04:00hrs & drove back to the Masu road. Arriving at the 'Pale-headed Woodpecker site' at 05:10hrs we spent the entire day on this road exploring areas between Km 7.5 at Guan Jia cun (965 metres) and Km 13.5 a few hundred metres before the summit of the small pass (1415 metres). Our primary targets were White-necklaced Partridge, Pale-headed Woodpecker, Brown-chested Jungle Flycatcher & Short-tailed Parrotbill but unfortunately the only one that we managed to see was the flycatcher. The skies darkened throughout the afternoon, it started to drizzle at about 15:30hrs & we decided to leave the area at 16:15hrs.

Weather

20°C & 50% humidity at Km 11.3 (1225 metres) at 05:15hrs and a very similar 19°C about 100 metres higher than this at about 13:00hrs. It started to drizzle in the late afternoon & by the time we arrived back at Sangang it was raining very hard & continued to do so until at least 21:00hrs.

White-necklaced Partridge VU	3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (<i>ca</i> . 1000 & <i>ca</i> . 1200 metres)
Cabot's Tragopan VU	1 female was seen about 600-700 metres before the summit of the road in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR,
	Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 18/5/2009. (1370 metres)
Speckled Piculet	6 singles in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1100, 1120, 1120, 1185, 1200 & 1335 metres)
[Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	1 bird, possibly this species, was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009.]
Grey-headed Woodpecker	1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (below 1000 metres)
Bay Woodpecker	4, two seen & two others only heard, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (<i>ca</i> .1200 & 1325 metres)
woodpecker sp.	2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009.
Great Barbet	8 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009.
Red-headed Trogon	1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (<i>ca</i> .1200 metres)
Large Hawk Cuckoo	2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (800 & ca.1350 metres)
Whistling Hawk Cuckoo	1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. It was in the same area just above Guan Jia as two days previously.
Oriental Cuckoo*	3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (at least 1300 metres)
Lesser Cuckoo	1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (ca.1400 metres)
Oriental Scops Owl	1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1250 metres)
Collared Owlet	1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (ca.1200 metres)
Crested Serpent Eagle	2 displaying birds were seen over the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (<i>ca</i> .1400 metres)
Red-billed Blue Magpie	4 on Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 18/5/2009. Two of these were in the Masu forest & the other two
	near the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House. (at least 780 metres)
Grey Treepie	2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (760 & 1120 metres)
Grey-chinned Minivet	20 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1000-1240 metres)
Brown Dipper	1 was heard in the river besides the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (740 metres)
Blue Whistling Thrush	4 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (520-670 metres)
Brown-chested Jungle Flycatcher VU	8 singing birds betweens kilometres 10-12 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. Only one of these was seen, the rest were only heard. (1100-1220 metres)
Plumbeous Water Redstart	4 were heard between Sangang and the lower slopes of the road up to Masu, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 18/5/2009. (540-740 metres)
Coal Tit	2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1300 metres)
Yellow-bellied Tit	3 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1130, 1300 & 1340 metres)
Great Tit	2 in the garden of the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009 (745 metres)
Yellow-cheeked Tit	8, including at least three recently fledged juveniles, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1240-1340 metres)
Black-throated Tit	6 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1300 metres)
Collared Finchbill	2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1440 metres)
Chestnut Bulbul	15 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (ca.1000-1410 metres)
Mountain Bulbul	10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (980-1350 metres)
Himalayan Black Bulbul*	2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1230 metres)
Goodson's Leaf Warbler	6 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1280-1350 metres)
Ogilvie-Grant's Leaf Warbler	2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009.
Sulphur-breasted Warbler	10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1020-1270 metres)
White-spectacled Warbler	10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1070-1340 metres)
Chestnut-crowned Warbler	10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (980-1360 metres)
Rufous-faced Warbler	15 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009.

[Rusty Laughingthrush	3 birds, possibly this species, were seen very poorly in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1040 metres)]
Red-billed Leiothrix	40 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (950-1380 metres)
White-browed Shrike Babbler	8 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1050-1370 metres)
Grey-cheeked Fulvetta	20 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1100-1290 metres)
Black-chinned Yuhina	35 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1000-1350 metres)
White-bellied Erpornis*	6 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1180-1340 metres)
[Short-tailed Parrotbill	1 bird, possibly this species, was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. It was at about Km 12.2. (1260 metres)
Fire-breasted Flowerpecker	3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1020-1340 metres)
White Wagtail	1 in the garden of the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House on the 18/5/2009. (750 metres)
<u>Mammals, amphibians & reptiles</u>	
Stump-tailed Macaque	3 outside the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 18/5/2009. (760 metres)
Maritime Striped Squirrel	2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1170 metres)
Cobra	1 very small, 30 cm, young snake was seen & photographed on the road in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1045 metres)

Tuesday 19 May 2009. All day Wuyi Shan, Fujian.

We left the Sangang Nature Reserve guest house at 04:00hrs & spent most of the day back on the Masu road, exploring areas from 1425 metres at Km 13 near the pass right down to the main road at 580 metres. In the late afternoon we drove back through Sangang to a site that Zhang Lin had seen Elliot's Pheasant as recently as mid-April this year.

We had a picnic lunch besides the 'Four Kilometre Bridge', in the Masu forest.

Elliot's Pheasant site near the roadside Zi Ran Shanzhuang (Nature's Restaurant). 4.2 kms above Sangang. (27°47.0'N., 117°41.7'E). 910 metres.

Zhang Lin had apparently seen a female in the tea plantation on the opposite side of the river from the road & the restaurant in mid-April 2009. We spent about 1.5 hrs here & were told by one of the local tea pickers that the pheasants are present 'most days' but are easiest very early & late in the day & on days of fine weather.

Weather

A decent, dry morning with comfortable temperatures. It clouded over mid-day & started to rain in the later afternoon & by 17:00hrs it was raining hard. It was already 16°C & with 78% humidity when we arrived near the top of the pass in the Masu forest (1425 metres) at 05:20hrs. This had risen to 21°C & 82% humidity when we had lunch besides the 'Four Kilometre Bridge' at 750 metres at 12:30hrs.

White-necklaced Partridge VU Speckled Piculet Bay Woodpecker Great Barbet Large Hawk Cuckoo Oriental Cuckoo* Oriental Scops Owl Red-billed Blue Magpie	 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (<i>ca</i>.1400 metres) 3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (<i>ca</i>.000 metres) 2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (<i>ca</i>.000 metres) 4 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (<i>ca</i>.1400 metres) 2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (<i>ca</i>.1400 metres) 2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1100-1440 metres) 2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (<i>ca</i>.1000 metres) 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (<i>ca</i>.1000 metres) 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (<i>ca</i>.1000 metres)
Grey Treepie	2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (660 & 750 metres)
Grey-chinned Minivet	20 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (600-1420 metres)
Blue Whistling Thrush	2 in Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. One of these was in the Masu forest & the other was about three kilometres above Sangang. (760 & 900 metres)
Brown-chested Jungle Flycatcher VU	8 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. Two were quite high up, just one in the middle section of the road & no less than five were below the 'Km 4 bridge'. The latter was an area that I only walked in the dark three days previously & on that occasion I logged 13 Brown-chested Jungle Flycatchers in the Masu forest but none in that lower section of the road. In all I've probably now encountered in excess of 18 different birds. (610, 710, 720, 730, 750, 960, 1100 & 1120 metres)
Small Niltava	5 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1190, 1210, 1210, 1250, 1250 & 1330 metres)
Plumbeous Water Redstart	15 in the Masu forest & around Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (540-920 metres)
Slaty-backed Forktail	1 was seen besides the road about three kilometres above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (840 metres)
[White-crowned Forktail	1 bird, possibly this species, was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (ca. 1200 metres)]
Grey Bushchat	1 about four kilometres above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (910 metres)
Yellow-bellied Tit	5 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (600-695 & 1090 metres)
Great Tit	2 in the garden of the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009 (745 metres)
Yellow-cheeked Tit	8 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (670 & 1050 metres)
Black-throated Tit	10, including several juveniles, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (690 metres)

Barn Swallow 10 between Sangang & the 'Elliot's Pheasant' site four kilometres above there, Wuvi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (740-880 metres) Red-rumped Swallow 4 between Sangang & the 'Elliot's Pheasant' site four kilometres above there, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (850 metres) 20 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (600-1280 metres) Chestnut Bulbul 10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (610-1390 metres) Mountain Bulbul 2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (820 metres) Himalayan Black Bulbul* 4 between Sangang & the 'Elliot's Pheasant' site four kilometres above there, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi Japanese White-eye on the 19/5/2009. (740 & 910 metres) Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler 4 were heard between Sangang & the 'Elliot's Pheasant' site four kilometres above there, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (880-940 metres) 4 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1340-1430 metres) Goodson's Leaf Warbler Ogilvie-Grant's Leaf Warbler 3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1170, 1250 & 1290 metres) Sulphur-breasted Warbler 10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. Most were below 900 metres. (560-1160 metres) White-spectacled Warbler 11 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1100, 1200, 1240, 1250 & 1430 metres) Chestnut-crowned Warbler 7 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1160-1320 metres) Rufous-faced Warbler 15 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (600, 600, 625, 980, 1060, 1110, 1220, 1220, 1245, 1275, 1290, 1340 & 1420 metres) 8 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. Birds were seen at Km 1 & 12.2. (695 & Greater Necklaced Laughingthrush 1280 metres) Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler 4 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1300, 1320 & 1410 metres) Spotted Wren Babbler 3 singing birds in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1295, 1300 & 1330 metres) Rufous-capped Babbler 3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (750, 1320 & 1380 metres) Red-billed Leiothrix 40 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (860-1350 metres) White-browed Shrike Babbler 5 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1170, 1240 & 1390 metres) Grey-cheeked Fulvetta 30 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (620-1410 metres) Striated Yuhina 4 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (730 metres) Black-chinned Yuhina 45 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1050-1405 metres) White-bellied Erpornis* 8 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (590-1370 metres) Vinous-throated Parrotbill 4, two pairs one of which was observed nest building, about four kilometres above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (900-920 metres) 10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (nine of these were between 600-720 Fire-breasted Flowerpecker metres) **Mammals** Stump-tailed Macaque 2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1060 metres) 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (ca.1000 metres) Black Muntjac

Wednesday 20 May 2009. Early morning Wuyi Shan, Fujian. Afternoon drive to Wuyuan, Jiangxi.

Because of the bad weather we left the Sangang Nature Reserve guest house later today, at 06:00hrs, & spent an hour or so back at the start of the Masu road. We were hoping to encounter the Fairy Pitta that I'd heard here four days earlier (on the 16 May) – but we failed to even hear, let alone see it..

After a picnic breakfast at the 'Fairy Pitta site' we drove back to the guest house at Sangang, checked out & headed back up to the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant about 4.2 kms above Sangang. We spent just over half-an-hour here (09:45-10:20hrs) before continuing on up to the Huanggang forest check post. I then spent another 35 minutes on the short bamboo trial that snakes up the hillside there but saw nothing of note.

Note that there's an attractive looking, drivable track off in to the forest on the left side of the Sanggang to Huanggang road about 4.5 kms above the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant & the about one kilometre below the Huanggang forest check post. I didn't have time to explore this steep looking trail – but it appeared to enter some decent forest & to climb high. It possibly starts at about 860 metres.

Leaving the Huanggang forest check post at about 11:25hrs we entered Jiangxi & started our lengthy drive west to Wuyuan.

Xi Fang forest check post in Jiangxi	11:40hrs	705 metres
Wang Jia cun, Wuyi Shan zhen We had a picnic lunch in the town here.	12:15hrs	445 metres
Huanggang Shan cun Plain Prinia Red-billed Starling Oriental Turtle Dove	1 was heard 2 1	
Km 11 Crested Bunting	12:56hrs 1 singing male	438 metres

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Tielu Reservoir – a three km long, narrow but apparently deep water reservoir in Yinshan xian (Yinshan County). There's an extensive stand of unusual bamboo over looking the reservoir up slope of about Km post 9. The Tielu Reservoir is the upper of the two reservoirs here.

Zixi xiang	13:15hrs	265 metres	
Our minor road joined larger provincial highwa	ay route S202 here.		
Shangrou xian - the largest town between Wuyi Sh	an & Wuyuan.	14:05hrs	129 metres.
Cattle Egret	90		
Black-collared Starling	2		
Crested Myna	2		
Little Egret	1		

Shangrou is famous among Chinese tourists for sightseeing on San Qing Shan (a forested mountain) & also for Mount Ling Scenic Area (the latter is 23 kms from the city)

14:30hrs were turned on to route G60 towards Dexin (94 kms from Shangrou)

Fang Tou		15:00hrs	175 metres	
Linhu zhen, Yushan county. (28°3) We stopped for some petrol here		E). <i>ca</i> .140 metres.	15:00-15:10h	<u>rs</u>
Red-billed Starling Chinese Blackbird	15 4			
Crested Myna Long-tailed Shrike	5 1			
Grey-capped Greenfinch Vinous-throated Parrotbill	1 2 were heard			
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Zhen Fang zhen		15:20hrs	Km 168 on route 20	01
Hua Tan Shan zhen (53 kms before De Xin)		15:30hrs		
Hua Tan Shan Forest Nature Reserve A rather poor looking 'forest' of secondary scrub ar		15:35hrs d very recently repla	390 metres	Km 150 on route 201
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Tong Xi Keng		15:55hrs	255 metres	Km 136 on route 201
Entered De Xin county after crossing	g a sizeable bridge a	t about Km 134 on r	oute 201	
De Xin		16:15hrs	124 metres	70 kms from Wuyuan
Tongkuang zhen (also known as Siz	hou zhen)	16:35hrs	124 metres	
Taibai zhen		16:45hrs	110 metres	
Taibai Ling Chang (forest protection	n station).	16:55hrs	125 metres	
Kengkou cun		17:20hrs	120 metres	
Mei Ling cun		17:25hrs	145 metres	
Xing Jiang river near Wuyuan			130 metres	

We finally arrived at the 4-star Jiangwan Hotel, Wenbo Road, Wuyuan (Tel: 00-86-793-7343399 & fax: 00-86-793-7350168) at about 17:30hrs & had dinner there at 18:30.

Weather

It was an awful day. Following the weather forecast exactly it rained hard most of the day!

Chinese Bamboo Partridge 1 was heard above the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (940 metres) 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (670 metres) Speckled Piculet Great Barbet 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (ca.850 metres) Red-headed Trogon 1 male in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (630 metres) White-throated Kingfisher 1 between Taibai Ling Chang & Yutan cun, Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (130 metres) Crested Kingfisher 1 just below Wang Jia cun, Wuyi Shan zhen between Wuyi Shan & Shangrou, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (440 metres) Pied Kingfisher 1 over the Xing Jiang river near Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (130 metres) Large Hawk Cuckoo 1 was heard near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (ca.850 metres) Oriental Turtle Dove 1 near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (850 metres) 2 singles near Huanggang Shan cun between Wang Jia cun & Shangrou, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (400 metres) Oriental Turtle Dove Spotted Dove 5 between Wuyi Shan & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. Four of these were between Shangrou & De Xin. (190-220 metres) Grey-headed Lapwing 5, a pair with at least three recently fledged chicks) between Taibai Ling Chang & Yutan cun, Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (130 metres) Black Baza 2 near Tongkuang zhen, De Xin county, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (130 metres) Crested Serpent Eagle 1 was seen perched & with a snake in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (625 metres) 3 singles in Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. The first was over Sangang, the second near the Zi Chinese Sparrowhawk Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang & the third flew over the Huanggang forest checkpost and the Jiangxi border. (850, 950 & 1200 metres) 5 between Wuyi Shan & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (90-120 metres) Little Egret Great Egret 1 near Zixi xiang, (between Wuyi Shan & Shangrou), Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (180 metres) [Eastern] Cattle Egret* 135 between Zixi xiang, Shangrou & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. 80 of these were near Shangrou city. (120-230 metres) 8 between Wuyi Shan & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (110-140 metres) Chinese Pond Heron Brown Shrike 1 near the Xing Jiang river near Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (130 metres) 1 near Linhu zhen, Yushan xian (between Shangrou & De Xin), Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (ca.140 metres) Long-tailed Shrike Red-billed Blue Magpie 8 between Sangang & the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (580-870 metres) 9 between Shangrou, De Xin & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. The majority of these were between Red-billed Blue Magpie Tongkuang zhen & Taibai zhen. (120-135 metres) 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (ca.800 metres) Grey Treepie Grey-chinned Minivet 10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (580-1200 metres) Brown Dipper 1 was seen near the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (920 metres) Blue Whistling Thrush 4 between Sangang & the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (590-730 metres) Chinese Blackbird* 5 between Shangrou, De Xin & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20.5.2009. (120-210 metres) 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (690 metres) Brown-chested Jungle Flycatcher VU Plumbeous Water Redstart 5 between the Masu forest, Sangang & the Huanggang forest check post, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (580-1100 metres) [White-crowned Forktail 1 bird, possibly this species, was heard between Sangang & the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (ca.650 metres)] Grey Bushchat 3 between the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang & the Huanggang forest check post, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (980 & 1145 metres) Red-billed Starling 45 between Wuyi Shan & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. The first birds, a pair, were near Huanggang Shan cun between Wang Jia cun & Shangrou & the largest concentration (about 15 birds) were near Linhu zhen (between Shangrou & De Xin). (120-420 metres) 15 between Wuyi Shan & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. The first were near Zixi xiang, (between Wuyi Shan Black-collared Starling & Shangrou). (120-160 metres) 50 between Wuyi Shan, Shangrou, De Xin & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. The largest concentration was Crested Myna between Taibai Ling Chang & Yutan cun, Wuyuan where 25 birds were seen. (120-190 metres) Great Tit 1 at Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (740 metres) Barn Swallow 5 between the Masu forest, Sangang & the Huanggang forest check post, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (740-1080 metres) Barn Swallow 30 between Wuyi Shan & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (120-250 metres) Red-rumped Swallow 2 between Sangang & the Huanggang forest check post, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (890 metres) Red-rumped Swallow 40 between Wuyi Shan & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (120-200 metres) Collared Finchbill 1 near the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (915 metres) 1 between De Xin & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (120 metres) Collared Finchbill [Brown-breasted Bulbul 1 bird, possibly this species, was heard between De Xin & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (140 metres)] 5 between Wuyi Shan & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. The first two were near the Tielu Reservoir, Yinshan Light-vented Bulbul county. (420 metres) Chestnut Bulbul 5 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (620-750 metres) Mountain Bulbul 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (ca.700 metres) Plain Prinia 1 was heard near Huanggang Shan cun between Wang Jia cun & Shangrou, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (400 metres) 2 were heard between Wuyi Shan & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. Japanese White-eye Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler 3 were heard near the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (890-1100 metres) Ogilvie-Grant's Leaf Warbler 2 were heard between the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang & the Huanggang forest check post, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (920 & 1120 metres) Sulphur-breasted Warbler 2 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. The first was in the Masu forest & the second was near the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang. (680 & 850 metres) 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (640 metres) Rufous-faced Warbler

Hwamei 1 near the Tielu Reservoir between Wuyi Shan & Shangrou, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (420 metres) 1 between Taibai Ling Chang & Yutan cun, Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (120 metres) White-browed Laughingthrush 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (ca.650 metres) Rufous-capped Babbler Vinous-throated Parrotbill 2 were heard at Linhu zhen (between Shangrou & De Xin), Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (140 metres) 5 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (600-740 metres) Fire-breasted Flowerpecker 10 between Wuyi Shan & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (420 metres) Eurasian Tree Sparrow White Wagtail 5 between Wuyi Shan & Wuyuan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (120-640 metres) 2 between Sangang & the Huanggang forest check post, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (1065 Grey Wagtail metres) Grey-capped Greenfinch 1 at Linhu zhen (between Shangrou & De Xin), Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (140 metres) Crested Bunting 1 near the Tielu Reservoir between Wuyi Shan & Shangrou, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (420 metres)

Thursday 21 May 2009. All day around Wuyuan, Jiangxi.

Accompanied by Fuzhou University ornithologist Mr. Dong we left the Jiangwan Hotel, Wuyuan at 04:00hrs & spent almost one hour driving to Xu cun zhen. (Mr. Dong is currently in Wuyuan studying Courtois's Laughingthrush).

We visited four sites in three different areas today. First off we thought that Mr. Dong would take us to a site in the early morning where he'd seen a female Elliot's Pheasant on a nest of eggs three weeks previously & it was only when we started struggling through an extremely wet marsh that he told us that this wasn't where the nest was – but a different site that one of his professor's had told him about. Like us, Mr. Dong had never been here before either! Bemused and not a little frustrated our spirits were lifted when we accidentally flushed a male Schrenck's Bittern. Fortunately in landed on the edge of the strip of woodland – and remained in full view for over ten minutes! Needless to say we didn't find Elliot's Pheasant here.

1st Elliot's Pheasant site near Xu Cun Zhen (29°12.51'N., 117°33.71'E). *ca.*90 metres

It took us just 45 minutes to reach this site from Wuyuan town. We drove west-south-west from Wuyuan town through Ma Feng Ting (20 minutes) then another five minutes on to Zhong Yun zhen and the virtually contiguous small settlements of Fang cun, Heng Cha and Feng Shui. We turned left off the main highway five minutes after Feng Shui at a site where there was a petrol station on the right. The small settlement of Xu Cun Zhen was just seven more minutes of a drive down here. The village was on the right side of the road and there was a small river behind trees on the left. An area of very wet paddies was on the right after the village and *ca*.200 metres beyond the last house there was a 1.5 metre wide flat track that headed off at 90° to the right. This track started at about Km post 3.2. We parked up here, had a quick snack, waited 10 minutes until it was light enough to see & headed off up to the right. The path soon deteriorated and became increasingly boggy. After about 15 minutes of walking it became more of a scramble – and 15 minutes of walking later we decided that this wasn't a good plan. We'd flushed several Common Pheasants, a male Schrenck's Bittern & heard what was probably a Rusty-rumped Warbler – but I doubt that Elliot's Pheasant can ever be regularly seen here! We headed back to the vehicle & drove on for another five minutes.

2nd Elliot's Pheasant site near Xu Cun Zhen (29°11.49'N., 117°33.00'E). ca.104 metres

Mr. Dong then took us to the site where he said that he'd seen Elliot's Pheasant on all three visits he'd made – and this was the site that he'd found the nest three weeks previously. This site is just 2.2 kms southwest of the first and fortunately it was only a five minute drive. We spent about two hours here – but again failed to see Elliot's Pheasant. This area is fronted by another extensive complex of terraced paddies & there's also a small reservoir on the edge of the forest.

Huang Sha near He Cun, Wuyuan. (29°26.09'N., 117°38.62'E.) 190 metres.

Leaving the Xu Cun area we drove back to Wuyuan & from there headed northwest to a site where I'd seen Elliot's Pheasant on 7 May 2008 – Huang Sha near He cun in the Pi forest. This site is just over a one hour drive northwest of Wuyuan town & is accessed by driving through Sikou zhen, Qinghua zhen, Da Zhang shan and Gu Dan zhen (also known as Gu Tan zhen).

Arriving at the end of the concrete road at Huang Sha at about 11:00hrs we had a rapid, early lunch before heading off 15 minutes later. There's a rough track beyond Huang Sha – its drivable for only about 600 metres but degenerates quickly after that. We walked up here, past the first drivable side track up to the right & had walked no more than one kilometre when we spotted a male Elliot's Pheasant in the middle of the track. It saw us before we it & hurried off in to scrub on the left. Fortunately we were still no closer than 20 metres & waited a while. I saw it twice more, shivering in the bushes – it had presumably been bathing in the stream that crossed the trail here. 20 minutes or so later it clearly felt confident & brave enough to walk out – and it did so slowly & deliberately giving us some stunning views. After 30 seconds or so in the open it walked out of view &, despite waiting half-an-hour more, we never saw it again. Other birds at Huang Sha included a singing Brown-chested Jungle Flycatcher and a Black Eagle.

We left Huang Sha at about 14:30hrs & drove back to near Wuyuan, detouring off to look for Courtois's Laughingthrush at Shimen on the way back.

Shimen, Wuyuan. (29°18.42'N., 117°52.83'E.). 95 metres asl.

I'd previously visited this small site (just 10 minutes drive from the hotel on the road that goes past Wuyuan museum) once in spring & at least four times on winter trips to Wuyuan – it regularly holds Yellow-browed Buntings and Masked Laughingthrushes & in winter 2006/2007 had a flock of waxwings (mostly Japanese with one Northern). Mr. Hong Yuanhua believes that it's the best of the six known breeding sites for Courtois's Laughingthrush.

Note that Courtois's Laughingthrush vanishes in winter – its thought likely that the flocks move in to the larger forests in the low-lying hills around Wuyuan & are then quiet & retiring. They reappear at a handful of sites around the town, such as at Shimen, in mid-April & can be dependably seen there only until the end of May or early June.

The laughingthrush is a communal breeder with numerous birds helping build the nests & several females even laying eggs in the same structure. I recorded at least four different vocalisations – though the flocks weren't especially noisy. According to Mr. Hong Yuanhua they're more vocal just at sunset.

Other species at Shimen included -

Black Baza	2 - a pair
Masked Laughingthrush	1 was heard
Black-winged Cuckooshrike	1 singing bird

Weather

It was 21°C & 74% humidity outside the Jiangwan Hotel in Wuyuan at 04:50hrs. It had rained hard overnight but had stopped by the time we got up & it was a gloriously sunny day.

Chinese Bamboo Partridge	3 were heard near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2008. Birds were heard at the 'second Elliot's Pheasant site' near Xu Cun
	Zhen, Huang Shan near He cun & at Shimen. (95, 120 & ca.240 metres
Elliot's Pheasant VU	1 male was seen very well at Huang Sha near He cun, northwest of Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. It was on the main
	track only about one kilometre above the village & had apparently been bathing where the stream crosses the track
	for the second time. (265 metres)
Common Pheasant	5 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. Four of these were at the two sites near Xu Cun Zhen while the fifth was near Huang Sha. (120-170 metres)
Mandarin Duck	1 at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (125 metres)
Chinese Spot-billed Duck*	4 at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (125 metres)
Grey-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	2 at Shimen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres)
Great Spotted Woodpecker	2 at Shimen, Wuyuan on the $21/5/2009$. (100 metres)
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Grey-headed Woodpecker	1 was heard at Shimen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres)
Common Kingfisher	2 were heard at the first site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (90 metres)
White-throated Kingfisher	5 around Wuyuan on the $21/5/2009$. (110-140 metres)
Large Hawk Cuckoo	1 at Shimen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres)
Indian Cuckoo	1 at Shimen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres)
Common Cuckoo	1 was heard at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (180 metres)
Collared Owlet	1 was heard second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (<i>ca</i> . 320 metres)
Asian Barred Owlet	2 at Shimen, Wuyuan on the $21/5/2009$. (100 metres)
Oriental Turtle Dove	8 around Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. Birds were widely encountered. (100-ca.200 metres)
Spotted Dove	5 around Wuyuan on the $21/5/2009$. (100-150 metres)
Brown Crake	1 was heard near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres)
White-breasted Waterhen	2 at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (120 metres)
Common Moorhen	4, two adults, an immature and a recently fledged bird, at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (120 metres)
Greater Painted-snipe	1 was heard near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres). According to Richard Lewthwaite (in
	litt. 27 May 2009) this is probably the first record for Wuyuan.
Grey-headed Lapwing	4 around Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. Birds wee noted at three different sites. (130-ca.300 metres)
Black Baza	2, a pair, at Shimen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres)
Crested Serpent Eagle	1 was heard at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (ca.180 metres)
Black Eagle	1 at Huang Sha near He cun, northwest of Wuyuan on the $21/5/2009$. (<i>ca</i> .450-500 metres)
Little Grebe	3 at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (130 metres)
Little Egret	15 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (90-160 metres)
[Eastern] Cattle Egret*	100 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100-150 metres)
Chinese Pond Heron	5 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100-200 metres)
Black-crowned Night Heron	2 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. One was heard outside the Jiangwan hotel at 04:00hrs & the other, an adult, was
	seen besides the small reservoir at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen. (90 & 135 metres)
Von Schrenck's Bittern	1 adult male in paddies near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (105 metres). According to Richard
	Lewthwaite (in litt. 27 May 2009) this is probably the first record for Wuyuan.
Tiger Shrike	2 singles at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (120 metres)
Eurasian Jay	4 at Shimen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres)
Red-billed Blue Magpie	3 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (90-130 metres)
Grey Treepie	1 was heard at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (140 metres)
Black-naped Oriole	1 at Shimen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres)
Black-winged Cuckooshrike	1 at Shimen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres)
Swinhoe's Minivet	1 was heard between Xu Cun Zhen & Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (130 metres)
Grey-chinned Minivet	3 were heard near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (160-210 metres)
Ashy Drongo	2 at Shimen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres)
Chinese Blackbird*	40 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (80-160 metres)

Brown-chested Jungle Flycatcher VU 1 was heard, and recorded, at Huang Sha near He cun, northwest of Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. It was singing down near the stream up channel from where we saw the Elliot's Pheasant. (285 metres). According to Richard Lewthwaite (in litt. 27 May 2009) this is probably the first record for Wuyuan. 4 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. There were three, an adult & two attendant juveniles, at the second site near Xu White-crowned Forktail Cun Zhen and another juvenile at Huang Sha near He cun, northwest of Wuyuan. (135 & 270 metres) 150 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (80-180 metres) Red-billed Starling 10 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (90-140 metres) Black-collared Starling 80 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (80-150 metres) Crested Myna Yellow-bellied Tit 1 was heard near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. It was between Da Zhang Shan & Gu Dan (Gu Tan). (150 metres) Great Tit 8 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100-130 metres) Barn Swallow 100 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (80-220 metres) 120 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. Birds were widely encountered. (90-220 metres) Red-rumped Swallow Collared Finchbill 30 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (90-160 metres) Light-vented Bulbul 10 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100-140 metres) Chestnut Bulbul 10 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (140-ca.350 metres) Himalavan Black Bulbul* 3 at Huang Sha near He cun, northwest of Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (ca.450-500 metres) Yellow-bellied Prinia 2 at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (120-130 metres) 3 at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (115-130 metres) Plain Prinia Japanese White-eye 2 were heard near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres) [Rusty-rumped Warbler 1 bird, possibly this species, was heard briefly near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (120 metres) Black-browed Reed Warbler 2 singing birds at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (115 & 125 metres) [Dusky Warbler 1 bird, possibly this species, was heard near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (160 metres) Rufous-faced Warbler 1 was heard near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (180 metres) Masked Laughingthrush 3 were heard near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. At least two birds were at Xu Cun Zhen & at least one at Shimen. (90 & 100 metres) Courtois's Laughingthrush 25 at Shimen. Wuvuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres) 10 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. Although two birds were heard on route to Huang Sha near He cun the majority Hwamei were at the two sites near Xu Cun Zhen. (110-130 metres) Grey-sided [Spot-breasted] Scim. Babbler 6 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. All six birds were at the two sites near Xu Cun Zhen. (120-160 metres) Rufous-capped Babbler 1 was heard at the first 'Elliot's Pheasant site' near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (120 metres) Dusky Fulvetta 3 singing birds at the two sites near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (120-130 metres) Grey-cheeked Fulvetta 10 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. Birds were noted at the two sites near Xu Cun Zhen & at Huang Sha near He cun. (130-380 metres) 6 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. Birds were noted at the two sites near Xu Cun Zhen & at Shimen. (100-130 Vinous-throated Parrotbill metres) Eurasian Tree Sparrow 50 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (80-160 metres) 6 near Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (90-160 metres) White Wagtail Yellow Wagtail* 1 was heard at the second site near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (100 metres) White-rumped Munia 15 near Xu Cun Zhen, Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009. (110-120 metres) Mammals 2 were heard Wuyuan on the 21/5/2009 - one was at thee second 'Elliot's Pheasant near Xu Cun Zhen while the squirrel sp. other was at Huang Sha near He cun, northwest of Wuyuan. (160 metres)

Friday 22 May 2009. Wuyuan to Nanchang, Jiangxi.

Changing our plans we decided to leave Wuyuan a day earlier than scheduled, had changed our plane tickets back to Beijing the previous evening & left Wuyuan at 04:05hrs. We'd expected to have been able to drive virtually all the way to Nanchang on the expressway – but it was foggy this morning & the expressway was closed! We took an alternative route – on a minor road to Jingdezhen where we were able to enter the Hangrui (Hangzhou in Zhejiang to Ruili in Yunnan) expressway. We arrived on the eastern outskirts of Jingdezhen at 05:40hrs & eventually entered the expressway almost one hour later at 06:35hrs. From Jingdezhen its just under 140 kilometres to Jiangyen and our route between the two took us over the Yangtze river at 08:00hrs on route. We turned south on to the Fuyin expressway at Jiangyen – this route is posted to Nanchang. About 75 kms south of Jiangyen is Yongxiu (Km 616) where we stay on the Sunbird South China tour. From here its another 15 minutes or so of a drive on the expressway to the exit to Changbei Airport. We took this and entered the Nanchang Ring Expressway (East). Its sign posted to Fuzhou. We thyen drove past the Qiligang services and over two long bridges (the first of which was called something like the Ganjiang Xizi Daqiao) & came off at the third exit on this road – its posted to Jiangxiang & Nanfang. We arrived at this exit at 10:15 hrs – over six hours after leaving Wuyuan! Turning right towards Nanfang 100 metres after the toll gate we soon crossed back under the expressway. From here its still another 40 minutes or so to Nanjishan. We drove and drove & drove – but eventually lost our nerve, turned around & headed to the airport. One of us had to catch a 16:10 flight to Shanghai while the other headed back to Beijing at 17:40hrs.

Weather

It was a cooler 16°C & a decidedly more muggy (with 91% humidity) outside the Jiangwan Hotel in Wuyuan at 03:50hrs. It was foggy – and the Hangrui Expressway was closed. However once we'd reached Jingdezhen by 05:45hrs much of the fog had dispersed & the rest of the day was gloriously sunny. It was decidedly hot in the brief amount of time we spent near Nanjishan.

White-throated Kingfisher Large Hawk Cuckoo Lesser Coucal Grey-headed Lapwing

Whiskered Tern Little Egret Intermediate Egret [Eastern] Cattle Egret* egret sp. Chinese Pond Heron Long-tailed Shrike Eurasian Jay Red-billed Blue Magpie Swinhoe's Minivet Black Drongo Chinese Blackbird* Red-billed Starling White-cheeked Starling Black-collared Starling Crested Myna Great Tit Barn Swallow Red-rumped Swallow Light-vented Bulbul Zitting Cisticola Plain Prinia Japanese White-eye

Eurasian Tree Sparrow White Wagtail White-rumped Munia 4 between Wuyuan, Jiangyen & Nanchang on the 22/5/2009. (20-90 metres) 1 was heard outside the Jiangwan Hotel in Wuyuan at 03:45hrs on the 22/5/2009. (85 metres) 2 near Nanjishan, Nanchang on the 22/5/2009. (15 metres) 1 flew over the Jiujiang services on the Fuyin Expressway between Jiangyen & Yongxiu on the 22/5/2009. (70 metres) 6 near Nanjishan on the 22/5/2009. (20-40 metres) 40 between Wuyuan, Jiangyen & Nanchang on the 22/5/2009. (15-120 metres) 15 near Nanjishan on the 22/5/2009. (40 metres) 40 between Jingdezhen, Jiangyen & Nanchang on the 22/5/2009. (15-100 metres) 50 between Jingdezhen, Jiangyen & Nanchang on the 22/5/2009. (15-100 metres) 2 near Nanjishan on the 22/5/2009. (40 metres) 5 near Nanjishan on the 22/5/2009. (40 metres) 1 flew over the Fuyin Expressway between Jiangyen & Yongxiu on the 22/5/2009. (55 metres) 1 near Jingdezhen on the 22/5/2009. (110 metres) 1 near Dongliou (ca.30 minutes east of Jingdezhen) on the 22/5/2009. (29°17.58'N., 117°22.15'E.). (80 metres) 8 between Nanchang & Nanjishan on the 22/5/2009. (40 metres) 5 were heard in & around Wuyuan well before sunrise on the 22/5/2009. (80-110 metres) 15 between Wuyuan & Jingdezhen on the 22/5/2009. (80-120 metres) 2 at the intersection of the Hangrui & Fuyin Expressways near Jiangyen on the 22/5/2009. (35 metres) 2 near Jingdezhen on the 22/5/2009. (120 metres) 30 between Wuyuan, Jiangyen & Nanchang on the 22/5/2009. (15-120 metres) 1 was heard near Jingdezhen on the 22/5/2009. (110 metres) 30 between Wuyuan, Jiangyen & Nanchang on the 22/5/2009. (20-120 metres) 30 between Wuyuan, Jiangyen & Nanchang on the 22/5/2009. (20-120 metres) 10 between Wuyuan, Jiangyen & Nanchang on the 22/5/2009. (15-90 metres) 2 were heard near Najishan on the 22/5/2009. (20 & 40 metres) 1 was heard near Nanjishan on the 22/5/2009. (20 metres) 1 was heard over the Jiujiang services on the Fuyin Expressway between Jiangyen & Yongxiu on the 22/5/2009. (70 metres) 30 between Wuyuan, Jiangyen & Nanchang on the 22/5/2009. (25-100 metres) 1 near Jingdezhen on the 22/5/2009. (90 metres) 1 flew over the Jiujiang services on the Fuyin Expressway between Jiangyen & Yongxiu on the 22/5/2009. (70 metres)

BIRD LIST

Four figures are given in parentheses - the first two of these figures details how many days and out of how many, that particular species was seen on the trip. The third figure notes the highest daily count and the fourth the number of bird-days. Hence the entry for White-necklaced Partridge reads $(8/10 \ 6 \ 22)$ - birds were noted on 8 of the 10 days we were in the area, with up to 6 individuals on any one date and with a total of 22 bird-days.

Taxonomy and nomenclature mostly follow those of Inskipp, T. et al. An Annotated Checklist of the Birds of the Oriental Region. Oriental Bird Club. 1996.

WHITE-NECKLACED PARTRIDGE Arborophila gingica VU

(8/10 6 22) (Below 800-*ca*.1800 metres)

- 4 singles on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. The first was heard, tape lured and seen well, the other three were only heard. The first bird was at about kilometre 20 & *ca*.100 metres before (below) a blue sign on the left of the track that had white Chinese characters saying 'Please protect nature for people's future'. (27°50.78'N., 117°45.25'E.). This site is 13.26 kilometres northeast of Sangang. (1680, 1710, 1750 & *ca*.1800 metres)
- 3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1690-1720 metres)
- 6 singles were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. These included one was at Km 22.6, two at Km 22.2 & one from about Km 15. (1355, <1400, 1680, 1700 & 1710 metres)
- 1 was heard at kilometre 14.7 (4.7 kilometres above Huanggang) n Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1400 metres)
- 3, one seen & two heard, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. I saw the last of the three birds of the day it was at Km 13.3 near Km post 8.1. (<800, *ca*.830 & 1180 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (ca. 1650 metres)

- 3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (ca.1000 & ca.1200 metres)
- 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (ca. 1400 metres)

ARBOROPHILA SP. Arborophila sp.

(1/10 1 1) (760 metres)

1 was heard before dawn about 3 kilometres from the start of the Masu forest road, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 16/5/2009. (760 metres)

CHINESE BAMBOO PARTRIDGE Bambusicola thoracica

(5/10 4 11) (920-1880 metres)

- 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. The upper bird was on the hillside not far above the Wanggang road protection station. (*ca*.1650 & 1830 metres)
- 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (ca.1820 metres)
- 3 were heard between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (ca.1000 & ca.1150 metres)
- 4 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR on the 15/5/2009. Three of these were near Wanggang in Jiangxi and the other about mid-way between Huanggang & Sangang in Fujian. (920, 1830 & 1880 metres)
- 1 was heard above the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (940 metres)

CABOT'S TRAGOPAN Tragopan caboti VU

(7/10 10 29) (1120-1850 metres)

- At least 14 different birds were noted 13 in Jiangxi & 1 in Fujian.
- 4 singles (three males & one female) were seen poorly on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. The first bird, a calling male was glimpsed near the 'White-necklaced Partridge site' near kilometre 17, two more were encountered between there & Wanggang and the final bird was also glimpsed from about kilometre 24.3 above Wanggang. (1670, 1690 & 1840 metres)
- 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1730, 1735 & ca.1850 metres)
- 4 singles (two males & two females) were all seen superbly well on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. They were all the short stretch of road between kilometres 15.3–15.7. The first male was seen at about 15:00hrs & watched on the road, at ranges down to less than 15 metres, for over 30 minutes. (27°50.02'N., 117°43.92'E.). (1350-1370 metres)
- 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. A male was seen very well on the road at kilometre 14.5 while another un-sexed bird was heard from this same site. (1290 metres)
- 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. The first was heard at 04:50hrs (before dawn) about two kilometres in from the Huanggang forest protection station & about 800 metres before the large bridge on this section of the road. The second encounter was with a female that was seen about 700 metres below the Wanggang forest protection station at Km 23.3 and the final encounter was with two birds at Km 19.9 in the later afternoon (the male remaining in view from 16:30-17:45hrs. (1120, 1620 & 1780 metres)

10 were seen on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009! (The two lowest birds, both males, were at 1285 & 1310 metres)

1 female was seen about 600-700 metres before the summit of the road in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 18/5/2009. (1370 metres)

KOKLASS PHEASANT Pucrasia macrolopha

(1/10 2 2) (*ca*.1050 & 1160 metres)

2 singles were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. They were both heard from the same spot – about two kilometres in from the Huanggang forest protection station before dawn (at 04:50hrs) and both were very distant & well below the road. (*ca*.1050 & 1160 metres)

SILVER PHEASANT Lophura nycthemera

(2/10 2 4) (1210-1500 metres)

2 single males on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1260 & 1500 metres)

2, an adult female &a young chick, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. They were at about Km 11 and were seen right in the middle of the day (13:00hrs). (1210 metres)

PHEASANT SP.

(1/10 3 3) (*ca*.1450 & *ca*.1650 metres)

3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (ca.1450 & ca.1650 metres)

SPECKLED PICULET *Picumnus innominatus*

(7/10 6 22) (670-1540 metres)

5 in Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi & Fujian on the 13/5/2009. Three of these were between kilometres 17-18 on the Huanggang to Wanggang road, Jiangxi while the other two were in the bamboo on the hillside above Huanggang, Fujian. (1220, 1400, 1495 & 1540 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1240 & 1270 metres)

1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1230 metres)

4 singles were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1055, 1080, 1190 & 1280 metres)

6 singles in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1100, 1120, 1120, 1185, 1200 & 1335 metres)

3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (670, 1210 & 1250 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (670 metres)

GREY-CAPPED PYGMY WOODPECKER Dendrocopos canicapillus

(1/10 2 2) (1720 metres)

2 together on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1720 metres)

[In addition 1 bird, possibly this species, was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009.]

WHITE-BACKED WOODPECKER Dendrocopos leucotos

(2/10 1 2) (*ca*.1600 & 1715 metres)

1 male was seen well on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1715 metres) 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (*ca*.1600 metres)

GREAT SPOTTED WOODPECKER Dendrocopos major

(1/10 2 2) (1580 & 1600 metres)

2 singles on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1580 & 1600 metres)

GREY-HEADED WOODPECKER Picus canus

(3/10 2 4) (below 1000-*ca*. 1650 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (*ca*.1550 & *ca*.1650 metres) 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (*ca*.1260 metres) 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (below 1000 metres)

[RUFOUS WOODPECKER

1 bird, possibly this species, was heard near the Huanggang forest protection station, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (ca.1100 metres)]

PALE-HEADED WOODPECKER Gecinulus grantia

 $(1/10 \ 1 \ 1)$ (1170 metres) 1 was heard, taped & seen well in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. It was at Km 10.2 (27°44.69'N., 117°43.35'E.). As the

BAY WOODPECKER Blythipicus pyrrhotis

- (9/10 4 19) (780- below1670 metres)
- 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (<1670 metres)
- 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (<1520 & 1570 metres)
- 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (*ca* 1550 metres)
- 3 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR on the 14/5/2009. The first was above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other two were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (*ca*.1020, *ca*.1120 & 1270 metres)
- 2 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR on the 15/5/2009. One was in Jiangxi & the other in Fujian. The Jiangxi bird was about two kilometres above the Huanggang forest protection station. (ca.980 & 1160 metres)
- 2 singles were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (780 & 890 metres)
- 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.
- 4, two seen & two others only heard, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (ca. 1200 & 1325 metres)
- 2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (ca.900 metres)

WOODPECKER SP.

(4/10 3 9) (1170-1720 metres)

3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1170, 1680 & 1710 metres)

- 3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1570, 1690 & 1720 metres)
- 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1240 metres)
- 2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009.

GREAT BARBET Megalaima virens

(10/10 10 43) (800-1760 metres)

- 4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (all were below 1650 metres)
- 4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (ca. 1400-ca. 1700 metres)
- 3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (ca.1400-ca.1650 metres)
- 2 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR on the 14/5/2009. The first was above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the second was between there & Sangang in Fujian. (1020 & <1100 metres)
- 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009.

10 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (800-1315 metres)

- 5 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (co. 1500-1760 metres)
- 8 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009.
- $\frac{1}{2}$ were neard in the Masu forest, wuyl Shan NK, Fanshan, Fujian on the $\frac{16}{5}/2009$.
- 4 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (900-*ca*. 1400 metres)
- 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (ca.850 metres)

RED-HEADED TROGON *Harpactes erythrocephalus*

(3/10 3 5) (630-*ca*. 1200 metres)

- 3 singles were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. The first was close to where we first stopped the car three kilometres from the start of the Masu road. (*ca*.700, *ca*.860 & 970 metres)
- 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (ca.1200 metres)
- 1 male in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (630 metres)

LARGE HAWK CUCKOO Hierococcyx sparverioides

- (10/10 3 21) (760-*ca*. 1950 metres)
- 2 singles were heard in Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian & Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (760 & 1740 metres)
- 3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (800, 1750 & ca.1950 metres)
- 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (ca.1400 & 1760 metres)
- 3 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR on the 14/5/2009. Two were in Fujian (one was above Sangang pre-dawn & the other closer to Huanggang) while the other was above Huanggang in Jiangxi. (*ca*.850, *ca*.1200 & 1250 metres)
- 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009.
- 3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (ca.1000 & 1200 metres)
- 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.
- 2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (800 & ca.1350 metres)
- 2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1100-1440 metres)
- 1 was heard near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (ca.850 metres)

WHISTLING HAWK CUCKOO Hierococcyx nisicolor

(2/10 2 3) (980-1040 metres)

2, one seen & the other only heard, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. One was at about kilometre 8.5 (1.5 kms above Guan

Jia cun). (980-1040 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. It was in the same area just above Guan Jia as two days previously. According to Richard Lewthwaite (in litt. 27 May 2009) these are probably the first records for Jiangxi.

ORIENTAL CUCKOO *Cuculus* [saturatus] optatus*

(9/10 4 21) (1180-ca. 1900 metres)

3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1180, 1700 & 1740 metres)

- 3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (<1500, 1660 & ca.1900 metres)
- 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (ca. 1650 & 1760 metres)
- 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (ca.1250 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

4 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (Three birds were at 1350 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (ca. 1250 metres)

3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (at least 1300 metres)

2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1440 metres)

LESSER CUCKOO Cuculus poliocephalus

(1/10 1 1) (*ca*.1400 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (ca.1400 metres)

FORK-TAILED SWIFT Apus pacificus

(4/10 5 14) (850 & 1460-1850 metres)

4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1700-1850 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (ca.1750 metres)

4, two seen & two others only heard, on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1460, 1580 & 1730 metres)

5 over Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 17/5/2009. (850 metres)

ORIENTAL SCOPS OWL Otus sunia

(8/10 4 13) (*ca*.1000-1750 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1650 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. It was well up the hillside to the right of the road about 100 metres inside the barrier above the Huanggang forest check post. (ca. 1250 metres)

4 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi & Fujian on the 13/5/2009. Two of these were heard above the Huanggang forest protection station, Fujian before dawn & the other two were between there & Wanggang, Jiangxi. (*ca*.1250, 1600 & 1670 metres)

1 was heard above Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (ca.1270 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009.

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (ca.1650 & 1750 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1250 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (ca.1000 metres)

COLLARED SCOPS OWL Otus bakkamoena

(1/10 1 1) (*ca*.1100 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It was about two kilometres in from the Huanggang forest protection station and was well below the road. (*ca*.1100 metres)

COLLARED OWLET Glaucidium brodiei

(1/10 1 1) (*ca*.1200 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (ca.1200 metres)

LARGE OWL SP.

(1/10 1 1) (1845 metres)

1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It was accidentally flushed about one kilometre above the Wanggang road protection station. (1845 metres)

GREY NIGHTJAR Caprimulgus indicus

(1/10 1 1) (1200 metres)

1 was heard before dawn on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It was between two and three kilometres above Huanggang. (1200 metres)

ORIENTAL TURTLE DOVE Streptopelia orientalis

(2/10 2 3) (400-1150 metres)

2 singles between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (855 & 1150 metres) 1 near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 20/5/2009. (850 metres)

BARRED CUCKOO DOVE Macropygia unchall

(6/10 8 21) (1160-1750 metres)

2 were heard on the Fujian-Jiangxi border besides the Huanggang Forest Protection Station, in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 11/5/2009. (1170 metres)

4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1550-1645 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1290, 1715 & 1750 metres)

8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. All were singles except for a party of four birds at kilometre 14.1. (1160, 1180, 1240, 1270 & 1380 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1170 & 1680 metres)

1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1340 metres)

CRESTED SERPENT EAGLE Spilornis cheela

(2/10 2 3) (625 & *ca*.1400 metres)

2 displaying birds were seen over the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (*ca.*1400 metres) 1 was seen perched & with a snake in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (625 metres)

CRESTED GOSHAWK Accipiter trivirgatus

(1/10 2 2) (*ca*.1500 metres)

2, as displaying pair, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. They were over the hillsides near Guan Jia cun – at about Km 8. (*ca*.1500 metres)

CHINESE SPARROWHAWK Accipiter soloensis

 $(2/10 \ 3 \ 4) \ (850-1200 \text{ metres})$

1 was heard below Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1120 metres)

3 singles in Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. The first was over Sangang, the second near the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang & the third flew over the Huanggang forest check post and the Jiangxi border. (850, 950 & 1200 metres)

ACCIPITER SP.

(1/10 1 1) (1700 metres) 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1700 metres)

BLACK EAGLE Ictinaetus malayensis

(1/10 1 1) (1880 metres) 1 about one kilometre above the Wanggang road protection station on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1880 metres)

[MOUNTAIN HAWK EAGLE Spizaetus nipalensis

1 bird, possibly this species, was heard dist on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (ca.1850 metres)]

EGRET SP.

(1/10 2 2) (1200 metres) 2 flew over the Fujian-Jiangxi border besides the Huanggang Forest Protection Station, in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 11/5/2009. (1200 metres)

CHINESE POND HERON Ardeola bacchus

(1/10 1 1) (*ca*.1250 metres)

FAIRY PITTA Pitta nympha VU

(1/10 1 1) (*ca*.760 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. It was on the hillside to the right of the track about three kilometres from the bottom & about 500 metres before the first bridge. (*ca*.760 metres)

ORANGE-BELLIED LEAFBIRD Chloropsis hardwickii

(2/10 2 3) (860 & 1420 metres)

2, a pair, near Km 16 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1420 metres) 1 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (860 metres)

EURASIAN JAY Garrulus glandarius

(1/10 1 1) (1730 metres)

1 was heard distantly on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1730 metres)

RED-BILLED BLUE MAGPIE Urocissa erythrorhyncha

(10/10 9 37) (580-1320 & 1825 metres)

- 2 singles heard in Wuyi Shan NR on the 11/5/2009. One was near Sangang, Fujian & the other above Wanggang Road Protection Station at Km 24 in Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi. (780 & 1825 metres)
- 3 were heard between Sangang & Huanggang, Fujian on the 12/5/2009. (760 metres)
- 1 between the Huanggang forest protection station & Sangang, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (980 metres)
- 9 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Six of these nine were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other three were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (860, 1000, *ca*.1150 & 1160 metres)
- 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009.

5 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (770, 990, 1020 & 1320 metres)

- 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1250 metres)
- 4 Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 18/5/2009. Two of these were in the Masu forest & the other two near the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House. (at least 780 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (750 metres)

8 between Sangang & the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (580-870 metres)

GREY TREEPIE Dendrocitta formosae

(4/10 2 7) (660-1120 metres)

2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (730 metres)

2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (760 & 1120 metres)

2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (660 & 750 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (ca.800 metres)

SWINHOE'S MINIVET Pericrocotus cantonensis

 $(1/10 \ 1 \ 1) \ (1170 \text{ metres})$

1 flew over Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1170 metres)

GREY-CHINNED MINIVET Pericrocotus solaris

(10/10 20 127) (580-1750 metres)

10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1640-1740 metres)

15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1590-1740 metres)

12 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1495-1750 metres)

16 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 12 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other four were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (750-1350 metres)

5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1640-1870 metres)

15 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (780-1320 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

20 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1000-1240 metres)

20 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (600-1420 metres)

10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (580-1200 metres)

BROWN DIPPER Cinclus pallasii

(5/10 1 5) (740-920 metres)

1 was heard in the stream less than one kilometre above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 15/5/2009. (780 metres)

1 was heard in the stream besides the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station hotel, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 16/5/2009. (740 metres)

1 was heard besides the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 17/5/2009. (740 metres)

1 was heard in the river besides the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (740 metres) 1 was seen near the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (920 metres)

CHESTNUT-BELLIED ROCK THRUSH Monticola rufiventris

(5/10 9 22) (1620-2060 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1720 metres)

9 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. Other than two birds that were at about kilometre 19 the remainder were all within about three

kilometres of the summit. (1620 & 1640 & 1990-2060 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. Two separate males were seen carrying food & were presumably feeding young in the nest. (1650, 1700

& 1740 metres)

6 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1660-2020 metres)

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1720 & 1975 metres)

BLUE WHISTLING THRUSH Myophonus caeruleus

(9/10 5 28) (590-1655 metres)

1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1655 metres)

1 near Km 17 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1450 metres)

4 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. One of these four was seen at roadside nest about three kilometres above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other three were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (780, 860, 910 & 1170 metres)

5 in Wuyi Shan NR on the 15/5/2009. One was in Jiangxi & the other four near Sangang in Fujian. (820-980 & 1160 metres)

3 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (ca.690, 760 & 980 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1240-1320 metres)

4 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (520-670 metres)

2 in Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. One of these was in the Masu forest & the other was about three kilometres above Sangang. (760 & 900 metres) 4 between Sangang & the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (590-730 metres)

[In addition 1 bird, possibly this species, was glimpsed on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1550 metres)]

THRUSH SP. (1/10 1 1) (1700 metres)

1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1700 metres)

WHITE-BROWED SHORTWING Brachypteryx Montana

(5/10 9 29) (1710-1955 metres)

5 singing males (two of which were seen) on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1710-1830 metres)

8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. Most of these were within one kilometre (above or below) of the Wanggang road protection station. (1715-1830 metres) [In addition two birds, possibly also this species, were heard very distantly at about 1670 metres].

- 4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1720-1750 metres)
- 9 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. Seven of these were above the Wanggang road protection station, the other two within 1.5 kilometres below there. (1745-1860 & 1940 metres)

3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. The highest bird was at the greatest elevation that I have so far encountered this species in Jiangxi at. It was at Km 26.5 & was close to the uppermost of the three Blunt-winged Warblers that I saw two days previously. (1730-1955 metres)

BROWN-CHESTED JUNGLE FLYCATCHER Rhinomyias brunneata VU

(4/10 13 30) (610-1220 metres)

13 singing birds, three of which were seen, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. Along with the Fairy Pitta and the Pale-headed Woodpecker this was one of the big surprises of the day – in particular the number of birds involved. Birds were seen at Km 3.8 -between one & 1.5 kms above the bridge, Km 4.4, Km 4.7, Km 5, Km 5.7, Km 6, Km 6.3, 300 metres up from Guan Jia cun, Km 9, Km 9.5, Km 10, Km 10.2 & Km 10.5. (790, 830, 860, 900, 910, 920, 1000, 1050, 1020, 1120, 1150 & 1170 metres)

- 8 singing birds betweens kilometres 10-12 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. Only one of these was seen, the rest were only heard. (1100-1220 metres)
- 8 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. Two were quite high up, just one in the middle section of the road & no less than five were below the 'Km 4 bridge'. The latter was an area that I only walked in the dark three days previously & on that occasion I logged 13 Brown-chested Jungle Flycatchers in the Masu forest but none in that lower section of the road. In all I've probably now encountered in excess of 18 different birds. (610, 710, 720, 730, 750, 960, 1100 & 1120 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (690 metres)

DARK-SIDED FLYCATCHER Muscicapa sibirica

(2/10 3 4) (1570, 1655 & 1680 metres)

3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1655 & 1680 metres) 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1570 metres)

FERRUGINOUS FLYCATCHER Muscicapa ferruginea

(1/10 2 2) (1720 & 1740 metres)

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1720 & 1740 metres)

One of very few records for Jiangxi - but not the first record as suggested by Richard Lewthwaite (in litt. 27 May 2009).

SMALL NILTAVA Niltava macgrigoriae

(8/10 8 40) (1020-1715 metres)

5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1170 & 1660-1710 metres)

7 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1430 & 1540-1710 metres)

8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1460, 1490, 1560, 1580, 1640, 1650, 1670 & 1710 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1170-1280 metres)

3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1160-1180 metres)

2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. Birds were at kilometres 8.1(about one km above Guan Jia cun) & at Km 13.3. (1020 & 1390 metres)

5 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1570, 1620 & 1715 metres)

5 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1190, 1210, 1210, 1250, 1250 & 1330 metres)

FUJIAN NILTAVA Niltava davidi

(6/10 3 13) (1190 & 1590-1740 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1680 & 1710 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1730 metres)

3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1590, 1620 & 1740 metres)

1 was heard Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1190 metres)

3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. They were all quite close to Km 20. (1610-1640 metres)

3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1640, 1660 & 1800 metres)

PLUMBEOUS WATER REDSTART Rhyacornis fuliginosus

(10/10 42 89) (540-1330 metres)

1 was heard near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 11/5/2009. (1010 metres)

3 were heard in the small river within about five kilometres above Sangang Fujian on the 12/5/2009. (780-950 metres)

1 was heard between the Huanggang forest protection station & Sangang, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (980 metres)

42 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Just two of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other 40 were between there & Sangang in Fujian.

(750-1175 metres)

4 above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 15/5/2009. (750-950 metres)

4 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (690-760 & 1330 metres)

10 between Sangang & Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 17/5/2009. (740-1090 metres)

4 were heard between Sangang and the lower slopes of the road up to Masu, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 18/5/2009. (540-740 metres)

15 in the Masu forest & around Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (540-920 metres)

5 between the Masu forest, Sangang & the Huanggang forest check post, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (580-1100 metres)

SLATY-BACKED FORKTAIL Enicurus schistaceus

(2/10 1 2) (840 & 860 metres)

1 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (860 metres)

1 was seen besides the road about three kilometres above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (840 metres)

WHITE-CROWNED FORKTAIL Enicurus leschenaultia

(2/10 1 2) (*ca*.900 & 1190 metres)

1 was heard near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 11/5/2009. (*ca*.900 metres) 1 was heard Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1190 metres)

[In adition single birds, possibly this species, were heard on Huanggang Shan, Jiangxi on the 17th (1320 metres), in the Masu forest, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20th (*ca*.1200 metres) & between Sangang & the Masu forest, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (*ca*.650 metres)]

COMMON STONECHAT Saxicola torquata

(1/10 4 4) (1975-2115 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. All were quite close to the summit. (1975-2115 metres)

GREY BUSHCHAT Saxicola ferrea

(7/10 7 18) (910-2060 metres)

2 single singing males near the summit of Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (2030 & 2060 metres)

7 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. One pair was seen carrying food to young in a nest. (920-1070 metres)

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1910 & 2010 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1350 metres)

2 between Sangang & Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 17/5/2009. (940 & 995 metres)

1 about four kilometres above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (910 metres)

3 between the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang & the Huanggang forest check post, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (980 & 1145 metres)

CHESTNUT-VENTED NUTHATCH Sitta nagaensis

(5/10 5 17) (1440-1720 metres)

5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1655-1720 metres)

3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1620-1640 metres)

5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1440, 1570, 1630 & 1715 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1680 metres)

3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. The first bird that we saw was a very sickly looking recently fledged juvenile that was sitting, bedraggled in the road and allowed us to walk within three metres of it. At least one of its parents was calling nearby. (1580 & 1705 metres)

COAL TIT Periparus ater

(6/10 8 33) (1300 & 1610-1920 metres)

8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (ca. 1650-1740 metres)

8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1640-1920 metres)

6 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1610-1770 metres)

5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1720-1920 metres)

4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1680-1720 metres)

2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1300 metres)

YELLOW-BELLIED TIT Periparus venustulus

(9/10 5 22) (600-1900 metres)

2 were heard on the 11/5/2009. One was in Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi while the other was close to Sangang, Fujian. (ca.950 & 1680 metres)

2 singles were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. The second was at about Km 22.7 (1650 & 1730 metres) 1 was heard near the Huanggang forest protection station, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (1240 metres)

4 singles in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Three of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other was between there & Sangang in Fujian. (980, 1180, 1210 & 1290 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It flew over the lowest of the three Blunt-winged Warblers above Wanggang. (1900 metres)

3 singles were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (840 & 920 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

3 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1130, 1300 & 1340 metres)

5 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (600-695 & 1090 metres)

GREAT TIT Parus major

(5/10 7 13) (740-1150 metres)

7 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (740-1150 metres)

1 in the garden of the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 17/5/2009.. (745 metres) 2 in the garden of the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009.. (745 metres) 2 in the garden of the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009.. (745 metres)

1 at Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (740 metres)

YELLOW-CHEEKED TIT Parus spilonotus

(8/10 12 44) (670-1740 metres) 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1740 metres) 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. They were both at about Km 23. (1740 metres)

12, six pairs, on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1560, 1610, 1700, 1715 & 1730 metres)

6 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Two singles were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other four were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (750, 1070, 1280 &1335 metres)

6 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. A female was seen carrying food presumably to feed young still in the nest about 3.5 kms from the start of the road. (770, 860, 920, 1050 & 1060 & 1165 metres)

3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

8, including at least three recently fledged juveniles, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1240-1340 metres)

8 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (670 & 1050 metres)

YELLOW-BROWED TIT Sylviparus modestus

(5/10 10 32) (1600-1860 metres)

5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1740-1810 metres)

10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1650-1860 metres)

8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1600-1750 metres) 5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1680-1860 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

BLACK-THROATED TIT Aegithalos concinnus

(7/10 10 27) (690-1710 metres)

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. They were both near Km 19. (1550 metres)

2 were heard above Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1300 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1710 metres)

4, a family party with one adult and three begging juveniles, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1055 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

6 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1300 metres)

10, including several juveniles, in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (690 metres)

BARN SWALLOW Hirundo rustica

(8/10 15 55) (740-1330 metres)

5 near Sangang, in Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 11/5/2009. (780-1000 metres)

10 between Sangang & Huanggang, Fujian on the 12/5/2009. (780-950 metres)

15 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (880-975 metres)

5 above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 15/5/2009.

1 over Masu village near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 16/5/2009. (1330 metres)

4 between Sangang & Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 17/5/2009. (1030 metres)

10 between Sangang & the 'Elliot's Pheasant' site four kilometres above there, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (740-880 metres)

5 between the Masu forest, Sangang & the Huanggang forest check post, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (740-1080 metres)

RED-RUMPED SWALLOW Cecropis daurica

(4/10 15 22) (740-945 metres)

15 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. Several birds were seen collecting mud and nest building. (890-945 metres) 1 over the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station hotel, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 16/5/2009. (740 metres)

4 between Sangang & the 'Elliot's Pheasant' site four kilometres above there, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (850 metres)

2 between Sangang & the Huanggang forest check post, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (890 metres)

ASIAN HOUSE MARTIN Delichon dasypus

(5/10 150 335) (1670-2050 metres)

15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1670-1740 metres) 150 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. There were about ten nests on cliffs at about kilometre 20 and 79 active nests in the

disused/derelict soldiers barracks at the summit. (1675-2050 metres) 50 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 135/2009. (1450-*ca*.1700 metres) 100 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. 20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

COLLARED FINCHBILL Spizixos semitorques

(6/10 6 13) (915-1440 metres)

1 near Sangang, in Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 11/5/2009. (1050 metres)

6 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (960-1090 metres)

2 near the Huanggang forest protection station on the Fujian-Jiangxi border on the 15/5/2009. (1200 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (920 metres)

2 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1440 metres)

1 near the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (915 metres)

CHESTNUT BULBUL Hemixos castanonotus

(9/10 50 174) (600-1900 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1690 metres)

10 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1480-1700 metres)

32 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 22 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other ten were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (820-1360 metres)

30 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1200-1900 metres)

50 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (*ca*.800-1200 metres)

10 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

15 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (ca. 1000-1410 metres)

20 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (600-1280 metres)

5 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (620-750 metres)

MOUNTAIN BULBUL Hypsipetes mcclellandii

(10/10 30 146) (610-1910 metres)

10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1670-1750 metres)

20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1590-1910 metres)

30 in Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi & Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (1190-1770 metres)

25 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 20 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other five were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (910-1360 metres)

20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009.

10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (700-1320 metres)

10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (980-1350 metres)

10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (610-1390 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (ca.700 metres)

HIMALAYAN BLACK BULBUL Hypsipetes leucocephalus*

(7/10 4 16) (820-1870 metres)

1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1825 metres)

3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1625 & 1870 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1680 metres)

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1240 metres)

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009.

2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1230 metres)

2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (820 metres)

JAPANESE WHITE-EYE Zosterops japonica

(2/10 20 24) (740-1060 metres)

20 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (740-1060 metres) 4 between Sangang & the 'Elliot's Pheasant' site four kilometres above there, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (740 & 910 metres)

BROWNISH-FLANKED BUSH WARBLER Cettia fortipes

(8/10 35 55) (880-1840 metres)

4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. Two of these were near the Huanggang forest check post on the Fujian-Jiangxi border. (1150, 1800 & 1830 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. They were both near the Wanggang road protection station. (1810 & 1840 metres)

4 in Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian & Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. One of these was between kilometres 16 & 17 on the road between Huanggang & Wanggang while the other three were between the Huanggang forest protection station & Sangang, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (1180-1420 metres)

35 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Eight of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other 27 were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (890-*ca*.1200 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009.

1 was heard near Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 17/5/2009. (1130 metres)

4 were heard between Sangang & the 'Elliot's Pheasant' site four kilometres above there, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (880-940 metres)

3 were heard near the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (890-1100 metres)

YELLOWISH-BELLIED BUSH WARBLER Cettia acanthizoides*

(5/10 25 57) (1680-2130 metres)

6 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1735, 1750 & 1810 metres)

25 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. Only two of these were noted below the Wanggang road protection station at kilometre 23.7 all the others were between there & the summit – especially between kilometres 24-26. (1750-2130 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1680-1750 metres)

19 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. 14 of these were above the Wanggang road protection station, the other five were within three kilometres below there.

3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

BAIKAL BUSH WARBLER Bradypterus davidi*

 $(1/10 \ 1 \ 1) \ (1810 \text{ metres})$

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It was singing about 800 metres above the Wanggang road protection station at 06:30hrs. (1810 metres)

According to Richard Lewthwaite (in litt. 27 May 2009) this is probably the first record for Jiangxi.

BROWN BUSH WARBLER Bradypterus luteoventris

(3/10 36 56) (1850-2145 metres)

36 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. Like Buff-throated Warbler all were between Km 26 & the summit. (1850 & 1910-2145 metres)

15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1900-2010 metres) 5 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

RUSSET BUSH WARBLER Bradypterus mandelli*

(4/10 3 8) (*ca*.1150 & 1755-1890 metres)

Probably six different singing birds were noted on Huanggang Shan.

3 single singing birds on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. The first, and lowest, was at about Km 23.3 – not far below the Wanggang road protection station while the other two were at about Km 25.5. (1755, 1850 & 1865 metres)

1 was heard near the Huanggang forest protection station, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (ca.1150 metres)

3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. One was again about 600 metres below the Wanggang road protection station (& was presumably the same bird that was seen here three days previously) while the other two were above there. (1775, 1880 & 1890 metres)
1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1755 metres)

BLUNT-WINGED WARBLER Acrocephalus concinens

(2/10 4 5) (1905-1955 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. All four birds (three singing males, one of which was accompanied by a female) were between kilometres 25.3-26.5. The first was about 20-30 metres above the road at km 25.3 (1.4 kilometres above Wanggang). This site is right where the lowest Brown Bush-warblers and lowest Buff-throated Warblers occur and is about 200 metres below a large blue sign on the right of the road. (27°50.33'N., 117°46.23'E.). The second bird was about 850 metres further up the road (at kilometre 26.15) while the third was at Kilometre 26.5. All three songsters were reluctant to sing and could have been very easily over-looked. (1905, 1920 & 1955 metres)

1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. It was one of the same bird thatwas seen two days earlier. (1955 metres)

BUFF-THROATED WARBLER Phylloscopus subaffinis

(3/10 32 47) (1880-2140 metres)

32 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. Like Brown Bush Warbler all were between Km 26 & the summit. (1880-2140 metres)

10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1890-2020 metres) 5 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

CHINESE LEAF WARBLER Phylloscopus yunnanensis

(1/10 1 1) (1735 metres)

1 singing bird at about kilometre 22 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. It sang for about one minute & then left and was presumably a migrant. (1735 metres)

According to Richard Lewthwaite (in litt. 27 May 2009) this is probably the first record for Jiangxi.

ARCTIC WARBLER *Phylloscopus borealis*

(2/10 1 2) (1720 & 1900 metres)

1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. Seen near kilometre 21 it was singing & was recorded. (1720 metres)

1 singing bird was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It was at the same site as the lowest of the day's Blunt-winged Warblers. (1900 metres)

GOODSON'S LEAF WARBLER Phylloscopus goodsoni fokiensis

(9/10 30 155) (995-1820 metres)

30 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1700-1820 metres)

30 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. More than half of these were above the Wanggang road protection station. (1550-2080 metres)

21 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1410-1730 metres)

21 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Almost all of these (20 birds) were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other was between there & Sangang in Fujian. (1010-1360 metres)

20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. 13 of these were above the Wanggang road protection station.

8 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. One bird was seen carrying food & was presumably feeding young in the nest. (1240, 1300, 1320, 1340 & 1360 metres)

15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. In addition another bird was heard between Sangang & Huanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian. (995-1840 metres)

6 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1280-1350 metres)

4 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1340-1430 metres)

KLOSS'S LEAF WARBLER Phylloscopus o. ogilviegranti

(10/10 52 157) (820-1860 metres)

15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (ca. 1600-1750 metres)

20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. 14 of these were below the Wanggang road protection station & about six above. (1620- at least 1860 metres)

36 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1345-1760 metres)

52 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 36 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other 16 were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (820-1360 metres)

20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. Just two these were above the Wanggang road protection station.

2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1250 & 1320 metres)

5 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009.

3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1170, 1250 & 1290 metres)

2 were heard between the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang & the Huanggang forest check post, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (920 & 1120 metres)

SULPHUR-BREASTED WARBLER Phylloscopus ricketti

(5/10 35 60) (600-1270 metres)

3 between Huanggang & Sanggang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (870-1040 metres)

35 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. For much of the day on the lower portions of the road this was the commonest species. Only eight of these were above 1000 metres. (600 & 705-1210 metres)

10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1020-1270 metres)

10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. Most were below 900 metres. (560-1160 metres)

2 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. The first was in the Masu forest & the second was near the Zi Ran Shanzhuang restaurant 4.2 kms above Sangang. (680 & 850 metres)

GREY-CROWNED WARBLER Seicercus tephrocephalus

(2/10 2 4) (2000-2030 metres)

2 singing birds were heard, and one recorded, on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. They were both near Km 27.3. (2015 & 2030 metres)

2 singing birds on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. These were the same two birds as those heard three days earlier on the 12 May. This time they were both seen, albeit poorly & they were again holding territories on the southeast facing scrub covered hillside near Km 27.3. (27°50.99'N., 117°46.72'E.). This site is almost exactly mid-way between the Wanggang road protection station and the summit and they were sharing this habitat with the likes of Brown Bush-warbler, Bianchi's Warbler and the ubiquitous Red-billed Leiothrix. (2000 & 2010 metres)

I sent copies of my recordings to both Prof. Dr. Jochen Martens of the Institut für Zoologie, Mainz, Germany & Per Alström who who both confirmed my identification (in litt. 3 July 2009). Richard Lewthwaite (in litt. 27 May 2009) confirmed that these are the first records of Grey-crowned Warbler for Jiangxi.

PLAIN-TAILED WARBLER Seicercus soror

(3/10 18 22) (960-1240 metres)

2 were heard, seen rather poorly & tape recorded on the 'bamboo trail' above the Huanggang forest protection station, Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (27°48.96'N., 117°42.81'E.). This site is 8.3 kilometres northeast of Sangang & 8.6 kilometres southwest of the summit of Wuyi Shan. (1215-1240 metres)]
18 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 11 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other seven were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (960-1220)

metres) 2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. They were both near the Huanggang forest protection station. (1130-1150 metres)

BIANCHI'S WARBLER Seicercus valentini

(5/10 35 104) (1600-2050 metres)

20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (The lowest was at about 1730 metres)

35 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. The majority of these were above 1700 metres & about 25 birds were actually above the Wanggang road protection station at 1800 metres. (1670-2050 metres)

19 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1600-1745 metres)

20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (all were below 2020 metres)

10 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

WHITE-SPECTACLED WARBLER Seicercus affinis

(9/10 35 139) (890-1850 metres)

10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. The lowest of these was near the Huanggang forest check post on the Fujian-Jiangxi border. (1150 & 1640-1780 metres)

14 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. Only one bird was noted above the Wanggang road protection station. (1570-1810 metres)

35 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1345-1760 metres)

23 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 19 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other four were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (940-1400 metres)

10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (all were below 1850 metres)

11 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (890, 1070, 1225, 1360-1420 metres)

15 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1070-1340 metres)

11 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1100, 1200, 1240, 1250 & 1430 metres)

CHESTNUT-CROWNED WARBLER Seicercus castaniceps

(9/10 52 155) (*ca*.720-1850 metres)

15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1650-1830 metres)

15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1570-1850 metres)

18 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1200-1710 metres)

52 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 19 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other 33 were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (740-1350 metres)

5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1250-1835 metres)

23 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (ca.720-1320 metres)

10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (980-1360 metres)

7 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1160-1320 metres)

RUFOUS-FACED WARBLER Abroscopus albogularis

(10/10 32 110) (600-1860 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1150-1170 & 1650-1740 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1750-1860 metres)

3 were heard near kilometre 17 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1400-1440 metres)

31 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. 16 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other 15 were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (740-1240 metres)

3 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1830 metres)

32 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (730-1430 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

15 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009.

15 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (600, 600, 625, 980, 1060, 1110, 1220, 1220, 1245, 1275, 1290, 1340 & 1420 metres) 1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (640 metres)

GREATER NECKLACED LAUGHINGTHRUSH Garrulax pectoralis

(5/10 8 24) (695-1890 metres)

8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1730 metres)

4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1250 & 1360 metres)

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. Surprisingly they were about 1.8 kilometres above the Wanggang road protection

station. (1890 metres)

2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (720 metres)

8 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. Birds were seen at Km 1 & 12.2. (695 & 1280 metres)

[RUSTY LAUGHNGTHRUSH

3 birds, possibly this species, were seen very poorly in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1040 metres)]

NECKLACED LAUGHINGTHRUSH SP.

(2/10 10 12) (890-ca.1600 metres)
2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (ca.1600 metres)
10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (890, 1150, 116 & 1250 metres)

HWAMEI Garrulax canorus

(2/10 4 5) (895-1495 metres)

1 was heard between kilometres 17-18 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1495 metres) 4 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (895, *ca*.980 & 1090 metres)

GREY-SIDED [SPOT-BREASTED] SCIMITAR BABBLER Pomatorhinus

[erythrocnemis] swinhoei

(6/10 8 23) (780-1840 metres)

4, two pairs, on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1650 & ca.1830 metres)

8, four pairs, in Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi & Fujian on the 13/5/2009. (1150, 1300, 1650 & 1700 metres)

2 singles between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (1140 &ca.1170 metres)

7 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. All seven were above the Wanggang road protection station. (1815-1840 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (780 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

STREAK-BREASTED SCIMITAR BABBLER Pomatorhinus ruficollis

(6/10 10 39) (1300-1855 metres)

8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. The lowest of these was near the Huanggang forest check post on the Fujian-Jiangxi border. (1150 & 1640-1730 metres)

8 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1560-1855 metres)

10 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1480-1770 metres)

5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1300-1350 metres)

4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009.

4 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1300, 1320 & 1410 metres)

PYGMY WREN BABBLER Pnoepyga pusilla

(6/10 5 21) (1050-1750 metres)

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1710 metres)

5 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1600-1720 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1700 metres)

3 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Two were near (one above & one below) Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other was between there & Sangang in Fujian. (1050-*ca*.1160 metres)

4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1230-1750 metres)

4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

SPOTTED WREN BABBLER Spelaeornis formosus

(7/10 3 13) (1080-1740 metres)

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1690 & 1710 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1710 & 1730 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. The highest was near Km 22.3. (ca. 1700 & 1740 metres)

2 were heard in Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. They were both very close to Huanggang – the first was about one kilometre above there while the second was about 800 metres below but also still in Jiangxi. (1080 & 1200 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. It was well below the road about two kilometres in from the Huanggang forest protection station. (*ca*.1100 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

3 singing birds in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1295, 1300 & 1330 metres)

RUFOUS-CAPPED BABBLER Stachyris ruficeps

(6/10 12) 3 (ca.650-metres)

2 singles on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1710 & 1740 metres)

3 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. Two of these were near Huanggang (one above, one below) in Jiangxi while the other was between there & Sangang in Fujian. (ca. 1070, 1150 & 1220 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (750, 1320 & 1380 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (ca.650 metres)

1 bird, possibly this species, was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1720 metres)]

RED-BILLED LEIOTHRIX Leiothrix lutea

(9/10 100 510) (860-2150 metres)

50 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1150-1180 & 1640-1850 metres)

100 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. More than half of these were above the Wanggang road protection station at 1800 metres. (1600-2150 metres)

80 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1150-1750 metres)

100 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. The majority of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the others were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (950-1360 metres)

50 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1640-2030 metres)

10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1040-1250 metres)

40 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

40 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (950-1380 metres)

40 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (860-1350 metres)

WHITE-BROWED SHRIKE BABBLER Pteruthius flaviscapis

(9/10 20 91) (1050-*ca*.1900 metres)

14 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1650-1740 metres)

18 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1550-ca1900 metres)

20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (<1380-1730 metres)

7 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1190-ca.1400 metres)

8 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (ca.1550-1780 metres) 5 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (ca.1200, 1260 & 1300+ metres)

6 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

8 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1050-1370 metres)

5 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1170, 1240 & 1390 metres)

Alcippe cinereiceps guttaticollis **GREY-HOODED FULVETTA**

(5/10 5 14) (1720-2130 metres)

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuvi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. A pair that were apparently feeding young in the nest they were at about Km 22.5. (1730 metres)

3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. One was near Km 26 & the other two close to the summit. The latter birds responded well to playback of a bird recorded on the summit of Emei Shan, Sichuan. (1875 & 2130 metres)

3 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1720 & 1740 metres)

5 were noted on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. All five were above the Wanggang road protection station & the lowest was feeding young in a nest. (1870-1955 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

DUSKY FULVETTA Alcippe brunnea

(1/10 1 1) (*ca*.1030 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. It was about one kilometre above Guan Jia cun. (ca. 1030 metres)

GREY-CHEEKED FULVETTA Alcippe morrisonia hueti

(4/10 35 87) (620-1665 metres) 2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1665 metres) 20 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1100-1290 metres) 30 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (620-1410 metres) 35 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (710-ca.1200 metres)

STRIATED YUHINA Yuhina castaniceps

(4/10 15 29) (730-1755 metres)

5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. They were all at about Km 23.3 – not far below the Wanggang road protection station. (1755 metres)

5 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (1430 metres)

15 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1530 metres)

4 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (730 metres)

BLACK-CHINNED YUHINA Yuhina nigrimenta

(9/10 45 240) (870-*ca*.1870 metres)

20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1140 & 1680-1810 metres)

40 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1540-ca.1870 metres)

30 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1240-1750 metres)

20 in Wuyi Shan NR, on the 14/5/2009. At least 15 of these were above Huanggang in Jiangxi while the other two were between there & Sangang in Fujian. (1190-1350 metres)

20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1650-1860 metres)

10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (870-1240 metres)

20 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

35 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1000-1350 metres)

45 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1050-1405 metres)

WHITE-BELLIED ERPORNIS Erpornis zantholeuca*

(3/10 8 22) (590-1340 metres)

8 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (760, 770, 1040 & 1160 metres)

6 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1180-1340 metres)

8 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (590-1370 metres)

VINOUS-THROATED PARROTBILL Paradoxornis webbianus

(7/10 11 29) (870-2125 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. They were all about 500 metres above the Wanggang road protection station. (1800-1810 metres)

6, three pairs, on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. The first pair was only about 400 metres above the Wanggang road protection station while the others were between one kilometre about 600 metres below the summit. (1830, 2090 & 2125 metres)

11 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. I had two encounters with singles, two with pairs & one with a flock of four birds while the final encounter was of a bird that was only heard. (870-1030 metres)

4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1850-ca.1960 metres)

1 near Masu cun, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 16/5/2009. (1300 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1960 metres)

4, two pairs one of which was observed nest building, about four kilometres above Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 19/5/2009. (900-920 metres)

[SHORT-TAILED PARROTBILL

1 bird, possibly this species, was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. It was at about Km 12.2. (1260 metres)]

FIRE-BREASTED FLOWERPECKER Dicaeum ignipectus

(10/10 10 49) (600-1770 metres)

4 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1670-1760 metres)

6 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1590-1740 metres)

7 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1430-1750 metres)

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1300 & 1360 metres)

4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1730-1770 metres)

4 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 16/5/2009. (790, 890, -920 & 1040 metres)

4 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009.

3 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1020-1340 metres)

10 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (nine of these were between 600-720 metres)

5 were heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (600-740 metres)

WHITE WAGTAIL Motacilla alba

(5/10 4 8) (740-1300 metres)

4 singles between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (740-950 metres)

1 near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 15/5/2009. (780 metres)

2 Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 16/5/2009. One was in Masu village & the other besides the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station hotel. (740 & 1300 metres)

1 in the garden of the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House on the 17/5/2009. (750 metres) 1 in the garden of the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House on the 18/5/2009. (750 metres)

GREY WAGTAIL Motacilla cinerea

 $(1/10 \ 2 \ 2) \ (1065 \text{ metres})$ 2 between Sangang & the Huanggang forest check post, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 20/5/2009. (1065 metres)

OLIVE-BACKED PIPIT Anthus hodgsoni

(2/10 1 2) (1535 & 1735 metres) 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1735 metres) 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1535 metres)

ROSY PIPIT Anthus roseatus

 $(3/10 \ 1 \ 3) \ (1945-2145 \text{ metres})$ 1 near the summit of Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (2115-2145 metres) 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1945 metres) 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1980 metres)

WHITE-RUMPED MUNIA Lonchura striata

 $(1/10 \ 1 \ 1) \ (880 \text{ metres})$

1 between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (880 metres)

BROWN BULLFINCH Pyrrhula nipalensis

(5/10 13 22) (1560-1760 metres)

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. They were together at about kilometre 18. (1650-1690 metres) 5 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1590, 1650 & 1720 metres) 13 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. I saw one single, a pair & a flock of ten birds. (1580, 1720 & 1760 metres) 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 15/5/2009. (1640 metres) 1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Jiangxi on the 17/5/2009. (1560 metres)

BUNTING SP. Emberiza sp.

 $(1/10 \ 2 \ 2)$ 2 near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 11/5/2009.

MAMMALS

STUMP-TAILED MACAQUE Macaca arctoides

(6/10 6 16) (760-1640 metres)

1 was heard near Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 11/5/2009. (ca.800 metres)

6 in a single troop Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1640 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (ca. 1580 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (ca.1240 metres)

3 outside the Sangang Nature Reserve Protection Station Guest House, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 18/5/2009. (760 metres)

2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (1060 metres)

PALLAS'S SQUIRREL Callosciurus erythraceus

 $(4/10 \ 2 \ 6) \ (1260-1730 \text{ metres})$

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (1710 & 1730 metres)

2 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. (1690 & 1720 metres) 1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (1720 metres)

1 on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 14/5/2009. (1260 metres)

MARITIME STRIPED SQUIRREL Tamiops maritimus

(1/10 2 2) (1170 metres)

2 in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1170 metres)

PERNY'S LONG-NOSED SQUIRREL

2 animals, probably this species, were heard between Huanggang & Sangang, Wuyi Shan NR, Fujian on the 14/5/2009. (910 & 950 metres)

BLACK MUNTJAC Muntiacus crinifrons

(4/10 2 6) (*ca*.1000-2080 metres)

2 were heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 11/5/2009. (<1650 & ca.1700 metres)

2 singles on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 12/5/2009. The lowest was at about Km post 23 (one kilometre below the Wanggang road protection station) & the other two kilometres below the summit at about Km post 28. (1735 & 2080 metres)

1 was heard on Huanggang Shan, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Jiangxi on the 13/5/2009. (ca. 1500 metres)

1 was heard in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 19/5/2009. (ca.1000 metres)

COBRA

(1/10 1 1) (1045 metres)

1 very small, 30 cm, young snake was seen & photographed on the road in the Masu forest, Wuyi Shan NR, Yanshan, Fujian on the 18/5/2009. (1045 metres)

SNAKE SP.

(1/10 1 1) (1560 metres) 1 road killed snake was photographed at 1560 metres.

SLUG SP.

(1/10 1 1) (1720 metres) 1 enormous, 30 centimetre long, slug was photographed at 1720 metres

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