

“South Andaman & South India”

A report on the birds and mammals seen during a trip to South Andaman and South India from 15 December 2012 till 6 January 2013 by David Van den Schoor



Sri Lanka Bay-Owl, photographed at Thattekkad by Chris Steeman © 2012

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INTRODUCTION

This report covers a trip to South Andaman and Peninsular India taken by Christel Van Asselberghs, Joris Elst, Regis Nossent, Mark Van Beirs, Chris Steeman and David Van den Schoor.

Most of us had seen the more widespread species of this area on previous trips, so the focus was mainly on lifers, endemics and a few possible future-splits. We managed to see (or hear) 376 species. All in all, we had a very successful trip, which can be recommended!

I'm not going to write a true 'trip report', as all sites are well known and descriptions have been made in several trip reports.

VISA

Most visitors to India will need a visa and the requirements are fairly drastic. You have to fill in a form on line (<http://in.vfsglobal.be/pdf/Declaration.pdf>) and you have to submit a number of other papers. See for all the necessary paperwork (<http://in.vfsglobal.be/>). They are, p.e. very strict on the size etc. of the submitted photographs. Make sure you do your paperwork correctly! The fee is pretty steep! The address of the India Visa Application Centre in Belgium is:

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1st verdiep B-1050
Brussel, Belgium

TOUR SERVICES

To organize this trip we used Wild About Travel (<http://www.wildabouttravel.co.uk>) of Jo Thomas again, since we were happy with her service last time. We booked our international and internal flights ourselves and Jo arranged all the rest including guides, hotels, cars with drivers, permits etc... After some e-mails back and forth we agreed on the itinerary.

FLIGHT

We flew from Brussels to Bangalore via Frankfurt with Lufthansa for 900,51 EUR return, taxes included.

Our domestic flights were operated by Jet Airways connect. We paid 175,00 EUR per person. No extra taxes were charged. We booked these flights via www.airstop.be many months departure, at home.

ITINERARY

15/12: Flight Brussels ⇌ Frankfurt ⇌

16/12: ⇌ Bangalore ⇌ Chennai ⇌ Port Blair (South Andaman); PM: Chidiya Tapu area

17/12: AM & PM: Chidiya Tapu area

18/12: AM: Mount Harriet NP; PM: Bamboo Flats

19/12: AM: Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands; PM: Chidiya Tapu area

20/12: AM & PM: Chidiya Tapu area

21/12: AM: Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands; PM: flight Port Blair ⇌ Chennai ⇌ Kochi

22/12: AM: Drive to Thattekkad – Hornbill Camp area; PM: Oorlanthi Temple area

23/12: Thattekkad: AM: Oorlanthi Temple area; PM: Weather station area

24/12: Thattekkad: AM & PM: Oorlanthi Temple area

25/12: AM: Drive Thattekkad to Kumily; PM: Periyar Tiger reserve: forest edge

26/12: Periyar Tiger Reserve AM: forest near main entrance; PM: forest edge

27/12: AM: Drive Kumily to Bodi Ghats to Munnar; PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Mountain Resort (Spice Valley)

28/12: AM: Munnar: Eravikulam National Park entrance road; PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Mountain Resort (Spice Valley)

29/12: AM: Munnar: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Mountain Resort (Spice Valley) – drive & visit to Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary – late PM: drive to Coimbatore

30/12: AM Drive Coimbatore to Ooty & Botanical Gardens visit; PM: Ooty: evergreen forest & open area

31/12: AM: birding below Ooty (Kedapad village) & along the Mudumalai road; PM: Cairnhill Forest

1/1: AM: Ooty: Doddabetta – drive to Mudumalai; PM: Mudumalai National Park – Belmont Retreat forest scrub

2/1: AM & PM: Mudumalai National Park – Belmont Retreat forest scrub + evening game drive

3/1: AM: Mudumalai National Park – Belmont Retreat forest scrub & drive to Mysore; PM: Ranganathittu Sanctuary

4/1: AM & PM: Kollegal area (Acacia scrub c20km east of)

5/1: Drive to Bangalore with stops in open area on north side of Mysore (larks & pipits), lake near Kokrebelur and rock formation at Ramanagaram

6/1: Flight Bangalore ⇌ Frankfurt ⇌ Brussels

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SYSTEMATIC LIST OF BIRDS

Taxonomy strictly follows names and sequence of James F. Clements (Birds of the World, A Checklist, Sixth Edition 2007) with a few exceptions of recent taxonomic decisions and names changes (see also at <http://www.birds.cornell.edu/clementschecklist/corrections>), updated till August 2012. Some interesting subspecies (or potential taxonomic splits) are also mentioned. Notes of threatened species on the IUCN Red List were taken from "Threatened Birds of the World" – BirdLife International (2000), see also <http://www.birdlife.org/datazone/country/india>. The list contains only species positively identified by at least one of us.

A) SOUTH ANDAMAN

Currently, Vikram is the only resident birdwatcher on the Andaman Islands and he is obviously not very active when he has no groups to guide. The reason why I think this is because he has no stake out(s) for Andaman Barn Owl *Tyto (alba) deroepstorffi* (our only real dip on the island) and he has very little information about 'non-endemic' birds like Ruddy Kingfisher, Pale-footed Bush-Warbler, etc.

Till recently, very few birders have visited the Andaman Islands so there is still a lot to be discovered! We found several birds during our 6-days stay which are rare or even unknown from the Andaman Islands: Cotton Pygmy-Goose, Garganey (first record?), Black Kite (Vikram's 3th record), Gray-headed Lapwing, Black-winged Stilt (first record?), Green Sandpiper, Marsh Sandpiper, Black-tailed Godwit, Violet Cuckoo, Eurasian Kestrel (!), Ashy Drongo, Asian House-Martin (!), Taiga Flycatcher and Eyebrowed Thrush. More details can be found in the bird list below.

Areas like Sippighat, Chouldari, Bibltang and Oghala Branje are largely tsunami-created wetlands south-west of Port Blair, though there were marshes at some of these before the tsunami. Vikram had been seeing more and more water/shore birds in these areas, especially in Sippighat, since the tsunami up until now. A good example is Eurasian Coot, a species he had never seen before 26 December 2004 and which now occurs in small numbers throughout the island.

Lesser Whistling-Duck *Dendrocygna javanica*

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 95

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - common

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 50+

Cotton Pygmy-Goose *Nettapus coromandelianus*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 11

Garganey *Anas querquedula*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1 female

Andaman Teal *Anas albogularis*

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 2

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c15

Note: endemic to the Andaman Islands

Yellow Bittern *Ixobrychus sinensis*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1
18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 1
19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 10+
21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Cinnamon Bittern *Ixobrychus cinnamomeus*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1
21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 2

Purple Heron *Ardea purpurea*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1
21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Great Egret *Ardea alba*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1
17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1
18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - a few
19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - fairly common
21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - common

Intermediate Egret *Mesophoyx intermedia*

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - a few
19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - fairly common
21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - fairly common

Little Egret *Egretta garzetta*

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 1
19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 20+
21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 20+

Pacific Reef-Heron *Egretta sacra*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 4
17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 5+
19/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few
17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few
18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - a few
19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 20+
19/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few
20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few
21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c30

Note: The Cattle Egret has two geographical races which are sometimes classified as full species, the Eastern Cattle Egret, *Bubulcus coromandus* which we saw, and the Western Cattle Egret, *Bubulcus ibis*

Indian/Chinese Pond-Heron *Ardeola grayii/bacchus*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3
18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 8
19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Note: most birds were probably Indian Pond-Herons, we did not give much attention to these birds

Striated Heron *Butorides striata*

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 2

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c10

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 3

Andaman Serpent-Eagle *Spilornis elgini*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

Note: endemic to the Andaman Islands and qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Changeable Hawk-Eagle *Nisaetus cirrhatus*

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

Note: the endemic form *andamanensis*, which we saw, together with the 2 eastern taxons is sometimes classified as a separate species, the scientific name is then *Nisaetus limnaeetus*

Black Kite *Milvus migrans*

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Brahminy Kite *Haliastur indus*

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

White-bellied Sea-Eagle *Haliaeetus leucogaster*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 12

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c8

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Andaman Crane *Rallina canningi*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1 seen + 1 heard

Note: endemic to the Andaman Islands and qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Slaty-breasted Rail *Gallirallus striatus*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 2 heard

White-breasted Waterhen *Amaurornis phoenicurus*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Watercock *Gallicrex cinerea*

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 5

Purple Swampphen *Porphyrio porphyrio*

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 5+

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 20+

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Note: this birds belong to the taxon *poliocephalus*; "Gray-headed Swampphen"

Eurasian Moorhen *Gallinula chloropus*

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 50+

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - fairly common

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c50

Eurasian Coot *Fulica atra*

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 3

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 7

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c10

Gray-headed Lapwing *Vanellus cinereus*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 6

Pacific Golden-Plover *Pluvialis fulva*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c10

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 25+

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 1

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - fairly common

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 20+

Lesser Sand-Plover *Charadrius mongolus*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - fairly common

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Greater Sand-Plover *Charadrius leschenaultii*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c5

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c10

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Little Ringed Plover *Charadrius dubius*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 4

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Black-winged Stilt *Himantopus himantopus*

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Common Sandpiper *Actitis hypoleucos*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c10

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 10+

Green Sandpiper *Tringa ochropus*

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 3

Common Greenshank *Tringa nebularia*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 2

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 4

Marsh Sandpiper *Tringa stagnatilis*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 4

Wood Sandpiper *Tringa glareola*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 6

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 10+

Common Redshank *Tringa totanus*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 1

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - fairly common

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 20+

Whimbrel *Numenius phaeopus*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 5

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 1

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Eurasian Curlew *Numenius arquata*

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 2

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Note: This species is qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Black-tailed Godwit *Limosa limosa*

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 2

Note: This species is qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International. The birds we saw belong to the eastern race *melanuroides*, sometimes regarded as a separate species; "Eastern Black-tailed Godwit".

Ruddy Turnstone *Arenaria interpres*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

Red-necked/Little Stint *Calidris ruficollis/minuta*

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Note: Probably the first species but just too distant to clinch the identification...

Long-toed Stint *Calidris subminuta*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c35

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Curlew Sandpiper *Calidris ferruginea*

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 20+

Common Snipe *Gallinago gallinago*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 5+

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Pin-tailed Snipe *Gallinago stenura*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 4

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 5+

Oriental Pratincole *Glareola maldivarum*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 14

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Andaman Wood-Pigeon *Columba palumboides*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 4

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

Note: endemic to the Andaman and the Nicobar Islands and qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Red Collared-Dove *Streptopelia tranquebarica*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 10+

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 20+

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - a few

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - fairly common

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 10+

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - common

Andaman Cuckoo-Dove *Macropygia rufipennis*

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1 pair

Note: endemic to the Andaman and the Nicobar Islands and qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Emerald Dove *Chalcophaps indica*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 2 seen + a few heard

Andaman Green-Pigeon *Treron chloropterus*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c20

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 14

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

Note: endemic to the Andaman and the Nicobar Islands

Green Imperial-Pigeon *Ducula aenea*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c10

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c10

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - c20

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Indian Cuckoo *Cuculus micropterus*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1 heard

19/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1 heard

Violet Cuckoo *Chrysococcyx xanthorhynchus*

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1 male

Asian Koel *Eudynamys scolopaceus*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 5+

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 3

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1 heard

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2 seen + a few heard

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Andaman Coucal *Centropus andamanensis*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1 seen + c10 heard

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3 seen + a few heard

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 2 seen + a few heard

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few heard

19/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2 heard

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1 seen + a few heard

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Note: endemic to the Andaman Islands

Andaman Scops-Owl *Otus balli*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3 heard

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 2 heard

19/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1 seen + 3 heard

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1 seen + 2 heard

Note: restricted to South Andaman and qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Oriental Scops-Owl *Otus sunia*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1 seen + 3 heard

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1 heard

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1 heard

19/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1 seen + 2 heard

Note: the resident race *modestus* is sometimes classified as full species; "Walden's Scops-Owl"

Andaman Hawk-Owl *Ninox affinis*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1 seen + 3 heard

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 2 heard

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2 heard

Note: restricted to the Andaman and Nicobar Islands and qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Brown Hawk-Owl *Ninox scutulata*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3 seen + a few heard

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1
19/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1
20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

Note: the dark chocolate-brown resident race *obscura* is endemic to the Andaman Islands and is often treated as a separate species; "Hume's Hawk Owl"

Andaman Nightjar *Caprimulgus andamanicus*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2
Note: endemic to the Andaman Islands

Brown-backed Needletail *Hirundapus giganteus*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 5+
17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 50+
18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 10+
19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c25
20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

Glossy Swiftlet *Collocalia esculenta*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c30
17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - common
18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - common
18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - common
19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - common
20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - fairly common
21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Edible-nest Swiftlet *Aerodramus fuciphagus*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Common Kingfisher *Alcedo atthis*

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 2
19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1
20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2
21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 2

Blue-eared Kingfisher *Alcedo meninting*

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 1

Stork-billed Kingfisher *Pelargopsis capensis*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3 seen + 1 heard
17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1
18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 1
19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1
21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 2

White-throated Kingfisher *Halcyon smyrnensis*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 5+
17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - fairly common
18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 3
19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c10
20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2
21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Black-capped Kingfisher *Halcyon pileata*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

Collared Kingfisher *Todiramphus chloris*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 5+

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - fairly common

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 6

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

Blue-tailed Bee-eater *Merops philippinus*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c10

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 20+

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 1

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c20

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c15

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 20+

Dollarbird *Eurystomus orientalis*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

Fulvous-breasted Woodpecker *Dendrocopos macei*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 10+

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Note: the smaller taxon *analis*, endemic to the Andaman Islands, is usually treated as a subspecies of the Fulvous-breasted Woodpecker, but it has been suggested it should be considered a separate species; "Spot-breasted Woodpecker".

Andaman Woodpecker *Dryocopus hodgei*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 5

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 2 heard

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

Note: endemic to the Andaman Islands and qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Eurasian Kestrel *Falco tinnunculus*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area – 1 male

Alexandrine Parakeet *Psittacula eupatria*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 10+

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1 seen + a few heard

Red-breasted Parakeet *Psittacula alexandri*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 100+

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c40

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - a few

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 3

Long-tailed Parakeet *Psittacula longicauda*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c15

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - a few

Note: This species is qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Vernal Hanging-Parrot *Loriculus vernalis*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 20 seen + a few heard

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - a few heard

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few seen + heard

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Small Minivet *Pericrocotus cinnamomeus*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - fairly common

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - fairly common

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

Scarlet Minivet *Pericrocotus flammeus*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - fairly common

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 20+

Large Cuckooshrike *Coracina macei*

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1

Andaman Cuckooshrike *Coracina dobsoni*

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 3

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

Note: restricted to South Andaman

Mangrove Whistler *Pachycephala cinerea*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

Brown Shrike *Lanius cristatus*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c10

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - a few

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - common

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - fairly common

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 10+

Black-naped Oriole *Oriolus chinensis*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c8

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 10+

Ashy Drongo *Dicrurus leucophaeus*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 5

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Andaman Drongo *Dicrurus andamanensis*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 10+

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 15+

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 5+

Note: qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International and restricted to the Andaman and the Coco Islands (belonging to Myanmar)

Greater Racket-tailed Drongo *Dicrurus paradiseus*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 10+

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 10+

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Black-naped Monarch *Hypothymis azurea*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c10

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

Asian Paradise-Flycatcher *Terpsiphone paradisi*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 5+

19/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

Andaman Treepie *Dendrocitta bayleyi*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 8+

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - c20

Note: qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International and restricted to South Andaman

House Crow *Corvus splendens*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - a few

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c20

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Note: introduced

Large-billed Crow *Corvus macrorhynchos*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c8

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 5+

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Note: this birds belong to the race *levaillantii*, sometimes split-off as a separate species; "Eastern Jungle Crow"

Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 20+

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c30

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Pacific Swallow *Hirundo tahitica*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - fairly common

Asian House-Martin *Delichon dasypus*

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Andaman Bulbul *Pycnonotus fuscoflavescens*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 7

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 2

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

Note: endemic and restricted to South and Middle Andaman

Red-whiskered Bulbul *Pycnonotus jocosus*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - common

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - common

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - fairly common

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - a few

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - common

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - common

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - fairly common

Dusky Warbler *Phylloscopus fuscatus*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3 heard

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 5 seen + a few heard

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3 seen + 1 heard

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Yellow-browed Warbler *Phylloscopus inornatus*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1 heard

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1 heard

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

Greenish Warbler *Phylloscopus trochiloides*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

Thick-billed Warbler *Iduna aedon*

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Black-browed Reed-Warbler *Acrocephalus bistrigiceps*

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Oriental Reed-Warbler *Acrocephalus orientalis*

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - 1

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - c5 seen + a few heard

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 1

Oriental White-eye *Zosterops palpebrosus*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

Asian Fairy-bluebird *Irena puella*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2 seen + c10 heard

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few seen + heard

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - common

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

Asian Brown Flycatcher *Muscicapa latirostris*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 2

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

Oriental Magpie-Robin *Copsychus saularis*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 3

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 3

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Andaman Shama *Copsychus albiventris*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1 heard

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - +8 heard

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 3 seen + a few heard

Note: endemic to the Andaman Islands

Taiga Flycatcher *Ficedula albicilla*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

Orange-headed Thrush *Geokichla citrina*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

Eyebrowed Thrush *Turdus obscurus*

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1

Common Hill Myna *Gracula religiosa*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 4

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 5

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

Common Myna *Acridotheres tristis*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - common

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - common

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - a few

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - fairly common

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - fairly common

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - fairly common

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - fairly common

Note: introduced

White-headed Starling *Sturnia erythropygia*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 25+

Note: endemic to the Andaman and the Nicobar Islands

Andaman Flowerpecker *Dicaeum virescens*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2 seen + a few heard

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 10+

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few heard

Note: endemic to the Andaman Islands

Olive-backed Sunbird *Cinnyris jugularis*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - a few

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 2 seen + a few heard

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Western Yellow Wagtail *Motacilla flava*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 10+

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - a few

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - fairly common

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Gray Wagtail *Motacilla cinerea*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP - 1 heard

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 1

House Sparrow *Passer domesticus*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

18/12/2012 - Bamboo Flats - a few

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - a few

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - a few

Note: introduced

White-rumped Munia *Lonchura striata*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - 30+

19/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 3

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area - c10

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 50+

Nutmeg Mannikin *Lonchura punctulata*

21/12/2012 - Sippighat (Chouldari) wetlands - 8

Note: probably escaped birds or a recently introduced species? No further information was found...

B) SOUTH INDIA

Lesser Whistling-Duck *Dendrocygna javanica*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - c30

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 30+

Cotton Pygmy-Goose *Nettapus coromandelianus*

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 2+

Gadwall *Anas strepera*

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 2

Eurasian Wigeon *Anas penelope*

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - c150

Indian Spot-billed Duck *Anas poecilorhyncha*

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 150+

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 1

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 10+

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - c30

Northern Shoveler *Anas clypeata*

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - c10

Northern Pintail *Anas acuta*

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - c15

Garganey *Anas querquedula*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 10+

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - c50

Green-winged Teal *Anas crecca*

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 1 male

Common Pochard *Aythya ferina*

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Gray Francolin *Francolinus pondicerianus*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 2

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 2

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 5+

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 1

Jungle Bush-Quail *Perdicula asiatica*

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 5+

Note: endemic to India and Sri Lanka

Painted Bush-Quail *Perdicula erythrorhyncha*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1 heard

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 4

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 3 groups heard

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest) - 2 males + 4 females

Note: endemic to central and southern India

Red Spurfowl *Galloperdix spadicea*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1 male

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 female

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1 heard

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1 male

Note: endemic to central and southern India

Gray Junglefowl *Gallus sonneratii*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few heard

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few heard

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 2 males + 6 females

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1 heard

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1 heard

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - 4 females

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1 heard

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest) - 1 male seen + a few heard

01/01/2013 - Ooty (Doddabetta) - 5+

01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - a few

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few heard

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few heard

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 1 seen + 1 heard

Note: endemic to Peninsular India

Indian Peafowl *Pavo cristatus*

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 5

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 3

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few heard

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1 heard

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 1

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 1 heard

Little Grebe *Tachybaptus ruficollis*

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 3

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 3

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - c50

Asian Openbill *Anastomus oscitans*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - 3
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 2
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - 1
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - c50
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - common
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 50+

Woolly-necked Stork *Ciconia episcopus*

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 5
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 1

Painted Stork *Mycteria leucocephala*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 2
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - c40
Note: this species is qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Indian Cormorant *Phalacrocorax fuscicollis*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - a few
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - c20

Great Cormorant *Phalacrocorax carbo*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 10+

Little Cormorant *Phalacrocorax niger*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - a few
22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 10+
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - c10
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 20+
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few
27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 1
01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - 1
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - a few
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Oriental Darter *Anhinga melanogaster*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - 2
22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 2
25/12/2012 - En route Thattekkad - Kumily - 1
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - a few
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1

Note: this species is qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Spot-billed Pelican *Pelecanus philippensis*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 7
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - c70
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 3

Note: this species is qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Gray Heron *Ardea cinerea*

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 3
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 1
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 10+
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - c10

Purple Heron *Ardea purpurea*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 2
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - c10
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 1

Great Egret *Ardea alba*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - a few
22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - fairly common
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 1
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

Intermediate Egret *Mesophoyx intermedia*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - a few
22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - fairly common
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 10+
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few
25/12/2012 - En route Thattekkad - Kumily - a few
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Little Egret *Egretta garzetta*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few
25/12/2012 - En route Thattekkad - Kumily - a few
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few
27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - a few
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - a few
22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - fairly common
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - c20
25/12/2012 - En route Thattekkad - Kumily - a few
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - fairly common
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - a few
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - common
30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore - Ooty - a few
01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - 1
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - fairly common
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - common
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - common
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - fairly common

Note: The Cattle Egret has two geographical races which are sometimes classified as full species, the Eastern Cattle Egret, *Bubulcus coromandus* which we saw, and the Western Cattle Egret, *Bubulcus ibis*

Indian Pond-Heron *Ardeola grayii*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - common
22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - common
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few
25/12/2012 - En route Thattekkad - Kumily - a few
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - a few
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 3
30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore - Ooty - a few
30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 3
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - a few
01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - a few

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - fairly common
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Striated Heron *Butorides striata*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - 1
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 1
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1

Black-crowned Night-Heron *Nycticorax nycticorax*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 heard
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 10+
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - fairly common
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1

Glossy Ibis *Plegadis falcinellus*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 100+
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - fairly common
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - c20

Black-headed Ibis *Threskiornis melanocephalus*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 20+
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - fairly common
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - c50
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few
Note: this species is qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Red-naped Ibis *Pseudibis papillosa*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 11
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 9
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 40+
Note: restricted to the Indian subcontinent

Eurasian Spoonbill *Platalea leucorodia*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - fairly common

Black-shouldered Kite *Elanus caeruleus*

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 1
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 1

Egyptian Vulture *Neophron percnopterus*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 1 immature
Note: this species is qualified as Endangered by BirdLife International

Oriental Honey-buzzard *Pernis ptilorhynchus*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 3
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 3
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 2
27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 3
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

Black Baza *Aviceda leuphotes*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

White-rumped Vulture *Gyps bengalensis*

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 6

Note: this species is qualified as Critically endangered by BirdLife International

Indian Vulture *Gyps indicus*

05/01/2013 - Ramanagaram - c10

Note: this species is qualified as Critically endangered by BirdLife International and endemic to the Indian subcontinent

Crested Serpent-Eagle *Spilornis cheela*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1 seen + 1 heard
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1 heard
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 1

Short-toed Eagle *Circaetus gallicus*

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 1

Changeable Hawk-Eagle *Nisaetus cirrhatus*

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 3
Note: the nominate form, which we saw, together with *ceylanensis* of Sri Lanka is sometimes classified as a full species, the English name is then becomes; "Crested Hawk-Eagle"

Mountain Hawk-Eagle *Nisaetus nipalensis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
Note: the isolated form kelaarti of south India and Sri Lanka is often treated as a separate species; "Legge's Hawk-Eagle"

Black Eagle *Ictinaetus malayensis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2
25/12/2012 - En route Thattekkad - Kumily - 4

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 2
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 1
27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

Indian Spotted Eagle *Clanga hastata*

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 3

Note: this species is qualified as Vulnerable by BirdLife International

Booted Eagle *Hieraaetus pennatus*

25/12/2012 - En route Thattekkad - Kumily - 1
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 2
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

Tawny Eagle *Aquila rapax*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 1

Bonelli's Eagle *Aquila fasciata*

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

White-eyed Buzzard *Butastur teesa*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

Crested Goshawk *Accipiter trivirgatus*

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

Shikra *Accipiter badius*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 1
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 2
05/01/2013 - Ramanagaram - 1

Besra *Accipiter virgatus*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 1

Black Kite *Milvus migrans*

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 20+
30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore - Ooty - a few
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 50+
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 20+

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - fairly common
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - a few
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - fairly common
05/01/2013 - Ramanagaram - a few
05/01/2013 - Bangalore - 1000+

Brahminy Kite *Haliastur indus*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 3
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1
25/12/2012 - En route Thattekkad - Kumily - 1
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1
01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - 1
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 30+
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few
05/01/2013 - Bangalore - a few

Common Buzzard *Buteo buteo*

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 1+
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1
Note: the birds we saw belong to the so called "Himalayan Buzzard" *Buteo (buteo) burmanicus* group

Slaty-legged Crane *Rallina eurizonoides*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) – 1 seen extremely well at the night-roost

White-breasted Waterhen *Amaurornis phoenicurus*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - c5
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few
25/12/2012 - En route Thattekkad - Kumily - 2
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 1

Purple Swampphen *Porphyrio porphyrio*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - c5
Note: this birds belong to the taxon *poliocephalus*; "Gray-headed Swampphen"

Eurasian Moorhen *Gallinula chloropus*

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - 1
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 1

Eurasian Coot *Fulica atra*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 10+
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - common

Indian Thick-knee *Burhinus indicus*

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 1 pair

Great Thick-knee *Esacus recurvirostris*

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 5+

Yellow-wattled Lapwing *Vanellus malabaricus*

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 6

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - c10

Red-wattled Lapwing *Vanellus indicus*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - 1

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

25/12/2012 - En route Thattekkad - Kumily - 1

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - a few

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 2

01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - 2

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - c5

Little Ringed Plover *Charadrius dubius*

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - c10

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - c10

Black-winged Stilt *Himantopus himantopus*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 1

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - fairly common

Pheasant-tailed Jacana *Hydrophasianus chirurgus*

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 1

Bronze-winged Jacana *Metopidius indicus*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - 1

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 4

Common Sandpiper *Actitis hypoleucos*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 2

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 1

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 2

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 2

Green Sandpiper *Tringa ochropus*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - 1

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 1

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 2

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Common Greenshank *Tringa nebularia*

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 4

Marsh Sandpiper *Tringa stagnatilis*

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 10+

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 2

Wood Sandpiper *Tringa glareola*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 1

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 50+

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 100+

Common Redshank *Tringa totanus*

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1

Little Stint *Calidris minuta*

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1

Common Snipe *Gallinago gallinago*

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 2

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 4

Barred Buttonquail *Turnix suscitator*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 3+

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 1

Whiskered Tern *Chlidonias hybrida*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - c10

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 150+

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 50+

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - a few

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 1000+ birds flew over on the way to their roost

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - c20

River Tern *Sterna aurantia*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 2

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 150+

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1

Note: qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Nilgiri Wood-Pigeon *Columba elphinstonii*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 6

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 5+

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c10

31/12/2012 - Ooty (PM: Cairnhill Forest) - 1 heard

Note: qualified as Vulnerable by BirdLife International and endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Oriental Turtle-Dove *Streptopelia orientalis*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) – 2 (a scarce species in this area)

Eurasian Collared-Dove *Streptopelia decaocto*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Spotted Dove *Streptopelia chinensis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 20+

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 20+

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 20+

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - a few

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - a few

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1

01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - a few

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - a few

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - a few

Laughing Dove *Streptopelia senegalensis*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 10+

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - a few

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - fairly common

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - common

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 20+

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Emerald Dove *Chalcophaps indica*

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 2

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - a few

Gray-fronted Green-Pigeon *Treron affinis*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 5+
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 1
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 4
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 1
Note: a recent split, endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Yellow-footed Pigeon *Treron phoenicopterus*

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 5+
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

Green Imperial-Pigeon *Ducula aenea*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 3

Mountain Imperial-Pigeon *Ducula badia*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2

Pied Cuckoo *Clamator jacobinus*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 1

Chestnut-winged Cuckoo *Clamator coromandus*

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 1

Common Hawk-Cuckoo *Hierococcyx varius*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 3 seen + a few heard
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1 seen + 1 heard
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2 seen + a few heard
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 2 seen + 1 heard
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 2
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few heard
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - a few heard
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c10
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c5
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1

Banded Bay Cuckoo *Cacomantis sonneratii*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

Plaintive Cuckoo *Cacomantis merulinus*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 2
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 3

Note: all birds were of the dark race *passerinus*, often considered as a separate species; "Gray-bellied Cuckoo"

Asian Drongo-Cuckoo *Surniculus lugubris*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 4
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 5+
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1

Asian Koel *Eudynamis scolopacea*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few heard
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1 heard
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few heard
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1 heard
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1 heard
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 1
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 5 seen + a few heard
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c10
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 2
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 2

Blue-faced Malkoha *Phaenicophaeus viridirostris*

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 1
Note: endemic to Peninsular India and Sri Lanka

Greater Coucal *Centropus sinensis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2 seen + a few heard
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 3 seen + a few heard
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few heard
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1 heard
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 1
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 1
Note: we saw the race *parroti*, endemic to India and Sri Lanka and often split-off as a separate species; "Southern Coucal"

Sri Lanka Bay-Owl *Phodilus assimilis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 seen very well (see cover) + 1 heard
Note: a recent split from Oriental Bay-Owl *Phodilus badius*, restricted to south-west India and Sri Lanka

Indian Scops-Owl *Otus bakkamoena*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 heard
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2 seen + 2 heard
Note: endemic to the Indian subcontinent

Oriental Scops-Owl *Otus sunia*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1 heard
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2 heard
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 3 heard
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1 heard

Rock Eagle-Owl *Bubo bengalensis*

05/01/2013 - Ramanagaram - 1

Brown Fish-Owl *Ketupa zeylonensis*

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary – 2 singles

Jungle Owlet *Glaucidium radiatum*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 heard
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1 seen + 1 heard
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 6 heard
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1 heard
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1 seen + 1 heard

Note: these more rufous birds of the taxon *malabaricum* are restricted to south-west India; they are sometimes considered as a separate species; "Malabar Owlet"

Spotted Owlet *Athene brama*

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1

Mottled Wood-Owl *Strix ocellata*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 pair + 1 young

Short-eared Owl *Asio flammeus*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

Brown Hawk-Owl *Ninox scutulata*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 3 heard
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 seen + 2 heard

Ceylon Frogmouth *Batrachostomus moniliger*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2 heard
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2 pairs on their day-time roost

Note: restricted to south-west India and Sri Lanka

Great Eared-Nightjar *Lyncornis macrotis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 heard
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1 heard
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2

Note: these birds belong to the isolated race *bourdilloni*, the nearest population is in West Bengal, so keep this in mind for the future...

Gray Nightjar *Caprimulgus indicus*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

Note: the nominate form, which we saw, together with *kelaarti* of Sri Lanka is sometimes classified as a full species, the English name then becomes; "Jungle Nightjar"

Jerdon's Nightjar *Caprimulgus atripennis*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 heard

Note: endemic to Peninsular India and Sri Lanka

Indian Nightjar *Caprimulgus asiaticus*

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

Savanna Nightjar *Caprimulgus affinis*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1+

White-rumped Needletail *Zoonavena sylvatica*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 5

Brown-backed Needletail *Hirundapus giganteus*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - c80

Indian Swiftlet *Aerodramus unicolor*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 20+

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - fairly common

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - fairly common

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - a few

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

Note: endemic to south-west India and Sri Lanka

Alpine Swift *Apus melba*

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 1

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c40

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 5

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - 50+

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - a few

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c5

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

Little Swift *Apus affinis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 25+

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 2

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - very common

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - c50

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c20
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 20+
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 20+
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 20+

Asian Palm-Swift *Cypsiurus balasiensis*

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 2+
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - a few

Crested Treeswift *Hemiprocne coronata*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - c5
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - c20
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 20+
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c10
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

Malabar Trogon *Harpactes fasciatus*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1 male
Note: endemic to Peninsular India and Sri Lanka

Common Kingfisher *Alcedo atthis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1 seen + a few heard
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 1
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1

Stork-billed Kingfisher *Pelargopsis capensis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 3+

White-throated Kingfisher *Halcyon smyrnensis*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - a few
22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - a few
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few
27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - a few
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 2
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 5+
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Pied Kingfisher *Ceryle rudis*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 4

Green Bee-eater *Merops orientalis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 5+
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 5+
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - a few
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - a few

Blue-tailed Bee-eater *Merops philippinus*

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - a few
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - a few
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 5+
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 2
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

European Bee-eater *Merops apiaster*

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 5

Note: a scarce species in southern India and a lifer for our guide Jijo

Chestnut-headed Bee-eater *Merops leschenaulti*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 20+
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 40+
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - a few
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - 30+
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 20+
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 1

Indian Roller *Coracias benghalensis*

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - c10
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - c5
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 5+
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 5+
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 2

Dollarbird *Eurystomus orientalis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1

Eurasian Hoopoe *Upupa epops*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 3

Malabar Gray Hornbill *Ocyrceros griseus*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 5
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 6+
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - c5
Note: endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Indian Gray Hornbill *Ocyrceros birostris*

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 2
Note: endemic to the Indian subcontinent

Great Hornbill *Buceros bicornis*

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1 heard
Note: this species is qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Brown-headed Barbet *Megalaima zeylanica*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 2

White-cheeked Barbet *Megalaima viridis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 10+
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - common
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - common
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - fairly common
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - fairly common
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - fairly common
27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c10
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c10
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c5
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - a few
30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - a few heard
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest) - c10 seen + a few heard
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few heard
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few seen + heard

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - a few

Note: endemic to south-west India

Crimson-fronted Barbet *Megalaima rubricapillus*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2

Note: Many authors, including the IOC, recognized this Western Ghats endemic race *malabaricas* as a separate species; "Malabar Barbet"

Coppersmith Barbet *Megalaima haemacephala*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 3
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 2
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - a few heard
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few heard

Brown-capped Woodpecker *Dendrocopos moluccensis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

Yellow-crowned Woodpecker *Dendrocopos mahrattensis*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

Rufous Woodpecker *Celeus brachyurus*

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 3

White-bellied Woodpecker *Dryocopus javensis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 pair

Lesser Yellownappe *Picus chlorolophus*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 3
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 4

Note: The form in Peninsula India, *chorigaster*, and Sri Lanka, *wellsi*, are distinctive and together may represent a distinct species; Rasmussen and Anderton state, however, that further study is needed

Streak-throated Woodpecker *Picus xanthopygaeus*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 4
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 1
27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1 heard
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

Common Flameback *Dinopium javanense*

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 2
Note: these birds belong to the isolated race *malabaricum*, like in Great-eared Nightjar, the nearest population is in West Bengal, so keep this in mind for the future...

Black-rumped Flameback *Dinopium benghalense*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - c5
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 2
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 2
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 4
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

Greater Flameback *Chrysocolaptes guttacristatus*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2+
Note: recently, some authors have split-off the isolated form *socialis* as a separate species; "Malabar Flameback"

White-naped Woodpecker *Chrysocolaptes festivus*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1 male

Heart-spotted Woodpecker *Hemicircus canente*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 4

Eurasian Kestrel *Falco tinnunculus*

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 1
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 1
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - 1
30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 2
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 1
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 1
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 2

Peregrine Falcon *Falco peregrinus*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 1
05/01/2013 - Ramanagaram - 1 pair

Rose-ringed Parakeet *Psittacula krameri*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 4
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few
30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore - Ooty - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 30+
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 10+

Plum-headed Parakeet *Psittacula cyanocephala*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 10+

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 10+

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 3

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+

Note: restricted to the Indian subcontinent and Sri Lanka

Malabar Parakeet *Psittacula columboides*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 40+

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - c10

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 20+

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 20+

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - a few

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 25+

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+

Note: endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Vernal Hanging-Parrot *Loriculus vernalis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 10+

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - c20

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - c10

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 10+

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - a few

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few heard

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

Indian Pitta *Pitta brachyura*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 heard

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1 seen + 1 heard

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 heard

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 1

Note: this species is endemic to the Indian subcontinent

Malabar Woodshrike *Tephrodornis sylvicola*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1 heard

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 4

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 10+

Note: this species is endemic to south-west India

Common Woodshrike *Tephrodornis pondicerianus*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 5+

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 5+

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - c10

Ashy Woodswallow *Artamus fuscus*

- 22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 8
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 20+
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - c10
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 15
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 30+

Common lora *Aegithina tiphia*

- 23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - c5
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 2
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 5+

White-tailed lora *Aegithina nigrolutea*

- 04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 3

Note: formerly endemic to Indian and Pakistan but recently also known from Sri Lanka

White-bellied Minivet *Pericrocotus erythropygius*

- 03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1 pair
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 10+

Note: the latter is a new, and probably one of the easiest places for this difficult species in India

Small Minivet *Pericrocotus cinnamomeus*

- 24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 5+
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - a few

Scarlet Minivet *Pericrocotus flammeus*

- 22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 5+
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - c10
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - c10
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 2
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c8
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c5
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - c10

Note: the nominate race, restricted to Peninsular India and Sri Lanka, is sometimes classified as a separate species from the more eastern forms, the English name then becomes; "Orange Minivet"

Black-headed Cuckooshrike *Lalage melanoptera*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 1
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 1

Bar-winged Flycatcher-shrike *Hemipus picatus*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 2
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

Brown Shrike *Lanius cristatus*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 1
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 2
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - 1
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

Bay-backed Shrike *Lanius vittatus*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 2
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 3
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - fairly common

Long-tailed Shrike *Lanius schach*

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - c10
27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - a few
30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore - Ooty - 1
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - c10
01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - a few
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 5+
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1

Indian Golden Oriole *Oriolus kundoo*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - c10
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 2

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 8

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 2

Black-naped Oriole *Oriolus chinensis*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

Black-hooded Oriole *Oriolus xanthornus*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - c5

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - c5

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 2+

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 3

Black Drongo *Dicrurus macrocercus*

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 10+

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - a few

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

Ashy Drongo *Dicrurus leucophaeus*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - fairly common

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - fairly common

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - c10

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - c10

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c5

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - a few

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 10+

White-bellied Drongo *Dicrurus caerulescens*

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 2

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c5

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

Bronzed Drongo *Dicrurus aeneus*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - c5

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - c5

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - c5

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - c5
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

Hair-crested Drongo *Dicrurus hottentottus*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

Greater Racket-tailed Drongo *Dicrurus paradiseus*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 10+
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - fairly common
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - a few
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - fairly common

Spot-breasted Fantail *Rhipidura albogularis*

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 5
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 3
Note: endemic to central and south India

White-browed Fantail *Rhipidura aureola*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c5
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

Black-naped Monarch *Hypothymis azurea*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - c5
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 2
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few

Asian Paradise-Flycatcher *Terpsiphone paradisi*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 1
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 4
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 3
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

Rufous Treepie *Dendrocitta vagabunda*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 5+
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 5+
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 10+
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - a few
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 2

White-bellied Treepie *Dendrocitta leucogastra*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 4

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 5+

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 10+

Note: endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

House Crow *Corvus splendens*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - fairly common

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - fairly common

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - fairly common

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - fairly common

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - a few

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - fairly common

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - fairly common

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - a few

30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore - Ooty - fairly common

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - a few

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest) - a few

01/01/2013 - Ooty (Doddabetta) - a few

01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - a few

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - fairly common

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - fairly common

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - fairly common

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - a few

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - fairly common

05/01/2013 - Ramanagaram - a few

05/01/2013 - Bangalore - fairly common

Large-billed Crow *Corvus macrorhynchos*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 20+

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - fairly common

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - fairly common

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - fairly common

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 10+

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 10+

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - a few

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 20+

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - common

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - fairly common

30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore - Ooty - fairly common

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - common
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest)
- common
01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - common
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 10+
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - fairly common
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - a few
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few
05/01/2013 - Ramanagaram - a few
Note: these birds belong to the race *culminates*, restricted to south India and Sri Lanka which is sometimes split-off as a separate species; Indian Jungle Crow"

Jerdon's Bushlark *Mirafra affinis*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 4
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - c10 seen + a few heard
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 5+
Note: endemic to Peninsular India and Sri Lanka

Indian Bushlark *Mirafra erythroptera*

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 2
Note: endemic to India and south-east Pakistan

Ashy-crowned Sparrow-Lark *Eremopterix griseus*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 10+
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 10+
Note: endemic to the Indian Subcontinent

Rufous-tailed Lark *Ammomanes phoenicurus*

05/01/2013 - Ramanagaram - 1
Note: endemic to India and Pakistan

Greater Short-toed Lark *Calandrella brachydactyla*

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 1

Malabar Lark *Galerida malabarica*

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 2
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 2
Note: endemic to south-west India

Oriental Skylark *Alauda gulgula*

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 5+
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few

Bank Swallow *Riparia riparia*

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1 (a vagrant in southern India)

Dusky Crag-Martin *Ptyonoprogne concolor*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 2

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 5+

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - a few

05/01/2013 - Ramanagaram - a few

Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few

30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore - Ooty - 1

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - a few

01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - a few

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - fairly common

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - fairly common

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - a few

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

05/01/2013 - Ramanagaram - a few

Wire-tailed Swallow *Hirundo smithii*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - c10

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

Pacific Swallow *Hirundo tahitica*

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c10

30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore - Ooty - 1

01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - 3

Note: the resident race *domicola*, which we saw, is endemic to south-west India and Sri Lanka and is often considered as a separate species; "Hill Swallow"

Red-rumped Swallow *Cecropis daurica*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - c10

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - a few

30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore - Ooty - 5

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 5+

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - common

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - a few

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Streak-throated Swallow *Petrochelidon fluvicola*

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 2

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1

Common House-Martin *Delichon urbicum*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) – 3 (a scare visitor here)

Gray-headed Canary-Flycatcher *Culicicapa ceylonensis*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 5

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 1

31/12/2012 - Ooty (PM: Cairnhill Forest) - 1

Great Tit *Parus major*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 5+

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 4

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 3

01/01/2013 - Ooty (Doddabetta) - 2

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 4

Indian Tit *Parus aplonotus*

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 2

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 3

Note: endemic to central and south-west India

Indian Nuthatch *Sitta castanea*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 4

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

Note: an Indian endemic

Velvet-fronted Nuthatch *Sitta frontalis*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 2

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 4

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 4

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

Gray-headed Bulbul *Pycnonotus priocephalus*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

Note: qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International and endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Flame-throated Bulbul *Pycnonotus gularis*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 4

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 5+

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few

Note: this taxon is a recent split from Black-crested Bulbul *Pycnonotus melanicterus* and is endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Red-vented Bulbul *Pycnonotus cafer*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 10+

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 5+

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - fairly common

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 10+

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest) - fairly common

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - very common

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - common

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Red-whiskered Bulbul *Pycnonotus jocosus*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 10+

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 10+

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 10+

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 5+

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - common

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - a few

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - fairly common

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - fairly common

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - fairly common

30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore - Ooty - a few

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - a few

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest) - common

01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - a few

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c10

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - a few

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - a few

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - a few

Yellow-throated Bulbul *Pycnonotus xantholaemus*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 5+

Note: qualified as Vulnerable by BirdLife International and endemic to southern India

White-browed Bulbul *Pycnonotus luteolus*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 5+

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 3

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 3

Note: endemic to Peninsular India and Sri Lanka

Yellow-browed Bulbul *Iole indica*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - c5

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 5+

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 2

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 5+

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c10

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 5+

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 2

Note: restricted to the Western Ghats and Sri Lanka

Square-tailed Bulbul *Hypsipetes ganeesa*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 5+

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 20+

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 10+

Note: endemic to Peninsular India and Sri Lanka

Tickell's Leaf-Warbler *Phylloscopus affinis*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c8

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 5+

01/01/2013 - Ooty (Doddabetta) - 1

Yellow-browed Warbler *Phylloscopus inornatus*

31/12/2012 - Ooty (PM: Cairnhill Forest) - 1 heard (a scarce winter visitor in southern India)

Green Warbler *Phylloscopus nitidus*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 5+

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few

Greenish Warbler *Phylloscopus trochiloides*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2 seen + a few heard

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few seen + commonly heard

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - c10 seen + a few heard
 25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few
 25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - a few
 26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few heard
 27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - a few
 27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few
 28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 15+
 29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 10+
 29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - a few
 30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - a few
 31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest) - c10 seen + a few heard
 01/01/2013 - Ooty (Doddabetta) - a few
 01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+
 02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few heard
 03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
 04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - a few

Large-billed Leaf-Warbler *Phylloscopus magnirostris*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2
 24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few

Tytler's Leaf-Warbler *Phylloscopus tytleri*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
 28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

Note: this species is qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International

Western Crowned Leaf-Warbler *Phylloscopus occipitalis*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 3

Booted Warbler *Iduna caligata*

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 5+
 31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1
 01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
 02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
 03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
 03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 3

Blyth's Reed-Warbler *Acrocephalus dumetorum*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
 23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few seen + heard
 24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
 25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 2
 25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 5+
 26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 2 seen + a few heard
 27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few
 27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 10+
 27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c20
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 10+
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 10+
30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - a few heard
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c10
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c10
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - a few
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - common
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - a few
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Common Grasshopper-Warbler *Locustella naevia*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1 heard
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

Broad-tailed Grassbird *Schoenicola platyurus*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1 heard
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1 seen + 3 heard
Note: qualified as Vulnerable by BirdLife International and endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Zitting Cisticola *Cisticola juncidis*

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 5+

Common Tailorbird *Orthotomus sutorius*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 1
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 2
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 5+
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1 heard
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 1
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 5+

Gray-breasted Prinia *Prinia hodgsonii*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 1 heard
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 2

Jungle Prinia *Prinia sylvatica*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 2

Ashy Prinia *Prinia socialis*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 3

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c5
30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 1
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 1
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

Plain Prinia *Prinia inornata*

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 1
27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c10
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c10
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c5
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - a few
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 2
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

Hume's Whitethroat *Sylvia althaea*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 4
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 5+
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - fairly common

Yellow-eyed Babbler *Chrysomma sinense*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 3
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 3
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 1

Oriental White-eye *Zosterops palpebrosus*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - fairly common
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - common
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - common
30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 20+
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest) - 20+
01/01/2013 - Ooty (Doddabetta) - a few
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c15
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - a few

Brown-cheeked Fulvetta *Alcippe poioicephala*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 heard
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1 heard
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - c10
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 3

Puff-throated Babbler *Pellorneum ruficeps*

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1

Wynaad Laughingthrush *Garrulax delesserti*

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) – a group of 20+

Note: endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Rufous-breasted Laughingthrush *Garrulax cachinnans*

31/12/2012 - Ooty (PM: Cairnhill Forest) - 1 heard

01/01/2013 - Ooty (Doddabetta) - 3

Note: qualified as Endangered by BirdLife International and endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Gray-breasted Laughingthrush *Garrulax jerdoni*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c10

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 5+

Note: qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International and endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Large Gray Babbler *Turdoides malcolmi*

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 2

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - 2

30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore - Ooty - 2

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 5+

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - a few

Note: endemic to Peninsular India

Rufous Babbler *Turdoides subrufa*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1 heard

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 5

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 1

Note: endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Jungle Babbler *Turdoides striata*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - c25

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - c20

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 10+

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 10+

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - fairly common

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - a few

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 10+

Note: endemic to the Indian subcontinent

Yellow-billed Babbler *Turdoides affinis*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - fairly common

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - c15

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c15

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - fairly common

Note: endemic to south India and Sri Lanka

Tawny-bellied Babbler *Dumetia hyperythra*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 4

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - c8

Note: endemic to the Indian subcontinent

Dark-fronted Babbler *Rhopocichla atriceps*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 4

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 3

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 10+

Note: endemic to the Western Ghats and Sri Lanka

Indian Scimitar-Babbler *Pomatorhinus horsfieldii*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1 heard

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 1

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 3

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1 seen + 1 heard

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2 seen + 1 heard

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1 heard

Note: recently split from Sri Lanka Scimitar-Babbler *Pomatorhinus melanurus* and now endemic to Peninsular India

Asian Fairy-bluebird *Irena puella*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2 seen + a few heard

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - a few

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few

Asian Brown Flycatcher *Muscicapa latirostris*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 5+

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1

Rusty-tailed Flycatcher *Muscicapa ruficauda*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 4

Brown-breasted Flycatcher *Muscicapa muttui*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 3

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 3

Indian Robin *Copsychus fulicatus*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - c5

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - common

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - a few

Note: endemic to the Indian subcontinent

Oriental Magpie-Robin *Copsychus saularis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2

25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 2

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 1

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 1

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 5+

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 5+

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 5+

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 5+

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - 1

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 1

White-rumped Shama *Copsychus malabaricus*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

White-bellied Blue-Flycatcher *Cyornis pallipes*

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1 male + 2 females

Note: qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International and endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Blue-throated Flycatcher *Cyornis rubeculoides*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 3

Tickell's Blue-Flycatcher *Cyornis tickelliae*

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1

31/12/2012 - Ooty (PM: Cairnhill Forest) - 1

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 8+

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 2

Nilgiri Flycatcher *Eumyias albicaudatus*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 8

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 10+

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 5+

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1

Note: qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International and endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Verditer Flycatcher *Eumyias thalassinus*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 1

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

Nilgiri Shortwing *Brachypteryx major*

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 1

Note: qualified as Endangered by BirdLife International and endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

White-bellied Shortwing *Brachypteryx albiventris*

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 6

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

Note: qualified as Endangered by BirdLife International and endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Indian Blue Robin *Larvivora brunnea*

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2 males

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1 female

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 1 male

Malabar Whistling-Thrush *Myophonus horsfieldii*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1 seen + 1 heard

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - a few heard

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 4 seen + a few heard

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1 seen + 2 heard

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 3

Note: endemic to Peninsular India

Taiga Flycatcher *Ficedula albicilla*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

Kashmir Flycatcher *Ficedula subrubra*

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 1 male

Note: qualified as Vulnerable by BirdLife International and endemic to the Indian subcontinent

Black-and-rufous Flycatcher *Ficedula nigrorufa*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

31/12/2012 - Ooty (PM: Cairnhill Forest) - 2

Note: qualified as Near-threatened by BirdLife International and endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Blue-capped Rock-Thrush *Monticola cinclorhynchus*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1 male

Blue Rock-Thrush *Monticola solitarius*

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest)
- 1 female

Pied Bushchat *Saxicola caprata*

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c8

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c10

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - 10+

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 10+

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 20+

01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - 2

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - a few

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

Orange-headed Thrush *Geokichla citrina*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 4

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 5

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

Scaly Thrush *Zoothera dauma*

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 1

Note: the resident taxon *neilgherriensis* is restricted to the Western Ghats (EBA 123) and often considered as a separate species; "Nilgiri Thrush"

Indian Blackbird *Turdus simillimus*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 1

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest)
- 5+

01/01/2013 - Ooty (Doddabetta) - 2

Note: we saw probably 3 races; the more uniform slaty-gray *bourdilloni* as well as the blackish crowned forms *nigropileus* (Thattekkad and Munnar) and *simillimus* (Ooty)

Southern Hill Myna *Gracula indica*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 8

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - c10

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 15+

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 10+

27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

Note: endemic to the Western Ghats and Sri Lanka

Jungle Myna *Acridotheres fuscus*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 6
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 20+
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 4
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - a few
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest) - fairly common
01/01/2013 - Ooty (Doddabetta) - a few
01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - a few
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - a few
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - common
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - fairly common
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - a few
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - a few
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Common Myna *Acridotheres tristis*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - a few
22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 20+
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - a few
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - a few
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 5+
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - common
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - a few
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest) - a few
01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - a few
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - common
04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - fairly common
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - a few
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

Chestnut-tailed Starling *Sturnia malabarica*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 6

Malabar Starling *Sturnia blythii*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 5
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 10+
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 100+
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 5
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - c20
Note: very recently split-off from previous species, endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Brahminy Starling *Temenuchus pagodarum*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 25+
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 1

Rosy Starling *Pastor roseus*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 7
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - 500+
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c20
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 9

Jerdon's Leafbird *Chloropsis jerdoni*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 2

Golden-fronted Leafbird *Chloropsis aurifrons*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 20+
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 10+
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 2
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1

Thick-billed Flowerpecker *Dicaeum agile*

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

Pale-billed Flowerpecker *Dicaeum erythrorhynchos*

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 1
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c10
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 5+

Nilgiri Flowerpecker *Dicaeum concolor*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 2 seen + a few heard
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 10+
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 5+
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few
30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - a few

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1
Note: a recent split from previous species, endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Purple-rumped Sunbird *Leptocoma zeylonica*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 10+
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 2
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 5+
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - fairly common
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 10+

Crimson-backed Sunbird *Leptocoma minima*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - c10
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
Note: endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Purple Sunbird *Cinnyris asiaticus*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - c10
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - a few
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - 10+
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 2
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 5+
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - 10+

Long-billed Sunbird *Cinnyris lotenius*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - a few
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 5+
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 1
Note: endemic to south India and Sri Lanka

Little Spiderhunter *Arachnothera longirostra*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - a few
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - a few

Western Yellow Wagtail *Motacilla flava*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 20+
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 1000+ birds flew over on the way to their roost
05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - 20+

Gray Wagtail *Motacilla cinerea*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 1
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 3
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 2
25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge) - 1
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - a few
27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 5+
29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - a few
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - 5+
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - a few
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest) - a few
01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - a few
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 3
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

White Wagtail *Motacilla alba*

03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - 2

White-browed Wagtail *Motacilla madaraspatensis*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2
23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - 1
24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area) - 2
25/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area) - 2
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 1
27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1
29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - 5+
30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 5+
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2
03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 2
05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 1

Oriental Pipit *Anthus rufulus*

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 2
27/12/2012 - En route Kumily - Munnar - 1
30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - 2
31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - c5
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c10
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai - Mysore - c10

Blyth's Pipit *Anthus godlewskii*

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - 20+

Nilgiri Pipit *Anthus nilghiriensis*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 2

Note: qualified as Vulnerable by BirdLife International and endemic to the Western Ghats (EBA 123)

Tree Pipit *Anthus trivialis*

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

Olive-backed Pipit *Anthus hodgsoni*

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - 1 heard

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

Forest Wagtail *Dendronanthus indicus*

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge) - 1

Common Rosefinch *Carpodacus erythrinus*

27/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c8

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c10

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort) - c10

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 1

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 5+

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - a few

House Sparrow *Passer domesticus*

22/12/2012 - En route Kochi - Thattekkad - a few

30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore - Ooty - a few

30/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: Botanical Gardens - PM: evergreen forest & open area) - fairly common

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest) - fairly common

01/01/2013 - En route Ooty - Mudumalai - a few

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - a few

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - a few

05/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Bangalore (including stop at lake near Kokrebelur) - a few

05/01/2013 - Bangalore - a few

Chestnut-shouldered Petronia *Petronia xanthocollis*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 5+

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar - Coimbatore - a few

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c10

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - fairly common

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 20+

Red Avadavat *Amandava amandava*

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 2

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - c5

Indian Silverbill *Euodice malabarica*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 2

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 10+

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 2

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 4

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal) - c30

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city) - c20

White-rumped Munia *Lonchura striata*

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary - a few

Black-throated Munia *Lonchura kelaarti*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) - c10

Note: the distinct form *jerdoni*, which we saw, is sometimes considered as a separate species from the nominate form, which is restricted to Sri Lanka

Nutmeg Mannikin *Lonchura punctulata*

27/12/2012 - Bodi Ghats - 2

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road) - 3

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c20

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - c20

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub) - 1

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - a few

Tricolored Munia *Lonchura malacca*

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary - 2

04/01/2013 - En route Mysore - Kollegal (retour) - c40

SYSTEMATIC LIST OF MAMMALS

A) SOUTH ANDAMAN

Himalayan Palm Civet *Paguma larvata*

17/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area : 1

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area : 1

Five-striped Palm Squirrel *Funambulus pennantii*

16/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area : a few

18/12/2012 - Mount Harriet NP: a few

19/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area: a few

20/12/2012 - Chidiya Tapu area: a few

B) SOUTH INDIA

Bonnet Macaque *Macaca radiata*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area): 1

25/12/2012 - En route Thattekkad – Kumily: 6

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge): 10

29/12/2012 - En route Munnar – Coimbatore: 10

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary: 40

30/12/2012 - En route Coimbatore – Ooty: 15

31/12/2012 - Ooty (PM: Cairnhill Forest): 8
01/01/2013 - En route Ooty – Mudumalai: 5
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 10
03/01/2013 - En route Mudumalai – Mysore: 5
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal): 15

Southern Plains Gray Langur *Semnopithecus dussumieri*

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 6
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 10

Tufted Gray Langur *Semnopithecus priam*

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary: 40

Nilgiri Langur *Trachypithecus johnii*

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge): 12
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge): 10
31/12/2012 - Ooty (PM: Cairnhill Forest): 5

Indian Chevrotain *Moschiolla meminna*

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge): 1

Sambar *Cervus unicolor*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area): 1
26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge): 4
29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary: 1

Spotted Deer *Axis axis*

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary: 1
01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 10
02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 50
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 10

Nilgiri Tahr *Hemitragus hylecirus*

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort): 8

Gaur *Bos gaurus*

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge): 5

Wild Boar *Sus scrofa*

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary: 2
04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal): 20+

Asian Elephant *Elephas maximus*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 8
03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 4

Sloth Bear *Melursus ursinus*

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 1

Indian Wild Dog (Dhole) *Cuon alpinus*

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 9

Small Indian Civet *Viverricula indica*

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 1

Indian Hare *Lepus nigricollis*

01/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 1

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 12

04/01/2013 - Acacia scrub area (c20km east of Kollegal): 1

05/01/2013 - Mysore (open area north of city): 1

Indian Crested Porcupine *Hystrix indica*

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort): 1

Indian (Malabar) Giant Squirrel *Ratufa indica*

22/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Hornbill Camp area - PM: Oorlanthi Temple area): 2

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area) : 2

25/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (forest edge): 2

26/12/2012 - Periyar Tiger Reserve (AM: forest near main entrance - PM: forest edge): 4

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary: 1

31/12/2012 - Ooty (AM: birding at Kedapad village & along the Mudumalai road - PM: Cairnhill Forest): 3

Grizzled Giant Squirrel *Ratufa macroura*

29/12/2012 - Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary: 2

Three-striped Palm Squirrel *Funambulus palmarum*

23/12/2012 - Thattekkad (AM: Oorlanthi Temple area - PM: Weather station area): 2

02/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 2

03/01/2013 - Mudumalai (Jungle Huts area & Belmont Retreat forest scrub): 3

05/01/2013 - Ramanagaram : 1

Dusky Striped Squirrel *Funambulus sublineatus*

28/12/2012 - Munnar (AM: Eravikulam National Park entrance road - PM: Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort): 3

29/12/2012 - Munnar (Cardaman Shola & hills above Deshavan Resort): 3

Travancore Flying Squirrel *Pteromyx fuscicapillus*

24/12/2012 - Thattekkad (Hornbill Camp area & Oorlanthi Temple area): 1

Indian Flying Fox *Pteropus giganteus*

03/01/2013 - Ranganathittu Sanctuary: 150+

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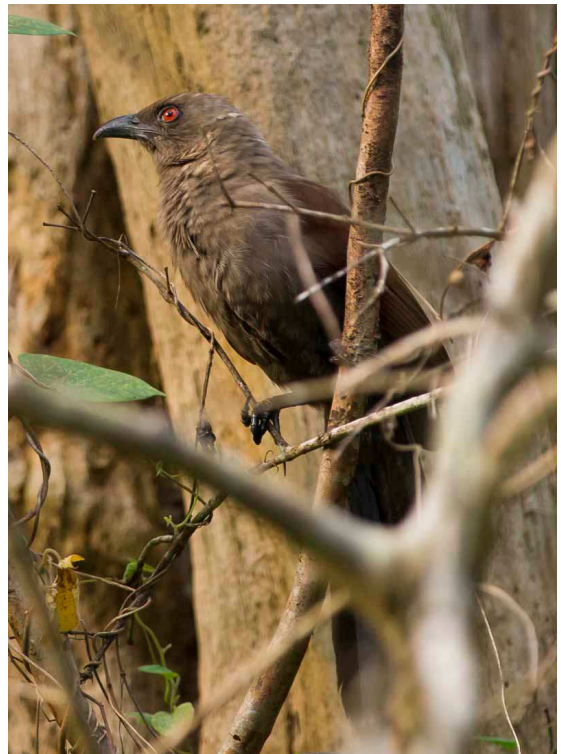
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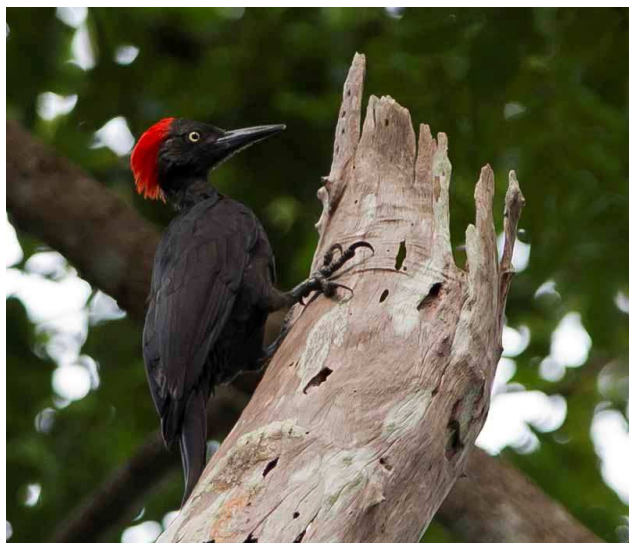
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Nilgiri Wood-Pigeon at Munnar



Andaman Coucal at Chidiya Tapu



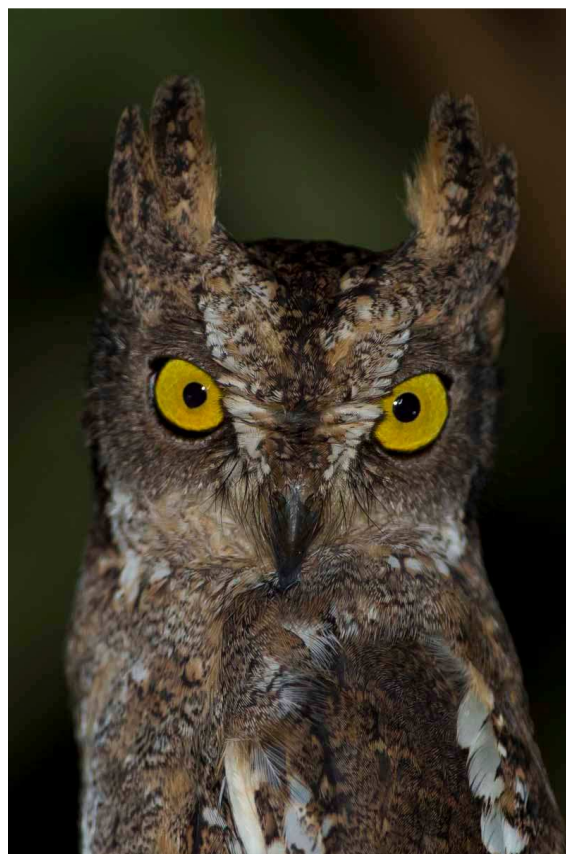
Andaman Woodpecker at Chidiya Tapu



Brown-Fish Owl at Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary



"Hume's Wawk-Owl" at Chidiya Tapu



"Walden's Scops-Owl" at Chidiya Tapu



Mottled Wood-Owl at Thattekkad



Great-eared Nightjar at Thattekkad



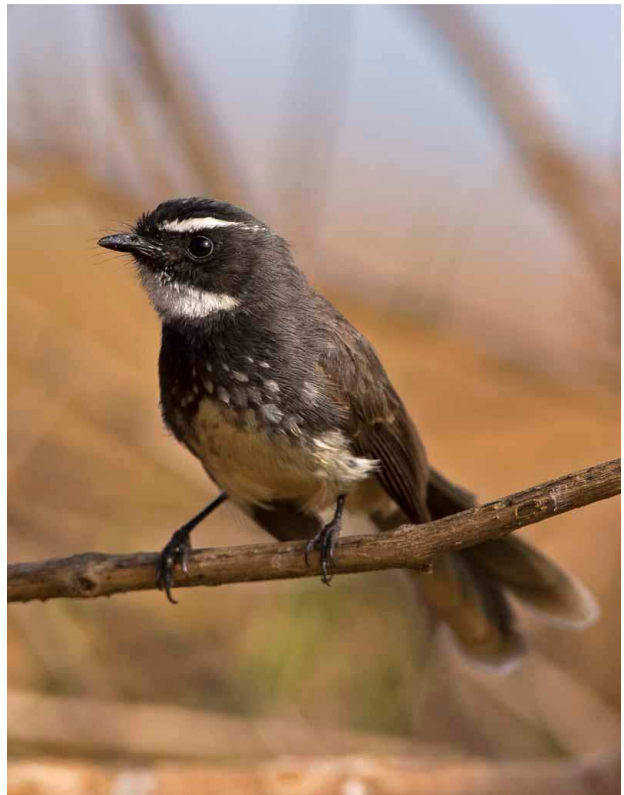
Indian Nightjar at Mudumalai



"Jungle Nightjar" at Thattekkad



Malabar Lark at Ooty



Spot-breasted Fantail at Ooty



Andaman Cuckooshrike at Mount Harriet NP



White-bellied Minivet at Mudumalai



Andaman Shama at Mount Harriet NP



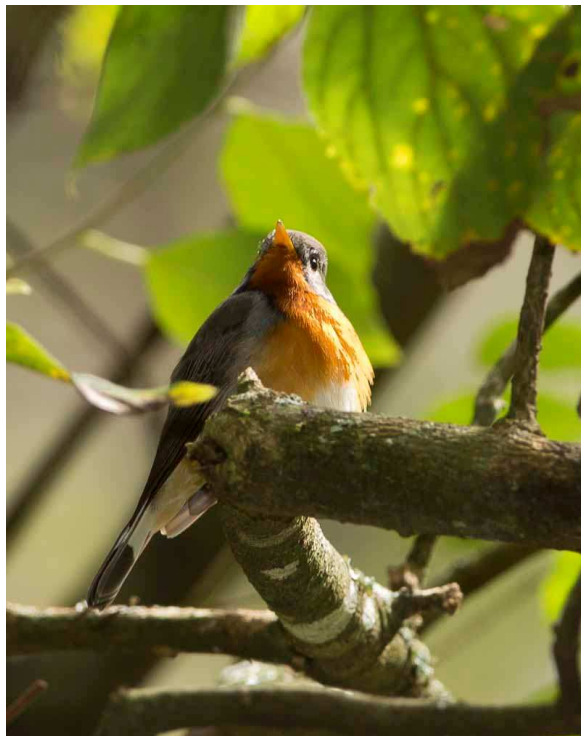
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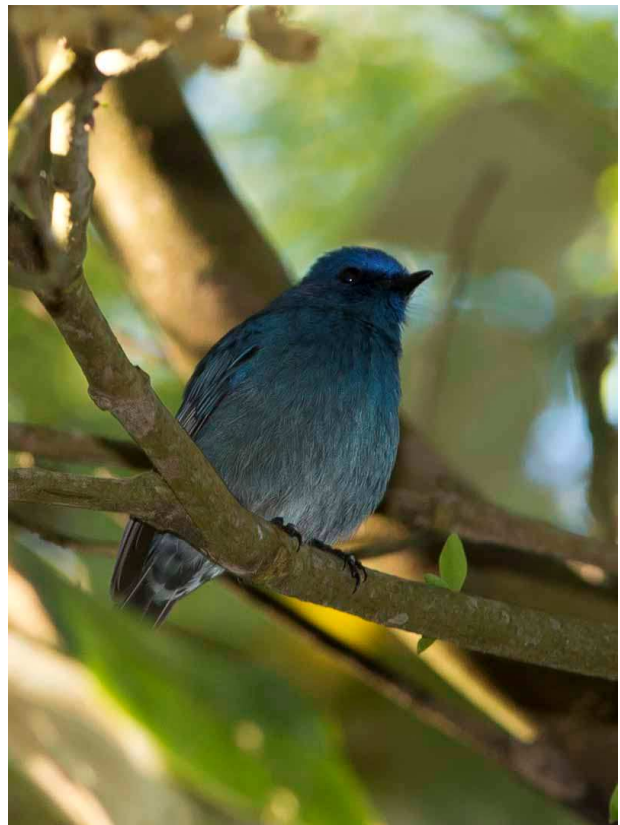
Gray-breasted Layhingthrush at Munnar



Rufous-breasted Layhingthrush at Ooty



Kashmir Flycatcher at Ooty



Nilgiri Flycatcher at Munnar



Nilgiri Shortwing at Ooty



Orange-headed Thrushes at Thattekkad



White-bellied Magpies at Thattekkad



Nilgiri Flowerpecker at Bodi Ghats



Bonnet Macaque at Periyar Tiger Reserve



Tufted Gray Langur at Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary



Nilgiri Langur at Periyar Tiger Reserve