

# Babi Island Bird Checklist

## Aru Islands, Indonesia

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	Reference
1.	Orange-footed Scrubfowl	<i>Megapodius f. freycinet aruensis</i>	Res bre	2 birds 1 mound obs 30 Mar 1988,	1,
2.	Sooty Tern	<i>Onychoprion fuscata</i>	Res	1 obs 30 Mar 1988,	1,
3.	Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	Sum mig	A constant stream obs off Pt Babi + >200 fishing nr islets Mar 1988,	1,
4.	Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>	Res	10x as many as <i>bengalensis</i> 30 Mar 1988,	1,
5.	Lesser Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bengalensis</i>	Res	P 30 Mar 1988,	1,
6.	Stephan's Dove	<i>Chalcophaps stephani stephani</i>	Res bre	2 obs 30 Mar 1988,	1,
7.	White-breasted Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus rivoli prasinorrhous</i>	Res bre	2F 1M obs & many heard 30 Mar 1988,	2,
8.	Elegant Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula concinna separata (also = aru)</i>	Res bre	1 growl-call heard 30 Mar 1988, A small island specialist.	1,
9.	Eastern Koel	<i>Eudynamys orientalis rufiventer &amp; subcyanocephala ?</i>	Res bre/Win mig	1 obs 30 Mar 1988,	1,
10.	Collared Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus chloris sordida</i>	Res bre	1 obs Mar 1988,	1,
11.	Pacific Swallow	<i>Hirundo tahitica</i>	Res bre	3 obs 30 Mar 1988,	1,
12.	Arafura Fantail	<i>Rhipidura dryas</i>	Res	6 obs 30 Mar 1988, all in secondary growth, <i>orig called R. phasiana.</i>	1,2,
13.	Broad-billed Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra ruficollis mimikae</i>	Res bre	10 obs 30 Mar 1988,	1,
14.	Island Whistler	<i>Pachycephala phaionotus</i>	Res bre	4 obs Mar 1988,	1,
15.	Brown-backed Honeyeater	<i>Ramsayornis modestus</i>	Res bre	1 obs in coastal trees Mar 1988,	1,
16.	Red-headed Myzomela	<i>Myzomela erythrocephala</i>	Res bre	5 on one flowering coconut 1988,	1,
17.	Lemon-bellied White-eye	<i>Zosterops chloris</i>	Res bre	C-A. 15+ obs 30 Mar 1988,	1,

### KEY

#### **Ecological status**

**End** = Endemic to Island unless otherwise stated, **Res bre** = Resident breeder, **Res** = resident ie breeding not proven or not likely. For seabirds it means they have or should be found in that area: note other refs. **Vag** = Vagrant, **Res/mig** = Part of population migratory, **Sum mig** = Summer migrant, **Win mig** = Winter migrant, **Spr/Aut mig** = Passage migrant in Spring and Autumn, **Intro** = Introduced.

#### **Abundance**

**R** = rare, **S** = scarce, **UC** = uncommon, **MC** = moderately common, **LC** = locally common, **C** = common, **VC** = very common, **A** = abundant, **P** = present.

**Colour coding** applies only to one species on a particular list. eg. An abundance comment in **red** for the Brown Booby refers to the Ref # in **Red** for that species only.

**Alternate Island Names & alternate common Bird Names are recorded in two separate spreadsheet files.**

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