

# Biak (Misor) Island Bird Checklist

## Geelvink Group, Indonesia.

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	Reference
1.	Lesser Frigatebird	<i>Fregata ariel</i>	Res	7 obs 27 Oct 2012, 5 obs 1988,	29,31,
2.	Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster</i>	Res	Obs 24 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2008,	30,
3.	Great-billed Heron	<i>Ardea sumatrana</i>	Res bre	Uncommon	4,
4.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	Res bre	obs 1988,	31,
5.	Eastern Great Egret	<i>Ardea modesta</i>	Res	2 obs Oct 2012, Obs Aug 2008,	29,30,
6.	Intermediate Egret	<i>Ardea intermedia</i>	Res	3 obs Oct 2012, Obs Aug 2008,	29,30,
7.	Little Egret	<i>Ardea garzetta</i>	Res	1 obs Oct 2012,	29,
8.	Eastern Cattle Egret	<i>Ardea ibis</i>	Res	Obs 1988,	31,
9.	Black Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus flavicollis</i>	Res	1 obs 27 Oct 2012,	29,
10.	Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striatus</i>	Res	Obs Aug 2008, obs 1988,	30,31,
11.	Eastern Osprey	<i>Pandion cristatus</i>	Res	Obs Aug 2008,	30,
12.	Gurney's Eagle	<i>Aquila gurneyi</i>	Res	1 obs Oct 2012, 2 obs 1988,	29,31,
13.	New Guinea Harpy Eagle	<i>Harpyopsis novaeguineae</i>	Vag?	1 seen well 29 Nov 1996.	25,
14.	White-bellied Sea-Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>	Res	Imm obs end Nov 1996. Obs Aug 2008,	25,30,
15.	Variable Goshawk	<i>Accipiter hiogaster misoriensis</i>	Res	P, 1 obs Oct 2012,	2,11,25,29,
16.	Pacific Baza	<i>Aviceda subcristata</i>	Res bre	P, 3 obs 4-5 Apr 2006, Obs Aug 2008,	11,26,30,
17.	Brahminy Kite	<i>Haliastur indus girrenera</i>	Res bre	P Oct 2012, 3 obs Oct 2012, Obs Aug 2008,	28,29,30,
18.	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Res	1 obs 5.4.2006,	26,
19.	Dusky Scrubfowl	<i>Megapodius freycinet geelvinkianus</i>	Res bre	MC, 2 obs 5.4.2006, 3 obs 2011,	11,26,27,
20.	Bush Hen	<i>Amaurornis olivaceus mollucannus</i>	Res bre	MC, 1 obs Oct 2012,	11,28,
21.	Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>	Sum mig	5 obs 15 Nov 1988,	31,
22.	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Sum mig	P end Nov 1996, 1 obs Oct 2012, Obs Aug 2008, 1 obs 15 Nov 1988,	25,28,30,31,
23.	Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	Sum mig	P end Nov 1996, 4 obs Oct 2012, 3 obs 15 Nov 1988,	25,29,31,
24.	Eastern Curlew	<i>Numenius madagascariensis</i>	Sum mig	obs 15 Nov 1988,	
25.	Wandering Tattler	<i>Tringa incana</i>	Sum mig	1 obs on rocky shore near Wari 28 Nov 1996.	25,
26.	Grey-tailed Tattler	<i>Tringa brevipes</i>	Sum mig	Obs Aug 2008, Obs 15 Nov 1988,	30,31,
27.	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Sum mig	1 obs Oct 2012,	28,
28.	Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>	Sum mig	obs 15 Nov 1988,	31,
29.	Brown Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus</i>	Res	Obs Aug 2008,	30,
30.	Bridled Tern	<i>Onychoprion anaethetus</i>	Res	Obs Aug 2008,	30,
31.	Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus begii</i>	Res	Obs Aug 2008,	30,
32.	Yellow-bibbed Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus solomonensis speciosus</i>	Res bre	P, Lowland forests. C Jul 2008, 6 obs 5.4.2006, F obs Oct	4,5,11,24,

33.	Claret-breasted Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus viridis</i>	Res bre	2012, Obs Aug 2008,	26,29,30,
34.	Slender-billed Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia amboinensis doreya</i>	Res bre	C Jul 2008, 6 obs 5.4.2006, M obs Oct 2012, Obs Aug 2008,	24,26,29,30
35.	Great Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Reinwardtoena reinwardtii brevis</i>	Res bre	1 spec. AMNH, P end Nov 1996, Obs Aug 2008,	6,25,30,
36.	Emerald Dove	<i>Chalcophaps indica minima</i>	Res bre	MC & solitary. 2 obs 4.4.2006,	11,26,
			Res bre	P, MC, P, 4 heard 4-5.4.2006, 1 obs Oct 2012,	4,11,25,26,
					28.
37.	Spotted Dove	<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	?	P Oct 2012,	28,
38.	Spice Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula myristicivora geelvinkiana</i>	Res bre	VC. 2+ obs 5.4.2006, Obs 2011, Obs Aug 2008,	11,26,27,30
39.	Pied Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula bicolor spilorrhoea</i>	Win mig	P, Obs Nov 1988,	11,31,
40.	Rock Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	Intro	Obs Aug 2008,	30,
41.	Nicobar Pigeon	<i>Caloenas n. nicobarica</i>	Res bre	MC,	11,
42.	Victoria Crowned Pigeon	<i>Goura v. victoria</i>	Res bre	P,	4,11,
43.	Black-winged Lory	<i>Eos cyanogenia</i>	End Geelvink	P, C on coast. C Jul 2008, 2 pr only Apr 2006, C Jun 2011,	4,7,11,24,26,
				3 obs Oct 2012, Obs 1998,	27,29,31,
44.	Dusky Lory	<i>Pseudeos fuscata</i>	Res	2 obs Oct 2012,	29,
45.	Biak Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus rosenbergii</i>	Res bre	P, 2 coll Dec 1937, 6 collected by Doherty for Tring, P 2011,	11,13,20,23
					27,
46.	Coconut Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Res bre	Obs Oct 2012, Obs Aug 2008,	29,30,
47.	Western Black-capped Lory	<i>Lorius lory cyanauchen</i>	Res bre	P, MC, 3 coll for Tring, P Nov 1996, Pr Apr 2006,	4,11,13,23,
					25,26,
48.	Red-fronted Lory	<i>Charmosyna rubronotata kordoana</i>	Res bre	P, MC, Easy to find 6/7, 27 Nov 1996, 2+ obs 5.4.2006,	4,11,13,25,26,
				Obs Aug 2008, 1 obs Nov 1988,	30,31,
49.	Red-flanked Lorikeet	<i>Charmosyna placentis ornata</i>	Res bre	P,	4,11,
50.	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	Res bre	1 spec in Lit. P Nov 1996, Obs Jun 2011, 3 obs Nov 1988,	6,25,27,31,
51.	Geelvink Pygmy-Parrot	<i>Micropsitta geelvinkiana misoriensis</i>	End +Numfor	Found in lowland forest. 1 obs 5.4.2006, 5 obs 24/6/2011,	4,7,10,11,
					13,26,27,
52.	Red-cheeked Parrot	<i>Geoffroyus geoffroyi mysorensis</i>	Res bre	MC, 2 coll. for Tring, P Jun 2011, Obs Oct 2012,	11,23,27,29
53.	Eclectus Parrot	<i>Eclectus roratus biaki</i>	Res bre	P, F coll. by Doherty, P Nov 1996, P Jun 2011, 2 obs 1988,	11,13,23,25,27,
				Obs Oct 2012,	29,31,
54.	Brush Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis variolosus chivae</i>	Res bre/Win Mig	MC. Heard 26-29 <sup>th</sup> Nov 1996, Heard Jun 2011, 4 obs 4.2006,	11,25,26,
				P Oct 2012, Obs Nov 1988,	27,28,31,
55.	Chestnut-breasted Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis castaneiventris</i>	Res bre	2 obs 25.6.2011,	27,
56.	Little Bronze-cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx minutillus misoriensis</i>	Win mig	MC, 1 obs Oct 2012, 2 obs Nov 1988,	11,29,31,
57.	Shining Bronze Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx lucidus</i>	Win mig	P 25.6.2011,	27,
58.	Biak Coucal	<i>Centropus chalybeus</i>	End	Dwells in thick secondary regrowth. MC, MC to ear UC to eye	7,11,24,25,
				Jul 2008, 2 obs Nov 1996, Pr heard 5.4.2006, Jun 2011,	26,27,
59.	Moluccan Scops-Owl	<i>Otus magicus</i>	Res bre	P, In forests.	4,7,
60.	Beccari's Scops-Owl	<i>Otus beccarii</i>	Res bre	2 coll. 1 obs Jul 2008, Heard 24&25.6.2011,	11,13,24,27
61.	Papuan Frogmouth	<i>Podargus papuensis</i>	Res bre	P, 2 heard Apr 2006, 1 incubating, Oct 2012,	11,26,28,
62.	Large-tailed Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus macrurus yorki</i>	Res bre	P, Several on track Jul 2008, 3 obs 5.4.2006, 1 heard Oct 2012,	11,24,26,29
63.	Moustached Tree-swift	<i>Hemiprocne m. mystacea</i>	Res bre	P, Obs 24.6.2011, 1 obs Oct 2012, Obs Aug 2008,	11,27,29,30
64.	Glossy Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia esculenta</i>	Res	C Apr 2006, P 24&25.6.2011, Obs 2012, Obs 1988,	26,27,29,31,
65.	Uniform Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus vanikorensis steini</i>	Res	P, P 24 & 25.6.2011, P Oct 2012, Obs Nov 1988,	11,27,28,31,
66.	Fork-tailed Swift	<i>Apus pacificus</i>	Spr/Aut Mig	sizeable groups coming through town 26 Nov 1996.	25.
67.	Variable Dwarf Kingfisher	<i>Ceyx lepidus solitarius</i>	Res bre	P, Coll,	11,19,
68.	Azure Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo azureus</i>	Res	P Nov 1996,	25,

69.	Sacred Kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus sanctus</i>	Res	P 24.6.2011, <a href="#">Obs Aug 2008</a> ,	27,30,
70.	Beach Kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus saurophaga</i>	Res bre	2 obs Oct 2012, <a href="#">Obs Aug 2008</a> ,	29,30,
71.	Biak Paradise Kingfisher	<i>Tanyiptera riedelii</i>	End	Inhabits <a href="#">deep forest</a> . <a href="#">&lt;8/day obs July 2008</a> , <a href="#">9 obs 17 heard 4-5.4.2006</a> , <a href="#">1 obs 3 heard Oct 2012</a> ,	<a href="#">7,11,13,24,26,29</a> ,
72.	Yellow-billed Kingfisher	<i>Syma torotoro</i>	Res	Heard Nov 1996,	25,
73.	Rufous-bellied Kookaburra	<i>Dacelo gaudichaud</i>	Res	Obs Nov 1996,	25,
74.	Rainbow Bee-eater	<i>Merops ornatus</i>	Win mig	Obs 24 & 25.6.2011, <a href="#">Obs Aug 2008</a> ,	27,30,
75.	Dollarbird	<i>Eurystomus orientalis</i>	Win mig	P, <a href="#">1 obs Apr 2006</a> , <a href="#">Obs 24 &amp; 25.6.2011</a> , <a href="#">Obs Aug 2008</a> ,	<a href="#">4,26,27,30</a> ,
76.	Hooded Pitta	<i>Pitta sordida rosenbergii</i>	Res bre	<a href="#">LMC-LC in forest, regrowth &amp; remnant forests</a> , P, <a href="#">9 coll by Meyer &amp; Bruijn</a> , <a href="#">MC Apr 2006</a> , <a href="#">3 obs 25.6.2011</a> , <a href="#">UC-LA near fresh water</a> . P <a href="#">Oct 2012</a> , P <a href="#">1988</a> ,	<a href="#">7,11,18,23,26,27,7,28,31</a> ,
77.	Pacific Swallow	<i>Hirundo tahitica</i>	Res bre	<a href="#">UC in forest, forest edges, gardens, savanna &amp; mangroves</a> , P, <a href="#">3 obs Apr 2006</a> ,	<a href="#">7,11,25,26</a> ,
78.	Slender-billed Cicadabird	<i>Coracina tenuirostris meyerii</i>	Res/Mig	<a href="#">5 obs Jun 2011</a> , <a href="#">Obs Aug 2008</a> ,	<a href="#">27,30</a> ,
79.	Grey-headed Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina schisticeps</i>	Res	P, <a href="#">Descr from here and Mysol</a> , <a href="#">5 obs Apr 2006</a> , <a href="#">Obs Jun 2011</a> ,	<a href="#">4,11,18,26,27,29,30</a> ,
80.	Black-browed Triller	<i>Lalage a. atrovirens</i>	Res bre	P,	3,
81.	Varied Triller	<i>Lalage leucomela (atrovirens)</i>	Res	P. <a href="#">Coll &amp; obs Dec 1962</a> ,	7,1,
82.	Grey's Grasshopper-Warbler	<i>Locustella fasciolata</i>	Sum mig	Rare Spec 1969.	7,8,
83.	Oriental Reed-Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus orientalis</i>	Sum mig	P, <a href="#">MC-C in large &amp; small forest and their edges</a> .	<a href="#">4,7,11,18</a> ,
84.	Island Leaf-Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trivirgatus misoriensis</i>	Res bre	P, <a href="#">MC in patches of scrub along creeks and in forest breaks</a> .	<a href="#">4,7,11,18</a> ,
85.	Emperor Fairy-wren	<i>Malurus cyanocephalus mysorensis</i>	Res bre	<a href="#">Pr+1 obs 5.4.2006</a> , <a href="#">Pr obs Oct 2012</a> ,	<a href="#">26,28</a> ,
86.	Large-billed Gerygone	<i>Gerygone magnirostris hypoxantha</i>	Res bre	P, <a href="#">LC-VC in mangroves, swamps and other wet locations</a> .	<a href="#">4,7,11</a> ,
87.	Biak Gerygone	<i>Gerygone hypoxantha</i>	End	3 records 1991-1994 though daily sightings Jun-Jul 2006, <a href="#">2011</a> ,	<a href="#">15,18,27</a> ,
88.	Northern Fantail	<i>Rhipidura rufiventris kordensis</i>	Res bre	<a href="#">MC-C in all forests, forest edges and regrowth of lowl. &amp; hills</a>	<a href="#">7,11,18,26</a> ,
89.	Willie Wagtail	<i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>	Res	<a href="#">2 obs Apr 2006</a> , <a href="#">Obs 24 &amp; 25.6.2011</a> , <a href="#">Obs Oct 2012</a> ,	<a href="#">26,27,29,31</a> ,
90.	White-bellied Thicket-Fantail	<i>Rhipidura leucothorax</i>	Res	<a href="#">Obs 1988</a> ,	27,
91.	Island Monarch	<i>Monarcha cinerascens geelvinkianus</i>	Res bre	10 obs 25.6.2011,	27,
92.	Biak Monarch	<i>Monarcha brehmii</i>	End + Supiori	<a href="#">MC-VC Inhabits littoral forest, scrub and gardens</a> , P,	<a href="#">7,11,18</a> ,
93.	Golden Monarch	<i>Monarcha chrysomela kordensis</i>	Res bre	P, <a href="#">Present in forest</a> , <a href="#">Rare</a> , <a href="#">Endangered</a> , <a href="#">Heard Jun 2011</a> ,	<a href="#">4,7,11,17,27</a> ,
94.	Rufous Monarch	<i>Monarcha rubiensis</i>	Res	P, <a href="#">MC-C in most forests &lt; 700m</a> , P, <a href="#">M obs 5.4.2006</a> , <a href="#">Obs Jun 2011</a> , <a href="#">Pr obs Oct 2012</a> ,	<a href="#">4,7,11,18,26,27,29</a> ,
95.	Biak Black Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra a. atra</i>	End + Numfor	Obs Jun 2011,	27,
96.	Shining Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra alecto chalybeocephalus</i>	Res bre	1 spec from Rani Isl. <a href="#">Inhabits open forest</a> , P, <a href="#">6 obs 5.4.2006</a> ,	<a href="#">4,7,11,18,26,27,29</a> ,
97.	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	Sum mig	<a href="#">2 obs +3 heard Jun 2011</a> , <a href="#">M obs Oct 2012</a> ,	<a href="#">2,4,7,11,14</a> ,
98.	Common Golden Whistler	<i>Pachycephala pectoralis</i>	Res	P, <a href="#">UC-C in Lowland Swamp forest, littoral &amp; riparian scrub</a>	<a href="#">27,29</a> ,
99.	Little Shrike-thrush	<i>Colluricincla megarhyncha melanorhyncha</i>	Res bre	<a href="#">F have very dark chestnut backs &amp; M variable</a> , <a href="#">Obs Jun 2011</a> ,	<a href="#">27,29</a> ,
100.	Olive-crowned Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum pectorale</i>	Res bre	<a href="#">Obs Oct 2012</a> ,	31,
101.	Red-capped Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum mysorensis</i>	Res bre	P Nov 1996,	25,
102.	Black Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia aspasia mysorensis</i>	Res bre	1 obs Nov 1988,	31,
				P Nov 1996,	25,
				<a href="#">C-A more often heard than seen in forest &amp; regrowth</a> C.	<a href="#">7,11</a> ,
				<a href="#">MC-C but inconspicuous</a> . <a href="#">Obs Oct 2012</a> ,	<a href="#">7,39</a> ,
				MC, <a href="#">C Jun 2011</a> , <a href="#">8 obs Apr 2006</a> , P <a href="#">Oct 2012</a> , <a href="#">2 obs 1988</a> ,	<a href="#">11,26,27,28,31</a>
				<a href="#">MC-C in forests and forest edges</a> . P Nov 1996, <a href="#">&lt;10 Apr 2006</a> ,	<a href="#">7,10,11,25</a> ,

103.	Yellow-bellied Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia jugularis</i>	Res bre	Obs Jun 2011, Obs Oct 2012, MC-C outside of forests, Obs Jun 2011, P Oct 2012, P Oct 2012, P 1988,	26,27,29, 27,28,29,31
104.	Biak White-eye	<i>Zosterops mysorensis</i>	End	P, Inhabits forest & regrowth. No eye ring, 6&10 obs 4-5.4.06, 5+ obs Jun 2011, P 1988,	4,7,11,26,27, 31,
105.	Dusky Myzomela	<i>Myzomela obscura rubrobrunnea</i>	Res bre	P, LMC, 3 obs Jun 2011,	4,7,11,27,
106.	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	Intro	3 Jan 1994 M & 2F carrying food presume nesting at airport,	21,
107.	Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>	Intro	Obs by Margaret Cameron Aug 1995, 5 obs May 1989, Obs Jun 2011, P Oct 2012,	21,22,27,28
108.	Sooty-headed Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus aurigaster</i>	Intro/Escap	3 obs 28 Jan 1995, 3 obs Apr 2006, P Oct 2012,	21,26,28,
109.	Metallic (Asian Glossy) Starling	<i>Aplornis panayensis metallicus inornata</i>	Res bre	MC-VC C. P Nov 1996, LC in lge flocks 4.2006, Obs Jun 2011, P Oct 2012,	7,11,25,26, 27,28,
110.	Long-tailed Starling	<i>Aplornis magna magna</i>	End + Numfor	Found in forest edge, tall regrowth and lowland gardens. Easy, 16 obs 4/5.4.2006, Obs Jun 2011, Obs Oct 2012, P 1988,	7,11,25,26,29, 31,
111.	Yellow-faced Myna	<i>Mino dumontii</i>	Pos Intro	Possibly introduced,	7,
112.	Spangled Drongo	<i>Dicrurus bracteatus carbonarius</i>	Res bre/mig	CU in Rain Gallery, Monsoon & Teak forests & mangroves, C, P Nov 1996, Obs Jun 2011, Obs Oct 2012,	7,11,25,27, 29,
113.	Hooded Butcherbird	<i>Cracticus cassicus cassicus</i>	Res bre	Riverine Forest, C. P Nov 1996, <5 obs 4.2006, 3 obs Jun 2011, 3 obs Oct 2012, Obs 1988,	7,11,25,26,27, 28,31,
114.	Torresian Crow	<i>Corvus orru orru &amp; salvadori</i>	Res bre	C. P Nov 1996, Obs 1988,	7,11,25,31,

## 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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