

Crown Island Bird Checklist

Vitiaz-Dampier Straits, PNG

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Matsudaira's Storm-Petrel	<i>Oceanodroma matsudairae</i> (no ssp)	Mig Spr/Aut	2 obs 27 km NE 1.8.2007,	6,
2.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta s. sacra</i>	Res	P,	1,
3.	Rufous Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i> ssp?	Res bre	P,	1,
4.	Brahminy Kite	<i>Haliastur indus girrenera</i>	Res	P,	1,
5.	White-bellied Sea-eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i> (no ssp)	Res?	P,	1,
6.	Eastern Osprey	<i>Pandion cristatus melvillensis</i>	Res	P,	1,
7.	Beach Thick-knee	<i>Esacus magnirostris</i> (no ssp)	Res bre	P,	1,
8.	Mackinlay's Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia mackinlayi arossi</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
9.	Bronze Ground-Dove	<i>Gallicolumba beccarii</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
10.	Red-knobbed Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus i. insolitus</i>	End Bis	P,	1,
11.	Yellow-bibbed Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus solomonensis meyeri</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
12.	Island Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula pistrinaria rhodinolaema</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
13.	Pied Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula bicolor subflavescens</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
14.	Nicobar Pigeon	<i>Caloenas n. nicobarica</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
15.	Coconut Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus haematodus massena</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
16.	Red-flanked Lorikeet	<i>Charmosyna placentis pallidior</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
17.	Uniform Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus vanikorensis pallens</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
18.	Sacred Kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus s. sancta</i>	Win Mig	P,	1,
19.	Beach Kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus s. saurophaga</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
20.	Hooded Pitta	<i>Pitta sordida novaeguineae</i>	Res bre	P, LMC-LC in forest, regrowth & remnant forests.	1,3,
21.	Pacific Swallow	<i>Hirundo tahitica frontalis</i>	Res?	P, UC-LA near fresh water.	1,3,
22.	Island Monarch	<i>Monarcha cinerascens impediens/nigrirostris</i>	Res bre	P, MC-VC Inhabits littoral forest, scrub and gardens.	1,3,5,
23.	Mangrove Golden Whistler	<i>Pachycephala melanura dahli</i>	Res bre	P, Sole whistler on island	1,2,
24.	Ebony Myzomela	<i>Myzomela pammelaena nigerrima</i>	Res bre	P, Common sea-level to summit. MC-A most Habitats	1,2,3,
25.	Scarlet-bibbed Myzomela	<i>Myzomela sclateri</i> (no ssp)	Res bre	P, Common sea-level to summit MC-C in forest	1,2,3,
26.	Yellow-bellied Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia jugularis flavigaster</i>	Res bre	P, MC-C outside forests	1,3,
27.	Louisiades White-eye	<i>Zosterops griseotinctus eichhorni</i>	Res bre	P,	1,3,
28.	Blue-faced Parrot-Finch	<i>Erythrura trichroa sigillifera</i>	Res bre	P, Coll at 390m 1972, UC-C & Secretive	1,2,3,
29.	Singing Starling	<i>Aplornis c. cantoroides</i>	Res bre	P, LC	1,3,
30.	Metallic Starling	<i>Aplornis metallica nitida</i>	Res bre	P, MC-VC	1,3,

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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