

# Kiriwina Island Bird Checklist

## Trobriand Group, PNG

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	White-tailed Tropicbird	<i>Phaethon lepturus</i>	Res	1 offshore Nov 1969.	7,
2.	Great Frigatebird	<i>Fregata minor</i>	Res	1 in flock checked was <i>minor</i> . = 3-5% of Frigatebirds Aug. 1976	10,23,
3.	Australian Pelican	<i>Pelecanus conspicillatus</i>	Vag	43 counted 24.8.1976, Locals seen frequently.	21,
4.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	Res bre	C, 3 spec. AMNH, Coll, by Meek 1894/5,	5,26,29,
5.	Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>	Res bre	1 obs, Apr 84.	23,
6.	Variable Goshawk	<i>Accipiter hiogaster</i>	Res bre	3FIM coll by Meek 1894/5,	15,29,
7.	Orange-footed Scrubfowl	<i>Megapodius freycinet macgillivrayi</i>	Res bre	MC, Ad, yng & eggs coll. by Meek 1894/5,	15,17,29,
8.	Purple Swampphen	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio melanopterus</i>	Res bre	C, Coll by Meek,	15,29,
9.	Lesser (Mongolian) Sand Plover	<i>Charadrius mongolus</i>	Sum mig	MC. Apr 1984.	23,
10.	Large Sand-plover	<i>Charadrius leschenaultii</i>	Sum mig	UC. Apr 1984	23,
11.	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	Sum mig	Small flocks = C.st wader.	23,
12.	Grey-tailed Tattler	<i>Tringa brevipes</i>	Sum mig	MC. Apr 1984.	23,
13.	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Sum mig	2/3 seen Apr 1984, Coll. By Meek 1894/5,	23,29,
14.	Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	?	V. Lge #'s W>E 22 Apr 1984.	14,23,
15.	Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>	Res	MC. Apr 1984.	23,
16.	Lesser Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bengalensis</i>	Res	UC. Apr 1984- few seen periodically.	23,
17.	Brown Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus</i>	Res	Small #'s Apr 1984.	23,
18.	Claret-breasted Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus viridis vicinus</i>	Res bre	C. Small groups Apr 1984, Coll by Meek,	15,20,23,29,
19.	Superb Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus superbus</i>	Res	Coll. By Meek 1894/5,	29,
20.	Pied Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula bicolor spilorrhoea</i>	Res bre	P,	15,
21.	Nicobar Pigeon	<i>Caloenas n. nicobarica</i>	Res?	1 imm photographed, MC, "Found" by Meek 1894/5,	9,15,29,
22.	Emerald Dove	<i>Chalcophaps indica chrysochlora</i>	Res bre	Ad nest & 2 eggs coll. 18 Apr 1895,	29,
23.	Eclectus Parrot	<i>Eclectus roratus</i>	Res bre	C. inland Apr 1984, "Evidently common" 1894/5, Coll. by Meek for Tring,	23,29,30,
24.	Eastern Black-capped Lory	<i>Lorius hypoinochrous devittatus</i>	Res bre	VC. Aug 1976. 1pr. Obs. Apr 1984, Coll 1894/5 Tring,	5,15,21,29,
25.	Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	Res bre	VC. Aug 1976. Specs in AMNH, Coll by Finsch, P,	3,5,21,29,30,
26.	Channel-billed Cuckoo	<i>Scythrops novaehollandiae</i>	Win mig	A. 22 Aug 1976, 20+ in 1 tree, M& larger F coll by Meek,	21,29,
27.	Little Bronze-cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx minutillus poecilurus</i>	Win mig	MC	15,
28.	Marbled Frogmouth	<i>Podargus ocellatus intermedius</i>	Res bre	P, M&F coll by Meek 1894/5,	5,15,16,29,
29.	Uniform Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus vanikorensis tagulae</i>	Res bre	C. away from the beach. 2 spec in AMNH, Skins col by Meek,	4,5,15,23,29,
30.	Glossy Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia esculenta missimae</i>	Res bre	C. at beach coconuts, 2F skins AMNH, Skins coll by Meek,	23,27,29,
31.	Sacred Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus sancta</i>	Win mig	Retrap from Mudjee NSW, C. inland & in Nth Apr 1984, Coll 8,23,29, 1894/5 for Tring by Meek,	

32.	Forest Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon macleayii</i>	Res /mig	1 spec. AMNH, F coll by Meek 1894/5,	19,29,
33.	Rainbow Bee-eater	<i>Merops ornatus</i>	Win mig	VC. Apr 1984.	23,13,
34.	Varied Triller	<i>Lalage leucomelatrobriandi</i>	Res bre	C. Apr 1984. MC in rainforests.	5,13,15,23,
35.	Island Monarch	<i>Monarcha cinerascens rosselianus</i>	Res bre	Coll by Meek,	29,
36.	Black-faced Monarch	<i>Monarcha melanopsis</i>	Win mig	Skins incl 1F without black chin coll by Meek,	29,
37.	Satin Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra cyanoleuca</i>	Res bre	1 M. obs. Apr 1984. Mar-Oct in forest edges & partly cleared areas.	13,15,22, 23,
38.	Shining Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra alecto lucida</i>	Res bre	7F are uniform with Sudest birds.	1,
39.	Grey Shrike-thrush	<i>Colluricincla harmonica</i>	Res bre	1 obs Apr 1984.	23,
40.	Little Shrike-thrush	<i>Colluricincla megarhyncha trobriandi</i>	Res bre	C-A more often heard than seen in forest & regrowth, M&F coll by Meek & 2 clutches of 2 eggs Mar & Dec,	1,13,15,29,
41.	Black Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia aspasia christianae</i>	Res bre	C. inland. MC-C in forests and forest edges, Skins & clutches of 2&3 coll Sep-Mar 1894,	13,15,23,29,
42.	Puff-backed Meliphaga	<i>Meliphaga aruensis sharpei</i>	Res bre	P, MC-C in Forest and tall regrowth < 1200m, MC.	5,13,15,
43.	Graceful Meliphaga	<i>Meliphaga gracilis</i>	Res bre	1 obs in coastal vegetation.	23,
44.	Tawny-breasted Honeyeater	<i>Xanthotis flaviventer spilogaster</i>	Res bre	P, A. & ubiquitous. obs on edge of Rainforest.	5,9,15,23,
45.	Helmeted Friarbird	<i>Philemon buceroides</i>	Res bre	P, Common.	5,13,
46.	Metallic Starling	<i>Aplornis metallica metallicus</i>	Res bre	Nesting. C. on beach. MC-VC, Eggs coll by Meek – Tring,	4,5,7,13,15,29,
47.	Brown Oriole	<i>Oriolus szalayi</i>	Res bre	MC. Apr 1984.	23,
48.	Figbird	<i>Sphecotheres viridis</i>	Res bre	1 rec edge of RF.	23,
49.	Spangled Drongo	<i>Dicrurus hottentottus bracteatus</i>	Res bre	C. in Coastal Veg. CU in Rain Gallery, Monsoon & Teak forests & mangroves.	13,23,24,
50.	Hooded Butcherbird	<i>Cracticus crassicus hercules</i>	Res bre	1 pr. Obs. Prefers riparian forest, C, Clutches of 2&3 coll Sep- Jan	13,15,23,29,
51.	Curl-crested Manucode	<i>Manucodia comrii trobriandi</i>	End Trob/D'Ent	Kaileuna & Kiriwina Isles = Only Trob Isles it inhabits MC. Apr 1984, Nest & egg described 1896, Skins coll Tring,	5,12,15,23,25, 28,29,
52.	Torresian Crow	<i>Corvus orru</i>	Res bre	P,	13,

## 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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