

Pinipel Island Systematic Bird Check List

(Green Islands Grp) PNG

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| # | Common Name | Scientific Name | Ecol. Status | Abundance | Reference |
|-----|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|-----------|
| 1. | Lesser Frigatebird | <i>Fregata ariel</i> | Res | 1 seen Apr 1982. | 1,2, |
| 2. | Brown Booby | <i>Sula leucogaster</i> | Res | 1 seen Apr 1982. | 1,2, |
| 3. | Eastern Reef Egret | <i>Egretta sacra</i> | Res bre | both forms Apr 1982. | 1, |
| 4. | Brahminy Kite | <i>Haliastur indus</i> | Res bre | Very Common, nest Apr 1982. | 1, |
| 5. | Melanesian Scrubfowl | <i>Megapodius eremita</i> | Res bre | P, | 1,3, |
| 6. | Crested Tern | <i>Thalasseus bergii</i> | Res | Few | 1, |
| 7. | Black-naped Tern | <i>Sterna sumatrana</i> | Res | Large flocks | 1, |
| 8. | Brown (Common) Noddy | <i>Anous stolidus</i> | Res | Seen Apr 1982. | 1, |
| 9. | Black Noddy | <i>Anous minutus</i> | Res | P, | 1, |
| 10. | Yellow-bibbed Fruit-dove | <i>Ptilinopus solomonensis</i> | Res bre | P, | 1, |
| 11. | Coconut Lorikeet | <i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i> | Res bre | Common | 1, |
| 12. | Uniform Swiftlet | <i>Aerodramus vanikornesis</i> | Res bre | Present | 1, |
| 13. | Glossy Swiftlet | <i>Collocalia esculenta</i> | Res bre | Very common | 1, |
| 14. | Sacred Kingfisher | <i>Todirhamphus sancta</i> | Win mig | common | 1, |
| 15. | Beach (White-headed) Kingfisher | <i>Todirhamphus saurophaga</i> | Res bre | Present. | 1, |
| 16. | Island Monarch | <i>Monarcha cinerascens impedens</i> | Res bre | common | 1,4, |
| 17. | Atoll Starling | <i>Aplornis feadensis</i> | Res bre | VC. | 1, |
| 18. | Metallic Starling | <i>Aplornis metallica</i> | Res | MC | 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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