

# Sakar Is. (Tupinier) Bird Checklist

Bismarck Arch off NB. Vitiaz Strait, PNG

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	Res	P,	1,
2.	Rufous Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i>	Res bre	P, sub spp =?	1,
3.	Bush-hen	<i>Amaurornis moluccanus nigrifrons</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
4.	Brahminy Kite	<i>Haliastur indus girrenera</i>	Res	P,	1,
5.	Beach Stone-curlew	<i>Esacus magnirostris</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
6.	Slender-billed Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia amboinensis</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
7.	Mackinlay's Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia mackinlayi</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
8.	White-bibbed Ground-Dove	<i>Gallicolumba jobiensis</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
9.	Red-knobbed Fruit-dove	<i>Ptilinopus insolitus</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
10.	Yellow-bibbed Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus solomonensis</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
11.	Red-Knobbed Imperial-pigeon	<i>Ducula rubricera</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
12.	Pied Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula spilorrhoa</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
13.	Eastern Black-capped Lory	<i>Lorius hypoinochrous</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
14.	Red-flanked Lorikeet	<i>Chamosyna placentas</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
15.	Buff-faced Pygmy-parrot	<i>Micropsitta pusio</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
16.	Eastern Koel	<i>Eudynamys orientalis</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
17.	Channel-billed Cuckoo	<i>Scythrops novaehollandiae</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
18.	Common Dollarbird	<i>Eurystomus orientalis</i>	Res bre	P,	1,
19.	Pacific Swallow	<i>Hirundo tahitica</i>	Res?	UC-LA near fresh water.	1,2,
20.	Slender-billed Cicadabird	<i>Coracina tenuirostris</i>	Res/Mig	UC in forest, forest edges, gardens, savanna & mangroves	2,
21.	Varied Triller	<i>Lalage leucomela</i>	Res bre	MC in rainforests	1,2,
22.	Golden-headed Cisticola	<i>Cisticola exilis polionotus</i>	Res bre	C in savanna and other grasslands < 1000+ m.	1,2,6,
23.	Willie Wagtail	<i>Rhipidura leucophrys melaleuca</i>	Res bre	C-VC in man-made or naturally open country < 850m	2,4,
24.	Island Monarch	<i>Monarcha cinerascens perpallidus?</i>	Res bre	MC-VC Inhabits littoral forest, scrub and gardens.	2,5,
25.	Shining Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra alecto chalybeocephalus</i>	Res bre	UC-C in Lowland Swamp forest, littoral & riparian scrub	1,2,6,
26.	Black Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia aspasia</i>	Res bre	MC-C in forests and forest edges.	1,2,
27.	Yellow-bellied Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia jugularis</i>	Res bre	MC-C outside forests	1,2,
28.	Singing Starling	<i>Aplornis cantoroides</i>	Res bre	LC	2,
29.	Metallic Starling	<i>Aplornis metallica</i>	Res bre	MC-VC	2,
30.	Torresian Crow	<i>Corvus orru</i>	Res bre	P,	1,2,

## 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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