

# Kohingo (Arundel) Island Bird Checklist

## New Georgia Group, Solomon Islands

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| #   | Common Name                 | Scientific Name                                 | Ecol. Status   | Abundance  | References |
|-----|-----------------------------|---|----------------|--|------------|
| 1.  | Eastern Reef Egret          | <i>Egretta sacra</i>                            | Res bre        | P, C on rocky shores                                   | 2,4,       |
| 2.  | Little Egret                | <i>Egretta garzetta</i>                         | Res?           | 2 records = first for W Solomons.                      | 4,         |
| 3.  | Striated Heron              | <i>Butorides (Ardeola) striata solomonensis</i> | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 4.  | Rufous Night-Heron          | <i>Nycticorax caledonicus mandibularis</i>      | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 5.  | Black Bittern               | <i>Ixobrychus flavicollis woodfordi</i>         | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 6.  | Pacific Baza                | <i>Aviceda subcristata proxima</i>              | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 7.  | Brahminy Kite               | <i>Haliastur indus flavirostris</i>             | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 8.  | Variable (Grey) Goshawk     | <i>Accipiter novaehollandiae rubianae</i> '     | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 9.  | Pied Goshawk                | <i>Accipiter albogularis gilvus</i>             | End Sol/V.Cruz | P,   | 2,         |
| 10. | Solomon Sea Eagle           | <i>Haliaeetus sanfordi</i>                      | End Sol        | P, UC disused nest in large tree in swamp 200m inland. | 2,5,       |
| 11. | Eastern Osprey              | <i>Pandion cristatus melvillensis</i>           | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 12. | Pacific Black Duck          | <i>Anas superciliosa pelewensis</i>             | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 13. | Roviana Rail                | <i>Gallirallus rovianae</i>                     | End Rov        | Rare   | 1,         |
| 14. | Melanesian Scrubfowl        | <i>Megapodius eremita</i>                       | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 15. | Buff-banded Rail            | <i>Rallus philippensis rovianae</i>             | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 16. | Rufous-tailed Bush-hen      | <i>Amaurornis moluccanus nigrifrons</i>         | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 17. | Purple Swamphen             | <i>Porphyrio porphyrio samoensis</i>            | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 18. | Beach Thick-knee            | <i>Esacus magnirostris</i>                      | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 19. | Superb Fruit-Dove           | <i>Ptilinopus s. superbus</i>                   | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 20. | Yellow-bibbed Fruit-Dove    | <i>Ptilinopus solomonensis vulcanorum</i>       | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 21. | Claret-breasted Fruit-Dove  | <i>Ptilinopus viridis lewisi</i>                | End Bis-Sol    | P,   | 2,         |
| 22. | Red-knobbed Imperial-Pigeon | <i>Ducula rubricera rufigula</i>                | Res bre        | P,   | 2          |
| 23. | Island Imperial Pigeon      | <i>Ducula p. pistrinaria</i>                    | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 24. | Mackinlay's Cuckoo-Dove     | <i>Macropygia mackinlayi arossi</i>             | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 25. | Crested Cuckoo-Dove         | <i>Reinwardtoena crassirostris</i>              | End Sol        | Rare   | 2,         |
| 26. | Stephan's Dove              | <i>Chalcophaps stephani mortoni</i>             | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 27. | Nicobar Pigeon              | <i>Caloenas n. nicobarica</i>                   | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 28. | Cardinal Lory               | <i>Chalcopsitta cardinalis</i>                  | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 29. | Coconut Lorikeet            | <i>Trichoglossus haematodus massena</i>         | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 30. | Finsch's Pygmy Parrot       | <i>Micropsitta finschii tristrami</i>           | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 31. | Ducorp's Cockatoo           | <i>Cacatua ducorpsi</i>                         | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 32. | Ecleetus Parrot             | <i>Ecleetus roratus solomonensis</i>            | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 33. | Song (Singing) Parrot       | <i>Geoffroyus h. heteroclitus</i>               | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |
| 34. | Brush Cuckoo                | <i>Cacomantis variolosus addendus</i>           | Res bre        | P,   | 2,         |

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| 35. | Eastern Koel                | <i>Eudynamys orientalis alberti</i>       | Win mig       | P, | 2, |
| 36. | Long-tailed Koel            | <i>Eudynamys taitensis</i>                | Win mig       | P, | 2, |
| 37. | Buff-headed Coucal          | <i>Centropus milo albidiventris</i>       | End Cen Sol   | P, | 2, |
| 38. | Uniform Swiftlet            | <i>Aerodramus vanikorensis lugubris</i>   | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 39. | Moustached Tree-Swift       | <i>Hemiprocne mystacea woodfordiana</i>   | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 40. | Common Kingfisher           | <i>Alcedo atthis salomonensis</i>         | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 41. | Little Kingfisher           | <i>Alcedo pusilla richardsi</i>           | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 42. | Sacred Kingfisher           | <i>Todirhamphus s. sancta</i>             | Res bre ?     | P, | 2, |
| 43. | Collared Kingfisher         | <i>Todirhamphus chloris alberti</i>       | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 44. | Beach Kingfisher            | <i>Todirhamphus s. saurophaga</i>         | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 45. | Dollarbird                  | <i>Eurystomus orientalis solomonensis</i> | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 46. | Blyth's Hornbill            | <i>Aceros plicatus mendanae</i>           | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 47. | Pacific Swallow             | <i>Hirundo tahitica subfusca</i>          | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 48. | Barred Cuckoo-Shrike        | <i>Coracina lineata ombriosa</i>          | End Bis-Sol   | P, | 2, |
| 49. | White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike | <i>Coracina papuensis elegans</i>         | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 50. | Willie Wagtail              | <i>Rhipidura leucophrys melaleuca</i>     | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 51. | White-winged Fantail        | <i>Rhipidura cockerelli albina</i>        | End Sol       | P, | 2, |
| 52. | Rufous Fantail              | <i>Rhipidura rufifrons granti</i>         | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 53. | Kulambangra Monarch         | <i>Monarcha b. browni</i>                 | End Nga Group | P, | 2, |
| 54. | White-capped Monarch        | <i>Monarcha richardsii</i>                | End Nga Group | P, | 2, |
| 55. | Steel-blue Flycatcher       | <i>Myiagra ferrocyanea feminina</i>       | End Sol       | P, | 2, |
| 56. | Common Golden Whistler      | <i>Pachycephala pectoralis centralis</i>  | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 57. | Yellow-bellied Sunbird      | <i>Nectarinia jugularis flavigaster</i>   | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 58. | Central Solomons White-eye  | <i>Zosterops rendovae kulambangrae</i>    | End Sol       | P, | 2, |
| 59. | Yellow-vented Myzomela      | <i>Myzomela e. eichhorni</i>              | End Sol       | P, | 2, |
| 60. | Singing Starling            | <i>Aplornis cantoroides</i>               | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 61. | Brown-winged Starling       | <i>Aplornis g. grandis</i>                | End Sol       | P, | 2, |
| 62. | Metallic Starling           | <i>Aplornis metallica nitida</i>          | Res bre       | P, | 2, |
| 63. | Melanesian Myna             | <i>Mino kreffti</i>                       | Res bre       | P, | 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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