

Ropa Island Bird Checklist

1 km to SW of Posarae, Choiseul

New Georgia Group: Solomon Islands

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Brahminy Kite	<i>Haliastur indus</i>	Res	1 seen 21.12.2005,	1,
2.	Eastern Osprey	<i>Pandion cristatus</i>	Res	1 seen 21.12.2005,	1,
3.	Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>	Res	1 seen 1km offshore 15.12.2005, 11 on seaweed poles 21.12.05,	1,
4.	Island Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula pistrinaria</i>	Res	9 seen + 8 flew to Choiseul 21.12.2005,	1,
5.	Cardinal Lory,	<i>Chalcopsitta cardinalis</i>	Res	2 seen + 6 flew to Choiseul 21.12.2005,	1,
6.	Coconut Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>	Res	1 seen 21.12.2005,	1,
7.	Ducorp's Cockatoo	<i>Cacatua ducorpsi</i>	End Bis-Sol	2 seen 21.12.2005,	1,
8.	Eclectus Parrot	<i>Eclectus roratus</i>	Res	1 flew to Choiseul 22.12.2005,	1,
9.	Uniform Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus vanikorensis</i>	Res	60 arrived in circling flight at 10-150m from Choiseul 21.12.05,	1,
10.	Moustached Tree-Swift	<i>Hemiprocne mystacea</i>	Res	2 seen 21.12.2005,	1,
11.	Collared Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus chloris</i>	Res	1 heard 21.12.2005,	1,
12.	Beach Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus saurophaga</i>	Res	4 pairs + 1 along whole coast 21.12.2005,	1,
13.	White-bellied Cuckoo-Shrike	<i>Coracina papuensis</i>	Res bre	2 seen 21.12.2005,	1,
14.	Island Monarch	<i>Monarcha cinerascens impediens</i>	Res bre	2 seen 21.12.2005,	1,
15.	Yellow-bellied Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia jugularis</i>	Res bre	12 seen or heard 21.12.2005,	1,
16.	Singing Starling	<i>Aplornis cantoroides</i>	Res bre	a flock of 9 seen 21.12.2005,	1,
17.	Brown-winged Starling	<i>Aplornis grandis</i>	Res	1 seen 21.12.2005,	1,

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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.

REFERENCES

1. Tarburton, M.K. 2005. Personal Field Records.