

# Mere Lava Island Bird Checklist

## Banks Group, Vanuatu.

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Vanuatu Petrel	<i>Pterodroma occulta</i>	Res bre?	6 Spec offshore Jan 1927.	8,
2.	White-necked Petrel	<i>Pterodroma cervicalis</i>	Res	6 spec 48 km offshore to E 28 & 29 Jan 1927 AMNH,	1,
3.	Collared Petrel	<i>Pterodroma brevipes</i>	Res	6 spec 48 km offshore to E 28 & 29 Jan 1927 AMNH,	1,
4.	Audubon's Shearwater	<i>Puffinus lherminieri gunax</i>	Res bre	Harvested each Jan Photo bird & nest Apr 2005,	1,3,9,11,
5.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	7,12,13,
6.	Swamp Harrier	<i>Circus approximans approximans</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	12,13,
7.	Vanuatu Scrubfowl	<i>Megapodius layardi</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	12,13,
8.	Wandering Tattler	<i>Tringa incanus</i>	Sum mig	Fairly Common, Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	12,13,
9.	Black-naped Tern	<i>Sterna sumatrana sumatrana</i>	Res	Moderately common, Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	12,13,
10.	White-throated Pigeon	<i>Columba vitiensis leopoldii</i>	Res bre	P,	7,
11.	Mackinlay's Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia mackinlayi mackinlayi</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	7,12,13,
12.	Emerald Dove	<i>Chalcophaps indica sandwichensis</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	7,12,13,
13.	Red-bellied Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus greyi</i>	Res bre	P,	7,
14.	Tanna Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus tannensis</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	7,12,13,
15.	Vanuatu Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula bakeri</i>	Res bre	P,	7,
16.	Pacific Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula pacifica pacifica</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	7,12,13,
17.	Rainbow Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus haematodus massena</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	7,12,13,
18.	Palm Lorikeet	<i>Charmosyna palmarum</i>	Res bre	2 spec in AMNH if = Merlav, Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	6,7,12,13,
19.	Eastern Barn Owl	<i>Tyto javanica</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	7,12,13,
20.	Glossy Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia esculenta uropygialis</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005, F skin AMNH,	7,12,13,16,
21.	Collared Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus chloris</i>	Res bre	Common, Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	1,7,12,13,
22.	Pacific Swallow	<i>Hirundo tahitica subfusca</i>	Res bre	Common	1,
23.	Long-tailed Triller	<i>Lalage leucopyga</i>	Res bre	C, 3 coll. Nov 1926. Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	2,5,7,12,13,
24.	Island Thrush	<i>Turdus poliocephalus</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	7,12,13,
25.	Streaked (Spotted) Fantail	<i>Rhipidura verreauxi spilodera</i>	Res bre	Fairly common	1,7,14,17,
26.	Grey Fantail	<i>Rhipidura albiscapa fuliginosa</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	7,12,13,14,
27.	Southern Shrikebill	<i>Clytorhynchus pachycephaloides</i>	Res bre	C, Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	1,12,13,
28.	Melanesian Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra caledonica marinae</i>	Res bre	C., Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	1,12,13,15,
29.	Pacific (Scarlet) Robin	<i>Petroica multicolour ambryensis</i>	Res bre	Common, Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	1,4,7,12,13,
30.	Common Golden Whistler	<i>Pachycephala pectoralis</i>	Res bre	Common	1,
31.	Yellow-fronted White-eye	<i>Zosterops flavifrons flavifrons</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	7,12,13,
32.	Silvereye	<i>Zosterops lateralis</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	7,12,13,
33.	White-bellied Honeyeater	<i>Glycifohia notabilis</i>	Res bre	Common	1,
34.	Cardinal Myzomela	<i>Myzomela cardinalis cardinalis</i>	Res bre	Obs. Mar/Apr 2005,	7,12,13,
35.	Red-Headed Parrot-finch	<i>Erythrura cyaneovirens</i>	Res bre	Uncommon	1,
36.	Blue-faced Parrot-finch	<i>Erythrura trichroa cyaneifrons</i>	Res bre	Common	3,

37. Rusty-winged Starling *Aplornis zelandicus rufipennis* Res bre Common 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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