

Leleppa Island Bird Checklist

(Near Efate) Vanuatu

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	Res bre	Uncommon	1,5,8,
2.	Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis fulva fulva</i>	Sum mig	1 spec Dec.	3,7,
3.	Collared Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus chloris</i>	Res bre	Common	2,
4.	Grey Fantail	<i>Rhipidura albiscapa brenchleyi</i>	Res bre	2 spec. AMNH	4,8,

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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.

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