

# Vanua 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	Breeding confirmed Feb 2009.	33,
2.	Collared Petrel	<i>Pterodroma brevipes</i>	Res	1 obs off Sola 28 Oct 2014,	35,
3.	Christmas Shearwater	<i>Puffinus nativitatis</i>	Sum mig	1 obs off Sola 28 Oct 2014,	35,
4.	Wedge-tailed Shearwater	<i>Ardenna pacificus</i>	Res	35 off Sola, 28 Oct 2014,	34,
5.	Short-tailed Shearwater	<i>Ardenna tenuirostris</i>	Sum mig	1 off Sola 28 Oct 2014,	34,
6.	Lesser Frigatebird	<i>Fregata ariel</i>	Res	1 off Sola 28 Oct 2014,	35,
7.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	Res bre	Uncommon, Obs. between 2002 & 2006, 1 obs 6-11.12.2014,	1,21,28,37,
8.	Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striatus diminutus</i>	Res bre	MC, P,	1,21,
9.	Swamp Harrier	<i>Circus approximans approximans</i>	Res bre	Obs. between 2000 & 2006, 1 obs 12 Dec 2014,	21,28,37,
10.	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Res?	Obs. between 2000 & 2006,	28,
11.	Pacific Black Duck	<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	Res	Obs. between 2000 & 2006,	1,4,12,19,28,
12.	Vanuatu Scrubfowl	<i>Megapodius layardi</i>	Res bre	3 eggs found near hot springs on Mtn Aug 1865. Obs. between 2000 & 2006,	21,27,28,
13.	Red Jungle Fowl	<i>Gallus gallus</i>	Intro	5 obs 2011,	36,
14.	Buff-banded Rail	<i>Rallus philippensis</i>	Res bre	Obs. Since 2002, 3 obs nr Sola Oct 2014, 13 obs Dec 2014,	21,28,34,37,
15.	Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis fulva fulva</i>	Sum mig	Obs. between 2000 & 2006,	28,
16.	Great Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>	Res	4 off Sola 28 Oct 2014,	34,
17.	Sooty Tern	<i>Onychoprion fuscata</i>	Res	20 obs off Sola 28 Oct 2014,	34,
18.	Brown Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus</i>	Res	50 off Sola 28 Oct 2014.	34,
19.	Black Noddy	<i>Anous minutus</i>	Res	12 off Sola, 28 Oct 2014,	34,
20.	White-throated Pigeon	<i>Columba vitiensis leopoldii</i>	Res bre?	Obs. between 2000 & 2006,	21,28,
21.	Mackinlay's Cuckoo-Dove	<i>Macropygia mackinlayi mackinlayi</i>	Res bre	3 skins examined. Obs. between 2000 & 2006, 1 nr Sola 2014,	21,26,28,34,
22.	Pacific Emerald Dove	<i>Chalcophaps longirostris</i>	Res bre	1m Coll., Obs between 2002 & 2006, 5 nr Sola 2014, 2 2011, 12 obs 9-12.12.2014,	21,26,28,34,36,37,
23.	Red-bellied Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus greyii</i>	Res bre	Obs. between 2000 & 2006, 6 obs nr Sola 2014,	21,28,34,
24.	Tanna Fruit-Dove	<i>Ptilinopus tannensis</i>	End Vanu	2M coll. Obs. between 2000 & 2006, 25 nr Sola 2014,	7,21,26,28,34,
25.	Vanuatu Mountain Pigeon	<i>Ducula bakeri</i>	End Vanu	8M2F Coll. Obs. between 2002 & 2006, 5 obs Dec 2014,	7,21,26,28,37,
26.	Pacific Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula pacifica pacifica</i>	Res bre	Coll. Obs., between 2000 & 2006, 12 obs nr Sola 2014,	21,26,28,34,
27.	Coconut Lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus haematodus massena</i>	Res bre	2 <sup>nd</sup> Rec = Imm M 1865. Obs. between 2000 & 2006, 12 2014,	21,27,28,34,
28.	Palm Lorikeet	<i>Chamosyna palmarum</i>	Res bre	2 spec. AMNH. MC & paired in Custard Apples, 2 coll. Obs. between 2000 & 2006,	17,23,24,28,
29.	Fan-tailed Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis flabelliformis</i>	Mig?	P,	6,21,
30.	Shining Bronze-cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx lucidus</i>	Win Mig	Obs. between 2000 & 2006, 2 obs 9-11.12.2015,	5,21,28,37,

31.	Eastern Barn Owl	<i>Tyto javanica interposita</i>	Res bre	1 spec AMNH. Obs between 2002 & 2007, 1 obs Dec 2014,	6,17,21,28,37,
32.	Glossy Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia esculenta</i>	Res bre	Obs. between 2000 & 2006, 20 nr Sola, Oct 2014,	21,28,34,
33.	Uniform Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus vanikorensis</i>	Res bre	2 spec. AMNH, Obs. between 2000 & 2006, 100 nr Sola 2014,	19,21,28,34,
34.	Collared Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus chloris</i>	Res bre	C, Obs. between 2002 & 2007, 1 obs Sola Oct 2014,	2,21,28,34,
35.	Long-tailed Triller	<i>Lalage leucopyga</i>	Res bre	C 1 coll. Nov 1926. Obs. between 2000 & 2006, 8 nr Sola '14,	3,15,21,28,34,
36.	Island Thrush	<i>Turdus poliocephalus placens</i>	Res bre	5 coll. Nov 1941. Obs. between 2000 & 2006, 1 obs 2011,	16,21,28,36,37,
				1 obs 2014,	
37.	Fan-tailed Gerygone	<i>Gerygone flavolateralis correiae</i>	Res bre	Host to bronze cuckoo, Obs. between 2002 & 2006, 2 nr Sola	5,8,21,28,34,
				Oct 2014,	
38.	Streaked Fantail	<i>Rhipidura spilodera spilodera</i>	Res bre	6+ spec. AMNH 1 skin BM. 1 <sup>st</sup> Rec = F Coll. 1865. Obs.	20,21,27,28,
				between 2000 & 2006, 5 obs 2011, 12 obs 9-11.12.2014,	36,37,
39.	Grey Fantail	<i>Rhipidura Verreauxi fuliginosa brenchleyi</i>	Res bre	Obs. between 2000 & 2006, 2 obs Dec 2014,	21,28,29,31,37,
40.	Buff-bellied Monarch	<i>Neolalage banksiana</i>	End Vanu	Common. 1 <sup>st</sup> rec = 2M Coll. 1865. Obs. Between 2002 & 2007,	4,7,13,21,27,
				5 obs 2011, 8 obs 9-11.12.2015,	28,36,37,
41.	Southern Shrikebill	<i>Clytorhynchus pachycephaloides grsescens</i>	Res bre	10 spec in Mus. Obs. between 2000 & 2006, 2 obs nr Sola	10,21,28,30,34,
				28 Oct 2014,	
42.	Melanesian Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra caledonica marinae</i>	Res bre	2 <sup>nd</sup> Rec = Imm M 1865. Obs. 2000 - 2006, 1 ob nr Sola 2014,	11,21,27,28,30,
					34,
43.	Pacific Robin	<i>Petroica multicolor soror</i>	Res bre	6 spec. Obs. between 2000 & 2006, 1 obs 2011, 1 obs 2014,	14,21,28,36,37,
44.	Common Golden Whistler	<i>Pachycephala pectoralis intacta</i>	Res bre	C 12 spec taken 1928, Obs. between 2002 & 2006, 2 obs 2014,	7,9,21,28,36,
45.	Yellow-fronted White-eye	<i>Zosterops flavifrons perplexa</i>	End Vanu	C.-Abundant. F, Coll. Nov 1926. Obs. between 2000-2006,	7,21,25,28,32,
				50 obs nr Sola Oct 2014,	34,
46.	Silvereye	<i>Zosterops lateralis vatensis</i>	Res bre	Obs. between 2000 & 2006,	21,28,
47.	White-bellied Honeyeater	<i>Glycifohia notabilis</i>	End Vanu	Common <10 Coll 1926. MC 1899. 2M 1F coll. 1899.	7,18,21,23,
				Obs between 2002 & 2007, 20 obs nr Sola 28 Oct 2014,	24,28,34,
48.	Cardinal Myzomela	<i>Myzomela cardinalis</i>	Res bre	C Spec. AMNH. Obs between 2002 & 2007, 10 nr Sola 2014,	7,18,21,28,34,
49.	White-breasted Woodswallow	<i>Artamus leucorhynchus</i>	Res bre	Obs. between 2000 & 2006,	28,

## 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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