

Monument Rock Bird Checklist

Near Mataso Isl. Vanuatu

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	White-tailed Tropicbird	<i>Phaethon lepturus dorotheae</i>	Res	Breeding colony on the rock.	1,3,
2.	Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster plotus</i>	Res	30-50 pairs breeding throughout year,	1,3,
3.	Lesser Frigatebird	<i>Fregata a. ariel</i>	Res	P throughout year,	1,3,
4.	Eastern Reef Egret	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	Res bre	P,	2,

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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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