

Walpole Island Bird Checklist

New Caledonia

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Black-winged Petrel	<i>Pterodroma nigripennis</i>	Res bre	Breeds, Br reported,	4,5,7,
2.	Red-tailed Tropicbird	<i>Phaethon rubricauda</i>	Res bre	Breeds, 4 reports of breeding in "several thousands", & 65 pr,	3,5,7,9,10,
3.	White-tailed Tropicbird	<i>Phaethon lepturus dorotheae</i>	Res	Nesting in cavities in Dec, 2 in photo of plateau, Recorded on shore, reports of 100 and 20 Pr breeding, Apparently	1,5,7,9,
4.	Red-footed Booby	<i>Sula sula rubripes</i>	Res bre	nesting Nov & January, 3 br records, Abundant on the talus slopes,	7,9,
5.	Masked Booby	<i>Sula dactylatra personata</i>	Res	Occasional off coast,	3,5,
6.	Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster plotus</i>	Res bre	small colonies, 3 bre records, Breeds on plateau in Dec, 7 in photo of plateau,	2,5,7,9,10,
7.	Great Frigatebird	<i>Fregata m. minor</i>	Res	Present, 4 reports of breeding 50 pair,	3,5,7,
8.	Lesser Frigatebird	<i>Fregata a. ariel</i>	Res bre	Nests Apr-Aug. 250 prs,	3,5,7,
9.	Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis f. fulva</i>	Sum mig	Obs Dec 1993,	7,
10.	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	Sum mig	P,	7,
11.	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	<i>Calidris a. acuminata</i>	Sum mig	P,	7,
12.	Brown Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus pileatus</i>	Res bre	Breeds, 4 bre records, P in Dec & Jan,	3,6,7,9,
13.	Black Noddy	<i>Anous m. minutus</i>	Res bre	1 bre record,	7,
14.	White Tern	<i>Gygis a. alba</i>	Res bre	Breeds, 20-80 pr breeding, Courtship flight in Dec & Jan. Photo	3,6,7,9,10,
15.	Grey Ternlet	<i>Procelsterna caerulea</i>	Res bre	1 bre record, Br in cavities of the W. cliff,	7,9,
16.	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus nesiotus</i>	Res Bre	1 old obs.	8,
16.	Eastern Barn Owl	<i>Tyto javanica</i>	Vag	1 indiv.	7,
18.	Pacific Swallow	<i>Hirundo tahitica sunfusca</i>	Res bre	6 reported Dec 1993,	7,
19.	Melanesian Flycatcher	<i>Myiagra caledonica ssp?</i>	End	Nesting recorded,	7,
	[New Caledonian Starling	<i>Aplornis striatus striatus</i>	End	"Starling" is all that was recorded,	7.]

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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