

Sae (Commerson) Atoll Systematic Bird Check List

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#	Common Name	Scientific Name	Ecol. Status	Abundance	References
1.	Streaked Shearwater	<i>Calonectris leucomelas</i>	Res	150 obs 133km to NW 17 Jan 1986,	2,
2.	Masked Booby	<i>Sula dactylatra personata</i>	Res	Numerous May 1934,	3,4,
3.	Brown Booby	<i>Sula leucogaster plotus</i>	Res	P May 1934,	3,4,
4.	Red-footed Booby	<i>Sula sula rubripes</i>	Res	P May 1934,	3,4,
5.	Lesser Frigatebird	<i>Fregata a. ariel</i>	Res	Br May 1934,	3,4,
6.	Brown Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus pileatus</i>	Res	1 obs Aug 1970,	3,4,
7.	Black Noddy	<i>Anous minutus</i>	Res Bre	Br Colony reported mistakenly said to be off Hollandia	1,
8.	White Tern	<i>Gygis alba</i>	Res bre	Coultas found it breeding 1934,	3,
9.	Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii cristatus</i>	Res	Br May 1934,	3,4,

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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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