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Red-throated Bee-eater by Matthew Mattiessen

Trip Report compiled by Tour Leader Keith Valentine

Top 10 Birds of the Tour as voted by participants:

1. Black Bee-eater
2. Standard-winged Nightjar
3. Northern Carmine Bee-eater
4. Blue-headed Bee-eater
5. African Piculet
6. Great Blue Turaco
7. Little Bee-eater
8. African Blue Flycatcher
9. Chocolate-backed Kingfisher
10. Beautiful Sunbird

Tour Summary

This classic tour combining the best rainforest sites, national parks and seldom explored northern regions gave us an incredible overview of the excellent birding that Ghana has to offer. This trip was highly successful, we located nearly 400 species of birds including many of the Upper Guinea endemics and West Africa specialties, and together with a great group of people, we enjoyed a brilliant African birding adventure.

After spending a night in Accra our first morning birding was taken at the nearby Shai Hills, a conservancy that is used mainly for scientific studies into all aspects of wildlife. These woodland and grassland habitats were productive and we easily got to grips with a number of widespread species as well as a few specials that included the noisy Stone Partridge, Rose-ringed Parakeet, Senegal Parrot, Guinea Turaco, Swallow-tailed Bee-eater, Vieillot's and Double-toothed Barbet, Gray Woodpecker, Yellow-throated Greenbul, Melodious Warbler, Snowy-crowned Robin-Chat, Blackcap Babbler, Yellow-billed Shrike, Common Gonolek, White Helmetsrike and Piapiac. Towards midday we made our way to the Volta River where our main target, the White-throated Blue Swallow showed well. We also had lovely views of Brown Sunbird on the banks of the river where we enjoyed a stop for lunch. Sakumo Lagoon gave us a whole host of waders, Yellow Wagtail and Black-faced Quailfinch.



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The following day was mostly a travel day as we struck out for the rainforest zone. A few stops were made en-route, the best of which was the Densu Delta where we located feeding Black Heron, Collared Pratincole, Spur-winged Lapwing, Spotted Redshank, Temminck's Stint and a host of terns.

The fabulous Kakum National Park was simply brilliant. From the spectacular views of birds from the canopy walkway to the brilliant trails in the Aboabo and Antwikwaa sections, Kakum gave us her best! Many hours were spent reveling in the flocks of birds around the canopy walkway and highlights included Red-chested Goshawk, Cassin's Hawk-Eagle, African Hobby, Great Blue and Yellow-billed Turaco, brilliant scoped Olive Long-tailed Cuckoo, excellent Brown Nightjar seen in the spotlight, Chocolate-backed Kingfisher, low flying Rosy Bee-eaters, Forest Woodhoopoe, impressive Black-casqued Hornbill, Red-rumped Tinkerbird, Hairy-breasted and Yellow-billed Barbet, Willcock's Honeyguide, Little Green and Fire-bellied Woodpecker, Blue Cuckoo-Shrike, Finsch's Flycatcher-Thrush, Sharpe's Apalis, Rufous-crowned Eremomela, Violet-backed Hyliota, Ussher's Flycatcher, African Shrike-Flycatcher, Chestnut Wattle-eye, Chestnut-capped Flycatcher, the diminutive Tit-hylia, Large-billed Puffback, Chestnut-bellied Helmetsrike and Maxwell's Black Weaver. The secondary forest of Antwikwaa gave us brilliant perched African Cuckoo-Hawk, views of the secretive White-spotted Flufftail, the scarce Brown-necked Parrot, cracking Black Bee-eater, Piping Hornbill, the stunning Buff-throated Sunbird, Narrow-tailed Starling and the very uncommon Preuss' Weaver. The Aboabo section of Kakum was as usual a highlight as we located the little known Upper Guinea race of African Piculet twice. Other specials were Western Bronze-naped Pigeon, rarely seen Black-throated Coucal, Sabine's and Cassin's Spinetail, Blue-throated Roller, White-headed Woodhoopoe, Melancholy Woodpecker, African Forest-Flycatcher and Tiny Sunbird. The trails in Kakum National Park gave us awesome Rufous-sided Broadbill, Forest Robin, Dusky Crested-Flycatcher, Gray's



Malimbe and Western Bluebill. An afternoon visit to the Cape Coast Castle was an eye opener as we learned about the terrible slave trade in West Africa.

On our drive north we made a short stop at the Bobiri Butterfly Reserve and picked up Blue-headed Wood-Dove, the outrageous White-crested Hornbill, Shining Drongo and Red-vented Malimbe.

Continuing north our next destination was Mole National Park. The drive up saw us locate a number of roadside birds that included Short-toed Snake-Eagle, Grasshopper Buzzard, Blue-bellied and Broad-billed Roller. Mole protects extensive tracts of Guinea savanna and woodland and is home to a large variety of birds and mammals. One of the undoubted birding highlights of the trip was finding a spectacular male Standard-winged Nightjar that performed many display flights for us just after sunset.

We explored much of the reserve on foot, morning and afternoon walks produced excellent views of African Hobby, Senegal Thick-knee, Pearl-spotted Owlet, Blue-breasted Kingfisher, Red-throated Bee-eater, Bearded Barbet, Greater Honeyguide, Brown-backed Woodpecker, White-breasted Cuckoo-Shrike, Rufous and Dorst's Cisticola, Moustached Grass-Warbler, Swamp and Gray Tit-Flycatcher, White-crowned Robin-Chat, Senegal Batis, White-shouldered Black-Tit, the seldom recorded Spotted Creeper, Red-winged Pytilia, Bar-breasted and Black-faced Firefinch, delicate Lavender Waxbills and Cabanis' Bunting. The accommodations at Mole are well situated



and the grounds and view point gave us Saddle-billed Stork, White-backed Vulture, African Hawk Eagle, spectacular Violet Turaco, Grayish Eagle-Owl, Freckled Nightjar and Chestnut-crowned Sparrow-Weaver. An afternoon was spent at a nearby site where we found Red-headed Lovebird, Red-shouldered Cuckoo-Shrike, the stunning Oriole Warbler, Cassin's Flycatcher and Square-tailed Drongo. Mammals recorded at Mole included the striking Yellow-winged Bat, Guinea Baboon, Callithrix and Patas Monkey, Warthog, Bushbuck, Kob, Waterbuck and African Elephant.

The seldom visited far northern region of Bolgatanga gave us a number of interesting birds. Sites visited included Tono Dam and the surrounding dry Acacia woodlands where we found Spur-winged Goose, Comb Duck, Garganey, Northern Shoveler, Common and Ferruginous Pochard, Grasshopper Buzzard, Dark Chanting-Goshawk, Gabar Goshawk, Rufous-crowned Roller, Chestnut-backed Sparrow-lark, Red-winged Prinia and Speckle-fronted Weaver. Elsewhere we located Fox Kestrel, Northern White-bellied Bustard, Sun Lark, Dorst's Cisticola, Northern Crombec and Chestnut-bellied Starling. A night drive produced brilliant Four-banded Sandgrouse, Plain and Long-tailed Nightjar and an unexpected Four-toed Hedgehog.

Our last site on the trip was the Atewa Forest, clad over much of the mountains near the town of Nkawkaw this forest added some exciting bird species to the trip total. Birding here is always tricky and the forest is rather quiet however locating a flock or two can provide for much excitement. Cracking birds here included Blue-spotted Wood-Dove, the superb Blue-headed Bee-eater that was observed at close range, Buff-spotted Woodpecker, the rare Green-tailed Bristlebill, Black-capped Apalis, Olive-green Camaroptera, Gray Longbill, Dusky-blue Flycatcher, brilliant views of a pair of the very scarce Blue-shouldered Robin-Chat and the gorgeous Johanna's Sunbird.



Annotated List of Bird Species recorded

Nomenclature and taxonomy follows J. F. Clements Birds of the World: A Checklist 5th Edition (2000) Ibis Publishing Company, with current updates

A list of some of the bird species seen:

Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>
African Darter	<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>
Black Heron	<i>Egretta ardesiaca</i>
Western Reef-Egret	<i>Egretta gularis</i>
Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>
Hamerkop	<i>Scopus umbretta</i>
Woolly-necked Stork	<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>
Saddle-billed Stork	<i>Ephippiorhynchus senegalensis</i>
Spur-winged Goose	<i>Plectropterus gambensis</i>
Knob-billed Duck	<i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>
Garganey	<i>Anas querquedula</i>
Northern Shoveler	<i>Anas clypeata</i>
Ferruginous Pochard	<i>Aythya nyroca</i>
Common Pochard	<i>Aythya ferina</i>
African Cuckoo-Hawk	<i>Aviceda cuculoides</i>
White-backed Vulture	<i>Gyps africanus</i>
Short-toed Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>
Bateleur	<i>Terathopius ecaudatus</i>
Congo Serpent-Eagle	<i>Dryotriorchis spectabilis</i>
Western Marsh-Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>
Dark Chanting-Goshawk	<i>Melierax metabates</i>
Gabar Goshawk	<i>Micronisus gabar</i>
Red-chested Goshawk	<i>Accipiter toussenelii</i>
Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>
Black Goshawk	<i>Accipiter melanoleucus</i>
Grasshopper Buzzard	<i>Butastur rufipennis</i>
Red-necked Buzzard	<i>Buteo auguralis</i>
Wahlberg's Eagle	<i>Aquila wahlbergi</i>
African Hawk-Eagle	<i>Aquila spilogaster</i>
Ayres' Hawk-Eagle	<i>Aquila ayresii</i>
Cassin's Hawk-Eagle	<i>Spizaetus africanus</i>
Fox Kestrel	<i>Falco alopex</i>
Gray Kestrel	<i>Falco ardosiaceus</i>
African Hobby	<i>Falco cuvierii</i>
Lanner Falcon	<i>Falco biarmicus</i>
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
Forest Francolin	<i>Francolinus lathami</i>
Ahanta Francolin	<i>Francolinus ahantensis</i>
Stone Partridge	<i>Ptilopachus petrosus</i>



White-spotted Flufftail	<i>Sarothrura pulchra</i>
Nkulengu Rail	<i>Himantornis haematopus</i>
White-bellied Bustard	<i>Eupodotis senegalensis</i>
African Jacana	<i>Actophilornis africanus</i>
Greater Painted-snipe	<i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>
Senegal Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus senegalensis</i>
Spotted Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus capensis</i>
Collared Pratincole	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>
Spur-winged Lapwing	<i>Vanellus spinosus</i>
Wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus senegallus</i>
Kittlitz's Plover	<i>Charadrius pecuarius</i>
Spotted Redshank	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>
Common Redshank	<i>Tringa tetanus</i>
Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>
Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>
Gull-billed Tern	<i>Sterna nilotica</i>
Sandwich Tern	<i>Sterna sandvicensis</i>
Royal Tern	<i>Sterna maxima</i>
Four-banded Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles flavirostris</i>
Western Bronze-naped Pigeon	<i>Columba iriditorques</i>
Blue-headed Wood-Dove	<i>Turtur brehmeri</i>
Bruce's Green-Pigeon	<i>Treron waalia</i>
Rose-ringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>
Red-headed Lovebird	<i>Agapornis pullarius</i>
Gray Parrot	<i>Psittacus erithacus</i>
Brown-necked Parrot	<i>Poicephalus robustus</i>
Senegal Parrot	<i>Poicephalus senegalus</i>
Great Blue Turaco	<i>Corythaeola cristata</i>
Guinea Turaco	<i>Tauraco persa</i>
Yellow-billed Turaco	<i>Tauraco macrorhynchus</i>
Violet Turaco	<i>Musophaga violacea</i>
Levaillant's Cuckoo	<i>Clamator levaillantii</i>
Black Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus clamosus</i>
Olive Long-tailed Cuckoo	<i>Cercococcyx olivinus</i>
African Emerald Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx cupreus</i>
Green Malkoha	<i>Ceuthmochares aereus</i>
Black-throated Coucal	<i>Centropus leucogaster</i>
Northern White-faced Owl	<i>Ptilopsis leucotis</i>
Greyish Eagle-Owl	<i>Bubo cinerascens</i>
Fraser's Eagle-Owl	<i>Bubo poensis</i>
Pearl-spotted Owlet	<i>Glaucidium perlatum</i>
Brown Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus binotatus</i>
Plain Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus inomatus</i>
Freckled Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus tristigma</i>
Long-tailed Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus climacurus</i>
Standard-winged Nightjar	<i>Macrodypterix longipennis</i>



Mottled Spinetail	<i>Telacanthura ussheri</i>
Sabine's Spinetail	<i>Rhaphidura sabini</i>
Cassin's Spinetail	<i>Neafrapus cassini</i>
Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>
African Pygmy-Kingfisher	<i>Ispidina picta</i>
Chocolate-backed Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon badia</i>
Grey-headed Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon leucocephala</i>
Blue-breasted Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon malimbica</i>
Giant Kingfisher	<i>Megaceryle maxima</i>
Black Bee-eater	<i>Merops gularis</i>
Blue-headed Bee-eater	<i>Merops muelleri</i>
Red-throated Bee-eater	<i>Merops bulocki</i>
Swallow-tailed Bee-eater	<i>Merops hirundineus</i>
Rosy Bee-eater	<i>Merops malimbicus</i>
Northern Carmine Bee-eater	<i>Merops nubicus</i>
Rufous-crowned Roller	<i>Coracias naevia</i>
Blue-bellied Roller	<i>Coracias cyanogaster</i>
Broad-billed Roller	<i>Eurystomus glaucurus</i>
Blue-throated Roller	<i>Eurystomus gularis</i>
Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>
White-headed Woodhoopoe	<i>Phoeniculus bollei</i>
Forest Woodhoopoe	<i>Phoeniculus castaneiceps</i>
White-crested Hornbill	<i>Tockus albocristatus</i>
Red-billed Hornbill	<i>Tockus erythrorhynchus</i>
Piping Hornbill	<i>Ceratogymna fistulator</i>
Brown-cheeked Hornbill	<i>Ceratogymna cylindricus</i>
Black-casqued Hornbill	<i>Ceratogymna atrata</i>
Yellow-casqued Hornbill	<i>Ceratogymna elata</i>
Bristle-nosed Barbet	<i>Gymnobucco peli</i>
Speckled Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus scolopaceus</i>
Red-rumped Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus atroflavus</i>
Yellow-spotted Barbet	<i>Buccanodon duchaillui</i>
Hairy-breasted Barbet	<i>Tricholaema hirsute</i>
Vieillot's Barbet	<i>Lybius vieilloti</i>
Double-toothed Barbet	<i>Lybius bidentatus</i>
Bearded Barbet	<i>Lybius dubius</i>
Yellow-billed Barbet	<i>Trachyphonus purpuratus</i>
Willcock's Honeyguide	<i>Indicator willcocksi</i>
African Piculet	<i>Sasia Africana</i>
Little Green Woodpecker	<i>Campethera maculosa</i>
Buff-spotted Woodpecker	<i>Campethera nivosa</i>
Melancholy Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicus lugubris</i>
Fire-bellied Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicus pyrrhogaster</i>
Brown-backed Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicus obsoletus</i>
Rufous-sided Broadbill	<i>Smithornis rufolateralis</i>
Chestnut-backed Sparrowlark	<i>Eremopterix leucotis</i>



Sun Lark	<i>Galerida modesta</i>
Red-chested Swallow	<i>Hirundo lucida</i>
Ethiopian Swallow	<i>Hirundo aethiopica</i>
White-throated Blue Swallow	<i>Hirundo nigrita</i>
Mosque Swallow	<i>Cecropis senegalensis</i>
Preuss's Cliff Swallow	<i>Hirundo preussi</i>
House Martin	<i>Delichon urbica</i>
Fanti Sawwing	<i>Psalidoprocne obscura</i>
Western Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>
White-breasted Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina pectoralis</i>
Blue Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Coracina azurea</i>
Red-shouldered Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Campephaga phoenicea</i>
Plain Greenbul	<i>Andropadus curvirostris</i>
Slender-billed Greenbul	<i>Andropadus gracilirostris</i>
Golden Greenbul	<i>Calyptocichla serina</i>
Honeyguide Greenbul	<i>Baeopogon indicator</i>
Simple Greenbul	<i>Chlorochicla simplex</i>
Yellow-throated Greenbul	<i>Chlorochicla flavicollis</i>
Swamp Palm Greenbul	<i>Thescelocichla leucopleura</i>
Icterine Greenbul	<i>Phyllastrephus icterinus</i>
Red-tailed Bristlebill	<i>Bleda syndactyla</i>
Green-tailed Bristlebill	<i>Bleda eximia</i>
Grey-headed Bristlebill	<i>Bleda canicapilla</i>
Western Nicator	<i>Nicator chloris</i>
Western Bearded Greenbul	<i>Criniger barbatus</i>
Finsch's Rufous Thrush	<i>Neocossyphus finschii</i>
Fire-crested Alethe	<i>Alethe diademata</i>
Red-faced Cisticola	<i>Cisticola erythrops</i>
Singing Cisticola	<i>Cisticola lateralis</i>
Dorst's Cisticola	<i>Cisticola dorsti</i>
Croaking Cisticola	<i>Cisticola natalensis</i>
Short-winged Cisticola	<i>Cisticola brachypterus</i>
Rufous Cisticola	<i>Cisticola rufus</i>
Red-winged Prinia Warbler	<i>Heliolais erythroptera</i>
Black-capped Apalis	<i>Apalis nigriceps</i>
Yellow-breasted Apalis	<i>Apalis flavida</i>
Sharpe's Apalis	<i>Apalis sharpii</i>
Oriole Warbler	<i>Hypergerus atriceps</i>
Yellow-browed Camaroptera	<i>Camaroptera superciliaris</i>
Olive-green Camaroptera	<i>Camaroptera chloronota</i>
Moustached Grass-Warbler	<i>Melocichla mentalis</i>
Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus mentalis</i>
Melodious Warbler	<i>Hippolais polyglotta</i>
Senegal Eremomela	<i>Eremomela pusilla</i>
Rufous-crowned Eremomela	<i>Eremomela badiceps</i>
Kemp's Longbill	<i>Macrosphenus kempii</i>



Grey Longbill	<i>Macrosphenus concolor</i>
Violet-backed Hyliota	<i>Hyliota violacea</i>
African Forest Flycatcher	<i>Fraseria ocreata</i>
Ussher's Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa ussheri</i>
Swamp Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa aquatica</i>
Dusky-blue Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa comitata</i>
Cassin's Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa cassini</i>
Grey-throated Tit-Flycatcher	<i>Myioparus griseigularis</i>
Grey Tit-Flycatcher	<i>Myioparus plumbeus</i>
Western Forest Robin	<i>Stiphornis erythrothorax</i>
Blue-shouldered Robin-Chat	<i>Cossypha cyanocampter</i>
Snowy-crowned Robin-Chat	<i>Cossypha niveicapilla</i>
White-crowned Robin-Chat	<i>Cossypha niveicapilla</i>
African Shrike-flycatcher	<i>Megabyas flammulatus</i>
Black-and-white Shrike-flycatcher	<i>Bias musicus</i>
Chestnut Wattle-eye	<i>Platysteira castanea</i>
Senegal Batis	<i>Batis senegalensis</i>
Chestnut-capped Flycatcher	<i>Erythrocercus mccallii</i>
African Blue Flycatcher	<i>Elminia longicauda</i>
Dusky Crested-Flycatcher	<i>Elminia nigromitrata</i>
Black-headed Paradise-Flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone rufiventer</i>
Blackcap Babbler	<i>Turdoides reinwardtii</i>
Brown Babbler	<i>Turdoides plebejus</i>
White-shouldered Black Tit	<i>Melaniparus guineensis</i>
Spotted Creeper	<i>Salpornis spilonotus</i>
Tit-hylia	<i>Pholidornis rushiae</i>
Fraser's Sunbird	<i>Deleornis fraseri</i>
Mouse-brown Sunbird	<i>Anthreptes gabonicus</i>
Little Green Sunbird	<i>Anthreptes seimundi</i>
Green Sunbird	<i>Anthreptes rectirostris</i>
Pygmy Sunbird	<i>Hedydipna platura</i>
Green-headed Sunbird	<i>Cyanomitra verticalis</i>
Blue-throated Brown Sunbird	<i>Cyanomitra cyanolaema</i>
Buff-throated Sunbird	<i>Cyanomitra adelberti</i>
Scarlet-chested Sunbird	<i>Cyanomitra senegalensis</i>
Tiny Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris minulla</i>
Beautiful Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris pulchella</i>
Splendid Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris coccinigaster</i>
Johanna's Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris johannae</i>
Superb Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris superbus</i>
Copper Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris cuprea</i>
African Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus auratus</i>
Black-winged Oriole	<i>Oriolus nigripennis</i>
Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>
Yellow-billed Shrike	<i>Corvinella corvine</i>
Brubru	<i>Nilaus afer</i>



Sabine's Puffback	<i>Dryoscopus sabinii</i>
Yellow-crowned Gonolek	<i>Laniarius barbarus</i>
Orange-breasted Bushshrike	<i>Telophorus sulfureopectus</i>
Grey-headed Bushshrike	<i>Malaconotus blanchoti</i>
White Helmetshrike	<i>Prionops plumatus</i>
Red-billed Helmetshrike	<i>Prionops caniceps</i>
Shining Drongo	<i>Dicrurus atripennis</i>
Velvet-mantled Drongo	<i>Dicrurus modestus</i>
Piapiac	<i>Ptilostomus afer</i>
Lesser Blue-eared Glossy-Starling	<i>Lamprotornis chloropterus</i>
Splendid Glossy-Starling	<i>Lamprotornis splendidus</i>
Purple Glossy-Starling	<i>Lamprotornis purpureus</i>
Long-tailed Glossy-Starling	<i>Lamprotornis caudatus</i>
Chestnut-bellied Starling	<i>Lamprotornis pulcher</i>
Violet-backed Starling	<i>Cinnyricinclus leucogaster</i>
Chestnut-winged Starling	<i>Onychognathus fulgidus</i>
Narrow-tailed Starling	<i>Poeoptera lugubris</i>
Speckle-fronted Weaver	<i>Sporopipes frontalis</i>
Chestnut-crowned Sparrow-Weaver	<i>Plocepasser superciliosus</i>
Little Weaver	<i>Ploceus luteolus</i>
Black-necked Weaver	<i>Ploceus nigricollis</i>
Yellow-mantled Weaver	<i>Ploceus tricolor</i>
Maxwell's Black Weaver	<i>Ploceus albinucha</i>
Preuss's Weaver	<i>Ploceus preussi</i>
Red-vented Malimbe	<i>Malimbus scutatus</i>
Blue-billed Malimbe	<i>Malimbus nitens</i>
Crested Malimbe	<i>Malimbus malimbicus</i>
Red-headed Malimbe	<i>Malimbus rubricollis</i>
White-breasted Negrofinch	<i>Nigrita fusconota</i>
Red-winged Pytilia	<i>Pytilia phoenicoptera</i>
Western Bluebill	<i>Spermophaga haematina</i>
Bar-breasted Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta rufopicta</i>
Red-billed Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta senegala</i>
African Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta rubricate</i>
Black-faced Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta larvata</i>
Lavender Waxbill	<i>Estrilda caerulescens</i>
Black-rumped Waxbill	<i>Estrilda troglodytes</i>
Black-faced Quailfinch	<i>Ortygospiza atricollis</i>
Black-and-white Mannikin	<i>Lonchura bicolor</i>
Long-tailed Paradise-Whydah	<i>Vidua interjecta</i>
Cinnamon-breasted Bunting	<i>Emberiza tahapisi</i>
Cabanis' Bunting	<i>Emberiza cabanisi</i>

A list of some of the mammals species seen:

Scrub Hare

Lepus victoriae



Striped Ground Squirrel	<i>Xerus erythropus</i>
Gambian Sun Squirrel	<i>Heliosciurus gambianus</i>
Red-legged Sun Squirrel	<i>Heliosciurus rufobrachium</i>
Slender Mongoose	<i>Herpestes sanguinea</i>
Four-toed Hedgehog	<i>Erinaceus albiventris</i>
Straw-colored Fruit Bat	<i>Eidolon helvum</i>
Yellow-winged Bat	<i>Lavia frons</i>
Guinea Baboon	<i>Papio papio</i>
Callithrix Monkey	<i>Cercopithecus [aethiops] sabaesus</i>
Patas Monkey	<i>Erythrocebus patas</i>
Common Warthog	<i>Phacochoerus africanus</i>
Bushbuck	<i>Tragelaphus scriptus</i>
Waterbuck	<i>Kobus ellipsiprymnus</i>
Kob	<i>Kobus kob</i>
African Elephant	<i>Loxodonta africana</i>

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