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A Personal Diary

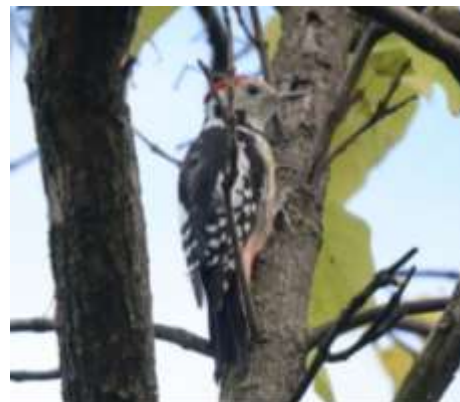
Ornitholidays has been visiting Romania and the Danube Delta for many years and we now use the new lodge near Periprava, called Ultima Frontiera. This lodge is beautifully built and is situated within its own grounds: it has 1,000 hectares (2,400 acres) of fishponds, reedbeds, marshes and woodland. Ornitholidays was the first birding group to have stayed at the lodge in 2014, as it is primarily being offered as a photographic venue as it has over 20 hides which can be used for various species - however, it makes a great venue for a birding holiday. One of the highlights for many of the clients was being able to drive themselves around the grounds in their own electric buggies – stopping where they wanted and taking photos where the opportunities arose. The lodge has been developed with the help of our Italian ground agents (SKUA) and they provide the guides for visiting birders and photographers. It is not quite a “One Stop” tour as we spend the first night in Bucharest before making the transfer to the delta, where we stay for the next six nights.

Our six nights at the lodge was split between birding around the lakes and forests as well as being on the water. We took two main boat trips: the most important was the one to the vast delta complex itself on the immense lily-fringed lagoons. The Danube Delta is the largest and best preserved of Europe’s deltas, being home to over 300 species of birds and 45 fish species. Recent developments have seen better protection for the delta and duck hunting has now been stopped. The other boat trip was to the Black Sea, where we ventured to the edge of Ukrainian territory to view islands covered in thousands of birds. We made sure we thoroughly explored Ultima Frontiera, as well as making some excursions outside the property to see the Letea Forest and the vast sand dune complex, as well as the salt steppe nearby.

There are many positive aspects of this tour: the lovely accommodation, the fact we have the lodge and the grounds just to ourselves, the vast array of wildlife that can be seen, and the quietness of the location. It is not on any flight path for aircrafts and there are no roads – so the only extraneous noise we heard was church bells being rung in the distance in Ukraine! Also, there are the photographic hides – those who used them will tell stories of close encounters with Common Kingfishers, White-tailed Eagles, Pygmy Cormorants and Golden Jackals.

Saturday, 27 August

Our direct British Airways’ flight from Heathrow Terminal 5 left on time and two hours later we were waiting with our luggage and meeting Igor Maiorano, one of our guides for the coming week. En route to the hotel we stopped at Herastrau Park, a small area of woodland and ornamental lakes where there are examples of old wooden houses brought from all over Romania. It is also a very popular place for wedding photographs! Due to a live pop concert in the distance, the birds were not cooperative initially, but with perseverance we all obtained good views of Spotted Flycatchers as well as Syrian and Middle Spotted Woodpeckers.



We then checked in at the hotel and met up with Robin and Penny who had just finished a walking holiday. Dinner was taken at the hotel restaurant and we all enjoyed a fine meal. After a long day of travelling many were keen to have an early bedtime.

Sunday, 28 August

We left this morning in two minibuses, passing an enormous market, thronged with people. However, overall the traffic in Bucharest was very light, as it was Sunday and we made good time to our first rest stop, where we sampled the ice creams and coffee. Shortly afterwards we stopped at the Garliciu wetlands where there is a small amount of remnant grass steppe. We watched Glossy Ibis, Wood Sandpiper, over 20 Pygmy Cormorants and a Red-backed Shrike. In the distance, we spotted two Long-legged Buzzards and two immature White-tailed Eagles, while nearby an immature Montagu’s Harrier hunted over the steppe. We took

our picnic lunch nearby hoping to spot some Susliks but it is possible they were asleep in their burrows – perhaps they aestivate during the hot summer?

We now passed European Rollers and White Storks before we arrived at Tulcea and embarked into our two water taxis. We sped along the Danube, stopping once at a floating border post for them to check our passports (the river is the border with Ukraine), and 95 minutes later we were at the dock at Ultima Frontiera.

Guides and vehicles were waiting for us to take the 10-minute ride to the lodge, where we quickly checked in to our spacious rooms. An orientation was now on the cards, so we split into two groups and two vehicles and were shown the layout of Ultima Frontiera's 2,400 acres. Since I was last here in May and few new photographic hides had been built, so it was good to see how the site was progressing as a wildlife destination.

We drove around the roads, looking at the flooded channels and marvelling at the vast lily-covered lagoons. Bearded Tits were much in evidence and we heard Otters calling but could not see them. We drove back as the light was falling, and we found six Wild Boar and our first Golden Jackal.

At dinner Federico caught a Death's-head Hawkmoth which delighted the photographers in the group. I was amazed that it could squeak when handled!



Monday, 29 August

We decided on a relatively quiet start to the week, with an 8am breakfast, before we departed at 9am. We drove the short distance to the edge of Periprava Lagoon and then started a walk along the dyke, scanning the waders and water birds. Our plan was to walk the one mile to the end – it was to take us four hours to cover this distance as there were so many birds! The most obvious birds were the large groups of Mute Swans, but there were also White Pelicans and Eurasian Spoonbills. Terns were moving constantly back and forth – a large and noisy group of Caspian Terns were on the exposed mud, some with metal and colour rings on their legs – I wonder where they had been ringed? Whiskered and Common Terns also were noisy, many carrying fish to feed their offspring. Ducks were in abundance, with hundreds of Eurasian Teal, Mallard, Northern Shoveler and Gadwall. There were also a few Northern Pintail, Garganey and Ferruginous Ducks. Egrets and herons fed everywhere, with good numbers of Great and Little Egrets, with lots of Grey Herons and smaller numbers of Purple. The groups of waders provided an interesting identification challenge for the group, with lots of Ruff, Little Ringed and Common Ringed Plovers, Wood, Marsh and Green Sandpipers, Spotted Redshank, Common Snipe and Dunlin and Little Stint. Perhaps the best waders were two Broad-billed Sandpipers. As we neared the end of our walk a distant raptor was identified as a dark phase Eurasian Honey Buzzard.

After a lovely lunch the plan was for everyone to explore the reserve using the electric buggies on offer. Each



buggy takes two people and they move quite silently so are good for approaching the wildlife. There are also the photographic hides which can be visited – so everyone came back and reported a wide variety of bird sightings – including Grey-headed Woodpecker, Common Kingfisher, European Bee-eaters, Red-backed Shrike, Spotted Flycatcher, Common Redstart, Golden Oriole and the white-headed race (*caudatus*) of Long-tailed Tit. I visited a hide where I watched a Little Crake, as well as a Pygmy Cormorant catching Marsh Frogs.

Tuesday, 30 August

This morning we split the group into two – one going to the “eagle hide”, the other exploring the riverine forest to the north of the property. The eagle hide group were installed at 6.30am and had a great experience with the pair of adult White-tailed Eagles coming to the fish bait and feeding, while trying to fend off hungry Golden Jackals! The group got



some great photos of the interactions. Of course, Common with an accompanying cast of Hooded Crows, Magpies and Western Jackdaws. The group in the north had great views of Bearded Reedlings as well as a Black Woodpecker, Eurasian Hobby, Spotted Flycatcher and Eurasian Treecreeper.

After lunch, the group again split, some going to the villages of Letea and Rosetti, to see the church and the salt steppe and some out in buggies on the estate. The first group had Collared Pratincoles, Red-footed Falcon, Eurasian Rollers and a hunting harrier that was probably a Montagu's. Brown Hares were also seen. Igor also had a small warbler that could well have been a Booted – it would have been a first for Romania if they could have confirmed it! On the estate Eurasian Hobbies and European Bee-eaters showed well.

Wednesday, 31 August

This morning the group split again, with five going to the lakes on a boat with the others walking in the north. The walking group had fantastic views of a group of Bearded Reedling as they fed on the ground and jumped around in the phragmites. In the riverine forest we saw Lesser Spotted Woodpecker really well along with some beautiful Cardinal Fritillaries and the first returning Red-breasted Flycatcher of the autumn. The boat trip had amazing views of large numbers of White Pelicans, with smaller



numbers of Dalmatian. There were also great views of Squacco Heron, Great and Pygmy Cormorants, White-tailed Eagle, Western Marsh Harriers and Garganey. Two other species, Eurasian Coot and Ferruginous Duck, were present in large numbers.



After lunch, everybody opted to take buggies to the hides where Little Crane, Common Kingfisher, Broad-billed and Wood Sandpipers, European Turtle Dove and Little Owl were all seen and photographed.

After dinner, some opted for a night -time “game drive” where they had Long-eared Owl, Wild Boar and Golden Jackals.

Thursday, 01 September

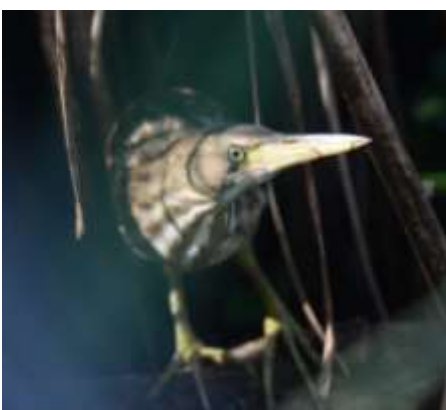
This morning some went to the Eagle hide with others taking the boat trip. In the hide the female White-tailed Eagle took some while to show, not arriving until almost 9.30am. The Golden Jackals still delighted in stealing the fish. While on the boat trip, fewer White Pelicans were seen this time.

In the afternoon, the whole group visited the Letea Forest where we had a chance to walk through the small strip of mature trees which border the sand dunes. Here we had Black and Lesser Spotted Woodpeckers and Red-breasted Flycatcher. The view over the ancient dune system was amazing. On the sandy track, we also found another Death’s-head Hawkmoth.

In the evening, another night time drive produced both Tawny and Long-eared Owls, an Otter, a very large male Wild Boar and several Golden Jackals.



Friday, 02 September



This morning four went to the Little Owl hide, where they had lovely views of two adults and a juvenile. After breakfast, we walked along the edge of Periprava Lagoon again, sorting through the ducks, herons, egrets and waders, but not finding too much new. As we neared the end of the walk a female Levant Sparrowhawk perched in a bush, showing off its dark eye. We now walked along the eastern forest edge, where Red-breasted Flycatchers were now in some numbers, along with vocal Eurasian Hobbies. Butterflies were also in profusion and we found at least four Long-tailed Blues, along with Large Coppers and Eastern Clouded Yellows. Peter and Janet visited one of the hides where they photographed a Common Kingfisher with a fish in its bill, as well as a juvenile Little Bittern.

After lunch, we went to the boat dock and took the boat along the Danube a short distance, before taking a narrow channel to Sulina, on the edge of the Black Sea. The whole journey took just 50 minutes and was a vast improvement on driving to Sulina, which we used to do in the past. Our aim in visiting this area of the Black Sea was to look at a small group of islands that often have gulls, terns and a large assemblage of cormorants and geese. Amongst the many Caspian Gulls, we finally found a few Pallas’s Gulls, some adults still with a trace of black on their heads. As we took the boat northwards



we could see the islands were crammed with Great Cormorants - we estimated over 10,000! We also found Greylag Geese, Northern Pintail, Eurasian Oystercatcher, Dunlin, Little Gull and both Sandwich and Little Terns. A great finale to a bird-packed week!

Saturday, 03 September

As we were loading the vehicles with our luggage a Tree Pipit flew over. We left after breakfast and said our goodbyes to the staff and guides. The roads were busy, but we spotted a few Black Storks thermalling, possibly on their migration south. A jack-knifed lorry didn't help our passage, but we got to the airport as the queues were just starting to diminish at the British Airways' check-ins. The flight left on time and we were soon at London Heathrow collecting our luggage and saying our farewells.

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Many thanks to the staff and guides at Ultima Frontiera for looking after us so well. It was a lovely stay with great company and good food and wine. Many thanks to you the clients for always being punctual and such a cheerful group – I hope you enjoyed the holiday and I hope to see you all on another Ornitholidays very soon. Many thanks to I Elliot, P Monahan and M Wemys for allowing me to use their photographs in this report.

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Itinerary and Weather

27 August	London Heathrow to Bucharest. Herastrau Park Warm & fine 28 C
28 August	Bucharest to Ultima Frontiera, via Garliciu and Tulcea Warm & fine 30 C (light drizzle at lunch)
29 August	Ultima Frontiera. Periprava Lagoon and hides Warm & fine 29C
30 August	Ultima Frontiera. Eagle Hide, riverine forest, Salty Steppe, Rosetti and Letea Warm & fine 33C
31 August	Ultima Frontiera. Boat via Salamanca Channel, to Lakes Merhei, Matitsa and Lung Warm & fine 30C
01 September	Ultima Frontiera. Eagle Hide and boat via Salamanca Channel, to Lakes Merhei, Matitsa and Lung. Letea Forest and dunes. Warm & fine 28C
02 September	Ultima Frontiera. Periprava Lagoon and riverine forest. Boat to Sulina and Black Sea. Warm & fine 29C
03 September	Ultima Frontiera to Bucharest Airport. Warm & fine 29C



CHECKLIST OF BIRDS SEEN DURING TOUR

No of days recorded

1 2h means seen on 1
day and heard on 2
other days

Abundance Scale (max. seen on 1 day)

1 = 1 – 4 individuals
2 = 5 - 9
3 = 10 - 99
4 = 100 - 999
5 = 1,000 – 9,999
6 = 10,000+

SPECIES	No of days recorded	Abundance Scale	SCIENTIFIC NAME
Mute Swan	7	4	<i>Cygnus olor</i>
Greylag Goose	3	3	<i>Anser anser</i>
Common Shelduck	3	1	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>
Mallard	8	3	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>
Gadwall	3	3	<i>Anas strepera</i>
Northern Pintail	2	1	<i>Anas acuta</i>
Northern Shoveler	5	1	<i>Anas clypeata</i>
Eurasian Teal	7	4	<i>Anas crecca</i>
Garganey	3	4	<i>Anas querquedula</i>
Common Pochard	4	1	<i>Aythya ferina</i>
Ferruginous Duck	6	5	<i>Aythya nyroca</i>
Common Pheasant	4	3	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>
Little Grebe	5	1	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
Great Crested Grebe	4	1	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>
White Pelican	7	4	<i>Pelecanus onocrotalus</i>
Dalmatian Pelican	3	3	<i>Pelecanus crispus</i>
Great Cormorant	7	6	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>
Pygmy Cormorant	7	3	<i>Phalacrocorax pygmeus</i>
Great Bittern	1	1	<i>Botaurus stellaris</i>
Little Bittern	4	1	<i>Ixobrychus minutus</i>
Black-crowned Night Heron	7	3	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>
Squacco Heron	2	3	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>
Little Egret	7	3	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>
Great Egret	7	3	<i>Egretta alba</i>
Grey Heron	7	3	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>
Purple Heron	7	2	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>
White Stork	1	2	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>
Black Stork	3	2	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>
Glossy Ibis	3	1	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>
Eurasian Spoonbill	6	3	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>
White-tailed Eagle	7	2	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>
Western Marsh Harrier	7	3	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>
Montagu's/Pallid Harrier	1	1	<i>Circus pygargus/macrourus</i>
Long-legged Buzzard	2	2	<i>Buteo rufinus</i>
Common Buzzard	3	1	<i>Buteo buteo</i>
European Honey Buzzard	1	1	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	1	1	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>
Levant Sparrowhawk	1	1	<i>Accipiter brevipes</i>
Common Kestrel	7	2	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
Red-footed Falcon	2	1	<i>Falco vespertinus</i>
Eurasian Hobby	7	3	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>
Water Rail	2 2h	1	<i>Rallus aquaticus</i>
Little Crake	3	1	<i>Porzana parva</i>
Common Moorhen	6	3	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
Eurasian Coot	5	4	<i>Fulica atra</i>
Eurasian Oystercatcher	1	1	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>
Pied Avocet	4	3	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>
Black-winged Stilt	3	1	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
Collared Pratincole	1	1	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>
Little Ringed Plover	4	2	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>

Common Ringed Plover	2	2	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	
Northern Lapwing	6	2	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	
Dunlin	2	1	<i>Calidris alpina</i>	
Curlew Sandpiper	2	2	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	
Broad-billed Sandpiper	2	1	<i>Calidris falcinellus</i>	
Little Stint	4	3	<i>Calidris minuta</i>	
Wood Sandpiper	6	3	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	
Green Sandpiper	6	2	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>	
Spotted Redshank	7	3	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>	
Common Greenshank	1	1	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	
Marsh Sandpiper	2	1	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>	
Black-tailed Godwit	6	3	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	
Eurasian Curlew	6	3	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	
Common Snipe	6	3	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	
Ruff	6	3	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>	
Black-headed Gull	7	4	<i>Larus ridibundus</i>	
Common Gull	1	1	<i>Larus canus</i>	
Yellow-legged Gull	1	1	<i>Larus michahellis</i>	
Caspian Gull	7	4	<i>Larus cachinnans</i>	
Pallas's Gull	1	2	<i>Larus ichthyaetus</i>	
Little Gull	1	1	<i>Hydrocoloeus minutus</i>	
Little Tern	1	3	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>	
Gull-billed Tern	7	3	<i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i>	
Sandwich Tern	1	3	<i>Sterna sandvicensis</i>	
Common Tern	7	3	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	
Caspian Tern	7	3	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	
Black Tern	4	1	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>	
White-winged Tern	2	1	<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>	
Whiskered Tern	7	3	<i>Chlidonias hybridus</i>	
Rock Dove (Feral Pigeon)	5	4	<i>Columba livia</i>	
Stock Dove	3	1	<i>Columba oenas</i>	
Common Wood Pigeon	6	1	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	
Eurasian Collared Dove	6	3	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	
European Turtle Dove	3	1	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>	
Common Cuckoo	1	1	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>	
Tawny Owl	2	1	<i>Strix aluco</i>	
Little Owl	4	1	<i>Athene noctua</i>	
Eurasian Hoopoe	6	1	<i>Upupa epops</i>	
Common Kingfisher	7	2	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>	
European Bee-eater	7	3	<i>Merops apiaster</i>	
European Roller	7	3	<i>Coracias garrulus</i>	
Black Woodpecker	3	1	<i>Dryocopus martius</i>	
Grey-headed Woodpecker	6	1	<i>Picas canus</i>	
Great Spotted Woodpecker	6	2	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>	
Syrian Woodpecker	1	1	<i>Dendrocopos syriacus</i>	
Middle Spotted Woodpecker	1	1	<i>Dendrocopos medius</i>	
Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	2	1h	1	<i>Dendrocopos minor</i>
Common Sand Martin	2	1	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	
Barn Swallow	7	4	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	
Common House Martin	1	1	<i>Delichon urbica</i>	
Tree Pipit	1	1	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>	
White Wagtail	7	3	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	
Yellow Wagtail	3	1h	2	<i>Motacilla flava</i>
Black-headed Wagtail	1	1	<i>Motacilla (f.) feldegg</i>	
Grey Wagtail	1	1	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	
Thrush Nightingale	1	1	<i>Luscinia luscinia</i>	
Bluethroat	1	1	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>	
Common Redstart	1	1	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>	
Black Redstart	4	1	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>	
Northern Wheatear	3	1	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	
Whinchat	2	1	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>	
Common Blackbird	2	1h	1	<i>Turdus merula</i>
Barred Warbler	1	1	<i>Sylvia nisoria</i>	

Garden Warbler	1	1	<i>Sylvia borin</i>	
Blackcap	1	1	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	
Lesser Whitethroat	3	1h	1	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>
Savi's Warbler	1	1	<i>Locustella luscinioides</i>	
Sedge Warbler	4	1	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>	
Moustached Warbler	1	1	<i>Acrocephalus melanopogon</i>	
European Reed Warbler	4	2	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>	
Great Reed Warbler	2	2h	2	<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>
Willow Warbler	5	1	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	
Wood Warbler	1	1	<i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>	
Chiffchaff	1	1	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	
Spotted Flycatcher	6	3	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>	
Red-breasted Flycatcher	3	1	<i>Ficedula parva</i>	
Great Tit	6	3	<i>Parus major</i>	
European Blue Tit	6	3	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>	
Long-tailed Tit	5	3	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>	
Bearded Reedling	6	3	<i>Panurus biarmicus</i>	
Eurasian Penduline Tit	-	4h	1	<i>Remiz pendulinus</i>
Eurasian Nuthatch	1	1	<i>Sitta europeae</i>	
Eurasian Treecreeper	5	1	<i>Certhia familiaris</i>	
Lesser Grey Shrike	1	1	<i>Lanius minor</i>	
Red-backed Shrike	7	3	<i>Lanius collurio</i>	
Common Magpie	7	3	<i>Pica pica</i>	
Western Jackdaw	7	4	<i>Corvus monedula</i>	
Rook	7	4	<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>	
Hooded Crow	8	3	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	
Common Raven	3	2h	3	<i>Corvus corax</i>
Common Starling	6	4	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	
Eurasian Golden Oriole	3	1	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>	
House Sparrow	5	3	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	
Tree Sparrow	7	3	<i>Passer montanus</i>	
Common Chaffinch	5	3	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	
European Goldfinch	7	3	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	
European Greenfinch	2	2	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>	
Common Reed Bunting	4	1	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>	

MAMMALS

Golden Jackal	6	1	<i>Canis aureus</i>	
European Otter	1	1h	1	<i>Lutra lutra</i>
European Badger	1	1	<i>Meles meles</i>	
Wild Boar	3	2	<i>Sus scrofa</i>	
Roe Deer	1	1	<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>	
Muskrat	2	1	<i>Ondatra zibethicus</i>	
Sibling Vole	1	1	<i>Microtus levis</i>	
Brown Rat	2	1	<i>Rattus norvegicus</i>	
Brown Hare	3	1	<i>Lepus capensis</i>	

REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS

Dice Snake		<i>Natrix tessalata</i>
European Pond Turtle		<i>Emys orbicularis</i>
Marsh Frog		<i>Rana ridibunda</i>
European Tree Frog		<i>Hyla arborea</i>

DRAGONFLIES AND DAMSELFLIES

Eastern Willow Spreadwing		<i>Lestes parvidens</i>
Migrant Spreadwing		<i>Lestes barbarus</i>
Blue-tailed Damselfly		<i>Ischnura elegans</i>
Migrant Hawker		<i>Aeshna mixta</i>
Southern Darter		<i>Sympetrum meridionale</i>
Broad Scarlet		<i>Crocothemis erythraea</i>

BUTTERFLIES

Common Swallowtail
Large White
Small White
Eastern Bath White
Clouded Yellow
Eastern Clouded Yellow
Red Admiral
Cardinal Fritillary
Meadow Brown
Small Heath
Large Copper
Lesser Fiery Copper
Common Blue
Mallow Skipper
Grizzled Skipper
Large Skipper

Papilio machaon
Pieris brassicae
Artogeia rapae
Pontia edusa
Colias crocea
Colias hyale
Vanessa atalanta
Argynnis pandora
Maniola jurtina
Coenonympha pamphilus
Lycaena dispar
Lycaena thersimon
Polyommatus icarus
Carcharodus alceae
Pyrgus malvae
Ochlodes venatus

MOTHS

Hummingbird Hawkmoth
Death's-head Hawkmoth

Macroglossum stellatarum
Acherontia atropos

This list represents those birds and other animals seen by party members of this tour.



Front cover: Eurasian Tree Sparrow

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