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### A Personal Diary

#### 04 September

After a scaled pick up at Málaga airport the *Tarifa at Leisure* group was soon its way west. It was afternoon motorway driving as far as Algeciras, even so we had soon spotted our first European Bee-eaters and Red-rumped Swallow from the van.

Nearing our destination we stopped to have our first experience of raptor migration at La Cazalla watchpoint overlooking Tarifa, with a fine view over the straits of Gibraltar to Morocco. And a very good introduction it was! In little more than an hour we stood and watched dozens of European Honey Buzzards streaming past directly overhead on strong winds, together with smaller numbers of Black Kites, a column of White Storks, a Red Kite, several Egyptian Vultures, small numbers of the local Eurasian Griffon Vultures and all this with the constant presence of Booted Eagles. While Short-toed Eagles, large and pale, drifted by in ones and twos, we saw a Common Buzzard and another buzzard that raised questions (Common or Long-legged?) which, unfortunately, could not be answered with total certainty.

Non-raptors included Alpine Swift and Common Swift, European Bee-eaters chirruping as they passed and a single Zitting Cisticola in the scrub. Satisfied with our first period of migration watching we left the site before the procession of the local virgin caused serious traffic problems and we continued towards our hotel near Barbate.

We drove past several flocks of Cattle Egrets, virtually the only bird moving among the widespread wind farms on this stretch of our route, before reaching the coast at Záhara de los Atunes. Now we had the Atlantic coast of Spain on one side and dunes and saltflats on the other, and then came the pine woods of the Breña Natural Park and the tranquil surroundings of our accommodation for the week, the Palomar de la Breña.

Dinner was delicious with calf cheeks and figs with chocolate!

#### 05 September

Before we even got out of bed we had our first aural encounter with the hotel's resident Little Owls, which were heard yelping out on the balcony, although no-one in the group was up in anticipation of the moment!

Our first port of call after breakfast was Los Lances beach near Tarifa, where we were joined, temporarily, by a large group of Spanish birders. Here we had and our first real contact with some of the local wetland birds. These included Sandwich Tern, Audouin's Gull, a single juvenile Greater Flamingo, Pied Avocet, Eurasian Curlew, Common Ringed Plover, Lesser Black-backed Gull, Yellow-legged Gull and Bar-tailed Godwit.

We made the most of the short walk to and from the parked van by searching the bushes and fields for migrant passerines, which revealed Common Whitethroat, Willow Warbler, European Reed Warbler, Sardinian Warbler (resident), Woodchat Shrike and Zitting Cisticola.

Just down the road was La Cazalla watchpoint. It was busy, with birds and birders, and the highlight of this, our second migration watch, was watching an immature Bonelli's Eagle sailing past one way, circling over the coast, and then sailing back the way it had come. A Northern Goshawk flyover also caused a stir, while plenty of passing Short-toed Eagles (some landing on pylons) and Booted Eagles ensured that dull moments were non-existent. A small flock of Black Storks approached from the hills and gave us good views as they passed close by, and we also watched European Honey Buzzards, several Egyptian Vultures and Black Kites at close range.

Parties of European Bee-eaters were migrating too, revealing their presence by their liquid bubbling calls, and we also caught sight of the first Montagu's Harriers of the tour, a couple of juveniles gliding low over the grassy slopes.

As usual the visible drift of migrants petered out around midday, so we decided to drive on to look for a spot to consume our picnic lunches. This was to be at the Mirador del Estrecho, with incorporated coffee/ice-cream and bathroom options. Mark and I watched several Eurasian Griffon Vultures and struggled with one: could it have been a Rüppell's Vulture? The light was far from ideal, but it did seem to have the right underside pattern. However, lacking any up-to-date literature on the species we decided the best course of action would be to wait and consult the bibliography and the pillow.

From here we turned back and retraced our steps as far as the junction for Bolonia and a visit to the famous "swift" cave. En-route we spotted Tawny Pipit and Pied Flycatcher. Our main hopes on visiting the cave were placed on getting views of the local breeding Little Swifts, but that was not to be. Nevertheless, we enjoyed our time here, and apart from the excellent views we also had a good variety of birds, which included no fewer than four Blue Rock Thrushes, large flocks of European Bee-eaters, close views of Eurasian Griffon Vultures and a male Montagu's Harrier, among others.

The afternoon was wearing on, but the group still had plenty of appetite for more birds, so our next stop on the way was at La Janda. Once an impressive wetland La Janda was drained for cultivation, and is now a network of rice paddies, irrigation channels and ditches and fields. Our first contact with the area bore its fruits with sightings of flocks of Glossy Ibis and White Stork, a couple of Squacco Herons, a Spoonbill, and several Western Marsh Harriers.

The local Barbate marshes were the last stop of the day, and well worth the visit. Here our first bird was quite a special one: we had excellent views of a Isabelline Warbler in a dead tree by the car park. Then as we reached the marshes we spotted a Northern Goshawk, the second sighting of the day! The marshes here held an interesting series of waders including large numbers of Black-winged Stilt, Green and Common Sandpipers, some Little Ringed Plovers and flocks of Glossy Ibis.

Karen discovered a curious creature crossing the path, and we were rather at odds to put a name to it – a land leach? Then John and Graham came face to face with the prowess of the incredible Squirting Cucumber! An experiment only to be repeated after having taken all the proper precautions.

We returned to the hotel and dinner, and in the process helping Graham to decide whether it was the croutons or crampons that should be passed over! However, that was not quite all – Mark had the latest information on the whereabouts of the space station that would be flying over us just after 9pm. So duly lined up on the hotel terrace we all got views of the heavenly body as it sped past, and picked up brief views of a nightjar into the bargain too!

## **06 September**

We started the day off at the nearby Barbate marshes. Some of the group got glimpses of a Purple Swamphen before it dashed for cover, although all of us were able to enjoy a good assortment of waders at our leisure: beside the previous day's species there were also a dozen or more Wood Sandpipers, several Common Snipe, a single Northern Lapwing, and several Spoonbills. A Common Kingfisher called and flashed by, giving most of the party brief views of this little gem. Mike spotted the Isabelline Warbler again in the same tree, and a Little Owl added some spice to the visit.

By mid-morning it was already hot, and getting hotter. We drove on to the Laguna Medina and started out on a walk to the hide, hoping it would be cool and shady. It wasn't, and to our disappointment when we got to the hide we found several workmen installing a new one, and in the process of fitting the roof!

Needless to say, we couldn't stay for long, but some of the party managed a cheeky sneak view from the hide – its first users for sure! There were several Black-crowned Night Herons perched on one shore, while on the lake itself were Great Crested and Little Grebes, Common Pochard, Eurasian Coot and Common Moorhen. A Penduline Tit called from a tree on the lakeshore, but could not be seen. From the trail itself we also

managed to get rather intermittent views of the local speciality - several White-headed Ducks, which was a new species for some in the party.

We took lunch in the little shade available, had a quick look at the ducks once more before heading back towards la Janda via a different route. The wind had picked up considerably, and a small flock of Lesser Kestrels we spotted on the way were having a hard time trying to perch in the open. Around la Janda itself we saw Common Pheasant, Red-legged Partridge and also had fine views of a juvenile Montagu's Harrier on the ground.

A quick detour back to la Cazalla watchpoint served as a demonstration of what it was like there on a windy day, and why also we were the only ones there! The few birds that were there were low-flying and so we had good looks at Short-toed Eagles, Booted Eagles and even a Black Stork before wisdom made us desist and retire to the hotel.

We picked up some Alpine Swifts on the way and spotted the usual birds around the hotel: Lesser Kestrel and Common Kestrel together, ideal for comparing the two species, a single Short-toed Eagle, and the resident Sardinian Warblers.

### **07 September**

The cunning strategy we had worked out for dealing with the wind the previous evening gave some rich fruits this day! Our first stop was at the "swift" cave, where we actually saw some swifts! No Little Swift however, but Common and Alpine Swift, and also very likely Pallid Swifts. Soon after arrival flocks of European Honey Buzzards started flying low over the crags, allowing us marvellous views as they flapped and soared eastwards against the direction of the prevailing wind. Varying numbers of Egyptian and Eurasian Griffon Vultures, Black Kite and Short-toed Eagle followed suit, and the resident Blue Rock Thrushes showed themselves once more. Graham also spotted a Crag Martin.

Following this we continued along a valley past the shrine to our Lady of the Light, the local virgin and the centre of attention of the local populace on our day of arrival. Hirundines and swifts had gathered in the more sheltered parts of the valley, and some time spent watching them gave us our first good views of Pallid Swift. We also enjoyed Red-rumped Swallows in among the Common Swifts and House Martins. High above us raptors were streaming past, all heading east, probably to compensate for westward drift on the strong winds. We continued along the valley, admired the views and looked for passerines, but few were to be seen except for Spotted and Pied Flycatchers and a single Blue Tit.

A lightning tour of Tarifa led us to the decision to look for lunch elsewhere, so we drove on to Huerta Grande. Here we found a roadside bar with open air viewing of passing raptors. Refreshed, we then took to the shade of Huerta Grande, and spent some more relaxing moments strolling along the leafy paths and watching a good assortment of tree-loving birds, which included Firecrest, Serin, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Crested Tit, Blackcap, Dunnock, and Short-toed Treecreeper.

We made a false start at La Cazalla watchpoint in very strong winds before John convinced us to try the Algarrobo watchpoint instead. And what a good move it was! Flocks of European Honey Buzzards were streaming past, individual Eurasian Sparrowhawks soared past at almost regular intervals, Short-toed Eagles, Booted Eagles and Black Kites were constantly in view, small columns of Egyptian Vultures merged and slowly circled out of our visual range. A single Osprey flew past with rapid flapping flight. Then came the most exciting moment, when someone called "Rüppell's Vulture" and sure enough, we all looked up to see a juvenile Rüppell's Vulture circling right over our heads! Cameras clicked triumphantly while we watched the bird circle around a few times and slowly drift away.

Following hot information we paid another visit to la Janda, and thanks to the sharp vision of Karen we eventually caught up with our first Black-winged Kite of the trip, a juvenile bird perched on an irrigation structure. We watched the bird perched and in flight for some time, enjoying first-rate views. Before finally leaving la Janda we had also seen several Common Pheasants, Red-legged Partridges, Western Marsh Harriers and almost double figures of Montagu's Harriers. The numbers of the latter were building up considerably at La Janda, probably because of the difficulties in crossing the straits under such windy conditions.

## **08 September**

In the morning we drove past Cádiz and on to the Bonanza saltpans. It was a little further than we would normally travel, but it was most definitely worth it! On our arrival at the saltpans we were greeted by a flock of very handsome Slender-billed Gulls at very close range, some birds still sporting a pinkish hue on their underparts. On the topic of pink there were also small parties of Greater Flamingos, which were then followed by a procession of waders: Dunlin, Sanderling, Little Stint, Black-tailed Godwit, Pied Avocet, Ruff, Common Ringed, Kentish and Grey Plovers, Common Greenshank, Common and Spotted Redshanks, Ruddy Turnstone and Curlew Sandpiper. Two Caspian Terns flew over, and here we also saw our first and only Little Terns and Whiskered Terns of the trip. Yellow Wagtails were dotted all around the saltings, although it must be said that very few were very yellow, which did prompt a few queries and doubts in some quarters.

We made another stop a little further on and our attention was drawn to three or four Black-necked Grebes that were constantly submerging and keeping us guessing as to where and when they would appear next. At that moment we had one of the most pleasant surprises of the day when a flock of approximately 20 Collared Pratincoles came flying past, chattering and tilting in the sky before landing in the saltmarsh. We enjoyed lovely views of these birds in flight, which was just as well, because when they landed in the saltings they all but disappeared from view!

...and then came the *Vogelfest*!

We ended up contemplating a seething mix of waders, with flamingos, spoonbills and terns thrown in for good measure. It was a delight to see so many birds in such a small area and just to stand there and leisurely scan through the mass of birds. In among the abundant Common Ringed Plovers and Dunlins there were small flocks of Curlew Sandpipers and even several Red Knots, as well as most of the other waders we had seen that day.

We were very satisfied with our morning's cache and so retired to seek out a likely looking spot for some lunch. We found an air-conditioned tapas bar, and then took coffee on the terrace before getting back to the birding. Our next birding destination was Tarelo lagoon, in the midst of an extensive pine wood. The lagoon had some ducks - Common Pochard, Northern Shoveler and Mallard - as well as Black-crowned Night Heron and Squacco Heron, and a flyover Osprey. However, our main focus of attention turned out to be the songbirds flitting around the pines: Common Redstart, Iberian Chiffchaff, Willow, Western Bonelli's and Garden Warblers and Pied Flycatcher were all seen before we could eventually drag Mark away!

Just down the road we encountered what was surprisingly our first Eurasian Hoopoe of the trip, and then two Black Storks on the ground, next to a fenced-off pool. Chipiona is a small town on the coast, and was just a short drive away. And our interest in this seaside town? Well, on the seafront is a well-known site for Little Swift. We enjoyed ice-creams courtesy of Graham, which helped time pass a little swiftly. Had the birds left, or was it the wrong time of day? There were no sure answers to our questions, so we hit the road once more and made our way back towards the hotel.

The last call of the day was at Barbate marshes, to see if anything new had arrived during our absence. We saw most of the same species as on previous visits, but with the welcome addition of an adult Black-winged Kite spotted by Mark, and good views of Purple Swamphen and Little Stint.

## **09 September**

For the last day of birding we would go back to see what was happening on the migration front around Tarifa. Los Lances beach was very windswept, it almost felt as if the hide would be blown away by a sudden gust, along with its occupants - us! Nevertheless, we managed to see good numbers of Audouin's Gulls bearing up to the wind, along with a small flock of Sandwich Terns and a single juvenile Common Tern. Small numbers of waders included Kentish Plover and Little Stint, while several Northern Wheatears stood out on the surrounding fields.

After this we headed straight for the Algarrobo migration watch point and again had close up views of most of the species of migrating raptors, with more European Sparrowhawks this time, and large numbers of

European Honey Buzzards. The supporting cast of raptors was more or less what we had become used to and we enjoyed good views of many of them.

It was nice to escape part of the midday heat in the cool, leafy shade of Huerta Grande once more. Here we had another pleasant walk, and although the potential Hawfinch eluded us, we managed good views of many of the typical species including Grey Wagtail, Firecrest, Garden Warbler and Crested Tit.

We had lunch and then started back, first investigating the coast near Tarifa for raptors and seabirds. We watched a Short-toed Eagle try to make the crossing and think better of it to turn back half way and return to the Spanish coastline. Booted Eagles were drifting along the coast in some number, while we watched a few rather distant Cory's Shearwaters over the sea.

On our last afternoon we decided to allow a chill-out period back at the hotel. The optional late afternoon walk around the local pine wood had several takers, and was quite interesting, providing us with views of Eurasian Hoopoe, European Green Woodpecker, Short-toed Treecreeper and Pied and Spotted Flycatchers. A crazy youth on a motorbike also provided some additional entertainment before we made our way back to the hotel to enjoy our last delicious meal.

### **10 September**

In the morning we drove to Málaga airport, where the group departed to catch their flights to different destinations in the UK.

### **Acknowledgements**

Thank you all for being on this tour. I hope you enjoyed both the birds and the experience in itself, and would like to add that all the tour participants did very well in taking the sometimes trying temperatures and wind in their stride. I was particularly impressed by your knowledge and enthusiasm for Spain's birds. A special thank you to Eric who keeps a fine establishment at the Palomar de la Breña, and who made special efforts to accommodate us and our needs.

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## **Itinerary and Weather**

Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Málaga > Tarifa > Barbate Windy and warm, 25°C+
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Tarifa > Bolonia > La Janda > Barbate marshes Calm and sunny, 30°C+
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Barbate marshes > Medina Lagoon > La Janda > Tarifa Becoming very windy, sunny, 30°C+
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	Bolonia > Ntra Sra de la Luz > Huerta Grande > Algarrobo > La Janda Hot and windy, 30°C+
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Bonanza > Chipiona > Barbate marshes Hot and breezy, 32°C
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> September	Tarifa > Algarrobo > Huerta Grande Hot and windy, 30°C
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> September	Return to UK

## CHECKLIST OF BIRDS SEEN DURING TOUR

<b>Max no of days seen or heard</b> 1 2h means seen on 1 day and heard on 2 other days	<b>Abundance scale</b> <b>Maximum seen (on one day)</b> 1 = 1-4 2 = 5-9 3 = 10-99 4 = 100-999 5 = 1,000-9,999 6 = 10,000+
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The sequence and nomenclature of this list follow Collins Bird Guide 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition 2010

SPECIES	No of days recorded	Abundance Scale	SCIENTIFIC NAME
Mallard	4	3	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>
Northern Shoveler	2	2	<i>Anas clypeata</i>
Common Pochard	2	2	<i>Aythya ferina</i>
White-headed Duck	1	3	<i>Oxyura leucocephala</i>
Red-legged Partridge	2	1	<i>Alectoris rufa</i>
Common Quail	- 1h	1	<i>Coturnix coturnix</i>
Common Pheasant	3	2	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>
Little Grebe	3	2	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
Great Crested Grebe	2	2	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>
Black-necked Grebe	1	1	<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>
Cory's (Scopoli's) Shearwater	1	1	<i>Calonectris diomedea diomedea</i>
Black-crowned Night Heron	2	2	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>
Cattle Egret	6	4	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>
Little Egret	5	2	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>
Squacco Heron	2	1	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>
Grey Heron	6	2	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>
White Stork	5	3	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>
Black Stork	5	2	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>
Glossy Ibis	5	4	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>
Spoonbill	3	2	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>
Greater Flamingo	2	4	<i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>
Eurasian Griffon Vulture	6	3	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>
Rüppell's Vulture	1	1	<i>Gyps rueppellii</i>
Egyptian Vulture	5	3	<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>
Osprey	2	1	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>
Bonelli's Eagle	1	1	<i>Aquila fasciata</i>
Short-toed Eagle	6	3	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>
Booted Eagle	6	3	<i>Hieraaetus pennatus</i>
Red Kite	4	1	<i>Milvus milvus</i>
Black Kite	6	3	<i>Milvus migrans</i>
Western Marsh Harrier	4	2	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>
Montagu's Harrier	4	3	<i>Circus pygargus</i>
Common Buzzard	4	1	<i>Buteo buteo</i>
European Honey Buzzard	4	4	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	6	2	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>
Northern Goshawk	1	1	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>
Black-winged Kite	2	1	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>
Common Kestrel	6	2	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
Lesser Kestrel	6	3	<i>Falco naumanni</i>
Common Moorhen	4	2	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
Eurasian Coot	3	2	<i>Fulica atra</i>
Purple Swamphen	2	1	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>
Pied Avocet	2	3	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>
Black-winged Stilt	4	3	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
Collared Pratincole	1	3	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>
Little Ringed Plover	3	2	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>
Common Ringed Plover	4	3	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>

Kentish Plover	3	3	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>	
Grey Plover	2	1	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	
Northern Lapwing	1	1	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	
Red Knot	2	3	<i>Calidris canutus</i>	
Ruddy Turnstone	2	2	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	
Sanderling	4	3	<i>Calidris alba</i>	
Dunlin	4	3	<i>Calidris alpina</i>	
Curlew Sandpiper	2	3	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	
Little Stint	3	2	<i>Calidris minuta</i>	
Common Sandpiper	3	3	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	
Wood Sandpiper	2	3	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	
Green Sandpiper	4	2	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>	
Common Redshank	4	3	<i>Tringa totanus</i>	
Spotted Redshank	2	2	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>	
Common Greenshank	2	2	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	
Black-tailed Godwit	1	3	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	
Bar-tailed Godwit	3	2	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	
Eurasian Curlew	1	1	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	
Whimbrel	3	2	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	
Common Snipe	2	2	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	
Ruff	1	3	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>	
Black-headed Gull	5	3	<i>Larus ridibundus</i>	
Slender-billed Gull	1	3	<i>Larus genei</i>	
Yellow-legged Gull	6	3	<i>Larus michahellis</i>	
Audouin's Gull	2	3	<i>Larus audouinii</i>	
Lesser Black-backed Gull	4	1	<i>Larus fuscus</i>	
Little Tern	1	1	<i>Sterna albifrons</i>	
Sandwich Tern	3	2	<i>Sterna sandvicensis</i>	
Common Tern	1	1	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	
Caspian Tern	1	1	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	
Whiskered Tern	1	2	<i>Chlidonias hybridus</i>	
Feral Pigeon (Rock Dove)	6	3	<i>Columba livia</i>	
Common Wood Pigeon	5	2	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	
Eurasian Collared Dove	6	3	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	
European Turtle Dove	4	1	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>	
Barn Owl	1	1h	1	<i>Tyto alba</i>
Little Owl	2	3h	1	<i>Athene noctua</i>
Nightjar sp.	2		1	<i>Caprimulgus sp.</i>
Common Swift	6		3	<i>Apus apus</i>
Pallid Swift	3		2	<i>Apus pallidus</i>
Alpine Swift	5		3	<i>Apus melba</i>
Eurasian Hoopoe	2		1	<i>Upupa epops</i>
Common Kingfisher	2	1	1	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>
European Bee-eater	6		3	<i>Merops apiaster</i>
European Green Woodpecker	1	3h	1	<i>Picus viridis</i>
Great Spotted Woodpecker	1		1	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>
Crested Lark	6		2	<i>Galerida cristata</i>
Common Sand Martin	4		3	<i>Riparia riparia</i>
Eurasian Crag Martin	1		1	<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>
Barn Swallow	6		4	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
Red-rumped Swallow	5		2	<i>Hirundo daurica</i>
Common House Martin	6		4	<i>Delichon urbica</i>
Tawny Pipit	1		1	<i>Anthus campestris</i>
Yellow Wagtail	4		3	<i>Motacilla flava</i>
Grey Wagtail	2		1	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>
European Robin	2		1	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>
Common Redstart	1		1	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>
Northern Wheatear	4		3	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>
Common Stonechat	6		2	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>
Blue Rock Thrush	2		1	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>
Common Blackbird	4		1	<i>Turdus merula</i>
Garden Warbler	1		1	<i>Sylvia borin</i>
Blackcap	2		2	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>

Common Whitethroat	2		1	<i>Sylvia communis</i>
Sardinian Warbler	6		2	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>
Cetti's Warbler	1	4h	1	<i>Cettia cetti</i>
European Reed Warbler	2	2h	1	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>
Isabelline Warbler	2		1	<i>Hippolais opaca</i>
Zitting Cisticola	6		2	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>
Willow Warbler	5		2	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>
Western Bonelli's Warbler	1		1	<i>Phylloscopus bonelli</i>
Iberian Chiffchaff	1		1	<i>Phylloscopus ibericus</i>
Firecrest	2		1	<i>Regulus ignicapillus</i>
Winter Wren	1	1h	1	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>
Spotted Flycatcher	4		2	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>
Pied Flycatcher	4		1	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>
Great Tit	3		1	<i>Parus major</i>
European Blue Tit	2	1h	1	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>
Crested Tit	2		1	<i>Lophophanes cristatus</i>
Eurasian Penduline Tit	-	1h	1	<i>Remiz pendulinus</i>
Short-toed Treecreeper	2		1	<i>Certhia brachydactyla</i>
Woodchat Shrike	5		2	<i>Lanius senator</i>
Western Jackdaw	5		3	<i>Corvus monedula</i>
Common Raven	3		1	<i>Corvus corax</i>
Common Starling	1		1	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>
Spotless Starling	5		3	<i>Sturnus unicolor</i>
House Sparrow	6		3	<i>Passer domesticus</i>
Common Chaffinch	2		1	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>
Common Linnet	4		2	<i>Carduelis cannabina</i>
European Goldfinch	6		3	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>
European Greenfinch	4		2	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>
European Serin	1	1h	1	<i>Serinus serinus</i>
Corn Bunting	5		2	<i>Miliaria calandra</i>
 <b>OTHER ANIMALS</b>				
European Rabbit	2		2	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>
Monarch Butterfly	1		1	<i>Danaus plexippus</i>

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