

A systematic list of bird species recorded in Nepal, between 30th January and 29th February 1997, and their locations. P.L. Hines.

Nomenclature and taxonomic status follows: Inskipp, T., Lindsey, N. & Duckworth, W. (1996) *An Annotated Checklist to the Birds of the Oriental Region*. Species marked with an asterix indicates reference to Ali, S. & Ripley, S.D. (1983) *A Pictorial Guide to the Birds of the Indian Subcontinent* to determine the race of the species.

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Locations and abbreviations used in the report:

- * Pulchowki (Dates visited; 1st, 20th, 24th & 25th February 1997) = P
- * Chitwan National Park (based at Meghauli)
(4th - 6th February 1997) = C
- * Langtang National Park
(11th - 16th February 1997) = L
- * Kathmandu
(generally, intermediate dates to the above) = KTM

	KTM	P	C	L
Great Cormorant <i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>			X	
Darter <i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>			X	
Indian Pond Heron <i>Ardeola grayii</i>	X		X	
Cattle Egret <i>Bulbulcus ibis</i>	X		X	
Little Egret <i>Egretta garzetta</i>	X		X	
Great Egret <i>Egretta alba</i>			X	
Asian Openbill <i>Anastomus oscitans</i>			X	
Woolly-necked Stork <i>Ciconia episcopus</i>			X	
Lesser Adjutant Stork <i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>			X	
Black Ibis <i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>			X	
Ruddy Shelduck <i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>			X	
Common Teal <i>Anas crecca</i>			X	
Mallard <i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>			X	
Goosander <i>Mergus merganser</i>			X	
Black-shouldered Kite <i>Elanus caeruleus</i>			X	
Black Kite <i>Milvus migrans</i>	X			
Grey-headed Fishing Eagle <i>Ichthyophaga ichthyaetus</i>			X	
Egyptian Vulture <i>Neophron percnopterus</i>	X			
Lammergeier <i>Gypaetus barbatus</i>				X
White-rumped Vulture <i>Gyps bengalensis</i>	X			
Himalayan Griffon Vulture <i>Gyps himalayanensis</i>				X
Cinereous Vulture <i>Aegypius monachus</i>		X		
Crested Serpent Eagle <i>Spilornis cheela</i>			X	
Hen Harrier <i>Circus cyaneus</i>			X	
Northern Goshawk <i>Accipiter gentilis</i>				X
Eurasian Sparrowhawk <i>Accipiter nisus</i>				X
Shikra <i>Accipiter badius</i>		X	X	
White-eyed Buzzard <i>Butastur teesa</i>			X	
Common Buzzard <i>Buteo buteo</i>		X		
Golden Eagle <i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>				X
Mountain Hawk-eagle <i>Spizaetus nipalensis</i>		X		X
Osprey <i>Pandion haliaetusi</i>			X	
Common Kestrel <i>Falco tinnunculus</i>				X
Peregrine Falcon <i>Falco peregrinus japonensis</i> *	X			
Black Francolin <i>Francolinus francolinus</i>			X	
Himalayan Monal <i>Lophophorus imejanus</i>				X
Red Junglefowl <i>Gallus gallus</i>			X	
Kalij Pheasant <i>Lophura leucomelana</i>		X	X	
Indian Peafowl <i>Pavo cristatus</i>			X	
Ruddy-breasted Crake <i>Porzana fusca</i>			X	
Brown Crake <i>Amaurornis akool</i>			X	
White-breasted Waterhen <i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>			X	
Common Moorhen <i>Gallinula chloropus</i>			X	
Bengal Florican <i>Houbaropsis bengalensis</i>			X	
Pheasant-tailed Jacana <i>Hydrophasianus chirurgus</i>			X	
Little-ringed Plover <i>Charadrius dubius</i>			X	
River Plover <i>Hoplopterus duraucelli</i>			X	
Red-wattled Lapwing <i>Hoplopterus indicus</i>			X	
Temminck's Stint <i>Calidris temminckii</i>			X	
Common Snipe <i>Gallinago gallinago</i>			X	
Common Redshank <i>Tringa totanus</i>			X	
Common Greenshank <i>Tringa nebularia</i>			X	
Green Sandpiper <i>Tringa ochropus</i>			X	
Common Sandpiper <i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>			X	
Rock Pigeon <i>Columba livia</i>	X	X	X	X
Snow Pigeon <i>Columba leuconota</i>				X

	KTM	P	C	L
(Woopigeon Sp. <i>Columba Sp.</i>)		X		
Eurasian Collared Dove <i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	X		X	
Red Collared Dove <i>Streptopelia tranquebarica</i>			X	
Oriental Turtle Dove <i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>		X		
Spotted Dove <i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>			X	
Barred Cuckoo-dove <i>Macropygia unchall</i>		X		
Emerald Dove <i>Chalcophaps indica</i>			X	
Alexandrine Parakeet <i>Psittacula eupatria</i>			X	
Ring-necked Parakeet <i>Psittacula krameri</i>			X	
Plum-headed Parakeet <i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>			X	
Common Hawk-cuckoo <i>Hierococcyx varius</i>			X	
Green-billed Malkoa <i>Phaenicophaeus tristis</i>			X	
Greater Coucal <i>Centropus sinensis</i>			X	
Collared Owlet <i>Glaucidium brodiei</i>				X
Jungle Owlet <i>Glaucidium radiatum</i>			X	
Himalayan Swiflet <i>Collocalia brevirostris</i>				X
House Swift <i>Apus affinis</i>	X			
Crested Tree Swift <i>Hemiprocne coronata</i>			X	
White-breasted Kingfisher <i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>	X		X	
Black-capped Kingfisher <i>Halcyon pileata</i>			X	
Common Kingfisher <i>Alcedo atthis</i>			X	
Pied Kingfisher <i>Ceryle rudis</i>			X	
Common Hoopoe <i>Upupa epops</i>			X	
Oriental Pied Hornbill <i>Anthracoceros albirostris</i>			X	
Great Pied Hornbill <i>Buceros bicornis</i>			X	
Great Barbet <i>Megalaima virens</i>			X	X
Lineated Barbet <i>Megalaima lineata</i>			X	
Blue-throated Barbet <i>Megalaima asiatica</i>	X			
Speckled Piculet <i>Picumnus innominatus</i>				X
Rufous Woodpecker <i>Celeus brachyurus</i>			X	
Lesser Yellow-nape <i>Picus chlorolopus</i>		X		
Greater Yellow-nape <i>Picus flavinucha</i>		X		
Grey-headed Woodpecker <i>Picus canus</i>			X	
Himalayan Flameback <i>Dinopium shorii</i>			X	
Black-rumped Flameback <i>Dinopium benghalense</i>			X	
Darjeeling Pied Woodpecker <i>Dendrocopus darjellensis</i>				X
Brown-fronted Pied Woodpecker <i>Dendrocopus auriceps</i>				X
Fulvous-breasted Pied Woodpecker <i>Dendrocopus macei</i>			X	
Grey-capped Pigmy Woodpecker <i>Dendrocopus canicepillus</i>			X	
Rufous-winged Bushlark <i>Mirafra assamica</i>			X	
Sandlark <i>Calandrella raytal</i>			X	
Plain Martin <i>Riparia paludicola</i>		X		
Barn Swallow <i>Hirundo rustica</i>	X	X	X	
Red-rumped Swallow <i>Hirundo daurica</i>		X		
Nepal House-Martin <i>Delichon nipalensis</i>				X
Paddyfield Pipit <i>Anthus rufulus</i>			X	
Olive-backed Pipit <i>Anthus hodgsoni</i>		X		
Rosy Pipit <i>Anthus roseatus</i>			X	
Citrine Wagtail <i>Motacilla citreola</i>			X	
Grey Wagtail <i>Motacilla cinerea</i>		X	X	X
White Wagtail <i>Motacilla alba</i>			X	
White-browed Wagtail <i>Motacilla maderaspatensis</i>			X	
Large Woodshrike <i>Tephrodornis gularis</i>			X	
Bar-winged Flycatcher-Shrike <i>Hemipus picatus</i>			X	
Large Cuckoo-Shrike <i>Coracina macei</i>		X		
Scarlet Minivet <i>Pericrocotus flammeus</i>		X	X	

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Rosy Minivet <i>Pericrocotus roseus</i>			X	
Striated Bulbul <i>Pycnonotus striatus</i>		X		
Red-whiskered Bulbul <i>Pycnonotus jocossus</i>			X	
Himalayan Bulbul <i>Pycnonotus leucogenys</i>	X	X	X	
Red-vented Bulbul <i>Pycnonotus cafer bengalensis</i> *	X	X	X	
Mountain Bulbul <i>Hypsipetes mcclllandii</i>		X		
Black Bulbul <i>Hypsipetes leucocephalus</i>		X		
Common Iora <i>Aegithina tiphia</i>			X	
Golden-fronted Leafbird <i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>			X	
Orange-bellied Leafbird <i>Chloropsis hardwickii</i>		X		
Brown Dipper <i>Cinclus pallasii</i>				X
Winter Wren <i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>				X
Maroon-backed Accentor <i>Prunella immaculata</i>				X
Rufous-breasted Accentor <i>Prunella strophiaata</i>				X
Altai Accentor <i>Prunella himalayana</i>				X
White-tailed Rubythroat <i>Luscinia pectoralis</i>			X	
Orange-flanked Bush-Robin <i>Tarsiger cyanurus</i>		X		X
Golden Bush-Robin <i>Tarsiger chrysaeus</i>				X
White-browed Bush-Robin <i>Tarsiger indicus</i>				X
Oriental Magpie-Robin <i>Copsychus saularis</i>			X	
White-rumped Shama <i>Copsychus malabaricus</i>			X	
Blue-capped Redstart <i>Phoenicurus caeruleocephalus</i>				X
Black Redstart <i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>		X		X
Hodgson's Redstart <i>Phoenicurus hodgsoni</i>		X		
Blue-fronted Redstart <i>Phoenicurus frontalis</i>				X
White-throated Redstart <i>Phoenicurus schisticeps</i>				X
Plumbeous Redstart <i>Rhyacornis fuliginosus</i>				X
Common Stonechat <i>Saxicola torquata</i>		X	X	X
White-tailed Stonechat <i>Saxicola leucura</i>			X	
Pied Bushchat <i>Saxicola caprata</i>			X	
Grey Buschat <i>Saxicola ferrea</i>		X		X
White-capped Water Redstart <i>Chaimarronis leucocephalus</i>		X		X
Blue-capped Rock Thrush <i>Monticola cinclorhyncha</i>		X		
Blue-whistling Thrush <i>Myiophoneus caeruleus</i>		X		X
Plain-backed Mountain Thrush <i>Zoothera mollissima</i>				X
Scaly Thrush <i>Zoothera dauma</i>			X	
Long-billed Thrush <i>Zoothera monticola</i>				X
White-collared Blackbird <i>Turdus albocinctus</i>				X
Grey-winged Blackbird <i>Turdus boulboul</i>		X		
Little Forktail <i>Enicurus scouleri</i>				X
Black-backed Forktail <i>Enicurus immaculatus</i>			X	
Spotted Forktail <i>Enicurus schistaceus</i>		X		X
Chestnut-crowned Bush-Warbler <i>Cettia major</i>			X	
Zitting Cisticola <i>Cisticola juncidis</i>			X	
Plain Prinia <i>Prinia inornata</i>			X	
Ashy Prinia <i>Prinia socialis</i>			X	
Yellow-bellied Prinia <i>Prinia flaviventris</i>			X	
Striated Prinia <i>Prinia criniger</i>		X		X
Grey-capped Prinia <i>Prinia cinereocapilla</i>			X	
Rufous-rumped Grassbird <i>Graminicola bengalensis</i>			X	
Common Tailorbird <i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>		X	X	X
Golden-spectacled Warbler <i>Seicercus burkii</i>		X		X
Chestnut-crowned Warbler <i>Seicercus castaniceps</i>		X		X
Grey-hooded Warbler <i>Seicercus xanthoschistos</i>		X		X
Black-faced Warbler <i>Abroscopus schisticeps</i>		X		X

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Blyth's Crowned Warbler <i>Phylloscopus reguloides</i>		X	X	
Greenish Warbler <i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>			X	
Buff-barred Leaf Warbler <i>Phylloscopus pulcher</i>		X		
Ashy-throated Warbler <i>Phylloscopus maculipennis</i>		X		X
Lemon-rumped Warbler <i>Phylloscopus chloronotus</i>		X		X
Yellow-browed Warbler <i>Phylloscopus inornatus</i>		X	X	X
Dusky Warbler <i>Phylloscopus fuscatus</i>		X	X	X
Smoky Warbler <i>Phylloscopus fuliventer</i>			X	
Goldcrest <i>Regulus regulus</i>		X		
Small Nitalva <i>Nitalva macgrigoriae</i>		X		
Pale-chinned Flycatcher <i>Cyornis poliogenys</i>			X	
Slaty-blue Flycatcher <i>Ficedula tricolor</i>			X	
Rufous-gorgetted Flycatcher <i>Ficedula strophitata</i>		X		
Grey-headed Canary Flycatcher <i>Culicicapa ceylonensis</i>		X	X	
Yellow-bellied Fantail <i>Rhipidura hypoxantha</i>			X	X
White-throated Fantail <i>Rhipidura albicollis</i>		X	X	X
Puff-throated Babbler <i>Pellorneum ruficeps</i>				X
Rusty-cheeked Scimiter Babbler <i>Pomatorhinus erythrogyne</i>		X		X
White-browed Scimiter Babbler <i>Pomatorhinus schisticeps</i>			X	
Streak-breasted Scimiter Babbler <i>Pomatorhinus ruficollis</i>		X		
Black-chinned Babbler <i>Stachyris pyrrhops</i>		X		X
Grey-throated Babbler <i>Stachyris nigriceps</i>		X		
Striped Tit-Babbler <i>Macronous gularis</i>			X	
Chestnut-capped Babbler <i>Timalia pileata</i>			X	
Yellow-eyed Babbler <i>Chrysomma sinense</i>			X	
Black-throated Parrotbill <i>Paradoxornis nipalensis humii</i> *		X		
Common Babbler <i>Turdoides caudatus</i>			X	
Jungle Babbler <i>Turdoides striatus</i>			X	
Lesser-necklaced Laughing Thrush <i>Garrulax monileger</i>			X	
Greater-necklaced Laughing Thrush <i>Garrulax pectoralis</i>			X	
Striated Laughing Thrush <i>Garrulax striatus</i>		X		X
Variegated Laughing Thrush <i>Garrulax variegatus</i>				X
Grey-sided Laughing Thrush <i>Garrulax caerulatus</i>		X		
Rufous-necked Laughing Thrush <i>Garrulax ruficollis</i>			X	
Streaked Laughing Thrush <i>Garrulax lineatus</i>				X
Black-faced Laughing Thrush <i>Garrulax affinis</i>				X
Chestnut-crowned Laughing Thrush <i>Garrulax erythrocephalus</i>		X		X
<i>G. e. nigrimentum</i> *				X
Red-billed Leiothrix <i>Leiothrix lutea</i>		X		
White-browed Shrike-Babbler <i>Pteruthius flaviscapris</i>		X		
Green Shrike-Babbler <i>Pteruthius xanthochloris</i>				X
Black-eared Shrike-Babbler <i>Pteruthius melanotis</i>		X		
Blue-winged Minla <i>Minla cyanouroptera</i>		X		
Chestnut-tailed Minla <i>Minla strigula</i>				X
Rufous-winged Fulvetta <i>Alcippe castaneiceps</i>		X		
White-browed Fulvetta <i>Alcippe vinipectus</i>				X
Nepal Fulvetta <i>Alcippe nipalensis</i>		X		
Rufous Sibia <i>Heterophasia capistrata</i>		X		X
Whiskered Yuhina <i>Yuhina flavicollis</i>		X		
Stripe-throated Yuhina <i>Yuhina gularis</i>				X
Rufous-vented Yuhina <i>Yuhina occipitalis</i>		X		X
White-bellied Yuhina <i>Yuhina zantholeuca</i>			X	
Black-throated Tit <i>Aegithalos concinnus</i>		X		X
Yellow-browed Tit <i>Stelviparus modestus</i>		X		X
Rufous-vented Tit <i>Parus rubidiventris</i>				X

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Great Tit <i>Parus major</i>		X	X	
Green-backed Tit <i>Parus monticolus</i>		X		X
Black-lored Tit <i>Parus xanthogenys</i>		X		X
Velvet-fronted Nuthatch <i>Sitta frontalis</i>		X	X	
White-tailed Nuthatch <i>Sitta himalayensis</i>		X		X
Chestnut-bellied Nuthatch <i>Sitta castanea</i>		X	X	
Common Treecreeper <i>Certia familiaris</i>		X		
(Treecreeper Sp. <i>Certia Sp.</i>)				X
Purple Sunbird <i>Nectarina asiatica</i>			X	
Green-tailed Sunbird <i>Aethopyga nipalensis</i>		X		X
Black-throated Sunbird <i>Aethopyga saturata</i>		X		
Crimson Sunbird <i>Aethopyga siparaja</i>		X		
Fire-tailed Sunbird <i>Aethopyga ignicauda</i>		X		X
Buff-bellied Flowerpecker <i>Dicaeum ignipectus</i>		X		
Oriental White-eye <i>Zosterops palbebrosa</i>		X	X	
Maroon Oriole <i>Oriolus traillii</i>		X		X
Black-hooded Oriole <i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>			X	
Long-tailed Shrike <i>Lanius schach tricolor*</i>	X		X	X
Black Drongo <i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>	X			
Ashy Drongo <i>Dicrurus leucopaeus</i>			X	
White-bellied Drongo <i>Dicrurus caerulescens</i>			X	
Bronzed Drongo <i>Dicrurus aeneus</i>			X	
Spangled Drongo <i>Dicrurus hottentottus</i>			X	
Greater Racket-tailed Drongo <i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i>			X	
Ashy Woodswallow <i>Artamus fuscus</i>			X	
Eurasian Jay <i>Garrulus glandarius</i>		X		
Yellow-billed Blue Magpie <i>Urocissa flavirostris</i>				X
Common Green Magpie <i>Cissa chinensis</i>			X	
Grey Treepie <i>Dendrocitta formosae</i>		X		
Spotted Nutcracker <i>Nucifraga caryocatactes</i>				X
Yellow-billed Chough <i>Pyrrhocorax graculus</i>				X
Red-billed Chough <i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>				X
House Crow <i>Corvus splendens</i>	X	X		
Large-billed Crow <i>Corvus macrorhynchos</i>	X	X	X	X
Common Raven <i>Corvus corax</i>				X
Asian Pied Starling <i>Sturnus contra</i>	X		X	
Common Myna <i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	X	X	X	
Jungle Myna <i>Acridotheres fuscus</i>			X	
House Sparrow <i>Passer domesticus</i>	X	X	X	
Eurasian Tree Sparrow <i>Passer montanus</i>	X	X		X
Black-breasted Weaver <i>Ploceus benghalensis</i>			X	
White-rumped Munia <i>Lonchura striata</i>			X	
Spectacled Finch <i>Callacanthus burtoni</i>				X
Plain Mountain-Finch <i>Leucosticte nemoricola</i>				X
Dark-breasted Rosefinch <i>Carpodacus nipalensis</i>				X
Beautiful Rosefinch <i>Carpodacus pulcherrimus</i>				X
Pink-browed Rosefinch <i>Carpodacus rodochrous</i>				X
Spot-winged Rosefinch <i>Carpodacus rodopeplus</i>				X
White-browed Rosefinch <i>Carpodacus thura</i>				X
Gold-naped Finch <i>Pyrrhoptectes epauletta</i>		X		
Red-headed Bullfinch <i>Pyrrhula erythrocephala</i>				X
Spot-winged Grosbeak <i>Mycerobas melanozanthos</i>		X		
Little Bunting <i>Emberiza pusilla</i>				X
Crested Bunting <i>Melophus lathami</i>			X	

Short notes on some of the interesting records listed in the February 1997 Nepal report.

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Grey-headed Fishing Eagle *Ichthyophaga ichthyaetus*

A single bird seen in flight at Chitwan National Park on 5th Feb. 1997.

Bengal Florican *Houbaropsis bengalensis*

A single female seen well in flight over the Rapti (?) river, near Meghauli, Chitwan National Park on 5th February 1997. Was followed by a male in flight, overhead, of the same river, on the 6th February 1997.

These sightings occurred on the first and second days after the allowed ten day period of grass harvesting (and burning of stubbles) and (dead) wood collecting, during which time there had been much disturbance by local villagers. Fresh grass shoots of 6-8+ inches height were apparant at many recently burned sites.

Barred- Cuckoo Dove *Macropgia unchall*

5-7 birds observed well at Pulchowki on 24th February 1997.

Black-capped Kingfisher *Halcyon pileata*

A single bird c7km up the Sukebar Khola from Meghauli, Chitwan National Park on 5th February 1997.

I heard about the presence (location unknown) of a single bird of this species (presumably the same individual ?) which was recorded by an american birder (whom I met at Pulchowki on 1st Feb) whilst on a boat ride at Chitwan National Park (based at Tiger Tops) a week earlier. Could this be the same individual which was recorded near the Gaida Wildlife Camp at Chitwan National Park on 21st October 1996 ? (*OBC Bulletin 24: From the Field*).

Speckled Piculet *Picuminus innominatus*

1 Landslide Lodge (1660m), Langtang National Park in a mixed feeding flock on 16th February 1997.

Rosy Minivet *Pericrocotus roseus*

A single male recorded in the Tiger Tops area of Chitwan National Park on 6th Feb. 1997.

Maroon-backed Accentor *Prunella immaculata*

All sightings were recorded in the Langtang National Park:

* c10 between Barkhu and Syabru (c2300m) on 11th Feb.1997;

* 3 Syabru village (2130m) on 12th Feb. 1997;

* 4+ above Gore Tabla (c3050m) on 14th Feb 1997.

White-browed Bush-Robin *Luscinia pectoralis*

1 female above Bamboo Lodge (c2,250m-2,500m), Langtang National Park on 12th Feb. 1997.

Long-billed Thrush *Zoothera monticola*

1 recorded at the first bridge between Syabru and the suspension bridge (c2000m), Langtang National Park on 12th Feb. 1997.

Chestnut-crowned Bush Warbler *Cettia major*

2 singles in tall grassland edge (one in company with Large Grass Warbler *Graminicola bengalensis*) in the Tiger Tops area at Chitwan National Park on 5th Feb. 1997.

Rufous-rumped Grassbird *Graminicola bengalensis*

A single bird seen in the Tiger Tops area, Chitwan National Park, in tall grassland (edge) on 5th Feb. 1997.

Smoky Warbler *Phylloscopus fuligiventer*

2 single birds recorded in the Tiger Tops area, Chitwan National Park, on both the 4th Feb. and 5th Feb. 1997 possibly involved 2-3 individuals.

Slaty-blue Flycatcher *Ficedula tricolor*

2 single males recorded in tall grassland in the Tiger Tops area of Chitwan National Park on 5th Feb. 1997.

Grey-throated Babbler *Stachyris nigriceps*

A single bird amongst a flock of Whiskered Yuhina's *Yuhina flavicollis* at Pulchowki on 25th Feb. 1997.

Black-throated Parrotbill *Paradoxornis nipalensis humii**

2-3 flocks, each comprising 30+ individuals, in the bamboo at the forest edge around the huts (altitude ?) and the immediate roadside vicinity on 24th Feb. 1997.

(After consulting Ali & Ripley (1983) *The Pictorial Guide to the Birds of the Indian Subcontinent* these birds were considered to be of the race *P.n. humii*, as opposed to *P.n. poliotis* - the only other race illustrated in the book).

Common Babbler *Turdoides caudatus*

Recorded in the Meghauli area (probably outside the river boundary of Chitwan National Park) on 5th Feb. 1997. Unfortunately, unaware of the localised distribution of this species in Nepal (Inskipp & Inskipp 1985), no numbers or habitat data were recorded for this species, and at this late stage (April 97) I cannot say whether Striated Babbler *Turdoides earlei* had been overlooked - though I consider this unlikely!

Grey-sided Laughing Thrush *Garrulax caerulatus*

A single bird recorded at Pulchowki, on the road and forest edge, by the huts on 25 Feb. 1997.

Black-eared Shrike-Babbler *Pteruthius melanotis*

A single female recorded at Pulchowki on 15th Feb. 1997.

Maroon Oriole *Oriolus trailli*

In the Langtang National Park a single female was recorded at Rimche (2,440m) on 13th Feb. 1997, another individual was heard singing near the suspension bridge on 16th Feb. 1997, and a further 3 birds calling / singing (only a single female was seen) at Bamboo Lodge (2,030m) on 16th Feb. 1997.

A single male was recorded at Pulchowki, near the huts, on both the 24th and 25th Feb 1997.

Spectacled Finch *Callacanthus burtoni*

4; 2 males and 2 females, recorded near Brabal (c2,300m) (Barkhu - Syabru) in the Langtang National Park on 1th Feb. 1997.

Gold-naped Finch *Pyrrhoplectes epauletta*

A single male recorded at Pulchowki on 24th Feb. 1997, and a further 6 (3 males, 3 females) recorded there the following day on 25th Feb. 1997.

Little Bunting *Emberiza pusilla*

2 at Dunche, Lantang National Park, on 11th Feb. 1997.

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