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SYSTEMATIC LIST

English & scientific names follow those of Inskipp, T. et al. (1996). An Annotated Checklist of the Birds of the Oriental Region. Oriental Bird Club.

- HILL PARTRIDGE Arborophila torqueola Singles heard in hills near Deorali Tearooms and Deorali on the18th, 20th & 21st.
- 2. RUFOUS-THROATED PARTRIDGE Arborophila rufogularis 1 heard on Phulchowki on the 26th,
- KALIJ PHEASANT Lophura leucomelanos 10 showed very well at the roadside on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 4. GADWALL Anas strepera 10 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara, on the 14th.
- 5. EURASIAN WIGEON Anas Penelope 25 at Phewa Tal, Pokhara, on the 14th
- 6. MALLARD Anas platyrhynchos 5 at Phewa Tal on the 14th.
- 7. NORTHERN SHOVELER Anas clypeata 6 at Phewa Tal on the 14th and 1 on the 23rd.
- 8. NORTHERN PINTAIL Anas acuta 20 at Phewa Tal on the 14th and 2 on the 23rd.
- 9. COMMON TEAL Anas crecca 8 at Phewa Tal on the 14th and 10 on the 23rd.
- 10. COMMON POCHARD Aythya ferina 8 at Phewa Tal on the 14th and 1 on the 23rd.
- 11. FERRUGINOUS POCHARD Aythya nyroca 20 at phewa Tal on the 14th and 5 on the 23rd.
- 12. TUFTED DUCK Aythya fuligula c40 at Phewa Tal on the 14th.
- 13. COMMON MERGANSER Mergus merganser 2 flew over Tadepani on the 17th as we had breakfast.
- 14. SPECKLED PICULET Picumnus innominatus 1 showed well at the base of Phulchowki on the 26th.
- GREY-CAPPED PYGMY WOODPECKER Dendrocopos canicapillus Only seen near Birethante with 2 birds on the 15th and 1 on the 22nd.
- FULVOUS-BREASTED WOODPECKER Dendrocopos macei A pair in the forest behind Fishtail Lodge on the 13th.
- RUFOUS-BELLIED WOODPECKER Dendrocopos hyperythrus 1 on the 17th between Tadepani and Deorali Tearooms.
- CRIMSON-BREASTED WOODPECKER Dendrocopus cathpharius A male on the 16th between Gandruk and Tadepani
- DARJEELING WOODPECKER Dendrocopos darjellensis
 2 below Deorali on the 19th and 1 near Banthante on the 21st.
- 20. LESSER YELLOWNAPE Picus chlorolophus 3 in forest behind Fishtail Lodge on the 13th
- 21. GREATER YELLOWNAPE *Picus flavinucha* 2 on the 15th above Banthante.
- 22. GREY-HEADED WOODPECKER Picus canus 3 at Pokhara (13th); 2 on Phulchowki (26th).
- 23. SCALY-BELLIED WOODPECKER Picus squamatus 2 between Chitre and Deorali on the 19th.
- 24. GREAT BARBET Megalaima virens heard everywhere; single figure sightings most days.
- GOLDEN-THROATED BARBET megalaima franklinii heard but not seen during both visits to Phulchowki on the 25th and 26th.

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- 26. BLUE-THROATED BARBET *Megalaima asiatica* 3 seen and 5 heard round Fishtail Lodge on the 13th; also heard on the 14th and 23rd round Pokhara.
- 27. COPPERSMITH BARBET *Megalaima haemacephala* seen and heard only round Pokhara.
- 28. INDIAN ROLLER *Coracias benghalensis* the only bird was seen from the taxi as we drove to Katmandu on the 24th.
- 29. COMMON KINGFISHER Alcedo atthis only seen on the lake and marshes round Pokhara; max of 2.
- 30. WHITE-THROATED KINGFISHER *Halcyon smyrnensis* seen on all days at Pokhara with a max of 6; a single bird was seen on the drive to Phulchowki.
- 31. CRESTED KINGFISHER *Megaceryle lugubris* the only sighting was whilst we were having lunch at Birethante on the 22nd.
- 32.BLUE-BEARDED BEE-EATER *Nyctyornis athertoni* a pair of birds were present during both visits to Fishtail Lodge (13th & 23rd); singles were seen on 2 days of the trek.

HAWK CUCKOO Sp birds were heard on 6 days across all sites but were not specifically identified.

- 33. ORIENTAL CUCKOO *Cuculus saturatus* at least 1 bird was singing on both days at Phulchowki and was seen well on the 25th.
- 34. ASIAN KOEL *Eudynamys scolopcacia* 1 seen on the 13^{th} and heard on the 23^{rd} behind Fishtail Lodge.
- ROSE-RINGED PARAKEET *Psittacula krameri* 2 birds flew over whilst we were shopping in Katmandu on the 24th.
- SLATY-HEADED PARAKEET *Psittacula himalayana* c25 around Pokhara on the 13th and 50+ on the first trekking day (15th) above Birethante.
- 37. HIMALAYAN SWIFTLET *Collocalia brevirostris* seen on 3 days round Pokhara (max 3) and 10 seen between Gandruk and Tadepani on the 16th. Swifts tended to be high and difficult to identify.
- 38. ALPINE SWIFT *Tachymarptis melba* a single bird seen above Deorali on the 19th.
- 39. FORK-TAILED SWIFT *Apus pacificus* 2 seen on the ridge between Deorali and Deorali tearooms on the 20^{th} and 10 seen above cliffs close to Birethante on the 22^{nd} .
- 40. HOUSE SWIFT Apus affinis seen every day at Pokhara with a max of 10 birds on 3 days.
- ASIAN BARRED OWLET *Glaucidium cuculoides* 2 birds seen well between Birethante and Syauli
 Bazar on the 15th and 1 seen close to Fishtail Lodge on the 23rd.
- 42. ROCK PIGEON *Columba livia* seen every day round Pokhara and Katmandu and 1 day on the trek.
- 43. SNOW PIGEON *Columba leuconata* at least 200 between Birethante and Syauli Bazar on the 15th.
- 44. COMMON WOOD PIGEON *Columba palumbus* a flock of c300 near the footbridge at the South end of Phewa Tal at Pokhara on the 13th and c20 seen on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 45. SPECKLED WOOD PIGEON *Columba hodgsonii* 2 flew past the lodge at Deorali on the 20th but were only seen by Martin.
- 46. ORIENTAL TURTLE DOVE *Streptopelia orientalis* seen in small numbers on 6 days; max of 3.
- 47. SPOTTED DOVE *Streptopelia chinensis* seen on 3 days around Pokhara max 4.

- 48. WHITE-BREASTED WATERHEN *Amaurornis phoenicurus* seen at Fishtail Lodge and at the North end of the lake at Pokhara; 2 birds each day.
- 49. PURPLE SWAMPHEN *Porphyrio porphyrio* only seen in the marsh at the North end of the lake; max 9 on the 23rd.
- 50. COMMON MOORHEN *Gallinula chloropus* only seen in the marsh at the North end of the lake; max 3.
- 51. COMMON COOT *Fulica atra* c125 seen on the lake at the North end on the 14^{th} .
- 52. COMMON SNIPE *Gallinago gallinago* only seen in the marsh at the North end of the lake; max 2.
- 53. EURASIAN CURLEW *Numenius arquata* a single bird was at the North end of the lake on the 23^{rd} .
- 54. COMMON SANDPIPER Actitis hypoleucos a single at the North end of the lake on the 14th.
- 55. BRONZE-WINGED JACANA *Metopidius indicus* 30 birds were in the marsh at the North end of the lake on the 14th, with 15 there on the 23rd.
- 56. IBISBILL *Ibidorhyncha struthersii* 2 birds were seen flying up river between Birethante and Syaul Bazaar in the 15th.
- 57. LITTLE RINGED PLOVER *Charadrius dubius* birds seen on both visits to the North end of the lake on the 14th & 23rd; max 5.
- 58. RED-WATTLED LAPWING *Vanellus indicus* a pair seen at the North end of the lake on the 23^{rd} .
- 59. BROWN-HEADED GULL *Larus brunnicephalus* 8 seen at the North end of the lake on the 14th.
- 60. BLACK KITE *Milvus migrans* seen every day except on the trek; max 50.
- 61. LAMMERGEIER *Gypaetus barbatus* 1 between Naya Pul and Birethante on the 14th; 2 between Birethante and Gandruk on the 15th; 1 near Deorali Tearooms on the 17th.
- EGYPTIAN VULTURE *Neophron percnopterus* 3 on drive to Pokhara on the 13th; 2 on drive back to Pokhara from Naya Pul on the 22nd; 1 at North end of lake on the 23rd.
- 63. WHITE-RUMPED VULTURE *Gyps bengalensis* sighting on 3 days around Pokhara; max 3.
- 64. HIMALAYAN GRIFFON *Gips himalayensis* 2 birds on the 16th between Gandruk and Tadepani and 2 birds at North end of lake on the 23rd.
- 65. EURASIAN GRIFFON *Gyps fulvus* a single between Tikhedhunga and Birethante on the 23rd.
- 66. CINEREOUS VULTURE Aegypius monachus a single between Gandruk and Tadepani on the 16th.
- 67. RED-HEADED VULTURE *Sarcogyps calvus* seen on 4 days on the lower areas of the trek and around Pokhara; max 2.
- CRESTED SERPENT EAGLE Spilornis cheela seen near Birethante on 2 days and on both days at Phulchowki; max 2.

HARRIER SP a harrier seen briefly on the ridge to Deorali tearooms was either Hen or Pallid.

- 69. SHIKRA Accipiter badius seen on 5 days of trek; max 2.
- 70. COMMON BUZZARD *Buteo buteo* a single bird over Poon Hill on the 19th.
- 71. BLACK EAGLE *Ictinaetus malayensis* 1bird seen displaying at Gandruk early in the morning of the 16th with a second later in the day towards Tadepani
- 72. STEPPE EAGLE *Aquila nipalensis* sightings at the North end of the lake on both visits; max 5.

- 73. BONELLI'S EAGLE *Hieraatus fasciatus* a single bird between Naya Pul and Birethante on the 14th.
- 74. MOUNTAIN HAWK EAGLE *Spizaetus nipalensis* single birds near Chitre on the 18th and on Phulchowki on the 26th.
- 75. COMMON KESTREL *Falco tinnunculus* seen on 4 days of the trek with 6 on the first day round Bitethante.
- 76. LITTLE GREBE *Tachybaptus ruficollis* ever present on the lake with c100 recorded on the 14th.
- 77. GREAT CRESTED GREBE *Podiceps cristatus* 6 at the North end of the lake on the 14th.
- BLACK-NECKED GREBE *Podiceps nigricollis* a group of 7 at the North end of the lake on the 14th was a surprise.
- 79. GREAT CORMORANT *Phalacrocorax carbo* present on the river and lake with 25 on the 14th and 24 on the 23rd.
- 80. LITTLE EGRET *Egretta garzetta* present throughout around Pokhara; max 15.
- 81. GREY HERON Ardea cinerea a single bird on the 14^{th} and 2 birds on the 23^{rd} in the marsh at Pokhara.
- 82. INTERMEDIATE EGRET *Mesophoyx intermedia* 3 birds on the 14^{th} and 12 on the 23^{rd} in the marsh.
- CATTLE EGRET *Bubulcus ibis* present everywhere except on the trek with a roost of at least 300 in Pokhara.
- 84. INDIAN POND HERON Ardeola grayii everywhere except on the trek; max 25.
- 85. WOOLLY-NECKED STORK *Ciconia episcopus* a bird in paddies between Birethante and Syauli Bazaar on the 15th was most unexpected.
- 86. LONG-TAILED BROADBILL *Psarisomus dalhousiae* 1 bird seen about 50m along the track from the footbridge at the Southern end of the lake on the 13th.
- 87. ORANGE-BELLIED LEAFBIRD *Chloropsis hardwickii* 1 behind Fishtail lodge on the 13th; 1 near Birethante on the 15th; 3 between Gandruk and Tadepani on the 16th.
- 88. BROWN SHRIKE *Lanius cristatus* 1 at North end of lake on the 14th.
- 89. LONG-TAILED SHRIKE *Lanius schach* fairly common at north end of lake; max 6.
- 90. GREY-BACKED SHRIKE *Lanius tephronotus* seen on 4 days at lower elevations; max 2.
- 91. EURASIAN JAY Garrulus glandarius 2 birds on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 92. RED-BILLED BLUE MAGPIE *Urocissa erythrorhyncha* 5 between Birethante and Syauli Bazaar on the 15th and another on the 23rd.
- 93. YELLOW-BILLED BLUE MAGPIE Urocissa flavirostris upto 4 birds seen on 5 days of trek.
- 94. COMMON GREEN MAGPIE *Cissa chinensis* 3 birds seen in forest behind Fishtail lodge on the 13th; at least one more bird was seen on a small wooded knoll at the left hand side of the road past the Northern end of the lake on the 23rd.
- 95. RUFOUS TREEPIE *Dendrocitta vagabunda* 3 birds on the 13th in forest above Fishtail Lodge.
- 96. GREY TREEPIE Dendrocitta formosae anywhere with trees in the Pokhara area and Phulchowki; max 10.
- 97. HOUSE CROW Corvus splendens common except on the trek; max30.

- LARGE-BILLED CROW Corvus macrorhynchos seen throughout with a roost of at least 500 in Katmandu.
- BLACK-HOODED ORIOLE Oriolus xanthornus 1 in the woods at Pokhara on the 13th; 2 between Gandruk and Tadepani on the16th.
- 100. MAROON ORIOLE *Oriolus traillii* singles at Pokhara (13th), near Chitre (18th) and from the balcony of our lodge at Deorali (19th) with 2 near Birethante on the 22nd.
- 101. LARGE CUCKOOSHRIKE *Coracina macei* 2 in forest at Pokhara (13th); 1 between Birethante and Gandruk (15th); 1 whilst having a breakfast stop on way to Katmandu (24th).
- 102. LONG-TAILED MINIVET *Pericrocotus ethologus* seen most days with max of 6.
- 103. BAR-WINGED FLYCATCHER-SHRIKE *Hemipus picatus* 2 birds seen between Gandruk and Tadepani on the 16th.
- 104. YELLOW-BELLIED FANTAIL *Rhipidura hypoxantha* seen on 5 days of trek with max of 6 birds; 10+ seen on Phulchowki on the 25th but none seen on the 26th.
- 105. WHITE-THROATED FANTAIL *Rhipidura albicollis* singles seen on 2 days round Tadepani with 3 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 106. BLACK DRONGO Dicrurus macrocercus common round Pokhara (max 20) and on Phulchowki.
- 107. BRONZED DRONGO *Dicrurus aeneus* only 2 birds in the forest at Pokhara on the 13th.
- 108. SPANGLED DRONGO Dicrurus hottentottus upto 15 seen on 4 days around Pokhara
- 109. BROWN DIPPER *Cinclus pallasii* present on most rivers on the trek but only a max of 2 birds seen.
- 110. CHESTNUT-BELLIED ROCK THRUSH *Monticola rufiventris* 2 males on the 20th on the ridge above Deorali.
- 111. BLUE WHISTLING THRUSH *Myophonus caeruleus* very common; seen on most days with totals of 15 on 2 days.
- 112. ORANGE-HEADED THRUSH Zoothera citrina a male seen at the Fishtail dump on the 13th.
- 113. SCALY THRUSH Zoothera dauma 1 seen in the forest behind Fishtail on the 13th.
- 114. LONG-BILLED THRUSH Zoothera monticula 1 in a wet gully 50m below Ghandruk on the 16th.
- 115. TICKELL'S THRUSH *Turdus unicolor* 1 seen in a small gully above Ghandruk on the 16th.
- 116. WHITE-COLLARED BLACKBIRD *Turdus albocinctus* seen on 6 days of the trek with a high of 30 between Chitre and Deorali on the 19th.
- 117. CHESTNUT THRUSH *Turdus rubrocanus* a male of the nominate race at the dump at Deorali on the 19th.
- 118. GREY-WINGED BLACKBIRD *Turdus boulboul* 2 a Tadepani on the 16th.
- 119. DARK-THROATED THRUSH *Turdus ruficollis* the most common thrush with 30+ between Ghandruk and Tadepani on the 16th and 20+ on the ridge between Deorali and Deorali Tearooms on the 20th.
- 120. WHITE-BROWED SHORTWING *Brachyteryx montana* a elusive female at Fishtail dump on both the 13th & 23nd.
- 121. DARK-SIDED FLYCATCHER *Muscicapa sibirica* a single bird in the garden below the red brick buildings at Phulchowki on the 26th.

- 122. RUFOUS-GORGETED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula strophiata* common, especially on the trek with over 20 birds on the 18th.
- 123. RED-THROATED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula parva* 4 in forest behind Fishtail on the 13th and a male near the dump at Fishtail on the 23rd.
- 124. SNOWY-BROWED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula hyperythra* 4 males between Deorali and Tikedungha on the 21st; 1 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 125. ULTRAMARINE FLYCATCHER *Ficedula superciliaris aestigma* 5 birds on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 126. VERDITER FLYCATCHER *Eumyias thalassina* fairly common with a high of 10 on the 16th.
- 127. SMALL NILTAVA *Niltava macgrigoriae* 2 on the 15th and 1 on the 22nd near Birethante; 1 between Deorali and Tikedungha on the 21st; 2 on Phulchowki on the 26th.
- 128. RUFOUS-BELLIED NILTAVA *Niltava sundara* 4 in forest behind Fishtail on the 13th; 1 between Ghandruk and Tadepani on the 16th; a female at fishtail on the 23rd; 1 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 129. PALE BLUE FLYCATCHER Cyornis unicolor 2 males in forest behind Fishtail on the 13th.
- 130. PYGMY BLUE FLYCATCHER *Muscicapella hodgsonii* 6 males and a female between Deorali and Banthante on the 21st.
- 131. GREY-HEADED CANARY FLYCATCHER *Culicicapa ceylonensis* 2 behind Fishtail Lodge on the 13th and 23rd; 6 between Ghandruk and Tadepani on the 16th; 5 between Deorali and Tikedungha on the 21st; 4 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 132. ORANGE-FLANKED BUSH ROBIN *Tarsiger cyanurus* seen on 5 days of the trek with a max of 4.
- 133. GOLDEN BUSH ROBIN *Tarsiger chrysaeus* a male singing on the ridge between Deorali Tearooms and Deorali on the 20th.
- 134. WHITE-BROWED BUSHROBIN *Tarsiger indicus* a female within 200m of the above on same date.
- 135. RUFOUS-BREASTED BUSHROBIN *Tarsiger hyperythrus* a male in the gully below Deorali Tearooms on the 18th and 20th.
- 136. ORIENTAL MAGPIE ROBIN *Copsychus saularis* seen in the valley on 6 days; max 10.
- 137. BLUE-CAPPED REDSTART *Pheonicurus coeruleocephalus* 2 round base of Poon Hill on the 19th.
- 138. HODGSON'S REDSTART *Phoenicurus hodgsoni* a male on the wall of the Botanical gardens at Godaveri on the 26th.
- 139. WHITE-THROATED REDSTART *Phoenicurus schisticeps* a female, and a probable male, on the ridge above Deorali on the 20th.
- 140. BLUE-FRONTED REDSTART *Phoenicurus frontalis* seen every day of the trek with max of 10.
- 141. WHITE-CAPPED WATER REDSTART *Chaimarrornis leucocephalus* seen on most rivers around Pokhara and on the trek; max 10 on the 15th.
- 142. PLUMBEOUS WATER REDSTART *Rhyacornis fuliginosus* seen on most rivers around Pokhara and on the trek; max 12 on the 15th.
- 143. WHITE-TAILED ROBIN *Myiomela luecura* 1 down to 1.5m at Fishtail dump on the 13th and 23rd.

- 144. LITTLE FORKTAIL *Enicurus scouleri* 4 near Birethante on the 15th; 4 between Tadepani and Deorali Tearooms on the 17th; singles on 2 other rivers on the trek.
- 145. SLATY-BACKED FORKTAIL *Enicurus schistaceus* 1 near Birethante on the 14th, 15th and 22nd.
- 146. SPOTTED FORKTAIL *Enicurus maculatus* seen on 4 days of trek; max 4 on the 18th.
- 147. COMMON STONECHAT *Saxicola torquata* fairly common in valley, especially round shores of the lake, with max of 8.
- 148. PIED BUSHCHAT Saxicola caprata only seen around Pokhara; max 3.
- 149. GREY BUSHCHAT Saxicola ferrea fairly common at higher elevations both on the trek and Phulchowki; max 6.
- 150. CHESTNUT-TAILED STARLING *Sturnus malabaricus* surprisingly up to 8 were seen on all days in Pokhara feeding on flowering trees.
- 151. COMMON MYNA Acridotheres tristis 100+ noted going to roost in the army barracks in Pokhara.
- 152. JUNGLE MYNA *Acridotheres fuscus* similar to above; max 50.
- 153. CHESTNUT-BELLIED NUTHATCH *Sitta castanea* singles near Birethante on the 15th and above the Botanical gardens at Godaveri on the 25th.
- 154. WHITE-TAILED NUTHATCH *Sitta himalayensis* seen most days at higher elevations; max12.
- 155. VELVET-FRONTED NUTHATCH *Sitta frontalis* only seen in forest behind Fishtail Lodge; 15 on the 13th and 2 on 23rd.
- 156. WALLCREEPER *Tichodroma muraria* a single bird located on the first obvious high waterfall, to the left of the track, between Birethant and Syauli Bazaar on the 15th.
- 157. RUSTY-FLANKED TREECREEPER *Certhia nipalensis* seen in coniferous forest on the trek; 4 days with max 8 birds on the 17th and 18th.
- 158. WINTER WREN *Troglodytes troglodytes* 2 between Tadepani and Deorali Tearooms on the 17th (1 resembled a Scaly Bellied Wren Babbler at first glance); 1 in gardens below Deorali on the 19th.
- 159. RUFOUS-VENTED TIT Parus rubidiventris common on the trek with up to 15 recorded daily.
- 160. COAL TIT *Parus ater* 3 birds on the 18th in the forest between Deorali Tearooms and Chitre.
- 161. GREY-CRESTED TIT Parus dichrous common on the trek with up to 12 recorded daily.
- 162. GREAT TIT *Parus major* 4 in the forest behind Fishtail (13th) and 2 near Birethante on the 15th.
- 163. GREEN-BACKED TIT *Parus monticolus* fairly common; seen on 9 days (max 15) but not around Pokhara.
- 164. BLACK-LORED TIT *Parus xanthogenys* seen on 7 days but only at lower elevations; max 12.
- 165. YELLOW-BROWED TIT *Sylviparus modestus* 3 between Ghandruk and Tadepani (16th); 6 between Deorali tearooms and Chitre (18th); 2 between Deorali ant Tikedungha (21st).
- 166. BLACK-THROATED TIT *Aegithalos concinnus* seen on 5 days but most common on Phulchowki with max of 10 on the 25th.
- 167. PLAIN MARTIN *Riparia paludicola* common over the lake at Pokhara with c200 there on the 23rd.

- 168. EURASIAN CRAG MARTIN *Hirundo rupestris* 2 birds seen with swallows on the road back from Birethante to Pokhara on the 22nd.
- 169. BARN SWALLOW *Hirundo rustica* fairly common at lower elevations (max 25).
- 170. RED-RUMPED SWALLOW *Hirundo daurica* only 2 birds seen; one on road back to Pokhara from Birethante on the 22nd and one on the approach to Phulchowki on the 26th.
- 171. NEPAL HOUSE MARTIN *Delichon nipalensis* a flock of c100 after heavy rain near Banthante on the 21st.
- 172. HIMALAYAN BULBUL Pycnonotus leucogenys fairly common round Pokhara and Phulchowki; max 20.
- 173. RED-VENTED BULBUL *Pycnonotus cafer* slightly more common than Himalayan with sightings every day except on the trek; max 10.
- 174. ASHY BULBUL Hemixos flavala 3 in the forest behind Fishtail Lodge on the 13th.
- 175. MOUNTAIN BULBUL *Hypsipetes mcclellandii* 2 between Ghandruk and Tadepani on the 16th.
- 176. BLACK BULBUL Hypsipetes leucocephalus c50 on 16th as above with small numbers around Birethante and Phulchowki.
- 177. ZITTING CISTICOLA *Cisticola juncidis* at least 1 bird heard in the marsh at the North end of the lake on the 23rd.
- 178. STRIATED PRINIA *Prinia criniger* 2 on the 15th between Birethante and Syauli Bazaar; 1 heard near Birethante on the 22nd; 1 seen from the taxi as we returned to Katmandu on the 24th.
- 179. ORIENTAL WHITE-EYE Zosterops palpebrosus seen on most days; max 15.
- 180. CHESTNUT-HEADED TESIA *Tesia castaneocoronata* 2 on the 15th and 1 on the 22nd at Fishtail Lodge;
 2 between Deorali and Banthante on the 21st.
- 181. GREY-BELLIED TESIA *Tesia cyaniventer* 2 on the 15th and 1 displaying on the 22nd at Fishtail Lodge;
 1 heard on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 182. ABERRANT BUSH WARBLER *Cettia flavolivacea* 2 on the 25th and 1 on the 26th by the stream at the lower end of the gardens below the red brick buildings at Godaveri.
- 183. GREY-SIDED BUSH WARBLER *Cettia brunnifrons* 1 between Ghandruk and Tadepani on the 16th; 2 on the ridge above Deorali on the 20th; 1 between Deorali and Tikedungha on the 21st.
- 184. BROWNISH-FLANKED BUSHWARBLER *Cettia fortipes* a bird in bamboo by a roadside pond at the North end of Pokhara lake on the 14th, not relocated on the 23rd.
- 185. YELLOWISH-BELLIED BUSHWARBLER *Cettia acanthizoides* a bird in the same stand of bamboo as the White-Browed Bush Robin on the same date (20th).
- 186. CLAMOROUS REED WARBLER Acraocephlus stentoreus a bird in a tree by a roadside pond at the North end of Pokhara lake on the 23rd was found by the local farmer who was rewarded with sweets and small change.
- 187. COMMON TAILORBIRD *Orthotomus sutorius* fairly common everywhere except the trek; max 6. 1 bird present in an open air restaurant in the centre of Katmandu.

- 188. COMMON CHIFFCHAFF *Phylloscopus collybita tristis* a single on the 23rd by a roadside pond at the North end of the lake.
- 189. SMOKY WARBLER *Phylloscopus fuligiventer* 2 birds in bamboo by a roadside pond at the North end of Pokhara lake on the 14th with a single still there on the 23rd
- 190. BUFF-BARRED WARBLER *Phylloscopus pulcher* seen on 3 days in the Deorali- Chitre area; max 7.
- 191. ASHY-THROATED WARBLER *Phylloscopus maculipennis* fairly common on the trek with max 8; 1 at Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 192. LEMON-RUMPED WARBLER *Phylloscopus chloronotus* seen in most areas with 20+ between Deorali Tearooms and Chitre on the 18th.
- 193. YELLOW-BROWED WARBLER *Phylloscopus inornatus* c15 in the forest behind Fishtail on the 13th;
 4 around Birethante on the 14th; 3 on Phulchoeki on the 26th.
- 194. HUME'S WARBLER *Phyloscopus humei* 5 near Birethante on the 15th; 2 around Chitre on the 18/19th; 2 on Phulchowki on the 26th.
- 195. GREENISH WARBLER *Phylloscopus trochiloides* 10 in forest behind Fishtail on the 13th were the only sightings.
- 196. BLYTH'S LEAF WARBLER *Phylloscopus reguloides* sightings on 7 days at higher elevations with 10 on the 16th.
- 197. WHISTLERS WARBLER Seicercus whistleri seen in most areas with a max of 10 near Fishtail.
- 198. GREY-HOODED WARBLER *Seicercus xanthoschistos* seen in reasonable numbers throughout except in the Deorali-Deorali tearoom area, which was the highest point of the trek.
- 199. CHESTNUT-CROWNED WARBLER Seicercus castaniceps 5 between Ghandruk and tadepani on the 16th; 1 between Deorali and Chitre on the 18th; 1 between Deorali and Banthante on the 21st; 3 & 2 on Phulchowki on the 25/26th.
- 200. BLACK-FACED WARBLER *Abroscopus schisticeps* seen in same areas as above; max 3.
- 201. WHITE-THROATED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax albogularis* by far the commonest laughing thrush with in excess of 20 birds on 2 days of the trek and 15+ on Phulchowki.
- 202. WHITE-CRESTED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax leucolophus* 10 behind Fishtail on the 13th; 3 between Birethante and Syauli Bazaar on the 15th and 6 below Tikhadunga on the 22nd.
- 203. STRIATED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax striatus* 6 between Deorali and Tikedungha on the 21st; 2 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 204. RUFOUS-CHINNED LAUGHINGTHRUSH Garrulax rufogularis 8 on Phulchowki on the 26th.
- 205. SPOTTED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax ocellatus* 2 on ridge above Deorali Tearooms on 20th.
- 206. STREAKED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax lineatus* seen on 3 days between Birethante and Deorali Tearooms (max 4); 4 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 207. BLACK-FACED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax affinis* 3 near Deorali Tearooms on the 18th and 2 on ridge above on the 20th.

- 208. CHESTNUT-CROWNED LAUGHINGTHRUSH *Garrulax erythrocephalus* 6 between Ghandruk and tadepani on the 16th; 6 between Chitre and Deorali on the 19th; 1 on ridge above Deorali Tearooms on the 20th; 8 between Deorali and Tikedungha on the 21st; 4 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 209. RUSTY-CHEEKED SCIMITAR BABBLER *Pomatorhinus erythrogenys* 2 near Banthante on the 21st and 3 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 210. SCALY-BREASTED WREN BABBLER *Pnoepyga albiventer* 1 between Tadepani and Deorali Tearooms on the 17th and 2 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 211. PYGMY WREN BABBLER *Pnoepyga pusilla* heard on the 16th in the wet gully below Ghandruk and on Phulchowki on the 26th.
- 212. BLACK-CHINNED BABBLER *Stachyris pyrrhops* seen near Birethante on the 14/15/22nd; max 3; Seen both days on Phulchowki; max 5.
- 213. GREY-THROATED BABBLER *Stachyris nigriceps* 1 in the wet gully below Ghandruk on the 16th and 4 on Phulchowki on the 26th.
- 214. RED-BILLED LEIOTHRIX *Leiothrix lutea* a single on Phulchowki on the 26th.
- 215. WHITE-BROWED SHRIKE BABBLER *Pteruthius flaviscapis* a single at Green View Lodge, Banthante on the 21st and 5 on Phulchowki on the 26th.
- 216. GREEN SHRIKE BABBLER *Pteruthius xanthoclorus* 1 between Ghandruk and Tadepani on the 16th; 2 in the forest below Deorali Tearooms on the 18th; 1 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 217. BLACK-EARED SHRIKE BABBLER Pteruthius melanotis 1 a mile below Ghorapani on the 21th.
- 218. HOARY-THROATED BARWING Actinodura nipalensis
 4 on the climb from Tadepani to Deorali
 Tearooms on the 17th and 1 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 219. BLUE-WINGED MINLA *Minla cyanouroptera* 4 at Ghandruk on the 16^{th} ; 1 at Chitre on the 18^{th} .
- 220. CHESTNUT-TAILED MINLA *Minla strigula* double figures seen on most days of the trek with amax of 30+; also 5 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 221. RUFOUS-WINGED FULVETTA *Alcippe castaneceps* 6 on 4 days of the trek and on Phulchowki.
- 222. WHITE-BROWED FULVETTA *Alcippe vinipectus* less comon than above with 10 on the ridge above Deorali Tearooms on the 20th and 6 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 223. NEPAL FULVETTA *Alcippe nipalensis* only seen just above the quarry on Phulchowki; max 4.
- 224. RUFOUS SIBIA *Heterophasia capistrata* very common on the trek and Phulchowki with 40+ near Chitre on the 18th.
- 225. WHISKERED YUHINA *Yuhina flavicollis* common on the trek with 20+ on the 20^{th} .
- 226. STRIPE-THROATED YUHINA *Yuhina gularis* more common than whiskered with 20 on most days of the trek.
- 227. RUFOUS-VENTED YUHINA *Yuhina occipitalis* not as common as whiskered but seen on most days of trek; max 12.
- 228. BLACK-THROATED PARROTBILL *Paradoxornis nipalensis* 2 seen on the 21st about a mile below Ghorapani.

- 229. BROWN PARROTBILL *Paradoxornis unicolor* 3 seen on the ridge above Deorali tearooms on the 20th
- 230. FIRE-BREASTED FLOWERPECKER *Dicaeum ignipectus* seen on 5 days at Pokhara, Ghandruk Tadepani, Ghorapani Tikheghunga and Phulchowki; max 3.
- 231. MRS GOULD'S SUNBIRD *Aethopyga gouldiae* males at Chitre in a hailstorm on the 18th and on the ridge above Deorali Tearooms on the 20th.
- 232. GREEN-TAILED SUNBIRD *Aethopyga nipalensis* fairly common every day of the trek; max 8; 4 on Phulchowki on the 25th.
- 233. BLACK-THROATED SUNBIRD *Aethopyga saturata* 2 near Birethante on the 15th and 1 on the 22nd; 4
 & 1 on Phulchowki on the 25/26th.
- 234. CRIMSON SUNBIRD *Aethopyga siparaja* 1 at Fishtail on the 13th and 2 on the 15th; a male on the 23rd at Birethante.
- 235. FIRE-TAILED SUNBIRD *Aethopyga ignicauda* 1 between Tadepani and Deorali Tearooms on the 17th;
 2 on the 21st between Ghorapani and Tikhedhunga.
- 236. HOUSE SPARROW *Passer domesticus* fairly common but absent on the trek.
- 237. EURASIAN TREE SPARROW *Passer montanus* seen in small numbers round the towns and villages at lower elevations; max 8.
- 238. RUSSET SPARROW *Passer rutilans* seen most days on the trek; max 12.
- 239. WHITE WAGTAIL *Motacilla alba* only seen round the lake at Pokhara with 25 on the 14^{th} and 40+ on the 23^{rd} .
- 240. WHITE-BROWED WAGTAIL Motacilla madaraspatensis much smaller numbers round the lake; max 6.
- 241. GREY WAGTAIL *Motacilla cinerea* common near water even on the trek; max 8.
- 242. RICHARD'S PIPIT *Anthus richardi* 3 & 2 at the north end of the lake.
- 243. PADDYFIELD PIPIT *Anthus rufulus* 8 on both visits to the North end of the lake.
- 244. OLIVE-BACKED PIPIT Anthus hodgsoni seen on 10 days in different habitats; max 6.
- 245. RED-THROATED PIPIT Anthus cervinus a single at the north end of the lake on the 14^{th} .
- 246. ROSY PIPIT *Anthus roseatus* 6 on both visits to the North end of the lake.
- 247. ALTAI ACCENTOR *Prunella himalayana* 10 between Tadepani and Deorali Tearooms on the 17th; 20+ on the lower slopes of Poon hill on the 19th with 2 more there on the 20th.
- 248. WHITE-RUMPED MUNIA *Lonchura striata* 1 near Fishtail and 3 at the North end of the lake on the 13/14th.
- 249. CHAFFINCH *Fringilla coelebs* a male at the Deorali dump on the 21st.
- 250. FIRE-FRONTED SERIN Serinus pusillus a flock of 15 about a mile upstream from Chitre on the18th.
- 251. TIBETAN SISKIN *Carduelis thibetana* 30+ about a mile upstream from Chitre on the18th.
- 252. YELLOW-BREASTED GREENFINCH *Carduelis spinoides* 15 between Syauli Bazaar and Ghandruk on the 15th; 1 on Phulchowki on the 25th.

- 253. PLAIN MOUNTAIN FINCH *Leucosticte nemoricola* large flocks in the Poon hill/ Deorali area with 100+ on the 20th.
- 254. SPECTACLED FINCH Callacanthis burtoni a pair near the Deorali dump on the 19th.
- 255. RED CROSSBILL *Loxia curvirostra* 4 near Chitre on the 18th.
- 256. DARK-BREASTED ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus nipalensis* 3 days in the area of Poon hill and the ridge; max 30+ on the 20th.
- 257. BEAUTIFUL ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus pulcherrimus* 15 near Deorali on the 20th.
- 258. VINACEOUS ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus vinaceus* a male above Banthante on the 21st.
- 259. PINK-BROWED ROSEFINCH Carpodacus rodochrous 2 between Ghandruk and Tadepani on the 16th.
- 260. SPOT-WINGED ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus rodopeplus* singles at Tadepani on the 17th and at Deorali on the 20th.
- 261. WHITE-BROWED ROSEFINCH *Carpodacus thura* 6 behind Laliguran's hostel, Deorali, on both the 17th and 18th.
- 262. CRIMSON-BROWED FINCH *Propyrrhula subhimachala* 3 round Poon hill on the 19th and a male there on the 20th.
- 263. RED-HEADED BULLFINCH *Pyrrhula erythrocephala* 10 on the slopes behind Laliguran's hostel on the 17th; 3 at the Deorali dump on the 19th and 21st.
- 264. COLLARED GROSBEAK Mycerobas affinis
- 265. CRESTED BUNTING Melophus lathami
- c20 in the forest below Deorali Tearooms on the 18^{th} .

a male between Syauli Bazaar and Ghandruk on the 15th.