

Species list for the birds of Arabuko-Sokoke Forest

The total list of birds recorded within the boundaries of the Arabuko-Sokoke Forest and including Arabuko Swamp
As of January 2004, compiled by Colin Jackson, A Rocha Kenya

Common name	Scientific name
Podicipedidae: grebes	
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
Phalacrocoracidae: cormorants	
Long-tailed Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax africanus</i>
Anhingidae: darters	
African Darter	<i>Anhinga rufa</i>
Ardeidae: herons, egrets & bitterns	
Dwarf Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus sturmii</i>
Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>
Black Heron	<i>Egretta ardesiaca</i>
Common Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>
Madagascar Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola idea</i>
Green-backed Heron	<i>Butorides striatus</i>
Yellow-billed Egret	<i>Mesophoyx intermedia</i>
Great Egret	<i>Casmerodius alba</i>
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>
Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>
Black-headed Heron	<i>Ardea melanocephala</i>
Scopidae: hamerkop	
Hamerkop	<i>Scopus umbretta</i>
Ciconiidae: storks	
Woolly-necked Stork	<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>
African Open-billed Stork	<i>Anastomus lamelligerus</i>
Yellow-billed Stork	<i>Mycteria ibis</i>
Threskiornithidae: ibises & spoonbills	
Sacred Ibis	<i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i>
Hadada Ibis	<i>Bostrychia hagedash</i>
African Spoonbill	<i>Platalea alba</i>
Anatidae: ducks & geese	
Fulvous Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna bicolor</i>
White-faced Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>
White-backed Duck	<i>Thalassornis leuconotus</i>
Knob-billed Duck	<i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>
African Pygmy Goose	<i>Nettapus auritus</i>
Red-billed Teal	<i>Anas erythrorhyncha</i>
Southern Pochard	<i>Netta erythrophthalma</i>
Accipitridae: vultures, eagles, hawks, kites & allies	
Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>
African Cuckoo Hawk	<i>Aviceda cuculoides</i>
Eurasian Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>
Bat Hawk	<i>Macheiramphus alcinus</i>
Black-shouldered Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>
Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>
Black-chested Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus pectoralis</i>
Brown Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus cinereus</i>
Southern Banded Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus fasciolatus</i>
Bateleur	<i>Terathopius ecaudatus</i>
African Harrier Hawk	<i>Polyboroides typus</i>
African Goshawk	<i>Accipiter tachiro</i>
Little Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter minullus</i>
Great Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter melanoleucus</i>
Lizard Buzzard	<i>Kaupifalco monogrammicus</i>
African Fish Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus vocifer</i>
Palm-nut Vulture	<i>Gypohierax angolensis</i>
Tawny Eagle	<i>Aquila rapax</i>
Wahlberg's Eagle	<i>Aquila wahlbergi</i>
African Hawk Eagle	<i>Hieraaetus spilogaster</i>
Ayres' Hawk Eagle	<i>Hieraaetus ayresii</i>
Long-crested Eagle	<i>Lophaetus occipitalis</i>
African Crowned Eagle	<i>Stephanoaetus coronatus</i>
Martial Eagle	<i>Polemaetus bellicosus</i>
Falconidae: falcons	
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
Phasianidae: quails & francolins	
Harlequin Quail	<i>Coturnix delegorguei</i>
Coqui Francolin	<i>Francolinus coqui</i>
Crested Francolin	<i>Francolinus sephaena</i>
Numididae: guineafowl	
Crested Guineafowl	<i>Guttera pucherani</i>
Rallidae: rails & relatives	
Black Crane	<i>Amaurornis flavirostra</i>
Allen's Gallinule	<i>Porphyrio alleni</i>
Purple Swamphen	<i>P. porphyrio</i>
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
Lesser Moorhen	<i>G. angulata</i>
Red-knobbed Coot	<i>Fulica cristata</i>
Helionithidae: Finfoot	
African Finfoot	<i>Podica senegalensis</i>
Otididae: bustards	
Hartlaub's Bustard	<i>Eupodotis hartlaubi</i>

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Jacaniidae: jacanas	
African Jacana	<i>Actophilornis africanus</i>
Lesser Jacana	<i>Microparra capensis</i>
Glareolidae: coursers & pratincoles	
Madagascar Pratincole	<i>Glareola ocularis</i>
Charadriidae: plovers	
Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>
Scolopacidae: sandpipers & relatives	
Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>
Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>
Columbidae: pigeons & doves	
African Green Pigeon	<i>Treron calva</i>
Tambourine Dove	<i>Turtur tympanistris</i>
Emerald-spotted Wood Dove	<i>Turtur chalcospilos</i>
Eastern Bronze-naped Pigeon	<i>Columba delegorguei</i>
Red-eyed Dove	<i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i>
African Mourning Dove	<i>Streptopelia decipiens</i>
Ring-necked Dove	<i>Streptopelia capicola</i>
Psittacidae: parrots & lovebirds	
Brown-headed Parrot	<i>Poicephalus cryptoxanthus</i>
Musophagidae: turacos	
Fischer's Turaco	<i>Tauraco fischeri</i>
Cuculidae: cuckoos & coucals	
Black-and-white Cuckoo	<i>Clamator jacobinus</i>
Levaillant's Cuckoo	<i>Clamator levaillantii</i>
Thick-billed Cuckoo	<i>Pachycoccyx audeberti</i>
Black Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus clamosus</i>
Red-chested Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus solitarius</i>
Eurasian Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>
African Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus gularis</i>
Asian Lesser Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus poliocephalus</i>
Klaas's Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx klaas</i>
Diederik Cuckoo	<i>Chrysococcyx caprius</i>
Yellowbill	<i>Ceuthmochares aereus</i>
White-browed Coucal	<i>Centropus superciliosus</i>
Black Coucal	<i>Centropus grillii</i>
Strigidae: typical owls	
Sokoke Scops Owl	<i>Otus ireneae</i>
African Scops Owl	<i>Otus senegalensis</i>
White-faced Scops Owl	<i>Otus leucotis</i>
Verreaux's Eagle-Owl	<i>Bubo lacteus</i>
African Barred Owlet	<i>Glaucidium capense</i>
African Wood Owl	<i>Ciccaba woodfordii</i>
Caprimulgidae: nightjars	
Fiery-necked Nightjar	<i>Caprimulqus pectoralis</i>
Plain Nightjar	<i>Caprimulqus inornatus</i>
Dusky Nightjar	<i>Caprimulqus fraenatus</i>
Eurasian Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus europaeus</i>
Slender-tailed Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus clarus</i>
Apodidae: swifts	
Böhm's Spinetail	<i>Neafrapus boehmi</i>
Mottled Spinetail	<i>Telacanthura ussheri</i>
African Palm Swift	<i>Cypsiurus parvus</i>
Eurasian Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>
Forbes-Watson's Swift	<i>Apus berliozi</i>
Alpine Swift	<i>Apus melba</i>
White-rumped Swift	<i>Apus caffer</i>
Little Swift	<i>Apus affinis</i>
Coliidae: mousebirds	
Speckled Mousebird	<i>Colius striatus</i>
Blue-naped Mousebird	<i>Urocolius macrourus</i>
Trogonidae: trogons	
Narina Trogon	<i>Apaloderma narina</i>
Alcedinidae: kingfishers	
Grey-headed Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon leucocephala</i>
Brown-hooded Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon albiventris</i>
Mangrove Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon senegaloides</i>
Striped Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon chelicuti</i>
Malachite Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo cristata</i>
African Pygmy Kingfisher	<i>Ispidina picta</i>
Meropidae: bee-eaters	
Eurasian Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>
Madagascar Bee-eater	<i>Merops superciliosus</i>
Carmine Bee-eater	<i>Merops nubicus</i>
White-throated Bee-eater	<i>Merops albicollis</i>
Little Bee-eater	<i>Merops pusillus</i>
Swallow-tailed Bee-eater	<i>Merops hirundineus</i>
Coraciidae: rollers	
Eurasian Roller	<i>Coracias coracias</i>
Lilac-breasted Roller	<i>Coracias caudata</i>
Broad-billed Roller	<i>Eurystomus glaucurus</i>
Upupidae: Hoopoe	
Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>
Phoeniculidae: wood-hoopoes	
Green Wood-hoopoe	<i>Phoeniculus purpureus</i>
Common Scimitarbill	<i>Rhinopomastus cyanomelas</i>
Bucerotidae: hornbills	

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Crowned Hornbill	<i>Tockus alboterminatus</i>
Trumpeter Hornbill	<i>Bycanistes bucinator</i>
Silvery-cheeked Hornbill	<i>Bycanistes brevis</i>
Capitonidae: barbets & tinkerbirds	
Green Barbet	<i>Stactolaema olivacea</i>
Eastern Green Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus simplex</i>
Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus bilineatus</i>
Red-fronted Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus pusillus</i>
Black-collared Barbet	<i>Lybius torquatus</i>
Indicatoridae: honeyguides	
Scaly-throated Honeyguide	<i>Indicator variegatus</i>
Greater Honeyguide	<i>Indicator indicator</i>
Lesser Honeyguide	<i>Indicator minor</i>
Pallid Honeyguide	<i>Indicator meliphilus</i>
Wahlberg's Honeybird	<i>Prodotiscus regulus</i>
Picidae: wrynecks & woodpeckers	
Mombasa Woodpecker	<i>Campethera mombassica</i>
Green-backed Woodpecker	<i>Campethera cailliautii</i>
Cardinal Woodpecker	<i>Denropicos fuscescens</i>
Bearded Woodpecker	<i>Thripias namaquus</i>
Eurylaimidae - broadbills	
African Broadbill	<i>Smithornis capensis</i>
Pittidae - pittas	
African Pitta	<i>Pitta angolensis</i>
Alaudidae - larks	
Flappet Lark	<i>Mirafrua rufocinnamomea</i>
Hirundinidae: swallow & martins	
Plain Martin	<i>Riparia paludicola</i>
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
Ethiopian Swallow	<i>Hirundo aethiopica</i>
Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Hirundo daurica</i>
Mosque Swallow	<i>Hirundo senegalensis</i>
Lesser Striped Swallow	<i>Hirundo abyssinica</i>
Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbica</i>
Black Saw-wing	<i>Psalidoprocne holomelas</i>
Motacillidae: wagtails, pipits & longclaws	
White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>
Golden Pipit	<i>Tmetothylacus tenellus</i>
Grassland Pipit	<i>Anthus cinnamomeus</i>
Malindi Pipit	<i>Anthus melindae</i>
Sokoke Pipit	<i>Anthus sokokensis</i>
Yellow-throated Longclaw	<i>Macronyx croceus</i>
Pycnonotidae: bulbuls	
Zanzibar Sombre Greenbul	<i>Andropadus importunus</i>
Fischer's Greenbul	<i>Phyllastrephus fischeri</i>
Northern Brownbul	<i>Phyllastrephus strepitans</i>
Terrestrial Brownbul	<i>Phyllastrephus terrestris</i>
Tiny Greenbul	<i>Phyllastrephus debilis</i>
Yellow-bellied Greenbul	<i>Chlorocichla flaviventris</i>
Common Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus barbatus</i>
Eastern Nicator	<i>Nicator gularis</i>
Timaliidae: babblers, chatters & illadopses	
Scaly Babbler	<i>Turdoides squamulatus</i>
Rufous Chatterer	<i>Turdoides rubiginosus</i>
Turdidae: thrushes, chats & relatives	
East Coast Akalat	<i>Sheppardia gunningi</i>
Red-capped Robin-Chat	<i>Cossypha natalensis</i>
White-browed Robin-Chat	<i>Cossypha heuglini</i>
Red-tailed Ant Thrush	<i>Neocossyphus rufus</i>
Sprosser	<i>Luscinia luscinia</i>
Eastern Bearded Scrub Robin	<i>Cercotrichas quadrivirgata</i>
Common Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola saxatilis</i>
Bare-eyed Thrush	<i>Turdus tephronotus</i>
Spotted Ground Thrush	<i>Zoothera guttata</i>
Muscicapidae: Old World flycatchers	
Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>
Ashy Flycatcher	<i>M. caerulescens</i>
Pale Flycatcher	<i>Bradornis pallidus</i>
Lead-coloured Flycatcher	<i>Myioparus plumbeus</i>
Sylviidae: Old World warblers	
Marsh Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus palustris</i>
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>
Rattling Cisticola	<i>Cisticola chiniana</i>
Siffling Cisticola	<i>C. brachypterus</i>
Tawny-flanked Prinia	<i>Prinia subflava</i>
Grey-backed Camaroptera	<i>Camaroptera brachyura</i>
Yellow-breasted Apalis	<i>Apalis flavida</i>
Black-headed Apalis	<i>A. melanocephala</i>
Green-capped Eremomela	<i>Eremomela scotops</i>
Monarchidae: monarch flycatchers	
Little Yellow Flycatcher	<i>Erythrocerus holochlorus</i>
Blue-mantled Crested Flycatcher	<i>Trochocercus cyanomelas</i>
African Paradise Flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone viridis</i>
Platysteiridae: batises, wattle-eyes & relatives	
Forest Batis	<i>Batis mixta</i>
Pale Batis	<i>Batis soror</i>

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Black-headed Batis	<i>Batis minor</i>
Black-throated Wattle-eye	<i>Platysteira peltata</i>
Prionopidae: helmet-shrikes	
Retz's Helmet-Shrike	<i>Prionops retzii</i>
Chestnut-fronted Helmet-Shrike	<i>Prionops scopifrons</i>
Laniidae: shrikes	
Red-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius collurio</i>
Red-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanius isabellinus</i>
Long-tailed Fiscal	<i>Lanius cabanisi</i>
Malaconotidae: bush-shrikes	
Black-crowned Tchagra	<i>Tchagra senegala</i>
Brown-crowned Tchagra	<i>Tchagra australis</i>
Sulphur-breasted Bush-Shrike	<i>Malaconotus sulfureopectus</i>
Four-coloured Bush-Shrike	<i>Malaconotus quadricolor</i>
Grey-headed Bush-Shrike	<i>Malaconotus blanchoti</i>
Tropical Boubou	<i>Laniarius aethiopicus</i>
Slate-coloured Boubou	<i>Laniarius funebris</i>
Black-backed Puffback	<i>Dryoscopus cubla</i>
Campephagidae: cuckoo-shrikes	
Black Cuckoo-shrike	<i>Campephaga flava</i>
Dicruridae: drongos	
Common Drongo	<i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>
Oriolidae: orioles	
Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>
African Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus auratus</i>
Black-headed Oriole	<i>Oriolus larvatus</i>
Green-headed Oriole	<i>Oriolus chlorocephalus</i>
Corvidae: crows & allies	
House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>
Pied Crow	<i>Corvus albus</i>
Sturnidae: starlings & oxpeckers	
Black-bellied Starling	<i>Lamprotornis corruscus</i>
Greater Blue-eared Starling	<i>Lamprotornis chalybaeus</i>
Rüppell's Long-tailed Starling	<i>Lamprotornis purpuropterus</i>
Superb Starling	<i>Lamprotornis superbus</i>
Violet-backed Starling	<i>Cinnyricinclus leucogaster</i>
Magpie Starling	<i>Speculipastor bicolor</i>
Nectariniidae: sunbirds	
Plain-backed Sunbird	<i>Anthreptes reichenowi</i>
Amani Sunbird	<i>Anthreptes pallidigaster</i>
Collared Sunbird	<i>Anthreptes collaris</i>
Olive Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia olivacea</i>
Mouse-coloured Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia veroxii</i>
Amethyst Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia amethystina</i>
Scarlet-chested Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia senegalensis</i>
Purple-banded Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia bifasciata</i>
Violet-breasted Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia chalomelas</i>
Ploceidae: weavers & relatives	
Red-billed Buffalo-Weaver	<i>Bubalornis niger</i>
Grosbeak Weaver	<i>Amblyospiza albifrons</i>
Spectacled Weaver	<i>Ploceus ocularis</i>
African Golden Weaver	<i>Ploceus subaureus</i>
Golden Palm Weaver	<i>Ploceus bojeri</i>
Taveta Golden Weaver	<i>Ploceus castaneiceps</i>
Lesser Masked Weaver	<i>Ploceus intermedius</i>
Black-headed Weaver	<i>Ploceus cucullatus</i>
Clarke's Weaver	<i>Ploceus golandi</i>
Dark-backed Weaver	<i>Ploceus bicolor</i>
Red-billed Quelea	<i>Quelea quelea</i>
Zanzibar Red Bishop	<i>Euplectes nigroventris</i>
White-winged Widowbird	<i>Euplectes albonotatus</i>
Estrildidae: waxbills	
Orange-winged Pytilia	<i>Pytilia afra</i>
Peter's Twinspot	<i>Hypargos niveoguttatus</i>
Green-backed Twinspot	<i>Mandingoa nitidula</i>
Common Waxbill	<i>Estrilda astrild</i>
Red-cheeked Cordon-bleu	<i>Uraeginthus bengalus</i>
Bronze Mannikin	<i>Lonchura cucullata</i>
Black-and-white Mannikin	<i>Lonchura bicolor</i>
Estrildidae, subfamily Viduinae: whydahs & indigobirds	
Pin-tailed Whydah	<i>Vidua macroura</i>
Fringillidae: seedeaters, canaries & relatives	
Yellow-fronted Canary	<i>Serinus mozambicus</i>
Yellow-rumped Seedeater	<i>Serinus reichenowi</i>
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