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Nambia Okavango Sept/Oct 2016 trip list by Tertius Gous. Total species recorded: 338

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Bold = endemic or near-endemic, includes specials of western South Africa too

Italics = migrant

[] = species had a different name on the IOC list but we include this name to make it clearer

ORDER STRUTHIONIFORMES		
Ostriches	Family Struthionidae	
Common Ostrich	<i>Struthio camelus</i>	Common at Etosha
ORDER GALLIFORMES		
Guineafowl	Family Numididae	
Helmeted Guineafowl	<i>Numida meleagris</i>	Common from Etosha and further north and east
Pheasants, Fowl & Allies Family Phasianidae		
Orange River Francolin	<i>Scleroptila levaillantoides</i>	One seen en route from Etosha to Tsumeb
Crested Francolin	<i>Dendroperdix sephaena</i>	Seen best in Botswana near Shakawe
Hartlaub's Spurfowl	<i>Pternistis hartlaubi</i>	Excellent close-up sightings in the Erongo Mountains
Red-billed Spurfowl	<i>Pternistis adspersus</i>	Abundant east and north of the Namib Desert
Swainson's Spurfowl	<i>Pternistis swainsonii</i>	Seen en route from Etosha to Tsumeb
ORDER ANSERIFORMES		
Ducks, Geese & Swans	Family Anatidae	
White-faced Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Spur-winged Goose	<i>Plectropterus gambensis</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Egyptian Goose	<i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>	Seen at waterbodies and rivers at Etosha and the north
South African Shelduck	<i>Tadorna cana</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and Etosha
Cape Teal	<i>Anas capensis</i>	Common at Walvis Bay and Etosha
Red-billed Teal	<i>Anas erythrorhyncha</i>	Seen flying along Okavango River
Hottentot Teal	<i>Anas hottentota</i>	Seen at Rundu Sewage Works
ORDER PODICIPEDIFORMES		
Grebes	Family Podicipedidae	
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	Seen at the waterbodies at Etosha
Black-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>	Seen in the ocean at Walvis Bay
ORDER PHOENICOPTERIFORMES		
Flamingos	Family Phoenicopteridae	
Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>	Abundant at Walvis Bay
Lesser Flamingo	<i>Phoeniconaias minor</i>	Abundant at Walvis Bay
ORDER CICONIIFORMES		
Storks	Family Ciconiidae	
Yellow-billed Stork	<i>Mycteria ibis</i>	Seen on the Okavango floodplain
African Openbill	<i>Anastomus lamelligerus</i>	A few along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Marabou Stork	<i>Leptoptilos crumenifer</i>	A few seen flying over the Okavango River and associated floodplain
ORDER PELECANIFORMES		
Ibises, Spoonbills	Family Threskiornithidae	
African Sacred Ibis	<i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i>	Best seen along Okavango River and associated floodplain
Hadada Ibis	<i>Bostrychia hagedash</i>	Two seen along the Okavango River
African Spoonbill	<i>Platalea alba</i>	Seen along the Okavango river and associated floodplain
Hérons, Bitterns	Family Ardeidae	
Little Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus minutus</i>	A few sightings in the reed beds of the Okavango River
White-backed Night Heron	<i>Gorsachius leuconotus</i>	Good sightings in the reed beds of the Okavango River
Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>	Common along the Okavango River and associated floodplain

Western Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	Associated with livestock and game
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Goliath Heron	<i>Ardea goliath</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	Fairly common along the Okavango River
Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Black Heron	<i>Egretta ardesiaca</i>	Seen along the Okavango river and associated floodplain
Slaty Egret	<i>Egretta vinaceigula</i>	Seen well on the Okavango floodplain
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and the Okavango River
Hamerkop	Family Scopidae	
Hamerkop	<i>Scopus umbretta</i>	A few seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Pelicans	Family Pelecanidae	
Great White Pelican	<i>Pelecanus onocrotalus</i>	Flocks seen at Walvis Bay and the ocean
Pink-backed Pelican	<i>Pelecanus rufescens</i>	One seen flying with vultures over the Okavango River
Gannets, Boobies	Family Sulidae	
Cape Gannet	<i>Morus capensis</i>	Seen flying over the Atlantic Ocean
Cormorants, shags	Family Phalacrocoracidae	
Reed Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo africanus</i>	Common along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Crowned Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo coronatus</i>	Seen only at a guano platform near Walvis Bay
White-breasted Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax lucidus</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Cape Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax capensis</i>	Common at Walvis Bay
Anhingas, darters	Family Anhingidae	
African Darter	<i>Anhinga rufa</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
ORDER ACCIPITRIFORMES		
Secretarybird	Family Sagittariidae	
Secretarybird	<i>Sagittarius serpentarius</i>	Pair seen very well at Etosha
Kites, Hawks & Eagles	Family Accipitridae	
Black-winged Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and roads in the northeast
Yellow-billed Kite	<i>Milvus aegyptius</i>	Common along the Okavango River with nesting observed
African Fish Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus vocifer</i>	Common along the Okavango River with nesting observed
White-backed Vulture	<i>Gyps africanus</i>	Most common vulture species seen at Etosha and Mahango
Cape Vulture	<i>Gyps coprotheres</i>	Two seen en route from Otjiwarongo to Windhoek
White-headed Vulture	<i>Trigonoceps occipitalis</i>	One seen flying over the Okavango River
Lappet-faced Vulture	<i>Torgos tracheliotos</i>	Seen at Etosha
Black-chested Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus pectoralis</i>	Seen at Etosha
Brown Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus cinereus</i>	Seen en route near Rundu
Bateleur	<i>Terathopius ecaudatus</i>	Seen at Etosha and Mahango
African Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus ranivorus</i>	Seen along the Okavango river and associated floodplain
Pale Chanting Goshawk	<i>Melierax canorus</i>	Common in the dry west and at Etosha
Gabar Goshawk	<i>Micronisus gabar</i>	Seen near Brandberg
Little Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter minullus</i>	Seen well at Halali, Etosha
Tawny Eagle	<i>Aquila rapax</i>	Fairly common at Etosha
Verreaux's Eagle	<i>Aquila verreauxii</i>	Pair at Waterberg
African Hawk-Eagle	<i>Aquila spilogaster</i>	Juvenile seen in Botswana
Wahlberg's Eagle	<i>Hieraaetus wahlbergi</i>	Seen en route from Otjiwarongo to Windhoek
Martial Eagle	<i>Polemaetus bellicosus</i>	Seen well in the Namib Desert
ORDER FALCONIFORMES		
Falcons	Family Falconidae	
Rock Kestrel	<i>Falco rupicolus</i>	Seen in the Erongo Mountains
Greater Kestrel	<i>Falco rupicoloides</i>	Seen in the Namib Desert and at Etosha
ORDER OTIDIFORMES		
Bustards	Family Otidae	
Kori Bustard	<i>Ardeotis kori</i>	Common at Etosha
Rueppell's Korhaan	<i>Eupodotis rueppellii</i>	Seen on the plains of the Namib Desert
Red-crested Korhaan	<i>Lophotis ruficrista</i>	Seen along the road from Etosha to Grootfontein
Northern Black Korhaan	<i>Afrotis afraoides</i>	Common at Etosha
ORDER GRUIFORMES		
Rails, Crakes & Coots	Family Rallidae	
African Rail	<i>Rallus caerulescens</i>	Heard at Rundu Sewage Works
Black Crake	<i>Amaurornis flavirostra</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
African Swamphen	<i>Porphyrio madagascariensis</i>	Heard at Rundu Sewage Works
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	Seen at Rundu Sewage Works
Red-knobbed Coot	<i>Fulica cristata</i>	Seen at Rundu Sewage Works
ORDER CHARADRIIFORMES		
Stone-curlews, Thick-kn	Family Burhinidae	
Water Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus vermiculatus</i>	Seen and heard along the Okavango River
Spotted Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus capensis</i>	Seen at Etosha
Stilts, Avocets	Family Recurvirostridae	

Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and the Okavango River
Pied Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay

Plovers **Family Charadriidae**

Long-toed Lapwing	<i>Vanellus crassirostris</i>	Seen along the Okavango river and associated floodplain
Blacksmith Lapwing	<i>Vanellus armatus</i>	Very common at Etosha and along Okavango River
Crowned Lapwing	<i>Vanellus coronatus</i>	Common at Etosha
African Wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus senegallus</i>	Pair seen along the Okavango River
Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Kittlitz's Plover	<i>Charadrius pecuarius</i>	Seen along the Swakop River and at Etosha
Three-banded Plover	<i>Charadrius tricollaris</i>	Seen along the Swakop River and at Etosha
White-fronted Plover	<i>Charadrius marginatus</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Chestnut-banded Plover	<i>Charadrius pallidus</i>	Common at Walvis Bay

Jacanas **Family Jacanidae**

African Jacana	<i>Actophilornis africanus</i>	Seen at Etosha and common along Okavango River and floodplain
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Sandpipers, Snipes **Family Scolopacidae**

African Snipe	<i>Gallinago nigripennis</i>	Fairly common at Rundu Sewage Works
Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	One seen at Etosha
Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay, Etosha and the Okavango River
Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>	One seen at Mokuti Lodge
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	Seen at Rundu Sewage Works and along the Okavango River
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Red Knot	<i>Calidris canutus</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and Etosha
Curlew Sandpiper	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and Etosha
Ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay, Rundu Sewage Works and along Okavango River
Red-necked Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus lobatus</i>	Two seen at Walvis Bay

Couriers, Pratincoles **Family Glareolidae**

Burchell's Courser	<i>Cursorius rufus</i>	Two seen at Etosha
Temminck's Courser	<i>Cursorius temminckii</i>	Two seen at Mahango
Double-banded Courser	<i>Rhinoptilus africanus</i>	Fairly common at Etosha
Collared Pratincole	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>	Seen along the Okavango river and associated floodplain
Rock Pratincole	<i>Glareola nuchalis</i>	Seen on rocks in the Okavango River

Gulls, Terns & Skimmers **Family Laridae**

African Skimmer	<i>Rynchops flavirostris</i>	Seen well along Okavango River
Grey-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Hartlaub's Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus hartlaubii</i>	Seen along coast and at Walvis Bay
Kelp Gull	<i>Larus dominicanus</i>	Seen along coast and at Walvis Bay
Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Greater Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>	Seen along coast and at Walvis Bay
Sandwich Tern	<i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>	One seen along the Okavango River

ORDER PTEROCLIFORMES

Sandgrouse **Family Pteroclididae**

Namaqua Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles namaqua</i>	Very common at Etosha with large numbers at waterholes
Double-banded Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles bicinctus</i>	Seen drinking water at Etosha
Burchell's Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles burchelli</i>	Small flocks seen flying over while on boat on Okavango River

ORDER COLUMBIFORMES

Pigeons, Doves **Family Columbidae**

Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	Seen in urban areas eg Walvis Bay
Speckled Pigeon	<i>Columba guinea</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and Waterberg
Mourning Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decipiens</i>	Heard in riverine forest along Okavango River
Red-eyed Dove	<i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i>	Very common in the north
Ring-necked Dove	<i>Streptopelia capicola</i>	Very common all over
Laughing Dove	<i>Stigmatopelia senegalensis</i>	Abundant all over
Emerald-spotted Wood Dove	<i>Turtur chalcospilos</i>	Common from eastern Etosha and further north
Namaqua Dove	<i>Oena capensis</i>	Fairly common from eastern Etosha and further north and east
African Green Pigeon	<i>Treron calvus</i>	Seen in the riverine forest along the Okavango River

ORDER PSITTACIFORMES

Parrots **Family Psittacidae**

Rosy-faced Lovebird	<i>Agapornis roseicollis</i>	Common in the Erongo Mountains and Spitzkoppe
Meyer's Parrot	<i>Poicephalus meyeri</i>	Fairly common in the north
Rueppell's Parrot	<i>Poicephalus rueppellii</i>	Seen well at Waterberg

ORDER MUSOPHAGIFORMES		
Turacos	Family Musophagidae	
Grey Go-away-bird	<i>Corythaixoides concolor</i>	Very common all over
ORDER CUCULIFORMES		
Cuckoos	Family Cuculidae	
Senegal Coucal	<i>Centropus senegalensis</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Coppery-tailed Coucal	<i>Centropus cupreicaudus</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
White-browed Coucal	<i>Centropus superciliosus</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
ORDER STRIGIFORMES		
Barn Owls	Family Tytonidae	
Western Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>	Heard at night along the Okavango River
Owls	Family Strigidae	
African Scops Owl	<i>Otus senegalensis</i>	Seen well at day roost in Halali, Etosha
Spotted Eagle-Owl	<i>Bubo africanus</i>	Seen well at Etosha
Verreaux's Eagle-Owl	<i>Bubo lacteus</i>	Fantastic sighting of adult with chick on top of a Hamerkop nest at Mahango
Pel's Fishing Owl	<i>Scotopelia peli</i>	Great views in riverine forest near Shakawe
African Wood Owl	<i>Strix woodfordii</i>	Heard at night along the Okavango River
Pearl-spotted Owlet	<i>Glaucidium perlatum</i>	Fairly common and seen best in the Erongo mountains
African Barred Owlet	<i>Glaucidium capense</i>	Heard at night along the Okavango River
Marsh Owl	<i>Asio capensis</i>	A bird flushed in the Kuseb River near Walvis Bay
ORDER CAPRIMULGIFORMES		
Nightjars	Family Caprimulgidae	
Rufous-cheeked Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus rufigena</i>	Seen well at waterhole in Okaukuejo Camp, Etosha
Fiery-necked Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus pectoralis</i>	Heard on several days in the north
Freckled Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus tristigma</i>	Seen well in the Erongo mountains and Waterberg
Square-tailed Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus fossii</i>	Heard along Okavango River
ORDER APODIFORMES		
Swifts	Family Apodidae	
African Palm Swift	<i>Cypsiurus parvus</i>	Scattered sightings at Windhoek, Etosha and the north
Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>	Seen at Windhoek and Waterberg
Bradfield's Swift	<i>Apus bradfieldi</i>	Screaming parties seen well at Waterberg
Little Swift	<i>Apus affinis</i>	Scattered sightings all over
White-rumped Swift	<i>Apus caffer</i>	A few seen along the road
ORDER COLIIFORMES		
Mousebirds	Family Coliidae	
White-backed Mousebird	<i>Colius colius</i>	Seen in Windhoek and at Spitzkoppe
Red-faced Mousebird	<i>Urocolius indicus</i>	Fairly common all over
ORDER CORACIIFORMES		
Rollers	Family Coraciidae	
Purple [Rufous-crowned] F	<i>Coracias naevius</i>	Seen well at Etosha and Waterberg
Lilac-breasted Roller	<i>Coracias caudatus</i>	Fairly common in the north
Kingfishers		
Family Alcedinidae		
Malachite Kingfisher	<i>Corythornis cristata</i>	Common along Okavango River
Giant Kingfisher	<i>Megaceryle maxima</i>	Fairly common along Okavango River
Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>	Very common along Okavango River
Bee-eaters		
Family Meropidae		
Swallow-tailed Bee-eater	<i>Merops hirundineus</i>	Seen in Erongo Mountains, Etosha, the north and Waterberg
Little Bee-eater	<i>Merops pusillus</i>	Common in the north
White-fronted Bee-eater	<i>Merops bullockoides</i>	Common along Okavango River
European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>	A few seen in Etosha
Southern Carmine Bee-ea	<i>Merops nubicoides</i>	Common along Okavango River with spectacular nesting colony at Shakawe
ORDER BUCEROTIFORMES		
Hoopoes	Family Upupidae	
African Hoopoe	<i>Upupa africana</i>	Seen well at Etosha and the north
Wood Hoopoes		
Family Phoeniculidae		
Green Wood Hoopoe	<i>Phoeniculus purpureus</i>	Seen in the riverine forest along the Okavango River
Violet Wood Hoopoe	<i>Phoeniculus damarensis</i>	Seen very well in riverine trees of Ugab River and at Halali, Etosha
Common Scimitarbill	<i>Rhinopomastus cyanomelas</i>	Seen in Windhoek, the Erongo mountains and the north
Hornbills		
Family Bucerotidae		
Bradfield's Hornbill	<i>Tockus bradfieldi</i>	Seen near Divundu and Shakawe
African Grey Hornbill	<i>Tockus nasutus</i>	Common at most sites
Monteiro's Hornbill	<i>Tockus monteiri</i>	Seen well at Erongo Mountains, Spitzkoppe and near Brandberg
Damara Red-billed Hornbi	<i>Tockus damarensis</i>	Good sightings near Brandberg
Southern Red-billed Hornb	<i>Tockus rufirostris</i>	Common at Etosha
Southern Yellow-billed Ho	<i>Tockus leucomelas</i>	Common at most sites
ORDER PICIFORMES		
African barbets	Family Lybiidae	
Yellow-fronted Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus chrysoconus</i>	Heard only in the north

Acacia Pied Barbet	<i>Tricholaema leucomelas</i>	Fairly common in the dry centre and west, and Etosha
Black-collared Barbet	<i>Lybius torquatus</i>	Seen in the riverine forest along the Okavango River
Crested Barbet	<i>Trachyphonus vaillantii</i>	Seen in the riverine forest along the Okavango River
Honeyguides	Family Indicatoridae	
Lesser Honeyguide	<i>Indicator minor</i>	Seen a few times but best in the Erongo mountains
Woodpeckers	Family Picidae	
Golden-tailed Woodpecker	<i>Campethera abingoni</i>	Seen near Etosha and in Botswana
Cardinal Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicos fuscescens</i>	Active nest found at Spitzkoppe and also seen along the Okavango River
Bearded Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicos namaquus</i>	Seen briefly along the Okavango River
ORDER PASSERIFORMES		
Wattle-eyes, Batises	Family Platysteiridae	
Chin-spot Batis	<i>Batis molitor</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
Pirit Batis	<i>Batis pririt</i>	Seen well in Windhoek and at Spitzkoppe
White-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanioturdus torquatus</i>	Seen well at Spitzkoppe
Helmetshrikes	Family Prionopidae	
White-crested Helmetshrike	<i>Prionops plumatus</i>	Fantastic views at Halali in Etosha
Retz's Helmetshrike	<i>Prionops retzii</i>	Fantastic views in Botswana
Bushshrikes	Family Malaconotidae	
Orange-breasted Bushshrike	<i>Chlorophoneus sulfureopectus</i>	Heard and seen in riverine forest of the Okavango River
Bokmakierie	Telophorus zeylonus	Seen at Spitzkoppe and near Uis
Brown-crowned Tchagra	<i>Tchagra australis</i>	Seen at Spitzkoppe
Black-backed Puffback	<i>Dryoscopus cubla</i>	Fairly common in the north
Swamp Boubou	<i>Laniarius bicolor</i>	Very common along Okavango River
Crimson-breasted Shrike	<i>Laniarius atrococcineus</i>	Common in thornveld all over
Brubru	<i>Nilaus afer</i>	Seen well at Etosha
Shrikes	Family Laniidae	
Magpie Shrike	<i>Urolestes melanoleucus</i>	Good sightings in the north
Southern White-crowned Shrike	<i>Eurocephalus anguitimens</i>	Common at Etosha
Southern Fiscal	<i>Lanius collaris</i>	Seen in dry centre and west (subsp subcoronatus)
Drongos	Family Dicruridae	
Fork-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>	Very common all over
Crows	Family Corvidae	
Cape Crow	<i>Corvus capensis</i>	Seen on the Namib plains and at Etosha
Pied Crow	<i>Corvus albus</i>	Seen on the Namib plains, at Etosha and the north
Tits	Family Paridae	
Carp's Tit	<i>Parus carpi</i>	Good views in the Erongo Mountains
Southern Black Tit	<i>Parus niger</i>	Seen once at Moheumbo
Penduline Tits	Family Remizidae	
Cape Penduline Tit	<i>Anthoscopus minutus</i>	Great views in Windhoek
Larks	Family Alaudidae	
Eastern Clapper Lark	<i>Mirafra fasciolata</i>	Seen at Etosha
Sabota Lark	<i>Calendulauda sabota</i>	Seen at Spitzkoppe and Etosha (mostly subsp herero)
Dune Lark	<i>Calendulauda erythrochlamys</i>	Fantastic views of 12 birds in the dune fields near Walvis Bay
Benguela Long-billed Lark	<i>Certhilauda benguelensis</i>	Seen well near Uis
Karoo Long-billed Lark	<i>Certhilauda subcoronata</i>	Seen on the Namib plains south of Brandberg
Spike-heeled Lark	<i>Chersomanes albofasciata</i>	Fairly common at Etosha
Gray's Lark	<i>Ammomanopsis grayi</i>	A few sightings in open plains south of Brandberg
Red-capped Lark	<i>Calandrella cinerea</i>	Very common at Etosha
Stark's Lark	<i>Spizocorys starki</i>	Seen at Etosha only
Chestnut-backed Sparrow	<i>Eremopterix leucotis</i>	Seen at Etosha and near Roy's Camp
Grey-backed Sparrow-Lark	<i>Eremopterix verticalis</i>	Fairly common at Etosha
Bulbuls	Family Pycnonotidae	
African Red-eyed Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus nigricans</i>	Common in dry centre and west including Etosha
Dark-capped Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus tricolor</i>	Very common in the north
Yellow-bellied Greenbul	<i>Chlorocichla flaviventris</i>	Seen in riverine forest along Okavango River
Terrestrial Brownbul	<i>Phyllastrephus terrestris</i>	Seen in riverine thickets along Okavango River
Swallows, martins	Family Hirundinidae	
Grey-rumped Swallow	<i>Pseudhirundo griseopyga</i>	Few seen foraging over Okavango River in Botswana
Brown-throated [Plain] Martin	<i>Riparia paludicola</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Seen once along the Okavango River
Banded Martin	<i>Riparia cincta</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>	Common along the Okavango River
Pearl-breasted Swallow	<i>Hirundo dimidiata</i>	Seen en route in the north
Rock Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne fuligula</i>	Common at western mountains and Etosha
Greater Striped Swallow	<i>Cecropis cucullata</i>	Seen en route from Etosha to Tsumeb
Lesser Striped Swallow	<i>Cecropis abyssinica</i>	Common in the north
Red-breasted Swallow	<i>Cecropis semirufa</i>	Seen at Etosha

Mosque Swallow	<i>Cecropis senegalensis</i>	Seen once near Divundu
Crombecs, African warb	Family Macrospenidae	
Rockrunner	<i>Achaetops pycnopygius</i>	Seen at Waterberg
Long-billed Crombec	<i>Sylvietta rufescens</i>	Scattered sightings all over
Leaf warblers and allies	Family Phylloscopidae	
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	Seen in riverine forest along Okavango River
Reed warblers and allies	Family Acrocephalidae	
Greater Swamp Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus rufescens</i>	Seen and heard in the papyrus swamps along the Okavango River
Lesser Swamp Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus gracilirostris</i>	Heard and seen along the Okavango River
African Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus baeticatus</i>	Seen in Windhoek and heard at Etosha
Grassbirds and allies	Family Locustellidae	
Little Rush Warbler	<i>Bradypterus baboecala</i>	Heard along the Okavango River
Cisticolas and allies	Family Cisticolidae	
Rattling Cisticola	<i>Cisticola chiniana</i>	Seen at Etosha and further north
Tinkling Cisticola	<i>Cisticola rufilatus</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
Luapula Cisticola	<i>Cisticola luapula</i>	Seen and heard along the Okavango River
Chirping Cisticola	<i>Cisticola pipiens</i>	Seen and heard along the Okavango River
Neddicky [Piping Cisticola]	<i>Cisticola fulvicapilla</i>	Heard in the Kavango woodlands
Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>	Seen at Rundu Sewage Works
Desert Cisticola	<i>Cisticola aridulus</i>	Fairly common at Etosha
Rufous-eared Warbler	<i>Malcorus pectoralis</i>	Seen well at Etosha
Tawny-flanked Prinia	<i>Prinia subflava</i>	Common along the Okavango River
Black-chested Prinia	<i>Prinia flavicans</i>	Common in the west, centre and at Etosha
Yellow-breasted Apalis	<i>Apalis flavida</i>	Seen and heard in the riverine forest along the Okavango River
Grey-backed Camaroptera	<i>Camaroptera brevicaudata</i>	Fairly common with scattered sightings all over
Yellow-bellied Eremomela	<i>Eremomela icteropygialis</i>	Seen in the centre, west and at Etosha
Green-capped Eremomela	<i>Eremomela scotops</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
Burnt-necked Eremomela	<i>Eremomela usticollis</i>	Seen in Windhoek
Typical Babblers	Family Leiotherichidae	
Black-faced Babbler	<i>Turdoides melanops</i>	Seen well near Etosha
Arrow-marked Babbler	<i>Turdoides jardineii</i>	Common in the woodlands along the Okavango River
Hartlaub's Babbler	<i>Turdoides hartlaubii</i>	Very common along the Okavango River
Southern Pied Babbler	<i>Turdoides bicolor</i>	Seen in thorn thickets in Botswana
Bare-cheeked Babbler	<i>Turdoides gymnogenys</i>	Seen well near Brandberg
Sylviid Babblers	Family Sylviidae	
Chestnut-vented Warbler [<i>Sylvia subcaerulea</i>	Common in the west, centre and at Etosha
White-eyes	Family Zosteropidae	
Orange River White-eye	<i>Zosterops pallidus</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
African Yellow White-eye	<i>Zosterops senegalensis</i>	Common in riverine forest along Okavango River
Starlings	Family Sturnidae	
Wattled Starling	<i>Creatophora cinerea</i>	Seen near Divundu
Cape Starling	<i>Lamprotornis nitens</i>	Very common all over
Greater Blue-eared Starlin	<i>Lamprotornis chalybaeus</i>	Seen along Okavango River
Meves's Starling	<i>Lamprotornis mevesii</i>	Very common in woodlands along the Okavango River
Burchell's Starling	<i>Lamprotornis australis</i>	Very common in woodlands along Okavango River and at Waterberg
Violet-backed Starling	<i>Cinnyricinclus leucogaster</i>	Seen well along the Okavango River
Pale-winged Starling	<i>Onychognathus nabouroup</i>	Common at Erongo Mountains, Spitzkoppe, Brandberg and Waterberg
Oxpeckers	Family Buphagidae	
Yellow-billed Oxpecker	<i>Buphagus africanus</i>	Seen on livestock and game on the Okavango floodplain
Red-billed Oxpecker	<i>Buphagus erythrorhynchus</i>	Seen on livestock and game in the north
Thrushes	Family Turdidae	
Groundscraper Thrush	<i>Psophocichla litsitsirupa</i>	Common at Etosha but also seen at Waterberg
Kurrichane Thrush	<i>Turdus libonyana</i>	Seen in the north a few times
Chats, Old World Flycat	Family Muscipidae	
White-browed Robin-Chat	<i>Cossypha heuglini</i>	Often heard and seen in riverine forest along Okavango River
White-browed Scrub Robin	<i>Erythropygia leucophrys</i>	Seen at Etosha, the north and Waterberg
Kalahari Scrub Robin	<i>Erythropygia paena</i>	Seen at Etosha and Waterberg
Herero Chat	<i>Namibornis herero</i>	Seen well near Uis
African Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquatus</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Mountain Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe monticola</i>	Seen in the Erongo Mountains, at Spitzkoppe and near Brandberg
Karoo Chat	<i>Emarginata schlegelii</i>	Seen on the dry western plains
Tractrac Chat	<i>Emarginata tractrac</i>	Seen on the plains of the Namib Desert
Familiar Chat	<i>Oenanthe familiaris</i>	Seen well in the Erongo Mountains
Ant-eating Chat	<i>Myrmecocichla formicivora</i>	Seen at Etosha
Short-toed Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola brevipes</i>	Seen in the Erongo Mountains
Southern Black Flycatcher	<i>Melaenornis pammelaina</i>	Seen in the northern woodlands
Pale Flycatcher	<i>Bradornis pallidus</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
Chat Flycatcher	<i>Bradornis inuscatus</i>	Several sightings in the west and at Etosha

Marico Flycatcher	<i>Bradornis mariquensis</i>	Common in the centre, west and at Etosha
Ashy Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa caerulescens</i>	Seen in the riverine forest along the Okavango River
Grey Tit-Flycatcher	<i>Myioparus plumbeus</i>	Heard in the thorn thickets of Botswana
Sunbirds	Family Nectariniidae	
Collared Sunbird	<i>Hedydipna collaris</i>	Seen in the riverine forest along the Okavango River
Amethyst Sunbird	<i>Chalcomitra amethystina</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
Marico Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris mariquensis</i>	Common in the north
White-bellied Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris talatala</i>	Common in the north
Dusky Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris fuscus</i>	Common in the west and at Etosha
Old World Sparrows	Family Passeridae	
White-browed Sparrow-Weaver	<i>Plocepasser mahali</i>	Common with scattered sightings all over
Sociable Weaver	<i>Philetairus socius</i>	Common at Etosha
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	Scattered sightings in urban areas
Great Sparrow	<i>Passer motitensis</i>	Seen in the Erongo Mountains
Cape Sparrow	<i>Passer melanurus</i>	Seen at Spitzkoppe and Walvis Bay
Southern Grey-headed Sparrow	<i>Passer diffusus</i>	Common at Etosha
Weavers, Widowbirds	Family Ploceidae	
Red-billed Buffalo Weaver	<i>Bubalornis niger</i>	Seen at Etosha
Scaly-feathered Weaver	<i>Sporopipes squamifrons</i>	Seen at Etosha
Thick-billed Weaver	<i>Amblyospiza albifrons</i>	A few seen along the Okavango River in Botswana
Spectacled Weaver	<i>Ploceus ocularis</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Holub's Golden Weaver	<i>Ploceus xanthops</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Southern Brown-throated Weaver	<i>Ploceus xanthopterus</i>	Common along the Okavango River
Lesser Masked Weaver	<i>Ploceus intermedius</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Southern Masked Weaver	<i>Ploceus velatus</i>	Common in the centre, west and at Etosha
Chestnut Weaver	<i>Ploceus rubiginosus</i>	Large flock seen near Etosha
Red-headed Weaver	<i>Anaplectes rubriceps</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Red-billed Quelea	<i>Quelea quelea</i>	Seen at Etosha and in the north
Fan-tailed Widowbird	<i>Euplectes axillaris</i>	Seen on the Okavango floodplain
Waxbills, Munias & Allies	Family Estrildidae	
Green-winged Pytilia	<i>Pytilia melba</i>	Common in the Erongo Mountains
Red-headed Finch	<i>Amadina erythrocephala</i>	Seen at Etosha
Brown Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta nitidula</i>	Seen well along the Okavango River
Red-billed Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta senegala</i>	Seen at Rundu Sewage Works
Blue Waxbill	<i>Uraeginthus angolensis</i>	Seen in the north
Violet-eared Waxbill	<i>Uraeginthus granatinus</i>	Seen in the Erongo Mountains, near Etosha and Roy's Camp
Common Waxbill	<i>Estrilda astrild</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and along the Okavango River
Black-faced Waxbill	<i>Estrilda erythronotos</i>	Seen at Rundu Sewage Works
Indigobirds, Whydahs	Family Viduidae	
Shaft-tailed Whydah	<i>Vidua regia</i>	Non-breeding males seen at Rundu Sewage Works
Long-tailed Paradise Whydah	<i>Vidua paradisaea</i>	Flock of non-breeding birds seen at Roy's Camp
Wagtails, Pipits	Family Motacillidae	
Cape Wagtail	<i>Motacilla capensis</i>	Common at Walvis Bay
African Pied Wagtail	<i>Motacilla aguimp</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
African Pipit	<i>Anthus cinnamomeus</i>	Seen at Etosha
Long-billed Pipit	<i>Anthus similis</i>	Seen near Waterberg
Finches	Family Fringillidae	
Black-throated Canary	<i>Crithagra atrogularis</i>	Seen in Windhoek and the Erongo Mountains
Yellow-fronted Canary	<i>Crithagra mozambica</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
Yellow Canary	<i>Crithagra flaviventris</i>	Seen in Windhoek
White-throated Canary	<i>Crithagra albogularis</i>	Seen near Uis
Buntings	Family Emberizidae	
Cape Bunting	<i>Emberiza capensis</i>	Common in the Erongo Mountains
Golden-breasted Bunting	<i>Emberiza flaviventris</i>	Seen at Etosha, Roy's Camp and the Kavango woodlands