

Lesbos

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Marsh Sandpiper



Odalisque



Red-backed Shrike



Eurasian Scops Owl

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Day 1

Monday 2nd May

The third of this spring's three Naturetrek groups to visit Lesbos landed slightly ahead of schedule at 12 noon, and very soon were watching Bottle-nosed Dolphins and Scopoli's Shearwaters close inshore in the Straits of Mytilini. A short walk along the coast road turned up a total of seven Sardinian Warblers, before we left Mytilini for the centrally located village of Skala Kallonis, our base for the week. After checking in, we went straight out for lunch at a harbour taverna before returning for a little siesta. Refreshed and raring to go again, we first looked at the Christou River where we were thrilled to find the island's first ever Demoiselle Crane, present for several days, still giving great views; it was to remain all week. From the Christou River we had a short drive to Metochi Lake where we enjoyed watching and listening to a total of four Little Crakes creeping among the reeds at the water's edge. We met again to do the log in the hotel bar prior to dinner after which most of us were ready for bed – just as a River Warbler was starting up across the road!

Day 2

Sunday 3rd May

A good night's sleep to the chorus of throbbing Nightingales and a duet of whistling Scops Owls, followed by a leisurely breakfast, set us up nicely for our first morning in the field. Chris, who'd been up since 5am listening and looking for nocturnal birds, had located two pairs of Long-eared Owls close to the hotel and by 9.30 we were discreetly focusing our telescopes on one of the downy fledglings. Our next stop was at a small, roadside pool on the outskirts of Kalloni, the main centre of population in this part of Lesbos, about 4km north of Skala Kallonis. Here we enjoyed close views of Marsh Sandpiper, Spotted Redshank, Greenshank and Wood Sandpiper side-by-side, straight out of the field guide! Careful observation of a small, elegant falcon hawking from a telegraph wire showed it to be a female Lesser Kestrel.

On the Tsiknias River we enjoyed watching three beautifully coloured Squacco Herons, a confiding Little Crake and a male Penduline Tit, before returning to the hotel where Chris served lunch on his apartment veranda overlooking the famous Skala Kallonis marsh. We then checked out the 'Scops Copse', seeing five and hearing two more before watching a Middle Spotted Woodpecker sunning itself along a branch, nightjar-like, its head pointing upward, bill wide open and its wings drooping over either side the branch. The 'Bandstand', where we next stopped, is a hillside raptor viewpoint overlooking Kalloni Bay. There was no obvious movement of birds today but a nice variety of birds nonetheless, with two Short-toed Eagles, Woodchat and Lesser Grey Shrikes, Cretzschmar's and Cirl Buntings, Eastern Subalpine and Eastern Orphean Warblers and several strikingly pale, eastern Black-eared Wheatears being seen.

Winding our way to the north coast across the middle of the island, two more roadside stops were made at the nest-holes of Middle Spotted Woodpeckers. Whilst waiting for one to appear, we were fortunate to spot both Peregrine and Goshawk. With the temperature soaring into the high 20's, we sought the shade of a cliff-top ice cream parlour, a restless raft of Yelkouan Shearwaters circling the blue water below us. Adult and immature Shags of the distinct Mediterranean race and a recently fledged family of Ravens were also of interest to us, but it was primarily the coastal maquis that we had come to look at, the stretch between Petra and Molyvos, being one of the best places to find Mediterranean *Sylvia* warblers. Our pecan and pistachio sorbets soon finished, it wasn't long before we were savouring another Hellenic classic as a sunlit Rüppell's Warbler, framed by the Aegean Sea,

alternated his song posts between two Kermes Oaks. Delighted with our first full day's birding on Lesbos we headed back to the hotel to prepare for dinner at 8, over the course of which Chris was given the names of nine species: a Lesbos 'wish list'.

Day 3

Monday 4th May

Another fine morning saw us leaving the hotel at 8.30, in a south-westerly direction around Kalloni Bay. Our first stop was at the chapel of Aghios Ioannis, perched half way up a rocky, tree-scattered hillside that overlooks the sea. We soon found our principal target, a male Cinereous Bunting, singing his plain little ditty from a tree top. An animated pair of Rock Nuthatches was flitting around their funnel nest, built under an overhang and a family of Sombre Tits, two adults and two recently fledged young were giving us great views, too. A male Blue Rock Thrush in song flight was another joy to watch here, as were other species of bunting including Black-headed Bunting, Cirl and Cretzschmar's. On the walk up to the chapel we found a little Snake-eyed Lizard sunning itself, and a skipper butterfly that was later identified as an Orbed Red Underwing. Finally, a pair of Ruddy Shelduck circled overhead before flying inland, possibly prospecting for a nest site.

The Potamia River, which lies to the west of Skala Kallonis, together with the Potamia Reservoir and surrounding fields and olive groves was our next port of call. Far up the valley and a long way from a surfaced road, we parked by a farmhouse and walked on a bit, all the time listening and looking. Above the sound of familiar songs we could discern the song of one species that is on most birders most-wanted list, the mighty Olive Tree Warbler. The gruff and regular, rhythmic character of the song closely resembles that of Great Reed Warbler; however, coming from an olive grove surrounded by oaks and dense scrub, this could only be an OTW. Try as might we couldn't see it, but at least we had re-acquainted ourselves with its song. We also enjoyed point blank views of Middle Spotted Woodpecker, as well as Woodchat and Red-backed Shrikes, white-bellied Eastern Subalpine Warblers and a superb, aquiline Long-legged Buzzard. The reservoirs on Lesbos are all lined with plastic, a potential hazard for wildlife as we discovered in rescuing an Eastern Hedgehog at the point of exhaustion and close to drowning. It had slipped down the smooth plastic lining, possibly the night before, and was now unable to climb out. Martin and the two Christophers, aka 'Reservoir Hogs', formed a human chain to retrieve the distressed animal and carry it to shade.

Next up, a picnic at the mouth of the Tsiknias River followed by a leisurely walk upstream, watching the fishing antics of a Black Stork and coming across a female Citrine Wagtail. From the Tsiknias, we continued eastwards to Achlideri Forest, stopping en route at a wetland called Mesa where we enjoyed watching a mixed flock of egrets and Glossy Ibis and took the opportunity to study the distinctive head-markings of a Yellow Wagtail showing the characteristics of *Motacilla flava dombrowskii*, which was probably on its way to Romania. The diminutive Krüper's Nuthatch has its only European foothold here on Lesbos, and the abundance of old and decaying pine trees in Achlideri Forest make it one of the best sites on the island to see one. Surprisingly, we hadn't walked far before our first nuthatch flew over and landed behind us in the car park. This was possibly one of the adults of a pair that had built their nest in a crevice of a rotten tree, and whose young were about to fledge. Once we had got into position at a safe distance from the nest, we were able to watch the parent birds' frequent comings and goings at leisure. By a nearby trickle of water, we also enjoyed watching a beautiful and uncommon damselfly called an Odalisque, a fine show of Violet Limodore orchids and, with a little patience, all had good views of some Short-toed Treecreepers, another Achlideri speciality.

Tonight we had dinner in one of our favourite restaurants in 'downtown' Skala Kallonis. Before entering the restaurant, we watched leaving its daytime roost in the chimney of an adjacent building, a Barn Owl, the ninth species on last night's wish list!

Day 4

Tuesday 5th May

Another fine morning dawned, heralding another baking hot day. We departed after breakfast at 8.30, our first stop being the beautiful Limonas Monastery, situated in the rugged hills above Kalloni. Here we had two hours or so of tranquil discovery. Several Masked Shrikes, a pair of increasingly scarce Turtle Doves, our first Eastern Bonelli's Warblers (singing and calling) and a family of black-bibbed Turkish Long-tailed Tits, were of particular interest, whilst finding a Marsh Warbler, an uncommon migrant on Lesbos, was a pleasant surprise. Butterflies along the old drovers' road and in the flower-rich meadows included Eastern Festoon and Eastern Dappled White, Orange-tip, Powdered Brimstone, Aegean Meadow Brown and Scarce Swallowtail.

We next stopped in the village of Vatousa (great coffee!), reaching the Lardia Valley by late morning. Here we watched a few Rock Sparrows, Crag Martins and Rock Nuthatches and a pair of Blue Rock Thrushes. A bright orange butterfly was identified as a Lesser Spotted Fritillary. We picnicked by the Voulgaris River at Perivolis Monastery where a Dice Snake hunted Levantine Marsh Frogs, and a migrant Levant Sparrowhawk passed overhead. After lunch, we spent some time watching a pair of Isabelline Wheatears before driving on up to Ipsilou Monastery, finding Alpine Swift, Cinereous Bunting and another Levant Sparrowhawk on the gradual descent by foot. Dinner was in the hotel tonight.

Day 5

Wednesday 6th May

Today we left the hotel at 8.30 for the Napi Valley, for a morning walk and picnic. As always in this very tranquil part of the island, there were lots of colourful birds singing from bushes, treetops and rock outcrops. Species included Hoopoe, Masked Shrike, Black-eared Wheatear, Sombre Tit, Wood Nuthatch, Middle Spotted Woodpecker, Cretzschmar's and Cirl Bunting, all typical of the Balkan-Turkish countryside. Another scorching day, by mid-afternoon it was becoming too hot for birding, so we returned to the hotel for a cool drink and a siesta. All except Martin and Chris L. that is, who kept birding right through the heat of the day, eventually walking back to the hotel from the Tsiknias River; mad keen or what? From 5.30 to 7.30 we were out again, exploring the wonderful, ever-changing Kalloni salt pans and watching Garganey, White-winged, Whiskered and Little Terns, Spotted Redshank, Little Owl, Red-throated Pipit, Short-toed Lark and our first Rufous Bush Robin. Tonight we took dinner in Skala Kallonis.

Day 6

Thursday 7th May

It was another blue sky day, as we wound our way through the Lardia Valley to migrant hotspots between Sigrí and Faneromeni, out on the west coast. There was a wide range of habitats for us to explore there, including open sea, muddy creeks and tidal pools, brackish ponds and frog-filled fords, rocky hillsides, fields of Lucerne and grazing pasture, and scrubby orchards of fig, pomegranate and quince, bordered with oak. Our first birding treat was to come across a flock of 17 waders comprising 9 species: four Curlew Sandpipers, three Ruff, four Ringed Plovers, one Little Ringed Plover, one Marsh Sandpiper, one Greenshank, one Wood Sandpiper, one Temminck's Stint and one Little Stint. Shorebird heaven! Not to be completely outdone, the songbirds included

four species of shrike including 20 Red-backed, as well as both Collared and Pied Flycatchers, Wood Warbler, Red-throated, Tawny and Tree Pipit, and at least four races of Yellow Wagtail (*flava*, *thunbergi*, *feldegg*, *dombrowski*). The morning highlight, however, was undoubtedly a superb Olive Tree Warbler in an olive grove in classic OTW countryside, so possibly a breeding bird rather than a migrant.

We picnicked beside the sea, where a Rufous Bush Robin was perched out on a wire just around the corner, and hundreds of Yelkouan Shearwaters were skimming the horizon. The afternoon was largely spent exploring the upper and lower fords of a stream, black with tadpoles. Little Bitterns were constantly in view, as was as a Citrine Wagtail. Fearless, nest-building Red-rumped Swallows collected mud from around our feet, whilst an approaching Dice Snake kept us on our toes! We had a reviving coffee in 'Australia' before returning to the hotel. Dinner tonight was at 8.30pm.

Day 7

Friday 8th May

Today we had a leisurely 8.45am start by the Christou River, watching the vagrant Demoiselle Crane and a migrant Marsh Harrier. Roadside pools near the turn-off to Apotheki proved attractive to migrants such as Purple Heron, and dragonflies including Broad-bodied Chaser, Black-tailed Skimmer and Red-veined Darter, as well as Marsh Frogs and Green Toads. We approached the Melardi Valley along a rocky mountain road between Eressos and Sigri, which took us through the Petrified Forest, close to where we had our picnic. The whole journey was filled with birds on migration, including a total of 100 Red-backed Shrikes. Other migrants of note included Olive Tree Warbler, Eleanora's Falcon, Roller, Collared Flycatcher, Marsh Warbler, Wood Warbler and hoards of Black-headed Buntings.

Returning via Sigri we were just beginning to wonder why the car in front of us had stopped when a pair of Chukars ran across the road and continued walking up the hill beside us. Jammy! Dinner tonight was in Skala.

Day 8

Saturday 9th May

We had an early breakfast this morning, so we could be out by 8am for one last look at the Kalloni saltpans. Water levels were receding but there was no shortage of interest with two of the highlights being a Spur-winged Plover and the flight of 300 Flamingos lit by the morning sun. Fifty Little Stints, six White-winged Black Terns and a Whiskered Tern were all recent arrivals.

All too soon it was time to return to the hotel for final packing, prior to bidding farewell to Martin and Di and our friends at Hotel Pasiphae, and transferring to Mytilini for our flight to Gatwick, which landed on schedule at 3pm. It had been a fun week in great company.

Hope to see you all again soon!

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Species Lists

Birds (✓ = recorded but not counted; h = heard only)

	Common name	Scientific name	May							
			2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Chukar Partridge	<i>Alectoris chukar</i>							3,1h	
2	Common Quail	<i>Coturnix coturnix</i>		h						
3	Common Pheasant	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	h							
4	Ruddy Shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>	6	2	8		4	3	4	2
5	Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	1	2	2		8			15
6	Garganey	<i>Anas querquedula</i>		2			3			
7	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	1	1						1
8	Scopoli's Shearwater	<i>Calonectris diomedea</i>	12							
9	Yelkouan Shearwater	<i>Puffinus yelkouan</i>		15		4		400		
10	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	2		1				3	
11	Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>					1			
12	Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>	100	100	70		300			300
13	Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>	1	2	3	2	5		4	1
14	White Stork	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>	1	2	1	1	2	1		1
15	Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	20	10	15	4	12		1	
16	Eurasian Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>					2			
17	Little Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus minutus</i>	1		1			10	1	
18	Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>					2		1	
19	Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>	2	6	5	1	6	2		
20	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>			2			1	1	
21	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	1	1		1	1			
22	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>			1		1			
23	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	10	20	30		40			1
24	Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>		2	2					
25	European Shag	<i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis desmarestii</i>		2				4		
26	Short-toed Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>		4		2		1		
27	Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>		1	1				1	
28	Levant Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter brevipes</i>				2				
29	Northern Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>		1						
30	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>		3	3	1	2	3	5	4
31	Long-legged Buzzard	<i>Buteo rufinus</i>			1				3	
32	Lesser Kestrel	<i>Falco naumanni</i>		1				3	6	
33	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	1	1		1				1
34	Eleonora's Falcon	<i>Falco eleonora</i>							1	
35	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>		1	1	1				
36	Little Crake	<i>Porzana parva</i>	4	1						
37	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	4	4	5	1	2	1	1	
38	Demoiselle Crane	<i>Crus virgo</i>	1						1	
39	Eurasian Stone-Curlew	<i>Burhinus oediconemus</i>		h	h		h	h	h	
40	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	20	30	20		20		5	20
41	Pied Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	100	300	100		250			300
42	Spur-winged Lapwing	<i>Vanellus spinosus</i>								1
43	Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>						4		
44	Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>		1	3		2	5		
45	Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>		1			1			2
46	Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>						1		
47	Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>					23			

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			2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
48	Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>					1				
49	Spotted Redshank	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>		2			1				
50	Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>		1				1			
51	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>		2	1		4	1		1	
52	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>		h							
53	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	10	40	10		20	20		12	
54	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	1		3	1					
55	Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>									
56	Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>		2				10		50	
57	Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>		17				1			
58	Curlew Sandpiper	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>						4		3	
59	Ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>		100	15		30	4	1	16	
60	Collared Pratincole	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>		7							
61	Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
62	Little Tern	<i>Sternula albifrons</i>		4			20		1	6	
63	Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>		6	4		10	1	2	4	
64	Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>		2			1			1	
65	White-winged Tern	<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>		3			15			6	
66	Rock Dove /Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia 'feral'</i>	✓	✓	✓	10	✓	12	3	✓	
67	European Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>	h	h	2	3	2	3	5	2h	
68	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
69	Common Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>					h				
70	Western Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>			1				1		
71	Eurasian Scops Owl	<i>Otus scops</i>		9	h	h	h	h	h		
72	Little Owl	<i>Athene noctua</i>		1		1	1	2	4		
73	Long-eared Owl	<i>Asio otus</i>		1							
74	Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymartus melba</i>				2		2	2		
75	Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	20	100	20	20	20	40	20	10	
76	Pallid Swift	<i>Apus pallidus</i>							2		
77	European Bee-Eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>	1	12	h	h		h	h	h	
78	Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>			h		4			h	
79	Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>		h							
80	Middle Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos medius</i>	1	1	2	2	1	1			
81	Red-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius collurio</i>	1	1	5	10	3	20	100	2	
82	Lesser Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius minor</i>		2		1	1	3	5		
83	Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>	1	2	6	3	3	7	5		
84	Masked Shrike	<i>Lanius nubicus</i>				4	10	5	1	1	
85	Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>						1	1		
86	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>	4	10	4	8	4	6	7	4	
87	Western Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>						20			
88	Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
89	Northern Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>		3	2	4	h	h	3		
90	Sombre Tit	<i>Poecile lugubris</i>			4	1	8				
91	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	3	8	8	10	10	6	2	1	
92	Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>	2	8	6	10	4	6	1	1	
93	Penduline Tit	<i>Remiz pendulinus</i>		1							
94	Greater Short-toed Lark	<i>Calandrella brachydactyla</i>					2				
95	Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
96	Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>	h			h	1	1	5		
97	Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	20				1		1	3	
98	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	100	100	50	50	50	100	50	30	

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			2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
99	Eurasian Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>		1		5		6		
100	Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	40	40	20	20	30	100	20	20
101	Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Cecropis daurica</i>	2	4	6	20	1	20	4	
102	Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>	1	h	4h	1	10	6	3	h
103	Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>				1+		h		
104	Eastern Bonelli's Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus orientalis</i>				3		2	1	
105	Wood Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>						1	2	
106	Great Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>	h	2			2	h		
107	Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>								
108	Eurasian Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>	1	2	4		4	h	2	
109	Marsh Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus palustris</i>				1		h	1	
110	Eastern Olivaceous Warbler	<i>Iduna pallida</i>	4	10	10	h	6	10	10	2
111	Olive-tree Warbler	<i>Hippolais olivetorum</i>			h			1, 2h	1+h	
112	River Warbler	<i>Locustella fluviatilis</i>	h	h	h					
113	Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>	2	1	h		1	2	2	1
114	Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>		1				3	2	
115	Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>							2	
116	Eastern Orphean Warbler	<i>Sylvia crassirostris</i>	1	1	2	3	5	4	2	
117	Common Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>							1	
118	Subalpine Warbler	<i>Sylvia cantillans</i>		3	4	10	2	4	1	
119	Sardinian Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>	7							
120	Rüppell's Warbler	<i>Sylvia ruppeli</i>		1						
121	Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>				3		2h		
122	Eurasian Nuthatch	<i>Sitta europaea</i>					1			
123	Krüper's Nuthatch	<i>Sitta krueperi</i>			4					
124	Western Rock Nuthatch	<i>Sitta neumayer</i>			2	3	1	1	3	
125	Short-toed Treecreeper	<i>Certhia brachydactyla</i>			3					
126	Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	2	8	8	20	10	20	8	2
127	Common Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>	h	8	10	2	12	20	6	h
128	Rufous-tailed Scrub Robin	<i>Erythropygia galactotes</i>					1	4		
129	Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>							1	
130	European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>			2	8		10	20	
131	Isabelline Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe isabellina</i>				2		2	2	
132	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>				2		4	10	
133	Black-eared Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe hispanica</i>		7	4	30	6	10	30	
134	Common Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola saxatilis</i>		2	1	2		3		
135	Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>		1	2					
136	European Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>						3		
137	Collared Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula albicollis</i>						1	2	
138	Semi-collared Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula semitoquata</i>						1		
139	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
140	Spanish Sparrow	<i>Passer hispaniolensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	1	1	100	100	2
141	Rock Sparrow	<i>Petronia petronia</i>				2+		3	1	
142	Blue-headed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava flava</i>						10	1	
	Grey-headed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava thunbergi</i>						5		
143	Black-headed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava feldegg</i>	2	4	4		7	15	2	2
	Romanian race (intergrade)	<i>Motacilla flava dombrowskii</i>			1			1		
144	Citrine Wagtail	<i>Motacilla citreola</i>			2			1		
145	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>					1	6		
146	Tawny Pipit	<i>Anthus campestris</i>						1		
147	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>							5	

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			2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
148	Red-throated Pipit	<i>Anthus cervinus</i>						2		
149	Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	2	6	20	20	20	10		
150	European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>		2	h		2		h	
151	European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>	1	2	2	2	2			
152	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>		4	10	6	9	20	8	
153	Common Linnet	<i>Carduelis cannabina</i>		4		2			14	
154	Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
155	Cinereous Bunting	<i>Emberiza cineracea</i>			1	4		1	4	
156	Cretzschmar's Bunting	<i>Emberiza caesia</i>		1	3	10	2	4	30	
157	Cirl Bunting	<i>Emberiza cirlus</i>		8	8	20	12	20	6	
158	Black-headed Bunting	<i>Emberiza melanocephala</i>	1	1	4	3	6	40	40	

Mammals

Bottle-nosed Dolphin

Beech Martin

Eastern Hedgehog

Persian Squirrel

Red Fox

Reptiles and Amphibians

Green Toad

Levant Marsh Frog

Turkish Gecko

Starred Agama

Snake-eyed Lizard

Balkan Green Lizard

Glass Lizard

Ottoman Viper

Dice Snake

Spur-thighed Tortoise

Stripe-necked Terrapin

European Pond Terrapin

Butterflies and Moths

Swallowtail

Scarce Swallowtail

Eastern Festoon

Eastern Bath White

Clouded Yellow

Plain Tiger

Powdered Brimstone

Red Admiral

Painted Lady

Lesser Spotted Fritillary

Aegean Meadow Brown

Large Wall Brown

Wall Brown

Small Heath

Small Copper

Holly Blue

Common Blue

Brown Argus

Long-tailed blue

Orbed Red Underwing Skipper

Cream-spot Tiger (moth)

Dragonflies

Odalisque Damselfly

White-legged Damselfly

Blue-tailed Damselfly

Blue Emperor

Lesser Emperor

Broad-bodied Chaser

Red-veined Darter

Black-tailed Skimmer

Small Skimmer

Others

Little Green Cricket

Egyptian Grasshopper

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