

# India - Tiger Direct!

## Including Tadoba & Satpura Extensions

Naturetrek Tour Report

7 - 23 March 2018

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Tigress at Kanha



Leopard at Kanha



Wild Dog at Tadoba



Tiger at Kanha

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## Introduction

This report covers the India – Tiger Direct! tour which ran from 11th to 19th March 2018, and includes the Tadoba pre-tour extension which started on 7th March and the Satpura post-tour extension which finished on 23rd March. Not all the clients participated on the two tour extensions

### Tadoba Extension Day 1

**Wednesday 7th March**

In flight to India

### Tadoba Extension Day 2

**Thursday 8th March**

On a clear, warm and sunny day, the flight landed at Nagpur airport where we met Yusuf and then transferred to the Radisson Blu Hotel in Nagpur. We met Bhanu at dinner, and afterwards we were briefed about the next day's programme.

### Tadoba Extension Day 3

**Friday 9th March**

We met in the hotel lobby before starting our two-and-a-half-hour journey to Tadoba. On the way we saw quite a few birds. We reached our destination, Sarvsara Jungle Lodge at 1pm.

After lunch we went on our first safari. Everyone was very keen and we saw quite a few birds and mammals. After waiting for a while, we saw Tigress P2 and her two young cubs. One group member saw a dominant male Tiger, and people with Yusuf saw a sub-adult Tiger.

In the evening we met for checklist, followed by dinner

### Tadoba Extension Day 4

**Saturday 10th March**

After refreshing tea and coffee, we went for our morning safari. We saw quite a few birds and later, near the breakfast point, we saw a pack of four Wild Dogs. After breakfast we got lucky as Tigress P1 was sighted with a male, before they went in different directions. After a while we reached Jamuni where we saw two sub-adults of Tigress P1 and their father. One of the sub-adults was on a kill, and then P1 also came to complete the family.

On the afternoon safari we got lucky with sightings of Tigress P2 (Maya) and her cub at the Panderpauni. We also saw a sub-adult male and two Sloth Bears.

Back at the lodge we did the checklist and later had dinner.

### Tadoba Extension Day 5; Main Tour Day 1

**Sunday 11th March**

It was a pleasant morning and after a refreshing cup of tea and coffee, we set out for our game drive. We went to Zone 2 and as we were driving we saw some Tiger tracks. After a while we saw a male Tiger walking in the fire

line. Group members in two different vehicles saw the Tiger walk into the thickets. We saw some interesting birds as well.

On the afternoon drive we saw a few birds. We drove straight to Telia and on reaching the area, found a sub-adult Tiger in the water tank. We watched it come out and go into the thickets. We waited in the area but as closing time approached, we drove back towards the exit gate. Back at the lodge we did the checklist followed by dinner.

Meanwhile, those on the main tour started their adventure with a flight from the UK to India.

## Tadoba Extension Day 6; Main Tour Day 2

Monday 12th March

Today was our last drive in Tadoba. We saw the fresh tracks of a Tigress and followed them for quite a while. Soon we heard the distress calls of Sambar and Spotted Deer. We checked the perimeter and waited but nothing appeared, so we moved on to look elsewhere. One vehicle went towards Panderpauni waterhole and saw a dominant Tiger. It was a close encounter and they followed it for quite a bit.

After lunch we drove towards our next destination, Pench. We reached Tuli Tiger corridor around 5.15pm and checked in.

Meanwhile the flight for the other three group members landed a little late at Nagpur. They then had a two-hour drive to Pench. In the evening we all met and had dinner together, before being briefed about the next day's programme.

## Day 3

Tuesday 13th March

Today was a bit cold. After hot drinks, we had an early start for the park. After completing the formalities, we entered the park. As we drove we saw the tracks of a Tigress. After following the tracks for a while, we reached a junction and we heard a few distress calls. The calls stopped after a few minutes.

In the afternoon we decided to check a few waterholes. After crossing one of the waterholes we saw a jeep reversing, and they informed us that they had seen a Leopard going into the thickets. As we waited we heard distress calls from the other side, so we followed the calls. Only Alan, Yusuf and the driver managed to see the Leopard in the distance before it vanished. Later we checked Bija matta waterhole. As we reached the spot we saw a Tigress sitting in the waterhole. She was quite relaxed and stayed in the water for almost 30 minutes.

In the evening we met for the checklist, followed by dinner, before calling it a night.

## Day 4

Wednesday 14th March

After refreshments we started our drive. We drove straight to Kalapahad junction. We waited for a few minutes and saw quite a few birds, including a Lesser Goldenback woodpecker which was very obliging and we got some good photographs. Suddenly we heard the distress calls of Spotted Deer and Langurs. We drove towards the

calls and got close. We heard the growl of a Tiger but it stayed elusive. We did see Malabar Pied Hornbills and quite a few birds.

After breakfast we got news of a Leopard being sighted. We drove quickly to the spot and saw a male Leopard sitting on a rock. Soon quite a few vehicles arrived. David and Olga said that as they had seen the Leopard they wanted to give others a fair chance, so we moved on. A little later, group members in another vehicle saw a Leopardess with two cubs.

After lunch we set out for our next destination, Kanha National Park. We reached Kanha Jungle Lodge around 5.45pm. We were welcomed by the hospitable staff of the lodge, and in the evening we did the checklist, followed by dinner.

## Day 5

## Thursday 15th March

After our early morning wake-up call, we met for hot beverages before proceeding on our first safari in the park. It was bit cold as we left the lodge, and a little misty in the grassland. It was amazing to see the endemic Swamp Deer in the mist. While driving we came across a bull Gaur de-barking a tree. We saw quite a few birds as well such as Eurasian Teal, a flock of Bar-headed Geese in flight, Crested Honey Buzzard and White-rumped Vulture, to name a few.

After the safari we returned to the lodge and later went for a short walk to the river. It was an interesting walk and on our return we enjoyed a delicious lunch.

In the afternoon we drove to one of the waterholes where there was more chance of spotting Tigers. We heard a few distress calls but then the calls stopped. Meanwhile people in one of our vehicles saw a Leopard near the track. When heading towards the gate, we heard the distress calls of Spotted Deer near baiga nala. As we stopped, a few calls came 20 metres ahead. Suddenly we saw a herd of Spotted Deer running towards the track and one of the fawns was taken down by a Leopard. As we reversed, the Leopard left the kill and went into the nala. We heard a few more distress calls ten metres ahead and a Tiger came out of the grassland. The Tiger went towards the kill made by the Leopard, picked it up and crossed the road. It was a fabulous sighting, and really amazing to see the conflict between two apex predators.

Later we assembled in the dining hall for the checklist and dinner. After a briefing about the next day's schedule, we called it a night.

## Day 6

## Friday 16th March

Once again we had an early wake-up call before meeting for refreshments and then leaving for a safari. Today we were going to the Kisli zone. It was a long drive and on way we heard a few distress calls. We had stopped to watch some birds when suddenly we heard the fanatic distress calls of Spotted Deer not far away. As we reached the spot we saw a few Spotted Deer giving distress calls. Then Andrew spotted the Leopard. It was 30-40 metres away from the track and very well camouflaged. The Leopard gave us enough time for photographs before it vanished into the thicket. As soon as he disappeared, we saw another Leopard crossing the meadow at a

distance, so presumably there were two Leopards. It was a great sighting! We also saw some birds like Common Snipe, Green Sandpiper and White-rumped Shama, to name a few.

As we entered the park we saw a Jungle Cat walking in the meadow. It was a great sighting and we all enjoyed it. We drove further looking for the big cat. After searching some potential Tiger territories we reached baba thega. As we reached the area we heard distress calls near the waterhole. We waited there for more than an hour, but had no luck with the sighting.

In the evening we did the checklist and after dinner a briefing about the next day's programme.

## Day 7

## Saturday 17th March

This morning we were booked to visit the Kanha zone. It was a bit cold to begin with, but then pleasant for the rest of the drive. Some of our jeeps had a good sighting of Brown Hawk Owl and Blackbucks. We got lucky with the sighting of a Tigress. Some in one of the jeeps saw the same female with sub-adults. After breakfast we left for the gate and, on our return to the lodge, we also saw a pack of Wild Dogs.

Later there was a cooking demonstration at Jungle Lodge which everyone enjoyed. We then had lunch before going for our afternoon safari. Those with Yusuf got lucky with a sighting of the dominant Tigress. We received information that she had crossed the fire line and was going uphill. We quickly drove towards the hilltop and parked where we expected her to come out. After waiting for a few minutes, we heard the distress call of Peacock and Spotted Deer. The Tigress came out and turned towards us. We had to reverse our vehicle as she kept coming head on! Liz was quite happy to see her 17th individual Tiger of the tour. Meanwhile, those in our other vehicles saw her sub-adults.

We later met for the checklist before we had dinner under the stars!

## Main Tour Day 8; Satpura Extension Day 1

## Sunday 18th March

This morning we met for a cup of coffee and some of us went for a short walk. On returning to the lodge, we packed our bags before meeting for breakfast at 8am. After breakfast the group split, with those finishing the main tour heading back to Nagpur for their flight home, whilst Yusuf and Bhanu accompanied the remaining eleven to Satpura for their post-tour extension.

We said goodbye to Kanha Jungle Lodge and the Satpura group set off on their eight-and-a-half-hour drive through forests, small scenic villages, towns, cities and again some forest before reaching Forsyth Lodge. On arrival, we were welcomed by the ever-smiling staff at the lodge. We were then briefed about the lodge, activities and other important timings by the lodge manager, before going to our rooms for some rest. We met later for the checklist, and then had a wonderful dinner. After dinner we were briefed about plans for the next day and then called it a night!

## Main Tour Day 9; Satpura Extension Day 2

## Monday 19th March

For those on the main tour, the flight landed back in the UK, where the main tour ended.

Meanwhile, on the post-tour extension, we went for a morning safari in the park. We crossed the dry river by a footbridge and saw quite a few birds and mammals, including the Indian Giant Squirrel.

Later in the afternoon we went on a night safari. We went towards the Sehra and parked our vehicle around the waterhole. Soon vehicles from different lodges reached the spot. After waiting for over an hour we decided to check elsewhere. We reached the other water body and saw an Indian Scops Owl. We heard a rustle in the undergrowth and there was a Sloth Bear mother with two cubs, which may have been three to four months old. They came to drink water. She quickly disappeared. Some also saw Asian Palm Civet. On our return we went straight for dinner.

### Satpura Extension Day 3

Tuesday 20th March

After an early morning wake-up call, we met at the jeep to drive to Parsapaani. It was a long drive and on the way we saw quite a few birds. We saw Blackbuck at the camp. Those with Bhanu saw a Sloth Bear. Our breakfast stop was really picturesque.

In the afternoon we went for a game drive in the park. We got lucky with a Sloth Bear sighting. We followed the bear for a while and later got a glimpse of the same individual on the other side of the hilly patch.

Back at the lodge we met for the checklist, followed by dinner and a briefing for the next day, before retiring to our rooms.

### Satpura Extension Day 4

Wednesday 21st March

Again we had an early wake-up call and then proceeded for our morning safari. As we were driving we saw a safari vehicle quickly reversing. We drove towards the spot and saw an injured Porcupine lying in the leaf litter. The quills of the Porcupine were on the ground and there were traces of blood on the road. It showed the struggle between predator and prey. Also on the right flank of the Porcupine, scratch marks were very prominent. The canine mark on the head of the Porcupine pointed to it being attacked by a big cat. We waited and later, in the distance, saw a pack of four Wild Dogs. We also saw two Indian Giant Squirrels and quite a few birds. Then we returned to the lodge lunch.

In the evening we again went for a night drive and got lucky with the Sloth Bear mother with two cubs, near the same area where we had seen them. This time it was a better view as it was before sunset. The cubs were quite playful and occasionally climbed on a tree. Most of us saw them at the waterhole, except for those in a vehicle driven by Vineet who had gone to a different area.

### Satpura Extension Day 5

Thursday 22nd March

This morning we again had an early wake-up call. It was time for our last safari for this tour. We met near the jeeps and proceeded towards the park. We crossed the backwaters by foot and got onto the jeep waiting for us on the other side. We were searching for Sloth Bear, Leopard and Tiger this morning. We got news from a mahaout that a Tigress had been seen in a particular area. We just saw some tracks, but no luck with the sighting.

We returned to our lodge and had a quick shower and brunch, as we had to leave for Bhopal. En route we visited Bhimbetka Rock Shelters and had a walk around the wonderful rock paintings. Then we continued with our journey to Bhopal.

At Bhopal we had a relaxed time at Jehan Numa Palace before dinner. After dinner we left for the airport for our flight to Mumbai and onwards to the UK. Meanwhile David and Olga stayed back as they were going on a private extension. We said our thanks and goodbyes to the leaders before starting our journey home.

## Satpura Extension Day 6

Friday 23rd March

Our overnight flights landed back in the UK, where another Naturetrek adventure came to an end.

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## Conflict between two apex predators

One of the wildlife best experience is to see a big cat hunt and conflict situation between two apex predators. On this Tiger Direct tour we had been lucky to witness one such incident. It was nearly closing time and we were heading towards the gate, when we heard the distress calls of few Spotted Deer near Baiga nala. As we stopped, a few calls came 20 meters ahead of us on moving further we saw a few Spotted Deer looking towards the lantana, suddenly we saw a herd of Spotted Deer running towards the tracks behind us where we were stopped initially. Suddenly one of the fawns fell down, it was taken down by a Leopard and as we reversed the Leopard left the kill and went into the dried water channel. Instantly we heard a few more distress calls 10 meters ahead and as we drove a few meters we saw a Tiger coming out of the thickets, it was on the lookout for a hunt. The Tiger went towards the kill made by the Leopard and picked it up and cross the road. It was a once in a lifetime sighting, it was really amazing to see the conflict between two apex predators.



Tiger with the kill



Spotted Deer fawn killed by Leopard

## Species Lists

Mammals (✓=recorded but not counted)

	Common name	Scientific name	March													
			9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
1	Royal Bengal Tiger	<i>Panthera tigris tigris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓					
2	Leopard	<i>Panthera pardus</i>						✓	✓	✓						
3	Jungle Cat	<i>Felis chaus kelaarita</i> or <i>kutas</i>								✓						
4	Rhesus Macaque	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>				✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5	Common Langur	<i>Presbytis entellus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
6	Common Mongoose	<i>Herpestes edwardsi</i>		✓		✓	✓									
7	Ruddy Mongoose	<i>Herpestes smithii</i>	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓
8	Golden Jackal	<i>Canis aureus</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
9	Dhole (Asiatic Wild Dog)	<i>Cuon alpinus dukhunensis</i>		✓				✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	
10	Sloth Bear	<i>Merursus ursinus</i>		✓		✓		✓					✓	✓	✓	
11	Indian Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus giganteus</i>				✓	✓									
12	Indian Tree Shrew	<i>Anathana ellioti</i>			✓						✓		✓	✓		
13	Black-naped Hare (Indian Hare)	<i>Lepus nigricollis</i>		✓									✓	✓		
14	Indian Porcupine	<i>Hystrix indica</i>													✓	
15	Three-striped Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus pennarum</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
16	Five-striped Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus pennanti</i>												✓	✓	
17	Indian Giant Squirrel	<i>Ratufa indica</i>											✓	✓	✓	✓
18	Sambar	<i>Cervus unicolor</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
19	Barasingha (Swamp Deer)	<i>Cervus duvauceli branderi</i>							✓	✓	✓					
20	Chital (Spotted Deer)	<i>Cervus axis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
21	Indian Muntjac (Barking Deer)	<i>Muntiacus muntjak</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	
22	Blackbuck	<i>Antilope cervicapra</i>									✓			✓		
23	Chousingha (Four-horned Antelope)	<i>Tetracerus quadricornis</i>	✓			✓								✓		
24	Nilgai (Blue Bull)	<i>Boselaphus tragocamelus</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	✓
25	Indian Wild Boar	<i>Sus scrofa</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
26	Gaur	<i>Bos gauras</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
27	Asian Palm Civit	<i>Paradoxurus hermaphroditus</i>					✓						✓		✓	



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## Birds

1	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>				✓	✓		✓		✓					
2	Indian Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax fuscicollis</i>							✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓
3	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
4	Little Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax niger</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5	Oriental Darter	<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>	✓	✓	✓								✓	✓	✓	✓
6	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>		✓						✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
7	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>								✓						
8	Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
9	Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
10	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	Indian Pond Heron	<i>Ardeola grayii</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
12	Eastern Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus coromandus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
13	Painted Stork	<i>Mycteria leucocephala</i>											✓	✓	✓	✓
14	Asian Openbill	<i>Anastomus oscitans</i>	✓	✓				✓				✓		✓		
15	Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>								✓	✓					
16	Woolly-necked Stork	<i>Ciconia episcopus</i>								✓			✓	✓	✓	
17	Lesser Adjutant	<i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>									✓			✓		
18	Black-headed Ibis	<i>Threskiornis melanocephalus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓			✓		✓	✓
19	Red-naped Ibis	<i>Pseudibis papillosa</i>	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
20	Eurasian Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>											✓	✓	✓	✓
21	Lesser Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna javanica</i>	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
22	Bar-headed Goose	<i>Anser indicus</i>							✓				✓		✓	✓
23	Ruddy Shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>					✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	✓
24	Knob-billed Duck (Comb Duck)	<i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>											✓	✓		
25	Eurasian Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>							✓	✓						
26	Spot-billed Duck	<i>Anas poecilorhyncha</i>					✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	
27	Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>					✓									
28	Crested (Oriental) Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
29	Black-shouldered Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
30	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>				✓		✓				✓				

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31	Grey-headed Fish Eagle	<i>Ichthyophaga ichthyaetus</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓				✓	✓		
32	Egyptian Vulture	<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>											✓			
33	White-rumped Vulture	<i>Gyps bengalensis</i>						✓	✓		✓				✓	
34	Indian Vulture	<i>Gyps indicus</i>					✓	✓			✓		✓		✓	
35	Griffon Vulture	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>							✓							
36	Red-headed Vulture	<i>Sarcogyps calvus</i>							✓							
37	Short-toed Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>					✓									
38	Crested Serpent Eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
39	Crested Goshawk	<i>Accipiter trivirgatus</i>													✓	
40	Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
41	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>											✓	✓		
42	White-eyed Buzzard	<i>Butastur teesa</i>		✓			✓	✓								
43	Changeable (Crested) Hawk-Eagle	<i>Nisaetus cirrhatus</i>		✓			✓	✓		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
44	Besra	<i>Accipiter virgatus</i>													✓	
45	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>						✓			✓				✓	
46	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>											✓			
47	Grey Francolin	<i>Francolinus pondicerianus</i>		✓									✓			
48	Red Spurfowl	<i>Galloperdix spadicea</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓
49	Painted Spurfowl	<i>Galloperdix lunulata</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓				✓		✓	
50	Red Junglefowl	<i>Gallus gallus</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
51	Grey Junglefowl	<i>Gallus sonnerati</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓							✓	✓	✓	✓
52	Indian Peafowl	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
53	White-breasted Waterhen	<i>Amauornis phoenicurus</i>			✓								✓	✓	✓	
54	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>				✓			✓	✓						
55	Pheasant-tailed Jacana	<i>Hydrophasianus chirurgus</i>	✓					✓								
56	Bronze-winged Jacana	<i>Metopidius indicus</i>		✓											✓	
57	Greater Painted-Snipe	<i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>							✓	✓						
58	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	✓	✓			✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	
59	Eurasian Stone-curlew (Thick-knee)	<i>Burhinus oedicnemus</i>							✓	✓						
60	Small Pratincole	<i>Glareola lactea</i>											✓		✓	
61	River Lapwing	<i>Vanellus duvaucelii</i>											✓	✓	✓	✓
62	Yellow-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus malabaricus</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓						

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63	Red-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus indicus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
64	Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>					✓				✓			✓	✓	✓
65	Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>											✓		✓	✓
66	Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>								✓	✓	✓				
67	Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>		✓												
68	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>		✓												
69	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>		✓			✓	✓			✓		✓		✓	
70	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>		✓			✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
71	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>					✓						✓	✓		
72	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	
73	Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>											✓	✓	✓	
74	River Tern	<i>Sterna aurantia</i>					✓						✓	✓	✓	✓
75	Little Tern	<i>Sterna albifrons</i>											✓		✓	✓
76	Painted Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles indicus</i>			✓											
77	Rock Dove (Common Pigeon)	<i>Columba livia</i>	✓												✓	✓
78	Oriental Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>			✓					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
79	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>		✓	✓				✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
80	Spotted Dove	<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
81	Laughing Dove	<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓	✓			✓	✓
82	Yellow-footed Green Pigeon	<i>Treron phoenicoptera</i>	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
83	Alexandrine Parakeet	<i>Psittacula eupatria</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
84	Rose-ringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
85	Plum-headed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓
86	Common Hawk-Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus varius</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
87	Sirkeer Malkoha	<i>Phaenicophaeus leschenaultii</i>			✓				✓							✓
88	Southern Coucal	<i>Centropus {sinensis } parroti</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓	
89	Indian Scops Owl	<i>Otus bakkamoena</i>							✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
90	Brown Fish Owl	<i>Ketupa zeylonensis</i>		✓											✓	✓
91	Mottled Wood Owl	<i>Strix ocellata</i>					✓						✓	✓	✓	✓
92	Jungle Owlet	<i>Glaucidium radiatum</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	
93	Spotted Owlet	<i>Athene brama</i>	✓			✓							✓		✓	
94	Brown Hawk-Owl	<i>Ninox scutulata</i>								✓	✓	✓				

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95	Grey Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus indicus</i>					✓									
96	Indian Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus asiaticus</i>											✓	✓	✓	
97	Savannah Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus affinis</i>	✓	✓									✓	✓		
98	White-rumped Spinetail	<i>Zoonavena sylvatica</i>												✓		
99	Asian Palm Swift	<i>Cypsiurus balasiensis</i>			✓											
100	Little Swift	<i>Apus affinis</i>	✓	✓								✓			✓	
101	Crested Treeswift	<i>Hemiprocne coronata</i>				✓	✓	✓					✓		✓	
102	Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>					✓		✓				✓	✓	✓	✓
103	White-throated Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
104	Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>	✓				✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	
105	Green Bee-eater	<i>Merops orientalis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
106	Indian Roller	<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
107	Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
108	Indian Grey Hornbill	<i>Ocyrceros birostris</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
109	Malabar Pied Hornbill	<i>Anthracoceros coronatus</i>						✓								
110	Brown-headed Barbet	<i>Megalaima zeylanica</i>						✓	✓							
111	Coppersmith Barbet	<i>Megalaima haemacephala</i>						✓		✓						
112	Yellow-crowned Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos mahrattensis</i>						✓					✓	✓		
113	Rufous Woodpecker	<i>Celeus brachyurus</i>							✓	✓						
114	Streak-throated Woodpecker	<i>Picus xanthopygaeus</i>										✓				
115	Lesser Goldenback	<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
116	White-naped Woodpecker	<i>Chrysocolaptes festivus</i>								✓						
117	Ashy-crowned Sparrow-Lark	<i>Eremopterix grisea</i>					✓						✓			
118	Rufous-tailed Lark	<i>Ammomanes phoenicurus</i>											✓			
119	Dusky Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne concolor</i>	✓										✓	✓	✓	
120	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
121	Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>				✓						✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
122	Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Cecropis daurica</i>		✓				✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
123	Forest Wagtail	<i>Dendronanthus indicus</i>			✓											
124	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>					✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	
125	White-browed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla madaraspatensis</i>						✓					✓	✓	✓	✓
126	Citrine Wagtail	<i>Motacilla citreola</i>					✓	✓								

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127	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
128	Paddyfield Pipit	<i>Anthus rufulus</i>						✓					✓	✓		
129	Richard's Pipit	<i>Anthus richardi</i>											✓			
130	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>					✓		✓							
131	Large Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina macei</i>						✓	✓							
132	Small Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus cinnamomeus</i>						✓					✓	✓	✓	
133	Orange (Scarlet) Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus flammeus</i>							✓	✓						
134	Red-vented Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
135	Golden-fronted Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>												✓		
136	Common Iora	<i>Aegithina tiphia</i>	✓		✓								✓	✓		
137	Blue-capped Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola cinclorhynchus</i>								✓						
138	Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>														✓
139	Orange-headed Thrush	<i>Zoothera citrina</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
140	Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>		✓						✓			✓	✓	✓	
141	Grey-breasted Prinia	<i>Prinia hodgsonii</i>											✓	✓	✓	
142	Jungle Prinia	<i>Prinia sylvatica</i>							✓					✓	✓	
143	Ashy Prinia	<i>Prinia socialis</i>												✓	✓	
144	Plain Prinia	<i>Prinia inornata</i>	✓						✓		✓				✓	
145	Greenish Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>							✓	✓				✓		
146	Asian Brown Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa dauurica</i>												✓		
147	Red-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>												✓		
148	Taiga Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula albicilla</i>							✓					✓	✓	
149	Tickell's Blue Flycatcher	<i>Cyornis tickelliae</i>		✓	✓						✓			✓		
150	Oriental Magpie-Robin	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
151	White-rumped Shama	<i>Copsychus malabaricus</i>							✓	✓						
152	Indian Robin	<i>Saxicoloides fulicata</i>		✓	✓				✓				✓	✓	✓	
153	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>			✓		✓		✓				✓		✓	
154	Pied Bush Chat	<i>Saxicola caprata</i>		✓												
155	Siberian Stonechat	<i>Saxicola maurus</i>					✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
156	Indian Chat	<i>Cercomela fusca</i>							✓							
157	White-spotted Fantail	<i>Rhipidura albogularis</i>											✓	✓		
158	White-browed Fantail	<i>Rhipidura aureola</i>		✓	✓						✓		✓	✓	✓	

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159	Black-naped Monarch	<i>Hypothymis azurea</i>	✓		✓	✓					✓			✓	✓		
160	Indian (Asian) Paradise Flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone paradisi</i>		✓	✓	✓											
161	Puff-throated Babbler	<i>Pellorneum ruficeps</i>											✓				
162	Indian Scimitar Babbler	<i>Pomatorhinus horsfieldii</i>								✓							
163	Tawny-bellied Babbler	<i>Dumetia hyperythra</i>											✓	✓			
164	Yellow-eyed Babbler	<i>Chrysomma sinense</i>										✓					
165	Common Babbler	<i>Turdoides caudatus</i>		✓												✓	
166	Large Grey Babbler	<i>Turdoides malcolmi</i>	✓														
167	Jungle Babbler	<i>Turdoides striatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
168	Brown-cheeked Fulvetta	<i>Alcippe poioicephala</i>								✓		✓					
169	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>			✓		✓	✓				✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
170	Purple Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris asiaticus</i>		✓	✓		✓			✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	
171	Purple-rumped Sunbird	<i>Leptocoma zeylonica</i>	✓	✓													
172	Thick-billed Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum agile</i>								✓					✓		
173	Pale-billed Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum erythrorhynchos</i>											✓				
174	Oriental White-eye	<i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>											✓				
175	Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>								✓	✓	✓					
176	Black-hooded Oriole	<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		
177	Bay-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius vittatus</i>			✓								✓	✓			
178	Long-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanius schach</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓
179	Common Woodshrike	<i>Tephrodornis pondicerianus</i>													✓		
180	Black Drongo	<i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
181	Ashy Drongo	<i>Dicrurus leucophaeus</i>		✓	✓										✓		
182	White-bellied Drongo	<i>Dicrurus caeruleus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓		✓	✓	✓	
183	Spangled Drongo	<i>Dicrurus hottentottus</i>								✓		✓					
184	Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
185	Rufous Treepie	<i>Dendrocitta vagabunda</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
186	House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓				✓					
187	Indian Jungle Crow	<i>Corvus culminatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
188	Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
189	Asian Pied Starling	<i>Gracupica contra</i>	✓					✓					✓			✓	
190	Chestnut-tailed Starling	<i>Sturnia malabarica</i>					✓									✓	

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191	Brahminy Starling	<i>Temenuchus pagodarum</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	
192	Rosy Starling	<i>Pastor roseus</i>		✓									✓			
193	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
194	Chestnut-shouldered Petronia	<i>Petronia xanthocollis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
195	Baya Weaver	<i>Ploceus philippinus</i>													✓	
196	White-rumped Munia	<i>Lonchura striata</i>		✓	✓											
197	Crested Bunting	<i>Melophus lathamii</i>													✓	
198	Red-headed Bunting	<i>Emberiza bruniceps</i>													✓	

Others

1	Indian Flapshell Turtle	<i>Lissemys punctata</i>									✓	✓				✓	
2	Indian Rock Python	<i>Python molurus</i>									✓						
3	Marsh Mugger Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus palustris</i>	✓		✓								✓				
4	Common Garden Lizard	<i>Calotes versicolor</i>	✓													✓	
5	House Gecko species	<i>Hemidactylus or Gehyra sp</i>			✓	✓							✓	✓	✓		
6	Common Rose	<i>Pachliopta aristolochiae</i>	✓														
7	Common Jazzabel	<i>Delias eucharis</i>	✓														
8	Common Pipistrelle	<i>Pipistrellus pipistrellus</i>			✓	✓								✓	✓		
9	Asian Bullfrog (Indian Bullfrog)	<i>Hoplobatrachus tigerinus</i>					✓						✓	✓	✓	✓	
10	Common Bronzeback Tree Snake	<i>Dendrelaphis tristis</i>											✓	✓	✓	✓	



Tigress at Pench



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