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Philippines – relaxed birding tour

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Palawan Peacock Pheasant, St Pauls N.P., Palawan

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The islands of the Philippines are not a destination often associated with relaxed birding but this tour proved emphatically that it is a very successful combination. This tour which visited Candaba Marshes, Subic Bay and Mount Makiling on Luzon along with St Pauls and Iwahig on Palawan gave the ideal balance of fine accommodation, excellent food, superb scenery and of course a fine selection of habitats and birds including some of the Philippines most spectacular endemics.

After a good night's sleep in Manila to overcome the jetlag we left early the next morning to beat the traffic and enjoy the marshes at Candaba in the relative cool of the early morning. The marshes here were typically active and with this being the first time for many of the group in south-east Asia, new birds came thick and fast. As we enjoyed our coffee and breakfast snacks the main marsh was positively thronging with Black-

crowned Night Herons, Grey and Purple Herons all tending to their youngsters. Intermediate, Little and Eastern Cattle Egret were all abundant in the marsh and close scrutiny revealed single Striated Heron and at least one Chinese Pond Heron in breeding attire. More elusive inhabitants were numerous Yellow Bitterns, at least two Cinnamon Bitterns, Philippine Swamphens and White-browed Crake. Although most wintering wildfowl had already departed the endemic Philippine Ducks were still present and even more impressive was the Taiga Bean Goose – a new bird for the Philippines!



Siberian Rubythroat at Candaba Marsh and Blue-throated Bee-eater at Subic Bay, Luzon



Taiga Bean Goose (first record for the Philippines) and Striated Grassbird, Candaba Marsh
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Whiskered Terns hawked nearby while the shallower parts attracted Black-winged Stilt and smart Pheasant-tailed Jacana. The excitement wasn't just confined to the marsh as both Barred Rail and the endemic (and very difficult) Plain Bush-hen paraded on the nearby track and the nearby scrub held many Striated Grassbirds, Pied Bushchat, Pied Fantails, Philippine and Red Collared Doves, Peaceful Dove, a pair of Golden-bellied Gerygone perching right overhead, and a stunning and very obliging Siberian Rubythroat! After a hearty English breakfast nearby we headed west to Subic Bay, where our quiet and very comfortable hotel (complete with four-poster beds!) was to be our home for the next 2 nights. Subic Bay was formerly

home to an American naval base which has created an excellent birding area where the birds have been protected from hunting and are abundant and showy, and the forest is easily accessed on the many roads of the former naval magazine which criss-cross the area. Our full day and two half days here gave us plenty of time to explore all the areas with some relaxed and enjoyable birding. The forest here is rather open with a high proportion of dead trees and this makes it something of mecca for woodpeckers. We saw them regularly during our stay ranging from the diminutive Philippine Pygmy Woodpecker to the massive White-bellied Woodpecker and also included Luzon Flameback and Northern Sooty Woodpecker. The open nature of the forest here also makes it easy to get good views of many other birds and we found Green Imperial Pigeon, Philippine Green Pigeon and White-eared Brown Dove to be common, the scarce Yellow-breasted Fruit Dove also put in a brief appearance, Luzon Hornbills showed nicely a few times, and a delightful Whiskered Treeswift perched at close range, keeping a close eye on its well-grown youngster nearby. Coletto, Coppersmith Barbet and Philippine Falconet were frequently found perched on dead snags as was the Stripe-headed Rhabdornis on one occasion – the Rhabdornis being a bird family endemic to the Philippines.



Amethyst Brown Dove and Subic Bay and Long-tailed Shrike in the car park of motorway Service Station!
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Bar-bellied Cuckooshrikes are particularly numerous, while Blackish Cuckooshrikes were also frequently seen and as we were able to enjoy wonderful views of colourful Blue-throated Bee-eaters, particularly when we stopped to see one of their breeding colonies in a roadside earth bank. Parrots are quite common at Subic and Guaiabero were frequently heard and seen – often whizzing overhead but sometimes perched for good views. Colasisi was scarcer with just one sighting but Blue-naped Parrot was seen well several times and we were able to enjoy several excellent views of Green Racquet-tails, complete with racquets!

Some of the birds here are a little more elusive and we found Red Junglefowls only in the early morning when they ventured onto the roads to feed. Rufous Coucals love to hide in bamboo scrub but we nevertheless had good views of some noisy groups and by venturing into the forest and some nice wide trails we found some of Subic's rarer inhabitants including no less than 6 Amethyst Brown Doves on one walk, Philippine Fairy Bluebird, Red-crested Malkoha, a brief Scale-feathered Malkoha, and after quite a battle as they moved through the canopy, excellent looks at White-lored Oriole.

There was also plenty of action overhead with many Island and Grey-rumped Swiftlets, Brahminy Kite, Philippine Serpent Eagle and a single sighting of the localised Luzon Hawk Eagle.

After returning to Manila for a comfortable overnight stay in the heart of this sprawling metropolis we made the short transfer to the airport the next morning and flew south-west to the tropical island paradise of Palawan.

Two enjoyable visits to Garceliano Beach made for pleasant birding during the rest of the day. On the exposed mudflats we found a nice selection of waders including some special oriental specialities like Red-necked Stint and Grey-tailed Tattler alongside more familiar British species like Whimbrel and Ruddy Turnstone. A good selection of egrets feeding here included nice comparisons between the potentially confusing Pacific Reef Egrets and the endangered Chinese Egret. The excitement here wasn't confined to the shore though and other bonus species included nice views of Palawan Drongo, Rufous-tailed Tailorbird,

Brown-throated Sunbird, Common Iora, Black-headed Bulbul, Olive-winged Bulbul, an obliging Plaintive Cuckoo and a flyover Peregrine Falcon. The day finished with a Spotted Wood Owl calling from nearby gardens then flying over the road.



Oriental Whipsnake and Philippine Pygmy Woodpecker, Subic Bay, Luzon



Adult (left) and juvenile Whiskered Treeswifts, Subic Bay, Luzon © Rob Hutchinson

After breakfast the next morning we headed to one of the more unlikely birding destinations in the Philippines, the open-prison at Iwahig. Our morning walk along an easy path and following the course of the crystal-clear Balsahan River. There were plenty of birds around including the an obliging pair of the endemic Ashy-headed Babbler, endemic Yellow-throated Leafbird, a pair of Palawan Blue Flycatchers, and a Pechora Pipit sneaking along the trail ahead of us. Others like lumbering Chestnut-breasted Malkoha, a beautiful Hooded Pitta perched up right in front of the whole group, and two brightly coloured kingfishers, the tiny Rufous-backed Kingfisher darting through the understory and the striking Ruddy Kingfisher doing likewise in the canopy. Keeping an eye skywards wasn't wasted either as both Crested Serpent Eagle and Oriental Honey Buzzard were logged overhead.

The nearby rice field had another nice selection of waders with the familiar Greenshank, Little Ringed Plover and Wood Sandpipers joined by Long-toed Stints and several Swinhoe's Snipe. Highlight though were a loose group of 11 Oriental Pratincoles and as we went to leave a female Watercock parading in the open around a roadside pond!

After lunch back at our hotel we set out for an afternoon drive, traversing the island to our ultimate destination of Sabang where we stayed in a truly luxurious boutique resort set on the picturesque white beach right at the edge of St Paul's National Park. On the way we stopped for some relaxed roadside birding which was to be our favourite form of birding over the next few days since the open nature of the forest made birds abundant and easy to view. Birds seen during these sessions included such specialities as Palawan Tits, Palawan Hornbills, two separate sightings of a pair of critically endangered Philippine Cockatoo's, Philippine Cuckoo Dove, Palawan Crow, Velvet-fronted Nuthatch, Asian Fairy Bluebird, Fiery Minivet, Crested Goshawk overhead and both White-browed Crake and no less than seven cryptic Greater Painted Snipe in the roadside paddy fields.



Lovely Sunbird and Palawan Peacock Pheasant, Palawan



Malaysian Plover and Oriental Pratincole, Palawan

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A different walk through open hills near the coast was equally rewarding with Common Dollarbird, Asian Drongo Cuckoo, Spot-throated Flameback new additions as well as good numbers of the Palawan endemic Blue-headed Racquet-tail and a nicely perched immature Chinese Goshawk which provided a nice education in the confusing identification of many Asian *accipiters*.

On one morning we took traditional banca boats along the beautiful forested, limestone, coastline to the famous underground river. Birds on show here included several Tabon Scrubfowl and most importantly the decidedly showy male Palawan Peacock Pheasant, who has become a true star since becoming rather habituated to humans and delighted us all again. Also in the area were many lumbering Water Monitors and cheeky Long-tailed Macaques, while most took the boat ride along the spectacular underground river (the longest of its kind in the world) where a thrilling selection of bats and nesting swiftlets were seen.

Moving on to another part of the park we were able to enjoy more close views of Lovely Sunbird, Sulphur-bellied and Grey-cheeked Bulbuls, Yellow-throated Leafbirds and some showy White-vented Shammas. The same afternoon we wandered down the tropical beach to enjoy great views of the resident pair of Malaysian Plover which performed nicely.

Upon leaving Sabang we had more or less a travelling day as we returned to Puerto Princesa for a flight back to Manila and after lunch continued to our resort hotel on the shore of Laguna de Bay, the largest lake in the Philippines.

The next morning we began with a truly Filipino experience – a ride in a Jeepney! One of these unique vehicles took us easily along the bumpy track up Mount Makiling, great fun and saving us from an uphill walk! Making the most of the early morning we set about finding the special birds of the mountain and they don't come much more special than the Spotted Wood Kingfishers which soon appeared nearby, resplendent with golden-spangled upperparts, and black bandit mask framed by a green and blue crown, orange throat and face with turquoise cheeks. Shortly afterwards we found another target by way of a colourful Philippine Trogon and as we continued along the track a Flaming Sunbird appeared to feed on the favourite roadside flowers, a skulking White-browed Sharma in the understory, several Red-crested Malkoha and a Luzon Hornbill passed through, then at least two Scale-feathered Malkoha – one of the most impressive members of this special family – appeared nearby for fine views. Other species found during the morning included Arctic Warbler and Grey-backed Tailorbirds both feeding in the tangles, White-eared Brown Dove, an immature Yellow-breasted Fruit Dove, another Philippine Pygmy Woodpecker and nice views of Stripe-headed Rhabdornis.



Chinese Goshawk and Hooded Pitta, Palawan

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The birds even kept us entertained over lunch with White-browed Crake and White-breasted Waterhen feeding near our lake-side restaurant then the afternoon saw a change of scenery and some very relaxed birding. Beginning on the well-wooded university campus the endemic Lowland White-eye was new but an obliging White-throated Kingfisher stole the show and both House and Asian Palm Swifts performed overhead. Moving on to a nearby grassland area our good form continued with many Blue-tailed Bee-eaters performing acrobatics overhead and down on the deck, both Barred and Spotted Buttonquails came out to play in the late afternoon, allowing 'scope views for all.

Our final morning in the forest was unusually quiet with only a Philippine Serpent Eagle circling overhead another White-browed Shama, more Stripe-headed Rhabdornis and an Oriental Cuckoo of note before our final endemic of the trip in the form of an Elegant Tit at the forest edge. Then in the afternoon it was time to head back to Manila and complete our birding with a visit to the American War Cemetery, an educational and humbling experience, and sightings of Golden-bellied Gerygone and Barred Rail to boot.



Spotted Wood Kingfisher and White-throated Kingfisher, Luzon



Flaming Sunbird and White-browed Shama, Luzon

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Systematic Bird List

CICONIIFORMES: Ardeidae

Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	
Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	
Eastern Great Egret	<i>Ardea [alba] modesta</i>	
Pacific Reef Heron	<i>Egretta sacra</i>	
Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>	
Chinese Egret	<i>Egretta eulophotes</i>	
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	
Chinese Pond Heron	<i>Ardeola bacchus</i>	
Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>	
Eastern Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus [ibis] coromandus</i>	
Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	
Cinnamon Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus cinnamomeus</i>	
Yellow Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus sinensis</i>	

ANSERIFORMES: Anatidae

Taiga Bean Goose	<i>Anser fabalis middendorffii</i>	
Philippine Duck	<i>Anas luzonica</i>	e

FALCONIFORMES: Accipitridae

Oriental Honey Buzzard	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>	
ssp. palawanensis		
Brahminy Kite	<i>Haliastur indus</i>	
White-bellied Sea Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>	
Crested Goshawk	<i>Accipiter trivirgatus palawanus</i>	
Crested Serpent Eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela palawanensis</i>	
Philippine Serpent Eagle	<i>Spilornis holospilus</i>	e
Luzon Hawk Eagle	<i>Nisaetus philippensis</i>	e

FALCONIFORMES: Falconidae

Philippine Falconet	<i>Microhierax erythrogenys</i>	e
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrines calidus</i>	

GALLIFORMES: Megapodiidae

Tabon Scrubfowl	<i>Megapodius cumingii</i>	
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GALLIFORMES: Phasianidae

Red Junglefowl	<i>Gallus gallus philippensis</i>	
Palawan Peacock Pheasant	<i>Polyplectron napoleonis</i>	e

GRUIFORMES: Turnicidae

Barred Buttonquail	<i>Turnix suscitator</i>	
Spotted Buttonquail	<i>Turnix ocellatus</i>	e

GRUIFORMES: Rallidae

Barred Rail	<i>Gallirallus torquatus torquatus</i>	
White-browed Crake	<i>Porzana cinerea ocularis</i>	
Plain Bush-hen	<i>Amaurornis olivacea</i>	e
White-breasted Waterhen	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>	
Watercock	<i>Gallixrex cinerea</i>	

Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	
Philippine Swampfen	<i>Porphyrio pulverulentus</i>	e
CHARADRIIFORMES: Jacanidae		
Pheasant-tailed Jacana	<i>Hydrophasianus chirurgus</i>	
CHARADRIIFORMES: Rostratulidae		
Greater Painted Snipe	<i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>	
CHARADRIIFORMES: Charadriidae		
Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius curonicus</i>	
Malaysian Plover	<i>Charadrius peronii</i>	
CHARADRIIFORMES: Scolopacidae		
Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	
Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	
Grey-tailed Tattler	<i>Heteroscelus brevipes</i>	
Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	
Swinhoe's Snipe	<i>Gallinago megala</i>	
Rufous-necked Stint	<i>Calidris ruficollis</i>	
Long-toed Stint	<i>Calidris subminuta</i>	
CHARADRIIFORMES: Glareolidae		
Oriental Pratincole	<i>Glareola maldivarum</i>	
CHARADRIIFORMES: Recurvirostridae		
Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	
CHARADRIIFORMES: Sternidae		
White-winged Black Tern	<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>	
Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybridus</i>	
COLUMBIFORMES: Columbidae		
Thick-billed Green Pigeon	<i>Treron curvirostra</i>	
Philippine Green Pigeon	<i>Treron (pompadora) axillaris</i>	e
Pink-necked Green Pigeon	<i>Treron vernans</i>	
White-eared Brown Dove	<i>Phapitreron leucotis leucotis</i>	e
Amethyst Brown Dove	<i>Phapitreron (amethystinus) amethystinus</i>	e
Yellow-breasted Fruit Dove	<i>Ptilinopus occipitalis</i>	e
Green Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula aenea aenea</i>	
	<i>Ducula aenea palawanensis</i>	
Philippine Cuckoo Dove	<i>Macropygia tenuirostris</i>	e
Philippine Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia [bitorquata] dusumieri</i>	e
Red Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia tranquebarica</i>	
Spotted Dove	<i>Streptopelia chinensis</i>	
Peaceful Dove	<i>Geopelia striata</i>	
Emerald Dove	<i>Chalcophaps indica</i>	
PSITTACIFORMES: Psittacidae		

Guaiabero	<i>Bolbopsittacus lunulatus</i>	e
Philippine Cockatoo	<i>Cacatua haematuropygia</i>	e
Blue-naped Parrot	<i>Tanygnathus lucionensis</i>	ne
Green Racquet-tail	<i>Prioniturus luconensis</i>	e
Blue-headed Racquet-tail	<i>Prioniturus platenae</i>	e
Colasisi	<i>Loriculus philippensis</i>	e

CUCULIFORMES: Cuculidae

Philippine Hawk Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus pectoralis</i>	e	H
Oriental Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus optatus</i>		
Plaintive Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis merulinus</i>		
Asian Drongo-Cuckoo	<i>Surniculus lugubris</i>		
Common Koel	<i>Eudynamys scolopaceus</i>		H
Scale-feathered Malkoha	<i>Lepidogrammus cumingi</i>	e	
Chestnut-breasted Malkoha	<i>Zanlostomus curvirostris harringtoni</i>		
Red-crested Malkoha	<i>Dasylophus superciliosus</i>	e	
Greater Coucal	<i>Centropus sinensis</i>		
Lesser Coucal	<i>Centropus bengalensis</i>		
Philippine Coucal	<i>Centropus viridis</i>	e	
Rufous Coucal	<i>Centropus unirufus</i>	e	

STRIGIFORMES: Strigidae

Philippine Boobook	<i>Ninox philippensis philippensis</i>	e	H
Spotted Wood Owl	<i>Strix seloputo</i>		

CAPRIMULGIFORMES: Podargidae

Palawan Frogmouth	<i>Batrachostomus chaseni</i>	e	H
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CAPRIMULGIFORMES: Caprimulgidae

Large-tailed Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus macrurus</i>		
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APODIFORMES: Apodidae

Island Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus amelis</i>	e
Palawan Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus palawensis</i>	e
Grey-rumped Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia marginata</i>	e
Pygmy Swiftlet	<i>Collocalia troglodytes</i>	e
House Swift	<i>Apus [affinis] nipalensis</i>	
Asian Palm Swift	<i>Cypsiurus balasiensis</i>	

APODIFORMES: Hemiprocnidae

Whiskered Treeswift	<i>Hemiprogne comata major</i>	
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TROGONIFORMES: Trogonidae

Philippine Trogon	<i>Harpactes ardens</i>	e
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CORACIIFORMES: Coraciidae

Common Dollarbird	<i>Eurystomus orientalis</i>	
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CORACIIFORMES: Alcedinidae

Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis bengalensis</i>	
Rufous-backed Kingfisher	<i>Ceyx rufidorsa</i>	

Stork-billed Kingfisher	<i>Pelargopsis capensis</i>	
Ruddy Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon coromanda</i>	
White-throated Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis gularis</i>	
Collared Kingfisher	<i>Todirhamphus chloris</i>	
Spotted Wood Kingfisher	<i>Actenoides lindsayi</i>	e

CORACIIFORMES: Meropidae

Blue-throated Bee-eater	<i>Merops viridis</i>	
Blue-tailed Bee-eater	<i>Merops philippinus</i>	

CORACIIFORMES: Bucerotidae

Luzon Hornbill	<i>Penelopides manillae</i>	e
Palawan Hornbill	<i>Anthracoceros marchei</i>	e

PICIFORMES: Capitonidae

Coppersmith Barbet	<i>Megalaima haemacephala haemacephala</i>	
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PICIFORMES: Picidae

Philippine Pygmy Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos maculatus</i>	e
Northern Sooty Woodpecker	<i>Mulleripicus funebris</i>	e
White-bellied Woodpecker	<i>Dryocopus javensis</i>	
Luzon Flameback	<i>Chrysocolaptes [lucidus] haematribon</i>	e
Spot-throated Flameback	<i>Dinopium [javanense] everetti</i>	e

PASSERIFORMES: Pittidae

Hooded Pitta	<i>Pitta sordid palawanensis</i>	
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PASSERIFORMES: Hirundinidae

Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	
Pacific Swallow	<i>Hirundo tahitica</i>	
Striated Swallow	<i>Cecropis striolata</i>	

PASSERIFORMES: Campephagidae

Bar-bellied Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina striata</i>	
ssp. <i>difficilis</i> / <i>striata</i>		
Blackish Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina coerulescens</i>	e
Pied Triller	<i>Lalage nigra chilensis</i>	
Fiery Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus igneus</i>	

PASSERIFORMES: Chloropseidae

Yellow-throated Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis palawanensis</i>	e
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PASSERIFORMES: Aegithinidae

Common Iora	<i>Aegithina tiphia</i>	
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PASSERIFORMES: Pycnonotidae

Black-headed Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus atriceps</i>	
Yellow-vented Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus goiavier</i>	
Yellow-wattled Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus urostictus</i>	
Olive-winged Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus plumosus</i>	
Grey-cheeked Bulbul	<i>Criniger bres</i>	

Sulphur-bellied Bulbul	<i>Iole palawanensis</i>	e	
Philippine Bulbul	<i>Ixos philippinus</i>	e	
PASSERIFORMES: Dicruridae			
Sunda [Ashy] Drongo	<i>Dicrurus leucophaeus leucophaeus</i>		
Luzon Balicassiao	<i>Dicrurus (balicassius) balicassius</i>	e	
Palawan Drongo	<i>Dicrurus (hottentottus) palawanensis</i>	e	
PASSERIFORMES: Oriolidae			
White-lored Oriole	<i>Oriolus albiloris</i>	e	
Black-naped Oriole	<i>Oriolus chinensis</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Irenidae			
Philippine Fairy Bluebird	<i>Irena cyanogastra</i>	e	
Asian Fairy Bluebird	<i>Irena puella</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Corvidae			
Palawan Crow	<i>Corvus pusillus</i>	e	
Eastern Jungle Crow	<i>Corvus [macrorhynchos] levaillantii</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Paridae			
Palawan Tit	<i>Parus amabilis</i>	e	
Elegant Tit	<i>Parus elegans</i>	e	
PASSERIFORMES: Sittidae			
Velvet-fronted Nuthatch	<i>Sitta frontalis</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Rhabdornithidae			
Stripe-headed Rhabdornis	<i>Rhabdornis mystacalis</i>	e	
PASSERIFORMES: Timaliidae			
Ashy-headed Babbler	<i>Malacocincla cinereiceps</i>	e	
Melodious Babbler	<i>Malacopteron palawanense</i>	e	H
Pin-striped Tit Babbler	<i>Macronous bornensis woodi</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Turdidae			
Siberian Rubythroat	<i>Luscinia calliope</i>		
White-browed Shama	<i>Copsychus (luzoniensis) luzoniensis</i>	e	
White-vented Shama	<i>Copsychus niger</i>	e	
Pied Bushchat	<i>Saxicola caprata</i>		
Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius philippensis</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Acanthizidae			
Golden-bellied Gerygone	<i>Gerygone sulphurea</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Sylviidae			
Arctic Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus borealis</i>		
Australasian Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus [stentoreus] australis</i>		
Tawny Grassbird	<i>Megalurus timoriensis</i>		H
Striated Grassbird	<i>Megalurus palustris forbesi</i>		

Green-backed Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus chloronotus</i>	e	
Grey-backed Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus derbianus</i>	e	
Rufous-tailed Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus sericeus</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Cisticolidae			
Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Muscipidae			
Grey-streaked Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa griseisticta</i>		
Palawan Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula platenae</i>	e	H
Palawan Blue Flycatcher	<i>Cyornis lemprieri</i>	e	
PASSERIFORMES: Rhipiduridae			
Pied Fantail	<i>Rhipidura javanica</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Muscipidae			
Blue Paradise Flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone cyanescens</i>	e	
Black-naped Monarch	<i>Hypothymis azurea azurea</i>		H
PASSERIFORMES: Pachycephalidae			
Yellow-bellied Whistler	<i>Pachycephala philippinensis</i>	e	H
PASSERIFORMES: Motacillidae			
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>		
Eastern Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla tschutschensis simillima</i>		
Paddyfield Pipit	<i>Anthus rufulus lugubris</i>		
Pechora Pipit	<i>Anthus gustavi</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Artamidae			
White-breasted Wood-swallow	<i>Artamus leucorhynchus</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Laniidae			
Long-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanius schach nasutus</i>		
Brown Shrike	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Sturnidae			
Asian Glossy Starling	<i>Aplonis panayensis</i>		
Coletto	<i>Sarcops calvus</i>	e	
Crested Myna	<i>Acridotheres cristatellus</i>		
Common Hill Myna	<i>Gracula religiosa palawanensis</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Nectariniidae			
Brown-throated Sunbird	<i>Anthreptes malacensisparaguae</i>		
Olive-backed Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris jugularis</i>		
Purple-throated Sunbird	<i>Leptocoma sperata</i>		
Flaming Sunbird	<i>Aethopyga flagrans</i>	e	
Lovely Sunbird	<i>Aethopyga shelleyi</i>	e	
Little Spiderhunter	<i>Arachnothera longirostra dilutior</i>		
PASSERIFORMES: Dicaeidae			

Palawan Flowerpecker	<i>Prionochilus plateni</i>	e
Red-keeled Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum australe</i>	e
Pygmy Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum pygmaeum palawanorum</i>	e

PASSERIFORMES: Zosteropidae

Lowland White-eye	<i>Zosterops meyeri</i>	e
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PASSERIFORMES: Passeridae

Eurasian Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>	
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PASSERIFORMES: Estrildidae

White-bellied Munia	<i>Lonchura leucogastra</i>	
Black-headed Munia	<i>Lonchura atricapilla</i>	

e = species endemic to the Philippines

H = species heard but not seen

ne = near-endemic species

**192 species recorded, of which 9 heard only
67 Philippine endemics, plus 1 'near-endemic'**

Mammals

Northern Palawan Tree Squirrel	<i>Sundasciurus juvencus</i>
Little Golden-mantled Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus pumilus</i>
Philippine Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus speciosus</i>
Large Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus vampyrus</i>
Long-tailed Macaque	<i>Macaca fascicularis</i>



Sunset at Subic Bay, Luzon