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MOROCCO – March - 2006

BIRDLIST FOR MOROCCO March 2006

SPECIES		Scientific Name	No of birding days out of 8 recorded	Highest daily count C.= Common LC = Locally Common H or h.= Heard only N/C.= No count
1	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	1	6+
2	Northern Gannet	<i>Morus bassanus</i>	1	25+
3	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo maroccanus</i>	2	N/C
4	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	2	N/C
5	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	1	3
6	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	3	10+
7	Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>	1	3
8	Western Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	7	C
9	White Stork	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>	5	C
10	Black Stork	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>	1	1
11	Black-crowned Night-heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	1	2
12	Northern Bald Ibis	<i>Geronticus eremita</i>	1	4
13	Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	1	70+
14	Eurasian Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>	2	9
15	Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>	2	25+
16	Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	1	12+
17	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	1	15+
18	Northern Shoveler	<i>Anas clypeata</i>	1	N/C
19	Common Pochard	<i>Aythya ferina</i>	1	N/C
20	Tufted Duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>	1	N/C
21	Osprey	<i>Pandion heliaetus</i>	1	1
22	Black-shouldered Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	2	1
23	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	1	1
24	Short-toed Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>	1	1
25	Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus harterti</i>	1	3
26	Montagu's Harrier	<i>Circus pygargus</i>	1	1
27	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus punicus</i>	1	2
28	Northern Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>	2	1
29	Long-legged Buzzard	<i>Buteo rufinus cirtensis</i>	3	2
30	Bonelli's Eagle	<i>Hieraaetus fasciatus</i>	1	1
31	Booted Eagle	<i>Hieraaetus pennatus</i>	2	1
32	Lesser Kestrel	<i>Falco naumanni</i>	3	2
33	Eurasian Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	5	LC
34	Merlin	<i>Falco columbarius</i>	1	1
35	Lanner Falcon	<i>Falco biarmicus erlangeri</i>	2	2

36	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus brookei</i>	1	1
	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus minor</i>	1	1
37	Barbary Partridge	<i>Alectoris barbara spatzi</i>	2	2
38	Common Quail	<i>Coturnix coturnix</i>	1	2
39	Spotted Crake	<i>Porzana porzana</i>	1	1
40	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	1	N/C
41	Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	1	N/C
42	Houbara Bustard	<i>Chlamydotis undulate undulata</i>	1	1
43	Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	1	N/C
44	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	1	10+
45	Pied Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	1	4
46	Eurasian Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus oedicephalus saharae</i>	2	4+
47	Black-bellied Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	1	20+
48	Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	2	150+
49	Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>	1	6+
50	Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>	1	50+
51	Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	2	15+
52	Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	1	4+
53	Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	1	N/C
54	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>	2	N/C
55	Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	1	6+
56	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>	2	2
57	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	2	N/C
58	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	1	25+
59	Red Knot	<i>Calidris canutus</i>	1	15+
60	Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>	1	10+
61	Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>	2	30+
62	Curlew Sandpiper	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	2	20+
63	Dunlin	<i>Calidris alpina</i>	1	N/C
64	Ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>	1	1
65	Audouin's Gull	<i>Larus audouinii</i>	2	N/C
66	Western Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus cachinnans michahellis</i>	2	N/C
67	Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus graellsii</i>	2	N/C
68	Black-headed Gull	<i>Larus ridibundus</i>	2	N/C
69	Slender-billed Gull	<i>Larus genei</i>	1	6+
70	Mediterranean Gull	<i>Larus melanocephalus</i>	1	1
71	Gull-billed Tern	<i>Sterna nilotica</i>	1	20+
72	Sandwich Tern	<i>Sterna sandvicensis</i>	2	N/C
73	Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	1	1
74	Black-bellied Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles orientalis</i>	1	2
75	Crowned Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles coronatus</i>	1	19
76	Rock Dove/Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia livia</i>	8	C
77	Common Woodpigeon	<i>Columba palumbus excelsa</i>	5	C
78	Eurasian Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>	2	5+
79	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	7	C
80	Laughing Dove	<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>	4	20+
81	Great Spotted Cuckoo	<i>Clamator glandarius</i>	1	1
82	Desert Eagle Owl	<i>Bubo ascalaphus</i>	1	1
83	Little Owl	<i>Athene noctua saharae</i>	1	4
84	Red-necked Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus ruficollis</i>	1	2
85	Egyptian Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus aegyptius</i>	1	1
86	Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	2	N/C
87	Pallid Swift	<i>Apus pallidus</i>	5	C
88	Little Swift	<i>Apus affinis</i>	1	20+
89	Blue-cheeked Bee-eater	<i>Merops persicus chrysocercus</i>	5	7
90	European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>	6	6+

91	Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	5	8
92	Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>	2	1
93	Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major mauritanus</i>	1 + 1H	1
94	Levaillant's Woodpecker	<i>Picus vaillantii</i>	1	2
95	Bar-tailed Lark	<i>Ammomanes cincturus arenicolor</i>	1	2
96	Desert Lark	<i>Ammomanes deserti payni (monodi)</i>	5	6+
97	Greater Hoopoe Lark	<i>Alaemon alaudipes</i>	4	4
98	Thick-billed Lark	<i>Ramphocoris clotbey</i>	1	2
99	Greater Short-toed Lark	<i>Calandrella cinerea rubiginosa</i>	6	6+
100	Lesser Short-toed Lark	<i>Calandrella rufescens minor</i>	2	10+
101	Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata randonii</i>	3	N/C
	Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata riggenbachi</i>	4	N/C
102	Thekla Lark	<i>Galerida theklae aguirrei</i>	3	4+
103	Horned Lark	<i>Eremophila alpestris atlas</i>	1	35+
104	Temminck's Lark	<i>Eremophila alpestris bilopha</i>	4	25+
105	Bank martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	4	L/C
106	Plain Martin	<i>Riparia paludicola mauretanica</i>	1	3
107	Eurasian Crag Martin	<i>Hirundo rupestris theresae</i>	3	15+
108	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	8	C
109	Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Hirundo daurica rufula</i>	7	C
110	House Martin	<i>Delichon urbica</i>	5	C
111	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	8	C
	Moroccan Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba subpersonata</i>	2	1
112	Blue-headed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>	3	N/C
	Ashy-headed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava cinereocapilla</i>	1	2
113	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	3	5+
114	Tawny Pipit	<i>Anthus campestris</i>	1	1
115	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>	3	3+
116	Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>	2	1
117	Common Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus barbatus barbatus</i>	8	C
118	Firecrest	<i>Regulus ignicapillus balearicus</i>	1	3
119	White-throated Dipper	<i>Cinclus cinclus minor</i>	1	2
120	Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes kabyorum</i>	1	1
121	Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>	7	6+
122	Eurasian Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula mauretanica</i>	8	C
123	Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus deichleri</i>	1	4
124	Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>	1 + 1h	6+
125	Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>	1 + 3h	1
126	Grasshopper Warbler	<i>Locustella naevia</i>	1	1
127	Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>	1 + 1h	2
128	W. Olivaceous Warbler	<i>Hippolais opaca</i>	4	3
129	Melodius Warbler	<i>Hippolais polyglotta</i>	4	1
130	Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	6	4+
131	Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	7	C
132	Western Bonelli's Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus bonelli</i>	5	12+
133	Wood Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>	1	1
134	Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	6	C
135	Greater Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>	1	1
136	Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>	1	2
137	African Desert Warbler	<i>Sylvia deserti</i>	1	1
138	Western Orphean Warbler	<i>Sylvia hortensis</i>	2	4+
139	Subalpine Warbler	<i>Sylvia cantillans</i>	4	20+
140	Sardinian Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>	2	2
141	Spectacled Warbler	<i>Sylvia conspicillata</i>	3	1
142	Tristram's Warbler	<i>Sylvia deserticola ticehursti</i>	1	3
143	European Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca speculigera</i>	1	1

144	European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	2	1
145	Common Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>	3 + 2H	2
146	Bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica cyanecula</i>	2	1
147	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros gibralteriensis</i>	3	N/C
148	Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>	4	LC
149	Moussier's Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus moussieri</i>	4	6+
150	Common Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquata</i>	3	N/C
151	White-crowned Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe leucopyga augra</i>	6	30+
152	Black Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe leucura</i>	3	2
153	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	7	C
154	Mourning Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe lugens halophila</i>	3	2
155	Red-rumped Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe moesta</i>	5	LC
156	Black-eared Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe hispanica</i>	3	3
157	Desert Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe deserti homochroa</i>	6	C
158	Fulvous Babbler	<i>Turdoides fulvus moroccanus</i>	1	3+
159	Coal Tit	<i>Pariparus ater atlas</i>	1	2
160	Great Tit	<i>Parus major excelsus</i>	2	4+
161	African Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistess ultramarinus</i>	4	LC
162	Southern Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius meridionalis algeriensis</i>	2	4
	<i>Southern Grey Shrike</i>	<i>Lanius meridionalis elegans</i>	4	3+
163	Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>	6	C
164	Black-crowned Tchagra	<i>Tchagra senegala cucullata</i>	1	2
165	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius minor</i>	1	2
166	Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica mauretunica</i>	3	LC
167	Red-billed Chough	<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax barbarus</i>	2	N/C
168	Yellow-billed Chough	<i>Pyrrhocorax graculus</i>	1	50+
169	Brown-necked Raven	<i>Corvus ruficollis</i>	2	18
170	Common Raven	<i>Corvus corax tingitanus</i>	2	3+
171	Spotless Starling	<i>Sturnus unicolor</i>	6	C
172	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus tingitanus</i>	7	C
173	Spanish Sparrow	<i>Passer hispaniolensis</i>	1	2
174	Desert Sparrow	<i>Passer simplex</i>	1	2
175	Rock Sparrow	<i>Petronia petronia barbara</i>	2	10+
176	Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs africana</i>	6	C
177	Red Crossbill	<i>Loxia curvirostra poliogyna</i>	2	2
178	European Greenfinch	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>	3	N/C
179	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	7	C
180	Eurasian Linnet	<i>Carduelis cannabina mediterranea</i>	5	C
181	European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>	7	C
182	Hawfinch	<i>Coccothraustes coccothraustes burryi</i>	1	5+
183	Crimson-winged Finch	<i>Rhodopechys sanguinea aliena</i>	1	2
184	Trumpeter Finch	<i>Rhodopechys githaginea zedlitzi</i>	4	6+
185	Cirl Bunting	<i>Emberiza cirlus</i>	2	4+
186	Rock Bunting	<i>Emberiza cia africana</i>	2	16+
187	House Bunting	<i>Emberiza striolata sahari</i>	7	C
188	Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>	2	N/C

Other Sightings

Barbary Ground Squirrel	Fat Sand Rat	Saharan Frog	Trident Leaf-nosed Bat
Stripe-necked Terrapin	Mauritanian Toad	Hemprich's Long-eared Bat	Bibron's Agama

Butterflies

Moroccan Meadow Brown	Painted Lady	Swallowtail	Small Copper
Greenish Blacktip	Small White	Barbary Skipper	Spotted Fritillary
Green-striped White	Large White	African Grass Blue	Clouded Yellow
			Plain Tiger?

Many thanks to Roger Terrell for his knowledge, enthusiasm and input in helping to identify the animals and butterflies seen on this tour.

Please note that our checklists do not include species seen by leaders only.

We also do not include single observer sightings or very poor views.

We do not count heard only or subspecies, although they are noted.

This we believe gives us a very honest accurate group total.

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