CHECKLIST OF BIRDS RECORDED

1. **Black-throated Diver** *Gavia arctica* 1 in winter plumage on sea at Shabla Lake on the 12th May.

2. Black-necked Grebe Podiceps nigricollis

A few on the sea at Poda on the 10th and a few at Srebarna on the 14th May.

3. **Little Grebe** *Tachybaptus ruficollis*

Single birds recorded at Pomorie on the 10th, Bolata on the 13th and Srebarna on the 14th May.

4. **Great Crested Grebe** *Podiceps cristatus*

Recorded in ones or twos on the sea or freshwater lakes on the 10th, 12th, 13th and 14th May.

5. Yelkouan Shearwater Puffinus yelkouan

Flock of approximately 80 birds close to shore off Durankulak on the 12th, and a group of similar size off Cape Kaliakra on the 13th May.

6. **White Pelican** *Pelecanus onocrotalus*

Migratory flock of some 1,500 birds soaring high over Mandra Lake on the 10th May. Probably the same birds landing on northern shore of Burgas Lake later the same day.

7. **Dalmatian Pelican** Pelecanus crispus

1 seen at close range on southern shore of Mandra Lake on the 10th and 2 birds flying low over Pomorie saltpans later the same day. Colony at Srebarna Lake on the 14th May.

8. **Great Cormorant** *Phalacrocorax carbo*

Common at Poda, Pomorie and Durankulak on the 9th, 10th, 12th and 14th May.

9. (Mediterranean) Shag Phalacrocorax aristotelis desmarestii

Quite numerous at the base of the cliffs at Cape Kaliakra on the 13th May.

10. **Pygmy Cormorant** Phalacrocorax pygmeus

Small numbers at Poda on the 10th, and more numerous at Durankulak and Srebarna on the 12th, 13th and 14th May.

11. **Little Bittern** *Ixobrychus minutus*

Singles at Pomorie on the 9th, Poda on the 10th, Kamchia on the 11th, Durankulak on the 13th and Srebarna on the 14th May.

12. **Night Heron** *Nycticorax nycticorax*

Singles on the river at Kardjali on the 7th, Pomorie on the 9th and Mandra on the 10th.

13. **Squacco Heron** *Ardeola ralloides*

Several at Pomorie on the 9th and 10th, at Poda on the 10th, at Durankulak on the 12th and 13th, at Shabla on the 12th and at Srebarna on the 14th May.

14. **Little Egret** *Egretta garzetta*

1-3 birds seen at most wetland sites.

15. **Grey Heron** *Ardea cinerea*

Small numbers or breeding colonies at virtually all wetland sites.

16. **Purple Heron** *Ardea purpurea*

Seen at Poda and Mandra on the 10th, Durankulak on the 12th and 13th and Srebarna on the 14th May.

17. White stork Ciconia ciconia

Seen all days except the 11th and 12th May.

18. Black Stork Ciconia nigra

6 on river at Kardjali on 6th, with 2 there the next morning. Frequent in Eastern Rhodopes and Sakar regions on the 6th, 7th and 8th and birds in flight over Durankulak on the 12th May.

Glossy Ibis 19. Plegadis falcinellus

Flock of about 12 birds on southern shore of Mandra on the 10th, small numbers at Durankulak on the 12th and colony at Srebarna on the 14th.

20. **Spoonbill** Platalea leucorodia

Party of 6 or 7 birds on the southern shore of Burgas Lake on the 10th and migratory flock of approximately 25 birds passing Durankulak on the 12th May.

21. Mute Swan Cygnus olor

Family groups at Pomorie, Mandra and Durankulak on the 9th, 10th, 12th and 13th Mav.

22. White-fronted Goose Anser albifrons albifrons

1 bird at Durankulak on the 13th Mav.

23. **Red-breasted Goose** Branta ruficollis

1 bird at Durankulak on the 12th and 13th Mav.

24. **Common Shelduck** Tadorna tadorna

Common in the Burgas area wetlands on the 9th and 10th, with small numbers at Durankulak on the 12th and 13th May.

Ruddy Shelduck Tadorna ferruginea 25.

At least 2 birds at Srebarna on the 14th May.

26.

 $\begin{tabular}{lll} \textbf{Mallard} & \textit{Anas platyrhynchos} \\ \textbf{Seen in small numbers on the 4}^{th}, 7^{th}, 9^{th}, 10^{th} \ and \ 12^{th} \ May. \\ \end{tabular}$

27. Gadwall Anas strepera

Small numbers in the Burgas and Durankulak areas and at Srebarna on the 9th, 10th, 12th, 13th and 14th May.

28. Shoveler Anas clypeata

1 male at Mandra on the 10th May.

29. Anas querquedula

> Several birds at Pomorie, Poda and Mandra on the 9th and 10th and fairly numerous at Durankulak on the 12th and 13th May.

30. Pochard Aythya ferina

A few at Poda and Mandra on the 10th and at Srebarna on the 14th May.

31. Ferruginous Duck Aythya nyroca

2 at Poda on the 10th and fairly numerous at Durankulak and Srebarna on the 12th, 13th and 14th May.

32. **Tufted Duck** Aythya fuligula

2 at Poda on the 10th May.

33. **Griffon Vulture** Gyps fulvus

Fairly common in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th May.

Egyptian Vulture 34. Neophron percnopterus

2 in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th May.

35. Osprev Pandion haliaetus

1 at Durankulak on the 13th May.

36. Eastern Imperial Eagle Aquila heliaca

Single immature birds near Lozen on the 6th and in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th May. At least 3 adults in the Sakar mountains on the 8th May.

37. **Lesser Spotted Eagle** Aquila pomarina

2-3 birds near Lozen on the 6^{th} , 2-3 birds in the Sakar mountains on the 8^{th} , 1 near Elhovo on the 9th, and at least 1 at Mandra on the 10th May.

Circaetus gallicus 38. **Short-toed Eagle**

At least 2 birds in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th and 1 in the Sakar mountains on the 8th May.

Booted Eagle 39. Hieraaetus pennatus

1 in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th May.

40. Black Kite Milvus migrans

In the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th, in the Sakar mountains on the 8th and on the way to Burgas on the 9th May.

41. Marsh Harrier Circus aeruginosus

Near Lozen on the 6^{th} and at most wetland sites.

42. Montagu's Harrier Circus pygargus

A pair over fields near Elhovo, on the way to Burgas on the 9th May.

43.

Long-legged Buzzard *Buteo rufinus*Several birds near Lozen on the 6th, in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th, in Sakar mountains on the 8th and 1 at Cape Kaliakra on the 13th May.

44. **Common Buzzard** Buteo buteo

Common.

45. **Honey Buzzard** Pernis apivorus

3 birds near Topolovo on the 6^{th} , in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7^{th} , in the Sakar mountains on the 8th and near Durankulak on the 12th May.

46. Sparrowhawk Accipiter nisus

1 at Vitosha on the 5th and 1 in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th May.

Levant Sparrowhawk Accipiter brevipes 47.

Brief but very close views of a male in the Sakar region on the 8th May.

Goshawk Accipiter gentilis 48.

1 at Srebarna on the 14th May.

49. **Common Kestrel** Falco tinnunculus

Seen every day.

50. **Red-footed Falcon** Falco vespertinus

About 5 birds in fields near Pomorie on the 10th, 12+ migrants at Durankulak on the 12th, and several at Cape Kaliakra on the 13th May.

51. **Hobby** Falco subbuteo

> Birds apparently on migration in many places, with concentration of 12 birds together at Srebarna on the 14th May.

52. Peregrine Falcon Falco peregrinus

2 birds seen around rock face in Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th May.

53. Saker * Falco cherrug A large falcon chasing kestrels around the same rock face as the Peregrines in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th May looked more like a Saker than a Lanner, but there is some room for doubt; however it was definitely one of these two species.

54. **Grey Partridge** *Perdix perdix* Pairs on the 9th and 12th May, the latter at Durankulak.

55. **Quail** Coturnix coturnix Heard singing in cereal fields on the 6th, 10th, 12th and 13th May.

56. **Moorhen** *Gallinula chloropus*

Not as common as in Spain! Singles or small numbers seen on the 10th, 12th, 13th and 14th at Poda, Durankulak and Srebarna.

57. Coot Fulica atra

Small numbers at most wetland sites.

58. **Oystercatcher** Haematopus ostralegus

2 seen on the beach at Poda on the 10th May.

59. **Avocet** *Recurvirostra avosetta*Seen at Pomorie, Poda and Shabla Lake on the 9th, 10th and 12th May respectively.

60. **Black-winged Stilt** *Himantopus himantopus* Seen at Pomorie, Poda, Shabla and Durankulak on the 9th, 10th, 12th and 13th May.

61. **Collared Pratincole** Glareola pratincola 2 at Poda on the 10th and 2 at Durankulak on the 12th May.

62. **Little Ringed Plover** *Charadrius dubius*

1 by Maritsa River on 8th, also at Pomorie on the 9th, Poda on the 10th and Shabla Lake on the 12th May.

63. **Ringed Plover** Charadrius hiaticula A few at Pomorie on the 9th and 10th May.

64. **Kentish Plover** Chardrius alexandrinus Several at Pomorie on the 9th and 10th May.

65. **Grey Plover** Pluvialis squatarola 2 at Pomorie on the 9th and 1 on the beach at Durankulak on the 12th May.

66. **Lapwing** *Vanellus vanellus*Inland near Plovdiv on the 6th, at Pomorie on the 9th and at Mandra on the 10th May.

67. **Turnstone** Arenaria interpres

At Poda on the 10th May.

68. **Dunlin** Calidris alpina A handful of birds at Pomorie on the 9th and 10th May.

69. **Curlew Sandpiper** Calidris ferruginea

The most abundant wader, present in large numbers at Pomorie and Atanosovsko Lake on the 9th and 10th and on the beach at Durankulak on the 12th May.

70. **Broad-billed Sandpiper** Limicola falcinellus 2 at Pomorie on the 9th and 10th May.

71. **Little Stint** *Calidris minuta*Abundant at Pomorie on the 9th and 10th, with a few at Shabla and Durankulak on the 12th May.

72. **Wood Sandpiper** Tringa glareola A few birds at Pomorie on the 9th and 10th May.

73. **Common Sandpiper** Actitis hypoleucos 2 on the beach at Poda on the 10th May.

74. **Spotted Redshank** *Tringa erythropus* 1 heard at Pomorie on the 9th May.

75. **Greenshank** *Tringa nebularia* Several at Pomorie on the 9th and 10th May.

76. **Bar-tailed Godwit** Limosa lapponica 1 at Pomorie on the 9th and 10th May.

77. **Curlew** *Numenius arquata*A few at Atanosovsko on the 9th and 2 or 3 at Pomorie on the 10th May.

78. **Ruff** Philomachus pugnax In small numbers at Pomorie and Poda on the 9th and 10th May.

79. **Arctic Skua** Stercorarius parasiticus 1 over beach at Durankulak on the 12th May.

80. **Black-headed Gull** Larus ridibundus Present at most coastal wetland sites.

81. **Mediterranean Gull** Larus melanocephalus Several at Atanasovsko Lake on the 9th May.

82. **Yellow-legged Gull** *Larus cachinnans* A few inland, otherwise present at all coastal wetland sites.

83. **Little Tern** Sterna albifrons
In small numbers at Pomorie and Poda on the 9th and 10th, and at Durankulak on the 12th May.

84. **Sandwich Tern** *Sterna sandvicensis* Seen at all Black Sea coastal sites.

85. **Gull-billed Tern** *Gelochelidon nilotica* Small numbers seen at Pomorie, Poda and Durankulak.

86. **Common Tern** *Sterna hirundo* 2 on river at Kardjali on 7th May; fairly common on Black Sea coast.

87. **Caspian Tern** Sterna caspia 1 at Pomorie on the 9th May.

88. **Black Tern** *Chlidonias niger*Small groups at Pomorie on the 9th and 10th, Durankulak on the 13th and Srebarna on the 14th.
Larger migratory groups at Durankulak on the 12th May.

89. **White-winged tern**3 on river at Kardjali on the 7th. Up to 9 at Pomorie on the 9th and 10th, and more than 12 through Durankulak on the 12th May.

90. **Whiskered Tern** *Chlidonias hybrida*In small numbers at Pomorie on the 9th and Durankulak on the 13th. Migratory flocks through Durankulak on the 12th, and common at Srebarna on the 14th May.

91. **Rock Dove** Columba livia

Feral variety seen most days.

92. **Stock Dove** Columba oenas

4 near Lozen on the 6th May.

93. **Wood Pigeon** Columba palumbus

Seen most days, less commonly along the coast.

94. **Collared Dove** Streptopelia decaocto

Seen in most areas except for the mountains in the south.

95. **Turtle Dove** Streptopelia turtur

Widespread and not uncommon; seen most days.

Cuculus canorus 96.

Recorded every day except on the 4th May.

97. Little Owl Athene noctua

1 seen near Kardjali on the 6th May.

98. Scops Owl Otus scops

Single birds heard in Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th, Sakar mountains on the 8th and at Srebarna on the 14th May.

99. Nightjar Caprimulgus europaeus

1 seen flying by road at dusk in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th May.

100. **Swift** Apus apus

Widespread, seen most days.

101.

Pallid SwiftApus pallidus
Varying numbers of birds positively identified on the 5th, 6th, 7th and 13th May, the latter at Cape Kaliakra.

102. **Alpine Swift** Apus melba

Seen in all mountain areas and on the Black Sea coast on the 11th and 13th May.

103. Upupa epops

Seen every day except the 4th May.

Kingfisher 104. Alcedo atthis

1 at Srebarna on the 14th May.

105. Bee-eater Merops apiaster

Seen every day except the 4th May.

Coracias garrulus 106.

Several in the Sakar region on the 8th and a roadside bird on the 10th, 11th, 12th and 14th May, most common on the southern shore of Mandra Lake.

107. Black Woodpecker Dryocopus martius

1 heard in the Rila mountains on the 5th May.

Green Woodpecker 108. Picus viridis

Seen in one's or two's in most areas.

Grey-headed Woodpecker 109. Picus canus

1 heard in the Rila mountains on the 5th and 1 seen near Govedartsi (Rila) on the 6th May.

110. **Great Spotted Woodpecker** *Dendrocopos major* Seen in the Rila mountains on the 5th and probably also at Goritsa forest on the 11th May.

111. **Syrian Woodpecker** Dendrocopos syriacus Widespread in orchards, villages and town gardens. Seen on the 6th, 7th, 8th, 11th and 12th May.

112. **Middle Spotted Woodpecker** *Dendrocopos medius* 3 or more birds at Goritsa forest on the 11th May.

113. **Lesser Spotted Woodpecker** Dendrocopos minor A pair at Bolata on the 13th May.

114. **Wryneck** *Jynx torquilla* At inland sites on the 6th, 7th, 8th and 14th May.

115. **Skylark** *Alauda arvensis* Common and widespread, heard every day except on the 4th May.

116. **Crested Lark** Galerida cristata Seen every day except on the 4th and 6th May.

117. **Woodlark** Lullula arborea Heard on the 8th, 9th and 11th May.

118. **Short-toed Lark** *Calandrella brachydactyla* 1 or 2 birds singing near Lozen on the 6th and probably at Pomorie on the 9th May.

119. **Calandra Lark** *Melanocorypha calandra*Seen in the Sakar mountains on the 8th and 9th, and between Cape Kaliakra and Durankulak on the 12th and 13th May.

120. **Sand Martin** Riparia riparia Common over coastal wetlands.

121. **Crag Martin** *Ptyonoprogne rupestris*In the Rila mountains on the 4th and 5th, the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th, Sakar on the 8th and at Cape Kaliakra on the 13th May.

122. **Barn Swallow** Hirundo rustica Common.

123. **Red-rumped Swallow** *Hirundo daurica* 3 at Govedartsi on the 4th, also in small numbers on the 6th, in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th, in the Sakar region on the 8th and 9th and at Durankulak on the 12th May.

124. **House Martin** Delichon urbica Common.

125. **Tawny Pipit**Anthus campestris
1 at Pomorie on the 9th and 1 at Kamchia on the 11th May.

126. **Water Pipit**2 at Vitosha on the 5th May.

Anthus spinoletta

127. **Tree Pipit** Anthus trivialis 1 near Topolovo on the 6th May.

128. **White Wagtail** *Motacilla alba* Seen every day.

129. Yellow Wagtail Motacilla flava

Birds of the *feldegg* race seen near Lozen on the 6th, Pomorie on the 9th, Poda on the 10th, Kamchia on the 11th, Durankulak on the 12th and 13th. About 15 birds, probably of the race *flava* at Mandra on the 10th May. Others apparently *dumbrowskii* near Srebarna on the 14th May.

130. Grey Wagtail Motacilla cinerea

In the Rila mountains on the 4th, 5th and 6th May.

131. **Wren** *Troglodytes troglodytes*

In the Rila mountains on the 5th and 6th May.

132. **Dipper** Cinclus cinclus

In the Rila mountains on the 4th and 5th May.

133. **Dunnock** *Prunella modularis*

At Vitosha on the 5th May and near Govedartsi on the 6th May.

134. **Robin** Erithacus rubecula

Seen most days.

135. **Nightingale** Luscina megarhynchos

Heard every day.

136. **Redstart** *Phoenicurus phoenicurus*

1 male at Goritsa on the 11th May.

137. **Black Redstart** *Phoenicurus ochruros*

In the Rila mountains and Vitosha on the 4th. 5th and 6th May.

138. **Northern Wheatear** *Oenanthe oenanthe*

Seen near Cerven on the 6th, in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th and in the Sakar region on the 8th May.

139. **Isabelline Wheatear** *Oenanthe isabellina*

1 near Lozen on the 6^{th} , several in the Sakar region on the 8^{th} and 9^{th} and 2 near Burgas Lake on the 10^{th} May.

140. Eastern Black-eared Wheatear Oenanthe melanoleuca

1 in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th May.

141. **Pied Wheatear** *Oenanthe pleschanka*

Abundant around Cape Kaliakra and Bolata on the 13th May.

142. Whinchat Saxicola rubetra

Small groups of migratory birds near Lozen on the 6th, at Pomorie on the 9th, at Durankulak on the 12th and Cape Kaliakra on the 13th May.

143. **Stonechat** Saxicola torquata

Seen in the Eastern Rhodopes, the Sakar region, at Durankulak and Cape Kaliakra, and near Srebarna.

144. **Blue Rock Thrush** *Monticola solitarius*

2 birds in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th May.

145. **Rock Thrush** *Monticola saxatilis*

2 at Vitosha on the 5th and 1 near Topolovo on the 6th May.

146. **Song Thrush** *Turdus philomelos*

Common in the Rila mountains on the 5th and 6th and along the northern Black Sea coast from the 11th to the 14th May.

147. Blackbird Turdus merula

Common throughout.

148. Ring Ouzel *Turdus torquatus*

4 at Vitosha on the 5th and 1 near Govedartsi on the 6th May.

149. **Barred Warbler** Sylvia nisoria

1 displaying bird in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th, 1 near Mandra Lake on the 10th and 1-2 migrants at Shabla Lake on the 12th May.

Garden Warbler 150. Sylvia borin

1 singing near Srebarna on the 14th May.

Blackcap Sylvia atricapilla 151.

Common.

152. **Orphean Warbler** Sylvia (hortensis) crassirostris

Has this been split or not? Singing birds in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th, and in the Sakar region on the 8th and 9th May.

153. Lesser Whitethroat Sylvia curruca

Single (probably) migrant birds at Poda on the 10th, Balchik on the 12th and Bolata on the 13th May.

154. **Common Whitethroat** Sylvia communis

Common.

Sedge Warbler 155. Acrocephalus schoenobaenus

2 at Poda on the 10th May.

Savi's Warbler 156. Locustella luscinoides

Singing birds at Durankulak on the 12th and 13th and Srebarna on the 14th May.

Cetti's Warbler Cettia cetti 157.

1 in the Rila mountains on the 5th and 1 at Burgas Lake on the 10th May.

Reed Warbler Acrocephalus scirpaceus 158.

1 by river in Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th, common at Poda on the 10th and at Durankulak and Srebarna lakes.

Acrocephalus palustris Marsh Warbler 159.

1 singing at Durankulak on the 13th May.

Paddyfield Warbler Acrocephalus agricola 160.

Approximately 5 birds at Durankulak (3-4 singing) on the 12th May.

Great Reed Warbler Acrocephalus arundinaceus 161.

Recorded at all wetlands except in the Rila mountains.

Icterine Warbler 162. Hippolais icterina

1 migrant at Cape Kaliakra on the 13th May.

Olive-tree Warbler Hippolais olivetorum 163.

Several in the Sakar region on the 8th and 9th May.

Eastern Olivaceous Warbler 164. Hippolais pallida

1 in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th May, fairly frequent thereafter.

165. **Willow Warbler** Phylloscopus trochilus

1 or 2 migrants on the coast on the 12th and 13th and 1 at Srebarna on the 14th May.

166. **Wood Warbler** Phylloscopus sibilatrix

1 singing in Goritsa forest on the 11th May.

167. **Eastern Bonelli's Warbler** *Phylloscopus orientalis*

Singing birds in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th and in the Sakar region on the 9th May.

168. **Chiffchaff** Phylloscopus collybita

Heard in the Rila mountains, the Eastern Rhodopes and in the Sakar region from the 5th to 9th May.

169. **Goldcrest** Regulus regulus

2+ Singing at Vitosha on the 5th May.

170. **Firecrest** Regulus ignicapillus

Singing in the Rila mountains on the 5th and 6th May.

171. **Spotted Flycatcher** *Muscicapa striata*

Singles at Durankulak on the 12th and at Bolata on the 13th May.

172. **Red-breasted Flycatcher** *Ficedula parva*

1 female at Balchik on the 11th, migrant fall at Durankulak and Shabla lakes on the 12th (the most common passerine migrant) and a few at Cape Kaliakra on the 13th May.

173. **Collared Flycatcher** Ficedula albicollis

A pair of migrants at Shabla Lake on the 12th May.

174. **Semi-collared Flycatcher** *Ficedula semitorquata*

1 male in the Rila mountains on the 5th, and a singing male in Goritsa forest on the 11th May.

175. Great Tit Parus major

Common.

176. **Coal Tit** Parus ater

Common in the Rila mountains and Vitosha on the 4^{th} , 5^{th} and 6^{th} May.

177. **Blue Tit** Parus caeruleus

Seen in all regions except the Eastern Rhodopes.

178. **Marsh Tit** Parus palustris

1 singing at Kamchia on the 11th May.

179. **Willow Tit** *Parus montanus*

2 in the Rila mountains on the 5th May.

180. **Sombre Tit** *Parus lugubris*

1 in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th May.

181. **Long-tailed Tit** Aegithalos caudatus

Heard in the Rila mountains on the 5th and seen at Kamchia on the 11th May.

182. **Bearded Reedling** *Panurus biarmicus*

Several at Durankulak on the 12th and 1 there on the 13th May.

183. **Penduline Tit** *Remiz pendulinus*

Heard at Mandra Lake on the 9th and 10th and at Srebarna on the 14th May.

184. Eurasian Nuthatch Sitta europaea

Heard in the Rila mountains, between Sakar and Burgas and at Kamchia.

185. **Rock Nuthatch** Sitta neumayer

2 nests with adult birds in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th May.

186. **Short-toed Treecreeper** *Certhia brachydactyla*

Recorded in the Rila mountains, near Burgas and at Kamchia and Balchik.

187. **Red-backed Shrike** Lanius collurio

Common in open areas with bushes.

188. Woodchat Shrike Lanius senator

Seen in small numbers from the 6th to the 10th May.

189. **Masked Shrike** Lanius nubicus

1 singing male in the Sakar region on the 8th May.

190. Lesser Grey Shrike Lanius minor

Single bird near Kardjali on the 6th, several in the Sakar region on the 8th and 9th, and then fairly regularly from the 12th to 14th May in the Durankulak and Srebarna areas.

191. Magpie Pica pica

Common.

192. **Jay** *Garrulus glandarius*

Common in wooded areas.

193. Nutcracker Nucifraga caryocatactes

1 or 2 at Vitosha on the 5th and 12+ near Govedartsi on the 6th May.

194. **Jackdaw** Corvus monedula

Small numbers seen most days.

195. **Rook** Corvus frugilegus

Seen on 3 days in the Rila and Rhodopes areas.

196. **Hooded Crow** *Corvus corone cornix*

Common.

197. **Raven** Corvus corax

Seen in the Rila and Rhodopes mountain areas.

198. **Common Starling** Sturnus vulgaris

Common.

199. **Golden Oriole** *Oriolus oriolus*

Common in all areas except the Rila mountains.

200. **House Sparrow** Passer domesticus

Common.

201. **Spanish Sparrow** Passer hispaniolensis

Common in all areas except the Rila mountains.

202. **Tree Sparrow** Passer montanus

Seen every day.

203. **Chaffinch** Fringilla coelebs

Common.

204. Linnet Carduelis cannabina

A few in the Sakar region on the 8th and at Cape Kaliakra on the 13th May.

205. **Goldfinch** *Carduelis carduelis*

Common.

206. **Greenfinch** *Carduelis chloris*

Common.

207. European Serin Serinus serinus

Seen on the 4th, 6th and 8th May.

208. **Bullfinch** *Pyrrhula pyrrhula*

A few in the Rila mountains on the 5th and 6th May.

209. **Hawfinch** *Coccothraustes coccothraustes*

Seen on the 6th, and from the 8th to 11th May.

210. Common Crossbill Loxia curvirostra

A few in the Rila mountains from the 4th to the 6th May.

211. **Reed Bunting** *Emberiza schoeniclus*

A few at Durankulak on the 12th and 13th May.

212. **Ortolan Bunting** *Emberiza hortulana*

Common near Topolovo on the 6th, and frequent in semi-open areas from the 7th to 10th May.

213. **Yellowhammer** *Emberiza citrinella*

Several in the mountains near Cerven on the 6th May.

214. **Cirl Bunting** *Emberiza cirlus*

Small numbers seen most days.

215. **Black-headed Bunting** *Emberiza melanocephala*

Seen frequently from the 7th May onwards.

216. **Rock Bunting** *Emberiza cia*

1 singing in the mountains near Cerven on the 6th, also seen in the Eastern Rhodopes on the 7th

May.

217. **Corn Bunting** *Miliaria calandra*

Seen every day.

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