A PRELIMINARY LIST OF THE BIRDS OF BANGKOK.

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The following list, comprising 127 species, is the result of observations made, and specimens procured, during several years of desultory study of the bird-life of Bangkok, followed by a year of more systematic collecting since the formation of the Society.

The numbers marked with an asterisk (*) relate to species of which either no specimens have been obtained (although the occurrence of the birds is believed to be tolerably certain) or of which the identification has not yet been definitely established. These birds are eight in number and it is hoped that members will endeavour to assist in clearing up the doubts regarding them by procuring and examining specimens. I shall be very glad to undertake the examination of these or any other birds which may be sent to me, as to the identity of which members may be uncertain.

The numbers in brackets are those of the same birds in Oates' and Blanford's volumes in the *Fauna of British India*, and both the classification and the nomenclature are also taken from that work.

The list is, doubtless, still far from complete, as a number of additions have been made to it even during the last few weeks, almost up to the date of going to press. Any new birds which members may be able to procure will be duly acknowledged and incorporated in the serial paper, which I hope to commence in the next number of the Journal, giving some account of the appearance, habits, &c., of the birds of this locality.

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ORDER—PASSERES.

FAMILY Corvidae—CROWS.

1 (44) Corvus macrorhynchos. The Jungle Crow.
2 (21) Cryptsirhina variana. The Black Racket-tailed Magpie.

FAMILY Crateropodidae—LAUGHING THRUSHES.

BABBERS, BULBULS, &c.

3 (176) Mixornis rubricapillus. The Yellow-breasted Babber.
5 (288) Otocompsa emeria. The Bengal Red-whiskered Bulbul.
6 (298) Pycnonotus analis. The Yellow-vented Bulbul.
7 (307) Pycnonotus plumosus. The Large Olive Bulbul.

FAMILY Dicruridae. DRONGOS OR KING-CROWS.

8 (327) Dicrurus ater. The Black Drongo.
10 (340) Dissemurus paradisens. The Larger Racket-tailed Drongo.

FAMILY Sylvidae—WARBLERS.

11 (363) Acrocephalus stentoreus. The Indian Great Reed-Warbler.
12 (364) Acrocephalus orientalis. The Eastern Great Reed-Warbler.
13 (374) Orthotomus sutorius. The Indian Tailor-bird.
14 (375) Orthotomus atrigularis. The Black-throated Tailor-bird.
15 (381) Cisticola cursitans. The Rufous Fantail-Warbler.
16 (393) Arundinax aëdon. The Thick-billed Warbler.
17 (410) Phylloscopus fuscatus. The Dusky Willow-Warbler.
18 (417) Phylloscopus supercilius. The Crowned Willow-Warbler.
19 (420) Acanthopneuste borealis. The Arctic Willow Warbler.

FAMILY Laniidae—SHRIKES.
22 (475) Lanius nigriceps. The Black-headed Shrike.
23 (481) Lanius cristatus. The Brown Shrike.
24 (500) Pericrotus peregrinus. The Small Minivet.
25 (503) Pericrotus cinereus. The Ashy Minivet.

FAMILY Oriolidae—ORIOLES.
27 (514) Oriolus indicus. The Black-naped Oriole.
28 (521) Oriolus melanoccephalus. The Indian Black-headed Oriole.

FAMILY Sturnidae—STARLINGS AND MYNAS.
30 (546) Graculipica nigricollis. The Black-necked Myna.
31 (553) Aethiopsar grandis. The Siamese Myna.
32 (556) Sturnopastor superciliaris. The Burmese Pied Myna.

FAMILY Muscicapidae—FLYCATCHERS.
33 (562) Siphipia albicilla. The Eastern Red-breasted Flycatcher.
34 (579) Stoparola melanops. The Verditer Flycatcher.
36 (599) Tersiphone affinis. The Burmese Paradise Flycatcher.
37 (601) Hypothymis azurea. The Indian Black-naped Flycatcher.
38 (606) Rhipidura javanica. The Java Fantail Flycatcher.
FAMILY Turdidae—THRUSHES.

39 (610) Pratinctola maura. The Indian Bush-Chat.
42 (663) Copsychus saularis. The Magpie-Robin.
44 (693) Petrophila cyanus. The Western Blue Rock-Thrush.

FAMILY Ploceidae—WEAVER BIRDS.

45 (721) Ploceus megargynchus. The Eastern Baya.
46 (723) Ploceus manyar. The Striated Weaver-bird.
48 (735) Urolophus punctulata. The Spotted Munia.

FAMILY Fringillidae—FINCHES

49 (779) Passer montanus. The Tree-Sparrow.
50 (781) Passer flavescens. The Pega House-Sparrow.

FAMILY Hirundinidae—SWALLOWS.

51 (814) Hirundo gutturalis. The Eastern Swallow.

FAMILY Motacillidae—WAGTAILS.

54 (839) Limonidromus indicus. The Forest-Wagtail.
56 (847) Anthus rufulus. The Indian Pipit.

FAMILY Alaudidae—LARKS.


FAMILY Nectarinidae—SUN-BIRDS.

58 (908) Arachnechthra flammaxillaris. The Burmese Yellow-breasted Sun-bird.
60 (911) Chalcoparia phoenicots. The Ruby-Cheek.

**FAMILY Dicaeidae—FLOWER PECKERS.**

61 (912) Dicaeum cruentatum. The Scarlet-backed Flower-pecker.

**ORDER PICI.**

**FAMILY Picidae—WOODPECKERS.**

63 (970) Dendrocopus pectoralis. The Spotted-breasted Pied Woodpecker.

**ORDER—ZYGODACTYLL.**

**FAMILY Capitonidae—BARBETS.**

64 (1019) Xantholaema haematocephala. The Crimson-breasted Barbet.

**ORDER—ANTISODACTYLL.**

**FAMILY Coraciidae—ROLLERS.**

65 (1023) Coracias affinis. The Burmese Roller.

**FAMILY Meropidae—BEE-EATERS.**

66 (1027) Merops philippinus. The Blue-tailed Bee-eater.

**FAMILY Alcedinidae—KINGFISHERS.**

67 (1033) Ceryle varia. The Indian Pied Kingfisher.
68 (1035) Alcedo isipida. The Common Kingfisher.
70 (1044) Halcyon smyrnensis. The White-breasted Kingfisher.
71 (1045) Halcyon pileata. The Black-capped Kingfisher.
72 (1047) Samropatis chloris. The White-collared Kingfisher.
ORDER—MACROCHIRES.

FAMILY Cypselidae—SWIFTS.

73 (1071) Cypselus pacificus. The Large White-rumped Swift.

74 (1081) Collocalia fuciphaga. The Indian Edible-nest Swiftlet.

FAMILY Caprimulgidae—NIGHTJARS.

75 (1091) Caprimulgus asiaticus. The Common Indian Nightjar.

*76 (1093) Caprimulgus macrurus. Horsfield’s Nightjar.

ORDER—COCCYGES.

FAMILY Cuculidae—CUCKOOS.

77 (1108) Hierococcyx sparverioides. The Large Hawk-Cuckoo.

78 (1113) Cacomantis merulinus. The Rufous-bellied Cuckoo.

79 (1114) Penthoceryx sonnerati. The Banded Bay Cuckoo.

80 (1116) Chrysococcyx maculatus. The Emerald Cuckoo.


82 (1120) Eudynamis honorata. The Indian Koel.

83 (1130) Centropus sinensis. The Common Coucal or Crow-Pheasant.

84 (1133) Centropus bengalensis. The Lesser Coucal.

ORDER—PSITTACI.

FAMILY Psittacidae—PARROTS.

85 (1138) Palacornis torquatus. The Rose-ringed Paroquet.

ORDER—STRIGES.

FAMILY Strigidae—OWLS.

86 (1152) Strix flammata. The Screech Owl.

FAMILY Asioidea—OWLS.

87 (1173) Scops griseus. The Scops Owl.

88 (1178) Scops bakkamoena. The Collared Scops Owl.
89 (1187) Ninox scutulata. The Brown Hawk-Owl.

ORDER—ACCIPITRES.

FAMILY Vulturidae—VULTURES.

*90 (1191) Otogyps calvus. The Black Vulture.
*91 (1196) Pseudogyps bengalensis. The Indian White-backed Vulture.

FAMILY Falconidae—EAGLES, KITES, FALCONS, ETC.

92 (1228) Haliastur indus. The Brahminy Kite.
93 (1229) Milvus govinda. The Common Pariah Kite.
94 (1230) Milvus melanotis. The Large Indian Kite.
95 (1232) Elanus caeruleus. The Black-winged Kite.
96 (1236) Circus melanoleucus. The Pied Harrier.
98 (1244) Astur badius. The Shikra.

ORDER—COLUMBAE.

FAMILY Columbidae—PIGEONS AND DOVES.


*100 (1308) Turtur tigrinus. The Malay Spotted Dove.

102 (1315) Geopelia striata. The Barred Ground-Dove.

ORDER—GALLINAE.

FAMILY Phasianidae—PHEASANTS.

*103 (1354) Exsclactoria chinensis. The Blue-breasted Quail.
*104 (1374) Francolinus chinensis. The Eastern or Chinese Francolin.

ORDER—GRALLAE.

FAMILY Rallidae—RAILS.

105 (1389) Hypotaenidia striata. The Blue-breasted Banded Rail.
106 (1398) Amaurornis fuscus. The Ruddy Crake.
107 (1401) Amaurornis phoenicurus. The White-breasted Water-hen.
108 (1403) Gallicrex cinerea. The Water-Cock.

ORDER—LIMICOLAE.

FAMILY Glareolidae—COURSERS AND PRATINCOLES.
109 (1425) Glareola orientalis. The large Indian Pratincole or Swallow-Plover.

FAMILY Charadriidae—PLOVERS, SANDPIPERS AND SNIPES.
110 (1432) Sacrogrammus atrinuchalis. The Burmese Wattle-tailed Lapwing.
112 (1447) Aegialitis dubia. The Little Ringed Plover.
113 (1460) Totanus hypoleucus. The Common Sandpiper.
114 (1461) Totanus glareola. The Wood Sandpiper.
115 (1462) Totanus ochropus. The Green Sandpiper.
116 (1484) Gallinago coelestis. The Fantail Snipe.
117 (1485) Gallinago stenura. The Pintail Snipe.
118 (1488) Rostratula capensis. The Painted Snipe.

ORDER—GAVIAE.

FAMILY Laridae—GULLS AND TERNS.

ORDER—HERODIONES.

FAMILY Ardeidae—HERONS.
120 (1562) Bubulcus coromandus. The Cattle Egret.
121 (1565) Ardeola grayi. The Pond Heron.
122 (1568) Nycticorax griseus. The Night Heron.
123 (1571) Ardetta sinensis. The Yellow Bittern.
124 (1572) Ardetta cinnamomea. The Chestnut Bittern.
125 (1573) Dupetor flavicollis. The Black Bittern.

ORDER—ANSERES.

FAMILY Anatidae—SWANS, GEESE AND DUCKS.
126 (1589) Dendrocygna javanica. The Whistling Teal.
127 (1601) Querquedula circa. The Garganey or Blue-winged Teal.