

SULAWESI

A report on birds seen on a trip to Sulawesi
from 18 July – 5 August 2012



Lore Lindu N.P. – top of the Anaso Track

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INTRODUCTION

This report covers the 3-week trip I made to Sulawesi in the company of my brother Frans and Jan Hein van Steenis.

As I visited Sulawesi & Halmahera back in 1993 I was at first not very eager to return to this region but as I had missed quite a few good species during that trip and both Frans and Jan Hein were really keen to go, we decided to go ahead.

We focussed on Sulawesi because we want to maximise our time on this island and also because I had observed (almost) everything on Halmahera in 1993. Initially I would, after this trip, continue on my own to Sanghi and Talaud but because of some problems back home, I decided to skip that part.

We tried to see as many of the endemics and specialties of this island as possible and I can only conclude that we had a really successful trip.

The guideline of our trip was the excellent report of my friend Jan Vermeulen (Sulawesi & Halmahera 2009). We more or less followed his itinerary but decided to include a short visit to the Lompobattang area near Makassar in our itinerary to try to find Lompobattang Flycatcher. And we did find it!

As I said we saw a nice selection of species and personally my major dip was *Geomalia* which was only briefly seen by Frans when it crossed the trail, high on the Anaso Track. A painful miss was the fact that we failed to observe *White-rumped Cuckoo Shrike* at Tangkoko, a species I saw easily in 1993. The only other species I observed in 1993 and not during this trip was *Rufous-throated Flycatcher*.

VISA

On arrival you are issued a visa valid for 31 days and for which you have to pay 25 US\$

GETTING THERE – FLIGHT

Frans and I flew with Emirates from Amsterdam to Jakarta with a stop-over at Dubai.

We paid 880€ for a return ticket.

Jan Hein flew with KLM from Amsterdam to Jakarta which was a few 100 € more expensive.

MONEY

We brought some cash euros and dollars with us but can you easily get money from ATM machines.

The currency used in Indonesia is the Rupiah

During our stay the exchange rate was: 100,000 IDR = 10 dollar

The total cost of our trip, including the international flights was around 3000€.

GETTING AROUND – FLIGHTS – CAR – ACCOMMODATION – FOOD & DRINKS

We had 4 domestic flights:

Jakarta – Makassar – Palu with Garuda

Palu – Makassar with Lion Air

Makassar – Manado with Lion Air

Manado – Jakarta with Garuda

As Jan Vermeulen recommended Royke Mananta of Explore Indonesia to us, we decided to use his services to organise our Sulawesi trip for us. (see useful addresses)

The accommodation varied from basic to excellent and it was generally clean. The food during our trip was outstanding and Royke made sure that at all times enough mineral water was available. Beer was sometimes not available and when it was, it was expensive and often warm.

LANGUAGE

Travelling independently in Indonesia means that you need to have some basic knowledge of Bahasa Indonesia. As we were guided by Royke this was not an issue.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Sulawesi is really a safe island to travel around and we only met friendly people during our stay on Sulawesi.

Malaria occurs on Sulawesi and as a consequence you have to take precautions.

We did not suffer much from mosquitos and we did not encounter a single leech.

But the main problem is chiggers. Though we protected ourselves with repellent as good as possible we still suffered.

WEATHER

We were extremely lucky with the weather conditions. Only some rain at night and one heavy downpour on a late afternoon was all.

Most of the time daytime temperatures were pleasant and only at Tangkoko it was really hot in the middle of the day.

In the mountains (Lore Lindu and Gunung Ambang) it was a little cooler early morning and in the evening.

EQUIPMENT

Jan Hein brought a scope and this was really a must.

We also collected a nice selection of songs from Xeno-canto on our Ipods and this worked rather well. Royke had most songs/calls but not all!

I also took some nice photographs with a canon 40D and 300 mm 5.6 with a 1.4 extender.

We brought rubber boots with us and used them regularly.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

First of all I would like to thank Royke for guiding us on this trip. All the logistics were taken care of by him and transport, lodging, food and drinks were excellently arranged.

He tried very hard from dawn to dusk to try to find us all the specialties.

I can only recommend him, especially for small birding groups, intending to have a hassle-free trip to Sulawesi/Halmahera for a reasonable price.

Also Peter Logtmeijer who provided us with some additional info about Sulawesi.

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DETAILED ITINERARY

Day 1: Monday 16 July

We took the train from Eindhoven to Schiphol at 10.45 am.
Flight from Amsterdam via Dubai to Jakarta. Left at 15.30 pm.

Day 2: Tuesday 17 July

Arrival at Jakarta airport at 15.40 pm. taxi to Ibis hotel, booked by Jan Hein.
Jan Hein arrived 2 hours later with a KLM flight from Amsterdam. Dinner together.

Day 3: Wednesday 18 July

After an early breakfast we left for the airport again where we took the 9.45 am Garuda flight from Jakarta via Makassar to Palu. A flock of Woolly-necked Storks (20) at Makassar was notable.

We landed at 15.00 pm at Palu, where we were welcomed by Royke. We then drove for 3 hours to our guesthouse (Sendy) in the village of Wuasa, where we arrived in pouring rain. Some short birding stops provided us with views of **Savanna Nightjar** and our first **Pale-headed Munias** and best of all a single **Large Sulawesi Hanging-Parrot**. After a delicious meal and a beer we went to bed early.

Day 4: Thursday 19 July

Breakfast at 5.00 am and at 6.00 am we started birding at the forest edge and scrub in the vicinity of the village of Salibu, not far from Wuasa. Here we observed species mostly occurring at lower altitudes. One of the first birds encountered was a very vocal **Sulawesi Babbler**. A **Crimson-crowned Flowerpecker** showed itself briefly to me but could not be relocated.

We did very well on raptors this morning.

We observed **Barred Honey-Buzzard** (1), **Sulawesi Serpent-Eagle** (4), **Black Eagle** (1), **Rufous-bellied Eagle** (3-4), **Sulawesi Hawk-Eagle** (1) and best of all a single **Sulawesi Goshawk**. The latter was observed in the scope but rather distantly.

In scrubby habitat we also recorded **Brown Cuckoo-Dove**, **Superb Fruit-Dove**, **White-bellied Imperial Pigeon** and good views of a flock of **Yellow & Green Lorikeets**.

Further **Black-billed Koel**, **Sulawesi Cicadabird** and 3 **Knob-billed Hornbills** in flight. We heard **Piping Crow** and after some effort we had good views of 2 birds.

When scanning tree tops and bare branches we managed views of **Ivory-backed Wood Swallow**, **Fiery-browed Myna**, **Finch-billed Myna** and at least a group of 15 **Sulawesi Crested Mynas**.

At the forest edge we observed our first **Sulawesi Blue Flycatcher**, **Yellow-sided Flowerpecker** and **Grey-sided Flowerpecker**.

Around noon we returned to our guesthouse for lunch.

From 15.30 – 21.00 pm we birded extensively in the area around Lake Taming.

Here we encountered a different set of species. Good views of the endemic **Blue-fronted Flycatcher** and a male **Pygmy Cuckoo Shrike** also obliged.

Other species we saw this afternoon were **Yellow-billed Malkoha**, **Sulawesi Pygmy Woodpecker**, at least 3 **Caerulean Cuckoo-Shrikes**, **Sulawesi Drongo**, **Sulawesi Leaf Warbler**, **Black-fronted White-eye**, **Snowy-browed Flycatcher**, **Citrine Flycatcher**, **Rusty-bellied Fantail** and **Yellow-vented Whistler**.

We decided to stay in the area after dark to try for owls. Despite the annoyance of passing cars we managed good views of a **Cinnabar Boobook**.

Satisfied with the results of our first full day in the field we returned to our guesthouse.

Day 5: Friday 20 July

Again breakfast at 5.00 am and from 6.00 – 12.00 we birded again in the Taming area.

We observed our first **Golden-mantled Racquet-tails** in flight.

Caerulean Cuckoo Shrike and 2 **Pygmy Cuckoo-Shrikes** turned up again. Highlight in the morning was the observation of several **Malias**. We saw at least 7 birds today.

We tried very hard to entice a **Great Shortwing** into view but only Frans glimpsed the bird. In the same area we had brief views of a **Sulawesi Thrush**. We heard **Maroon-backed Whistler** but no views. Later we had a female briefly in that area. After lunch we birded in the same general area from 16.00 – 18.00 pm. Several **Chestnut-backed Bush Warblers** showed at the road side, a male **Crimson-crowned Flowerpecker** as well but the best species was the observation of a "**Sulawesi Flycatcher**" in a small flock. **Lesser Sulawesi Honey-eater** was also present in the area near the lake. Late afternoon we had great views in the scope of 3 **Ashy Woodpeckers** and a single **Red-eared Fruit-Dove**.

Day 6: Saturday 21 July

Breakfast at 4.00 am. At 5.30 we started our ascent of the Anaso track. We took plenty of water and a packed lunch with us.

We birded the whole day along this track and we returned to the bottom of the track at 19.00 pm.

We had to cross 2 land bridges which looked rather dilapidated. I wonder if it is still possible to ascend the Anaso Track in a few years.

We observed **Golden-mantled Racquet-tails** and best of all 3 (2 + 1) **Sombre Pigeons** in flight.

Higher up the mountain we had fantastic views of a pair of **Purple-bearded Bee-eaters**.

Mountain White-eyes became a common sight and several **Yellow-flanked Whistlers** were seen but I managed to dip them all. It was worrying that we were unable to locate any **Satanic Nightjar** on their regular roosting sites.

At the highest part of the mountain we tried for **Geomalia**. We hid along the trail and scanned the trail ahead of us, hoping the bird would appear on the trail. At one time Frans was lucky enough to observe one briefly when a bird crossed the trail just a short distance from where he was standing. But despite the fact that we staked out the area for the next hour or so the bird never reappeared.

In the same area we had good views of several **Greater Sulawesi Honey-eaters** and best of all very close and good views of a male **Greater Shortwing**.

We briefly visited the camping site, where we had lunch. Two **Mountain Serins** flew past but disappeared in the thick foliage never to be seen again.

On the way down we decided to stay until dusk in the area where normally **Satanic Nightjar** is located and we hoped that the birds would start to call and fly around at dusk.

But nothing. Good views of **Sulawesi Myzomela** though.

The descent in complete darkness was no fun.

Sulawesi Scops Owl and **Cinnabar Boobook** were heard on the way down.

Day 7: Sunday 22 July

From 6.00 – 12.00 we birded again in the Lake Taming area. Initially Royke was unable to find the entrance of a specific trail but at 7.15 we started to bird along this trail.

The birding along this trail was very productive and we had exceptional good views of a responsive male **Maroon-backed Accentor**, several **Sulawesi Thrushes** were also seen well and together with Royke I was the lucky one to flush a **Sulawesi Ground Dove** from the trail which we unfortunately could not relocate.

We drove back to the "ticket office" near Lake Taming and when we sat down next to the building a bird was flushed and it landed on the ground near a small rubbish dump, behind the building.

I put my bins on the bird and could not believe my eyes, a **Scaly-breasted Kingfisher**. This was the kingfisher species I had missed back in 1993 and had planned to try for at Gunung Ambang, where it is regularly recorded. It was an immature bird and during the next 30 minutes I was able to take some nice photographs of this bird.

We also added **Small Sparrowhawk** to our list.

Our late afternoon birding was not very productive because of a heavy downpour.

In the evening we tried for ***Sulawesi Masked Owl*** but we got no response. Because of rain we had to give up early.

Day 8: Monday 23 July

Again on the Anaso track from 5.00 – 17.00 pm. We tried to get to the best area of ***Geomalia*** as fast as possible. On the way up we had good views of ***Grey-headed Imperial Pigeon*** and the first of several ***Yellow-flanked Whistlers***. A small flock of ***Mountain Serins*** was observed by me but we failed to find the most wanted ***Geomalia***. The same applies for ***Satanic Nightjar***. Royke and a local guy tried all day to find this bird for us but to no avail.

On the way down we played the song of ***Scaly-breasted kingfisher*** in the area where we heard the species at dawn. And to our surprise a male flew in and gave brief but good views.

In the evening we birded along the main road until 19.00 pm. And besides ***Great-eared Nightjars*** we finally located a calling ***Satanic Nightjar***. At one time the bird passed us (Jan Hein's head that is) at a distance of 10 centimeters! in response to playback of its call.

Day 9: Tuesday 24 July

From 6.30 – 11.00 am we birded in the same general area as we did on day 4.

New birds included the local form of ***Peregrine Falcon***, ***Barred Buttonquail***, ***Grey-cheeked Pigeon***, a male ***Black-naped Fruit-Dove***, ***Blue-backed Parrot***, ***Large Sulawesi Hanging Parrot***, ***Little Bronze Cuckoo*** and our first ***Pale-blue Monarch***. We also drove to an area which should hold a day roost of ***Tawny-bellied Boobook***, according to a local guy. But the tree had been cut down! Great views though of a male ***Sulawesi Blue Flycatcher*** and several ***Yellow-billed Malkohas***.

After lunch we drove towards Palu. We made a few birding stops.

One was at the edge of some rice fields near Palu, where Royke regularly observes ***Pale-bellied Myna***. And sure enough after a short wait we observed 4 different birds. But I have to admit that I found the bellies of these birds not obvious pale! ***Pale-headed Munia*** and ***Chestnut Munia*** were common at this site.

In Palu we had a nice room in hotel Rama Garden.

Day 10: Wednesday 25 July

Flight from Palu (7.00 am) to Makassar where we arrived at 8.00 am. From the airport we drove straight to the nearby fishponds where it was soaring hot when we arrived. We birded the area from 10.00 – 11.30 am and despite the heat we observed some nice species. This area is most likely a lot more productive at another time of the year when migration is in full swing.

A single ***Terek Sandpiper*** and 2 ***Javan Plovers*** were our best observations. Also several ***Australian Reed Warblers*** at the edge of the fish ponds in the scrub.

After lunch we birded an area (Indonesian Cereals Research Institute) at Maros, close to Makassar, which is known for its population of ***Java Sparrow***.

And sure enough we found a flock of at least 20 birds.

At 15.00 pm we continued to the small town of Malino where we arrived at 18.00 pm.

Malino is situated at an altitude of 850 m. and was our base for exploring the Lompobatang area, the next morning. We stayed at Hotel Meso Gedung Putih where we were the only guests.

Day 11: Thursday 26 July

Before dawn we drove the short distance to the start of the trail which was supposed to bring us to a specific tract of forest where we had a chance of finding the ***Lompobatang Flycatcher***. But Royke initially failed to find the right track. By this time we were getting a bit nervous. We could see the forest but how to get there? With the help of some locals we finally found the right track and, amazingly, when we arrived in suitable habitat and played the tape of the flycatcher, we got an immediate response. Within minutes we had great views of a male ***Lompobatang Flycatcher***. A little further

we found a second pair, which I could photograph. Another surprise find was the brief observation I had of a **Red-backed Thrush**, a species I was hoping to find at Tangkoko, later on the trip. Unfortunately I was the only one who saw the bird. Satisfied we returned to the main road and we ended our session with no less than 5 **Lompobattang Flycatchers**. Jan Hein also saw a pair of **Sulawesi Thrushes** and another southern specialty, **Black-ringed White-eye** was easily found. **Streak-headed White-eye** also gave good views. After lunch we drove back to Makassar where we flew in the early evening to Manado. We spent the night in the excellent Manado Quality hotel.

Day 12: Friday 27 July

After an extensive and slightly late breakfast we left for the long drive (5 hours) to the village of Sinsingon at the foot of Gunung Ambang. During a road side stop we had good views of at least 4 **Bay Coucals**.

We took a room in the guesthouse of the local ranger Julius. Here we met a British birder Paul Dobson. He just finished a nice trip to West Papua and as Jan Hein and I had birded West Papua last year, we had a lot to talk about.

From 15.00 – 19.00 pm we birded the lower section and scrubby edge of Gunung Ambang. We had good and close views of **Purple-bearded Bee-eater** but not a sound of the **Cinnabar Boobook**.

On our way back to the village, Frans suddenly noticed a **Sulawesi Masked Owl**, gliding over the fields and landing in a tree at the edge of a small forest patch. During the next hour we tried to relocate the bird but only flushed it twice.

Day 13: Saturday 28 July

Before dawn we walked up the mountain and we birded Gunung Ambang from 6.15 – 11.00 am. **Satanic Nightjar** was heard at dawn.

We slowly walked up the trail. We located several singing **Matinan Flycatchers**, the specialty of the area, and after some careful manoeuvring we had great views of the bird and were even able to photograph it.

On the way down we spent some time with a gorgeous pair of **Purple-bearded Bee-eaters** at their nesting site. A bash through some scrub gave us a pair of **Blue-breasted Quail**.

After lunch we left for the drive to Kotamobagua. We made an extensive birding stop along the main road and this stop gave us quite some good birds.

We had our first **Purple Needletails** and a fruiting tree held both **Superb Fruit-Dove** and **Black-naped Fruit-Dove**.

Hotel in Kotamobagua (Senator Resort)

Day 14: Sunday 29 July

Left Kotamobagua at 4.00 am and at dawn we arrived at Tambun, the traditional site for the mythical **Maleo**. We positioned ourselves strategically, overlooking a forested hillside, used by the species as a roosting place. But nothing happened and we decided to enter the forest to look for the species. And this time we were successful as we surprised a pair walking on the forest floor but they flew off before we all got good views. A little later we twice discovered a bird in a tree and especially the latter one could be observed at length. After this highlight of the trip we continued by car to the forest ranger station at Toraut (Dumoga Bone NP), where we arrived around noon.

A short stop at a swampy area gave us **Little Pied Cormorant**, **Sunda Teal**, **Wandering Whistling Duck**, **White-browed Crake** and **Dark-backed Swamphen**. In the afternoon we crossed the river on a raft and accompanied by 2 rangers we entered the forest, which was rather quiet.

Besides a **Lilac-cheeked Kingfisher** and 2 single **Sulawesi Trillers** we did not find much inside the forest.

We continued to the forest edge where we stayed until dusk, observing the forest edge from a vantage point. A fruiting tree produced **Brown-Cuckoo Dove**, **Sulawesi Black**

Pigeon, Grey-cheeked Green Pigeon, Black-naped Fruit-Dove, Grey-headed Imperial Pigeon, Green Imperial Pigeon and Silver-tipped Imperial Pigeon.

Other nice birds seen in the late afternoon include **Isabelline Waterhen**, great views in the scope of **Yellow-breasted Racquet-tail, Blue-backed Parrot, Ornate Lorikeet, Knobbed Hornbill** and we added **Pied Cuckoo-Shrike** to our list. At dusk **Great-eared Nightjar** was heard and seen.

Day 15: Monday 30 July

We birded a full morning along a road at the edge of the Dumoga Bone NP. This was near the villages of Matayangan and Tapakolintang.

Unfortunately Royke was the only one who observed a **Maroon-chinned Fruit-Dove** in flight. We later heard the species but no views.

After lunch we first were shown a pair of **Speckled Boobooks** at their daytime roost in a nearby shack. We slowly walked the trails at Toraut and suddenly a small, dark rail crossed the trail, just in front of me, a **Blue-faced Rail!**

We heard **Red-bellied Pitta** but could not entice the bird to show itself. Along the small stream we observed the local ssp. of **Common Kingfisher**. **Purple Needletails** gave a great show at the forest edge, late afternoon. They sometimes passed us within a few meters at eye level. A vocal pair of **Purple-winged Rollers** were also appreciated a lot and an **Oriental Hobby** was a nice bonus.

Some spotlighting gave us great views of **Sulawesi Scops Owl** but **Ochre-bellied Boobook** was only heard.

Day 16: Tuesday 31 July

We birded a full day in the forest patch near Toraut with a lunch break at noon.

Our main targets were some missing endemics and we succeeded in finding a small flock of **Sulawesi Dwarf Hornbills** and we had good views of **Maroon-chinned Fruit-Dove**.

Day 17: Wednesday 1 August

At 7.00 am we left for the 10-hour drive to Manado and on to Tangkoko NR.

We had a nice lunch at a restaurant overlooking rice fields near Manado. From the car I saw a single **Java Sparrow** at the outskirts of Manado.

Just before dusk we arrived at Tangkoko Dove Resort a few km outside the small fishing village of Batu Putih.

Here we got the information that we had to pay 300.000 RP. a person a day for a local birding guide when entering the national park the next day. A few months later there was a fierce debate within the OBC mailing list about these exorbitant prices the local guides are asking for, for guiding. It meant that we had to pay 1.800.000 RP in total for 2 days of birding at Tangkoko!! The day we left, our local guide told us that the next day he was supposed to guide a group of 9 birders from Singapore for 2 days. You can figure out for yourself how much money that yield for him.

Day 18: Thursday 2 August

At 6.30 we left for our boat trip to a mangrove area to try for **Great-billed Kingfisher**.

The reason to do this in the morning was the fact that in the afternoon the sea became too rough to undertake this boat trip. It took a while but finally we succeeded in having great views of several **Great-billed Kingfishers**. **Rainbow Bee-eaters** and a single **Pink-necked Green Pigeon** were also seen.

On the way back we checked a cave which used to be a reliable stake-out for **Sulawesi Masked Owl** but for some reason the birds have not been seen for some time now.

A large flock of **Black-naped Terns**, a few **Lesser Frigatebirds** and a single **Pied Imperial Pigeon** were observed during our return trip.

At 9.00 we landed again on the beach and we spent the rest of the morning (until 13.00) on the trails inside the forest. Highlight was the observation of a pair of **Ochre-bellied Boobooks** at their daytime roost. We also saw the first of many **Green-backed Kingfishers** and a single **Lilac-cheeked Kingfisher**.

After lunch we checked another patch of forest, outside the actual reserve and highlight was the observation of the rare ***Sulawesi Dwarf Kingfisher***. In the evening we checked a few areas for ***Sulawesi Nightjar*** and we had brief views of a calling and perched bird.

Day 19: Friday 3 August

We spent a full morning (6.00 – 13.00) on the trails inside the forest of Tangkoko. Our main target was ***Red-backed Thrush*** and it took a while before we found at least 3 different birds, finally giving great views. ***Red-bellied Pitta*** was also seen twice in the same area.

We checked the river for ***Ruddy Kingfisher*** but failed to locate it.

After lunch we birded the immediate surroundings of our lodge and late afternoon we drove to a ridge to try for our last 2 targets, ***Lesser Sulawesi H.Parrot*** and ***White-rumped Cuckoo-Shrike***. We saw some nice species but not our targets.

Owling in the evening gave us a calling ***Sulawesi Masked Owl*** (no views) and good views of ***Sulawesi Scops Owl***.

Day 20: Saturday 4 August

On our last morning we decided to concentrate on the area just outside the village, which is usually reliable for especially the Cuckoo-Shrike. I saw the species easily in 1993.

We did see ***Lesser Sulawesi H.Parrot*** but not the ***Cuckoo-Shrike***. This was a really unexpected dip. At 9.30 am we left for our drive to Manado.

At the airport we said goodbye to Royke and at 14.00 pm we flew from Manado to Jakarta where we arrived at 16.00 pm. Took a taxi to hotel Ibis.

Day 21: Sunday 5 August

At dawn we took a taxi to Muara Angke (at least to what we thought was Muara Angke) Back home Jan Hein found out that we went to the wrong place.

Our target was ***Sunda Coucal***. We birded the area to 11.00 and then returned to our hotel. Afternoon we watched the Olympics in our room.

Early evening Jan Hein left for the airport for his KLM flight to Amsterdam.

A few hours later we followed and just after midnight we flew to Dubai and on to Amsterdam.

Day 22: Monday 6 August

Arrived at Schiphol airport

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SHORT ITINERARY

16-07 Eindhoven – Amsterdam – Dubai – Jakarta

17-07 Arrival Jakarta in afternoon. Jakarta

18-07 Jakarta – Makassar – Palu. By car to Wuasa, Lore Lindu

19-07 Lore Lindu

20-07 Lore Lindu

21-07 Lore Lindu

22-07 Lore Lindu

23-07 Lore Lindu

24-07 Lore Lindu. Afternoon drive from Wuasa to Palu. Night in Palu

25-07 Palu – Makassar. Drive to Malino. Night in Malino

26-07 Lompobattang area. Drive to Makassar. Evening flight to Manado. Night Manado.

27-07 Manado – Gunung Ambang. Afternoon Gunung Ambang

28-07 Gunung Ambang in the morning. Drive to Kotamobagua. Night Kotamobagua

29-07 Kotamobagua to Tambun. Tambun to Toraut. Forest at Toraut.

30-07 Dumoga Bone NP. in morning. Afternoon at forest patch Toraut.

31-07 All day forest patch of Toraut.

01-08 Drive from Toraut – Manado – Tangkoko. Village of Kalu Batih Puti. Night Dove Resort

02-08 Tangkoko NR.

03-08 Tangkoko NR

04-08 Tangkoko in the morning. Drive to Manado. Flight Manado – Jakarta.

05-08 Jakarta Muara Angke. Evening flight Jakarta – Dubai – Amsterdam.

06-08 Arrival at Schiphol Airport, Amsterdam.

SYSTEMATIC LIST OF OBSERVED SPECIES

Species with asterisk * and in capitals are endemic species of Sulawesi

FREGATIDAE

Lesser Frigatebird *Fregata Ariel*

02-08 3 along the coast near Tangkoko.

PHALACROCORACIDAE

Little Pied Cormorant *Phalacrocorax melanoleucos*

28/29-07 and 01-08 1 at a swampy area near Toraut.

ARDEIDAE

Purple Heron *Ardea purpurea*

A total of 7 on 4 dates in the Lore Lindu area.

25-07 2 at the fishponds near Makassar

26-07 10+ Makassar.

27-07 1 near Manado

A total of 8 on 4 dates near Toraut, Dumoga Bone

Great Egret *Casmerodius alba*

19-07 1 near Wuasa

25-07 5 at the fishponds near Makassar

26-07 10+ Makassar

29-07/01-08 1 near Toraut

Intermediate Egret *Egretta intermedia*

26-07 1 at Makassar

Little Egret *Egretta garzetta*

22-07 2 near Wuasa

25-07 40+ at the fish ponds near Makassar

26-07 1 Makassar

Pacific Reef Heron *Egretta sacra*

01-08 10+ along the coast near Tangkoko.

Eastern Cattle Egret *Bubulcus coromandus*

Observed throughout (11 dates)

Javan Pond Heron *Ardeola speciosa*

Observed on 9 dates

Striated Heron *Butorides striatus*

25-07 20 at the fish ponds near Makassar

26-07 10+ Makassar

29-07 1 near Toraut

Yellow Bittern *Ixobrychus sinensis*

01-08 1 between Toraut and Manado, during a roadside stop at a swampy area.

Cinnamon Bittern *Ixobrychus cinnamomeus*

24-07 1 ex near Palu

01-08 4 between Toraut and Manado, during a roadside stop at a swampy area.

CICONIIDAE

Woolly-necked Stork *Ciconia episcopus*

18-07 20 at Makassar airport

ACCIPITRIDAE

Barred Honey Buzzard *Pernis celebensis*

19-07 1 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu.

30-07 1 near Toraut, Dumoga Bone

Black Kite *Milvus migrans (Govinda) race affinis*

25-07 1 near Makassar

27-07 1 near Gunung Ambang

01-08 3 between Toraut - Manado

Brahminy Kite *Haliastur Indus*

26-07 3 Malino – Makassar
 27-07 1 near Manado
 28/29-07 2 at Gunung Ambang.
 31-07/01-08 1 near Toraut
 Daily a few at Tangkoko

Lesser Fish Eagle *Ichthyophaga humilis*

Heard on 3 dates at Toraut, Dumoga Bone

*** SULAWESI SERPENT EAGLE** *Spilornis rufipectus*

19-07 4 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu
 24-07 1 in the same area
 30-07 1 near Toraut, Dumoga Bone

Spotted Harrier *Circus assimilis*

30/31-07 1 near Toraut, Dumoga Bone

*** SULAWESI GOSHAWK** *Accipiter griseiceps*

19-07 1 observed in the scope near Wuasa, Lore Lindu.
 02-08 1 in the forest of Tangkoko.

*** SPOT-TAILED GOSHAWK** *Accipiter trinitatus*

21-07 1 at Lore Lindu
 28-07 1 Gunung Ambang

*** SMALL SPARROWHAWK** *Accipiter nanus*

22-07 twice seen near Lake Taming, Lore Lindu.

Black Eagle *Ictinaetus malayensis*

19-07 twice a single bird Lore Lindu
 21-07 1 pair at Lore Lindu
 28-07 3 between Gunung Ambang – Kotamobagua
 30-07 1 near Toraut

Rufous-bellied Eagle *Hieraaetus kienerii ssp. formosus*

19-07 3-4 at Lore Lindu
 28-07 1 between Gunung Ambang - Kotamobagua

*** SULAWESI HAWK-EAGLE** *Spizaetus lanceolatus*

19-07 1 Lore Lindu
 22-07 Heard at Lore Lindu
 26-07 Heard near Malino
 03-08 1 perched adult with prey, giving great views at Tangkoko.

FALCONIDAE

Spotted Kestrel *Falco moluccensis*

22-07 3 Lore Lindu in scrubby habitat
 24-07 1 in same area
 25-07 1 between Makassar – Malino
 27/28-07 2 Gunung Ambang

Daily 2 observed near Toraut, Dumoga Bone

Oriental Hobby *Falco severus*

30-07 1 near Toraut, Dumoga Bone

Peregrine Falcon *Falco peregrinus ssp. ernesti*

24-07 1 adult near Wuasa, Lore Lindu.

DENDROCYGNIDAE

Wandering Whistling-Duck *Dendrocygna arcuata*

29-07 10 at a small swamp near Toraut
 01-08 20 at the same site.

ANATIDAE

Sunda Teal *Anas gibberifrons*

29-07 5 at a small swamp near Toraut
 01-08 10 at the same site

29/30-07 2 near Toraut along the river

MEGAPODIIDAE

Philippine (Tabon) Scrubfowl *Megapodius cumingii*

02-08 1 in the forest at Tangkoko.

03-08 3 in the forest at Tangkoko

* **MALEO** *Macrocephalon maleo*

28-07 2 probably 3 birds at Tambun. Excellent and close views of a perched bird was one of the highlights of the trip.

TURNICIDAE

Barred Buttonquail *Turnix suscitator*

24-07 a female in secondary scrub, Lore Lindu.

PHASIANIDAE

Blue-breasted Quail *Coturnix chinensis*

28-07 1 pair at the edge of the forest at Gunung Ambang

Red Junglefowl *Gallus gallus*

29/31-07 Heard in the forest near Toraut. Royke actually saw the bird on 31-07.

RALLIDAE

Buff-banded Rail *Gallirallus philippensis*

25-07 Excellent views of 1 at the fish ponds near Makassar

31-07 1 near Toraut.

Barred Rail *Gallirallus torquatus*

24-07 2 in scrubby habitat at Lore Lindu

27-07 2 between Manado – Gunung Ambang.

Seen from the car along the roadside

Daily heard near Toraut.

01-08 4 between Toraut - Manado

* **BLUE-FACED RAIL** *Gymnocrex rosenbergii*

30-07 1 crossing the trail at the forest patch of Toraut.

White-browed Crake *Poliolimnas cinerea*

29-07 1 at a small swamp near Toraut

01-08 4 at a swampy area between Toraut - Manado

* **ISABELLINE WATERHEN** *Amaurornis isabellinus*

29-07 2 seen at the edge of a field near Toraut

30/31-07 Heard in the same area.

White-breasted Waterhen *Amaurornis phoenicurus*

24-07 1 at the edge of a ricefield near Palu.

31-07 1 near Toraut

Common Moorhen *Gallinula chloropus*

24-07 1 at the edge of a ricefield near Palu.

29-07 2 at a small swamp near Toraut

01-08 3 at a swampy area between Toraut - Manado

Dusky Moorhen *Gallinula tenebrosa*

01-08 5 at a swampy area between Toraut - Manado

Black-backed Swampen *Porphyrio indicus*

29-07 5 at a small swamp near Toraut

01-08 1 at a swampy area between Toraut - Manado

RECURVIROSTRIDAE

White-headed Stilt *Himantopus leucocephalus*

25-07 40+ at the fishponds near Makassar

26-07 1 Makassar

CHARADRIIDAE

Javan Plover *Charadrius javanicus*

25-07 2 at the fish ponds near Makassar

SCOLOPACIDAE

Eurasian Whimbrel *Numenius phaeopus*

25-07 5 in the mangroves, fishponds near Makassar

Common Redshank *Tringa tetanus*

25-07 2 in the mangroves, fishponds near Makassar

Common Greenshank *Tringa nebularia*

25-07 2 at the fishponds near Makassar

Wood Sandpiper *Tringa glareola*

25-07 2 at Makassar

Terek Sandpiper *Xenus cinereus*

25-07 1 at the fish ponds of Makassar

STERNIDAE

Whiskered Tern *Chlidonias hybrida*

25-07 100+ at the fish ponds of Makassar

26-07 5 at Makassar

Black-naped Tern *Sterna sumatrana*

01-08 50+ along the coast near Tangkoko

Little Tern *Sterna albifrons*

25-07 10 at the fish ponds of Makassar

26-07 10 at Makassar

COLUMBIDAE

Rock Dove *Columba livia*

Observed

Red-collared Dove *Streptopelia tranquebarica*

18-07 20 between Palu – Wuasa

24-07 10+ in scrubby habitat near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

25-07 6 at Makassar

Spotted Dove *Streptopelia chinensis*

A total of 23 birds recorded on 7 dates.

Brown Cuckoo-Dove *Macropygia amboinensis*

19/20-07 7 and 8 at Lore Lindu

24-07 3 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

26-07 2 near Malino

27/28-07 1 + 4 at Gunung Ambang

29/30-07 1 at Toraut

03/04-08 2 + 1 at Tangkoko

*** SULAWESI BLACK PIGEON** *Turacoena manadensis*

29/30-07 1 at Toraut

02/03-08 2 + 2 at Tangkoko

Emerald Dove *Chalcophaps indica*

29-07 1 at Tambun

Stephan's Dove *Chalcophaps stephani*

30-07 1 Dumoga Bone

01/02-08 1 + 1 at Tangkoko

*** SULAWESI GROUND-DOVE** *Gallicolumba tristigmata*

22-07 1 flushed along a small trail at Lore Lindu.

28-07 1 seen by Royke at Gunung Ambang

Pink-necked Green Pigeon *Treron vernans*

02-08 1 in the mangroves near Tangkoko was our only positive observation.

Grey-cheeked Green Pigeon *Treron griseicauda*

24-07 10+ in scrubby habitat near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

- 29-07 5 at Toraut
 31-07 2 at Toraut
 04-08 2 at Tangkoko
 * **RED-EARED FRUIT-DOVE** *Ptilinopus fischeri*
 20/21-07 1 + 2 at Lore Lindu Great views in the scope
 22-07 heard at Lore Lindu
 23-07 10 at Lore Lindu.
 * **MAROON-CHINNED FRUIT-DOVE** *Ptilinopus subularis*
 30-07 1 in flight by Royke , Dumoga Bone. Also heard.
 31-07 2 observed along the trails at Toraut, Dumoga Bone.
Superb Fruit Dove *Ptilinopus superbus ssp. temminckii*
 19/20-07 2 + 1 at Lore Lindu. More heard.
 27-07 Heard at Gunung Ambang
 28-07 2 between Gunung Ambang - Kotamobagua
Black-naped Fruit Dove *Ptilinopus melanospila*
 24-07 1 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu
 28-07 1 between Gunung Ambang – Kotamobagua
 29-07 1 at Toraut
 a total of 5 on 3 dates at Tangkoko
 * **WHITE-BELLIED IMPERIAL PIGEON** *Ducula forsteni*
 A total of 11 on 3 dates at Lore Lindu
 28-07 heard at Gunung Ambang
 03-08 5 Tangkoko
 * **GREY-HEADED IMPERIAL PIGEON** *Ducula radiata*
 23-07 3 along the Anaso track, Lore Lindu
 29-07 3 at Toraut
 03-08 15 at Tangkoko
Green Imperial Pigeon *Ducula aenea ssp. paulina*
 29/30/31-07 10 + 6 + 6 at Toraut, Dumoga Bone
 03/04-08 30 + 6 at Tangkoko
Pied Imperial Pigeon *Ducula bicolor*
 02-08 1 single bird along the coast near Tangkoko
 * **SILVER-TIPPED IMPERIAL PIGEON** *Ducula luctuosa*
 A total of 26 on 3 dates at Toraut, Dumoga Bone.
 03/04-08 40 + 15 at Tangkoko
 * **SOMBRE PIGEON** *Cryptophaps poecilorrhoea*
 On 21-07 3 birds in flight only along the Anaso Track, Lore Lindu.

PSITTACIDAE

- * **ORNATE LORIKEET** *Trichoglossus ornatus*
 Regularly heard at Lore Lindu.
 22/23-07 1 + 4 at Lore Lindu
 29/30/31-07 4 + 10 + 20 at Toraut, Dumoga Bone
 03-08 25 at Tangkoko
 * **YELLOW & GREEN LORIKEET** *Trichoglossus flavoviridis*
 19-07 30 at Lore Lindu
 * **YELLOW-BREASTED RACQUET-TAIL** *Prioniturus flavicans*
 29/30-07 1 + 2 at Toraut, Dumoga Bone. Excellent views in the scope
 03-08 3 at Tangkoko
 * **GOLDEN-MANTLED RACQUET-TAIL** *Prioniturus platurus*
 A total of 75 on 4 dates at Lore Lindu.
 26-07 4 Lompobatang area.
 27/28-07 4 + 1 at Gunung Ambang
 30/31-07 3 + 4 at Toraut, Dumoga Bone
 03-08 8 at Tangkoko

Blue-backed Parrot *Tanygnathus sumatranus*

24-07 1 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

29/31-07 7 + 15 at Toraut

03-08 6 at Tangkoko

*** (LARGE) SULAWESI HANGING-PARROT** *Loriculus stigmatus*

18-07 1 between Palu – Wuasa

24-07 4 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

28-07 2 between Gunung Ambang – Kotamobagua

30-07 10 at Dumoga Bone

03-08 5 at Tangkoko

*** PYGMY (SMALL SULAWESI) HANGING-PARROT** *Loriculus exilis*

04-08 1 near Kali Batih Putih, Tangkoko. This was the only reliable observation

CUCULIDAE

Plaintive Cuckoo *Cacomantis merulinus*

29-07 Heard at Tambun

01-08 Heard before Tangkoko

Rusty-breasted Cuckoo *Cacomantis sepulcralis*

Daily heard at Lore Lindu and seen on 18-07.

26-07 1 seen and heard at Lompobatang area.

27-07 1 seen at Toraut.

01/03/08 Heard at Tangkoko

Little Bronze Cuckoo *Chrysococcyx minutillus*

24-07 1 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu.

Gould's Bronze Cuckoo *Chrysococcyx russatus*

19-07 Heard at Lore Lindu

29-07 Heard at Toraut.

30-07 1 seen at Toraut, Dumoga Bone

*** BLACK-BILLED KOEL** *Eudynamys melanorhyncha*

Recorded on 11 dates.

Mostly heard but several seen well

*** YELLOW-BILLED MALKOHA** *Phaenicophaeus calyrorhynchus*

A total of 6 on 3 dates in the Lore Lindu area.

27-07 1 during stop between Manado – Gunung Ambang

28-07 6 Gunung Ambang

29-07 2 at Tambun

A total of 14 on 4 dates in the Dumoga Bone area.

A total of 6 on 3 dates at Tangkoko

Lesser Coucal *Centropus bengalensis*

Recorded on 8 dates. At least 5 seen on 4 dates.

Mostly at forest edges and secondary scrub

*** BAY COUCAL** *Centropus celebensis*

27-07 4 during stop between Manado – Gunung Ambang

30/31-07 1 + 8 Toraut, Dumoga Bone.

Also heard at Gunung Ambang and Tangkoko

STRIGIDAE

*** SULAWESI MASKED OWL** *Tyto rosenbergii*

27-07 1 near the village of Sinsingon, Gunung Ambang.

Before dusk Frans discovered a bird flying low over an agriculture field near the village.

The next hour the bird which called infrequently, was flushed twice but was never really seen perched for a longer period.

31-07 1 heard at Toraut.

01/03-08 Heard at Tangkoko

*** SULAWESI SCOPS OWL** *Otus manadensis*

21/23-07 Heard at Lore Lindu

30-07 Great views in the spotlight at Toraut.

- 30/31-07 Heard at Toraut
 03-08 Heard and 1 spotlighted at Tangkoko.
 * **OCHRE-BELLIED BOOBOOK** *Ninox ochracea*
 30/31-07 Heard at Toraut
 01-08 Heard at Tangkoko
 02-08 Astonishing views of a pair at its daytime roost at Tangkoko
 * **SPECKLED BOOBOOK** *Ninox punctulata*
 30-07 3 seen in broad daylight at a shack at Toraut ranger station.
 31-07 Heard at Toraut
 01/02-08 Heard at Tangkoko
 * **CINNABAR BOOBOOK** *Ninox ios*
 Heard on 3 dates at Lore Lindu
 19-07 1 bird spotlighted along the main road, near lake Tambing, Lore Lindu

CAPRIMULGIDAE

- * **SATANIC (DIABOLICAL) NIGHTJAR** *Eurostopodus diabolicus*
 23-07 2 along the main road, near Lake Tambing, Lore Lindu.
 28-07 Heard at Gunung Ambang
Great Eared Nightjar *Eurostopodus macrotis*
 23-07 3 along the main road, near Lake Tambing, Lore Lindu.
 29/30/31-07 2 + 6 + 4 at Toraut, Dumoga Bone
 02/03-08 2 + 3 Tangkoko
 * **SULAWESI NIGHTJAR** *Caprimulgus celebensis*
 01/02-08 1 at Tangkoko
Savanna Nightjar *Caprimulgus affinis*
 18/24-07 1 near Palu
 25-07 1 near Makassar

APODIDAE

- Uniform Swiftlet** *Collocalia vanikorensis*
 Observed on 13 dates
 * **SULAWESI SWIFTLET** *Collocalia sororum*
 Observed on 6 dates.
 19-07 4 at Lore Lindu
 25-07 Common near Makassar
 Also observed at Toraut and Tangkoko.
Glossy Swiftlet *Collocalia esculenta*
 Observed on 17 days
Purple Needletail *Hirundapus celebensis*
 28-07 8 between Gunung Ambang – Kotamobagua
 Up to 20 daily in the Toraut area. Some great and very close views of low-flying birds.
House Swift *Apus nipalensis*
 25-07 1 near a bridge, Makassar.
Pacific Swift *Apus pacificus*
 03-08 1 at Tangkoko
Asian palm Swift *Cypsiurus balasiensis*
 18-07 4 near Palu
 29-07 2 near Tambun

HEMIPROCNIDAE

- Grey-rumped Tree Swift** *Hemiprocne longipennis*
 Recorded on 12 dates. Locally common

ALCEDINIDAE

- * **GREEN-BACKED KINGFISHER** *Actenoides monachus*
 A total of 13 on 2 dates at Tangkoko

- * **SCALY-BREASTED KINGFISHER** *Actenoides princes*
 22-07 Fantastic views of an imm. bird near Lake Taming, Lore Lindu
 23-07 1 male taped in along the lower part of the Anaso Track, Lore Lindu.
- * **LILAC-CHEEKED KINGFISHER** *Cittura cyanotis*
 Single birds on 3 dates at Toraut, Dumoga Bone
 02/03-08 2 + 2 at Tangkoko
- * **GREAT-BILLED KINGFISHER** *Halcyon melanorhyncha*
 02-08 3 of this monsters in the mangroves near Tangkoko
- Ruddy Kingfisher** *Halcyon coromanda*
 02/03-08 Heard at Tangkoko
 04-08 At the last moment we found a perched bird near the bridge, Tangkoko
- Collared Kingfisher** *Halcyon chloris*
 Recorded on 12 dates
- Sacred Kingfisher** *Halcyon sancta*
 24-07 1 near Palu
 25-07 1 at the fishponds near Makassar
 01-08 2 near Manado
- * **SULAWESI DWARF KINGFISHER** *Ceyx fallax*
 02-08 1 at Tangkoko. Nice views of a perched bird.
- Common Kingfisher** *Alcedo atthis ssp.hispidoides*
 29-07 1 near Toraut
 30/31-07 3 + 2 along the river, Toraut
 04-08 1 at Tangkoko

MEROPIDAE

- Blue-tailed Bee-eater** *Merops philippensis*
 18-07 5 between Palu – Wuasa
 24-07 20 between Wuasa – Palu
 25/26-07 10 + 2 near Makassar.
- Rainbow Bee-eater** *Merops ornatus*
 02-08 10 in the mangroves near Tangkoko
- * **PURPLE-BEARDED BEE-EATER** *Meropogon forsteri*
 21/23-07 2 + 1 along the Anaso Track, Lore Lindu
 27/28-07 1 + 2 Gunung Ambang

CORACIIDAE

- * **PURPLE-WINGED ROLLER** *Coracias temminckii*
 30-07 2 at Toraut
 02/03-07 1 + 2 at Tangkoko
- Common Dollarbird** *Eurystomus azureus*
 02-08 2 in the mangroves near Tangkoko

BUCEROTIDAE

- * **SULAWESI DWARF HORNBILL** *Penelopides exarhatus*
 30-07 Heard and 1 seen at Toraut.
 31-07 3+6 at Toraut
 02-08 Heard at Tangkoko.
 03-08 Heard and 1 scoped at Tangkoko
- * **KNOBBED HORNBILL** *Rhyticeros cassidix*
 19-07 3 at Lore Lindu. Surprisingly the only observation in the Lore Lindu area.
 Daily up to 8 at Toraut, Dumoga Bone.
 02-08 Heard and 1 at Tangkoko
 03-08 At least 20 in the late afternoon at a lookout point, Tangkoko

PICIDAE

- * **SULAWESI PYGMY WOODPECKER** *Picoides temminckii*
 19-07 5 at Lore Lindu

20-07 1 at Lore Lindu
 22-07 Heard at Lore Lindu
 25-07 1 near Malino
 26-07 1 pair in the Lompobatang area
 * **ASHY WOODPECKER** *Mulleripicus fulvus*
 20-07 3 near Lake Taming, Lore Lindu
 29-07 1 at Tambun and 2 at Toraut
 31-07 2 at Toraut
 02/03-08 1 + 1 at Tangkoko

PITTIDAE

Red-bellied Pitta *Pitta erythrogaster*

29-07 1 at Tambun
 30/31-07 Heard at Toraut
 03-08 Twice excellent views of 1 at Tangkoko

HIRUNDINIDAE

Pacific Swallow *Hirundo tahitica*

Observed

CAMPEPHAGIDAE

* **CAERULEAN CUCKOO-SHRIKE** *Coracina temminckii*

19/20-07 3 + 3 at Lore Lindu
 22-07 Heard along the Anaso Track, Lore Lindu

* **PIED CUCKOO-SHRIKE** *Coracina bicolor*

29/30-07 3 + 6 at Toraut, Dumoga Bone

* **PYGMY CUCKOO-SHRIKE** *Coracina abbotti*

19/20-07 1 + 5 at Lake Taming, Lore Lindu
 23-07 1 along the Anaso Track, Lore Lindu

* **SULAWESI CICADABIRD** *Coracina morio*

19-07 3 at Lore Lindu
 24-07 2 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu
 26-07 2 Lompobatang area
 30/31-07 1 + 2 at Toraut, Dumoga Bone

* **SULAWESI TRILLER** *Lalage leucopygialis*

29/30-07 2 + 4 at Toraut, Dumoga Bone.

White-shouldered Triller *Lalage sueurii*

18-07 1 near Palu
 24-07 5 Wuasa – Palu
 25-07 10+ near Makassar

PYCNONOTIDAE

Sooty-headed Bulbul *Pycnonotus aurogaster*

Recorded on 11 dates

DICRURIDAE

* **SULAWESI DRONGO** *Dicrurus montanus*

A total of 15 on 4 dates in Lore Lindu.

28-07 2 at Gunung Ambang
 29/31-07 1 + 2 at Toraut, Dumoga Bone
 03-08 1 at Tangkoko

Hair-crested Drongo *Dicrurus hottentotus ssp. leucops*

Recorded Makassar, Gunung Ambang, Dumoga Bone and Tangkoko. (8 dates)

ORIOOLIDAE

Black-naped Oriole *Oriolus chinensis*

19/24-07 2 + 1 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

Single birds at Gunung Ambang
Up to 5 daily at Toraut
04-08 3 at Tangkoko

CORVIDAE

Slender-billed Crow *Corvus enca*

Recorded on 9 dates. Not in the Lore Lindu area.

* **PIPING CROW** *Corvus typicus*

19-07 2 at Lore Lindu. Also heard on 2 more dates.

26-07 1 Lompobatang area

TIMALIIDAE

* **SULAWESI BABBLER** *Trichastoma celebense*

Recorded on 12 dates. Mostly heard but also good views of this species.

* **MALIA** *Malia grata*

Heard on 5 dates in Lore Lindu + a total of 16 seen on 4 dates in Lore Lindu.

TURDIDAE

* **GREAT SHORTWING** *Heinrichia calligyna*

20-07 1 briefly seen at Lore Lindu.

21-07 Amazing close views of a singing male along the Anaso Track, Lore Lindu

22/23-07 Heard at Lore Lindu

* **RED-BACKED THRUSH** *Zoothera erythronota*

26-07 1 seen at Lompobatang. Unexpected observation.

03-08 3 observed at Tangkoko

* **SULAWESI THRUSH** *Cataponera turdoides*

Heard on 4 dates at Lore Lindu

20/22-07 1 + 2 seen very well at Lore Lindu

26-07 2 Lompobatang area

* **GEOMALIA** *Geomalia heinrichi*

21-07 1 crossing the Anaso Track, Lore Lindu. Frans only

Pied Chat *Saxicola caprata*

A total of 10 observed on 6 dates. Scrubby habitat and forest edges.

PARDALOTIDAE

Golden-bellied Gerygone (Flyeater) *Gerygone sulphurea*

Recorded on 10 dates. A total of 11 seen on 6 dates

SYLVIIDAE

Chestnut-backed Bush-Warbler *Bradypterus castaneus*

A total of 12 seen on 5 dates in Lore Lindu

27/28-07 H + 2 at Gunung Ambang

Australian Reed Warbler *Acrocephalus australis ssp.celebensis*

25-07 4 Fishponds near Makassar

26-07 2 at Makassar

Mountain Tailorbird *Orthotomus cuculatus*

Daily heard at Lore Lindu and daily a few seen.

28-07 2 at Gunung Ambang

* **SULAWESI LEAF-WARBLER** *Phylloscopus sarasinorum*

Up to 10 daily at Lore Lindu

25-07 10 Malino

27/28-07 2 + 2 at Gunung Ambang

CISTICOLIDAE

Zitting Cisticola *Cisticola juncidis*

24-07 1 near Palu

25-07 4 Fishponds near Makassar

Golden-headed Cisticola *Cisticola exilis*

19-07 1 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu
 22-07 1 Lore Lindu
 27-07 Heard near Gunung Ambang

MUSCICAPIDAE

*** SULAWESI FLYCATCHER** *Muscicapa ???*

20-07 1 Lore Lindu

Island Verditer Flycatcher *Eumyias panayensis*

A total of 7 on 5 dates at Lore Lindu

26-07 4 Lompobatang area.

28-07 1 Gunung Ambang

Snowy-browed Flycatcher *Ficedula hyperythra*

A total of 7 on 5 dates at Lore Lindu

28-07 3 Gunung Ambang

Little Pied Flycatcher *Ficedula westermanni*

Single birds on 3 dates at Lore Lindu.

26-07 1 Lompobatang area

*** BLUE-FRONTED FLYCATCHER** *Cyornis hoevelli*

A total of 11 on 4 dates at Lore Lindu

*** MATINAN FLYCATCHER** *Cyornis sanfordi*

28-07 4 Gunung Ambang

*** LOMPOBATTANG FLYCATCHER** *Ficedula bonthaina*

26-07 5 Lompobatang area

*** SULAWESI Blue flycatcher** *Cyornis omissus*

19/24-07 3 + 3 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

26-07 2 Lompobatang area

MONARCHIDAE

*** PALE BLUE MONARCH** *Hypothymis puella*

24-07 1 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

28-07 1 Gunung Ambang

31-07 2 at Toraut

A total of 12 on 3 dates at Tangkoko

RHIPIDURIDAE

*** RUSTY-BELLIED FANTAIL** *Rhipidura teysmanni*

A total of 45 on 6 dates at Lore Lindu

26-07 3 Lompobatang area

28-07 2 Gunung Ambang

PETROICIDAE

Citrine Flycatcher *Culicicapa helianthea*

A total of 17 on 4 dates at Lore Lindu

26-07 2 Lompobatang area

27/28-07 2 + 3 Gunung Ambang

PACHYCEPHALIDAE

*** MAROON-BACKED WHISTLER** *Coracornis raveni*

20-07 female Lore Lindu

22-07 Great views of a male near Lake Tambing, Lore Lindu

23-07 Heard and 1 male seen along the Anaso Track, Lore Lindu

*** YELLOW-VENTED WHISTLER** *Pachycephala sulfuriventer*

A total of 23 on 5 dates at Lore Lindu

26-07 3 Lompobatang area

28-07 2 Gunung Ambang

ARTAMIDAE

White-breasted Wood Swallow *Artamus leucorhynchus*

Recorded on 10 dates

* **IVORY-BACKED WOODSWALLOW** *Artamus monachus*

19/20-07 10 + 2 at Lore Lindu

31-07 10 at Dumoga Bone

STURNIDAE

Short-tailed Starling *Aplonis minor*

19-07 10 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

Asian Glossy Starling *Aplonis panayensis*

19/24-07 40 + 30 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

22-07 4 at Lore Lindu

* **SULAWESI CRESTED MYNA** *Basilornis celebensis*

19-07 15 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

30-07 10 at Dumoga Bone

* **WHITE-NECKED MYNA** *Streptocitta albigollis*

30/31-07 2 + 1 at Toraut, Dumoga Bone

* **FIERY-BROWED MYNA** *Enodes erythrophris*

A total of 55 on 6 dates at Lore Lindu

28-07 7 Gunung Ambang

* **FINCH-BILLED MYNA** *Scissirostrum dubium*

19/14-07 30 + 10 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

20-07 3 at Lore Lindu

Up to 35 daily at Toraut, Dumoga Bone.

Up to 30 daily at Tangkoko

* **PALE-BELLIED MYNA** *Acridotheres cinereum*

24-07 4 during a stop at some rice fields near Palu

MELIPHAGIDAE

* **LESSER SULAWESI HONEYEATER** *Myza celebensis*

A total of 13 on 4 dates at Lore Lindu

27-07 Heard at Gunung Ambang

28-07 1 at Gunung Ambang

* **GREATER SULAWESI HONEYEATER** *Myza sarasinorum*

21/23-07 5 + 5 at the higher reaches of the Anaso Track, Lore Lindu

* **SULAWESI MYZOMELA** *Myzomela chloroptera*

21/23-07 3 + 2 along the Anaso Track, Lore Lindu

NECTARINIIDAE

Black Sunbird *Nectarinia aspasia*

A total of 9 recorded on 7 dates

Olive-backed Sunbird *Nectarinia jugularis*

A total of 16 recorded on 11 dates

Brown-throated Sunbird *Anthreptes malacensis*

19-07 1 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

25-07 1 at Makassar

30-07 2 at Toraut

a total of 4 on 3 dates at Tangkoko

Crimson Sunbird *Aethopyga siparaja*

19-07 1 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

28-07 1 between Gunung Ambang – Kotamobagua

30-07 2 at Toraut

DICAUIDAE

* **YELLOW-SIDED FLOWERPECKER** *Dicaeum aureolimbatum*

19/20-07 5 + 3 at Lore Lindu
 27/28-07 4 + 10 Gunung Ambang
 30-07 2 at Toraut
 03/04-08 1 + 1 at Tangkoko

* **CRIMSON-CROWNED FLOWERPECKER** *Dicaeum nehrkorni*

19-07 2 near Wuasa, Lore Lindu
 20-07 1 Lore Lindu
 26-07 1 Lompobatang area

* **GREY-SIDED FLOWERPECKER** *Dicaeum celebicum*

A total of 17 on 4 dates at Lore Lindu
 30-07 3 at Toraut
 03/04-07 1 + 1 at Tangkoko

ZOSTEROPIDAE

Mountain White-eye *Zosterops montanus*

A total of 35 on 4 dates at Lore Lindu

28-07 1 Gunung Ambang

Lemon-bellied White-eye *Zosterops chloris*

Common around hotel Sendy, Wuasa Lore Lindu.

25-07 4 Makassar

* **BLACK-RINGED WHITE-EYE** *Zosterops anomalus*

26-07 6 Lompobatang area

Black-fronted White-eye *Zosterops atrifrons*

Common at Lore Lindu

Common at Gunung Ambang

29/30-07 2 + 2 at Toraut

04-08 4 at Tangkoko

* **STREAK-HEADED DARK-EYE** *Lophozosterops squamiceps*

21/23-07 2 + 4 higher reaches along the Anaso Track, Lore Lindu

26-07 10 Lompobatang area

28-07 Heard Gunung Ambang

PASSERIDAE

Tree Sparrow *Passer montanus*

Observed

ESTRILDIDAE

Black-faced Munia *Lonchura molucca*

24-07 6 near Palu

25-07 4 near Makassar

Scaly-breasted Munia *Lonchura punctulata*

Observed scrubby habitat near Wuasa, Lore Lindu

25-07 4 Makassar

01-08 30 near Manado

Chestnut Munia *Lonchura Malacca*

Observed on 8 dates. Locally very common in rice fields

Pale-headed Munia *Lonchura pallida*

18-07 6 near Palu

22-07 3 Lore Lindu

24-07 30+ near Palu

25-07 100 Makassar

Java Sparrow *Padda oryzivora*

25-07 30 Makassar

01-08 1 Manado

HYLOCITREIDAE

* **HYLOCITREA (formerly Yellow-flanked Whistler)** *Hylocitrea bonensis*

21/23-07 3 + 5 along the Anaso Track, Lore Lindu

FRINGILLIDAE

Mountain Serin *Serinus estherae*

21-07 2 top of Anaso Track, Lore Lindu

23-07 8 in the same general area.

A total of 200 species recorded.

