

Sri Lanka – Blue Whales & Leopards with Sinharaja Extension

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Blue Whale



Risso's Dolphin



Leopard



Sri Lanka Blue Magpie

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Highlights/Summary

Blue Whales, Spinner Dolphins, Risso's Dolphins and Bottlenose Dolphins were plentiful during our three day whale watching excursion, and calm weather created the ideal conditions for viewing. We had very good sightings of Blue Whales less than 20 metres away from our boat, and with every passing minute we were surrounded by many more. The visit to the Turtle Conservation Centre to see the Loggerhead, Green, Hawksbill and Olive Ridley Turtles was enjoyed by all, as was the visit to the Galle Dutch Fort with good views of the sunset over the ramparts.

Lunugamwehera National Park yielded a superb sighting of Leopard as we entered, with two young Leopards sitting in the middle of the road. Birds including Sirkeer Malkoha, Barred Buttonquail, Velvet-fronted Nuthatch and Chestnut-headed Bee-eater were sighted during our safari here. Yala yielded more spectacular Leopard sightings, along with Asian Elephants and Samba and Spotted Deer.

Overall we saw 27 species of mammal, 15 of reptiles and amphibians, and 194 bird species to conclude another successful tour.

Day 1

Saturday 3rd February

The tour started with an overnight flight from the UK to Sri Lanka.

Day 2

Sunday 4th February

Arrive Colombo; travel to Weligama

We arrived in Colombo at 12.30pm and, after meeting the three leaders, we set off to Weligama for our four night stay at the Fisherman's Bay Hotel. En route we enjoyed some fresh bananas and drove to our destination via the Southern highway. On the way sightings included Land Monitor, Purple-faced Leaf Monkey, Indian Palm Squirrel, Indian Peafowl, Painted Stork, Asian Openbill, Black-headed Ibis, Indian Pond Heron, Cattle Egret, Purple Heron, Great Egret, Little Egret, Little Cormorant, Crested Serpent Eagle, Changeable Hawk Eagle, Shikra, Brahminy Kite, White-bellied Sea Eagle, Red-wattled Lapwing, Whiskered Tern, Spotted Dove, Green Imperial Pigeon, Asian Koel, Little Swift, White-throated Kingfisher, Pied Kingfisher, Blue-tailed Bee-eater, Rose-ringed Parakeet, White-bellied Drongo, House Crow, Large-billed Crow, Red-vented Bulbul, Yellow-browed Bulbul, Barn Swallow, Sri Lanka Swallow, Zitting Cisticola, Common Tailorbird, Purple Swamphen, Yellow-billed Babbler, Common Myna, Indian Robin, Oriental Magpie-Robin and Purple-rumped Sunbird.

We reached the Fisherman's Bay Resort at 5.30pm, did our checklist at 7pm and enjoyed a nice meal before calling it a night.

Day 3

Monday 5th February

Weligama

Our first whale watching excursion started with us leaving the hotel at 6.15am after a cup of tea/coffee. We reached the Mirissa pier at 6.45am and set out to sea at 7am. At 7.50am we saw a pod of 12 Risso's Dolphins and enjoyed good views. At 8.15am we saw our first Blue Whale and enjoyed watching it feed and swim around our boat whilst doing many "fluke" up dives that gave us great views of its tail. We continued to see more Blue Whales around us for the rest of the trip. As we were returning to Mirissa harbour we came across a dark shadow lurking at the surface and upon closer inspection, we were able to see a Whale Shark feeding in the shallow.

We returned to our hotel at 11.30am and had lunch at 12.30pm. At 3pm we visited the Kirala Kele sanctuary and did some birding. Our sightings included Lesser Whistling Duck, Eurasian Spoonbill, Yellow and Black Bitterns, Black-crowned Night Heron, Indian Cormorant, Oriental Darter, White-breasted Waterhen, Black-winged Stilt, Marsh and Wood Sandpipers, Gull-billed, Greater Crested, Lesser Crested and Common Terns, Orange-breasted Green Pigeon, Asian Palm Swift, Stork-billed and Common Kingfishers, Chestnut-headed Bee-eater, Brown-headed Barbet, Black-rumped Flameback, Sri Lanka Hanging Parrot, Brown Shrike, Black-hooded Oriole, Asian Paradise Flycatcher, White-browed Bulbul, Asian Brown Flycatcher, Loten's Sunbird, Scaly-breasted Munia, Tricolored Munia and Water Monitor.

We returned to the hotel at 6.30pm and did the checklist at 7.15pm, followed by dinner and a briefing for the next day.

Day 4

Tuesday 6th February

Weligama

Our whale watching excursion today yielded superb sightings of six Blue Whales and over 100 Spinner Dolphins. We enjoyed the sight of many Spinner Dolphins making their acrobatic spins out of the water. A few Bottlenose Dolphins were also seen amongst the Spinner Dolphins. Striated Heron, Brown Noddy and Bridled Tern were sighted at the pier on our return.

After lunch at the hotel we visited a turtle conservation and hatchery centre where we were educated on the five species of turtle which visit Sri Lanka, which are Leatherback, Olive Ridley, Hawksbill, Green and Loggerhead Turtles.

We returned to the hotel at 5pm and did some birding around Weligama village, encountering Crimson-fronted Barbet, Coppersmith Barbet, Greater Coucal, White-browed Fantail and Oriental White-Eye.

Our usual evening routine followed after returning to the hotel.

Day 5

Wednesday 7th February

Weligama

Our final whale watching excursion didn't disappoint us as, once again, we saw many Blue Whales and also came across a pair of mating Olive Ridley Turtles.

At 4pm we proceeded to Galle and explored the Dutch Fort, enjoying the sunset from the ramparts of the old city. We returned to the hotel at 7pm and had our dinner at 8pm before calling it a night.

Sightings for the day included Toque Macaque, Brown Mongoose, Oriental Garden Lizard, Common Sandpiper, Crested Treeswift, Indian Swiftlet, House Sparrow and Whimbrel.

Day 6

Thursday 8th February

Yala

We checked out of the hotel after breakfast and proceeded to Yala. En route we stopped at Hambantota, Bundala and Palatupana for some birding and sightings included Lesser Sand Plover, Garganey, Little Grebe, Spot-billed Pelican, Great Stone-curlew, Yellow-wattled Lapwing, Pacific Golden Plover, Grey Plover, Little Ringed Plover, Pheasant-tailed Jacana, Black-tailed Godwit, Common Redshank, Common Greenshank, Little Stint, Sandwich Tern, Green Bee-eater, Common Iora, Orange Minivet, Ashy-crowned Sparrow-Lark, Pale-billed Flowerpecker and Blyth's Pipit.

We reached Cinnamon Wild Yala at 1.30pm and had our lunch. At 4pm we set out for a walk around the hotel garden and encountered Wild Boar, Black-naped Hare and Mugger Crocodile, along with many birds seen before.

We returned to the hotel at 6pm, did the checklist and had dinner.

Day 7

Friday 9th February

Lunugamvehera

We had tea/coffee at 5am and left the hotel at 5.15am with packed meals for our safari at Lunugamvehera National Park. On the way to the park we saw Sri Lanka Junglefowl and Golden Jackal, along with a few Indian Peafowl. At 6.30am we entered the park in our jeeps and encountered Sirkeer Malkoha, Crested Honey Buzzard, a pair of mating Alexandrine Parakeets and Sri Lanka Green Pigeon. As we were birding, one of the group shouted "Leopard" and we all saw two young Leopards, a male and female, cross a small road just 20 metres ahead of us. We watched until they disappeared into the forest.

We continued with our safari and encountered Grey-headed Fish Eagle, Barred Buttonquail, Kentish Plover, Green Sandpiper, Emerald Dove, Indian Roller, Malabar Pied Hornbill, Sri Lanka Hornbill, Plum-headed Parakeet, Indian Pitta, Sri Lanka Woodshrike, Marshall's Iora, Greater Racket-tailed Drongo, Black-naped Monarch, Jerdon's Bush Lark, Black-capped Bulbul, Green, Greenish and Large-billed Warblers, Grey, Jungle and Ashy Prinias, Velvet-fronted Nuthatch, Orange-headed Thrush, Jerdon's Leafbird, Purple Sunbird, White-

rumped Munia, Forest, Yellow and Grey Wagtails and Paddyfield Pipit. We also had great sightings of Grey, Ruddy and Striped-necked Mongooses, Muntjac, Spotted Deer, Water Buffalo and Grizzled Giant Squirrel.

At 5pm we were able to find another Leopard, which was sleeping on a tree, due to the alarm calls of the Grey Langurs. The Langurs were shaking the branches and making a big commotion to get rid of the Leopard, although it barely moved from its spot. After almost half an hour it decided to stand up and stretch itself on the branch it was resting on, and gave us good views before vanishing into the backdrop. As we were exiting the park we came across many Asian Elephants with their young, and we continued to see them on our drive back to the hotel.

We returned to the hotel at 8pm and had dinner before calling it a night.

Day 8

Saturday 10th February

Yala

Once again we set out with packed meals for our safari in Yala, and enjoyed views of many of the mammals and birds seen before, including two Leopards. A few of the group stayed at the park for a full day safari, whilst the rest returned to the hotel for lunch.

Sightings for the day included Sambar, Lesser Adjutant, Intermediate Egret, Pin-tailed Snipe, Curlew Sandpiper, Brown-headed Gull, Caspian Tern, Blue-faced Malkoha, Grey-bellied Cuckoo, Brown Fish Owl, Eurasian Hoopoe, Common Kestrel, Small Minivet, Great Tit, Rosy Starling, Baya Waver and Indian Silverbill.

We did the checklist and then had our dinner at 8pm before calling it a night.

Main Tour Day 9; Extension Day 1

Sunday 11th February

Katunayake (Main Tour); Sinharaja (Extension)

We had breakfast and checked out of the hotel at 9am. En route to Ratnapura we visited the Debara Wewa tank and saw a pair of Jungle Owlets amongst many other birds seen before. We reached the Silver Ray restaurant at 1pm and had our final group lunch. Then those staying for the tour extension proceeded to Sinharaja, while the remainder set off to Katunayake for their final night's stay at the Airport Garden Hotel.

The Extension party reached the Blue Magpie Lodge at 4pm. Whilst birding around the lodge, sightings included Black Bulbul and Southern Hill Myna, amongst many other birds seen before.

Main Tour Day 10; Extension Day 2

Monday 12th February

Return to UK (Main Tour); Sinharaja (Extension)

After breakfast the Main Tour group checked out of the hotel and proceeded to the airport in time for a return flight to the UK, where their Naturetrek adventure came to an end.

The Extension party left their hotel at 6am with packed breakfast and lunch. We travelled to the rainforest entrance by jeep and saw many birds, reptiles and mammals as we drove. We explored the trail leading up to the

research centre, deep inside the rainforest, and came across Black Eagle, Serendib Scops Owl, Sri Lanka Frogmouth, Malabar Trogon, Yellow-fronted Barbet, Lesser Yellownape, Layard's Parakeet, Sri Lanka Drongo, Sri Lanka Scimitar Babbler, Orange-billed Babbler, Sri Lanka White-Eye, Sri Lanka Myna, White-faced Starling, Spot-winged Thrush, Brown-breasted Flycatcher, Golden-fronted Leafbird and Legge's Flowerpecker, together with Dusky Striped Squirrel, Green Vine Snake, Green Garden Lizard and Sri Lanka Kangaroo Lizard.

We returned to the hotel at 4pm and did the checklist at 7pm before calling it a night.

Extension Day 3

Tuesday 13th February

Sinharaja

We had a pre-breakfast birding session around the Sinharaja Rainforest buffer zone and encountered Sri Lanka Spurfowl, Slaty-legged Crake, Green-billed Coucal, and Ashy-headed Laughingthrush.

We returned to the hotel for some tea and then went back into the Sinharaja Rainforest, where we encountered Red-faced Malkoha, Chestnut-backed Owlet, Crimson-backed Flameback, Sri Lanka Blue Magpie, Indian Blue Robin, Layard's Striped Squirrel and Hump-nosed Lizard, along with many other birds and mammals seen before.

We returned to the hotel at 4.30pm and the rest of the evening was at leisure, followed by the checklist and dinner.

Extension Day 4

Wednesday 14th February

Katunayake

We had a morning birding session around Sinharaja village and encountered a Fishing Cat in the middle of the road, which was a very exciting sighting. Hill Swallow and Bar-winged Flycatcher Shrike were also spotted.

After lunch we set off to Katunayake, en route visiting Colombo for a short city tour. We reached the Gateway Airport Garden Hotel at 5.30pm and did a small bird walk around the hotel garden, where we encountered Collared Scops Owl.

The checklist for the day was completed by 8pm and we met for dinner thereafter.

Extension Day 5

Thursday 15th February

Return flights

We checked out of the hotel and travelled to the airport in time for our return flights home.

Species Lists (Endemic species in bold; some previous/alternative names in brackets)

Mammals

	Common name	Scientific name
1	Toque Macaque	<i>Macaca sinica</i>
2	Grey Langur	<i>Semnopithecus (Presbytis) entellus</i>
3	Purple-faced Leaf Monkey	<i>Trachypithecus (Presbytis) vetulus</i>
4	Golden Jackal	<i>Canis aureus</i>
5	Grey Mongoose	<i>Herpestes edwardsii</i>
6	Ruddy Mongoose	<i>Herpestes smithii</i>
7	Stripe-necked Mongoose	<i>Herpestes vitticollis</i>
8	Brown Mongoose	<i>Herpestes fuscus</i>
9	Fishing Cat	<i>Prionailurus viverrinus</i>
10	Leopard	<i>Panthera pardus kotiya</i>
11	Asian Elephant	<i>Elephas maximus</i>
12	Wild Boar	<i>Sus scrofa</i>
13	Muntjac	<i>Muntiacus Muntjac</i>
14	Spotted Deer	<i>Cervus axis</i>
15	Sambar	<i>Cervus unicolor</i>
16	Water Buffalo	<i>Bubalus Bubalis</i>
17	Indian Palm Squirrel	<i>Funambulus palmarum</i>
18	Grizzled Giant Squirrel	<i>Ratufa macroura</i>
19	Layard's Striped Squirrel	<i>Funambulus layardi</i>
20	Dusky Striped Squirrel	<i>Funambulus sublineatus</i>
21	Indian (Black-naped) Hare	<i>Lepus nigricollis</i>
22	Indian Flying Fox	<i>Pteropus gigantean</i>
23	Blue Whale	<i>Balaenoptera musculus</i>
24	Bottlenose Dolphin	<i>Tursiops truncates</i>
25	Spinner Dolphin	<i>Stenella mulla</i>
26	Risso's Dolphin	<i>Grampus griseus</i>
27	Indian Gerbil	<i>Tatera indica</i>

Birds

	Common name	Scientific name
1	Lesser Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna javanica</i>
2	Garganey	<i>Anas querquedula</i>
3	Sri Lanka Spurfowl	<i>Galloperdix bicalcarata</i>
4	Sri Lanka Junglefowl	<i>Gallus lafayettii</i>
5	Indian Peafowl	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>
6	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
7	Painted Stork	<i>Mycteria leucocephala</i>
8	Asian Openbill	<i>Anastomus oscitans</i>
9	Lesser Adjutant	<i>Leptoptilos javanicus</i>
10	Black-headed Ibis	<i>Threskiornis melanocephalus</i>
11	Eurasian Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>
12	Yellow Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus sinensis</i>
13	Black Bittern	<i>Dupetor flavicollis</i>
14	Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>
15	Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>
16	Indian Pond Heron	<i>Ardeola grayii</i>
17	Eastern Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus coromandus</i>
18	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>

Common name	Scientific name
19 Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>
20 Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>
21 Intermediate Egret	<i>Egretta intermedia</i>
22 Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>
23 Spot-billed Pelican	<i>Pelecanus philippensis</i>
24 Little Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo niger</i>
25 Indian Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax fuscicollis</i>
26 Oriental Darter (Darter)	<i>Anhinga melanogaster</i>
27 Crested Honey Buzzard (Oriental Honey-buzzard)	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>
28 Crested Serpent Eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>
29 Changeable Hawk Eagle	<i>Nisaetus cirrhatu</i>
30 Black Eagle	<i>Ictinaetus malaiensis</i>
31 Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>
32 Brahminy Kite	<i>Haliaeetus indus</i>
33 White-bellied Sea Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>
34 Grey-headed Fish Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus ichthyaetus</i>
35 Slaty-legged Crake	<i>Rallina eurizonoides</i>
36 White-breasted Waterhen	<i>Amaurornis phoenicurus</i>
37 Barred Buttonquail	<i>Turnix suscitator</i>
38 Great Stone-curlew (Great Thick Knee)	<i>Esacus recurvirostris</i>
39 Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
40 Yellow-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus malabaricus</i>
41 Red-wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus indicus</i>
42 Pacific Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>
43 Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>
44 Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>
45 Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>
46 Lesser Sand Plover (Mongolian Plover)	<i>Charadrius mongolus</i>
47 Pheasant-tailed Jacana	<i>Hydrophasianus chirurgus</i>
48 Pin-tailed Snipe	<i>Gallinago stenura</i>
49 Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>
50 Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>
51 Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>
52 Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>
53 Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>
54 Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>
55 Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
56 Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>
57 Curlew Sandpiper	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>
58 Brown Noddy	<i>Anous stolidus</i>
59 Brown-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus brunnicephalus</i>
60 Gull-billed Tern	<i>Gelocheidon nilotica</i>
61 Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>
62 Greater Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>
63 Lesser Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bengalensis</i>
64 Bridled Tern	<i>Onychoprion anaethetus</i>
65 Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>
66 Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>
67 Rock Dove (Common Pigeon)	<i>Columba livia</i>
68 Spotted Dove	<i>Spilopelia chinensis</i>
69 Common Emerald Dove (Emerald Dove)	<i>Chalcophaps indica</i>
70 Orange-breasted Green Pigeon	<i>Treron bicinctus</i>
71 Sri Lanka Green Pigeon	<i>Treron pompadora</i>

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72 Green Imperial Pigeon	<i>Ducula aenea</i>
73 Green-billed Coucal	<i>Centropus chlororhynchos</i>
74 Greater Coucal	<i>Centropus sinensis</i>
75 Sirkeer Malkoha	<i>Taccocua leschenaultii</i>
76 Red-faced Malkoha	<i>Phaenicophaeus pyrrhocephalus</i>
77 Blue-faced Malkoha	<i>Phaenicophaeus viridirostris</i>
78 Asian Koel	<i>Eudynamys scolopaceus</i>
79 Grey-bellied Cuckoo (Plaintive Cuckoo)	<i>Cacomantis passerinus</i>
80 Serendib Scops Owl	<i>Otus thilohoffmanni</i>
81 Indian Scops Owl (Collared Scops Owl)	<i>Otus bakkamoena</i>
82 Brown Fish Owl	<i>Ketupa zeylonensis</i>
83 Jungle Owlet	<i>Glaucidium radiatum</i>
84 Chestnut backed Owlet	<i>Glaucidium castanotum</i>
85 Sri Lanka Frogmouth	<i>Batrachostomus moniliger</i>
86 Crested Treeswift (Gray-rumped Treeswift)	<i>Hemiproctne coronata</i>
87 Indian Swiftlet	<i>Aerodramus unicolor</i>
88 Asian Palm Swift	<i>Cypsiurus balasiensis</i>
89 Little Swift (House Swift)	<i>Apus affinis</i>
90 Malabar Trogon	<i>Harpactes fasciatus</i>
91 Indian Roller	<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>
92 Stork-billed Kingfisher	<i>Pelargopsis capensis</i>
93 White-throated Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>
94 Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>
95 Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>
96 Green Bee-eater (Little Green Bee-eater)	<i>Merops orientalis</i>
97 Blue-tailed Bee-eater	<i>Merops philippinus</i>
98 Chestnut-headed Bee-eater	<i>Merops leschenaulti</i>
99 Eurasian Hoopoe (Common Hoopoe)	<i>Upupa epops</i>
100 Malabar Pied Hornbill	<i>Anthracoceros coronatus</i>
101 Sri Lanka Grey Hornbill	<i>Ocyrceros gingalensis</i>
102 Brown-headed Barbet	<i>Psilopogon zeylanicus</i>
103 Yellow-fronted Barbet	<i>Psilopogon flavifrons</i>
104 Crimson-fronted Barbet	<i>Psilopogon rubricapillus</i>
105 Coppersmith Barbet	<i>Psilopogon haemacephalus</i>
106 Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos nanus</i>
107 Yellow-crowned Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos mahrattensis</i>
108 Lesser Yellownape	<i>Picus chlorolophus</i>
109 Black-rumped Flameback (Lesser Goldenback)	<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>
110 Crimson-backed Flameback (Crimson-backed Goldenback)	<i>Chrysocolaptes stricklandi</i>
111 Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
112 Plum-headed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>
113 Layard's Parakeet	<i>Psittacula calthrapae</i>
114 Alexandrine Parakeet	<i>Psittacula eupatria</i>
115 Rose-ringed Parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>
116 Sri Lanka Hanging Parrot	<i>Loriculus beryllinus</i>
117 Indian Pitta	<i>Pitta brachyura</i>
118 Bar-winged Flycatcher-Shrike	<i>Hemipus picatus</i>
119 Sri Lanka Woodshrike	<i>Tephrodornis affinis</i>
120 Common Iora	<i>Aegithina tiphia</i>
121 Marshall's Iora	<i>Aegithina nigrolutea</i>
122 Black-headed Cuckooshrike	<i>Coracina melanoptera</i>
123 Small Minivet	<i>Pericrocotus cinnamomeus</i>
124 Orange Minivet (Scarlet/Flame Minivet)	<i>Pericrocotus flammeus</i>

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125 Brown Shrike	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>
126 Black-hooded Oriole	<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>
127 White-bellied Drongo	<i>Dicrurus caerulescens</i>
128 Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i>
129 Sri Lanka Drongo (Sri Lanka Crested Drongo)	<i>Dicrurus lophorinus</i>
130 White-browed Fantail	<i>Rhipidura aureola</i>
131 Black-naped Monarch	<i>Hypothymis azurea</i>
132 Indian Paradise Flycatcher (Asian Paradise Flycatcher)	<i>Terpsiphone paradisi</i>
133 Sri Lanka Blue Magpie	<i>Urocissa ornata</i>
134 House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>
135 Indian Jungle Crow (Large-billed Crow)	<i>Corvus culminatus</i>
136 Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>
137 Ashy-crowned Sparrow-Lark	<i>Eremopterix griseus</i>
138 Jerdon's Bush Lark	<i>Mirafra affinis</i>
139 Black-capped Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus melanicterus</i>
140 Red-vented Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus cafer</i>
141 White-browed Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus luteolus</i>
142 Yellow-browed Bulbul	<i>Acritillas indica</i>
143 Black Bulbul	<i>Hypsipetes leucocephalus</i>
144 Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
145 Hill Swallow	<i>Hirundo domicola</i>
146 Sri Lanka Swallow	<i>Cecropis hyperythra</i>
147 Green Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus nitidus</i>
148 Greenish Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochiloides</i>
149 Large-billed Leaf Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus magnirostris</i>
150 Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>
151 Grey-breasted Prinia	<i>Prinia hodgsonii</i>
152 Jungle Prinia	<i>Prinia sylvatica</i>
153 Ashy Prinia	<i>Prinia socialis</i>
154 Plain Prinia	<i>Prinia inomata</i>
155 Common Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>
156 Sri Lanka Scimitar Babbler	<i>Pomatorhinus melanurus</i>
157 Purple Swamphen	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>
158 Orange-billed Babbler	<i>Turdoides rufescens</i>
159 Yellow-billed Babbler	<i>Turdoides affinis</i>
160 Ashy-headed Laughingthrush	<i>Garrulax cinereifrons</i>
161 Oriental White-Eye	<i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>
162 Sri Lanka White-Eye	<i>Zosterops ceylonensis</i>
163 Velvet-fronted Nuthatch	<i>Sitta frontalis</i>
164 Sri Lanka Hill Myna (Sri Lanka Myna)	<i>Gracula ptilogenys</i>
165 Southern Hill Myna (Lesser Hill Myna)	<i>Gracula indica</i>
166 Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>
167 White-faced Starling	<i>Sturnornis albofrontatus</i>
168 Rosy Starling	<i>Pastor roseus</i>
169 Orange-headed Thrush	<i>Geokichla citrina</i>
170 Spot-winged Thrush	<i>Geokichla spiloptera</i>
171 Indian Robin	<i>Copsychus fulicatus</i>
172 Oriental Magpie-Robin	<i>Copsychus saularis</i>
173 Asian Brown Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa dauurica</i>
174 Brown-breasted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa muttui</i>
175 Indian Blue Robin	<i>Larvivora brunnea</i>
176 Jerdon's Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis jerdoni</i>
177 Golden-fronted Leafbird	<i>Chloropsis aurifrons</i>

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178 Legge's Flowerpecker (White-throated Flowerpecker)	<i>Dicaeum vincens</i>
179 Pale-billed Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum erythrorhynchos</i>
180 Purple-rumped Sunbird	<i>Nectarinia zeylonica</i>
181 Purple Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris asiaticus</i>
182 Loten's Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris lotenius</i>
183 House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>
184 Baya Weaver	<i>Ploceus philippinus</i>
185 Indian Silverbill (White-throated Silverbill)	<i>Euodice malabarica</i>
186 White-rumped Munia	<i>Lonchura striata</i>
187 Scaly-breasted Munia	<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>
188 Tricolored Munia (Black-headed Munia)	<i>Lonchura malacca</i>
189 Forest Wagtail	<i>Dendronanthus indicus</i>
190 Western Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>
191 Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>
192 Paddyfield Pipit	<i>Anthus rufulus</i>
193 Blyth's Pipit	<i>Anthus godlewskii</i>
194 Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>

Reptiles & Amphibians

Common name	Scientific name
1 Green Vine Snake	<i>Ahaetulla nasuta</i>
2 Common bronze-back Tree Snake	<i>Dendrelaphis tristis</i>
3 Boulenger's (Sri Lanka) Keel Back Snake	<i>Xenochrophis asperrimus</i>
4 Bengal (Land) Monitor	<i>Varanus bengalensis</i>
5 Asian Water Monitor	<i>Varanus salvator</i>
6 Oriental (Common) Garden Lizard	<i>Calotes versicolor</i>
7 Green Garden Lizard	<i>Calotes calotes</i>
8 Sri Lanka Kangaroo Lizard	<i>Otocryptis wiegmanni</i>
9 Hump-nosed Lizard	<i>Lyriocephalus scutatus</i>
10 Mugger Crocodile	<i>Crocodylus palustris</i>
11 Soft-shelled Terrapin	<i>Lissemys punctata</i>
12 Hard-shelled Terrapin	<i>Melanochelys trijuga parkeri</i>
13 Olive Ridley Sea Turtle	<i>Lepidochelys olivacea</i>
14 Common House Gecko	<i>Hemidactylus frenatus</i>
15 Whale Shark	<i>Rhincodon typus</i>