

TOUR REPORT – BIRDING IN CENTRAL STEPPE & GOBI DESERT OF MONGOLIA



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Tour dates:	22 May – 16 June 2022
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Brief Itinerary:

Day 1 (May 22): Ulaanbaatar to Terelj National Park Day 2 (May 23): Gun Galuut Nature Reserve – Terelj National Park Day 3 (May 24): Terelj National Park - Ulaanbaatar Day 4 (May 25): Ulaanbaatar - Dalanzadgad Day 5 (May 26): Yolyn Am & Mukhar Shivert valleys Day 6 (May 27): Yolyn Am - Khongor Sand Dune Day 7 (May 28): Khongor Sand Dune Day 8 (May 29): Khongor sand Dune – Baga Bogd Mountain Day 9 (May 30): Baga Bogd Mountain - Holboolj Lake - Orog Lake Day 10 (May 31): Orog Lake - Buuntsagaan Lake Day 11 (June 01): Buuntsagaan Lake - Khangai Mountain Day 12 (June 02): Khangai Mountain Day 13 (June 03): Khangai Mountain – Takhilt Lake – Ugii Lake Day 14 (June 04): Ugii Lake – Bayan Lake Day 15 (June 05): Bayan Lake – Hustai National Park Day 16 (June 06): Hustai National Park - Ulaanbaatar

Bird highlights for the tour:

- 1. Black-billed Capercaillie
- 2. Red-throated Thrush
- 3. Mongolian Lark
- 4. Steppe Eagle
- 5. Stejneger's Scoter
- 6. White-naped Crane
- 7. Siberian Rubythroat
- 8. Azure Tit
- 9. Long-tailed Rosefinch
- 10. White-crowned Penduline Tit
- 11. Three-toed Woodpecker
- 12. Oriental Plover
- 13. Godlewski's Bunting
- 14. Mongolian Finch
- 15. Wallcreeper
- 16. Barred Warbler
- 17. Beautiful Rosefinch
- 18. Mongolian Ground-jay
- 19. Southern Grey Shrike
- 20. Desert Wheatear

- 21. Saxaul Sparrow
- 22. Asian Desert Warbler
- 23. Swan Goose
- 24. Bar-headed Goose
- 25. Curlew Sandpiper
- 26. Broad-billed Sandpiper
- 27. Pallas's Sandgrouse
- 28. Saker Falcon
- 29. Grey-necked Bunting
- 30. White's Thrush
- 31. Altai Snowcock
- 32. Sulphur-bellied Warbler
- 33. Pallas's Fish Eagle
- 34. White-winged Redstart
- 35. White-throated Bushchat
- 36. Blyth's Pipit
- 37. Eversmann's Redstart
- 38. Arctic Loon
- 39. White-winged Tern
- 40. Terek Sandpiper

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- 41. Marsh Sandpiper
- 42. Falcated Duck
- 43. Eastern Spot-billed Duck
- 44. Oriental Reed Warbler

Mammals seen during the tour:

- 1. Goitered Gazelle
- 2. Mongolian Gazelle
- 3. Asiatic Wild Ass
- 4. Przewalski's Horse
- 5. Siberian Wapiti Deer
- 6. Mongolian Marmot

- 45. Pallas's Bunting
- 46. Amur Falcon
- 47. Meadow Bunting
- 48. Daurian Partridge
- 7. Long-tailed Ground Squirrel
- 8. Alashan Ground Squirrel
- 9. Red Fox
- 10. Corsac Fox
- 11. Pallas's Pika
- 12. Brandt's Vole



Birding Tour Route in May-June 2022

DAY 1. Ulaanbaatar to Terelj National Park

Our tour participants arrived in Ulaanbaatar at around 7:30 am on May 22nd, 2022 with the Turkish Airlines. After we met, we headed to the Terelj National Park directly via Tuv province. It took two hours to reach our first destination and we saw Mongolian larks, Isabelline Wheatear, Daurian Jackdaws, Cinereous Vultures and Steppe Eagle on the way. While our crew was setting up the camp on the edge of Larch forest, we walked about 30 meters from the camp and saw two male Black-billed Capercaillies that were foraging on the forest edge.



Male Black-billed Capercaillie in Terelj National Park (Photos by Purevsuren Tsolmonjav)

After seeing one of the most sought-after birds without much effort, we had short walks around the camp site until lunch. After lunch, we explored the forest and saw Olive-backed Pipit, Pine Bunting, Orange-flanked Bluetail, Willow Tit, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Threetoed Woodpecker, Eastern Buzzard, Black Kite, Rook and Common Raven during our walks. We encountered a few more male Black-billed Capercaillies as well. Just before sunset, a single male Black-billed Capercaillie posed on a tree before moving to its roosting spot.





A Male Black-billed Capercaillie perched on the larch tree (Photo by Wojciech Domański)

DAY 2. Gun Galuut Nature Reserve – Terelj National Park

On the following morning, we got up at around 4:30 am to see displaying Black-billed Capercaillies. After having tea and coffee, we walked into the forest following the loud calls made by displaying Capercaillies. They were quite shy when displaying and It was quite hard to see them. There was a large nest on one the trees and suddenly Goshawk was flushed by our close presence to the nest. After we returned to the camp, some guys went to the other parts of the forest and had an excellent view of displaying Black-billed Capercaillie. Since our goal was met here, we moved on to the next place which is Gun Galuut Nature Reserve. We came here to see White-naped Crane, Stejneger's Scoter and other waterfowls and waders. As usual, Stejneger's Scoters were on the large lake and we did not need to go farther south to see White-naped Crane – we saw a single individual on one of the small lakes. After visiting all the lakes, we had lunch on the western side of the large lake under the car sun cover. After lunch, we went back to the Terelj National Park, but different parts for different species. We agreed to camp along the Terelj River a few kms to the east from the river crossing. We saw Hawfinch, Lesser Spotted Woodpecker, Daurian Redstart, Pallas's Leaf-warbler, Taiga Flycatcher, Siberian Rubythroat, Olive-backed Pipit and Azurewinged Magpie. Other than watching some nice birds here, everyone enjoyed the beauty of the place.





Camp site along the Terelj River

DAY 3. Terelj National Park

We got up at around 5:00 in the morning and walked along the riparian forest. After a while, I heard a singing Siberian Rubythroat and called the others. All had excellent views of this beautiful bird and went back to the camp for breakfast and packing. After breakfast, we moved farther south to see Chinese Bush Warbler and some other birds we could not see in other places. It seemed like it was a bit too early for Chinese Bush Warbler as this secretive species arrives at the breeding ground quite late. We walked up the small valley and saw a couple of Hazel Grouses, Eurasian Jay, Grey-headed Woodpecker and Booted Eagle. We had lunch before leaving Terelj and went to UB to get some rest before a long drive to Dalanzadgad tomorrow.

DAY 4. UB – Dalanzadgad (DZ)

We picked up our tour participants at 6:00 am from the hotel and got out of the city before traffic gets worse. We had lunch on the way and continued our trip. It took 7 hours to reach Dalanzadgad. After buying some supplies, we drove to our camp which is about 35 km to the west from DZ. On the way to the camp, we looked for Oriental Plover and not long after a beautiful breeding male was spotted on the ground just next to the road. As we pulled

over, it flew away, but landed not far from us. We all had an excellent view of this beautiful wader with the spotting scope and some even managed to take photos.



A breeding male Oriental Plover (Photo by Purevsuren Tsolmonjav)

It was nice to see one of the target birds after such a long drive. Now it is time to go to our camp – Gobi Nomad Lodge and get some rest before continuing our journey in the Gobi Desert.

DAY 5. Yolyn Am & Mukhar Shivert valleys

We had breakfast at 6:00 am and rushed to the Yolyn Am to get there before other people come there and disturb the birds. Yes, we were the first group and walked down to the gorge following the stream. We saw Bearded Vulture, a bunch of Himalayan Vultures, Cinereous Vulture, Golden Eagle, Upland Buzzard, Red-billed Chough, Common Swift, Pacific Swift, Northern House Martin, Eurasian Crag Martin, Black Redstart, Godlewski's Bunting, Whitewinged Snowfinch, Twite, Beautiful Rosefinch, Common Rosefinch, Arctic Warbler, Barred Warbler, Common Whitethroat, Isabelline Wheatear, Pied Wheatear, Northern Wheatear, Desert Wheatear, Rock Sparrow, Rock Dove, Hill Pigeon, Brambling, Wallcreeper, Grey Wagtail, Citrine wagtail, Horned Lark, Richard's pipit, Common Raven, Brown Accentor and Mongolian Accentor in the Yolyn Am and Mukhar Shivert valleys. The mammals we saw in these valleys were Alashan Ground Squirrel, Pallas's Pika and Tolai Hare.







Breeding male Beautiful Rosefinch and Barred Warbler (Photos by Purevsuren Tsolmonjav)

After having lunch in Mukhar Shivert valley, we drove to another valley called Khavtsgait to see Grey-necked Bunting. Unluckily, we could not find it here and we needed to look for it somewhere else.

DAY 6. Yolyn Am – Khongor Sand Dune

We had early breakfast as usual and headed to our next destination – Khongor Sand Dune. We drove through the same valley – Khavtsgait for one more try to see Grey-necked Bunting, but again there was no sign of it. On the way, we saw numerous Pallas's Sandgrouse, several Goitered Gazelles and a small group of Asiatic Wild Ass. We had lunch in a beautiful valley close to the main road and I saw a few Siberian Ibex on a high cliff. Several Chukars were calling from the opposite slope and we saw no new birds here.



Lunch stop on the way to Khongor Sand Dune



On the way, we mostly enjoyed the beautiful sceneries of the Gobi landscape and reached our camp – Gobi Discovery in the afternoon. After early dinner, we decided to look for Mongolian Ground-jay. We drove along the several dry river beds with a plenty of wild almond bushes, but no sign of it. It was about to get dark and we went back to the camp.

DAY 7. Khongor Sand Dune

We had early breakfast us usual and went to the different dry river beds for Mongolian Ground-jay. After some hard searches, our second car encountered two Mongolian Ground-jays and everyone had an excellent view of this beautiful corvid.



Mongolian Ground-jay (Photo by Purevsuren Tsolmonjav)



Our tour participants at the Mongolian Ground-jay habitat



Now we need to find other target birds like Saxaul Sparrow and Southern Grey Shrike. We drove farther south to the small river. By the bridge, there is a small patch of Saxaul forest where we saw several Saxaul Sparrows and a nest of Long-legged Buzzard. Pallas's Sandgrouse was quite common here and they frequently came to the river to drink.



A male Saxaul Sparrow (Photo by Wojciech Domański)

DAY 8. Khongor Sand Dune – Baga Bogd Mountain

After early breakfast, we checked out the camp and moved on to our next destination – Baga Bogd Mountain. On the way, we saw another Mongolian ground-jay in flight as we drove along the nice dry river bed with lots of big wild almond bushes. Soon after, we crossed the patch of Saxaul forest and spotted an Asian Desert Warbler just next to the road. We all jumped out of the car and had great views of shy bird. Here we also saw a single Southern Grey Shrike.



Asian Desert Warbler and Southern Grey Shrike (Photos by Wojciech Domański)





Desert Thumb and Desert Cistanche in the Gobi Desert (Photos by Purevsuren Tsolmonjav)

We continued our journey and stopped for lunch in the valley of Arts Bogd Mountain. While meal is being prepared, we heard and saw some singing Grey-necked Buntings. Another target species was just ticked. We refilled our car tanks in Bogd town and continued to drive to the Baga Bogd Mountain. We reached the camp site in Baga Bogd at around 5:00 pm.



Our camp in Baga Bogd Mountain



While camp is being set up, we walked up the valley and saw a pair of Sulphur-bellied Warbler. After some intense scanning, I found a single Altai Snowcock sleeping on the higher slope. I called the others and showed them with the spotting scope.

DAY 9. Baga Bogd – Holboolj Lake – Orog Lake

We got up at 5:00 am and walked up the valley to see Altai Snowcocks again. They usually come down in early morning and it is easier to see them without much effort. We heard several calling Altai Snowcocks and saw a total of 4 of them. We had an excellent view of them with the scope from the bottom of the valley. It was just 150 meters from our camp site and we didn't need the climb of the mountain. We went back to the camp for breakfast and moved on to the next places.

Our next birding site is the Orog Lake where we stayed overnight there. On the way, we stopped by Holboolj Lake. Asian Dowitcher and Relict Gulls have been observed on multiple occasions here before and it is always worth to check this lake. No sign of abovementioned species, but we saw first Swan Goose for the trip and Broad-billed Sandpiper and Curlew sandpiper which turned out to be new species for our tour participants.

We continued driving to the Orog Lake and camped on the northern side of the lake. As we were close to the shore, we mostly observed the birds from the camp site with the spotting scope. Here we saw Eastern Marsh Harrier, Mute Swan, Whooper Swan, Swan Goose, Greylag Goose, Eurasian Spoonbill, Great White Egret, Mongolian Gull, Black-headed Gull, Greater Sand Plover, Kentish Plover, Common Coot, Red-crested Pochard, Common Pochard, Common Tern, White-winged Tern, Pallas's Sandgrouse, Great Cormorant, Eurasian Skylark, Grey Heron, Northern Shoveler, Pacific Golden Plover and Ruddy Turnstone.

DAY 10. Orog Lake – Buuntsagaan Lake

After breakfast, we moved on to the next destination – Buuntsagaan Lake. On the way, we stopped for petrol in Jinst Town. We came across many Pallas's Sandgrouse which is no longer interesting to the group. We had a lunch stop next to some ponds with reedbeds and saw no new species. We reached the Buuntsagaan Lake in the afternoon and camped on the northern side of the Baidrag River delta. It was quite hottish, like 30 degree Celsius. Some took a shower in the shower tent. Upon arrival, we saw an adult Pallas's Fish Eagle perched on the ground near the delta.





Pallas's Fish Eagle (Photo by Purevsuren Tsolmonjav)

We scanned all the bird gatherings several times, but no luck for Relict Gull this time. Other birds we saw here were Mongolian Gull, Pallas's Gull, Black-headed Gull, Brown-headed Gull, Caspian Tern, Common Tern, White-winged Tern, Swan Goose, Bar-headed Goose, Greylag Goose, Common Crane, Mallard, Garganey, Shoveler, Black-tailed Godwit, Pacific Golden Plover, Common Redshank, Black-winged Stilt, Pied Avocet, Eurasian Spoonbill, Kentish Plover, Greater Sand Plover, Tufted Duck and Common Pochard.

DAY 11. Buuntsagaan Lake – Khangai Mountain

We scanned all the bird gatherings along the lake shore and at the delta one more time, but still no sign of Relict Gull. So, we decided to leave the lake. We initially planned to stay here for two nights, but one night was enough. So, we headed to the Khangai mountain range where we expected to see some montane birds. We had a lunch stop before getting on the paved road towards Bayankhongor town. We stopped by the town to buy some food supplies and continued driving to the north. We reached our first site 70 km to the north from Bayankhogor before dinner. Everyone was happy with the camp site location and beauty of the landscape as there were nothing else except a few herder families and their livestock in the area.

DAY 12. Khangai Mountain

We had coffee and tea and drove up the higher elevation. We saw White-winged Redstart, Alpine Accentor, Brown Accentor and Twite here. Weather was not good as it was cloudy and quite windy and chilly. After breakfast, we moved on to the site to see White-throated Bushchat aka Hodgson's Bushchat. We had a lunch stop on the way and reached the other site in the afternoon. After we quickly set up the camp in the valley, we went up the mountain top. After about 30 minutes of search, I found a breeding male White-throated Bushchat and called the others. We have seen a female as well and there were just nesting among some boulders.



A breeding male White-throated Bushchat (Photos by Wojciech Domański)

DAY 13. Khangai Mountain – Ugii Lake

We got at 5:00 am and drove to the nearest larch forest. We saw Eversmann's Redstart, Tree Pipit, Hume's Leaf Warbler, Greenish Warbler and Daurian Jackdaw in the forest and returned to the camp for breakfast. It was a quite long drive today and we stopped for lunch near Arvaikheer. On the way, we stopped by Sangiin Dalai Lake and Takhilt Lake. We did not see anything interesting at the Sangiin Dalai Lake, but we saw Arctic Loon, White-naped Crane, Swan Goose, Bar-headed Goose, Eurasian Spoonbill and White-winged tern at the Takhilt Lake. It was quite windy and cold day. We were supposed to stay at the camp near Takhilt Lake, but the ger camps here were not operating this year due to a few tourists coming to Mongolia this year. So, we decided to go to the Ugii Lake where there is a decent camp – Ugii Khishig Resort. By the way, we choose best camps to make our clients feel comfortable.

DAY 14. Ugii Lake – Bayan Lake

After early breakfast, we drove along the south western shore of the lake. We saw Whitenaped Crane, a young Dalmatian Pelican, Mongolian Gull, Black-headed Gull, Common Shelduck, Ruddy Shelduck, Common Tern, White-winged Tern, Black Tern, Small



Snowfinch, Osprey, Upland Buzzard and Black Kite at/around the Ugii Lake. After spending a few hours, we moved on to the Bayan Lake. We arrived at the Bayan lake before lunch and camped on the north eastern part of the small lake. After lunch, we drove around the lake and saw Terek Sandpiper, Curlew sandpiper, Marsh Sandpiper, Red-necked Phalarope, Common Redshank, Falcated Duck, Mallard, Eurasian Wigeon, Northern Shoveler, Eastern spot-billed Duck, Great Bittern (heard only), White-naped Crane, Common Crane, Demoiselle Crane, Oriental Reed Warbler, Pallas's Bunting, Eastern Yellow Wagtail, Pacific Golden Plover, Swan Goose, Bar-headed Goose, Greylag Goose, Asian short-toed lark, Eurasian Skylark, Richard's pipit, Pied Avocet, Black-winged Stilt, Northern Lapwing and Eastern Marsh Harrier.

DAY 15. Bayan Lake – Hustai National Park

We had short walks around the camp before breakfast and we saw a few Pallas's Buntings close to the camp site. After breakfast, we headed to the Hustai National Park. We drove around the park and our target was to see Amur Falcon, Meadow Bunting and Daurian Partridge here. We saw a plenty of Mongolian Marmots, some Long-tailed Ground Squirrels, Przewalski's Horses and Siberian Wapiti Deer. At our lunch stop, we have seen all the target birds and as well as Eurasian Hobby, Common Kestrel, Golden Eagle, Cinereous Vulture, Steppe Eagle, Upland Buzzard, Common Whitethroat, Lesser Whitethroat, Isabelline Wheatear, Pied wheatear, Carrion Crow and Eurasian Magpie. We came to the Hustai ger camp before dinner and it was our last dinner together.



Lunch stop site in Hustai National Park



DAY 16. Hustai National Park – UB

After breakfast, we headed to UB and stopped by UB sewage pond and Tuul River to see the remaining target birds. We visited the UB pond first and saw Long-tailed Rosefinch Azure Tit and Richard's Pipit. Before the pandemic, we used to see several breeding pairs of Yellow-breasted Bunting here. But, there was no sign of this rare bunting after intensive search in the willow trees. The breeding area looked much drier now and it is probably no longer suitable breeding habitat for them. We gave up and moved to the Tuul River wher we saw a few more Long-tailed Rosefinches and Azure Tits. After some intensive search, we found several White-cheeked Starlings – another target species for the group. Now we need to find the last target species - White-crowned Penduline Tit. After having lunch here, we moved to the city and saw several White-crowned Penduline Tits along the Tuul River near Yarmag bridge.

This was the end of our tour and we took our clients to the hotel. Our clients expressed their feelings about traveling in Mongolia. Everyone was impressed with the untouched and vast landscapes of Mongolia. Other than watching target birds, they really enjoyed driving and camping in empty and beautiful places. Wojciech (man in the middle of below photo) said that Mongolia is one of three most beautiful countries he has travelled. Overall, our clients have seen 54 new species during this 16-day birding trip with us. We would like to thank our clients – Wojciech, Anna, Iwonka and Iwona from Poland for travelling with us and we wish you all the best.



A group photo

Full species list:

Nº	COMMON NAME	LATIN NAME	SIGHTING LOCATION
	Order: GALLIFORMES		
	Family: Phasianidae		
1.	Altai Snowcock	Tetraogallus altaicus	Baga Bogd Mountain
2.	Chukar	Alectoris chukar	Gobi Gurvan Saikhan
3.	Daurian Partridge	Perdix dauurica	Hustai NationalPark
4.	Hazel Grouse	Bonasa bonasia	Terelj National Park
5.	Black-billed Capercaillie	Tetrao urogalloides	Terelj National Park
	Order: ANSERIFORMES		
	Family: Anatidae		
6.	Mute Swan	Cygnus olor	Orog Lake
7.	Whooper Swan	Cygnus cygnus	Gun Galuut
8.	Bar-headed Goose	Anser indicus	Multiple steppe lakes
9.	Greylag Goose	Anser anser	Multiple steppe lakes
10.	Swan Goose	Anser cygnoid	Multiple steppe lakes
11.	Siberian Scoter	Melanitta stejnegeri	Gun Galuut
12.	Common Goldeneye	Bucephala clangula	Gun Galuut
13.	Common Merganser	Mergus merganser	Terelj River
14.	Common Shelduck	Tadorna tadorna	Gun Galuut
15.	Ruddy Shelduck	Tadorna ferruginea	Multiple steppe lakes
16.	Mandarin Duck	Aix galericulata	Tuul River
17.	Red-crested Pochard	Netta rufina	Orog Lake
18.	Common Pochard	Aythya ferina	Multiple steppe lakes
19.	Tufted Duck	Aythya fuligula	Gun Galuut
20.	Garganey	Spatula querquedula	Multiple steppe lakes
21.	Northern Shoveler	Spatula clypeata	Multiple steppe lakes
22.	Falcated Duck	Mareca falcata	Bayan Lake
23.	Gadwall	Mareca strepera	Gun Galuut
24.	Eurasian Wigeon	Mareca penelope	Multiple steppe lakes
25.	Chinese Spot-billed Duck	Anas zonorhyncha	Bayan Lake & Takhilt Lake
26.	Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos	Multiple steppe lakes
27.	Northern Pintail	Anas acuta	Bayan Lake
28.	Common Teal	Anas crecca	Gun Galuut
	Order: PODICIPEDIFORMES		
	Family: Podicipedidae		
29.	Great Crested Grebe	Podiceps cristatus	Gun Galuut
30.	Black-necked Grebe	Podiceps nigricollis	Gun Galuut
	Order: COLUMBIFORMES		
	Family: Columbidae		
31.	Rock Pigeon	Columba livia	Yolyn Am
32.	Hill Pigeon	Columba rupestris	Yolyn Am



Nº	COMMON NAME	LATIN NAME	SIGHTING LOCATION	
33.	Eurasian Collared-dove	Streptopelia decaocto	Gobi Nomad camp	
	Order: PTEROCLIFORMES	· · ·		
	Family: Pteroclidae			
34.	Pallas's Sandgrouse	Syrrhaptes paradoxus	Gobi Desert	
	Order: CAPRIMULGIFORMES	· · · ·		
	Family: Apodidae			
35.	Common Swift	Apus apus	Yolyn Am	
36.	Pacific Swift	Apus pacificus	Yolyn Am	
	Order: CUCULIFORMES	,		
	Family: Cuculidae			
37.	Common Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus	Terelj National Park	
	Order: GRUIFORMES			
	Family: Rallidae			
38.	Common Coot	Fulica atra	Multiple steppe lakes	
	Family: Gruidae			
39.	White-naped Crane	Antigone vipio	Multiple steppe lakes	
40.	Demoiselle Crane	Anthropoides virgo	Multiple steppe lakes	
41.	Common Crane	Grus grus	Holboolj Lake	
	Order: GAVIIFORMES	·		
	Family: Gaviidae			
42.	Arctic Loon	Gavia arctica	Takhilt Lake	
	Order: PELECANIFORMES			
	Family: Threskiornithidae			
43.	Eurasian Spoonbill	Platalea leucorodia	Multiple steppe lakes	
	Family: Ardeidae			
44.	Eurasian Bittern	Botaurus stellaris	Heard in Bayan Lake & Orog Lake	
45.	Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea	Multiple steppe lakes	
46.	Great White Egret	Ardea alba	Orog Lake	
	Family: Pelecanidae			
47.	Dalmatian Pelican	Pelecanus crispus	Ugii Lake	
	Order: SULIFORMES			
	Family: Phalacrocoracidae			
48.	Great Cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo	Buuntsagaan Lake	
	Order: CHARADRIIFORMES			
	Family: Recurvirosridae			
49.	Pied Avocet	Recurvirostra avosetta	Multiple steppe lakes	
50.	Black-winged Stilt	Himantopus himantopus	Multiple steppe lakes	
	Family: Charadriidae			
51.	Pacific Golden Plover	Pluvialis fulva	Multiple steppe lakes	
52.	Little Ringed Plover	Charadrius dubius	Holboolj Lake	
53.	Kentish Plover	Charadrius alexandrinus	Orog Lake	
54.	Greater Sandplover	Charadrius leschenaultii	Orog Lake & Buuntsagaan Lake	



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55.	Oriental Plover	Charadius veredus	Northern steppe of Yolyn Am
56.	Northern Lapwing	Vanellus vanellus	Holboolj Lake & Bayan lake
	Family: Scolopacidae		
57.	Whimbrel	Numenius phaeopus	Gun Galuut
58.	Black-tailed Godwit	Limosa limosa	Multiple steppe lakes
59.	Ruddy Turnstone	Arenaria interpres	Orog Lake
60.	Broad-billed Sandpiper	Calidris falcinellus	Holboolj Lake
61.	Curlew Sandpiper	Calidris ferruginea	Holboolj Lake & Bayan Lake
62.	Little Stint	Calidris minuta	Holboolj Lake
63.	Red-necked Phalarope	Phalaropus lobatus	Bayan Lake
64.	Terek Sandpiper	Xenus cinereus	Bayan Lake
65.	Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos	Terelj River
66.	Spotted Redshank	Tringa erythropus	Gun Galuut
67.	Common Redshank	Tringa totanus	Multiple steppe lakes
68.	Marsh Sandpiper	Tringa stagnatilis	Bayan Lake
	Family: Laridae		
69.	Brown-headed Gull	Larus brunnicephalus	Buuntsagaan Lake
70.	Black-headed Gull	Larus ridibundus	Buuntsagaan Lake
71.	Pallas's Gull	Larus ichthyaetus	Buuntsagaan Lake
72.	Mongolian Gull	Larus mongolicus	Buuntsagaan Lake
73.	Caspian Tern	Hydroprogne caspia	Buuntsagaan Lake
74.	White-winged Tern	Chlidonias leucopterus	Multiple steppe lakes
75.	Black Tern	Chlidonias niger	Multiple steppe lakes
76.	Common Tern	Sterna hirundo	Multiple steppe lakes
	Order: STRIGIFORMES		
	Family: Strigidae		
77.	Little Owl	Athene noctua	Khongor Sand Dune
	Order: ACCIPITRIFORMES		
	Family: Pandionidae		
78.	Osprey	Pandion haliaetus	Ugii Lake
	Family: Accipitridae		
79.	Bearded Vulture	Gypaetus barbatus	Yolyn Am
80.	Himalayan Griffon	Gyps himalayensis	Yolyn Am
81.	Cinereous Vulture	Aegypius monachus	Multiple lcoations
82.	Steppe Eagle	Aquila nipalensis	Terelj National Park & Hustai NP
83.	Golden Eagle	Aquila chrysaetos	Multiple lcoations
84.	Booted Eagle	Hieraaetus pennatus	Terelj National Park
85.	Eastern Marsh-harrier	Circus spilonotus	Orog Lake & Bayan Lake
86.	Northern Goshawk	Accipiter gentilis	Terelj National Park
87.	Pallas's Fish-eagle	Haliaeetus leucoryphus	Buuntsagaan Lake
88.	Black Kite	Milvus migrans	Multiple locations
89.	Eastern Buzzard	Buteo japonicus	Terelj national Park



Nº	COMMON NAME	LATIN NAME	SIGHTING LOCATION	
90.	Long-legged Buzzard	Buteo rufinus	Khongor Sand Dune	
91.	Upland Buzzard	Buteo hemilasius	Multiple locations	
	Order: BUCEROTIIFORMES			
	Family: Upupidae			
92.	Common Hoopoe	Upupa epops	Hustai National Park	
	Order: PICIFORMES			
	Family: Picidae			
93.	Eurasian Wryneck	Jynx torquilla	Terelj National Park	
94.	Grey-headed Woodpecker	Picus canus	Terelj National Park	
95.	Three-toed Woodpecker	Picoides tridactylus	Terelj National Park	
96.	Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	Dryobates minor	Terelj National Park	
97.	Great Spotted Woodpecker	Dendrocopos major	Terelj National Park	
	Order: FALCONIFORMES			
	Family: Falconidae			
98.	Common Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus	Hustai National park	
99.	Amur Falcon	Falco amurensis	Hustai National park	
100.	Eurasian Hobby	Falco subbuteo	Hustai National park	
101.	Saker Falcon	Falco cherrug	Gobi Altai Mountain	
	Order: PASSERIFORMES			
	Family: Laniidae			
102.	Isabelline Shrike	Lanius isabellinus	Gobi Nomad camp	
103.	Great Grey Shrike	Lanius excubitor	Gobi Desert	
	Family: Corvidae			
104.	Red-billed Chough	Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax	Yolyn Am	
105.	Azure-winged Magpie	Cyanopica cyanus	Terelj River	
106.	Eurasian Jay	Garrulus glandarius	Terelj National Park	
107.	Mongolian Ground-jay	Podoces hendersoni	Khongor Sand Dune	
108.	Eurasian Magpie	Pica pica	Hustai National Park	
109.	Daurian Jackdaw	Corvus dauuricus	Terelj National Park & Khangai Mtn	
110.	Eurasian Rook	Corvus frugilegus	Terelj national Park	
111.	Common Raven	Corvus corax	Multiple locations	
112.	Carrion Crow	Corvus corone	Hustai National Park	
	Family: Paridae			
113.	Willow Tit	Poecile montanus	Terelj National Park	
114.	Azure Tit	Cyanistes cyanus	Terelj River & Tuul River	
115.	Great Tit	Parus major	Terelj River & Tuul River	
	Family: Remizidae			
116.	White-crowned Penduline-tit	Remiz coronatus	Tuul River	
	Family: Alaudidae			
117.	Asian Short-toed Lark	Alaudala cheleensis	Gun Galuut & Khongor Sand Dune	
118.	Mongolian Lark	Melanocorypha mongolica	Multiple locations	
119.	Horned lark	Eremophila alpestris	Multiple locations	



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120.	Eurasian Skylark	Alauda arvensis	Orog Lake
	Family: Panuridae		
121.	Bearded Reedling	Panurus biarmicus	Bayan Lake
	Family: Acrocephalidae		
122.	Paddyfield Warbler	Acrocephalus agricola	Bayan Lake
123.	Oriental Reed-warbler	Acrocephalus orientalis	Bayan Lake
	Family: Hirundinidae		
124.	Northern House Martin	Delichon urbicum	Yolyn Am
125.	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	Ugii Lake
126.	Eurasian Crag Martin	Ptyonoprogne rupestris	Yolyn Am & Baga Bogd
	Family: Phylloscopidae		
127.	Hume's Leaf-warbler	Phylloscopus humei	Khangai Mountain
128.	Pallas's Leaf-warbler	Phylloscopus proregulus	Terelj National Park
129.	Dusky Warbler	Phylloscopus fuscatus	Terelj National Park
130.	Sulphur-bellied Warbler	Phylloscopus griseolus	Baga Bogd Mountain
131.	Greenish Warbler	Phylloscopus trochiloides	Khangai Mountain
132.	Two-barred Warbler	Phylloscopus plumbeitarsus	Terelj National Park
133.	Arctic Warbler	Phylloscopus borealis	Yolyn Am
	Family: Sylviidae		
134.	Asian Desert Warbler	Sylvia nana	Gobi Desert
135.	Barred Warbler	Sylvia nisoria	Mukhar Shivert valley
136.	Lesser Whitethroat	Sylvia curruca	Hustai National Park
137.	Common Whitethroat	Sylvia communis	Yolyan Am & Hustai National Park
	Family: Sittidae		
138.	Eurasian Nuthatch	Sitta europaea	Terelj National Park
139.	Wallcreeper	Tichodroma muraria	Yolyn Am
	Family: Sturnidae		
140.	White-cheeked Starling	Spodiopsar cineraceus	Tuul River
	Family: Turdidae		
141.	White's Thrush	Zoothera aurea	Baga Bogd Mountain
142.	Rufous-throated Thrush	Turdus ruficollis	Terelj National Park
	Family: Muscicapidae		
143.	Siberian Rubythroat	Calliope calliope	Terelj National Park
144.	Orange-flanked Bluetail	Tarsiger cyanurus	Terelj National Park
145.	Taiga Flycatcher	Ficedula albicilla	Terelj National Park
146.	Eversmann's Redstart	Phoenicurus erythronotus	Khangai Mountain
147.	Black Redstart	Phoenicurus ochruros	Yolyn Am
148.	Common Redstart	Phoenicurus phoenicurus	Terelj National Park
149.	Daurian Redstart	Phoenicurus auroreus	Terelj National Park
150.	White-winged Redstart	Phoenicurus erythrogastrus	Khangai Mountain
151.	Rufous-tailed Rock-thrush	Monticola saxatilis	Arts Bogd & Baga Bogd
152.	White-throated Bushchat	Saxicola insignis	Khangai Mountain



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153.	Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe	Gobi Altai Mtn & Khangai Mtn
154.	Isabelline Wheatear	Oenanthe isabellina	Multiple locations
155.	Desert Wheatear	Oenanthe deserti	Khongor Sand Dune
156.	Pied Wheatear	Oenanthe pleschanka	Yolyn Am
	Family: Prunellidae		
157.	Alpine Accentor	Prunella collaris	Khangai Mountain
158.	Brown Accentor	Prunella fulvescens	Yolyn Am & Khangai Mountain
159.	Mongolian Accentor	Prunella koslowi	Yolyn Am
	Family: Passeridae		
160.	Saxaul Sparrow	Passer ammodendri	Khongor Sand Dune
161.	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	Multiple towns
162.	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	Passer montanus	Multiple locations
163.	Rock Sparrow	Petronia petronia	Yolyn Am
164.	White-winged Snowfinch	Montifringilla nivalis	Yolyn Am
165.	Small Snowfinch	Pyrgilauda davidiana	Ugii Lake
166.	Tree Pipit	Anthus trivialis	Khangai Mountain
167.	Olive-backed Pipit	Anthus hodgsoni	Terelj National Park
168.	Water Pipit	Anthus spinoletta	Khangai Mountain
169.	Richard's Pipit	Anthus richardi	Bayan Lake
170.	Blyth's Pipit	Anthus godlewskii	Khangai Mountain
171.	Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea	Yolyn Am
172.	Citrine Wagtail	Motacilla citreola	Muliple locations
173.	Eastern Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla tschutschensis	Bayan Lake
174.	White Wagtail	Motacilla alba	Terelj National Park
	Family: Fringillidae		
175.	Brambling	Fringilla montifringilla	Yolyn Am
176.	Hawfinch	Coccothraustes coccothraustes	Terelj National Park
177.	Common Rosefinch	Carpodacus erythrinus	Terelj National Park
178.	Beautiful Rosefinch	Carpodacus pulcherrimus	Yolyn Am
179.	Long-tailed Rosefinch	Carpodacus sibiricus	Tuul River
180.	Mongolian Finch	Bucanetes mongolicus	Yolyn Am
181.	Eurasian Twite	Linaria flavirostris	Yolyn Am & Khangai Mountain
	Family: Emberizidae		
182.	Meadow Bunting	Emberiza cioides	Hustai National Park
183.	Godlewski's Bunting	Emberiza godlewskii	Yolyn Am
184.	Grey-necked Bunting	Emberiza buchanani	Arts Bogd Mountain
185.	Pine Bunting	Emberiza leucocephalos	Terelj National Park
186.	Reed Bunting	Emberiza schoeniclus	Bayan Lake
187.	Pallas's Bunting	Emberiza pallasi	Bayan Lake