

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



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Tour dates: 12-27 June 2022

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Brief Itinerary:

Day 1 (June 12): Ulaanbaatar - Terelj National Park

Day 2 (June 13): Gun Galuut Nature Reserve – Terelj National Park

Day 3 (June 14): Terelj National Park

Day 4 (June 15): Terelj National park - Ulaanbaatar – Hustai National Park

Day 5 (June 16): Hustai National Park – Bayan Lake – Takhilt Lake

Day 6 (June 17): Takhilt Lake - Khangai Mountain

Day 7 (June 18): Khangai Mountain – Buuntsagaan Lake

Day 8 (June 19): Buuntsagaan Lake

Day 9 (June 20): Buuntsagaan Lake - Holboolj Lake

Day 10 (June 21): Holboolj Lake – Baga Bogd Mountain

Day 11 (June 22): Baga Bogd Mountain - Khongor Sand Dune

Day 12 (June 23): Khongor Sand Dune

Day 13 (June 24): Khongor Sand Dune - Yolyn Am

Day 14 (June 25): Yolyn Am

Day 15 (June 26): Yolyn Am - Ulaanbaatar Day 16 (June 27): Tuul River & UB pond

Bird highlights for the tour:

1. Black-billed Capercaillie

2. Red-throated Thrush

3. Mongolian Lark

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. Godlewski's Bunting

12. Mongolian Finch

13. Wallcreeper

14. Barred Warbler

15. Beautiful Rosefinch

16. Mongolian Ground-jay

17. Southern Grey Shrike

18. Desert Wheatear

19. Saxaul Sparrow

20. Asian Desert Warbler

21. Swan Goose

22. Bar-headed Goose

23. Grey-tailed Tattler

24. Pallas's Sandgrouse

25. Saker Falcon

26. Grey-necked Bunting

27. Sulphur-bellied Warbler

28. Pallas's Fish Eagle

29. White-throated Bushchat

30. Blyth's Pipit

31. Eversmann's Redstart

32. White-winged Tern

33. Falcated Duck

34. Eastern Spot-billed Duck

35. Oriental Reed Warbler

36. Paddyfield Warbler

37. Pallas's Bunting

38. Amur Falcon

39. Meadow Bunting

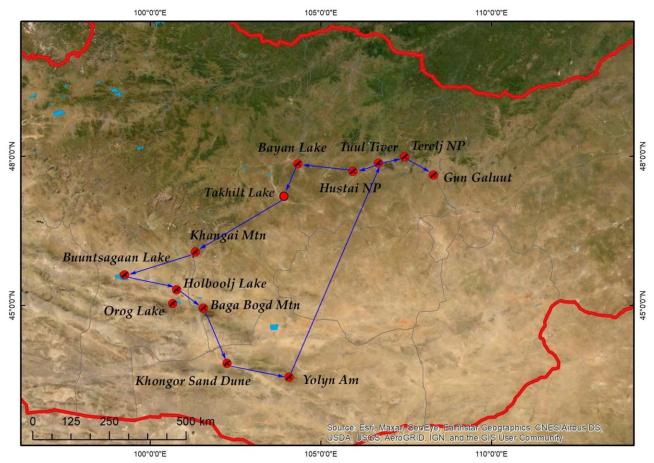
40. Daurian Partridge



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
- 7. Long-tailed Ground Squirrel

- 8. Alashan Ground Squirrel
- 9. Siberian Chipmunk
- 10. Long-eared Hedgehog
- 11. Red Fox
- 12. Corsac Fox
- 13. Pallas's Pika
- 14. Brandt's Vole

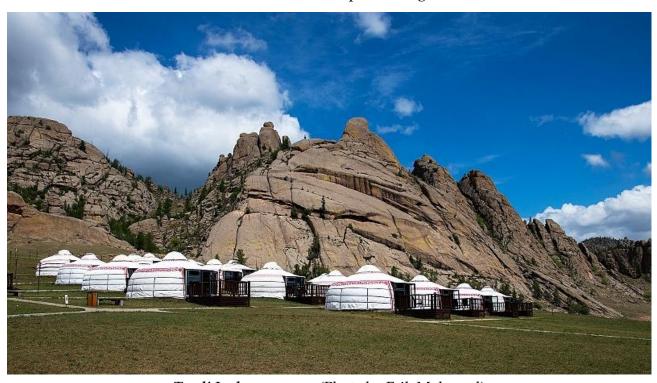


Birding Tour Route in June 2022



DAY 1. Ulaanbaatar to Terelj National Park

Our tour participants arrived in Ulaanbaatar at around 7:30 am on June 12th, 2022 with the Turkish Airlines. After we met, we headed to the Terelj National Park directly via Tuv province. It took an hour and a half to reach our camp – Terelj Lodge. After checking in, Erik and Marianne needed to get some rest after a long flight from Istanbul to Ulaanbaatar. We had lunch at around 12:00 and walked around camp in the afternoon. We saw Common and Oriental Cuckoos, Common Rock Thrush, Isabelline Wheatear, Pine Bunting, Two-barred Greenish Warbler, Black Kite and Common Hoopoe during our walk.



Terelj Lodge ger camp (Photo by Erik Mølgaard)

DAY 2. Terelj National Park - Gun Galuut Nature Reserve – Terelj National Park

On the following morning, we got up at around 6:00 am. After breakfast, we drove farther north to see our target birds. We saw several singing male Siberian Rubythroats and two Chinese Grasshopper Warblers, aka Chinese Bush Warbler. Other birds we saw were Yellow-browed Warbler, Dusky Warbler, Lesser Whitethroat, Taiga Flycatcher, Bearded Vulture, Cinereous Vulture, Black-faced Bunting, Olive-backed Pipit, Citrine Wagtail, Grey Wagtail, White Wagtail, Brown Shrike, Eastern Buzzard, Common Kestrel, Steppe Eagle and Booted Eagle. We came back to the camp for lunch and went to the Gun Galuut Nature Reserve in the afternoon. We were supposed to stay in Gun Galuut for the following night, but the ger camp – Steppe Nomads was still closed due to not enough bookings in first half of June. It took about an hour to reach the Gun Galuut lake and we saw several Stejneger's



Scoters along with a single female Long-tailed Duck on the large lake. There was a recent sighting of Grey-tailed Tattler here, but it has already left the lake. After a few hours, we drove back to the Terelj Lodge camp.

DAY 3. Terelj National Park

After breakfast, we left the Terelj Lodge camp and headed to our Black-billed Capercaillie site which is a few dozen kilometers away. Our crew, two drivers and a cook, should have left UB in the morning and should be waiting for us at the camp site. After less than two hours of driving, we arrived at the camp site and our crew was waiting for us. It has been over 20 days since we were here during our previous birding tour. We checked around the camp for Black-billed Capercaillie, but no sign of them nearby camp. After lunch, we walked into the forest and saw Red-throated Thrush, Northern Goshawk on a nest, Orange-flanked Bluetail, Taiga Flycatcher, Pine Bunting, Olive-backed Pipit, Coal Tit, Willow Tit and Two-barred Greenish Warbler. But there was still no Black-billed Capercaillies. After returning to the camp, I decided to check areas we did not cover and I found no Capercaillies after a long and hard walk. At this time of the year, they should already have finished their mating display and moved somewhere else from the lekking site. Now we only hoped to see it early next morning if some of them are still performing mating display.



Our camp in Black-billed Capercaillie site (Photo by Erik Mølgaard)

DAY 4. Terelj National Park - Hustai National Park via UB

It has rained a lot during the night and it was still raining a little bit when we got up at around 5:00 am. After having coffee and tea, we walked into the forest to find Black-billed



Capercaillies for the last time before we moved on. We heard nothing, but we went farther north following a vehicle track. We did not see much and were about to go back to the camp as we lost our hope for the Capercaillie. Just before we were about to walk back, I heard a distant display call of a Black-billed Capercaillie from the farther north. I told it to the others and we followed the call. We kept walking and walking and finally located a displaying male Black-billed Capercaillie. It was about 570 meters away from the location where we initially heard of it. I told Erik and Marianne to get closer without me and they saw three males and a female quite well when they got closer. We returned to the camp with success and happily had our breakfast. When we were packing, I heard a song of Chinese Bush Warbler. So, I walked to the bushes and saw this secretive bird second time for the trip.

After breakfast, we packed and drove to the next place – Hustai National Park. We drove through Ulaanbaatar and had lunch on the steppe near Hustai camp. We saw numerous Mongolian Larks and a few Upland Buzzards on the way to Hustai. After we checked in the Hustai camp, we drove to the core area of Hustai National Park. We saw a plenty of Mongolian Marmots and some Long-tailed Ground Squirrels while driving. In the main valley, we saw Przewalski's Horses and Siberian Wapiti Deer. Birds we saw in the park were Golden Eagle, Steppe Eagle, Black Kite, Upland Buzzard, Amur Falcon, Eurasian Hobby, Daurian Partridge, Meadow Bunting, Mongolian Lark, Isabelline Wheatear, Saker Falcon, Eurasian Magpie, Carrion Crow, Common Raven, Rock sparrow, Tree Sparrow, Cinereous Vulture and Himalayan Vulture.

DAY 5. Hustai National Park – Bayan lake – Takhilt Lake

After breakfast, we left Hustai and drove to Bayan lake. Our crew was waiting for us on the northern side of the lake and we walked around the camp before lunch. We saw Whitenaped Crane, Common Crane, Demoiselle Crane, Swan Goose, Greylag Goose, Eastern Marsh Harrier, Eastern Spot-billed Duck, Mallard, Common Shelduck, Ruddy Shelduck, Mongolian Gull, Black-headed Gull, Oriental Reed Warbler, Paddyfield Warbler, Bearded Reedling, Eastern Yellow Wagtail, Pallas's Bunting, Common Reed Bunting and Pallas's Leaf Warbler during our stay at Bayan Lake.

After lunch, we drove to the Takhilt Lake which is located next to the Elsen Tasarkhai. We camped on the western side of the lake and watched birds from the camp site in the evening and the next morning. We saw Eastern Spot-billed Duck, Common Moorhen, a pair of Hen Harrier (which might be nesting in the area), Eastern Marsh Harrier, Arctic Loon (a nesting pair) Swan Goose, Bar-headed Goose, Mallard, Common Pochard, Common Teal, Ruddy Shelduck, Common Coot, Black-necked Grebe, Eurasian Spoonbill, Whooper Swan, Grey



Heron, White-winged Tern, Barn Swallow, Collared Sand Martin and Tree Sparrow at and around the lake. A single Grey-tailed Tattler was feeding on the opposite shore.



Eastern Spot-billed Ducks at Takhilt Lake (Photo by Purevsuren Tsolmonjav)



Male and female Hen Harriers at Takhilt Lake (Photos by Purevsuren Tsolmonjav)

DAY 6. Takhilt Lake – Khangai Mountain

We checked the lake once again in the morning and two Black-crowned Night Herons (adult & immature) were added to the list. After breakfast, we drove to the Khangai Mountain to see White-throated Bushchat. We set up the camp at the same spot as before. Since we found



the nest site of White-throated Bushchat during a previous tour, it did not take a long time to find them.



A pair of White-throated Bushchat (Photos by Purevsuren Tsolmonjav)

We also visited the nearby larch forest as well and saw Blyth's Pipit, Cinereous Vulture, Steppe Eagle, Upland Buzzard, Rock Sparrow, Small Snowfinch, Horned lark, Northern Wheatear, Eversmann's Redstart, Greenish Warbler, Hume's Warbler, Common Rosefinch, Willow Tit, Daurian jackdaw, Saker Falcon and Common Rosefinch during our stay in the Khangai Mountain.

DAY 7. Khangai Mountain - Buuntsagaan Lake

After breakfast, we left Khangai Mountain and headed to the Buuntsagaan Lake. After buying some food supplies and petrol in Bayankhongor, we left the town and stopped for lunch next to the main road after a few kilometers of driving. We started seeing Pallas's Sandgrouses as we were getting close to the Buuntsagaan Lake. It was getting quite windy and it was impossible to set up our camp due to strong wind when we reached the Buuntsagaan Lake. So, we decided to stay in the wooden huts at the small camp near the



Baidrag River delta. Due to the wind, we could not go out and watch the birds around the lake.

DAY 8. Buuntsagaan Lake

It was calm and sunny day. Sp, I decided to check the narrow island along the lake shore. After about 30 minutes of scanning, I saw something like a Relict Gull with the spotting scope. So, I tried to get closer, but I lost it and could not find again. Soon after I spotted it again with my binoculars and it landed on the sandy shore soon. Yes, it was indeed a Relict Gull. I told our driver Chuka to go back to the camp and tell Erik and Marianne that I found a Relict Gull. But, the gull took off a few minutes after Chuka left and it flew towards the delta. Finally, it has gone out of my sight and it was very disappointing after finding a single Relict Gull among several thousands of Mongolian Gulls, Black-headed Gulls and other white birds. After 15-20 minutes, Erik and Marianne came and we scanned around the delta. But, we saw nothing and I decided to go with one car to the area where I initially spotted Relict Gull. I checked all the bird gatherings along the lake shore, but no sign of Relict Gull. When I was driving back, I saw something like a Relict Gull flying to the south from the delta area. It soon landed on the shore not far from me and it was a Relict Gull. I told the others that I found it again through radio. While they were on the way, it took off again and continued flying to the south. After several hundred meters, it landed again. When the others arrived, I showed it through the spotting scope and they said yes it looks bigger than Black-headed Gull some of which were next to the Relict Gull. I tried to remember some land markings near Relict Gull and we went to get closer. We stopped at the right location and Relict Gull was about 100 meters away from us. Luckily, it did not fly away again and gave us enough time to watch it and even take some photos.



Relict Gull at Buuntsagaan Lake (Photo by Purevsuren Tsolmonjav)



After lunch, we headed to the south to find Pallas's Fish Eagle. After driving several kilometers, we finally found two adult-like Pallas's Fish Eagles perched on the ground close to the lake shore.



Pallas's Fish Eagle (Photo by Erik Mølgaard)

In 2017, I drove all the way around the Buuntsagaan Lake and have seen 10 Pallas's Fish Eagles in total. Pallas's Fish Eagle was once thought to be breeding in Mongolia, but no one has ever found the nest. They just arrive in Mongolia as non-breeding summer visitors and spend a few months around lakes with abundant fishes. Their breeding takes place from September-February in northern India and Myanmar.

Other birds we saw at and around the Buuntsagaan Lake were Pallas's Gull, Mongolian Gull, Black-headed Hull, Caspian Tern, Common Tern, White-winged Tern, Whiskered Tern, Red-crested Pochard, Common Pochard, Northern Shoveler, Great Cormorant, Grey Heron, Great White Egret, Kentish Plover, Greater Sand Plover, Common Redshank, Northern Lapwing, Black-winged Stilt, Pallas's Sandgrouse, Eurasian Skylark, Tree sparrow, Horned Lark, Swan Goose, Bar-headed Goose, Greylag Goose, Greater Short-toed Lark, Asian Short-toed Lark, Isabelline Wheatear and Rosy Starling. We saw two more Pallas's Fish Eagle at the delta following morning.

DAY 9. Buuntsagaan Lake – Holboolj Lake

We left the Buuntsagaan Lake after breakfast and headed to the Holboolj Lake. I suggested to skip the Orog Lake as there are no any interesting birds to see. We all agreed to camp at



the Holboolj Lake for one night. We filled our car tanks in a small town called Jinst and stopped for lunch along the Tuin River. Because of the dry summer, the river was not flowing. Pallas's Sandgrouses were flying around us for water while we were having lunch. Erik managed to take some inflight photos.



Pallas's Sandgrouses (Photo by Erik Mølgaard)

After about an hour of driving, we arrived at the Holboolj Lake. As it was quite hot, we stayed at the camp in the afternoon. When it cooled down, we drove around the lake and saw Common Crane, Ruddy Shelduck, Swan Goose, Bar-headed Goose, Greylag Goose, Common Shelduck, Pied Avocet, Black-winged Stilt, Northern Lapwing, Curlew Sandpiper, Eurasian Curlew, Black-tailed Godwit, Common Redshank, Kentish Plover, Greater Sand Plover, Gull-billed Tern, Common Tern, White-winged Tern, Grey Heron and Eurasian Spoonbill.

DAY 10. Holboolj Lake – Baga Bogd Mountain

After breakfast, we moved on to the next destination – Baga Bogd Mountain. On the way, we stopped for petrol and drinking water in Baruun Bayan-Ulaan town. We arrived in the valley at noon and had lunch afterwards. It has been very dry in this region this summer. The local man said that there is a few Altai Snowcocks on the slope where we used to see numerous Altai Snowcocks before and they have moved higher altitude in search of better grasses. We walked along the valley in the late afternoon and saw Grey-necked Bunting, Sulphur-bellied Warbler, Golden Eagle, Bearded Vulture and Black Redstart. But no sign of Altai Snowcocks. I found a group of Argali Sheep, mostly females and lambs in the other



valley and called Erik and Marianne to show them. We also saw a small herd of Siberian Ibex on the high slope before getting dark.



Our camp in Baga Bogd Mountain

DAY 11. Baga Bogd Mountain – Khongor Sand Dune

We walked up the valley and scanned the slope for about two hours and we did not see any Altai Snowcock. We used to see around 10 Altai Snowcocks in the valley without much effort before. But, it was an unusual dry summer that caused Altai Snowcocks to move away. After breakfast, we packed and left the mountain. On the way, we saw a few Mongolian Ground-jay among some big bushes. We stopped for petrol in Bogd town and continued driving to the Khongor Sand Dune. We had a lunch stop in the valley of Arts Bogd Mountain where the temperature was like 27 degree Celsius. After we crossed the Arts Bogd Mountain, the temperature rose drastically and it was 37-39 degree Celsius. A big difference between two sides of Arts Bogd Mountain range. We stopped by the Saxaul forest where we found Asian Desert Warbler during the last birding trip. After few minutes of search, we found it and saw quite well. It took about another hour to finally reach our camp – Gobi Erdene near Khongor Sand Dune.





Gobi Erdene camp (Photo by Erik Mølgaard)

DAY 12. Khongor Sand Dune

After early breakfast, we drove to the Saxaul forest. We saw several Saxaul Sparrows as well as Southern Grey Shrike, Desert Wheatear, Long-legged Buzzard and Pallas's Sandgrouses in and around Saxaul forest.



A male Saxaul Sparrow (Photo by Erik Mølgaard)



Then, we drove to the site for Mongolian Ground-jay. We checked several dry river beds, but no sign of Mongolian Ground-jay. We checked more dry river beds with bigger bushes and finally I heard a calling Mongolian Ground-jay. I stopped the car and looked to the area where the call came from and saw a Mongolian Ground-jay taking a short flight. We got closer to it and it nested in the large wild almond bush. It was feeding on the ground, then it posed well on the bush top for us. A small bird came out of the bush and it was an Asian Desert Warbler which nested in the same bush. It was already quite hot and we went back to the camp.



Mongolian Ground-jay photographed during the trip (Photo by Purevsuren Tsolmonjav)

DAY 13. Khongor Sand Dune – Yolyn Am

After breakfast, we left the Gobi Erdene camp and headed to our next camp near Yolyn Am. We saw 34 Asiatic Wild Ass, 2 Mongolian Gazelles and several Goitered Gazelles on the way. We reached the camp – Gobi Nomad in the afternoon. When it cooled down, we went to look for Oriental Plover, but we could not find any after an intensive search covering a large area.

DAY 14. Yolyn Am

After early breakfast, we drove to Yolyn Am and visited Mukhar Shivert valley afterwards. We saw Wallcreeper, Beautiful Rosefinch, Kozlov's Accentor, Brown Accentor, Godlewski's Bunting, Black Redstart, White-winged Snowfinch, Mongolian Finch, Twite, Rock Sparrow,



Isabelline Wheatear, Blyth's Pipit, Himalayan Vulture, Bearded Vulture, Crag Martin and Barred Warbler in these valleys. We had lunch in Mukhar Shivert valley and went down to the steppe to look for Oriental Plover again. We drove around a lot, but again no luck.

DAY 15. Yolyn Am – DZ - Ulaanbaatar

We left Gobi Nomad ger camp after breakfast and stopped for petrol in DZ. We saw several Crested Larks by the road near petrol station. On the way, I saw a wader which looked like an Oriental Plover on the road shoulder, but it took off and flew away when we tried to pull over. It took 7 hours to reach the hotel in UB.

DAY 16. Tuul River & UB pond

I picked up Erik and Marianne at around 7:30 am and we went to the UB pond first. We tried to find Yellow-breasted Bunting here, but they are no longer breeding in the area due to habitat alteration. We saw White-crowned Penduline-tit, Richard's Pipit, Common Tern, Tufted Duck, Oriental Reed Warbler (heard only) and Long-tailed Rosefinch. We went back to the hotel area and saw Long-tailed Rosefinch, Azure Tit, Azure-winged Magpie, White-cheeked Starling, Black Kite, Rook, Daurian Jackdaw, Amur Falcon and Common Merganser.



A male Long-tailed Rosefinch (Photo by Erik Mølgaard)



This was the end of our tour and we took our clients to the hotel. We would like to thank our clients – Erik and Marianne from Denmark for travelling with us and we wish you all the best.

Full species list:

Nº	COMMON NAME	LATIN NAME	SIGHTING LOCATION	
	Order: GALLIFORMES			
	Family: Phasianidae			
1.	Chukar	Alectoris chukar	Gobi Gurvan Saikhan	
2.	Daurian Partridge	Perdix dauurica	Hustai NationalPark	
3.	Black-billed Capercaillie	Tetrao urogalloides	Terelj National Park	
	Order: ANSERIFORMES			
	Family: Anatidae			
4.	Whooper Swan	Cygnus cygnus	Gun Galuut	
5.	Bar-headed Goose	Anser indicus	Multiple steppe lakes	
6.	Greylag Goose	Anser anser	Multiple steppe lakes	
7.	Swan Goose	Anser cygnoid	Multiple steppe lakes	
8.	Long-tailed Duck	Clangula hyemalis	Gun Galuut	
9.	Siberian Scoter	Melanitta stejnegeri	Gun Galuut	
10.	Common Merganser	Mergus merganser	Terelj River	
11.	Common Shelduck	Tadorna tadorna	Bayan Lake & Holboolj Lake	
12.	Ruddy Shelduck	Tadorna ferruginea	Multiple steppe lakes	
13.	Red-crested Pochard	Netta rufina	Buuntsagaan Lake	
14.	Common Pochard	Aythya ferina	Buuntsagaan Lake	
15.	Tufted Duck	Aythya fuligula	UB pond	
16.	Northern Shoveler	Spatula clypeata	Buuntsagaan Lake	
17.	Falcated Duck	Mareca falcata	Gun Galuut	
18.	Gadwall	Mareca strepera	UB pond	
19.	Chinese Spot-billed Duck	Anas zonorhyncha	Bayan Lake & Takhilt Lake	
20.	Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos	Multiple steppe lakes	
21.	Common Teal	Anas crecca	Takhilt Lake	
	Order: PODICIPEDIFORMES			
	Family: Podicipedidae			
22.	Great Crested Grebe	Podiceps cristatus	UB pond	
23.	Black-necked Grebe	Podiceps nigricollis	Takhilt Lake	
	Order: COLUMBIFORMES			
	Family: Columbidae			
24.	Rock Pigeon	Columba livia	Yolyn Am	
25.	Hill Pigeon	Columba rupestris	Yolyn Am	
26.	Eurasian Collared-dove	Streptopelia decaocto	Tuul River	
	Order: PTEROCLIFORMES			
	Family: Pteroclidae			
27.	Pallas's Sandgrouse	Syrrhaptes paradoxus	Gobi Desert	

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Nº	COMMON NAME	LATIN NAME	SIGHTING LOCATION
	Order: CAPRIMULGIFORMES		
	Family: Apodidae		
28.	Common Swift	Apus apus	Khangai Mountain
29.	Pacific Swift	Apus pacificus	Khangai Mountain
	Order: CUCULIFORMES		
	Family: Cuculidae		
30	Common Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus	Terelj National Park
31	Oriental Cuckoo	Cuculus optatus	Terelj National Park
	Order: GRUIFORMES		
	Family: Rallidae		
32.	Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus	Takhilt Lake
33.	Common Coot	Fulica atra	Takhilt Lake
	Family: Gruidae		
34.	White-naped Crane	Antigone vipio	Bayan Lake & Takhilt Lake
35.	Demoiselle Crane	Anthropoides virgo	Multiple steppe lakes
36.	Common Crane	Grus grus	Bayan Lake
	Order: GAVIIFORMES		
	Family: Gaviidae		
37.	Arctic Loon	Gavia arctica	Takhilt Lake
	Order: PELECANIFORMES		
	Family: Threskiornithidae		
38.	Eurasian Spoonbill	Platalea leucorodia	Holboolj and Takhilt Lakes
	Family: Ardeidae		
39.	Black-crowned Night-heron	Nycticorax nycticorax	Takhilt Lake
40.	Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea	Multiple steppe lakes
41.	Great White Egret	Ardea alba	Buuntsagaan Lake
	Order: SULIFORMES		
	Family: Phalacrocoracidae	1	
42.	Great Cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo	Buuntsagaan Lake
	Order: CHARADRIIFORMES		
	Family: Recurvirosridae		
43.	Pied Avocet	Recurvirostra avosetta	Holboolj Lake
44.	Black-winged Stilt	Himantopus himantopus	Buuntsagaan and Holboolj Lakes
	Family: Charadriidae	I	
45.	Little Ringed Plover	Charadrius dubius	Holboolj Lake
46.	Kentish Plover	Charadrius alexandrinus	Holboolj & Buuntsagaan Lakes
47.	Greater Sandplover	Charadrius leschenaultii	Buuntsagaan Lake
48.	Oriental Plover	Charadius veredus	On the way to UB
49.	Northern Lapwing	Vanellus vanellus	Holboolj & Buuntsagaan Lakes
	Family: Scolopacidae		
50.	Eurasian Curlew	Numenius arquata	Gun Galuut & Holboolj Lake
51.	Black-tailed Godwit	Limosa limosa	Holboolj Lake

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52.	Curlew Sandpiper	Calidris ferruginea	Holboolj Lake & Bayan Lake	
53.	Grey-tailed Tattler	Tringa brevipes	Takhilt Lake	
54.	Common Redshank	Tringa totanus	Multiple steppe lakes	
	Family: Laridae			
55.	Relict Gull	Larus relictus	Buuntsagaan Lake	
56.	Black-headed Gull	Larus ridibundus	Buuntsagaan Lake	
57.	Pallas's Gull	Larus ichthyaetus	Buuntsagaan Lake	
58.	Mongolian Gull	Larus mongolicus	Buuntsagaan Lake	
59.	Caspian Tern	Hydroprogne caspia	Buuntsagaan Lake	
60.	Whiskered Tern	Chlidonias hybrida	Buuntsagaan Lake	
61.	White-winged Tern	Chlidonias leucopterus	Multiple steppe lakes	
62.	Gull-billed Tern	Gelochelidon nilotica	Holboolj Lake	
63.	Common Tern	Sterna hirundo	Multiple steppe lakes	
	Order: ACCIPITRIFORMES			
	Family: Accipitridae			
64.	Bearded Vulture	Gypaetus barbatus	Yolyn Am & Terelj NP	
65.	Himalayan Griffon	Gyps himalayensis	Yolyn Am	
66.	Cinereous Vulture	Aegypius monachus	Multiple locations	
67.	Steppe Eagle	Aquila nipalensis	Multiple locations	
68.	Golden Eagle	Aquila chrysaetos	Hustai National Park & Baga Bogd	
69.	Booted Eagle	Hieraaetus pennatus	Terelj National Park	
70.	Eastern Marsh-harrier	Circus spilonotus	Bayan Lake & Takhilt Lake	
71.	Hen Harrier	Circus cyaneus	Takhilt Lake	
72.	Northern Goshawk	Accipiter gentilis	Terelj National Park	
73.	Pallas's Fish-eagle	Haliaeetus leucoryphus	Buuntsagaan Lake	
74.	Black Kite	Milvus migrans	Multiple locations	
75.	Eastern Buzzard	Buteo japonicus	Terelj national Park	
76.	Long-legged Buzzard	Buteo rufinus	Khongor Sand Dune	
77.	Upland Buzzard	Buteo hemilasius	Hustai National Park	
	Order: BUCEROTIIFORMES			
	Family: Upupidae			
78.	Common Hoopoe	<i>Шрира ерор</i>	Terelj National Park	
	Order: PICIFORMES			
	Family: Picidae			
79.	Eurasian Wryneck	Jynx torquilla	Terelj National Park	
80.	Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	Dryobates minor	Tuul River	
81.	Great Spotted Woodpecker	Dendrocopos major	Terelj National Park	
	Order: FALCONIFORMES			
	Family: Falconidae			
82.	Common Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus	Terelj National park	
83.	Amur Falcon	Falco amurensis	Hustai National park & Tuul River	
84.	Eurasian Hobby	Falco subbuteo	Hustai National park	

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85.	Saker Falcon	Falco cherrug	Khangai Mountain	
	Order: PASSERIFORMES		,	
	Family: Laniidae			
86.	Isabelline Shrike	Lanius isabellinus	Khongor Sand Dune	
87.	Brown Shrike	Lanius cristatus	Terelj National Park	
88.	Southern Grey Shrike	Lanius excubitor pallidostris	Khongor Sand Dune	
	Family: Corvidae			
89.	Red-billed Chough	Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax	Yolyn Am	
90.	Azure-winged Magpie	Cyanopica cyanus	Tuul River	
91.	Eurasian Jay	Garrulus glandarius	Terelj National Park	
92.	Mongolian Ground-jay	Podoces hendersoni	Khongor Sand Dune	
93.	Eurasian Magpie	Pica pica	Hustai National Park	
94.	Daurian Jackdaw	Corvus dauuricus	Terelj National Park	
95.	Eurasian Rook	Corvus frugilegus	Terelj national Park	
96.	Common Raven	Corvus corax	Multiple locations	
97.	Carrion Crow	Corvus corone	Hustai National Park	
	Family: Paridae			
98.	Willow Tit	Poecile montanus	Terelj National Park	
99.	Coal Tit	Periparus ater	Terelj National Park	
100.	Azure Tit	Cyanistes cyanus	Terelj River & Tuul River	
101.	Great Tit	Parus major	Terelj River & Tuul River	
	Family: Remizidae			
102.	White-crowned Penduline-tit	Remiz coronatus	Tuul River	
	Family: Alaudidae			
103.	Asian Short-toed Lark	Alaudala cheleensis	Gun Galuut & Khongor Sand Dune	
104.	Greater Short-toed Lark	Calandrella brachydactyla	Buuntsagaan Lake	
105.	Mongolian Lark	Melanocorypha mongolica	Multiple locations	
106.	Horned lark	Eremophila alpestris	Multiple locations	
107.	Eurasian Skylark	Alauda arvensis	Buuntsagaan Lake	
108.	Crested Lark	Galerida cristata	Dalanzadgad	
	Family: Panuridae			
109.	Bearded Reedling	Panurus biarmicus	Bayan Lake	
	Family: Acrocephalidae			
110.	Paddyfield Warbler	Acrocephalus agricola	Bayan Lake	
111.	Oriental Reed-warbler	Acrocephalus orientalis	Bayan Lake	
	Family: Locustellidae			
112.	Chinese Grasshopper-warbler	Locustella tacsanowskia	Terelj National Park	
	Family: Hirundinidae			
113.	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	Bayan Lake	
114.	Eurasian Crag Martin	Ptyonoprogne rupestris	Yolyn Am & Baga Bogd	
115.	Collared Sand Martin	Riparia riparia	Takhilt Lake	
	Family: Phylloscopidae			



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115.	Yellow-browed Warbler	Phylloscopus inornatus	Terelj National Park
116.	Hume's Leaf-warbler	Phylloscopus humei	Khangai Mountain
117.	Pallas's Leaf-warbler	Phylloscopus proregulus	Bayan Lake
118.	Dusky Warbler	Phylloscopus fuscatus	Terelj National Park
119.	Sulphur-bellied Warbler	Phylloscopus griseolus	Baga Bogd Mountain
120.	Greenish Warbler	Phylloscopus trochiloides	Khangai Mountain
121.	Two-barred Warbler	Phylloscopus plumbeitarsus	Terelj National Park
	Family: Sylviidae		
122.	Asian Desert Warbler	Sylvia nana	Gobi Desert
123.	Barred Warbler	Sylvia nisoria	Mukhar Shivert valley
124.	Lesser Whitethroat	Sylvia curruca	Hustai National Park
	Family: Sittidae		
125.	Eurasian Nuthatch	Sitta europaea	Khangai Mountain
126.	Wallcreeper	Tichodroma muraria	Yolyn Am
	Family: Sturnidae		
127.	Rosy Starling	Pastor roseus	Buuntsagaan Lake
128.	White-cheeked Starling	Spodiopsar cineraceus	Tuul River
	Family: Turdidae		
129.	Rufous-throated Thrush	Turdus ruficollis	Terelj National Park
	Family: Muscicapidae		
130.	Siberian Rubythroat	Calliope calliope	Terelj National Park
131.	Orange-flanked Bluetail	Tarsiger cyanurus	Terelj National Park
132.	Taiga Flycatcher	Ficedula albicilla	Terelj National Park
133.	Eversmann's Redstart	Phoenicurus erythronotus	Khangai Mountain
134.	Black Redstart	Phoenicurus ochruros	Yolyn Am
135.	Daurian Redstart	Phoenicurus auroreus	Terelj National Park
136.	Rufous-tailed Rock-thrush	Monticola saxatilis	Arts Bogd & Baga Bogd
137.	White-throated Bushchat	Saxicola insignis	Khangai Mountain
138.	Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe	Khangai Mtn
139.	Isabelline Wheatear	Oenanthe isabellina	Multiple locations
140.	Desert Wheatear	Oenanthe deserti	Khongor Sand Dune
141.	Pied Wheatear	Oenanthe pleschanka	Yolyn Am
	Family: Prunellidae		
142.	Brown Accentor	Prunella fulvescens	Yolyn Am & Khangai Mountain
143.	Mongolian Accentor	Prunella koslowi	Yolyn Am
	Family: Passeridae		
144.	Saxaul Sparrow	Passer ammodendri	Khongor Sand Dune
145.	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	Multiple towns
146.	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	Passer montanus	Multiple locations
147.	Rock Sparrow	Petronia petronia	Yolyn Am
148.	White-winged Snowfinch	Montifringilla nivalis	Yolyn Am
149.	Small Snowfinch	Pyrgilauda davidiana	Khangai Mountain



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150.	Olive-backed Pipit	Anthus hodgsoni	Terelj National Park
151.	Water Pipit	Anthus spinoletta	Khangai Mountain
152.	Richard's Pipit	Anthus richardi	UB pond
153.	Blyth's Pipit	Anthus godlewskii	Khangai Mountain
154.	Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea	Terelj National Park
155.	Citrine Wagtail	Motacilla citreola	Terelj National Park
156.	Eastern Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla tschutschensis	Bayan Lake
157.	White Wagtail	Motacilla alba	Terelj National Park
	Family: Fringillidae		
158.	Common Rosefinch	Carpodacus erythrinus	Khangai Mountain
159.	Beautiful Rosefinch	Carpodacus pulcherrimus	Yolyn Am & Mukhar Shivert
160.	Long-tailed Rosefinch	Carpodacus sibiricus	Tuul River & UB pond
161.	Mongolian Finch	Bucanetes mongolicus	Yolyn Am
162.	Eurasian Twite	Linaria flavirostris	Yolyn Am
	Family: Emberizidae		
163.	Meadow Bunting	Emberiza cioides	Hustai National Park
164.	Godlewski's Bunting	Emberiza godlewskii	Yolyn Am
165.	Grey-necked Bunting	Emberiza buchanani	Baga Bogd Mountain
166.	Pine Bunting	Emberiza leucocephalos	Terelj National Park
167.	Reed Bunting	Emberiza schoeniclus	Bayan Lake
168.	Pallas's Bunting	Emberiza pallasi	Bayan Lake
169.	Black-faced Bunting	Emberiza spodocephala	Terelj National Park