



TOUR REPORT – BIRD & MAMMAL WATCHING IN WESTERN MONGOLIA



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Background information: Birding in far western Mongolia is always interesting as there have been a few birding tours ever organized in this part of Mongolia. I have been thinking to go on a birding trip to the west for many years and this dream has come true in 2019 as I am now working for myself. I teamed up with my long time birding friend Jargal Lamjav who is one of the best bird photographers in Mongolia. The trip went very successful as we observed and photographed some of the rarely documented species like European Bee-eater, Common Nightingale, European Roller and Red-headed Bunting which are only found in SW Mongolia, and of course best moment was to see the elusive Snow Leopard. It is better to organize a combination of birding and mammal watching tours in western Mongolia as there are some amazing birds and mammals in the region. This was also a pilot trip to explore the region for our future wildlife tours.



Trip route and main birding locations

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Bird highlights for the tour:

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| 1. European Bee-eater | 7. Great Rosefinch | 13. White-winged Redstart |
| 2. Common Nightingale | 8. Sulphur-bellied Warbler | 14. Red-headed Bunting |
| 3. Eastern Goldfinch | 9. White-headed Duck | 15. Pallas's Gull |
| 4. European Roller | 10. Brandt's Mountain-finch | 16. Mongolian Ground-jay |
| 5. Lesser Grey Shrike | 11. Bar-headed Goose | 17. Pallas's Sandgrouse |
| 6. Red-mantled Rosefinch | 12. Chinese Spot-billed Duck | |

Mammal highlights for the tour:

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| 1. Snow Leopard | 2. Corsac Fox |
| 3. Siberian Ibex | 4. Red Fox |

DAY 1. Ulaanbaatar to Buuntsagaan lake

We left Ulaanbaatar (UB), capital of Mongolia, in the morning of 23rd May 2019 with a land cruiser. After 270 km driving, we stopped by Takhilt lake for about two hours as it not so distant from the main road. Highlights here were a pair of Chinese Spot-billed Duck, a flock of Bar-headed Geese, a pair of nesting Eastern Marsh Harrier and a pair of Arctic Loon. We continued our journey and stopped for lunch in Bayankhongor town which is 640 km from UB. After 2 hours of driving, we reached the Buuntsagaan lake which is one of the birding hotspots in Mongolia. On the way we came across hundreds of Pallas's Sandgrouses. We camped next to the delta of Baidrag River as there are always more birds. We walked along the lake shore for several hours before sunset.



Bar-headed Goose



A pair of Chinese Spot-billed Duck

DAY 2. Buuntsagaan lake to Bulgan River

We got up at around 5:30 in the morning and spent a few hours before we moved on. The highlights were Pallas's Gull, White-winged Tern, Spotted Redshank, Curlew

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Sandpiper, Long-toed Stint and Temminck's Stint. There were a several hundreds of Great Cormorants and Black-headed Gulls hanging on the small islands.



Temminck's Stint



Pallas's Gull

We continued our journey to the Bulgan River which is located in south western edge of the country. After almost full day of driving we finally arrived at Bulgan town. We camped in the plantation on the western side of the Bulgan River near Bulgan town. Before it got dark, we explored the plantation a little bit and saw a mixed nest colony of Grey Herons and Great Cormorants in large poplar trees. A bunch of Black Kites were flying around to catch the small chicks.



Grey Herons



Great Cormorant

DAY 3. Bulgan River

We got up at around 5:30 in the morning. Several Common Nightingales were singing and we tried to take some photos. The first one we went after was quite shy and it did not come out of the dense tree. We gave up on this and tried to find another one. After a minute, we found second one and used playback to make it come out of the tree. It did as we wanted and posed in the sun light for about 10 minutes. We were so happy for

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the good photos and walked back to the camp site for breakfast. After breakfast, I went to the western part of the plantation to explore the area. Several Grey-necked Buntings were singing from the bushes and all the sudden I heard unfamiliar call of a bird. Several European Bee-eaters just came from somewhere and perched on the wire fence. I tried to get closer hiding among the bushes to take decent photos. After a few shots, all flew to the core zone of the plantation. I immediately gave a phone call to Jargal and we went to the same direction where bee-eaters have gone to. The bee-eaters were feeding on insects around large poplar trees and we were able to take more photos for next two hours. As the sun went higher, it was getting harder to get sharp images due to heatwaves. We were very excited with the bee-eaters as we did not have much expectation. Now, we need to find another target bird – Lesser Grey Shrike. We haven't seen any in the plantation where we camped. We decided to move on to the next destination as we satisfied with Common Nightingale and European Bee-eater.



Common Nightingale (ssp. *golzii*)



European Bee-eater

When we were packing at around noon, several Eastern Goldfinches popped up on the nearest tree. We grabbed our cameras and took some record shots before they flew away. We searched them for a while in the area where they went to and unfortunately we could not locate them again. Several European Greenfinches were calling from the large poplar trees and it was impossible to see them in the dense crown of the trees. We said goodbye to an owner of the plantation and stopped for petrol in the town center before we left. I decided to walk along the line of trees growing on either side of the paved road to the Khovd town. Just before end of the tree line, I spotted a pair of Lesser Grey Shrikes perching on the telephone wire near the patch of large poplar trees. I gave a call to Jargal to come over. After he came, we took some photos from the car for about

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20 minutes and we headed to the Khovd town. On the way we drove along the beautiful Bodonch Canyon which stretches about 80 km.

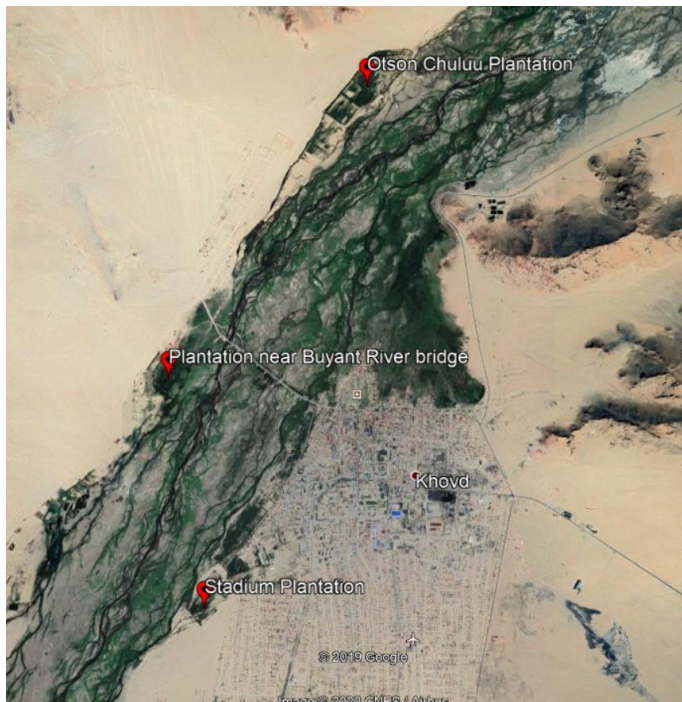


Eastern Goldfinch



Lesser Grey Shrike

DAY 4. Khovd town



There are a bunch of plantations mostly consisting of poplar and willow trees, but also see buckthorns in Khovd town. It is always good to visit these plantations because anything can show up during the migration. First, we visited a plantation located in southwest of stadium. There were several Spotted Flycatchers, a single Oriental Turtle-dove and a Booted Warbler. After a while we moved to another plantation which is located in south west of the Buyant River bridge. We saw a flock of Rosy Starlings, nesting European

Starlings, a couple of presumed Common Snipes, Black Kites and Mongolian Gulls. Last plantation we visited is the Otson Chuluu Plantation, a best birding spot in Khovd town. Highlights were a single male Red-headed Bunting among a flock of Ortolan Buntings. What a bird! Other birds in the plantation were Olive-backed Pipit, Tree Pipit, Hill Pigeon, Spotted Flycatcher, Common Rosefinch, Dusky Warbler, Hume's Warbler, a pair of Eurasian Hobby and a singing Great Reed-warbler.



Booted Warbler



Oriental Turtle-dove



A male Rosy Starling



European Starling



A male Red-headed Bunting



Olive-backed Pipit



Eurasian Hobby



Great Reed-warbler



A male Common Rosefinch



Hill Pigeon

DAY 5. Sair Mountain

It has rained all night and was still raining a little bit when we got up. Despite the rain, we headed to the Sair Mountain which is around 120 km from the Khovd town to the north-west. The peak of this mountain is 3,850 m a.s.l and we entered a valley from the east side. Our main target here was a Brandt's Mountain-finch. Driving in the valley was not easy as there is no track and large rocks. We drove up the valley as far as we could. We walked around the area (2,650 m a.s.l) and not long after we found several Brandt's Mountain-finches feeding on the ground. They were quite approachable and we could take some decent photos for about an hour or so. Altai Snowcocks were calling from the adjacent mountain slope. A single male White-winged Redstart posed for a minute. After we finished our business here, we headed back to the Khovd town.



Brandt's Mountain-finch



A male White-winged Redstart

DAY 6. Khar Us Lake National Park

Our main target at Khar Us Lake was White-headed Duck. This species only breeds in several large lakes with rich reedbeds in NW Mongolia and the Khar Us lake is one of them. We went in an inflatable boat and cruised around the patches of reedbeds in most south western corner of the lake. After a while, we spotted several pairs of White-headed Ducks and we decided to wait for them to come to us hiding behind the reedbeds. Not long after, three pairs approached us and males were fighting and chasing one another. When we were about to finish, increasing wind speed gave us a signal to go back to the shore as it would get harder to row the boat. After we cleaned up our dirty legs, we drove along the shore. We enjoyed watching a pair of Greater Sandplovers, a single Little Stint in breeding plumage, and a couple of Common Gull-billed Terns. Other birds on the lake were Common Pochard, Red-crested Pochard, Tufted Duck, Great Crested Grebe, Bearded Tit, Great White Egret etc. We headed back to the Khovd town via Khongilt Canyon (one of the 70 IBAs) and we saw several Grey-necked Buntings, Desert Wheatears and a Red Fox at the entrance of a small cave.



A male White-headed Duck



A male Greater Sandplover



Little stint in breeding plumage



Common Gull-billed Tern

DAY 7. Mankhan Village

When we were on the way to Mankhan Village, we were told by Batmunkh Davaasuren, a coordinator of the Khovd Birding Ringing Station (KBRS), that there was a European Roller hanging around the tree plantation near Mankhan Village. When we got there, there were two European Rollers. There are less than 5 records of this species in Mongolia and it was another highlight for us. We took decent photos of them and went to the KBRS to see Batmunkh and other team members including the birders from Sweden, Petter Olsson and his father Peter Olsson.



Bird ringers at Khovd Bird Ringing Station

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We spent some time in the plantation where they ring the birds. Highlight was a Song Thrush as there are a few documented records of this species in the country. Other birds in the plantation were Brown Shrike, European Greenfinch, Common Cuckoo, Barn Swallow, Grey-necked Bunting etc. I teamed up with Peter and Petter Olsson to find more birds in another plantation upstream of Tugrug River bridge. Birds in the plantation were Blyth's Reed-warbler, Black-crowned Night-heron, Pied Wheatear, Spotted Flycatcher, Common Redstart, Dusky Warbler, Siberian Chiffchaff and Black-faced Bunting. After having a great time in Mankhan Village area, we continued our journey towards majestic Baatarkhairkhan Mountain in search of some montane species.



European Roller



Brown Shrike



A male Black-faced Bunting



A male Pied Wheatear



A male Common Redstart



Blyth's Reed-warbler

DAY 8. Baatarkhairkhan Mountain

I have two uncles who live in one of the valleys of Baatarkhairkhan Mountain range. Baatarkhairkhan mountain range covers an area of 1,300 sq/km and its highest peak is 3,980 m a.s.l. I have other relatives who lived in the mountain as herders and I have spent my two summer vacations in the mountain when I was a child. As the valley is not entirely accessible to drive, we used motorcycles to go farther up the valley. We stopped nearby rocky slope which looked good for elusive Snow Leopards. My cousin showed us a scrape marking of Snow Leopard which was a good sign. After got off the motorcycle, I started scanning the rocky slope with binoculars and there was something like a Grey Wolf. After a few seconds it has moved and turned out to be a Snow Leopard – what a stunner! It was walking on the slope and laid down on the rock with showing its head only. It was about 200-300 m away from us and altitude of sighting was 2,250 m a.s.l. Other highlights were Red-mantled Rosefinch, Sulphur-bellied Warbler, Great Rosefinch, Grey-necked Bunting and Siberian Ibex.



A breeding male Red-mantled Rosefinch



Sulphur-bellied Warbler



Adult Bearded Vulture on the nest



Snow Leopard – Ghost of the mountains

DAY 9. Khovd to Ulaanbaatar

After a fantastic trip in western Mongolia, we headed back to home straightly. On the way between Altai and Bayankhongor towns, we encountered several Mongolian Ground-jays in the shrubby area with scattered boulders.

Full species list:

#	COMMON NAME	LATIN NAME	SIGHTING LOCATION
BIRDS			
1	Altai Snowcock	<i>Tetraogallus altaicus</i>	Sair & Baatarkhairkhan Mountains
2	Chukar	<i>Alectoris chukar</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
3	White-headed Duck	<i>Oxyura leucocephala</i>	Khar Us lake
4	Whooper Swan	<i>Cygnus cygnus</i>	Takhilt lake
5	Bar-headed Goose	<i>Anser indicus</i>	Takhilt lake
6	Greylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>	Takhilt lake
7	Swan Goose	<i>Anser cygnoid</i>	Takhilt lake
8	Common Goldeneye	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>	Takhilt lake
9	Common Merganser	<i>Mergus merganser</i>	Takhilt lake
10	Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	Takhilt lake
11	Ruddy Shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>	Takhilt lake
12	Red-crested Pochard	<i>Netta rufina</i>	Khar Us lake
13	Common Pochard	<i>Aythya ferina</i>	Khar Us lake
14	Tufted Duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>	Khar Us lake
15	Garganey	<i>Spatula querquedula</i>	Khar Us lake
16	Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>	Khar Us lake
17	Gadwall	<i>Mareca strepera</i>	Khar Us lake
18	Eurasian Wigeon	<i>Mareca penelope</i>	Khar Us lake
19	Chinese Spot-billed Duck	<i>Anas zonorhyncha</i>	Takhilt lake
20	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	Takhilt lake
21	Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>	Khar Us lake

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22	Common Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>	Khar Us lake
23	Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>	Khar Us lake
24	Rock Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	Khovd town
25	Hill Pigeon	<i>Columba rupestris</i>	Khovd town
26	Oriental Turtle-dove	<i>Streptopelia orientalis</i>	Bulgan River, Khovd town
27	Eurasian Collared-dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	Khovd town
28	Pallas's Sandgrouse	<i>Syrhaptes paradoxus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
29	Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	Ulaanbaatar
30	Pacific Swift	<i>Apus pacificus</i>	Ulaanbaatar
31	Common Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>	Bulgan River, Mankhan Village
32	Common Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	Takhilt lake
33	White-naped Crane	<i>Antigone vipio</i>	Takhilt lake
34	Demoiselle Crane	<i>Anthropoides virgo</i>	Takhilt lake
35	Common Crane	<i>Grus grus</i>	Takhilt lake
36	Arctic Loon	<i>Gavia arctica</i>	Takhilt lake
37	Eurasian Spoonbill	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>	Takhilt lake, Buuntsagaan lake
38	Black-crowned Night-heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	Mankhan Village
39	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	Takhilt lake
40	Great White Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	Khar Us lake
41	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
42	Pied Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
43	Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
44	Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
45	Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
46	Greater Sandplover	<i>Charadrius leschenaultii</i>	Khar Us lake
47	Northern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>	Takhilt lake, Buuntsagaan lake
48	Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	Takhilt lake
49	Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
50	Sharp-tailed Sandpiper	<i>Calidris acuminata</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
51	Curlew Sandpiper	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
52	Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
53	Long-toed Stint	<i>Calidris subminuta</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
54	Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>	Khar Us lake
55	Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	Khovd town
56	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
57	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
58	Spotted Redshank	<i>Tringa erythropus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
59	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
60	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
61	Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
62	Black-headed Gull	<i>Larus ridibundus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
63	Pallas's Gull	<i>Larus ichthyaetus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
64	Common Gull	<i>Larus canus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
65	Mongolian Gull	<i>Larus mongolicus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake, Khovd town

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66	Common Gull-billed Tern	<i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i>	Khar Us lake
67	Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
68	White-winged Tern	<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
69	Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
70	Little Owl	<i>Athene noctua</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
71	Bearded Vulture	<i>Gypaetus barbatus</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
72	Himalayan Griffon	<i>Gyps himalayensis</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
73	Cinereous Vulture	<i>Aegypius monachus</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
74	Steppe Eagle	<i>Aquila nipalensis</i>	Takhilt lake
75	Golden eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
76	Booted Eagle	<i>Hieraetus pennatus</i>	Bulgan River
77	Western Marsh-harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	Khar Us lake
78	Eastern Marsh-harrier	<i>Circus spilonotus</i>	Takhilt lake
79	Northern Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>	Khovd town
80	Pallas's Fish-eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucoryphus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
81	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	Khovd town
82	Upland Buzzard	<i>Buteo hemilasius</i>	Takhilt lake
83	Common Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	Mankhan Village
84	European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>	Bulgan River
85	European Roller	<i>Coracias garrulus</i>	Mankhan Village
86	Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>	Bulgan River
87	Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>	Bulgan River
88	Lesser Kestrel	<i>Falco naumanni</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
89	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
90	Eurasian Hobby	<i>Falco subbuteo</i>	Khovd town
91	Saker Falcon	<i>Falco cherrug</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
92	Brown Shrike	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>	Mankhan Village
93	Isabelline Shrike	<i>Lanius isabellinus</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
94	Lesser Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius minor</i>	Bulgan River
95	Great Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius excubitor</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
96	Red-billed Chough	<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>	Takhilt lake
97	Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	Khovd town
98	Common Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
99	Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>	Khovd town
100	Azure Tit	<i>Cyanistes cyanus</i>	Bulgan River
101	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>	Bulgan River
102	White-crowned Penduline-tit	<i>Remiz coronatus</i>	Bulgan River
103	Asian Short-toed Lark	<i>Alaudala cheleensis</i>	Takhilt lake
104	Mongolian Lark	<i>Melanocorypha mongolica</i>	Takhilt lake
105	Greater Short-toed Lark	<i>Calandrella brachydactyla</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
106	Horned lark	<i>Eremophila alpestris</i>	Buuntsagaan lake
107	Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	Takhilt lake
108	Bearded Reedling	<i>Panurus biarmicus</i>	Khar Us lake
109	Booted Warbler	<i>Iduna caligata</i>	Khovd town

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110	Blyth's Reed-warbler	<i>Acrocephalus dumetorum</i>	Mankhan village
111	Paddyfield Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus agricola</i>	Khar Us lake
112	Great Reed-warbler	<i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>	Khar Us lake, Khovd town
113	Savi's Warbler	<i>Locustella luscinioides</i>	Khar Us lake
114	Northern House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
115	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	Mankhan Village
116	Eurasian Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
117	Collared Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Mankhan Village
118	Hume's Leaf-warbler	<i>Phylloscopus humei</i>	Khovd town, Mankhan Village
119	Dusky Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus fuscatus</i>	Khovd town, Mankhan Village
120	Siberian Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus tristis</i>	Mankhan Village
121	Sulphur-bellied Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus griseolus</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
122	Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>	Bulgan River, Khovd town
123	Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	Bulgan River, Khovd town
124	Rosy Starling	<i>Pastor roseus</i>	Khovd town
125	Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	Mankhan Village
126	Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>	Mankhan Village, Khovd town
127	Bluethroat	<i>Cyanecula svecica</i>	Khar Us lake
128	Common Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>	Bulgan River
129	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
130	Common Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>	Mankhan Village
131	White-winged Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus erythrogaster</i>	Sair Mountain
132	White-throated Rock-thrush	<i>Monticola gularis</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
133	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
134	Isabelline Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe isabellina</i>	Mankhan Village
135	Desert Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe deserti</i>	Khar Us lake
136	Pied Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe pleschanka</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
137	Brown Accentor	<i>Prunella fulvescens</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
138	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	Khovd town
139	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>	Khovd town
140	Rock Sparrow	<i>Petronia petronia</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
141	White-winged Snowfinch	<i>Montifringilla nivalis</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
142	Small Snowfinch	<i>Pyrgilauda davidiana</i>	Takhilt lake
143	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>	Khovd town
144	Olive-backed Pipit	<i>Anthus hodgsoni</i>	Khovd town
145	Water Pipit	<i>Anthus spinoletta</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
146	Richard's Pipit	<i>Anthus richardi</i>	Takhilt lake
147	Blyth's Pipit	<i>Anthus godlewskii</i>	Takhilt lake
148	Western Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava leucocephala</i>	Khar Us lake
149	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
150	Citrine Wagtail	<i>Motacilla citreola</i>	Takhilt lake
151	Eastern Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla tschutschensis</i>	Takhilt lake
152	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	Khovd town
153	Common Rosefinch	<i>Carpodacus erythrinus</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain

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154	Red-mantled Rosefinch	<i>Carpodacus rhodochlamys</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
155	Great Rosefinch	<i>Carpodacus rubicilla</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
156	Brandt's Mountain-finch	<i>Leucosticte brandti</i>	Sair Mountain
157	European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>	Mankhan Village, Bulgan River
158	Eurasian Twite	<i>Linaria flavirostris</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
159	Eastern Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis caniceps</i>	Bulgan River
160	Red-headed Bunting	<i>Emberiza bruniceps</i>	Khovd town
161	Grey-necked Bunting	<i>Emberiza buchanani</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
162	Ortolan Bunting	<i>Emberiza hortulana</i>	Khovd town
163	Black-faced Bunting	<i>Emberiza spodocephala</i>	Mankhan Village
MAMMALS			
1	Brandt's Vole	<i>Lasiopodomys brandtii</i>	Takhilt lake
2	Long-tailed Ground Squirrel	<i>Urocitellus undulatus</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
3	Tarbagan Marmot	<i>Marmota sibirica</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
4	Pallas's Pika	<i>Ochotona pallasii</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
5	Tolai Hare	<i>Lepus tolai</i>	Bulgan River
6	Siberian Ibex	<i>Capra sibirica</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain
7	Corsac Fox	<i>Vulpes corsac</i>	Takhilt lake
8	Red Fox	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	Khar Us lake
9	Snow Leopard	<i>Panthera uncia</i>	Baatarkhairkhan Mountain