

# SPAIN WILDLIFE TOUR July/August 2009 TRIP REPORT by Tom Bird

#### **TRIP HIGHLIGHTS**

- Excellent views of Iberian Lynx
- Iberian Wolf
- Orange-winged Dropwing
- 10 Orcas seen close
- Black Percher
- Banded Groundling
- Long Skimmer
- Barbary Apes
- Cuvier's Beaked Whale
- Steaks for Dinner

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Our trip was during our school holidays and we wanted to look for as many species of Dragonfly as possible and also look for Iberian Wolf and Iberian Lynx, as well as Whales and Dolphins from the Portsmouth to Bilbao ferry. We were told that July was a bad time to look for the mammals but we wanted to try anyway. My dad drove 2,500 miles and we stayed in bungalows in campsites mostly, so we could go swimming in the afternoons. We saw **38** species of Dragonfly and **24** species of Mammal. It was a great holiday.

#### Day 1 Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July – 09

We caught the ferry from Portsmouth at 11:30 at night and then we went to bed.

#### Day 2 Monday 20th July - 09

We got up at 6:00am and went to the top deck. Over the next 14 hours we saw just a couple of **Gannets**. At around 8:00pm we saw our first pod of **Common Dolphins** we then had **Cory's**, **Sooty** and **Great Shearwater**. An **Ocean Sunfish** drifted past waving its fin at us. While watching another pod of dolphins we saw a **Sperm Whale** which stayed logging and blowing for a few minutes. By about 9:00pm we saw a pod of **Striped Dolphins** and not long after Harry and Gina went back to the cabin about 5 minutes later we saw a **Cuvier's Beaked-Whale** pretty close to the boat. 10minutes later we went back to the cabin.

## Day 3 Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July - 09

We arrived at Bilbao at 7:00am. We got off and started to head for our first hotel which was in the Picos de Europa. On the way we stopped off at the **river Deva** at Hermida and we checked under the bridge where we had **Large Pincertail** followed by a **Beautiful Demoiselle**, a perched **Western Spectre** and a **Common Goldenring**. After this we headed for our hotel in **Espinama** near to **Fuente De**.

#### Day 4 Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – 09

Today we went up the top of the mountain on a cable car but were not looking for dragonflies. It was very windy and we did see **Alpine Choughs** and **Alpine Accentor** as well as



**Griffon Vultures**. In the afternoon after we got down from the mountain we went to a different part of the **river Deva** were we saw about 10 **Beautiful Demoiselles** which were mostly females we also saw a large dragonfly which was a **Common Goldenring**. After that we headed back to the hotel but on the way before we got to **Potes** we found a small stream leading in to the **river Deva**. Here we saw lots of



Butterflies including Large Spotted Skipper and also some Beautiful Demoiselles. Shortly after that we got into the river to look at a bush that we thought had a good Butterfly on it and whilst in the river we saw two Common Goldenrings which got very close to us and stayed around for some



time. Whilst heading back to the car we found a **Bee Beetle** and a very large **Slow Worm.** We got back to the car and went back to the hotel.

## Day 5 Thursday 23rd July - 09

We headed South towards **Sierra De La Culebra** for our next hotel near to where we would look for Wolves. Once out of the mountains the rain stopped and it became hot and sunny. Harry counted 76 **White Storks** along the way. When we were about an hour from **Villardeciervos** we stopped off at the **Villafafila Nature reserve** (closed between 2pm & 4.30pm), where we had 10 + **Redveined Darters, Black-tailed Skimmer, Blue Emperor, Common Bluet** we also saw a **Small Spreadwing** which was a new species for the trip, and while we were walking back to the car we saw the highlight of the trip so far an **Iberian Bluetail.** Not long after that we



left the reserve and drove around the other side to see if we could find any water. We found a Little Owl

and four **Great Bustards**, plus lots of **Hoopoes**, **Marsh** and **Montagu's Harrier** and a **Booted Eagle**. We then drove to **Villardeciervos** to find a hotel. We tried about 5 hotels and beside one of them we found a small pool where we found a **Common Bluetail.** In the end we found a nice hotel near to the wolves site. About 8:00pm we went to the site where we would look for the wolves. At 9.00pm the ranger came to see us and he was very friendly talking about the wolves and saying how difficult they are to see in July. He then played us the sound of them howling that he had recorded himself. At 10:00pm we found a **Wild Boar** with its Piglet and whilst looking at that we saw a **Fox** walking towards the Boar. The adult Boar chased it off and about 10 minutes after that we saw the Fox coming out of the bush again but this was much bigger and all dark brown and had a different face. We new it was an **Iberian Wolf** and we all watched it walk across an open field through the telescope. We then left to celebrate with a huge steak dinner.

## Day 6 Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July - 09

We got up at 6:00am and went to try another site for Wolf, but did not see any and just had some **Red Deer** crossing the road. We returned to our hotel had breakfast and then left around 9:00am. We headed for **Villanuevo** about 5km away and drove behind what looks like a nice hotel with a horrible owner. Here we found some small boggy pools. We saw **Large Red Damsel**, **Small Red Damsel** and we had a very good **Mediterranean Bluet** which is not found in this part of Spain. Also we had a Skimmer that flew off so we could not identify it, and Harry found a **Tree Frog**, then we headed on. Nearby we found a large lake were we went around the edge and found there was nothing until the end were we found a **Common Darter** which was new for the trip and a **Black-tailed Skimmer**, plus **Great Banded Grayling** and **Lang's Short-tailed Blue** butterflies. As we were leaving we saw a large **Ocellated** 



Lizard on a rock. Then we headed for the town of **Rionegro del Puente** were there was a man made pool and marshes and a picnic area. Here we found **White Featherleg** and after watching some Demoiselles for a while we found a **Four-spotted Chaser** which we saw very well. Not far from that we photographed some **Ruddy Darters** which we managed to get close to. On the same pond as the Chaser



we saw a **Black-tailed Skimmer**, and then while Dad was sun bathing I went to have a look at some blues and I managed to catch one and we identified it as a **Blue-eye** (**Goblet-marked Damselfly**). As we were about to leave we went to check the demoiselles

again and we caught a male and female and they were **Western Demoiselle** s. We moved on to km 50



on the N525 where we stopped at some small pools and

found **Blue Emperor**, **Keeled Skimmer** and after a long time we found a **Small Spreadwing** and then we left. As we carried on we saw a small stream off the road were we found another **Blue-eye** (**Goblet-**

marked Damselfly), another Blue Emperor and then Harry found and we potted our first Western Willow Spreadwing. As we were heading back to the car we found a Broad-bodied Chaser, and it was very hot so we decided to go back to the hotel where we found an Ocellated Lizard and a baby Hedgehog. In the evening we went to the wolf site and we saw some Red Deer. At about 9.30pm we could hear the Wolves howling but they did not come out of the wood. Harry spotted two young Foxes sat on a bank looking at us. He called to them and one fox came over and started to jump around and play like a puppy dog just a few feet from him.



## Day 7 Saturday 25th July - 09

We left our hotel to go to the next one that was near Monfrague in Extremadura. It took us about 4

hours to get there, but on the way we stopped off at Embalse de Gabriel, near Zarza. The lake was dry and we did not see any dragons, but we did see a Black Stork and a Black Vulture. As we drove back to the main road we stopped at the river Ambroz where we managed to see Large Pincertail, Beautiful Demoiselle, Keeled Skimmer and a lot of White Featherlegs. After that we found a camp site near Monfrague that had bungalows. Here we went for a swim and near the swimming pool there was a tree with about 4 Red-veined Darters dragonflies in it. Later on in the evening we went into the park looking for Eagle Owl but we had no luck, although we did see lots of Red Deer.



## Day 8 Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July - 09

We set off at 7:30 am and just cruised along looking for rivers and about 12:00 in the day we found one just south of the town of **Talavan**. We went to have a look along this stream that went into a big lake on the other side of the road. On the stream we found a very good lifer for us a **Migrant Spreadwing**. After

that we moved onto the lake the **Embalse de Talavan** which was a nature reserve. Here we saw a lot of **Red-veined Darters** we also saw a **Lesser Emperor**, and the highlight of the trip so far a **Banded Groundling**. In the end we knew we had to

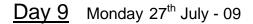


we had to get to the other side of the lake so we drove to the other side and parked



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and made our way down to the water's edge and walked. Later we found another **Banded Groundling** and whilst we were photographing it we saw more, in the end we had 7. Then we left and went back to the camp ground swimming pool. In the evening we went to the Eagle Owl spot where we saw **Black Storks** on their nest and then we had a very close **Spanish Imperial Eagle** fly over.





We made our way to **Donana** it took us nearly 5 hours to get there and when we finally went looking for dragonflies in the reserve we could not find any water because the marsh was dried up. We moved on and found a small stream that ran along the back of the town of **El Rocio** where we were staying and there we found about 40 **Broad Scarlets** and **Red-veined Darters** and then we found a dragonfly we wanted to see which was a **Epaulet Skimmer**, we found some more not long after. Then we went back to the pool for a swim.

## Day 10 Tuesday 28th July - 09

We left our hotel and we went looking for rivers, about an hour in we drove through **Huelva** and to the other side of the river going to **Punta Umbria**. Here we found our first pool called **Caltilla** a small reserve were we found **Red-veined Darter**, **Broad Scarlet**, **Black-tailed Skimmer** and a **Lesser Emperor**. We saw lots of birds here including **Crested Coot**, **Audouin's Gulls**, **Flamingos** and many different wading birds. Then we drove back along the coast road N442 stopping to check **Laguna las Madres** where we found some **Banded Groundlings**. A bit further on towards El Rocio on A 494 we turned off on a small road at **Parador Cristobel Colon** and into a desert sort of area and we knew if we

found a pool now it would be good and it was. After 1 or 2 km we found a pool on the left which you could not see water in until close to it. It was



called Laguna de Moguer and we named it the pool of dreams because on it we had **Red**veined



**Darter, Black-tailed Skimmer, Broad Scarlet, Common Darter, Small Bluetail, Small Spreadwing**, 2 really good **Long Skimmers** and after searching all the way around the

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pond we found lots of nice **Black Perchers**. After that we thought we would go back to the little stream behind El Rocio were we had **Epaulet Skimmer**.



We managed to see one and get some photos of it. We also saw **Black-tailed Skimmer**, **Red-veined Darter**, **Blue Emperor** and 4 **Lesser Emperors**. Then we went back to the swimming pool.

## Day 11 Wednesday 29th July - 09

Leaving **El Rocio** we drove to the other side of **Donana National Park**, through Seville and tried to follow the **Rio Guadaira** towards the coast. We drove through lots of Rice Paddies where we found many **Iberian Bluetails**, **Black-tailed Skimmers** and **Red-veined Darters**. We got lost in the Rice Paddies and when we finally got out we must have counted 3 million **Red-veined Darters**, all of them were sat on top of the rice and every other plant. There were lots of birds including **Glossy Ibis**, **Collared Pratincoles**, **Flamingos** and **Herons** and we also saw a **Yellow-crowned Bishop** displaying. We drove to **Rota** on the coast and tried to get into the Botanical gardens to look for Chameleons but it was closed between 2pm and 5pm. We then drove to **Punte Paloma** near **Tarifa** where we stayed at a campsite with bungalows and a good swimming pool. In the evening we drove to the beach where my dad found 2 **Little Swifts** flying over the car park.

## Day 12 Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July – 09

Today we had to wake up early to go to **Tarifa** where we caught a boat to go Whale watching. We set out and within half an hour we saw some **Bottle-nosed Dolphins**. Shortly after we spotted a blow and then saw our first **Killer Whales** near some Moroccan fishing boats. We got really close to them and



watched up to 10 for nearly an hour before we had to go back. As we headed towards the harbour we

saw many more **Bottle-nosed Dolphins** with some bow riding right underneath where we were watching. After this fantastic morning we went back and spent the afternoon in the swimming pool.

Day 13 Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July – 09

We got up and made our way to Gibraltar. Here we took a cable car to the top of the rock where we soon saw our first **Barbary** Apes. One jumped onto my head and later I had two on me. After this we looked for somewhere to stop for lunch. We parked on a road near a golf course north of Nueva Andalucia just before Marbella. Here we found a small stream with a rocky bottom. We walked along the stream and found Iberian Bluetails, Keeled Skimmer, Lesser Emperor, and we got bad views of a Ringed Cascader as it flew past a few times. Also without the book we had a Yellow-winged Darter which we managed to get photos of. When we got back to the car and as my dad was driving I checked the book and thought it could not be a **Yellow-winged Darter**, it must be an **Orange-winged Dropwing** which could be a new discovery for Europe



as it is found in Africa. When my dad checked the book and photo he agreed that's what it was. Our



second stop for dragonflies was under a bridge at

Estacion Cartama on the **Rio Guadalhorce** where we saw **Broad Scarlet**, **Red-veined Darter**, **Lesser Emperor**, **Iberian Bluetail**, **Small Bluetail** and several pairs of **Small Redeyes**.

Our next stop was under another bridge at Pizarra along the Rio Guadalhorce where we found up to 8

more Orange-winged Dropwings, Copper Demoiselle, Epaulet Skimmer, Broad Scarlet, Lesser Emperor, about 10 Violet Dropwings, Blue-eyed Hawker and good views of a Ringed Cascader. That was our dragonflying for the day and we finished at a brilliant hotel called La Garganta with the best swimming pool ever.

Day 14 Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August – 09 We left Garganta and drove to a very large lake Embalse de Guadalhorce where we saw many Violet Dropwing males but no females. We then drove a long time to Andujar stopping along the way at more rivers, but we did not see anything. At Andujar we drove north toward Las Vinas and stayed at Hotel Los Pinos. We had our dinner at 8pm and then went out



looking for Lynx. We tried an area looking across a river and two Spanish men said they saw a Lynx in December. We then drove the road close to our hotel and drove in the night until 1am. We saw many **Red** and **Fallow Deer** a **Fox** and a **Scops Owl**.

#### Day 15 Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August – 09

We got up at 5.30am and we drove along the road near our hotel. Along the way we saw many Red Deer with young and full racks. We also saw Fallow Deer and a Fox and then on our 4<sup>th</sup> run along the road at 9.15 my dad spotted a Lynx sat on a rock just 30metres away where we watched it for 20 minutes. It moved from the rock so we got out of the car to look for it. It suddenly appeared beside the road just 10ft from me and then ran away into the long grass.



After this success we went and had breakfast. During the day we checked a nearby river that was very poor with only **Broad Scarlet**, **Red-veined Darter**, **Violet Dropwing** and an unidentifiable **Blue**. We decided to spend the rest of the day swimming. In the evening we saw more deer and a two **Mouflon**.

## Day 16 Monday 3rd August - 09

This morning we had another quick check for Lynx and saw Fallow and Red Deer and two Wild Boar,

but no Lynx. We then drove the long journey towards Madrid. A couple of stops along the way saw very little, but we did see Red-veined Darter, Keeled Skimmer and Blue-eyed Hawker. We then drove past Madrid to a large lake called El Atazar where we found bungalows at a campsite in **El Berruecol**. In the afternoon we checked a river entering the lake and there was very little water in it. We found many Large Pincertails, and lots of Western Spectres, Blue Emperor and a few Western Demoiselles. Then we found a new one for the trip a **Southern Skimmer**. After this went back to our bungalow.

<u>Day 17</u> Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> August – 09 We left the campsite and headed north to Bilbao. We stopped by a few rivers but never saw anything. Then we had lunch at one river called **Rio Arlanta** 



near Lerma. Here we saw White Featherlegs, Blue Emperor, Large Pincertail and Blue-eye (Goblet-marked Damselfly. We then drove to Bilbao and stayed in a hotel beside the coast.

## Day 18 Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August – 09

We left after breakfast and drove to the ferry queue in Bilbao. While we waited there was up to 200 mini cars getting in the queue to go to a show in Birmingham. We then set off on the ferry back to Portsmouth. It was a bit quiet but we did see pods of **Common** and **Striped Dolphins** and some very close **Cuvier's Beaked Whales**. There was also a pod of **Long-finned Pilot Whales** and some distant

**Fin Whales**. We watched up until dark.

Day 19

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August – 09 We travelled through the English Channel arriving back in Portsmouth by about 5pm.



This trip was our best yet for Dragonflies with 38 species, which beat our trip to France last year which had 37 species. We also saw great mammals such as Wolf, Lynx and Killer Whale. It was the best trip ever! - Tom Bird

## **SPECIES LIST**

	SPECIES	Scientific Name	SPECIES
	DRAGONFLIES		ALTERNATE NAMES
1.	Copper Demoiselle	Calopteryx haemorrhoidalis	
2.	Beautiful Demoiselle	Calopteryx virgo meridionalis	
3.	Western Demoiselle	Calopteryx xanthostoma	Yellow-tailed Demoiselle
4.	Migrant Spreadwing	Lestes barbarus	Southern Emerald Damselfly
5.	Small Spreadwing	Lestes virens virens	Small Emerald Damselfly
6.	Western Willow Spreadwing	Lestes viridis	Willow Emerald Damselfly
7.	Small Red Damsel	Ceriagrion tenellum	Small Red Damselfly
8.	Large Red Damsel	Pyrrhosoma nymphula	Large Red Damselfly
9.	Mediterranean Bluet	Coenagrion caerulescens	
10.	Common Bluet	Enallagma cyathigerum	Common Blue Damselfly
11.	Blue-eye	Erythromma lindenii	Goblet-marked Damselfly
12.	Small Redeye	Erythromma viridulum	Small Red-eyed Damselfly
13.	Common Bluetail	Ischnura elegans	Blue-tailed Damselfly
14.	Iberian Bluetail	Ischnura graellsii	
15.	Small Bluetail	Ischnura pumilio	Scarce Blue-tailed Damselfly
16.	White Featherleg	Platycnemis latipes	
17.	Blue-eyed Hawker	Aeshna affinis	Southern Migrant Hawker
18.	Blue Emperor	Anax imperator	Emperor Dragonfly
19.	Lesser Emperor	Anax parthenope	
20.	Western Spectre	Boyeria irene	Dusk Hawker
21.	Large Pincertail	Onychogomphus uncatus	Blue-eyed Hooktail
22.	Common Goldenring	Cordulegaster boltonii	Golden-ringed Dragonfly
23.	Banded Groundling	Brachythemis leucosticta	Solden Iniged Diagonity
24.	Broad Scarlet	Crocothemis erythraea	Scarlet Darter
25.	Black Percher	Diplacodes lefebvrii	
26.	Broad-bodied Chaser	Libellula depressa	
20.	Four-spotted Chaser	Libellula quadrimaculata	Four-spotted Skimmer
28.	Southern Skimmer	Orthetrum brunneum	
20. 29.	Black-Tailed Skimmer	Orthetrum cancellatum	
30.	Epaulet Skimmer	Orthetrum chrysostigma	
31.	Keeled Skimmer	Orthetrum coerulescens	
32.	Long Skimmer	Orthetrum trinacria	
33.	Red-Veined Darter	Sympetrum fonscolombii	
33. 34.	Ruddy Darter	Sympetrum sanguineum	
34. 35.	Common Darter	Sympetrum striolatum	
35. 36.	Violet Dropwing	Trithemis annulata	Violet-marked Darter
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37. 38.	Orange-winged Dropwing Ringed Cascader	Trithemis kirbyi Zygonyx torridus	

### MAMMALS:

1.	Sperm Whale	Physeter macrocephalus	
2.	Fin whale	Balaenoptera physalus	
3.	Cuvier's Beaked Whale	Ziphius cavirostris	
4.	Long-finned Pilot Whale	Globicephala melas	
5.	Killer Whale	Orcinus orca	Orca
6.	Common Dolphin	Delphinus delphis	Short-beaked Common Dolphin
7.	Striped Dolphin	Stenella coeruleoalba	
8.	Bottlenose Dolphin	Tursiops truncatus	Common Bottlenose Dolphin
9.	Wild Boar	Sus scrofa	
10.	Red Fox	Vulpes vulpes	
11.	Iberian Wolf	Canis lupus signatus	
12.	Red Squirrel	Sciurus vulgaris	
13.	European Rabbit	Oryctolagus cuniculus	
14.	Iberian Hare	Lepus granatensis	
15.	Red Deer	Cervus elaphus	
16.	Fallow Deer	Dama dama	
17.	Mouflon	Ovis orientalis musimon	
18.	Western Hedgehog	Erinaceus europaeus	
19.	Barbary Macaque	Macaca sylvanus	Barbary Ape
20.	Iberian Lynx	Felis pardina	Spanish Lynx
21.	Greater Mouse-eared Bat	Myotis myotis	
22.	Daubenton's Bat	Myotis daubentoni	
23.	Schreibers' Bat	Miniopterus schreibersi	Common Bent-winged Bat
24.	Bat sp - unidentified		

#### **BUTTERFLIES:**

1.	Brimstone	Gonepteryx rhamni
2.	Cleopatra	Gonepteryx cleopar
3.	Long-tailed Blue	Lampides boeticus
4.	Mountain Argos	<i>Aricia artaxerxes</i>
5.	Red Admiral	Vanessa atalanta
6.	Cardinal Fritillary	Argynnis pandora
7.	Wood White	Leptidea sinapis
8.	Common Blue	Polyommatus icarus
9.	Clouded Yellow	Colias crocea
10.	Large Chequered Skipper	Heteropterus morpheus
11.	Marbled White	Melanargia galathea
12.	Silver-washed Fritallary	Argynnis paphia
13.	Gatekeeper	Pyronia tithonus
14.	Short-tailed Blue	Everes argiades
15.	False Ilex Hairstreak	Satyrium esculi
16.	Spanish Purple Hairstreak	Laeosopis roboris
17.	Blue-spot Hairstreak	Satyrium spini
18.	Speckled Wood	Pararge aegeria
19.	Lulworth Skipper	Thymelicus acteon
20.	Great Banded Grayling	Brintesia circe

21.	Small Copper	Lycaena phlaeas	
22.	Small White	Artogeia rapae	
23.	Mallow Skipper	Brintesia circe	

#### **BIRDS:**

1.	Cory's Shearwater	Calonectris diomedrea
2.	Sooty Shearwater	Puffinus griseus
3.	Great Shearwater	Puffinus gravis
4.	Wilson's Petrel	Oceanites oceanicus
5.	Northern Fulmar	Fulmarus glacialis
6.	Northern Gannet	Morus bassanus
7.	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Larus fuscus
8.	Herring Gull	Larus argentatus
9.	Yellow-legged Gull	Larus cachinnans
10.	Black-headed Gull	Larus ridibundus
11.	Griffon Vulture	Gyps fulvus
12.	Egyptian Vulture	Neophron percnopterus
13.	Black Kite	Milvus migrans
14.	Common Buzzard	Buteo buteo
15.	Short-toed Eagle	Circaetus gallicus
16.	Red-billed Chough	Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax
17.	Alpine Chough	Pyrrhocorax graculus
18.	Alpine Accentor	Prunella collaris
19.	Water Pipit	Anthus spinoletta
20.	Black Redstart	Phoenicurus ochruros
21.	Great Tit	Parus major
22.	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus
23.	Swift	Apus apus
24.	House Martin	Delichon urbica
25.	White Wagtail	Motacilla alba
26.	Serin	Serinus serinus
27.	Red-backed Shrike	Lanius collurio
28.	Woodpigeon	Columba palumbus
29.	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica
30.	Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea
31.	Dipper	Cinclus cinclus
32.	Booted Eagle	Hieraaetus pennatus
33.	Great Bustard	Otis tarda
34.	Black winged stilt	Himantopus himantopus
35.	Common Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus
36.	Lesser Kesterel	Falco naumanni
37.	Montagu's harrier	Circus pygargus
38.	Marsh Harrier	Circus aeruginosus
39.	Red legged Partridge	Alectoris rufa
40.	White Stork	Ciconia ciconia
41.	Black Stork	Ciconia nigra
42.	Black Vulture	Aegypius monachus
43.	Black-winged Kite	Elanus cleus
44.	Azure-winged Magpie	Cyanopica cyana
45.	Woodchat Shrike	Lanius senator

46.	Southern Grey Shrike	Lanius excubitor meridionalis
	Crested Lark	Galerida cristata
	Spanish Imperial Eagle	Aquila adalberti
	Little Owl	Athene noctua
	Subalpine Warbler	Sylvia cantillans
	Melodious Warbler	Hippolais polyglotta
	Spotless Starling	Sturnus unicolor
	Turtle Dove	Streptopelia turtur
	Booted Eagle	Hieraaetus pennatus
	Little Ringed Plover	Charadrius dubius
	6	Charadrius diabitis
	Ringed Plover Kentish Plover	Charadrius mancuta Charadrius alexandrinus
	Green Sandpiper	Tringa ochropus
	Common Sandpiper	Actitis hypoleucos
	Ruff	
		Philomachus pugnax   Calidris alpina
	Dunlin	1
	Spoonbill Malland	Platalea leucorodia
	Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos
	Magpie	Pica pica
	Jay	Garrulus glandarius Carduelis carduelis
	Goldfinch	
	Greenfinch	Carduelis chloris
	Linnet	Carduelis cannabina
69.	Yellow Wagtail	Motacilla flava
	Blackcap	Sylvia atricapilla
	Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs
72.	Wren	Troglodytes troglodytes
	Blackbird	Turdus merula
	Cattle Egret	Bubulcus ibis
	European Bee-eater	Merops apiaster
	Red Kite	Milvus milvus
	Sand Martin	Riparia riparia
	Stonechat	Saxicola torquata
	Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe
	Black-eared Wheatear	Oenanthe hispanica
	Tawny Pipit	Anthus campestris
	Alpine Swift	Tachymarptis melba
	Little Swift	Apus affinus
	Red-rumped Swallow	Cecropis daurica
-	Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto
	Spotted Flycatcher	Muscicapa striata
	Kingfisher	Alcedo atthis
	Long-tailed Tit	Aegithalos caudatus
	Crag Martin	Hirundo rupestris
90.	Blue Rock Thrush	Monticola solitarius
91.	Water Rail	Rallus aquaticus
	Pochard	Aythya ferina
	Glossy Ibis	Plegadis falcinellus
94.	Squacco Heron	Ardeola ralloides

#### **<u>REPTILES & AMPHIBIANS:</u>**

1.	Slow Worm	Anguis fragilis	
2.	Ocellated Lizard	Timon lepidus	
3.	Edible Frog	Rana esculenta	
4.	European Tree Frog	Hyla arborea	
5.	European Pond Terrapin	Emys orbicularis	
6.	Moorish Gecko	Tarentola mauritanica	
7.	Viperine Snake	Natrix maura	
8.	Lizard sp ?		
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### **INSECTS & OTHERS:**

1.	Bee Beetle	Trichius fasciatus	
2.	Five-spot Burnet	Zygaena trifolii	
3.	Seven Spot Ladybird	Coccinella septempunctata	
4.	Passenger Moth	Dysgonia algira	
5.	Eyed Hawkmoth	Smerinthus ocellata	
6.	Jersey Tiger	Euplagia quadripunctaria	
7.	Black Bee		
8.	Tiger Beetle		
9.	Water Strider		
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11.	Catfish		
12.	Crayfish		



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