



In March 2019 Royle Safaris ran our second specialist Sichuan Mammals Tour with a focus on a particularly special species. The trip was run with Martin Royle, Roland Zeidler & Sid Francis as our guides.

We visited 3 different locations (covering the rugged bamboo forests of the greater Wolong ecosystem, the high altitude grasslands of Rouergai and the wonderful forests of Tangjiahe).

We were very successful with sightings of 44 different species of mammals and over 100 species of birds including Giant Panda, Red Panda, Pallas's Cat, Chinese Mountain Cat, Indochinese Leopard Cat, Particoloured Flying Squirrel, Golden Snub-nosed Monkey, Chinese Ferret Badger, Eurasian Otter and Chinese Pipistrelle.

We ran a second Sichuan's Mammals Tour (back to back with this one) in April 2019 and we had even more success in some areas. The sightings log for that trip will follow in a few days.

We have started to promote our 2020 Sichuan Mammals Tour (with special focus on a particular special species for half of the trip); we have already received many bookings on these two trips. Our first tour for 2020 (9th – 22nd March 2020) has just one place remaining and our second tour for 2020 (25th April – 8th May 2020) which also has only one place remaining.

We have also started offering places on another specialist mammal tour of China, visiting Qinghai and the wonderful Valley of the Cats. This tour is for July 2020 (1st – 15th July 2020) and focuses on Snow leopards, Eurasian lynx, Himalayan wolf, Himalayan brown bear, Tibetan antelope, Wild Yak, White-lipped deer, Alpine musk deer, Glover's pika, Bharal, McNeil's deer and many more species. We have only 3 places available on this tour also.

For anyone interested in any of the above trips for 2020 or if anyone has any questions about the below sightings log, please contact me on this blog post or email me direct at info@royle-safaris.co.uk.

Kind regards

Martin Royle

Director / Guide



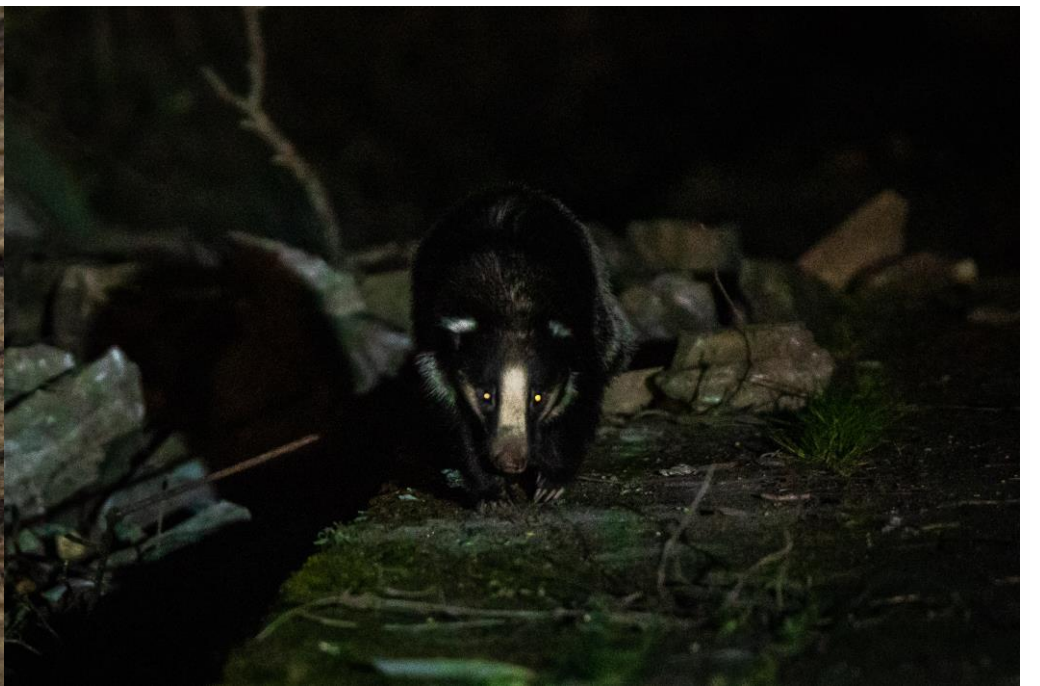
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Species List

Sichuan's Mammals Tour

Mar/Apr 2019

Mammals (* = heard or signs only)

	Common Name	Binominal Name
1	Giant panda	<i>Ailuropoda melanoleuca</i>
2	Red panda	<i>Ailurus fulgens</i>
3	Northern hog badger	<i>Arctonyx albogularis</i>
4	Sichuan takin	<i>Budorcas tibetana</i>
5	Tibetan wolf	<i>Canis lupus</i>
6	Siberian roe deer	<i>Capreolus pygargus</i>
7	Chinese serow	<i>Capricornis milneedwardsii</i>
8	Sambar	<i>Cervus unicolor</i>
9	Perny's long-nosed squirrel	<i>Dremomys pernyi</i>
10	Tufted deer	<i>Elaphodus cephalophus</i>
11	Chinese zokor	<i>Eospalax fontanierii</i>
12	Common serotine	<i>Eptesicus serotinus</i>
13	Chinese mountain cat	<i>Felis bieti</i>
14	Particoloured flying squirrel	<i>Hylopetes alboniger</i>
15	Chinese pipistrelle	<i>Hypsugo pulveratus</i>
16	Malayan porcupine	<i>Hystrix brachyura</i>
17	Woolly hare	<i>Lepus oiostolus</i>
18	Tolai hare	<i>Lepus tolai</i>
19	Eurasian otter	<i>Lutra lutra</i>
20	Rhesus macaque	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>
21	Tibetan macaque	<i>Macaca thibetana</i>
22	Himalayan marmot	<i>Marmota himalayana</i>
23	Yellow-throated marten	<i>Martes flavigula</i>

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24	Asian badger	<i>Meles leucurus</i>
25	Chinese ferret badger	<i>Melogale moschata</i>
26	Reeve's muntjac	<i>Muntiacus reevesi</i>
27	Mountain weasel	<i>Mustela altaica</i>
28	Chinese goral	<i>Naemorhedus griseus</i>
29	Plateau pika	<i>Ochotona curzoniae</i>
30	Thomas's pika	<i>Ochotona thomasi</i>
31	Pallas's cat	<i>Otolobus manul</i>
32	Masked palm civet	<i>Paguma larvata</i>
33	Chinese giant flying squirrel	<i>Petaurista xanthotis</i>
34	Japanese pipistrelle	<i>Pipistrellus abramus</i>
35	Indochinese leopard cat	<i>Prionailurus bengalensis</i>
36	Tibetan gazelle	<i>Procapra picticaudata</i>
37	Bharal	<i>Pseudois nayaur</i>
38	Greater horseshoe bat	<i>Rhinolophus ferrumequinum</i>
39	Pearson's horseshoe bat	<i>Rhinolophus pearsonii</i>
40	Golden snub-nosed monkey	<i>Rhinopithecus roxellana</i>
41	Pere David's rock squirrel	<i>Sciurotamias davidianus</i>
42	Bear species	<i>Sp.</i>
43	Eurasian wild pig	<i>Sus scofra</i>
44	Swinhoe's striped squirrel	<i>Tamiops swinhoi</i>
45	Complex-toothed flying squirrel	<i>Troglodytes xanthipes</i>
46	Red fox	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>
47	Tibetan fox	<i>Vulpes ferrilata</i>

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NB 1: Some bats identified 100% at roosts or with good views. Others identified with spectrograms in combination with sightings (no spectrograms without visual confirmation are recorded), behaviour and habitat – so not 100% but best educated guesses. For more information please email me.

NB 2: Where a (T) is indicated in the above table this means the animal (or the number of animals in the brackets) were spotted and identified with the thermal imager only.

Birds (* = heard or signs only)

	Common Name	Binominal Name
1	Crested goshawk	<i>Accipiter trivirgatus</i>
2	Eurasian sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nivalis</i>
3	Black-browed tit	<i>Aegithalos bonvaloti</i>
4	Daurian starling	<i>Agropsar sturninus</i>
5	Bar-headed goose	<i>Anser indicus</i>
6	Golden eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>
7	Steppe eagle	<i>Aquila nipalensis</i>

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2	Chinese brown frog	<i>Rana chensinensis</i>
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Fishes (* = heard or signs only)

	Common Name	Binominal Name
1	Pere David's snow trout	<i>Schizothorax davidi</i>

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