

# Amatikulu Nature Reserve

## CHECKLIST *of* BIRDS



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### RED DATA: Regional\*, Global

CR Critically Endangered  
EN Endangered  
VU Vulnerable  
NR Near Threatened  
LC Least Concern  
EX Extinct (regionally)  
DD Data Deficient  
NR Not Recognised by BirdLife International  
NA Not Assessed

### STATUS IN SOUTH AFRICA

V Vagrant  
I Introduced

*\*The 2015 Eskom Red Data Book of Birds of South Africa, Lesotho and Swaziland*

*\*\* Please report to BirdLife South Africa National Rarities Committee (rarities@birdlife.org.za)*

### ENDEMISM IN SOUTH AFRICA(not southern africa, as in field guides)

E Endemic  
SLS Endemic to South Africa, Lesotho and Swaziland  
NE Near endemic (i.e. ~70% or more of population in RSA)  
BNE Breeding near endemic

This checklist was generated using data from the Southern African Bird Atlas Project (SABAP2; [sabap2.birdmap.africa](http://sabap2.birdmap.africa)) captured by citizen scientists in the surrounding area (approximately 60km<sup>2</sup>). As such, this checklist is descriptive of the general area and may include birds not normally found at this site. Rare birds with low occurrence or no reports in the atlas data may also be missing from this list.

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SPECIES	
1	<b>Apalis, Bar-throated</b> <i>Apalis thoracica</i>
2	<b>Apalis, Rudd's</b> <i>Apalis ruddi</i>
3	<b>Apalis, Yellow-breasted</b> <i>Apalis flavida</i>
4	<b>Barbet, Black-collared</b> <i>Lybius torquatus</i>
5	<b>Barbet, Crested</b> <i>Trachyphonus vaillantii</i>
6	<b>Barbet, White-eared</b> <i>Stactolaema leucotis</i>
7	<b>Batis, Chinspot</b> <i>Batis molitor</i>
8	<b>Bee-eater, Little</b> <i>Merops pusillus</i>
9	<b>Bee-eater, White-fronted</b> <i>Merops bullockoides</i>
10	<b>Bishop, Southern Red</b> <i>Euplectes orix</i>
11	<b>Boubou, Southern</b> <i>Laniarius ferrugineus</i>
12	<b>Brownbul, Terrestrial</b> <i>Phyllastrephus terrestris</i>
13	<b>Bulbul, Dark-capped</b> <i>Pycnonotus tricolor</i>
14	<b>Bushshrike, Gorgeous</b> <i>Telophorus viridis</i>
15	<b>Bushshrike, Olive</b> <i>Chlorophoneus olivaceus</i>
16	<b>Bushshrike, Orange-breasted</b> <i>Chlorophoneus sulfureopectus</i>
17	<b>Bustard, Black-bellied</b> <i>Lissotis melanogaster</i>
18	<b>Buttonquail, Common</b> <i>Turnix sylvaticus</i>
19	<b>Buzzard, Common</b> <i>Buteo buteo</i>
20	<b>Buzzard, Jackal</b> <i>Buteo rufofuscus</i> (NE)
21	<b>Camaroptera, Green-backed</b> <i>Camaroptera brachyura</i>
22	<b>Canary, Brimstone</b> <i>Crithagra sulphurata</i>
23	<b>Canary, Cape</b> <i>Serinus canicollis</i>
24	<b>Canary, Yellow-fronted</b> <i>Crithagra mozambica</i>
25	<b>Cisticola, Croaking</b> <i>Cisticola natalensis</i>
26	<b>Cisticola, Lazy</b> <i>Cisticola aberrans</i>
27	<b>Cisticola, Rattling</b> <i>Cisticola chiniana</i>
28	<b>Cisticola, Red-faced</b> <i>Cisticola erythrops</i>
29	<b>Cisticola, Rufous-winged</b> <i>Cisticola galactotes</i>
30	<b>Cisticola, Zitting</b> <i>Cisticola juncidis</i>
31	<b>Cormorant, Reed</b> <i>Microcarbo africanus</i>
32	<b>Cormorant, White-breasted</b> <i>Phalacrocorax lucidus</i>
33	<b>Coucal, Black</b> <i>Centropus grillii</i>

SPECIES	
34	<b>Coucal, Burchell's</b> <i>Centropus burchellii</i>
35	<b>Crake, Black</b> <i>Zapornia flavirostra</i>
36	<b>Crombec, Long-billed</b> <i>Sylvietta rufescens</i>
37	<b>Crow, Pied</b> <i>Corvus albus</i>
38	<b>Cuckoo-finch, Cuckoo-finch</b> <i>Anomalospiza imberbis</i>
39	<b>Cuckoo, African Emerald</b> <i>Chrysococcyx cupreus</i>
40	<b>Cuckoo, Diederik</b> <i>Chrysococcyx caprius</i>
41	<b>Cuckoo, Klaas's</b> <i>Chrysococcyx klaas</i>
42	<b>Cuckoo, Red-chested</b> <i>Cuculus solitarius</i>
43	<b>Cuckooshrike, Black</b> <i>Campephaga flava</i>
44	<b>Darter, African</b> <i>Anhinga rufa</i>
45	<b>Dove, Emerald-spotted Wood</b> <i>Turtur chalcospilos</i>
46	<b>Dove, Laughing</b> <i>Spilopelia senegalensis</i>
47	<b>Dove, Lemon</b> <i>Columba larvata</i>
48	<b>Dove, Red-eyed</b> <i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i>
49	<b>Dove, Ring-necked</b> <i>Streptopelia capicola</i>
50	<b>Dove, Tambourine</b> <i>Turtur tympanistria</i>
51	<b>Drongo, Common Square-tailed</b> <i>Dicrurus ludwigii</i>
52	<b>Drongo, Fork-tailed</b> <i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>
53	<b>Duck, White-faced Whistling</b> <i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>
54	<b>Duck, Yellow-billed</b> <i>Anas undulata</i>
55	<b>Eagle, African Fish</b> <i>Haliaeetus vocifer</i>
56	<b>Eagle, Black-chested Snake</b> <i>Circaetus pectoralis</i>
57	<b>Eagle, Brown Snake</b> <i>Circaetus cinereus</i>
58	<b>Eagle, Crowned</b> <i>Stephanoaetus coronatus</i> (VU, NT)
59	<b>Eagle, Long-crested</b> <i>Lophaetus occipitalis</i>
60	<b>Eagle, Martial</b> <i>Polemaetus bellicosus</i> (EN)
61	<b>Eagle, Southern Banded Snake</b> <i>Circaetus fasciolatus</i> (CR, NT)
62	<b>Eagle, Wahlberg's</b> <i>Hieraaetus wahlbergi</i>
63	<b>Egret, Great</b> <i>Ardea alba</i>
64	<b>Egret, Intermediate</b> <i>Ardea intermedia</i>
65	<b>Egret, Little</b> <i>Egretta garzetta</i>
66	<b>Egret, Western Cattle</b> <i>Bubulcus ibis</i>

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67	<b>Falcon, Lanner</b> <i>Falco biarmicus</i> (VU, LC)
68	<b>Finfoot, African</b> <i>Podica senegalensis</i> (VU, LC)
69	<b>Firefinch, African</b> <i>Lagonosticta rubricata</i>
70	<b>Firefinch, Red-billed</b> <i>Lagonosticta senegala</i>
71	<b>Fiscal, Southern</b> <i>Lanius collaris</i>
72	<b>Flycatcher, African Dusky</b> <i>Muscicapa adusta</i>
73	<b>Flycatcher, African Paradise</b> <i>Terpsiphone viridis</i>
74	<b>Flycatcher, Ashy</b> <i>Muscicapa caerulescens</i>
75	<b>Flycatcher, Blue-mantled Crested</b> <i>Trochocercus cyanomelas</i>
76	<b>Flycatcher, Fiscal</b> <i>Melaenornis silens</i> (NE)
77	<b>Flycatcher, Southern Black</b> <i>Melaenornis pammelaina</i>
78	<b>Flycatcher, Spotted</b> <i>Muscicapa striata</i>
79	<b>Goose, Egyptian</b> <i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>
80	<b>Goose, Spur-winged</b> <i>Plectropterus gambensis</i>
81	<b>Goshawk, African</b> <i>Accipiter tachiro</i>
82	<b>Grassbird, Fan-tailed</b> <i>Catriscus brevirostris</i>
83	<b>Grebe, Little</b> <i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
84	<b>Greenbul, Sombre</b> <i>Andropadus importunus</i>
85	<b>Greenbul, Yellow-bellied</b> <i>Chlorocichla flaviventris</i>
86	<b>Greenshank, Common</b> <i>Tringa nebularia</i>
87	<b>Guineafowl, Crested</b> <i>Guttera pucherani</i>
88	<b>Hamerkop, Hamerkop</b> <i>Scopus umbretta</i>
89	<b>Heron, Black-headed</b> <i>Ardea melanocephala</i>
90	<b>Heron, Goliath</b> <i>Ardea goliath</i>
91	<b>Heron, Grey</b> <i>Ardea cinerea</i>
92	<b>Heron, Purple</b> <i>Ardea purpurea</i>
93	<b>Heron, Squacco</b> <i>Ardeola ralloides</i>
94	<b>Honeyguide, Lesser</b> <i>Indicator minor</i>
95	<b>Honeyguide, Scaly-throated</b> <i>Indicator variegatus</i>
96	<b>Hoopoe, African</b> <i>Upupa africana</i>
97	<b>Hoopoe, Green Wood</b> <i>Phoeniculus purpureus</i>
98	<b>Hornbill, Trumpeter</b> <i>Bycanistes bucinator</i>
99	<b>Ibis, African Sacred</b> <i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i>

SPECIES	
100	<b>Ibis, Hadada</b> <i>Bostrychia hagedash</i>
101	<b>Jacana, African</b> <i>Actophilornis africanus</i>
102	<b>Kingfisher, African Pygmy</b> <i>Ispidina picta</i>
103	<b>Kingfisher, Brown-hooded</b> <i>Halcyon albiventris</i>
104	<b>Kingfisher, Giant</b> <i>Megaceryle maxima</i>
105	<b>Kingfisher, Half-collared</b> <i>Alcedo semitorquata</i> (NT, LC)
106	<b>Kingfisher, Malachite</b> <i>Corythornis cristatus</i>
107	<b>Kingfisher, Pied</b> <i>Ceryle rudis</i>
108	<b>Kite, Yellow-billed</b> <i>Milvus aegyptius</i>
109	<b>Lapwing, Blacksmith</b> <i>Vanellus armatus</i>
110	<b>Lark, Rufous-naped</b> <i>Mirafra africana</i>
111	<b>Longclaw, Yellow-throated</b> <i>Macronyx croceus</i>
112	<b>Malkoha, Green</b> <i>Ceuthmochares australis</i>
113	<b>Mannikin, Bronze</b> <i>Spermestes cucullata</i>
114	<b>Mannikin, Red-backed</b> <i>Spermestes nigriceps</i>
115	<b>Martin, Brown-throated</b> <i>Riparia paludicola</i>
116	<b>Moorhen, Common</b> <i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
117	<b>Mousebird, Red-faced</b> <i>Urocolius indicus</i>
118	<b>Mousebird, Speckled</b> <i>Colius striatus</i>
119	<b>Myna, Common</b> <i>Acridotheres tristis</i> (I)
120	<b>Neddicky, Neddicky</b> <i>Cisticola fulvicapilla</i>
121	<b>Nightjar, Fiery-necked</b> <i>Caprimulgus pectoralis</i>
122	<b>Nightjar, Swamp</b> <i>Caprimulgus natalensis</i> (VU, LC)
123	<b>Oriole, Black-headed</b> <i>Oriolus larvatus</i>
124	<b>Osprey, Western</b> <i>Pandion haliaetus</i>
125	<b>Owl, African Wood</b> <i>Strix woodfordii</i>
126	<b>Oxpecker, Red-billed</b> <i>Buphagus erythrorynchus</i>
127	<b>Pelican, Great White</b> <i>Pelecanus onocrotalus</i> (VU, LC)
128	<b>Pelican, Pink-backed</b> <i>Pelecanus rufescens</i> (VU, LC)
129	<b>Pigeon, African Green</b> <i>Treron calvus</i>
130	<b>Pipit, African</b> <i>Anthus cinnamomeus</i>
131	<b>Pipit, Plain-backed</b> <i>Anthus leucophrys</i>
132	<b>Prinia, Tawny-flanked</b> <i>Prinia subflava</i>

SPECIES	
133	<b>Puffback, Black-backed</b> <i>Dryoscopus cubla</i>
134	<b>Quail, Common</b> <i>Coturnix coturnix</i>
135	<b>Quelea, Red-headed</b> <i>Quelea erythropis</i>
136	<b>Robin-Chat, Cape</b> <i>Cossypha cafra</i>
137	<b>Robin-Chat, Chorister</b> <i>Cossypha dichroa</i> (SLS)
138	<b>Robin-Chat, Red-capped</b> <i>Cossypha natalensis</i>
139	<b>Robin-Chat, White-browed</b> <i>Cossypha heuglini</i>
140	<b>Robin, White-browed Scrub</b> <i>Cercotrichas leucophrys</i>
141	<b>Roller, Broad-billed</b> <i>Eurystomus glaucurus</i>
142	<b>Sandpiper, Common</b> <i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
143	<b>Sandpiper, Wood</b> <i>Tringa glareola</i>
144	<b>Saw-wing, Black</b> <i>Psalidoprocne pristoptera</i>
145	<b>Seedeater, Streaky-headed</b> <i>Crithagra gularis</i>
146	<b>Shrike, Red-backed</b> <i>Lanius collurio</i>
147	<b>Sparrow, House</b> <i>Passer domesticus</i> (I)
148	<b>Sparrow, Southern Grey-headed</b> <i>Passer diffusus</i>
149	<b>Sparrowhawk, Black</b> <i>Accipiter melanoleucus</i>
150	<b>Sparrowhawk, Little</b> <i>Accipiter minullus</i>
151	<b>Spoonbill, African</b> <i>Platalea alba</i>
152	<b>Spurfowl, Natal</b> <i>Pternistis natalensis</i>
153	<b>Starling, Black-bellied</b> <i>Notopholia corusca</i>
154	<b>Starling, Cape</b> <i>Lamprotornis nitens</i>
155	<b>Starling, Red-winged</b> <i>Onychognathus morio</i>
156	<b>Starling, Violet-backed</b> <i>Cinnyricinclus leucogaster</i>
157	<b>Stilt, Black-winged</b> <i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
158	<b>Stonechat, African</b> <i>Saxicola torquatus</i>
159	<b>Stork, Woolly-necked</b> <i>Ciconia episcopus</i>
160	<b>Stork, Yellow-billed</b> <i>Mycteria ibis</i> (EN, LC)
161	<b>Sunbird, Amethyst</b> <i>Chalcomitra amethystina</i>
162	<b>Sunbird, Collared</b> <i>Hedydipna collaris</i>
163	<b>Sunbird, Grey</b> <i>Cyanomitra veroxii</i>
164	<b>Sunbird, Olive</b> <i>Cyanomitra olivacea</i>
165	<b>Sunbird, Purple-banded</b> <i>Cinnyris bifasciatus</i>

SPECIES	
166	<b>Sunbird, Scarlet-chested</b> <i>Chalcomitra senegalensis</i>
167	<b>Sunbird, White-bellied</b> <i>Cinnyris talatala</i>
168	<b>Swallow, Barn</b> <i>Hirundo rustica</i>
169	<b>Swallow, Lesser Striped</b> <i>Cecropis abyssinica</i>
170	<b>Swallow, Red-breasted</b> <i>Cecropis semirufa</i>
171	<b>Swallow, White-throated</b> <i>Hirundo albigularis</i>
172	<b>Swallow, Wire-tailed</b> <i>Hirundo smithii</i>
173	<b>Swamphen, African</b> <i>Porphyrio madagascariensis</i>
174	<b>Swift, African Black</b> <i>Apus barbatus</i>
175	<b>Swift, African Palm</b> <i>Cypsiurus parvus</i>
176	<b>Swift, Little</b> <i>Apus affinis</i>
177	<b>Swift, White-rumped</b> <i>Apus caffer</i>
178	<b>Tchagra, Black-crowned</b> <i>Tchagra senegalus</i>
179	<b>Teal, Red-billed</b> <i>Anas erythrorhyncha</i>
180	<b>Tern, Caspian</b> <i>Hydropogone caspia</i> (VU, LC)
181	<b>Thick-knee, Water</b> <i>Burhinus vermiculatus</i>
182	<b>Tinkerbird, Red-fronted</b> <i>Pogoniulus pusillus</i>
183	<b>Tinkerbird, Yellow-rumped</b> <i>Pogoniulus bilineatus</i>
184	<b>Tit, Southern Black</b> <i>Melaniparus niger</i>
185	<b>Trogon, Narina</b> <i>Apaloderma narina</i>
186	<b>Turaco, Purple-crested</b> <i>Tauraco porphyreolophus</i>
187	<b>Twinspot, Green</b> <i>Mandingoa nitidula</i>
188	<b>Wagtail, African Pied</b> <i>Motacilla aguimp</i>
189	<b>Wagtail, Cape</b> <i>Motacilla capensis</i>
190	<b>Warbler, African Reed</b> <i>Acrocephalus baeticatus</i>
191	<b>Warbler, Lesser Swamp</b> <i>Acrocephalus gracilirostris</i>
192	<b>Warbler, Little Rush</b> <i>Bradypterus baboecala</i>
193	<b>Wattle-eye, Black-throated</b> <i>Platysteira peltata</i>
194	<b>Waxbill, Common</b> <i>Estrilda astrild</i>
195	<b>Waxbill, Grey</b> <i>Estrilda perreini</i>
196	<b>Waxbill, Orange-breasted</b> <i>Amandava subflava</i>
197	<b>Weaver, Dark-backed</b> <i>Ploceus bicolor</i>
198	<b>Weaver, Eastern Golden</b> <i>Ploceus subaureus</i>

SPECIES		
199	<b>Weaver, Lesser Masked</b> <i>Ploceus intermedius</i>	
200	<b>Weaver, Southern Masked</b> <i>Ploceus velatus</i>	
201	<b>Weaver, Spectacled</b> <i>Ploceus ocularis</i>	
202	<b>Weaver, Thick-billed</b> <i>Amblyospiza albifrons</i>	
203	<b>Weaver, Village</b> <i>Ploceus cucullatus</i>	
204	<b>White-eye, Cape</b> <i>Zosterops virens</i> (NE)	
205	<b>Whydah, Pin-tailed</b> <i>Vidua macroura</i>	
206	<b>Widowbird, Fan-tailed</b> <i>Euplectes axillaris</i>	
207	<b>Widowbird, Red-collared</b> <i>Euplectes ardens</i>	
208	<b>Woodpecker, Cardinal</b> <i>Dendropicus fuscescens</i>	
209	<b>Woodpecker, Golden-tailed</b> <i>Campethera abingoni</i>	

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