

## Assen backroads

# 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*

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### ENDEMICISM 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>Babbler, Arrow-marked</b> <i>Turdoides jardineii</i>
2	<b>Babbler, Southern Pied</b> <i>Turdoides bicolor</i>
3	<b>Barbet, Acacia Pied</b> <i>Tricholaema leucomelas</i>
4	<b>Barbet, Black-collared</b> <i>Lybius torquatus</i>
5	<b>Barbet, Crested</b> <i>Trachyphonus vaillantii</i>
6	<b>Batis, Chinspot</b> <i>Batis molitor</i>
7	<b>Bee-eater, European</b> <i>Merops apiaster</i>
8	<b>Bee-eater, Southern Carmine</b> <i>Merops nubicoides</i>
9	<b>Bee-eater, White-fronted</b> <i>Merops bullockoides</i>
10	<b>Bishop, Southern Red</b> <i>Euplectes orix</i>
11	<b>Bishop, Yellow-crowned</b> <i>Euplectes afer</i>
12	<b>Boubou, Southern</b> <i>Laniarius ferrugineus</i>
13	<b>Brubru, Brubru</b> <i>Nilaus afer</i>
14	<b>Bulbul, African Red-eyed</b> <i>Pycnonotus nigricans</i>
15	<b>Bulbul, Dark-capped</b> <i>Pycnonotus tricolor</i>
16	<b>Bunting, Cinnamon-breasted</b> <i>Emberiza tahapisi</i>
17	<b>Bunting, Golden-breasted</b> <i>Emberiza flaviventris</i>
18	<b>Bushshrike, Grey-headed</b> <i>Malaconotus blanchoti</i>
19	<b>Bushshrike, Orange-breasted</b> <i>Chlorophoneus sulfureopectus</i>
20	<b>Buzzard, Common</b> <i>Buteo buteo</i>
21	<b>Camaroptera, Grey-backed</b> <i>Camaroptera brevicaudata</i>
22	<b>Canary, Black-throated</b> <i>Crithagra atrogularis</i>
23	<b>Canary, Yellow-fronted</b> <i>Crithagra mozambica</i>
24	<b>Chat, Familiar</b> <i>Oenanthe familiaris</i>
25	<b>Cisticola, Desert</b> <i>Cisticola aridulus</i>
26	<b>Cisticola, Levallant's</b> <i>Cisticola tinniens</i>
27	<b>Cisticola, Rattling</b> <i>Cisticola chiniana</i>
28	<b>Cisticola, Zitting</b> <i>Cisticola juncidis</i>
29	<b>Cormorant, Reed</b> <i>Microcarbo africanus</i>
30	<b>Cormorant, White-breasted</b> <i>Phalacrocorax lucidus</i>
31	<b>Coucal, Burchell's</b> <i>Centropus burchellii</i>
32	<b>Crake, Black</b> <i>Zapornia flavirostra</i>
33	<b>Crombec, Long-billed</b> <i>Sylvietta rufescens</i>

SPECIES	
34	<b>Crow, Pied</b> <i>Corvus albus</i>
35	<b>Cuckoo, African</b> <i>Cuculus gularis</i>
36	<b>Cuckoo, Black</b> <i>Cuculus clamosus</i>
37	<b>Cuckoo, Diederik</b> <i>Chrysococcyx caprius</i>
38	<b>Cuckoo, Great Spotted</b> <i>Clamator glandarius</i>
39	<b>Cuckoo, Jacobin</b> <i>Clamator jacobinus</i>
40	<b>Cuckoo, Klaas's</b> <i>Chrysococcyx klaas</i>
41	<b>Cuckoo, Levallant's</b> <i>Clamator levallantii</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, Namaqua</b> <i>Oena capensis</i>
48	<b>Dove, Red-eyed</b> <i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i>
49	<b>Dove, Ring-necked</b> <i>Streptopelia capicola</i>
50	<b>Dove, Rock</b> <i>Columba livia</i>
51	<b>Drongo, Fork-tailed</b> <i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>
52	<b>Duck, African Black</b> <i>Anas sparsa</i>
53	<b>Duck, Knob-billed</b> <i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>
54	<b>Duck, White-faced Whistling</b> <i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>
55	<b>Duck, Yellow-billed</b> <i>Anas undulata</i>
56	<b>Eagle-Owl, Spotted</b> <i>Bubo africanus</i>
57	<b>Eagle, African Fish</b> <i>Haliaeetus vocifer</i>
58	<b>Eagle, Black-chested Snake</b> <i>Circaetus pectoralis</i>
59	<b>Eagle, Wahlberg's</b> <i>Hieraaetus wahlbergi</i>
60	<b>Egret, Great</b> <i>Ardea alba</i>
61	<b>Egret, Little</b> <i>Egretta garzetta</i>
62	<b>Egret, Western Cattle</b> <i>Bubulcus ibis</i>
63	<b>Eremomela, Burnt-necked</b> <i>Eremomela usticollis</i>
64	<b>Falcon, Amur</b> <i>Falco amurensis</i>
65	<b>Finch, Red-headed</b> <i>Amadina erythrocephala</i>
66	<b>Finfoot, African</b> <i>Podica senegalensis</i> (VU, LC)

SPECIES	
67	<b>Firefinch, African</b> <i>Lagonosticta rubricata</i>
68	<b>Firefinch, Jameson's</b> <i>Lagonosticta rhodopareia</i>
69	<b>Firefinch, Red-billed</b> <i>Lagonosticta senegala</i>
70	<b>Fiscal, Southern</b> <i>Lanius collaris</i>
71	<b>Flycatcher, African Paradise</b> <i>Terpsiphone viridis</i>
72	<b>Flycatcher, Ashy</b> <i>Muscicapa caerulescens</i>
73	<b>Flycatcher, Fiscal</b> <i>Melaenornis silens</i> (NE)
74	<b>Flycatcher, Marico</b> <i>Melaenornis mariquensis</i>
75	<b>Flycatcher, Pale</b> <i>Melaenornis pallidus</i>
76	<b>Flycatcher, Southern Black</b> <i>Melaenornis pammelaina</i>
77	<b>Flycatcher, Spotted</b> <i>Muscicapa striata</i>
78	<b>Francolin, Crested</b> <i>Dendroperdix sephaena</i>
79	<b>Go-away-bird, Grey</b> <i>Corythaixoides concolor</i>
80	<b>Goose, Egyptian</b> <i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>
81	<b>Goose, Spur-winged</b> <i>Plectropterus gambensis</i>
82	<b>Goshawk, African</b> <i>Accipiter tachiro</i>
83	<b>Goshawk, Gabar</b> <i>Micronisus gabar</i>
84	<b>Goshawk, Pale Chanting</b> <i>Melierax canorus</i>
85	<b>Grebe, Little</b> <i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
86	<b>Greenbul, Yellow-bellied</b> <i>Chlorocichla flaviventris</i>
87	<b>Guineafowl, Helmeted</b> <i>Numida meleagris</i>
88	<b>Hamerkop, Hamerkop</b> <i>Scopus umbretta</i>
89	<b>Helmetshrike, White-crested</b> <i>Prionops plumatus</i>
90	<b>Heron, Black</b> <i>Egretta ardesiaca</i>
91	<b>Heron, Black-crowned Night</b> <i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>
92	<b>Heron, Black-headed</b> <i>Ardea melanocephala</i>
93	<b>Heron, Goliath</b> <i>Ardea goliath</i>
94	<b>Heron, Grey</b> <i>Ardea cinerea</i>
95	<b>Heron, Squacco</b> <i>Ardeola ralloides</i>
96	<b>Heron, Striated</b> <i>Butorides striata</i>
97	<b>Honeyguide, Greater</b> <i>Indicator indicator</i>
98	<b>Honeyguide, Lesser</b> <i>Indicator minor</i>
99	<b>Hoopoe, African</b> <i>Upupa africana</i>

SPECIES	
100	<b>Hoopoe, Green Wood</b> <i>Phoeniculus purpureus</i>
101	<b>Hornbill, African Grey</b> <i>Lophoceros nasutus</i>
102	<b>Hornbill, Southern Red-billed</b> <i>Tockus rufirostris</i>
103	<b>Hornbill, Southern Yellow-billed</b> <i>Tockus leucomelas</i>
104	<b>Ibis, African Sacred</b> <i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i>
105	<b>Ibis, Glossy</b> <i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>
106	<b>Ibis, Hadada</b> <i>Bostrychia hagedash</i>
107	<b>Indigobird, Purple</b> <i>Vidua purpurascens</i>
108	<b>Indigobird, Village</b> <i>Vidua chalybeata</i>
109	<b>Jacana, African</b> <i>Actophilornis africanus</i>
110	<b>Kingfisher, Brown-hooded</b> <i>Halcyon albiventris</i>
111	<b>Kingfisher, Giant</b> <i>Megaceryle maxima</i>
112	<b>Kingfisher, Half-collared</b> <i>Alcedo semitorquata</i> (NT, LC)
113	<b>Kingfisher, Malachite</b> <i>Corythornis cristatus</i>
114	<b>Kingfisher, Pied</b> <i>Ceryle rudis</i>
115	<b>Kingfisher, Striped</b> <i>Halcyon chelicuti</i>
116	<b>Kingfisher, Woodland</b> <i>Halcyon senegalensis</i>
117	<b>Kite, Black-winged</b> <i>Elanus caeruleus</i>
118	<b>Kite, Yellow-billed</b> <i>Milvus aegyptius</i>
119	<b>Korhaan, Red-crested</b> <i>Lophotis ruficrista</i>
120	<b>Lapwing, African Wattled</b> <i>Vanellus senegallus</i>
121	<b>Lapwing, Blacksmith</b> <i>Vanellus armatus</i>
122	<b>Lapwing, Crowned</b> <i>Vanellus coronatus</i>
123	<b>Lark, Monotonous</b> <i>Mirafra passerina</i>
124	<b>Lark, Rufous-naped</b> <i>Mirafra africana</i>
125	<b>Lark, Sabota</b> <i>Calendulauda sabota</i>
126	<b>Mannikin, Bronze</b> <i>Spermestes cucullata</i>
127	<b>Martin, Brown-throated</b> <i>Riparia paludicola</i>
128	<b>Martin, Common House</b> <i>Delichon urbicum</i>
129	<b>Martin, Rock</b> <i>Ptyonoprogne fuligula</i>
130	<b>Moorhen, Common</b> <i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
131	<b>Mousebird, Red-faced</b> <i>Urocolius indicus</i>
132	<b>Mousebird, Speckled</b> <i>Colius striatus</i>

SPECIES	
133	<b>Myna, Common</b> <i>Acridotheres tristis</i> (I)
134	<b>Neddicky, Neddicky</b> <i>Cisticola fulvicapilla</i>
135	<b>Nightjar, Fiery-necked</b> <i>Caprimulgus pectoralis</i>
136	<b>Nightjar, Rufous-cheeked</b> <i>Caprimulgus rufigena</i>
137	<b>Oriole, Black-headed</b> <i>Oriolus larvatus</i>
138	<b>Oriole, Eurasian Golden</b> <i>Oriolus oriolus</i>
139	<b>Ostrich, Common</b> <i>Struthio camelus</i>
140	<b>Owl, African Scops</b> <i>Otus senegalensis</i>
141	<b>Owl, Western Barn</b> <i>Tyto alba</i>
142	<b>Owlet, Pearl-spotted</b> <i>Glaucidium perlatum</i>
143	<b>Oxpecker, Red-billed</b> <i>Buphagus erythrorhynchus</i>
144	<b>Parrot, Meyer's</b> <i>Poicephalus meyeri</i>
145	<b>Pigeon, Speckled</b> <i>Columba guinea</i>
146	<b>Pipit, African</b> <i>Anthus cinnamomeus</i>
147	<b>Pipit, Striped</b> <i>Anthus lineiventris</i>
148	<b>Plover, Three-banded</b> <i>Charadrius tricollaris</i>
149	<b>Prinia, Black-chested</b> <i>Prinia flavicans</i>
150	<b>Prinia, Tawny-flanked</b> <i>Prinia subflava</i>
151	<b>Puffback, Black-backed</b> <i>Dryoscopus cubla</i>
152	<b>Pytilia, Green-winged</b> <i>Pytilia melba</i>
153	<b>Quailfinch, Quailfinch</b> <i>Ortygospiza atricollis</i>
154	<b>Quelea, Red-billed</b> <i>Quelea quelea</i>
155	<b>Robin-Chat, Cape</b> <i>Cossypha caffra</i>
156	<b>Robin-Chat, White-throated</b> <i>Cossypha humeralis</i>
157	<b>Robin, Kalahari Scrub</b> <i>Cercotrichas paena</i>
158	<b>Robin, White-browed Scrub</b> <i>Cercotrichas leucophrys</i>
159	<b>Roller, European</b> <i>Coracias garrulus</i> (NT, LC)
160	<b>Roller, Lilac-breasted</b> <i>Coracias caudatus</i>
161	<b>Roller, Purple</b> <i>Coracias naevius</i>
162	<b>Sandpiper, Common</b> <i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
163	<b>Sandpiper, Wood</b> <i>Tringa glareola</i>
164	<b>Shrike, Crimson-breasted</b> <i>Laniarius atrococcineus</i>
165	<b>Shrike, Lesser Grey</b> <i>Lanius minor</i>

SPECIES	
166	<b>Shrike, Magpie</b> <i>Urolestes melanoleucus</i>
167	<b>Shrike, Red-backed</b> <i>Lanius collurio</i>
168	<b>Sparrow-Weaver, White-browed</b> <i>Plocepasser mahali</i>
169	<b>Sparrow, Cape</b> <i>Passer melanurus</i>
170	<b>Sparrow, Great</b> <i>Passer motitensis</i>
171	<b>Sparrow, House</b> <i>Passer domesticus</i> (I)
172	<b>Sparrow, Southern Grey-headed</b> <i>Passer diffusus</i>
173	<b>Sparrow, Yellow-throated Bush</b> <i>Gymnoris supercilii</i>
174	<b>Sparrowhawk, Little</b> <i>Accipiter minullus</i>
175	<b>Spoonbill, African</b> <i>Platalea alba</i>
176	<b>Spurfowl, Natal</b> <i>Pternistis natalensis</i>
177	<b>Spurfowl, Swainson's</b> <i>Pternistis swainsonii</i>
178	<b>Starling, Burchell's</b> <i>Lamprotornis australis</i>
179	<b>Starling, Cape</b> <i>Lamprotornis nitens</i>
180	<b>Starling, Red-winged</b> <i>Onychognathus morio</i>
181	<b>Starling, Violet-backed</b> <i>Cinnyricinclus leucogaster</i>
182	<b>Starling, Wattled</b> <i>Creatophora cinerea</i>
183	<b>Stonechat, African</b> <i>Saxicola torquatus</i>
184	<b>Stork, Abdim's</b> <i>Ciconia abdimii</i> (NT, LC)
185	<b>Stork, White</b> <i>Ciconia ciconia</i>
186	<b>Stork, Yellow-billed</b> <i>Mycteria ibis</i> (EN, LC)
187	<b>Sunbird, Amethyst</b> <i>Chalcomitra amethystina</i>
188	<b>Sunbird, Marico</b> <i>Cinnyris mariquensis</i>
189	<b>Sunbird, White-bellied</b> <i>Cinnyris talatala</i>
190	<b>Swallow, Barn</b> <i>Hirundo rustica</i>
191	<b>Swallow, Greater Striped</b> <i>Cecropis cucullata</i>
192	<b>Swallow, Lesser Striped</b> <i>Cecropis abyssinica</i>
193	<b>Swallow, Pearl-breasted</b> <i>Hirundo dimidiata</i>
194	<b>Swallow, Red-breasted</b> <i>Cecropis semirufa</i>
195	<b>Swallow, South African Cliff</b> <i>Petrochelidon spilodera</i> (BNE)
196	<b>Swallow, White-throated</b> <i>Hirundo albicularis</i>
197	<b>Swift, African Palm</b> <i>Cypsiurus parvus</i>
198	<b>Swift, Little</b> <i>Apus affinis</i>

SPECIES	
199	<b>Swift, White-rumped</b> <i>Apus caffer</i>
200	<b>Tchagra, Black-crowned</b> <i>Tchagra senegalus</i>
201	<b>Tchagra, Brown-crowned</b> <i>Tchagra australis</i>
202	<b>Teal, Red-billed</b> <i>Anas erythrorhyncha</i>
203	<b>Thick-knee, Spotted</b> <i>Burhinus capensis</i>
204	<b>Thick-knee, Water</b> <i>Burhinus vermiculatus</i>
205	<b>Thrush, Groundscraper</b> <i>Turdus litsitsirupa</i>
206	<b>Thrush, Karoo</b> <i>Turdus smithi</i> (NE)
207	<b>Thrush, Kurrichane</b> <i>Turdus libonyana</i>
208	<b>Tinkerbird, Yellow-fronted</b> <i>Pogoniulus chrysoconus</i>
209	<b>Tit-Flycatcher, Grey</b> <i>Myioparus plumbeus</i>
210	<b>Tit, Ashy</b> <i>Melaniparus cinerascens</i>
211	<b>Tit, Grey Penduline</b> <i>Anthoscopus caroli</i>
212	<b>Tit, Southern Black</b> <i>Melaniparus niger</i>
213	<b>Wagtail, African Pied</b> <i>Motacilla aguimp</i>
214	<b>Wagtail, Cape</b> <i>Motacilla capensis</i>
215	<b>Warbler, African Reed</b> <i>Acrocephalus baeticatus</i>
216	<b>Warbler, Chestnut-vented</b> <i>Curruca subcoerulea</i>
217	<b>Warbler, Icterine</b> <i>Hippolais icterina</i>
218	<b>Warbler, Lesser Swamp</b> <i>Acrocephalus gracilirostris</i>
219	<b>Warbler, Little Rush</b> <i>Bradypterus baboecala</i>
220	<b>Warbler, Willow</b> <i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>
221	<b>Waxbill, Black-faced</b> <i>Brunhilda erythronotos</i>
222	<b>Waxbill, Blue</b> <i>Uraeginthus angolensis</i>
223	<b>Waxbill, Common</b> <i>Estrilda astrild</i>
224	<b>Waxbill, Orange-breasted</b> <i>Amandava subflava</i>
225	<b>Waxbill, Violet-eared</b> <i>Granatina granatina</i>
226	<b>Weaver, Lesser Masked</b> <i>Ploceus intermedius</i>
227	<b>Weaver, Red-billed Buffalo</b> <i>Bubalornis niger</i>
228	<b>Weaver, Red-headed</b> <i>Anaplectes rubriceps</i>
229	<b>Weaver, Southern Masked</b> <i>Ploceus velatus</i>
230	<b>Weaver, Thick-billed</b> <i>Amblyospiza albifrons</i>
231	<b>Weaver, Village</b> <i>Ploceus cucullatus</i>

SPECIES	
232	<b>White-eye, Cape</b> <i>Zosterops virens</i> (NE)
233	<b>Whydah, Long-tailed Paradise</b> <i>Vidua paradisaea</i>
234	<b>Whydah, Pin-tailed</b> <i>Vidua macroura</i>
235	<b>Whydah, Shaft-tailed</b> <i>Vidua regia</i>
236	<b>Widowbird, White-winged</b> <i>Euplectes albonotatus</i>
237	<b>Woodpecker, Bearded</b> <i>Chloropicus namaquus</i>
238	<b>Woodpecker, Cardinal</b> <i>Dendropicus fuscescens</i>
239	<b>Woodpecker, Golden-tailed</b> <i>Campethera abingoni</i>

