

# Berg River Estuary

## CHECKLIST *of* BIRDS



<https://gobirding.birdlife.org.za/west-coast-berg-river-estuary/>

### 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)*

### 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>Apalis, Bar-throated</b> <i>Apalis thoracica</i>
2	<b>Avocet, Pied</b> <i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>
3	<b>Barbet, Acacia Pied</b> <i>Tricholaema leucomelas</i>
4	<b>Bee-eater, European</b> <i>Merops apiaster</i>
5	<b>Bishop, Southern Red</b> <i>Euplectes orix</i>
6	<b>Bishop, Yellow</b> <i>Euplectes capensis</i>
7	<b>Bokmakierie, Bokmakierie</b> <i>Telophorus zeylonus</i>
8	<b>Bulbul, Cape</b> <i>Pycnonotus capensis</i> (E)
9	<b>Bunting, Cape</b> <i>Emberiza capensis</i>
10	<b>Bunting, Lark-like</b> <i>Emberiza impetuani</i>
11	<b>Bustard, Ludwig's</b> <i>Neotis ludwigii</i> (EN)
12	<b>Buzzard, Common</b> <i>Buteo buteo</i>
13	<b>Buzzard, Jackal</b> <i>Buteo rufofuscus</i> (NE)
14	<b>Canary, Cape</b> <i>Serinus canicollis</i>
15	<b>Canary, White-throated</b> <i>Crithagra albogularis</i>
16	<b>Canary, Yellow</b> <i>Crithagra flaviventris</i>
17	<b>Chat, Ant-eating</b> <i>Myrmecocichla formicivora</i>
18	<b>Chat, Familiar</b> <i>Oenanthe familiaris</i>
19	<b>Chat, Sickle-winged</b> <i>Emarginata sinuata</i> (NE)
20	<b>Cisticola, Grey-backed</b> <i>Cisticola subruficapilla</i>
21	<b>Cisticola, Levaillant's</b> <i>Cisticola tinniens</i>
22	<b>Cisticola, Zitting</b> <i>Cisticola juncidis</i>
23	<b>Coot, Red-knobbed</b> <i>Fulica cristata</i>
24	<b>Cormorant, Reed</b> <i>Microcarbo africanus</i>
25	<b>Cormorant, White-breasted</b> <i>Phalacrocorax lucidus</i>
26	<b>Crane, Blue</b> <i>Grus paradisea</i> (VU, NT)
27	<b>Crombec, Long-billed</b> <i>Sylvietta rufescens</i>
28	<b>Crow, Pied</b> <i>Corvus albus</i>
29	<b>Cuckoo, Klaas's</b> <i>Chrysococcyx klaas</i>
30	<b>Curlew, Eurasian</b> <i>Numenius arquata</i> (NT)
31	<b>Darter, African</b> <i>Anhinga rufa</i>
32	<b>Dove, Laughing</b> <i>Spilopelia senegalensis</i>
33	<b>Dove, Namaqua</b> <i>Oena capensis</i>

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34	<b>Dove, Red-eyed</b> <i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i>
35	<b>Dove, Ring-necked</b> <i>Streptopelia capicola</i>
36	<b>Dove, Rock</b> <i>Columba livia</i>
37	<b>Duck, Yellow-billed</b> <i>Anas undulata</i>
38	<b>Eagle-Owl, Spotted</b> <i>Bubo africanus</i>
39	<b>Eagle, African Fish</b> <i>Haliaeetus vocifer</i>
40	<b>Eagle, Booted</b> <i>Hieraetus pennatus</i>
41	<b>Egret, Great</b> <i>Ardea alba</i>
42	<b>Egret, Intermediate</b> <i>Ardea intermedia</i>
43	<b>Egret, Little</b> <i>Egretta garzetta</i>
44	<b>Egret, Western Cattle</b> <i>Bubulcus ibis</i>
45	<b>Falcon, Lanner</b> <i>Falco biarmicus</i> (VU, LC)
46	<b>Falcon, Peregrine</b> <i>Falco peregrinus</i>
47	<b>Fiscal, Southern</b> <i>Lanius collaris</i>
48	<b>Flamingo, Greater</b> <i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i> (NT, LC)
49	<b>Flamingo, Lesser</b> <i>Phoeniconaias minor</i> (NT)
50	<b>Flycatcher, Fiscal</b> <i>Melaenornis silens</i> (NE)
51	<b>Godwit, Bar-tailed</b> <i>Limosa lapponica</i> (NT, LC)
52	<b>Goose, Egyptian</b> <i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>
53	<b>Goose, Spur-winged</b> <i>Plectropterus gambensis</i>
54	<b>Goshawk, Pale Chanting</b> <i>Melierax canorus</i>
55	<b>Grebe, Black-necked</b> <i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>
56	<b>Grebe, Great Crested</b> <i>Podiceps cristatus</i>
57	<b>Grebe, Little</b> <i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
58	<b>Greenshank, Common</b> <i>Tringa nebularia</i>
59	<b>Guineafowl, Helmeted</b> <i>Numida meleagris</i>
60	<b>Gull, Grey-headed</b> <i>Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus</i>
61	<b>Harrier, African Marsh</b> <i>Circus ranivorus</i> (EN, LC)
62	<b>Harrier, Black</b> <i>Circus maurus</i> (EN, NE)
63	<b>Heron, Black-crowned Night</b> <i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>
64	<b>Heron, Black-headed</b> <i>Ardea melanocephala</i>
65	<b>Heron, Goliath</b> <i>Ardea goliath</i>
66	<b>Heron, Grey</b> <i>Ardea cinerea</i>

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67	<b>Heron, Purple</b> <i>Ardea purpurea</i>
68	<b>Honeyguide, Lesser</b> <i>Indicator minor</i>
69	<b>Hoopoe, African</b> <i>Upupa africana</i>
70	<b>Ibis, African Sacred</b> <i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i>
71	<b>Ibis, Glossy</b> <i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>
72	<b>Ibis, Hadada</b> <i>Bostrychia hagedash</i>
73	<b>Kestrel, Rock</b> <i>Falco rupicolus</i>
74	<b>Kingfisher, Giant</b> <i>Megaceryle maxima</i>
75	<b>Kingfisher, Malachite</b> <i>Corythornis cristatus</i>
76	<b>Kingfisher, Pied</b> <i>Ceryle rudis</i>
77	<b>Kite, Black-winged</b> <i>Elanus caeruleus</i>
78	<b>Kite, Yellow-billed</b> <i>Milvus aegyptius</i>
79	<b>Korhaan, Southern Black</b> <i>Afrotis afra</i> (VU, E)
80	<b>Lapwing, Blacksmith</b> <i>Vanellus armatus</i>
81	<b>Lapwing, Crowned</b> <i>Vanellus coronatus</i>
82	<b>Lark, Large-billed</b> <i>Galerida magnirostris</i> (NE)
83	<b>Lark, Red-capped</b> <i>Calandrella cinerea</i>
84	<b>Longclaw, Cape</b> <i>Macronyx capensis</i>
85	<b>Mallard, Mallard</b> <i>Anas platyrhynchos</i> (I)
86	<b>Martin, Banded</b> <i>Riparia cincta</i>
87	<b>Martin, Brown-throated</b> <i>Riparia paludicola</i>
88	<b>Martin, Rock</b> <i>Ptyonoprogne fuligula</i>
89	<b>Moorhen, Common</b> <i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
90	<b>Mousebird, Red-faced</b> <i>Urocolius indicus</i>
91	<b>Mousebird, White-backed</b> <i>Colius colius</i>
92	<b>Nightjar, Fiery-necked</b> <i>Caprimulgus pectoralis</i>
93	<b>Osprey, Western</b> <i>Pandion haliaetus</i>
94	<b>Ostrich, Common</b> <i>Struthio camelus</i>
95	<b>Owl, Western Barn</b> <i>Tyto alba</i>
96	<b>Pelican, Great White</b> <i>Pelecanus onocrotalus</i> (VU, LC)
97	<b>Pigeon, Speckled</b> <i>Columba guinea</i>
98	<b>Pipit, African</b> <i>Anthus cinnamomeus</i>
99	<b>Plover, Caspian</b> <i>Charadrius asiaticus</i>

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100	<b>Plover, Chestnut-banded</b> <i>Charadrius pallidus</i> (NT, LC)
101	<b>Plover, Common Ringed</b> <i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>
102	<b>Plover, Kittlitz's</b> <i>Charadrius pecuarius</i>
103	<b>Plover, Three-banded</b> <i>Charadrius tricollaris</i>
104	<b>Prinia, Karoo</b> <i>Prinia maculosa</i> (NE)
105	<b>Rail, African</b> <i>Rallus caerulescens</i>
106	<b>Raven, White-necked</b> <i>Corvus albicollis</i>
107	<b>Robin-Chat, Cape</b> <i>Cossypha caffra</i>
108	<b>Robin, Karoo Scrub</b> <i>Cercotrichas coryphoeus</i>
109	<b>Ruff, Ruff</b> <i>Calidris pugnax</i>
110	<b>Sandgrouse, Namaqua</b> <i>Pterocles namaqua</i>
111	<b>Sandpiper, Common</b> <i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
112	<b>Sandpiper, Curlew</b> <i>Calidris ferruginea</i> (NT, LC)
113	<b>Sandpiper, Marsh</b> <i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>
114	<b>Secretarybird, Secretarybird</b> <i>Sagittarius serpentarius</i> (EN, VU)
115	<b>Seedeater, Streaky-headed</b> <i>Crithagra gularis</i>
116	<b>Shelduck, South African</b> <i>Tadorna cana</i>
117	<b>Shoveler, Cape</b> <i>Spatula smithii</i>
118	<b>Sparrow-Lark, Grey-backed</b> <i>Eremopterix verticalis</i>
119	<b>Sparrow, Cape</b> <i>Passer melanurus</i>
120	<b>Sparrow, House</b> <i>Passer domesticus</i> (I)
121	<b>Sparrow, Southern Grey-headed</b> <i>Passer diffusus</i>
122	<b>Sparrowhawk, Black</b> <i>Accipiter melanoleucus</i>
123	<b>Spoonbill, African</b> <i>Platalea alba</i>
124	<b>Spurfowl, Cape</b> <i>Pternistis capensis</i> (NE)
125	<b>Starling, Common</b> <i>Sturnus vulgaris</i> (I)
126	<b>Starling, Pied</b> <i>Lamprotornis bicolor</i> (SLS)
127	<b>Starling, Wattled</b> <i>Creatophora cinerea</i>
128	<b>Stilt, Black-winged</b> <i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
129	<b>Stint, Little</b> <i>Calidris minuta</i>
130	<b>Stonechat, African</b> <i>Saxicola torquatus</i>
131	<b>Stork, White</b> <i>Ciconia ciconia</i>
132	<b>Sunbird, Dusky</b> <i>Cinnyris fuscus</i>

