

Blood River Vlei

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) captured by citizen scientists in the surrounding area (approximately 60km²). 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	Apalis, Bar-throated <i>Apalis thoracica</i>
2	Barbet, Acacia Pied <i>Tricholaema leucomelas</i>
3	Barbet, Black-collared <i>Lybius torquatus</i>
4	Barbet, Crested <i>Trachyphonus vaillantii</i>
5	Batis, Cape <i>Batis capensis</i>
6	Batis, Chinspot <i>Batis molitor</i>
7	Bishop, Southern Red <i>Euplectes orix</i>
8	Bishop, Yellow-crowned <i>Euplectes afer</i>
9	Blackcap, Bush <i>Sylvia nigricapillus</i> (VU, SLS)
10	Bokmakierie, Bokmakierie <i>Telophorus zeylonus</i>
11	Boubou, Southern <i>Laniarius ferrugineus</i>
12	Brubru, Brubru <i>Nilaus afer</i>
13	Bulbul, Dark-capped <i>Pycnonotus tricolor</i>
14	Bunting, Golden-breasted <i>Emberiza flaviventris</i>
15	Bushshrike, Olive <i>Chlorophoneus olivaceus</i>
16	Bushshrike, Orange-breasted <i>Chlorophoneus sulfureopectus</i>
17	Bustard, Denham's <i>Neotis denhami</i> (VU, NT)
18	Buzzard, Common <i>Buteo buteo</i>
19	Buzzard, Jackal <i>Buteo rufofuscus</i> (NE)
20	Camaroptera, Green-backed <i>Camaroptera brachyura</i>
21	Canary, Black-throated <i>Crithagra atrogularis</i>
22	Canary, Brimstone <i>Crithagra sulphurata</i>
23	Canary, Cape <i>Serinus canicollis</i>
24	Canary, Forest <i>Crithagra scotops</i> (SLS)
25	Canary, Yellow-fronted <i>Crithagra mozambica</i>
26	Chat, Ant-eating <i>Myrmecocichla formicivora</i>
27	Chat, Buff-streaked <i>Campicoloides bifasciatus</i> (SLS)
28	Chat, Familiar <i>Oenanthe familiaris</i>
29	Cisticola, Cloud <i>Cisticola textrix</i> (NE)
30	Cisticola, Croaking <i>Cisticola natalensis</i>
31	Cisticola, Lazy <i>Cisticola aberrans</i>
32	Cisticola, Levallant's <i>Cisticola tinniens</i>
33	Cisticola, Pale-crowned <i>Cisticola cinnamomeus</i>

SPECIES	
34	Cisticola, Rattling <i>Cisticola chiniana</i>
35	Cisticola, Wailing <i>Cisticola lais</i>
36	Cisticola, Wing-snapping <i>Cisticola ayresii</i>
37	Cisticola, Zitting <i>Cisticola juncidis</i>
38	Coot, Red-knobbed <i>Fulica cristata</i>
39	Cormorant, Reed <i>Microcarbo africanus</i>
40	Cormorant, White-breasted <i>Phalacrocorax lucidus</i>
41	Coucal, Burchell's <i>Centropus burchellii</i>
42	Crake, Black <i>Zapornia flavirostra</i>
43	Crane, Blue <i>Grus paradisea</i> (VU, NT)
44	Crane, Grey Crowned <i>Balearica regulorum</i> (EN)
45	Crombec, Long-billed <i>Sylvietta rufescens</i>
46	Crow, Cape <i>Corvus capensis</i>
47	Crow, Pied <i>Corvus albus</i>
48	Cuckoo, Black <i>Cuculus clamosus</i>
49	Cuckoo, Diederik <i>Chrysococcyx caprius</i>
50	Cuckoo, Klaas's <i>Chrysococcyx klaas</i>
51	Cuckoo, Red-chested <i>Cuculus solitarius</i>
52	Cuckooshrike, Black <i>Campephaga flava</i>
53	Darter, African <i>Anhinga rufa</i>
54	Dove, Emerald-spotted Wood <i>Turtur chalcospilos</i>
55	Dove, Laughing <i>Spilopelia senegalensis</i>
56	Dove, Namaqua <i>Oena capensis</i>
57	Dove, Red-eyed <i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i>
58	Dove, Ring-necked <i>Streptopelia capicola</i>
59	Dove, Rock <i>Columba livia</i>
60	Dove, Tambourine <i>Turtur tympanistria</i>
61	Drongo, Fork-tailed <i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>
62	Duck, African Black <i>Anas sparsa</i>
63	Duck, Fulvous Whistling <i>Dendrocygna bicolor</i>
64	Duck, Knob-billed <i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>
65	Duck, White-backed <i>Thalassornis leuconotus</i>
66	Duck, White-faced Whistling <i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>

SPECIES	
67	Duck, Yellow-billed <i>Anas undulata</i>
68	Eagle-Owl, Spotted <i>Bubo africanus</i>
69	Eagle, African Fish <i>Haliaeetus vocifer</i>
70	Eagle, Brown Snake <i>Circaetus cinereus</i>
71	Eagle, Crowned <i>Stephanoaetus coronatus</i> (VU, NT)
72	Eagle, Long-crested <i>Lophaetus occipitalis</i>
73	Eagle, Wahlberg's <i>Hieraaetus wahlbergi</i>
74	Egret, Great <i>Ardea alba</i>
75	Egret, Intermediate <i>Ardea intermedia</i>
76	Egret, Little <i>Egretta garzetta</i>
77	Egret, Western Cattle <i>Bubulcus ibis</i>
78	Falcon, Amur <i>Falco amurensis</i>
79	Falcon, Lanner <i>Falco biarmicus</i> (VU, LC)
80	Finch, Red-headed <i>Amadina erythrocephala</i>
81	Firefinch, African <i>Lagonosticta rubricata</i>
82	Fiscal, Southern <i>Lanius collaris</i>
83	Flamingo, Greater <i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i> (NT, LC)
84	Flufftail, Red-chested <i>Sarothrura rufa</i>
85	Flycatcher, African Dusky <i>Muscicapa adusta</i>
86	Flycatcher, African Paradise <i>Terpsiphone viridis</i>
87	Flycatcher, Fiscal <i>Melaenornis silens</i> (NE)
88	Flycatcher, Southern Black <i>Melaenornis pammelaina</i>
89	Flycatcher, Spotted <i>Muscicapa striata</i>
90	Francolin, Coqui <i>Peliperdix coqui</i>
91	Francolin, Red-winged <i>Scleroptila levaillantii</i>
92	Francolin, Shelley's <i>Scleroptila shelleyi</i>
93	Goose, Egyptian <i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>
94	Goose, Spur-winged <i>Plectropterus gambensis</i>
95	Grassbird, Cape <i>Sphenoeacus afer</i> (NE)
96	Grassbird, Fan-tailed <i>Catriscus brevirostris</i>
97	Grebe, Great Crested <i>Podiceps cristatus</i>
98	Grebe, Little <i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>
99	Greenbul, Sombre <i>Andropadus importunus</i>

SPECIES	
100	Guineafowl, Helmeted <i>Numida meleagris</i>
101	Gull, Grey-headed <i>Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus</i>
102	Hamerkop, Hamerkop <i>Scopus umbretta</i>
103	Harrier-Hawk, African <i>Polyboroides typus</i>
104	Harrier, African Marsh <i>Circus ranivorus</i> (EN, LC)
105	Heron, Black-headed <i>Ardea melanocephala</i>
106	Heron, Goliath <i>Ardea goliath</i>
107	Heron, Grey <i>Ardea cinerea</i>
108	Heron, Purple <i>Ardea purpurea</i>
109	Heron, Squacco <i>Ardeola ralloides</i>
110	Honeybird, Brown-backed <i>Prodotiscus regulus</i>
111	Honeyguide, Lesser <i>Indicator minor</i>
112	Hoopoe, African <i>Upupa africana</i>
113	Hoopoe, Green Wood <i>Phoeniculus purpureus</i>
114	Ibis, African Sacred <i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i>
115	Ibis, Glossy <i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>
116	Ibis, Hadada <i>Bostrychia hagedash</i>
117	Ibis, Southern Bald <i>Geronticus calvus</i> (VU, SLS)
118	Indigobird, Dusky <i>Vidua funerea</i>
119	Jacana, African <i>Actophilornis africanus</i>
120	Kingfisher, Brown-hooded <i>Halcyon albiventris</i>
121	Kingfisher, Giant <i>Megaceryle maxima</i>
122	Kingfisher, Half-collared <i>Alcedo semitorquata</i> (NT, LC)
123	Kingfisher, Malachite <i>Corythornis cristatus</i>
124	Kingfisher, Pied <i>Ceryle rudis</i>
125	Kite, Black-winged <i>Elanus caeruleus</i>
126	Kite, Yellow-billed <i>Milvus aegyptius</i>
127	Korhaan, Blue <i>Eupodotis caerulescens</i> (NT, LC, SLS)
128	Lapwing, African Wattled <i>Vanellus senegallus</i>
129	Lapwing, Black-winged <i>Vanellus melanopterus</i>
130	Lapwing, Blacksmith <i>Vanellus armatus</i>
131	Lapwing, Crowned <i>Vanellus coronatus</i>
132	Lark, Red-capped <i>Calandrella cinerea</i>

SPECIES	
133	Lark, Rufous-naped <i>Mirafra africana</i>
134	Lark, Spike-heeled <i>Chersomanes albofasciata</i>
135	Longclaw, Cape <i>Macronyx capensis</i>
136	Mannikin, Bronze <i>Spermestes cucullata</i>
137	Martin, Banded <i>Riparia cincta</i>
138	Martin, Brown-throated <i>Riparia paludicola</i>
139	Martin, Common House <i>Delichon urbicum</i>
140	Martin, Rock <i>Ptyonoprogne fuligula</i>
141	Martin, Sand <i>Riparia riparia</i>
142	Moorhen, Common <i>Gallinula chloropus</i>
143	Mousebird, Red-faced <i>Urocolius indicus</i>
144	Mousebird, Speckled <i>Colius striatus</i>
145	Myna, Common <i>Acridotheres tristis</i> (I)
146	Neddicky, Neddicky <i>Cisticola fulvicapilla</i>
147	Oriole, Black-headed <i>Oriolus larvatus</i>
148	Pigeon, African Olive <i>Columba arquatrix</i>
149	Pigeon, Speckled <i>Columba guinea</i>
150	Pipit, African <i>Anthus cinnamomeus</i>
151	Pipit, Nicholson's <i>Anthus nicholsoni</i>
152	Pipit, Plain-backed <i>Anthus leucophrys</i>
153	Plover, Kittlitz's <i>Charadrius pecuarius</i>
154	Plover, Three-banded <i>Charadrius tricollaris</i>
155	Pochard, Southern <i>Netta erythrophthalma</i>
156	Prinia, Drakensberg <i>Prinia hypoxantha</i> (SLS)
157	Prinia, Tawny-flanked <i>Prinia subflava</i>
158	Puffback, Black-backed <i>Dryoscopus cubla</i>
159	Quail, Common <i>Coturnix coturnix</i>
160	Quailfinch, Quailfinch <i>Ortygospiza atricollis</i>
161	Quelea, Red-billed <i>Quelea quelea</i>
162	Rail, African <i>Rallus caerulescens</i>
163	Raven, White-necked <i>Corvus albicollis</i>
164	Robin-Chat, Cape <i>Cossypha caffra</i>
165	Robin-Chat, Chorister <i>Cossypha dichroa</i> (SLS)

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166	Robin-Chat, Red-capped <i>Cossypha natalensis</i>
167	Robin, White-browed Scrub <i>Cercotrichas leucophrys</i>
168	Ruff, Ruff <i>Calidris pugnax</i>
169	Sandpiper, Common <i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>
170	Sandpiper, Curlew <i>Calidris ferruginea</i> (NT, LC)
171	Sandpiper, Marsh <i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>
172	Sandpiper, Wood <i>Tringa glareola</i>
173	Saw-wing, Black <i>Psilidoprocne pristoptera</i>
174	Scimitarbill, Common <i>Rhinopomastus cyanomelas</i>
175	Secretarybird, Secretarybird <i>Sagittarius serpentarius</i> (EN, VU)
176	Seedeater, Streaky-headed <i>Criithagra gularis</i>
177	Shelduck, South African <i>Tadorna cana</i>
178	Shoveler, Cape <i>Spatula smithii</i>
179	Shrike, Red-backed <i>Lanius collurio</i>
180	Snipe, African <i>Gallinago nigripennis</i>
181	Sparrow, Cape <i>Passer melanurus</i>
182	Sparrow, House <i>Passer domesticus</i> (I)
183	Sparrow, Southern Grey-headed <i>Passer diffusus</i>
184	Sparrow, Yellow-throated Bush <i>Gymnoris superciliaris</i>
185	Sparrowhawk, Black <i>Accipiter melanoleucus</i>
186	Spoonbill, African <i>Platalea alba</i>
187	Spurfowl, Swainson's <i>Pternistis swainsonii</i>
188	Starling, Cape <i>Lamprotornis nitens</i>
189	Starling, Pied <i>Lamprotornis bicolor</i> (SLS)
190	Starling, Red-winged <i>Onychognathus morio</i>
191	Starling, Violet-backed <i>Cinnyricinclus leucogaster</i>
192	Stilt, Black-winged <i>Himantopus himantopus</i>
193	Stint, Little <i>Calidris minuta</i>
194	Stonechat, African <i>Saxicola torquatus</i>
195	Stork, White <i>Ciconia ciconia</i>
196	Sunbird, Amethyst <i>Chalcomitra amethystina</i>
197	Sunbird, Greater Double-collared <i>Cinnyris afer</i> (SLS)
198	Sunbird, Malachite <i>Nectarinia famosa</i>

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199	Sunbird, Southern Double-collared <i>Cinnyris chalybeus</i> (NE)
200	Sunbird, White-bellied <i>Cinnyris talatala</i>
201	Swallow, Barn <i>Hirundo rustica</i>
202	Swallow, Greater Striped <i>Cecropis cucullata</i>
203	Swallow, Lesser Striped <i>Cecropis abyssinica</i>
204	Swallow, South African Cliff <i>Petrochelidon spilodera</i> (BNE)
205	Swallow, White-throated <i>Hirundo albicularis</i>
206	Swamphen, African <i>Porphyrio madagascariensis</i>
207	Swift, African Black <i>Apus barbatus</i>
208	Swift, African Palm <i>Cypsiurus parvus</i>
209	Swift, Horus <i>Apus horus</i>
210	Swift, Little <i>Apus affinis</i>
211	Swift, White-rumped <i>Apus caffer</i>
212	Tchagra, Black-crowned <i>Tchagra senegalus</i>
213	Teal, Blue-billed <i>Spatula hottentota</i>
214	Teal, Cape <i>Anas capensis</i>
215	Teal, Red-billed <i>Anas erythrorhyncha</i>
216	Tern, Whiskered <i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>
217	Tern, White-winged <i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>
218	Thick-knee, Spotted <i>Burhinus capensis</i>
219	Thrush, Groundscraper <i>Turdus litsitsirupa</i>
220	Thrush, Karoo <i>Turdus smithi</i> (NE)
221	Thrush, Kurrichane <i>Turdus libonyana</i>
222	Thrush, Olive <i>Turdus olivaceus</i>
223	Tinkerbird, Red-fronted <i>Pogoniulus pusillus</i>
224	Tit, Southern Black <i>Melaniparus niger</i>
225	Turaco, Purple-crested <i>Tauraco porphyreolophus</i>
226	Wagtail, Cape <i>Motacilla capensis</i>
227	Wagtail, Western Yellow <i>Motacilla flava</i>
228	Warbler, African Reed <i>Acrocephalus baeticatus</i>
229	Warbler, African Yellow <i>Iduna natalensis</i>
230	Warbler, Chestnut-vented <i>Curruca subcoerulea</i>
231	Warbler, Great Reed <i>Acrocephalus arundinaceus</i>

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232	Warbler, Lesser Swamp <i>Acrocephalus gracillirostris</i>
233	Warbler, Little Rush <i>Bradypterus baboecala</i>
234	Warbler, Marsh <i>Acrocephalus palustris</i>
235	Warbler, Willow <i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>
236	Waxbill, Blue <i>Uraeginthus angolensis</i>
237	Waxbill, Common <i>Estrilda astrild</i>
238	Waxbill, Orange-breasted <i>Amandava subflava</i>
239	Weaver, Cape <i>Ploceus capensis</i> (NE)
240	Weaver, Southern Masked <i>Ploceus velatus</i>
241	Weaver, Spectacled <i>Ploceus ocularis</i>
242	Weaver, Thick-billed <i>Amblyospiza albifrons</i>
243	Weaver, Village <i>Ploceus cucullatus</i>
244	White-eye, Cape <i>Zosterops virens</i> (NE)
245	Whydah, Pin-tailed <i>Vidua macroura</i>
246	Widowbird, Fan-tailed <i>Euplectes axillaris</i>
247	Widowbird, Long-tailed <i>Euplectes progne</i>
248	Widowbird, Red-collared <i>Euplectes ardens</i>
249	Widowbird, White-winged <i>Euplectes albonotatus</i>
250	Woodpecker, Cardinal <i>Dendropicos fuscescens</i>
251	Woodpecker, Golden-tailed <i>Campethera abingoni</i>
252	Woodpecker, Olive <i>Dendropicos griseocephalus</i>
253	Wryneck, Red-throated <i>Jynx ruficollis</i>

