

## Debengeni Falls

# 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, Yellow-breasted</b> <i>Apalis flavida</i>
3	<b>Batis, Cape</b> <i>Batis capensis</i>
4	<b>Bee-eater, European</b> <i>Merops apiaster</i>
5	<b>Bee-eater, Little</b> <i>Merops pusillus</i>
6	<b>Bishop, Yellow</b> <i>Euplectes capensis</i>
7	<b>Boubou, Southern</b> <i>Laniarius ferrugineus</i>
8	<b>Brownbul, Terrestrial</b> <i>Phyllastrephus terrestris</i>
9	<b>Bulbul, Dark-capped</b> <i>Pycnonotus tricolor</i>
10	<b>Bunting, Golden-breasted</b> <i>Emberiza flaviventris</i>
11	<b>Bushshrike, Black-fronted</b> <i>Chlorophoneus nigrifrons</i>
12	<b>Bushshrike, Grey-headed</b> <i>Malaconotus blanchoti</i>
13	<b>Bushshrike, Olive</b> <i>Chlorophoneus olivaceus</i>
14	<b>Bushshrike, Orange-breasted</b> <i>Chlorophoneus sulfureopectus</i>
15	<b>Buzzard, Common</b> <i>Buteo buteo</i>
16	<b>Buzzard, Forest</b> <i>Buteo trizonatus</i> (NT, LC, SLS)
17	<b>Buzzard, Jackal</b> <i>Buteo rufofuscus</i> (NE)
18	<b>Camaroptera, Green-backed</b> <i>Camaroptera brachyura</i>
19	<b>Canary, Cape</b> <i>Serinus canicollis</i>
20	<b>Canary, Forest</b> <i>Crithagra scotops</i> (SLS)
21	<b>Canary, Yellow-fronted</b> <i>Crithagra mozambica</i>
22	<b>Cisticola, Red-faced</b> <i>Cisticola erythrops</i>
23	<b>Cormorant, Reed</b> <i>Microcarbo africanus</i>
24	<b>Cormorant, White-breasted</b> <i>Phalacrocorax lucidus</i>
25	<b>Coucal, Burchell's</b> <i>Centropus burchellii</i>
26	<b>Crow, Pied</b> <i>Corvus albus</i>
27	<b>Cuckoo-Hawk, African</b> <i>Aviceda cuculoides</i>
28	<b>Cuckoo, African Emerald</b> <i>Chrysococcyx cupreus</i>
29	<b>Cuckoo, Black</b> <i>Cuculus clamosus</i>
30	<b>Cuckoo, Diederik</b> <i>Chrysococcyx caprius</i>
31	<b>Cuckoo, Red-chested</b> <i>Cuculus solitarius</i>
32	<b>Cuckooshrike, Black</b> <i>Campephaga flava</i>
33	<b>Cuckooshrike, Grey</b> <i>Cebilepyris caesius</i>

SPECIES	
34	<b>Dove, Laughing</b> <i>Spilopelia senegalensis</i>
35	<b>Dove, Lemon</b> <i>Columba larvata</i>
36	<b>Dove, Red-eyed</b> <i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i>
37	<b>Dove, Ring-necked</b> <i>Streptopelia capicola</i>
38	<b>Dove, Tambourine</b> <i>Turtur tympanistria</i>
39	<b>Drongo, Common Square-tailed</b> <i>Dicrurus ludwigii</i>
40	<b>Drongo, Fork-tailed</b> <i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>
41	<b>Duck, African Black</b> <i>Anas sparsa</i>
42	<b>Eagle, African Fish</b> <i>Haliaeetus vocifer</i>
43	<b>Eagle, Crowned</b> <i>Stephanoaetus coronatus</i> (VU, NT)
44	<b>Eagle, Long-crested</b> <i>Lophaetus occipitalis</i>
45	<b>Firefinch, African</b> <i>Lagonosticta rubricata</i>
46	<b>Flufftail, Buff-spotted</b> <i>Sarothrura elegans</i>
47	<b>Flycatcher, African Dusky</b> <i>Muscicapa adusta</i>
48	<b>Flycatcher, African Paradise</b> <i>Terpsiphone viridis</i>
49	<b>Flycatcher, Ashy</b> <i>Muscicapa caerulescens</i>
50	<b>Flycatcher, Blue-mantled Crested</b> <i>Trochocercus cyanomelas</i>
51	<b>Flycatcher, Southern Black</b> <i>Melaenornis pammelaina</i>
52	<b>Flycatcher, Spotted</b> <i>Muscicapa striata</i>
53	<b>Goose, Egyptian</b> <i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>
54	<b>Goshawk, African</b> <i>Accipiter tachiro</i>
55	<b>Grassbird, Cape</b> <i>Sphenoeacus afer</i> (NE)
56	<b>Greenbul, Sombre</b> <i>Andropadus importunus</i>
57	<b>Greenbul, Yellow-bellied</b> <i>Chlorocichla flaviventris</i>
58	<b>Greenbul, Yellow-streaked</b> <i>Phyllastrephus flavostriatus</i>
59	<b>Harrier-Hawk, African</b> <i>Polyboroides typus</i>
60	<b>Hawk, Bat</b> <i>Macheiramphus alcinus</i> (EN, LC)
61	<b>Heron, Black-headed</b> <i>Ardea melanocephala</i>
62	<b>Heron, Purple</b> <i>Ardea purpurea</i>
63	<b>Heron, Striated</b> <i>Butorides striata</i>
64	<b>Honeybird, Brown-backed</b> <i>Prodotiscus regulus</i>
65	<b>Honeyguide, Lesser</b> <i>Indicator minor</i>
66	<b>Honeyguide, Scaly-throated</b> <i>Indicator variegatus</i>

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67	<b>Hoopoe, African</b> <i>Upupa africana</i>
68	<b>Ibis, Hadada</b> <i>Bostrychia hagedash</i>
69	<b>Indigobird, Dusky</b> <i>Vidua funerea</i>
70	<b>Kingfisher, African Pygmy</b> <i>Ispidina picta</i>
71	<b>Kingfisher, Brown-hooded</b> <i>Halcyon albiventris</i>
72	<b>Kingfisher, Giant</b> <i>Megaceryle maxima</i>
73	<b>Kingfisher, Half-collared</b> <i>Alcedo semitorquata</i> (NT, LC)
74	<b>Kingfisher, Pied</b> <i>Ceryle rudis</i>
75	<b>Kite, Black-winged</b> <i>Elanus caeruleus</i>
76	<b>Mannikin, Bronze</b> <i>Spermestes cucullata</i>
77	<b>Mannikin, Red-backed</b> <i>Spermestes nigriceps</i>
78	<b>Martin, Common House</b> <i>Delichon urbicum</i>
79	<b>Mousebird, Speckled</b> <i>Colius striatus</i>
80	<b>Oriole, Black-headed</b> <i>Oriolus larvatus</i>
81	<b>Owl, African Wood</b> <i>Strix woodfordii</i>
82	<b>Parrot, Cape</b> <i>Poicephalus robustus</i> (EN, VU, E)
83	<b>Pigeon, African Olive</b> <i>Columba arquatrix</i>
84	<b>Pipit, Striped</b> <i>Anthus lineiventris</i>
85	<b>Prinia, Drakensberg</b> <i>Prinia hypoxantha</i> (SLS)
86	<b>Prinia, Tawny-flanked</b> <i>Prinia subflava</i>
87	<b>Puffback, Black-backed</b> <i>Dryoscopus cubla</i>
88	<b>Quelea, Red-billed</b> <i>Quelea quelea</i>
89	<b>Robin-Chat, Cape</b> <i>Cossypha caffra</i>
90	<b>Robin-Chat, Chorister</b> <i>Cossypha dichroa</i> (SLS)
91	<b>Robin-Chat, Red-capped</b> <i>Cossypha natalensis</i>
92	<b>Robin-Chat, White-browed</b> <i>Cossypha heuglini</i>
93	<b>Robin, Brown Scrub</b> <i>Cercotrichas signata</i> (NE)
94	<b>Robin, White-starred</b> <i>Pogonocichla stellata</i>
95	<b>Saw-wing, Black</b> <i>Psaldoprocne pristoptera</i>
96	<b>Seedeater, Streaky-headed</b> <i>Crithagra gularis</i>
97	<b>Sparrow, Southern Grey-headed</b> <i>Passer diffusus</i>
98	<b>Spurfowl, Natal</b> <i>Pternistis natalensis</i>
99	<b>Starling, Red-winged</b> <i>Onychognathus morio</i>

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100	<b>Starling, Violet-backed</b> <i>Cinnyricinclus leucogaster</i>
101	<b>Stonechat, African</b> <i>Saxicola torquatus</i>
102	<b>Stork, Woolly-necked</b> <i>Ciconia episcopus</i>
103	<b>Sunbird, Amethyst</b> <i>Chalcomitra amethystina</i>
104	<b>Sunbird, Collared</b> <i>Hedydipna collaris</i>
105	<b>Sunbird, Greater Double-collared</b> <i>Cinnyris afer</i> (SLS)
106	<b>Sunbird, Southern Double-collared</b> <i>Cinnyris chalybeus</i> (NE)
107	<b>Sunbird, White-bellied</b> <i>Cinnyris talatala</i>
108	<b>Swallow, Barn</b> <i>Hirundo rustica</i>
109	<b>Swallow, Greater Striped</b> <i>Cecropis cucullata</i>
110	<b>Swallow, Lesser Striped</b> <i>Cecropis abyssinica</i>
111	<b>Swallow, White-throated</b> <i>Hirundo albicularis</i>
112	<b>Swallow, Wire-tailed</b> <i>Hirundo smithii</i>
113	<b>Swift, African Black</b> <i>Apus barbatus</i>
114	<b>Swift, African Palm</b> <i>Cypsiurus parvus</i>
115	<b>Swift, Alpine</b> <i>Tachymarptis melba</i>
116	<b>Swift, Little</b> <i>Apus affinis</i>
117	<b>Swift, White-rumped</b> <i>Apus caffer</i>
118	<b>Thrush, Kurrichane</b> <i>Turdus libonyana</i>
119	<b>Thrush, Olive</b> <i>Turdus olivaceus</i>
120	<b>Thrush, Orange Ground</b> <i>Geokichla gurneyi</i> (NT, LC)
121	<b>Tinkerbird, Yellow-fronted</b> <i>Pogoniulus chrysoconus</i>
122	<b>Trogon, Narina</b> <i>Apaloderma narina</i>
123	<b>Turaco, Knysna</b> <i>Tauraco corythaix</i> (SLS)
124	<b>Turaco, Purple-crested</b> <i>Tauraco porphyreolophus</i>
125	<b>Twinspot, Green</b> <i>Mandingoa nitidula</i>
126	<b>Wagtail, African Pied</b> <i>Motacilla aguimp</i>
127	<b>Wagtail, Cape</b> <i>Motacilla capensis</i>
128	<b>Wagtail, Mountain</b> <i>Motacilla clara</i>
129	<b>Warbler, Barratt's</b> <i>Bradypterus barratti</i> (NE)
130	<b>Warbler, Little Rush</b> <i>Bradypterus baboecala</i>
131	<b>Warbler, Yellow-throated Woodland</b> <i>Phylloscopus ruficapilla</i>
132	<b>Waxbill, Common</b> <i>Estrilda astrild</i>

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133	<b>Waxbill, Swee</b> <i>Coccyzygia melanotis</i> (NE)
134	<b>Weaver, Holub's Golden</b> <i>Ploceus xanthops</i>
135	<b>Weaver, Southern Masked</b> <i>Ploceus velatus</i>
136	<b>Weaver, Spectacled</b> <i>Ploceus ocularis</i>
137	<b>Weaver, Thick-billed</b> <i>Amblyospiza albifrons</i>
138	<b>White-eye, Cape</b> <i>Zosterops virens</i> (NE)
139	<b>Whydah, Pin-tailed</b> <i>Vidua macroura</i>
140	<b>Widowbird, Red-collared</b> <i>Euplectes ardens</i>
141	<b>Woodpecker, Golden-tailed</b> <i>Campethera abingoni</i>
142	<b>Woodpecker, Olive</b> <i>Dendropicus griseocephalus</i>

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