

Tasmania / Australia - Melbourne area and Great Ocean Road

Birds Seen by our WFO / Naturequest Group January 4-18, 2020

Note: if we only saw the species in Tasmania, it will be noted as "TAS"

Any questions on specific locations of sightings and daily sightings consult ebird or your daily checklist or email Kurt at KLeuschner@collegeofthedesert.edu

Common names and taxonomy according to the Helm Field Guide to the Birds of Australia – authors Ken Simpson and Nicolas Day, 2012. 201 bird species total including all twelve Tasmanian endemic species and a 13th endemic breeder: the Orange-bellied Parrot.

Emu

Stubble Quail (Teresa and Martin only)

Little Penguin TAS (Note: a King Penguin was seen in Hobart)

Shy (White-capped) Albatross (seen from shore)

Short-tailed Shearwater

Fluttering Shearwater

Australian Pelican

Australasian Gannet

Black-faced Cormorant (Shag) TAS

Pied Cormorant

Little Pied Cormorant

Great Cormorant

Little Black Cormorant

Australasian Grebe

Hoary-headed Grebe

Great Crested Grebe TAS

Magpie Goose

Black Swan

Cape Barren Goose

Australian Shelduck

Hybrid? Escapee? South African or Cape Shelduck nicknamed "Amy" – near Melbourne

Pacific Black Duck

Northern Mallard

Grey Teal

Chestnut Teal

Australasian Shoveler

Freckled Duck

Pink-eared Duck

Hardhead (White-eyed Duck)

Australian Wood (Maned) Duck

Blue-billed Duck

Musk Duck

Buff-banded Rail (one seen briefly)

Baillon's Crake

Tasmanian Native-hen (**Endemic**) TAS

Black-tailed Native-hen

Dusky Moorhen

Purple Swamphen
Eurasian Coot
White-necked or Pacific Heron
White-faced Heron
Eastern Great Egret
Little Egret
Nankeen Night-Heron
Glossy Ibis
Australian White Ibis
Straw-necked Ibis
Royal Spoonbill
Yellow-billed Spoonbill
Brolga
Common Greenshank
Marsh Sandpiper
Common Sandpiper
Latham's Snipe
Bar-tailed Godwit
Black-tailed Godwit
Ruddy Turnstone
Red Knot
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper
Red-necked Stint
Curlew Sandpiper
Australian Pied Oystercatcher
Sooty Oystercatcher
Pacific Golden Plover
Masked Lapwing
Banded Lapwing
Red-kneed Dotterel
Hooded Plover
Red-capped Plover
Black-fronted Dotterel
Black-winged Stilt
Red-necked Avocet
Arctic (Parasitic) Jaeger or Skua (seen from shore)
Silver Gull
Pacific Gull
Kelp Gull
Whiskered (Marsh) Tern
White-winged Black Tern
Caspian Tern
Fairy Tern
Crested Tern
Black-shouldered Kite
Black Kite
Whistling Kite
White-bellied Sea-Eagle

Striated Fieldwren
Brown Thornbill
Tasmanian Thornbill (**Endemic**) TAS
Yellow-rumped Thornbill
Yellow Thornbill
Red Wattlebird
Yellow Wattlebird (**Endemic**) TAS
Noisy Miner
Yellow-faced Honeyeater
Singing Honeyeater
Yellow-throated Honeyeater (**Endemic**) TAS
White-plumed Honeyeater
White-eared Honeyeater
Strong-billed Honeyeater (**Endemic**) TAS
Brown-headed Honeyeater
Black-headed Honeyeater (**Endemic**) TAS
Crescent Honeyeater
New Holland Honeyeater
Eastern Spinebill
Little Wattlebird
White-fronted Chat
Jacky Winter (Janine only)
Pink Robin
Flame Robin
Scarlet Robin
Dusky Robin (**Endemic**) TAS
Eastern Yellow Robin
Crested Shrike-tit
Grey Shrike-Thrush
Golden Whistler
Olive Whistler (Mark only – TAS)
Rufous Whistler
Satin Flycatcher TAS
Grey Fantail
Rufous Fantail (Billi, Janine, Robert, only)
Willie Wagtail
Magpie-lark
Restless Flycatcher
Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike
Dusky Woodswallow
Grey Butcherbird TAS
Australian Magpie
Pied Currawong
Black Currawong (**Endemic**) TAS
Grey Currawong
Australian Raven (Martin only)
Forest Raven
Little Raven

White-winged Chough
Welcome Swallow
Tree Martin
Fairy Martin
Australasian (Richard's) Pipit
Eurasian Skylark
Australian (formerly Clamorous) Reed-Warbler
Golden-headed Cisticola
Little Grassbird
Common Greenfinch
European Goldfinch
House Sparrow
Zebra Finch
Beautiful Firetail TAS
Red-browed Firefinch
Silvereye or Grey-backed Silvereye
Bassian (Ground) Thrush
Common (Eurasian) Blackbird
Common Starling
Common Myna

Other Critters:

Koala (13 total)
Eastern Grey Kangaroo
Forrester's Kangaroo TAS
Swamp or Black Wallaby
Bennett's Wallaby (including all white ones on Bruny Island)
Common Brushtail Possum
Common Ringtail Possum
Tasmanian Pademelon
Common Wombat
Spotted-tailed Quoll – Mountain Valley TAS
Eastern Spotted Quoll – Bruny Island
Southern Brown Bandicoot
Tasmanian Bettong
Tasmanian Devil
Duck-billed Platypus (5+) (Note: a baby Platypus or Echidna = a "puggles")
Short-beaked Echidna
Grey-headed Fruit Bat (Flying Fox)
European Rabbit
Eastern Long-necked Turtle
Lowlands Copperhead Snake
Tasmanian Tiger Snake (2) (all black type)
Jacky Dragon (seen by some)
Blotched Blue-tongued Skink
Delicate Skink
Metallic Skink
Guitchinow's Skink

Mountain Dragon Lizard
Brown Angus Butterfly
Common Brown Butterfly
MacLeay's Swallowtail (butterfly)
Australian Fur Seal – Great Ocean Road
Otway Black Snail
Bruny Island Tiny Emerald Scarab
Bull Ant (#2 on pain scale!)
Tasmanian Inchman (ant)
Red-legged Jack-jumpers (ants)
Huntsman Spider
Jewel Spider
Yellow Golf Ball Fungus