

# Entry

**Location:** Darwin - Kakadu - Darwin Multi day trip ( Northern Territory )

**Date:** Friday, 14 October 2011

**Notes:** Day 2. Broke camp at Corroboree and headed off early down the Marrakai track as far as Margaret River crossing, where we had great views of Buff-sided Robin. Then on to Mary River Park, where we booked the cruise for the next morning, set up the camp, and went to Bird Billabong.

The Goudian spots near Bird Billabong had dried up, but we got some good views of birds around the Billabong itself, including an unusual Broad-billed Sandpiper sighting.

## Photos



*Broad-billed Sandpiper*



## Birds ( 64 )

<b>Pheasants, Grouse, and Allies <i>Phasianidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Brown Quail <i>Coturnix ypsilophora</i>	15+	On Marrakai track. Crossed the road and into the grass, before flying off.
<b>Magpie Goose <i>Anseranatidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Magpie Goose <i>Anseranas semipalmata</i>		At Bird Billabong.
<b>Ducks, Geese, and Waterfowl <i>Anatidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Plumed Whistling-Duck <i>Dendrocygna eytoni</i>		At Bird Billabong.
Wandering Whistling-Duck <i>Dendrocygna arcuata</i>		At Bird Billabong.
Radjah Shelduck <i>Tadorna radjah</i>		At Bird Billabong.
<b>Pigeons and Doves <i>Columbidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Peaceful Dove <i>Geopelia striata</i>		
<b>New Zealand Parrots <i>Strigopidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Pied Imperial-Pigeon <i>Ducula bicolor</i>		In all areas.
<b>Storks <i>Ciconiidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Black-necked Stork <i>Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus</i>		At Bird Billabong.
<b>Hérons, Egrets, and Bitterns <i>Ardeidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Eastern Great Egret <i>Ardea modesta</i>		At Bird Billabong.
Intermediate Egret <i>Ardea intermedia</i>		At Bird Billabong.
Pied Heron <i>Egretta picata</i>		At Bird Billabong.

Little Egret <i>Egretta garzetta</i>		At Bird Billabong.
Nankeen Night-Heron <i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i>		At Bird Billabong.

<b>Ibises and Spoonbills <i>Threskiornithidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Glossy Ibis <i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>		At Bird Billabong.
Australian White Ibis <i>Threskiornis molucca</i>		At Mary River Park.
Straw-necked Ibis <i>Threskiornis spinicollis</i>		At Mary River Park.
Royal Spoonbill <i>Platalea regia</i>		At Bird Billabong.

<b>Eastern Osprey <i>Accipitridae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
White-bellied Sea-Eagle <i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>	1	At Bird Billabong.
Brown Goshawk <i>Accipiter fasciatus</i>		On Marrakai track.

<b>Falcons and Caracaras <i>Falconidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Brown Falcon <i>Falco berigora</i>		On Marrakai track.

<b>Plovers and Lapwings <i>Charadriidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Black-fronted Dotterel <i>Euseiornis melanops</i>	4	At Bird Billabong.

<b>Sandpipers and Allies <i>Scolopacidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Broad-billed Sandpiper <i>Limicola falcinellus</i>	2	At Bird Billabong.

<b>Pratincoles and Coursers <i>Glareolidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Australian Pratincole <i>Stiltia isabella</i>		At Bird Billabong.

<b>Cockatoos <i>Cacatuidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo <i>Calyptorhynchus banksii</i>		Nice views. All areas.
Sulphur-crested Cockatoo <i>Cacatua galerita</i>	3	On Marrakai track.

<b>Parrots <i>Psittacidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Rainbow Lorikeet <i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>		Seen in all areas.
Varied Lorikeet <i>Psitteuteles versicolor</i>		Several small flocks flying high and fast overhead. On Marrakai track.
Red-winged Parrot <i>Aprosmictus erythropterus</i>		In all areas.
Northern Rosella <i>Platycercus venustus</i>	2	At Bird Billabong.

<b>Cuckoos <i>Cuculidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Pheasant Coucal <i>Centropus phasianinus</i>		Seen (glimpses) and heard in all areas.
Little Bronze-Cuckoo <i>Chalcites minutillus</i>		Heard calling close by. Had to leave to get good sightings of Brown Quail.

<b>Owls <i>Strigidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Barking Owl <i>Ninox connivens</i>	3	At Mary River Park, just on sundown.

<b>Tree Kingfishers <i>Halcyonidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Blue-winged Kookaburra <i>Dacelo leachii</i>	4	On Marrakai track.
Forest Kingfisher <i>Todiramphus macleayi</i>		All areas.
Sacred Kingfisher <i>Todiramphus sanctus</i>	1	On Marrakai track.

<b>Rollers <i>Coraciidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Dollarbird <i>Eurystomus orientalis</i>		Seen in all areas.

<b>Australasian Treecreepers <i>Climacteridae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Black-tailed Treecreeper <i>Climacteris melanura</i>	4	On Marrakai track.

<b>Fairywrens <i>Maluridae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Red-backed Fairy-wren <i>Malurus melanocephalus</i>	5	On Marrakai track.

<b>Thornbills and Allies <i>Acanthizidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Weebill <i>Smicromnis brevirostris</i>	1	On Marrakai track.
Green-backed Gerygone <i>Gerygone chloronota</i>		Heard at, Margaret River crossing.

<b>Honeyeaters <i>Meliphagidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
White-gaped Honeyeater <i>Lichenostomus unicolor</i>		
Dusky Honeyeater <i>Myzomela obscura</i>		On Marrakai track.
Brown Honeyeater <i>Lichmera indistincta</i>	1	On Marrakai track.
White-throated Honeyeater <i>Melithreptus albogularis</i>		
Helmeted Friarbird <i>Philemon buceroides</i>	2	
Little Friarbird <i>Philemon citreogularis</i>		On Marrakai track.

<b>Pseudo-Babblers <i>Pomatostomidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Grey-crowned Babbler <i>Pomatostomus temporalis</i>	4	On Marrakai track.

<b>Sittellas <i>Neosittidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Varied Sittella <i>Daphoenositta chrysoptera</i>	20+	On Marrakai track.

<b>Cuckoo-shrikes <i>Campephagidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike <i>Coracina novaehollandiae</i>	2	On Marrakai track.
White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike <i>Coracina papuensis</i>		In all areas.
Varied Triller <i>Lalage leucomela</i>		Heard. On Marrakai track.

<b>Whistlers and Allies <i>Pachycephalidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Rufous Whistler <i>Pachycephala rufiventris</i>	2	On Marrakai track.

<b>Woodswallows <i>Artamidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Little Woodswallow <i>Artamus minor</i>		On Marrakai track.

<b>Drongos <i>Dicruridae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Spangled Drongo <i>Dicrurus bracteatus</i>	1	On Marrakai track, Margaret River crossing and Mary River Park.

<b>Fantails <i>Rhipiduridae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Arafura Fantail <i>Rhipidura dryas</i>	1	On Marrakai track, Margaret River crossing.
Northern Fantail <i>Rhipidura rufiventris</i>		At Mary River Park.

Willie Wagtail <i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>		All areas.
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**Crows, Jays, and Magpies *Corvidae***

**Count Notes**

Torresian Crow <i>Corvus orru</i>		At Mary River Park.
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**Monarch Flycatchers *Monarchidae***

**Count Notes**

Restless Flycatcher <i>Myiagra inquieta</i>		On Marrakai track.
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Magpie-lark <i>Grallina cyanoleuca</i>		Seen in all areas.
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**Australasian Robins *Petroicidae***

**Count Notes**

Buff-sided Robin <i>Poecilodryas cerviniventris</i>	3	On Marrakai track, Margaret River crossing.
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**Waxbills and Allies *Estrildidae***

**Count Notes**

Double-barred Finch <i>Taeniopygia bichenovii</i>		
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Masked Finch <i>Poephila personata</i>	4	On Marrakai track.
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Chestnut-breasted Mannikin <i>Lonchura castaneothorax</i>	20+	On Marrakai track.
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## Butterflies ( 2 )

**Nymphs *Nymphalidae***

**Count Notes**

Common Crow <i>Euploea core</i>		At Margaret River crossing.
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Lesser Wanderer <i>Danaus chrysippus</i>	2	At Margaret River crossing.
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## Mammals ( 2 )

**Kangaroos, Wallabies, Tree**

**Kangaroos *Macropodidae***

**Count Notes**

Agile Wallaby <i>Macropus agilis</i>		Seen in all areas.
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Antilopine Wallaroo <i>Macropus antilopinus</i>	2	On Marrakai track.
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