

# Entry

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

**Date:** Saturday, 15 October 2011

**Notes:** Day 3 - The day begins with a 5.30 wake up call deliveed by Barking Owls very close to the tent. At 7am we joined the boat cruise with Kim the skipper and Gavin and Meg with their guest. We got brief views of a Black Bittern, but no Great-billed Heron sadly. Next stop was Mamukala wetlands then on to Jabiru, where we had lunch by the lake.

We set up the camp at Merl campgrounds and then had a look at Cahill's Crossing, saw some large crocs, and then did the Bardedjilidji walk and saw three Chestnut-quilled Rock-pigeons. From there we looked at the Ubirr Art site. This day was the hottest and rain the next day was very welcome.

**Number of Observers:** 2

## Photos

*Estuarine Crocodile*



*Brown Goshawk*



*Partridge Pigeon*



*Australian Hobby*



## Birds ( 64 )

### **Megapodes *Megapodiidae***

#### **Count Notes**

Orange-footed Scrubfowl *Megapodius reinwardt*

1

On the Bardedjilidji walk.

### **Magpie Goose *Anseranatidae***

#### **Count Notes**

Magpie Goose *Anseranas semipalmata*

100+

At Mamukala wetlands and Jabiru.

### **Ducks, Geese, and Waterfowl *Anatidae***

#### **Count Notes**

Plumed Whistling-Duck *Dendrocygna eytoni*

At Mamukala wetlands.

Wandering Whistling-Duck *Dendrocygna arcuata*

At Mamukala wetlands.

Radjah Shelduck *Tadorna radjah*

At Mamukala wetlands.

Green Pygmy-goose *Nettapus pulchellus*

Seen at Jabiru town lake.

Pacific Black Duck *Anas superciliosa*

2

At Mamukala wetlands.

### **Pigeons and Doves *Columbidae***

#### **Count Notes**

Partridge Pigeon *Geophaps smithii*

3

At Merl campground.

Chestnut-quilled Rock-Pigeon *Petrophassa rufipennis*

3

On the Bardedjilidji walk.

Peaceful Dove *Geopelia striata*

All areas.

Bar-shouldered Dove *Geopelia humeralis*

All areas.

<b>New Zealand Parrots <i>Strigopidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Pied Imperial-Pigeon <i>Ducula bicolor</i>		On the Mary River boat cruise and the Bardedjilidji walk..

<b>Frogmouths <i>Podargidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Tawny Frogmouth <i>Podargus strigoides</i>		Heard at Merl campground.

<b>Australasian Darter <i>Anhingidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Australasian Darter <i>Anhinga novaehollandiae</i>		On the Mary River boat cruise.

<b>Little Pied Cormorant <i>Phalacrocoracidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Little Pied Cormorant <i>Microcarbo melanoleucos</i>		At Mamukala wetlands.
Little Pied Cormorant <i>Microcarbo melanoleucos</i>		On the Mary River boat cruise and Mamukala.
Little Black Cormorant <i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>		At Mamukala wetlands.

<b>Pelicans <i>Pelecanidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Australian Pelican <i>Pelecanus conspicillatus</i>	50+	At Mamukala wetlands.

<b>Storks <i>Ciconiidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Black-necked Stork <i>Ephippiorhynchus asiaticus</i>	109	At Mamukala wetlands.

<b>Hérons, Egrets, and Bitterns <i>Ardeidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Black Bittern <i>Ixobrychus flavicollis</i>	1	On the Mary River boat cruise.
Eastern Great Egret <i>Ardea modesta</i>		At Mamukala wetlands.
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Intermediate Egret <i>Ardea intermedia</i>		At Mamukala wetlands and Jabiru.
Cattle Egret <i>Ardea ibis</i>		On the Mary River boat cruise.
Pied Heron <i>Egretta picata</i>		At Mamukala wetlands.
Nankeen Night-Heron <i>Nycticorax caledonicus</i>		Juv. On the Mary River boat cruise.

<b>Ibises and Spoonbills <i>Threskiornithidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Straw-necked Ibis <i>Threskiornis spinicollis</i>		At Mamukala wetlands.

<b>Eastern Osprey <i>Accipitridae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
White-bellied Sea-Eagle <i>Haliaeetus leucogaster</i>		On the Mary River boat cruise.
Whistling Kite <i>Haliastur sphenurus</i>		All areas.
Brown Goshawk <i>Accipiter fasciatus</i>	1	On the Mary River boat cruise and on nest at Jabiru.

<b>Falcons and Caracaras <i>Falconidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Australian Hobby <i>Falco longipennis</i>	1	A very hot juvenile, holding his wings out to catch the breeze.

<b>Rails, Gallinules, and Coots <i>Rallidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Purple Swamphen <i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	3	At Mamukala wetlands.

<b>Stilts and Avocets <i>Recurvirostridae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Black-winged Stilt <i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	2	At Mamukala wetlands.

<b>Plovers and Lapwings Charadriidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Masked Lapwing <i>Vanellus miles</i>			All areas.
<b>Jacanas Jacanidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Comb-crested Jacana <i>Irediparra gallinacea</i>			At Mamukala wetlands and Jabiru.
<b>Gulls, Terns, and Skimmers Laridae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Whiskered Tern <i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>			At Mamukala wetlands.
<b>Cockatoos Cacatuidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo <i>Calyptorhynchus banksii</i>			Seen at Jabiru township.
Little Corella <i>Cacatua sanguinea</i>			All areas.
<b>Parrots Psittacidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Rainbow Lorikeet <i>Trichoglossus haematodus</i>			On the Mary River boat cruise and the Bardedjilidji walk..
Red-winged Parrot <i>Aprosmictus erythropterus</i>			On the Mary River boat cruise.
<b>Cuckoos Cuculidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Pheasant Coucal <i>Centropus phasianinus</i>			At Merl campground.
Eastern Koel <i>Eudynamys orientalis</i>			Heard at Merl campground.
Brush Cuckoo <i>Cacomantis variolosus</i>			Heard at Merl campground.
<b>Owls Strigidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Barking Owl <i>Ninox connivens</i>	2		At Mary River Park.
<b>Kingfishers Alcedinidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Azure Kingfisher <i>Ceyx azureus</i>	1		On the Mary River boat cruise.
<b>Tree Kingfishers Halcyonidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Blue-winged Kookaburra <i>Dacelo leachii</i>			On the Bardedjilidji walk.
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Forest Kingfisher <i>Todiramphus macleayii</i>			On the Mary River boat cruise.
<b>Bee-eaters Meropidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Rainbow Bee-eater <i>Merops ornatus</i>			On the Mary River boat cruise.
<b>Rollers Coraciidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Dollarbird <i>Eurystomus orientalis</i>			On the Mary River boat cruise.
<b>Bowerbirds Ptilonorhynchidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Great Bowerbird <i>Ptilonorhynchus nuchalis</i>			On the Mary River boat cruise.
<b>Honeyeaters Meliphagidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Little Friarbird <i>Philemon citreogularis</i>			At Merl campground.
<b>Cuckoo-shrikes Campephagidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike <i>Coracina papuensis</i>			All areas.
<b>Old World Orioles Oriolidae</b>		<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Yellow Oriole <i>Oriolus flavocinctus</i>			On the Mary River boat cruise and

		the Bardedjilidji walk..
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<b>Drongos <i>Dicruridae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Spangled Drongo <i>Dicrurus bracteatus</i>		On the Mary River boat cruise.

<b>Fantails <i>Rhipiduridae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Willie Wagtail <i>Rhipidura leucophrys</i>		At Mamukala wetlands and Jabiru.

<b>Crows, Jays, and Magpies <i>Corvidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Torresian Crow <i>Corvus orru</i>		On the Mary River boat cruise and at Jabiru.

<b>Monarch Flycatchers <i>Monarchidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Leaden Flycatcher <i>Myiagra rubecula</i>	2	Pair. On the Mary River boat cruise.
Shining Flycatcher <i>Myiagra alecto</i>		On the Mary River boat cruise and the Bardedjilidji walk..

<b>Australasian Robins <i>Petroicidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Lemon-bellied Flycatcher <i>Microeca flavigaster</i>		At Mamukala wetlands.

<b>Cisticolas and Allies <i>Cisticolidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Golden-headed Cisticola <i>Cisticola exilis</i>		Seen at Jabiru town lake.

<b>Flowerpeckers <i>Dicaeidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Mistletoebird <i>Dicaeum hirundinaceum</i>		On the Mary River boat cruise.

<b>Waxbills and Allies <i>Estrildidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Double-barred Finch <i>Taeniopygia bichenovii</i>		Seen at Jabiru town lake.
Crimson Finch <i>Neochmia phaeton</i>		On the Mary River boat cruise, Mamukala and Jabiru.

## Mammals ( 2 )

<b>Kangaroos, Wallabies, Tree Kangaroos <i>Macropodidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Short-eared Rock Wallaby <i>Petrogale brachyotis</i>	2	At Ubirr art site.

<b>Dogs and Foxes <i>Canidae</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Dingo <i>Canis lupis-dingo</i>	1	At Mamukala wetlands.

## Reptiles ( 2 )

<b>Crocodiles <i>Crocodylus</i></b>	<b>Count</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Johnstone's Crocodile <i>Crocodylus johnstoni</i>	2	On the Mary River boat cruise.
Estuarine Crocodile <i>Crocodylus porosus</i>	4	On the Mary River boat cruise. One large croc at Cahill's Crossing and one small one on the Bardedjilidji walk.