

# Clansthal Conservancy - Bird List:

## Birds identified in the Clansthal Conservancy

From SASOL Birds of Southern Africa - third edition 2002, and Robert's fifth edition (55 families, 197 species)

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No	Name	Status	Habitat
<b>Family 9 SULIDAE - GANNETS</b>			
53	Cape Gannet	Very common especially in winter	Offshore coastal waters & in flight
<b>Family 10 PHALACROCORIDAE - CORMORANTS</b>			
55	White-breasted Cormorant	Common resident	Marine and inland waters
56	Cape Cormorant	Less common, winter nomad	Coastal waters, highly gregarious
58	Reed Cormorant	Common resident	Marine and inland waters
<b>Family 11 ANHINGIDAE - DARTERS</b>			
60	African Darter	Uncommon resident	Inland water, rarely on estuaries
<b>Family 14 ARDEIDAE - HERONS &amp; EGRETS</b>			
62	Grey Heron	Relatively uncommon resident	Inland waters, estuaries & in flight
63	Blackheaded Heron	Common resident	Open fields, cane breaks & in flight
64	Goliath Heron	Uncommon; conspicuous	Estuaries & in flight; shy solitary
65	Purple Heron	Mostly uncommon	Shores of inland waters & in flight
66	Great (White) Egret	Uncommon; conspicuous	Estuaries & in flight; shy solitary
67	Little Egret	Fairly common resident	Shores of inland and marine waters
71	Cattle Egret	Very common resident	Grassland, open fields & in flight
74	Greenbacked Heron	Uncommon	Solitary, estuaries & woodland ponds
76	Blackcrowned Night Heron	Uncommon, mostly resident	Marshes and tree-lined streams
78	Little Bitten	Uncommon cryptic resident	Reedbeds and marshes
<b>Family 15 SCOPIIDAE - HAMERKOP</b>			
81	Hamerkop	Common resident; conspicuous	Forest margins, gardens & wetland
<b>Family 16 CICONIIDAE - STORKS</b>			
84	Black Stork	Uncommon conspicuous nomad	Near rivers, estuaries & in flight
86	Woolynecked Stork	Uncommon resident;	Rivers, tidal mudflats & in flight

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#### Family 17 PLATALEIDAE - IBISES & SPOONBILLS

91	African Sacred Ibis	Common resident	Varied, often seen flying
94	Hadedda Ibis	Very common vocal resident	Gardens and grassland

#### Family 19 ANATIDAE - DUCKS, GEESE & SWANS

99	White-faced Duck	Common gregarious resident	Inland waters and wet areas
102	Egyptian Goose	Common resident; conspicuous	Dams, estuaries and in flight
116	Spurwinged Goose	Common resident; conspicuous	Inland waters, fields and in flight

#### Family 21 ACCIPITRIDAE - VULTURES, EAGLES, HAWKS, ETC

147	Palmnut Vulture	Rare local resident	Raffia Palms, Crocworld & in flight
126	Yellowbilled Kite	Very com' summer breed' migrant	Highways, gardens and in flight
139	Longcrested Eagle	Fairly common resident; increasing	Woodland and farmland
140	Martial Eagle	Rare	Mostly seen in flight
141	Crowned Eagle	Fairly common resident	Dense forest and in flight
142	Brown Snake Eagle	Uncommon resident	Forest and in flight
143	Black-chested Snake Eagle	Recent resident	Forest, young cane and in flight
148	African Fish Eagle	Common vocal resident	Rivers, dams, estuaries and in flight
149	Steppe Buzzard	Common nonbreed' summer visitor	Open grassland and farmland
152	Jackal Buzzard	Uncommon resident	Woodland and in flight
157	Little Sparrowhawk	Uncommon resident	Woodland forest & gardens
158	Black Sparrowhawk	Fairly common resident	Woodland forest & plantations
159	Shikra (Little Banded Goshawk)	Common resident	Woodland forest and gardens
169	African Harrier-hawk (Gymnogene)	Locally fairly common resident	Woodland forest and gardens

#### Family 22 PANDIONIDAE - OSPREY

170	Osprey	Rare nonbreed' sum' visitor	Inland & coastal waters & in flight
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#### Family 23 FALCONIDAE - FALCONS & KESTRELS

172	Lanner Falcon	Fairly common resident	Open farmland and mostly in flight
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Family 24 PHASIANIDAE - FRANCOLINS & QUAILS

196	Natal Francolin	Common resident	Dense thickets along watercourses
200	Common Quail	Fairly common summer migrant	Open grassland & cane breaks

Family 25 NUMIDIDAE - GUINEAFOWL

203	Helmeted Guineafowl	Rare resident; declining	Open grassland & cultivated fields
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Family 28 RALLIDAE - CRAKES, FLUFFTAIL ETC

217	Red-chested Flufftail	Fairly common but cryptic resident	Marshes and reedy watercourses
218	Buffspotted Flufftail	Uncommon cryptic resident	Evergreen forest adjoining wetland
226	Common Moorhen	Common resident	Reedbeds and marshes

Family 33 HAEMATOPODIDAE - OYSTERCATCHERS

244	African Black Oystercatcher	Fairly rare nomad	Rocky shores
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Family 34 CHARADRIIDAE - PLOVERS

245	Ringed Plover	Common nonbreed' summer visitor	Sea shore, estuaries & mud flats
246	Whitefronted Plover	Common resident	Sandy marine shores
249	Threebanded Plover	Common resident; locally nomadic	Inland shores; rare on beach
258	Blacksmith Lapwing (Plover)	Very common resident	Shores of dams & moist grassland

Family 35 SCOLOPACIDAE - SNIPES & SANDPIPERS

264	Common Sandpiper	Fairly com' nonbreed' sum' visitor	Almost any shoreline
270	Greenshank	Com' nonbreed' summer visitor	Dams, swamps and seashores
281	Sanderling	Common summer migrant	Sandy beaches and estuaries
288	Bar-tailed Godwit	Rare summer visitor	Rocky shores and estuaries

Family 38 BURHINIDAE - DIKKOPS

297	Spotted Thick-knee (Dikkop)	Common resident	Short grass & dune vegetation
298	Water Thick-knee (Dikkop)	Locally common resident	Estuaries and wetland

Family 40 LARIDAE - SKUAS, GULLS & TERNS

312	Cape (Kelp) Gull	Fairly common mostly in winter	Estuaries, beaches and in flight
315	Grey-headed Gull	Locally uncommon nomad	Marine shores, wetland & in flight
322	Caspian Tern	Rare summer visitor; conspicuous	Estuaries, beaches and in flight

324	Swift Tern	Common resident wanders widely	Marine shores and mostly in flight
327	Common Tern	Common summer visitor	Marine shores, estuaries & in flight

#### Family 43 COLUMBIDAE - PIGEONS & DOVES

349	Rock Dove (Feral Pigeon)	Flies past Clansthal	Urban areas
352	Redeyed Dove	Very common resident	Woodland and gardens
355	Laughing Dove	Common resident	Open woodland and gardens
358	Greenspotted Dove	Rare resident	Woodland and forest
359	Tambourine Dove	Locally common resident	Lowland evergreen forest
361	Green Pigeon	Common resident, gregarious	Riverine fig forests

#### Family 45 MUSOPHAGIDAE - LOURIES

370	Knysna Turaco (Lourie)	Uncommon resident	Evergreen and riverine forest
371	Purple-crested Turaco (Lourie)	Common resident	Evergreen and riverine forest

#### Family 46 CUCULIDAE - CUCKOOS

378	Black Cuckoo	Common summer migrant	Woodland forest and gardens
384	African Emerald Cuckoo	Fairly common summer migrant	Woodland forest and gardens
385	Klaas's Cuckoo	Fairly common summer migrant	Woodland forest and gardens
386	Diederik Cuckoo	Common summer migrant	Woodland forest and gardens
391	Burchell's Coucal	Common resident	Riverine coastal bush & sugarcane

#### Family 48 BUBONIDAE - OWLS

394	African Wood Owl	Uncommon resident	Riverine forest and coastal bush
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#### Family 49 CAPRIMULIDAE - NIGHTJARS

405	Fiery-necked Nightjar	Uncommon vocal nomad	Woodland, thornveld and gardens
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#### Family 50 MICROPODIDAE - SWIFTS

415	Whiterumped Swift	Very com' breeding sum' migrant	Aerial, cliffs and bridges
417	Little Swift	Very common resident; nomadic	Aerial, cliffs and bridges
418	Alpine Swift	Common year-round visitor	Aerial and wide ranging
421	Palm Swift	Locally common resident	Aerial, near palm trees

#### Family 51 COLIDAE - MOUSEBIRDS

424	Speckled Mousebird	Common resident	Bushveld, gardens and orchards
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Family 52 TROGONIDAE - TROGAN

427 Narina Trogon Uncom' resident; easily overlooked Riverine bush and coastal bush

Family 53 ALCEDINIDAE - KINGFISHERS

428 Pied Kingfisher Common resident Rivers, dams, est' & coastal waters  
 429 Giant Kingfisher Fairly common resident Rivers, dams, est' & coastal waters  
 431 Malachite Kingfisher Common resident Dams, streams, riv's well vegetated  
 432 African Pygmy Kingfisher Common breeding summer migrant Riverine bush, even dry savannah  
 435 Brownhooded Kingfisher Common resident Riv' bush, coast' forest & gardens

Family 54 MERIPIDAE - BEE-EATERS

444 Little Bee-eater Common resident Bushveld, streams and reedbeds

Family 56 UPUPIDAE - HOOPOES

451 African Hoopoe Fairly common resident, nomadic Woodland and gardens

Family 57 PHOENICULIDAE - WOODHOOPOES

452 Green (Redbilled) Wood-hoopoe Gregarious common resident Mixed woodland and gardens

Family 58 BUCEROTIDAE - HORNBILL

455 Trumpeter Hornbill Uncommon resident Forest and tall riverine bush  
 463 Southern Ground Hornbill Scares nomad Open woodland and farmland

Family 59 CAPITONIDAE - BARBETS

464 Blackcollared Barbet Very common resident Coastal bush, riv' forest & gardens  
 471 Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird Very common resident Coastal forest & evergreen forest  
 473 Crested Barbet Uncommon resident Thornveld, riv' bush & gardens

Family 60 INDICATORIDAE - HONEYGUIDES

474 Greater Honeyguide Widespread but sparse resident Woodlands, savannah & farmyards  
 476 Lesser Honeyguide Uncommon resident Moist woodland and gardens

Family 61 PICIDAE - WOODPECKERS

483 Goldtailed Woodpecker Widespread but sparse resident Coastal forest, evergreen thickets  
 486 Cardinal Woodpecker Common resident Woodland, gardens & riv' bush  
 488 Olive Woodpecker Fairly rare resident Dense coastal and riverine forest

Family 62 JYNGIDAE - WRYNECK

489 Red-throated Wryneck Sparse resident; nomadic Woodland, open bush & gardens

Family 65 ALAUDIDAE - LARKS

494 Rufousnaped Lark Fairly common resident Open grassland and cane breaks

Family 66 HIRUNDINIDAE - SWALLOWS & MARTINS

518 Barn (European) Swallow Most abundant summer visitor Open sky and telegraph wires

520 White-throated Swallow Uncommon breed' summer migrant Open country, near water - aerial

527 Lesser Striped Swallow Very com breed summer migrant Gardens - aerial & telegraph wires

529 Rock Martin Uncommon resident, local nomad Cliffs, near buildings & aerial

536 Black Saw-wing (Swallow) Locally common resident Forest margins & near water - aerial

Family 67 CAMPEPHAGIDAE - CUCKOOSHRIKES

538 Black Cuckooshrike Uncommon altitudinal migrant Canopy of forest & coastal bush

540 Grey Cuckooshrike Uncommon altitudinal migrant Canopy of forest & coastal bush

Family 68 DICRURIDAE - DRONGOS

541 Forktailed Drongo Common local resident Woodland, thornveld & gardens

542 Squaretailed Drongo Common local resident Mid-stratum of evergreen forest

Family 69 ORIOLIDAE - ORIOLES

545 Black-headed (Eastern) Oriole Common vocal resident Any woodland & riv' or coast' bush

Family 70 CORVIDAE - CROWS

547 Cape (Black) Crow Rare vocal resident Open grasslands, cultivated fields

548 Pied Crow Common vocal resident Roads, farm land & in flight

Family 71 PARIDAE - TITS

554 Southern Black Tit Common resident Any woodland, thornveld & gardens

Family 75 PYCNONTIDAE - BULBULS

568 Dark-capped (Blackeyed) Bulbul Abundant vocal resident Woodland, riverine bush & gardens

569 TerrestrialBrownbul (Bulbul) Fairly common resident Lowland forest & riverine bush

572 Sombre Greenbul (Bulbul) Common resident, shy but vocal Forest, riverine & coastal bush

574 Yellow-bellied Greenbul (Bulbul) Common resident Coastal and evergreen forest

Family 76 TURDIDAE - THRUSHES, CHATS & ROBINS

577	Olive Thrush	Com' resident; more in winter	Forest, riverine bush & gardens
578	Spotted Thrush	Uncom' winter visitor; shy, declining	Coastal and lowland forest
596	African (Common) Stone Chat	Com' resident; altitudinal migrant	Grassland, canefields, road verges
600	Red-capped (Natal) Robin-chat	Common resident & altit' migrant	Evergreen for', riv' bush & gardens
601	Cape Robin-chat	Uncom' resident & altit' migrant	Forest edge, riv' bush & gardens
613	White-browed Scrub-robin	Fairly common shy resident	Woodland & thickets with tall grass
616	Brown Scrub-robin	Fairly common shy local resident	Coastal and lowland forest

Family 77 SYLVIIDAE - WARBLERS, CISTICOLAS & PRINIAS

631	African (Marsh) Reed-warbler	Common breeding summer migrant	Reedbeds, rank vege' & canefields
633	(European) Marsh-warbler	Uncom' nonbreed' summer visitor	Thickets, reeds, rank veg & cane
635	(Cape Reed) Less' Swamp-warbler	Common resident	Reeds adjoining wetland
637	Dark-capped (Afric') Yellow Warbler	Common resident	Rank veg' & bracken along streams
638	(African Sedge) Little Rush-warbler	Common resident	Reedbeds, rank vege' & canefields
643	Willow Warbler	Com' nonbreed' summer visitor	Forest edges, woodland & gardens
644	Yellow-throated Woodland Warbler	Common resident	Middle layers of evergreen forest
645	Bar-throated Apalis	Com' resident; altitudinal migrant	Forest edges, woodland & gardens
657	Green-backed Cameroptera (Bleat')	Very common vocal resident	Forest edges, woodland & gardens
672	Rattling Cisticola	Common resident	Thornveld and coastal scrub
675	Rufous-winged (Blackback') Cistic'	Fairly common resident; nomadic	Tall rank veg' near reeds & in cane
678	Croaking Cisticola	Common resident or local migrant	Tall rank woody veg' near wetland
679	Lazy Cisticola	Locally fairly common resident	Rocky outcrops in open woodland
681	Neddicky	Common resident	Under story of woodland & gardens
683	Tawny-flanked Prinia	Common resident	Rank veg' near trees; gardens

Family 78 MUSCICAPIDAE - FLYCATCHERS

690	Dusky Flycatcher	Locally common resident; nomadic	Riverine forest, plantat' & gardens
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691	Ashy (Bluegrey) Flycatcher	Locally common resident	Forest edges, canopy of riv' thicket'
694	Southern Black Flycatcher	Common local resident	Forest edges, woodland & gardens
701	Chinspot Batis	Com' resident; altitudinal migrant	Woodland, bushveld & riv' thickets
710	Paradise Flycatcher	Common breed' summer migrant	Riv' forest, thickets & gardens

#### Family 79 MOTACILLIDAE - WAGTAILS, LONGCLAWS & PIPITS

711	African Pied Wagtail	Common resident	Slow streams, dams & gardens
713	Cape Wagtail	Very common resident	Slow streams, dams & gardens
716	African (Grassveld) (Richard's) Pipit	Common resident	Lightly grassed hillsides with rocks
727	Cape (Orange-throated) Longclaw	Com' resident; altitudinal migrant	Coastal and upland grasslands
728	Yellow-throated Longclaw	Com' resident; altitudinal migrant	Rank grass, edges of vleis

#### Family 80 LANIIDAE - SHRIKES

732	Fiscal Shrike	Common resident	Short grass, road verges & gardens
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#### Family 81 MALACONOTIDAE - BUSH SHRIKES

736	Southern Boubou	Common vocal resident	Dense coastal and riverine bush
740	Black-backed Puffback	Fairly common resident	Canopy of woodland & riv' bush
742	Southern Tchagra	Fairly common vocal resident	Thorny riverine & coastal scrub
744	Blackcrowned Tchagra	Common resident	Forest and riverine scrub
747	Gorgeous Bush Shrike	Fairly common resident	Dense thickets lowland bush
748	Orangebreasted Bush Shrike	Fairly common resident	Riverine thickets, dense thornveld
750	Olive Bush Shrike	Fairly common resident	Canopy of woodland & riv' bush
751	Greyheaded Bush Shrike	Fairly common resident; nomadic	Thickets, riverine scrub & gardens

#### Family 83 STURNIDAE - STARLINGS

757	Common (European) Starling	Uncommon resident (increasing)	Farmland and near houses
758	Common (Indian) Myna	Abundant local resident	Towns; always near houses
761	Violet-backed (Plumcolour') Starling	Uncom' breed' African sum' migrant	Woodland, bushveld & riv' forest
764	Glossy Starling	Uncommon resident; nomadic	Thornveld, riverine bush & gardens
768	Blackbellied Starling	Very common resident - gregarious	Canopy of lowland evergreen forest



769	Redwinged Starling	Com' resident; disperses widely	Coastal bush & near buildings
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Family 86 NECTARINIIDAE - SUNBIRDS

775	Malachite Sunbird	Winter altitudinal vagrant	Gardens (Leonotis flowers)
787	Whitebellied Sunbird	Com' resident; altitudinal migrant	Coastal & riv' bush & gardens
789	Grey Sunbird	Fairly common resident; nomadic	Coastal & riv' bush & gardens
790	Eastern Olive Sunbird	Common resident	Coastal & riv' bush & gardens
791	Scarlet-chested Sunbird	Uncommon resident	Forest margins and gardens
792	Amethyst (African Black) Sunbird	Very common resident	For' edge, riv' bush & gardens
793	Collared Sunbird	Locally common resident	Coast' & riv' bush, tangled creepers

Family 87 ZOSTEROPIDAE - WHITE-EYES

796	Cape White-eye	Very common resident	Forest, riv' scrub & gardens
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Family 88 PLOCEIDAE - WEAVERS, SPARROWS, WIDOWBIRDS, ETC

801	House Sparrow	Very common resident	Urban & rural settlements
804	Southern Grey-headed Sparrow	Fairly common resident; nomadic	Woodland, riverine scrub & gardens
807	Thick-billed Weaver	Common resident; nomadic	Reeds (to breed), forest & gardens
808	Bark-backed (Forest) Weaver	Locally common resident	Forest canopy, riv' forest & thickets
810	Spectacled Weaver	Fairly common resident	Riverine forest, thickets & gardens
811	Village (Spottedbacked) Weaver	Very com' resident; winter nomad	Riv' forest, near water & gardens
813	Cape Weaver	Com' resident; altitudinal migrant	Riv' forest, reeds & gardens
817	Yellow Weaver	Common resident; nomadic	Breeds in reeds & trees near water
821	Redbilled Quelea	Uncom' resident; highly nomadic	Savannah, farmland and gardens
821	Red-headed Quelea	Uncommon nomad	Wetland, farms and gardens
824	Red Bishop	Very com' resident; winter nomad	Reedbeds, bulrushes & gardens
828	Fan-tailed (Redshould') Widowbird	Common resident; winter nomad	Open grassland, vleis & sugarcane
831	Red-collared Widowbird (Widow)	Common resident; winter nomad	Open grassland, vleis & sugarcane

Family 89 ESTRILDIDAE - WAXBILLS, MANNIKINS, ETC

835	Green Twinspot	Common shy resident	Forest floor & gardens
840	African (Bluebilled) Firefinch	Common resident	Rank grass and weedy vegetation

844	Blue Waxbill	Locally com' resident; nomadic	Open thornveld, riv' bush & gardens
846	Common Waxbill	Common resident	Rank grass, reeds & gardens
848	Grey Waxbill	locally common nomad	Grasslands, sugarcane & gardens
857	Bronze Mannikin	Very common resident	Thickets, riverine bush & gardens
858	Redbacked Mannikin	Locally fairly common resident	Riv' thickets & coastal forest edge
860	Pin-tailed Whydah	Common resident; winter nomad	Open veld, canefields & gardens
864	Dusky Indigobird (Black Widowfin')	Fairly com' resident; winter nomad	Forest margins and gardens

#### Family 91 FRINGILLIDAE - CANARIES

869	Yellow-fronted (Yelloweyed) Canary	Common resident	Woodland, riv' bush & gardens
877	Brimstone (Bully) Canary	Fairly com' resident; winter nomad	Riv' & coast' bush, gardens & fields