

The Island of Cyprus

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Day 1

Saturday 29th March

London to Larnaca

Everyone had an early but comfortable four hour flight from Gatwick to Paphos. We arrived more or less on time at 1.30 pm and the customs and immigration formalities were brief, so we were soon able to be greeted by Yiannis, our local guide and botanist and see our first new common birds, Hooded Crow and Wood Pigeon. It was only a 20 minute drive to our comfortable hotel and after quickly settling in we set off at 3.15 pm to walk to the Tombs of the Kings, about three quarters of a mile away, seeing Iris *Gynandris sisyrrinchium* near the hotel and our first Sardinian Warbler along the way.

On arriving at the tombs we found a strong onshore wind was keeping any birds very low and in cover, but we did see a number of Crested Lark and European Wheatear, as well as less common species such as Spanish Sparrow and Cretzschmar's Bunting, while brief views were also obtained of Isabelline Wheatear. More common species included Chaffinch and Greenfinch, and on our way back to the hotel a Hoopoe was seen. While amongst the interesting plants found were *Medicago marina*, *Cyclamem persicum* and *Papaver cyprium*, *Sillene colorata var decumbens*, *Senecio glaucus*, *Centaurea aegialophila* and *Helianthemum obtusifolium*.

Day 2

Sunday 30th March

Asprokremmnos, Mandria Beach and Paphos Castle

After breakfast we headed off for Asprokremmnos Dam at around 8am, where on our arrival we soon located several new birds. Our main target being Cyprus Warbler and we eventually obtained excellent views of several, as well as Ruppell's Warbler, other new species included Chukar Partridge, Common Buzzard, Marsh Harrier and one of the group also flushed two Collared Pratincole, while numerous Paphos Blue butterflies were also seen.

This area is also good for plants and amongst a number of excellent species found were *Scabiosa proliferata*, *Fagonia cretica*, *Serapias laxiflora* and *Notobasis syriaca*. On leaving the site we drove up and across the dam, and then headed for Mandria Beach, which due to the fine weather provided little in the way of migration, although we did see our only Shag of the trip and other new species included Yellow-legged Herring Gull and Lesser Black-backed Gull. We also got brief views of three Red-throated Pipits. Plants here included familiar species such as Sea Holly and Yellow-horned Poppy, as well as more unusual species, such as *Anthemus tomentosus*, *Limonium sinatum*, *Matthiola tricuspidata* and *Centaurea aegialopila*. We headed back into Mandria for an excellent and somewhat substantial fish and chip lunch, before heading back inland to visit a delightful small valley, and at the head of the valley we found five Tawny Pipits, Isabelline Wheatear, as well as Blue Rock Thrush and an obliging Little Owl.

Our final visit of the day was to Paphos Castle to see the magnificent mosaics, where we spent a couple of hours or more visiting the two main buildings with their superb floor mosaics, those in the House of Dionysus, being particularly impressive. All of us eventually met up at the viewpoint near the old lighthouse, birds were quite scarce, but we did see a Woodchat Shrike, Lesser Whitethroat and Corn Bunting, while a nice group of wagtails included several Blue-headed, two Black-headed and a nice male Yellow-headed an uncommon race in Cyprus. Plants found here included *Convolvulus althoides* and *Centaurea aegialopila*. After leaving the castle we visited the harbour for drinks and ice cream before heading back to our hotel.

Day 3

Monday 31st March

Limassol Area

Leaving just after 8 a.m. we drove the one and quarter hours to Limassol, stopping at the usual excellent patisserie, where they group purchased a wide variety of goodies for lunch. On reaching Zakaki pool, we found recent work had exposed some areas of mud, while a new large and poorly positioned hide had been erected. Here we did quite well finding several good birds, the best of which was a Citrine Wagtail, while many of the group also saw a fine male Pallid Harrier. A good number of waders were also present with Wood Sandpiper, Little Stint, Ruff and Spur-winged Plover, but the only ducks were Mallard and Teal, while a Reed Warbler was singing from dense reed cover.

We then walked a short distance down the road to the old football stadium, where unfortunately much of the line of Tamarisk trees had been removed, with works still in progress, so this usual hotspot for migrants was fairly quiet although we did find Lesser Whitethroat, Chiffchaff, and Cetti's Warbler, a Marsh Harrier flew by and we heard a Nightingale, while the flora included *Helianthemum stipulatum* and *Alkanna lehmannii*.

The first of the salt lagoons was dry, but as we drove along the beach road known as Lady's Mile we encountered some salt pans with water, where we found some waders, including several Kentish Plover and Ringed Plover, as well as a number of Ruff and Little Stint, before stopping for drinks at a typically touristy beachside restaurant, to relax for a short while on the edge of the beach overlooking the sea. After crossing the salt pan, we stopped to look for orchids opposite the entrance to the Archbishop's farm, where unfortunately the gate was closed so we were unable to visit the pool, but we did find some orchids including Pyramidal Orchid *Anacamptis pyramidalis* and *Orchis coriophora ssp. fragans*, as well as a *Chlamydochora tridentata*. Birds were scarce here, but some of the group saw a Great Spotted Cuckoo, while our first Song Thrush was also seen.

Moving just up the road we stopped and found some more orchids including *Ophrys apifera* var *apifera* and var *bicolour*, while other species included *Anthemis tricolour* and some non flowering *Ranunculus asiaticus*. We also saw through the heat-haze three Flamingos as well as our first Common Shelduck. Our next stop at Pissouri Reedbeds produced several Glossy Ibis, Cattle Egret, Little Egret and more Ruff and Wood Sandpiper. We then drove out to the old gravel pools, near the beach, where we saw our first Purple Heron as well as Woodchat Shrike and Isabelline Wheatear.

At Kensington Cliff's we eventually saw several distant Griffon Vulture, while plants found included *Erodium crassifolium* and *Gladiolus triphyllus*. Our next halt near Akrotiri airbase was for Eastern Marsh Helleborine *Epipactis veratrifolia*, which grows along the roadside here in damp seepages along the cliff face.

We then drove back towards Phasouri, where a wrong turning produced a Stone Curlew, before we eventually reached the local sewerage site, and made a brief stop to visit the almost empty new rubber lined pools, finding a Spur-winged Plover and some more Cattle Egret, while we also got really excellent views of a Fantailed Warbler.

Day 4

Tuesday 1st April

Paphos, Cape Drepanon to Polis

After breakfast and loading the luggage we drove into Paphos to buy lunch before heading off to Cape Drepanon (Agios Georgios), which we found to be quiet bird-wise, although we did see a few new birds, with Raven, Peregrine and Blackcap, while we also obtained good views of a Nightingale and a few other species. Amongst the more interesting plants located were *Mesembryanthemum nodiflorum*, *Aizoon hispanicum*, *Frankenia hirsute* and *Convolvulus coelosyriacus*.

After coffee at the local restaurant, we attempted to visit the archaeological site an early Christian basilicas, but strangely we found it closed with it being a bank holiday, so all we could do was skirt around the perimeter fence, where we got good views of both Ruppell's and Sardinian Warblers and also heard a distant Black Francolin. Moving on to Polemi to visit a site for *Tulipa arenensis*, we also found *Allium roseum* and a few other species, before continuing our journey all the way to Polis.

After settling in to our new accommodation we had a time to devour packed lunches before heading off to visit the pool of Aphrodite's and walk the coastal footpath along the north side of the Akama Peninsula, where an extremely strong onshore northerly wind made bird watching somewhat difficult, although we did find several new species including Eastern Bonelli's Warbler, which took some time to get decent views of and other new species included Black Redstart and Tree Pipit, while amongst other species seen were Sardinian Warbler, Blackcap, Willow Warbler, Chiffchaff and a few others, including a number of Rock Dove, as pure looking here as anywhere on the island.

Yannis also gave us a very interesting and informative talk about the local geology and a profusion of plants were also present, both in the gardens and along the coastal path, including a number of species of *Cistus* with *creticus*, *ladanifer*, *monspeliensis* and *parviflorus* as well *Ranunculus asiaticus*, *Cyclamen persicum*, *Bellevalia trifoliata*, *Bellevalia nivalis*, *Sonchus tenerrimus*, *Tuberaria gutata* and *Lupinus micranthus*. It was 5.45 p.m. before the group gathered back at the bus, and we returned to our hotel.

Day 5

Wednesday 2nd April

Akamas Peninsular

Those of us who ventured out for an early morning walk had an excellent time, as we found and got good views of a Black Francolin and other new species included Whitethroat and Whinchat, while a Quail was heard and other species found included good views of Fantail Warbler, Lesser Whitethroat, Sardinian Warbler and Corn Bunting. On returning to the hotel we saw several Red-rumped Swallow and found a fine male Collared Flycatcher in the orchard.

Leaving around 8.30am we headed up to the higher hills near Smygies, making a few brief stops along the way for our first good views of Cyprus Wheatear, while Hoopoe, Cretzschmar' Bunting and several other species were also seen well. Arriving at Tulip enclosure, the botanists spent over two hours, finding *Tulipa orphanidea*, which was less prolific than on many visits, other species located included *Lithora hispitula*, *Alyssum akamasicum*, *Centaurea veneris* and *Linum nodiflorum*. The birders wandered down the track, almost as far as the main track back down, finding a variety of species along the way, including our first Masked Shrike, Wryneck, Woodlark and Spectacled Warbler.

Once back on the bus we drove down to just above the picnic site, where several Orchid species were found including *Ophrys apifera var cholorantha* and *Ophrys levantina*. Moving on down to the old chapel, we stopped to look at Freshwater crabs, but only found the skeleton remains of one, but just below here we found our first Wood Warbler and Serin, while a number also caught up on Wryneck and other species included Cretzschmar' Bunting, Greenfinch and Cyprus Wheatear.

After an excellent lunch at the local inn at Neochorio village, we then drove back down to Polis stopping to have a quick look at a small area of reedbed, but we saw little apart from our first Moorhen, while a male Spanish Sparrow and several Marsh Frogs were also seen. On our way back to the hotel some of the group stopped off to visit a small area of grassland to see several *Serapias* including *Serapias levantina*, *Serapias aphrodite* and *Serapias bergonii*, while another Black Francolin was also seen.

Day 6

Thursday 3rd April

Polis to Platres

Although nothing new was seen around the hotel in the early morning, both Black Francolin and the beautiful male Collared Flycatcher were again present. This was mainly a travelling day and leaving around 8:30 a.m. we soon stopped in Polis to buy lunches from a local bakery before moving on to Peristerona, where we visited the viewpoint which overlooks a beautiful gorge. Here we saw little bird wise apart from our only European Sparrow Hawk of the trip, while we also got good distant views of a Chukar Partridge and saw a few other common species including Sardinian Warbler. Plants found here included *Helianthemum obtusifolium*, *Helianthemum salicifolium* and *Fumana arabica*. Moving on into the village to visit the church, which is a museum which holds many of Cyprus's rare religious icons, Yiannis gave us a very interesting talk on the Cypriot Orthodox religion and the significance of many of the fine artefacts to be found here. Our next regular stop on the way was mainly a botanical one where we walked up a slope from the main to see *Tuberaria gutata* and *Lupinus micranthus*.

On reaching Stavros, most of the group visited the enclosure, where the endangered Cyprus subspecies of Mouflon is being reared as part of a release programme, they managed to get good views of the animals and take some very good photographs. We also lunched near the park headquarters, where we were able to get hot drinks. Birds seen around the lunch area included Jay, Blackbird, Chaffinch and another fine Wood Warbler, while several of the quite different looking Cyprus race of Coal Tit were also seen.

As we travelled on we progressed slowly making numerous brief botanical stops, for interesting species such as *Ranunculus kykkoensis*, *Arabis purpurea*, *Turritis laxa* and *Arabis verna*. Just before we reached Kykkos, a popular tourist spot, as the monastery here is the burial place of Archbishop Makarios, we encountered a heavy rain snow and hail storm, which provided an ideal time to stop at the large restaurant to take advantage of the facilities. Little else was seen as we travelled on to Platres. Later after settling in and dinner, a few of us went to look for Scops Owl and in spite of the extremely cold weather managed at least to hear them.

Day 7

Friday 4th April

Troodos Area Mount Olympus

A few birds were seen around the village before breakfast including, Raven, Cyprus Pied Wheatear and Serin, while Hoopoe and Cuckoo were heard. We headed up to the upper reaches of Mount Olympus around 8.30 am, where some of yesterday's snow had already started to disappear. Driving right up to the top of the mountain we passed through the Black Pines *Pinus nigra* and Juniper *Juniperus foetidissima* forest. On arrival we got several good views of a number of the endemic subspecies of Coal Tit, as well as several Jay, Great Tit, Cyprus Pied Wheatear, Chaffinch and Masked Shrike, while a Short-toed Tree-creeper also put in a brief appearance. With more snow remaining at this altitude, the flora here was limited but included *Ranunculus cadmicus* ssp *cyprus* and *Corydalis futifolia*, but unfortunately the Crocus *Crocus cyprius* was already past flowering and buried under the snow.

Driving down we stopped near the interpretive centre and arboretum area, where we visited the interesting park museum, where a Masked Shrike showed particularly well. Our next stop at the viewpoint was mainly for plants, and here was the endemic Oak *Quercus alnifolia* along with a *Alyssum cyprium* and *Alyssum troodi*. Yiannis also gave an interesting insight to the local geology. Moving on we saw a number of orchid species from the bus, as we neared Omodos, including *Barlia robertiana* and stopped to photograph and get detailed views of *Orchis sezikeniana*.

We then lunched in the attractive small town of Omodos, famous for its lefkartika making, a kind of embroidery; where the ladies normally sit on their doorsteps producing tablecloths, quilts and smaller items such as doilies. Here the group were able to do their own thing for a while, with some visiting the monastery and church, which amongst its many artefacts has the skull of St Philip set in a silver box, as well as what is believed to be part of the original Shroud, some also visited the huge town olive press which is still in working order. As we all gathered back at the bus we got excellent views of a circling Long-legged Buzzard.

Returning to follow the same narrow lane we had travelled earlier, we made several stops and short walks to find several orchid species including *Ophrys mammosa* and *Orchis italica*. Moving on we visited our usual orchid site near Kouka and made a few others roadside stops, where a number of interesting plants were found including *Orchis simian*, *Astragalus cyprius*, *Onobrychis venosa*, *Lathyrus clymenum*, *Ochthodium aegyptiacum* and *Papaver argemone*. The birders had a long walk down the road, but no new birds were seen.

Later, we drove down to Monagri and then on to the convent for our final stop of the day, the little valley here is often good for birds of prey and we soon saw another Long-legged Buzzard and a Steppe Buzzard, as well as a Kestrel, while several Red-rumped Swallows were also seen.

Day 8

Saturday 5th April

Plates to London

A few species were seen around Platres village before breakfast, these included Hoopoe, Cyprus Wheatear and Short-toed Treecreeper.

Departing at around 8:30 a.m. after saying our sad farewells to Kath and Pauline who were travelling on a later flight from Larnica, we then drove off, to Limassol, where we stopped at the now famous patisserie to purchase a variety of healthy and not so healthy options for lunch. On reaching Zakaki pool again, we found various waders on the recently exposed areas of mud, these included our first Common Snipe and Redshank, as well as Wood Sandpiper, Little Stint, Little Ringed Plover, Ruff and Spur-winged Lapwing, while some Little Grebes were also our first and another Pallid Harrier was briefly seen, this time a ring-tailed.

Driving the short distance to follow the sandy track known as Lady's Mile, we found a few waders including Kentish Plover, Ringed Plover, Little Stint and Ruff, but in much smaller numbers than on our previous visit. Crossing the salt marsh to reach the entrance to the Archbishop's farm, we found the gate open this time and drove in to visit the pool, which proved to be excellent providing us with new species such as Ferruginous Duck, Garganey, Coot and Kingfisher, while there were quite a few more Little Grebe, Moorhen and other common species. Our final visit of the morning was to Pissouri Reedbeds, which produced our first Squacco Heron, as well as several Cattle Egret and Glossy Ibis, while Marsh Harrier, Little Egret, Ruff, Wood Sandpiper and a Purple Heron were also seen.

Driving back to Paphos airport, a first for Naturetrek groups, we found the check in formalities were relatively easy and after dropping our luggage and obtaining boarding passes, we walked out of the airport to enjoy our lunches. Once back in Gatwick we said farewells around the luggage carousel, everyone dashed off to connect with their various transport to numerous destinations, so ending a very pleasant holiday.

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Species List

Plants

Scientific Name	Common Name	Location
Pteridophytes		
<i>Selaginella denticulata</i>	Mediterranean Clubmoss	Day 4
<i>Adiantum capillus-veneris</i>	Maidenhair Fern	Day 3
Gymnosperms		
<i>Pinus nigra</i>	Austrian Pine	Day 7
<i>Pinus brutia</i>	Brutian Pine	Day 4
<i>Juniperus phoenicia</i>	Phoenician Juniper	Day 3
<i>Cedrus brevifolia</i>	Cyprus Cedar	Day 6
Betulaceae		
<i>Alnus orientalis</i>	Eastern Alder	Day 6
Fagaceae		
<i>Quercus alnifolia</i>	Golden Oak	Day 6
<i>Quercus coccifera ssp calliprinos</i>	Kermis Oak	Day 6
<i>Quercus infectoria ssp veneris</i>	Royal Oak	Day 5
Aizoaceae		
<i>Mesembryanthemum nodiflorum</i>		Day 4
<i>Aizoon hispanicum</i>		Day 4
Caryophyllaceae		
<i>Spergularia marina</i>	Lesser Sand Spurry	Day 3
<i>Kohlruschia velutina</i>		Day 6
<i>Silene behen</i>		
<i>Silene colorata</i>	Pink Pirouette	Day 2
<i>Paronychia argentea</i>		Day 2
<i>Minuartia picta</i>		Day 5
<i>Minuartia montana</i>		Day 6
<i>Minuartia thymifolia</i>		Day 2
Ranunculaceae		
<i>Anemone coronaria</i>	Crown Anemone	Day 1
<i>Adonis sp. annua</i>	Pheasant Eye	Day 4
<i>Ranunculus asiaticus</i>	Turban Buttercup	Day 4
<i>Ranunculus kykkoensis</i>	Kykko Buttercup	Day 6
<i>Ranunculus muricatus</i>		Day 4
<i>Nigella damascena</i>	Love-in-a-mist	Day 4
Capparaceae		
<i>Capparis spinosa</i>	Caper	Day 2
Papaveraceae		
<i>Papaver rhoeas</i>	Common Poppy	Day 2
<i>Papaver argemone</i>		Day 7
<i>Glaucium flavum</i>	Yellow Horned-poppy	Day 2
<i>Glaucium corniculatum</i>		Day 2

Scientific Name	Common Name	Location
Fumariaceae		
<i>Corydalis rutaefolia</i>		Day 7
Brassicaceae (Cruciferae)		
<i>Biscutella didyma</i>	Biscutella	Day 5
<i>Sinapis alba</i>	White Mustard	Day 2
<i>Cakile maritima</i>	Sea Rocket	Day 2
<i>Lepidium (=Cardaria) draba</i>	Hoary Cress	Day 4
<i>Thlaspi perfoliatum</i>	Cotswold Pennycress	Day 6
<i>Alyssum cyprium</i>		Day 7
<i>Alyssum troodi</i>		Day 7
<i>Alyssum akamasicum</i>		Day 5
<i>Turritis laxa</i>		Day 6
<i>Arabis purpurea</i>		Day 6
<i>Arabis verna</i>	Spring Rock-cress	Day 6
<i>Matthiola tricuspidata</i>	Three-horned Stock	Day 2
<i>Eruca sativa</i>	Rocket	Day 3
<i>Ochtodium aegyptiacum</i>		Day 7
Resedaceae		
<i>Reseda lutea</i>	Wild Mignonette	Day 3
Sedum cyprium		
<i>Sedum sediforme</i>		Day 3
<i>Telmisa microcarpa</i>		Day 6
Platanaceae		
<i>Platanus orientalis</i>	Oriental Plane	Day 6
Rosaceae		
<i>Sarcopoterium spinosum</i>	Spiny Burnet	Day 2
<i>Prunus dulcis</i>	Almond	Day 6
<i>Rubus sanctus</i>	Bramble	Day 6
<i>Crataegus azarolus</i>	Azarole	Day 7
<i>Eriobotrya japonica</i>	Loquat	Day 2
Fabaceae (Leguminosae)		
<i>Acacia cyanophylla</i>	Blue-leaved Wattle	Day 2
<i>Cercis siliquastrum</i>	Judas Tree	Day 4
<i>Bauhinia variegata</i>		Day 2
<i>Ceratonia siliqua</i>	Carob	Day 4
<i>Calycotome villosa</i>		Day 2
<i>Genista sphacelata var sphacelata</i>	Thorny Broom	Day 2
<i>Genista sphacelata var crudelis</i>		Day 7
<i>Lupinus angustifolius</i>	Narrow-leaved Lupin	Day 6
<i>Lathyrus aphaca</i>		Day 6
<i>Lathyrus cicera</i>		Day 6
<i>Lathyrus blepharicarpus</i>		Day 2
<i>Lathyrus gorgonei</i>		Day 5
<i>Lathyrus ochrus</i>		Day 6
<i>Lathyrus clymenum</i>		Day 7
<i>Medicago marina</i>	Sea Medick	Day 2
<i>Medicago scutellata</i>		Day 5

Scientific Name	Common Name	Location
<i>Tetragonolobus purpureus</i>		Day 2
<i>Trifolium physodes</i>		Day 3
<i>Trifolium resupinatum</i>	Reversed Clover	Day 3
<i>Trifolium stellatum</i>	Starry Clover	Day 2
<i>Trifolium tomentosum</i>	Woolly Trefoil	Day 5
<i>Trifolium campestre</i>	Hop Trefoil	Day 2
<i>Trifolium argutum</i>		Day 2
<i>Astragalus lusitanicus ssp orientalis</i>		Day 6
<i>Astragalus cyprius</i>		Day 7
<i>Hippocrepis monosiliquosa</i>		Day 6
<i>Onobrychis venosa</i>	Cypriot Sainfoin	Day 7
<i>Vicia cassia</i>		Day 6
<i>Vicia hybrida</i>		Day 4
<i>Vicia villosa</i>	Fodder Vetch	Day 6
<i>Vicia peregrina</i>		Day 7
<i>Vicia sativa</i>		Day 5
<i>Hedysarum spinosissimum</i>		Day 3
<i>Lupinus micranthus</i>		Day 6
<i>Lathyrus clymenum</i>		Day 7
Geraniaceae		
<i>Geranium purpureum</i>	Little Robin	Day 6
<i>Erodium crassifolium</i>		Day 3
<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	Common Stork's-bill	Day 2
<i>Erodium gruinum</i>	Long-beaked Stork's-bill	Day 4
<i>Erodium malacoides</i>	Narrow-leaved stork'sbill	Day 2
Linaceae		
<i>Linum bienne</i>	Pale Flax	Day 3
<i>Linum trigynum (6)</i>		Day 6
<i>Linum strictum ssp strictum</i>	Upright Yellow Flax	Day 3
<i>Linum nodiflorum</i>		Day 5
Zygophyllaceae		
<i>Zygophyllum album</i>		Day 3
<i>Fagonia cretica</i>		Day 2
Oxalidaceae		
<i>Oxalis pes-caprae</i>	Bermuda Buttercup	Day 2
Euphorbiaceae		
<i>Euphorbia helioscopia</i>	Sun Spurge	Day 3
<i>Euphorbia veneris</i>		Day 7
<i>Euphorbia dimorphocaulum</i>		Day 5
<i>Ricinus communis</i>	Castor-oil Plant	Day 2
Rutaceae		
<i>Citrus limon</i>	Lemon	Day 2
<i>Citrus aurantiaca</i>	Seville Orange	Day 2
Polygalaceae		
<i>Polygala monspeliaca</i>		Day 3

Scientific Name	Common Name	Location
Anacardiaceae		
<i>Pistachia terebinthus</i>	Turpentine Tree	Day 6
<i>Pistachia lentiscus</i>	Mastic Tree	Day 4
Sapindaceae		
<i>Dodonaea viscosa</i>		Day 2
Rhamnaceae		
<i>Rhamnus oleoides ssp graecus</i>		Day 6
Malvaceae		
<i>Malva sylvestris</i>	Common Mallow	Day 7
<i>Lavatera cretica</i>	Lesser Tree-mallow	Day 5
<i>Hibiscus rosa-sinensis</i>		
Cistaceae		
<i>Cistus salvifolius</i>	Sage-leaved Cistus	Day 3
<i>Cistus creticus</i>		Day 3
<i>Cistus monspeliensis</i>	Narrow-leaved Cistus	Day 4
<i>Cistus parviflorus</i>		Day 3
<i>Tuberaria guttata</i>	Spotted Rock-rose	Day 6
<i>Helianthemum stipulatum</i>		Day 3
<i>Fumana arabica</i>	Arabian Fumana	Day 2
<i>Fumana thymifolia</i>	Thyme-leaved Fumana	Day 3
Violaceae		
<i>Viola sieheana</i>		Day 7
<i>Viola alba</i>		Day 6
Myrtaceae		
<i>Myrtus communis</i>	Myrtle	Day 6
Apiaceae		
<i>Lagoecia cuminoides</i>		Day 4
<i>Smyrniolus olusatrum</i>	Alexanders	Day 4
<i>Scandix pecten-veneris</i>	Shepherd's-needle	Day 5
<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	Fennel	Day 4
<i>Ferula communis</i>	Giant Fennel	Day 4
<i>Eryngium maritimum</i>	Sea Holly	Day 3
<i>Zossima absinthifolia</i>		Day 7
Ericaceae		
<i>Arbutus andrachne</i>	Eastern Strawberry-tree	Day 5
Primulaceae		
<i>Cyclamen persicum</i>	Persian Sowbread	Day 2
<i>Cyclamen cypricum</i>	Cyprus Sowbread	Day 6
<i>Anagallis foemina</i>	Blue Pimpernel	Day 2
Styracaceae		
<i>Styrax officinalis</i>	Storax	Day 4

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Oleaceae		
<i>Olea europaea</i>	Olive	Day 2
Gentianaceae		
<i>Centaurium pulchellum</i>	Lesser Centaury	Day 3
<i>Blackstonia perfoliata</i>	Yellow-wort	Day 3
Apocynaceae		
<i>Nerium oleander</i>	Oleander	Day 3
Rubiaceae		
<i>Rubia laura</i>		Day 6
Convolvulaceae		
<i>Convolvulus althaeoides</i>	Mallow-leaved Bindweed	Day 2
<i>Convolvulus oleifolius</i>		Day 3
<i>Convolvulus siculus</i>	Small Blue Bindweed	Day 2
<i>Convolvus coelesyriacus</i>		Day 4
Boraginaceae		
<i>Cynoglossum creticum</i>	Blue Hound's-tongue	Day 3
<i>Anchusa azurea</i>	Large Blue Alkanet	Day 5
<i>Lithodora hispidula ssp versicolor</i>		Day 5
<i>Echium angustifolium</i>		Day 2
<i>Onosma fruticosa</i>		Day 4
Solanaceae		
<i>Mandragora officinarum</i>	Spring Mandrake	Day 2
Lamiaceae (Labiatae)		
<i>Teucrium cyprium ssp cyprium</i>		Day 7
<i>Teucrium kotchyanum</i>		Day 6
<i>Thymus capitatus</i>		Day 2
<i>Thymus integer</i>		Day 5
<i>Micromeria nervosa</i>		Day 2
<i>Salvia fruticosa</i>		Day 4
<i>Salvia willeana</i>		Day 7
<i>Lamium amplexicaule</i>	Henbit Deadnettle	Day 4
<i>Ajuga chamaepitys</i>	Ground-pine	Day 6
<i>Prasium majus</i>		Day 2
Scrophulariaceae		
<i>Verbascum sinuatum</i>		Day 2
<i>Misopates orontium</i>	Weasel Snout	Day 2
Odontites cypria		
<i>Bellardia trixago</i>		Day 5
Orobanchaceae		
<i>Orobanche minor</i>	Common Broomrape	Day 5
Plantaginaceae		
<i>Plantago coronopus</i>	Buck's-horn Plantain	Day 2

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<i>Plantago cretica</i>		Day 2
<i>Plantago maritima</i>	Sea Plantain	Day 3
<i>Plantago lagopus</i>		Day 2
Valerianaceae		
<i>Valeriana italica</i>		Day 7
<i>Centranthus calcitrapas</i> sp. <i>Orbiculatus</i>		Day 7
Asteraceae (Compositae)		
<i>Helichrysum conglobatum</i>		Day 2
<i>Pallenis spinosa</i>		Day 2
<i>Anthemis tricolor</i>		Day 3
<i>Anthemis plutonia</i>		Day 7
<i>Anthemis rigida</i>		Day 4
<i>Anthemis palestina</i>		Day 5
<i>Anthemis tormentosa</i>		Day 2
<i>Chrysanthemum coronarium</i>	Crown Daisy	Day 2
<i>Chrysanthemum segetum</i>		Day 2
<i>Senecio glaucus</i>		Day 2
<i>Calendula arvensis</i>	Field Marigold	Day 2
<i>Tragopogon sinuatus</i>		Day 2
<i>Tragopogon (Geropogon) hybridus</i>		Day 2
<i>Carduus argentatus</i>		Day 2
<i>Onopordon cyprium</i>		Day 2
<i>Centaurea aegialophila</i>		Day 2
<i>Centaurea veneris</i>		Day 5
<i>Xeranthemum inapterum</i>	Xeranthemum	Day 2
<i>Crupina crupinastrum</i>		Day 2
<i>Bombycilaena discolor</i>	Bombycilaena	Day 3
<i>Notobasis syriaca</i>	Syrian Thistle	Day 2
<i>Crepis sancta</i>		Day 6
Santalaceae		
<i>Thesium humilae</i>		Day 3
Liliaceae		
<i>Smilax aspera</i>	Common Smilax	Day 4
<i>Asphodelus aestivus</i>	Common Asphodel	Day 2
<i>Asphodelus fistulosus</i>		Day 4
<i>Gagea graeca</i>		Day 4
<i>Gagea villosa</i>		Day 7
<i>Allium neopolitanum</i>		Day 2
<i>Allium trifoliatum</i>		Day 3
<i>Ornithogalum chionophilium</i>		Day 7
<i>Muscari comosum</i>	Tassel Hyacinth	Day 7
<i>Asparagus stipularis</i>		Day 2
<i>Pancratium maritimum</i>	Sea Daffodil	Day 2
<i>Bellevalia nivalis</i>		Day 4
<i>Bellevalia trifoliata</i>		Day 2
Iridaceae		
<i>Gynandiris sisyrinchium</i>	Barbary Nut	Day 2
<i>Gladiolus triphyllus</i>		Day 3

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<i>Gladiolus italicus</i>	Field Gladiolus	Day 2
Poaceae (Gramineae)		
<i>Briza maxima</i>	Large Quaking-grass	Day 3
<i>Arundo donax</i>	Giant Reed	Day 3
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	Common Reed	Day 3
<i>Lagopus ovatus</i>		Day 5
<i>Parapholis incurva</i>		Day 2
Araceae		
<i>Colocasia esculenta</i>		Day 5
Orchidaceae		
<i>Epipactis veratrifolia</i>	E. Marsh Helleborine	Day 3
<i>Anacamptis pyramidalis</i>	Pyramidal Orchid	Day 3
<i>Barlia robertiana</i>	Giant Orchid	Day 7
<i>Dactylorhiza romana</i>	Roman orchid	Day 5
<i>Neotinea maculata</i>	Dense-flowered Orchid	Day 6
<i>Serapias aphrodite</i>		Day 5
<i>Serapias bergonii</i>		Day 5
<i>Serapias levantina</i>		Day 5
<i>Serapias vomeracea ssp laxiflora</i>	Plough-share Serapias	Day 2
<i>Orchis italica</i>	Italian orchid	Day 7
<i>Orchis coriophora ssp fragrans</i>	Bug Orchid	Day 3
<i>Orchis anatolica ssp troodi</i>	Troodos Orchid	Day 6
<i>Orchis simia</i>	Monkey Orchid	Day 7
<i>Orchis quadripunctata</i>	Four-spotted Orchid	Day 7
<i>Ophrys lapethica</i>	Woodcock Orchid	Day 5
<i>Ophrys lutea ssp galilea</i>	Yellow Ophrys	Day 4
<i>Ophrys levantina</i>	Spider Orchid	Day 5
<i>Ophrys apifera var apifera</i>	Bee Orchid	Day 3
<i>Ophrys apifera var chlorantha</i>		Day 5
<i>Ophrys apifera var bicolor</i>	Bee Orchid	Day 3
<i>Ophrys mammosa</i>	Mammose Ophrys	Day 7

Birds (✓ = recorded but not counted)

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			29	30	31	1	2	3	4	5
1	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>								14
2	Shag	<i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i>		1						
3	Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>			6					7
4	Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>								5
5	Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>			10					9
6	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>		8		1				1
7	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>			1					1
8	Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>			12					12
9	Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>			3					
10	Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>			10					
11	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>			8					14
12	Shoveler	<i>Anas clypeata</i>								12
13	Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>			5					8
14	Garganey	<i>Anas querquedula</i>								2

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			29	30	31	1	2	3	4	5
15	Ferruginous Duck	<i>Aythya nyroca</i>								2
16	Griffon Vulture	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>			6					
17	Pallid Harrier	<i>Circus macrourus</i>			1					1
18	Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>		1	1					1
19	Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>						1		
20	Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>		1	1		1		1	2
21	Long-legged Buzzard	<i>Buteo rufinus</i>						2	2	
22	Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	1	2	2	1	2	1	1	1
23	Peregrine	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>				1				
24	Black Francolin	<i>Francolinus francolinus</i>				h	3	1		h
25	Chukar	<i>Alectoris chukar</i>	5		1		4	2		
26	Quail	<i>Coturnix coturnix</i>					h			
27	Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>					1			8
28	Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>								17
29	Stone Curlew	<i>Burhinus oedicephalus</i>			1					
30	Collared Pratincole	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>		2						
31	Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>			3					2
32	Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>			7					2
33	Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>			6					5
34	Spur-winged Plover	<i>Hoplopterus spinosus</i>			6					2
35	Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>			50+					20c
36	Ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>			30c					4
37	Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>								1
38	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>								3
39	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>			3					2
40	Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>								1
41	Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus cachinnans</i>		2	3	50C	4	2		2
42	Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>		1		2				
43	Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	40C	20C	10	8	6	10	4	6
44	Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>	20C	50c	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
45	Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>			10			2		
46	Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	6	8	8	6	6	4	4	5
47	Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus canorus</i>					2		1	
48	Great Spotted Cuckoo	<i>Clamator glandarius</i>			1		1	1		
49	Scops Owl	<i>Otus scops</i>						h		
50	Little Owl	<i>Athene noctua</i>		1						
51	Pallid Swift	<i>Apus pallidus</i>						25+	20c	
52	Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>		2	20+	6	5		6	
53	Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>							1	
54	Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	1	1	3		4	3	3	1
55	Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>					3			
56	Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>			1					
57	Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>					1			
58	Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>	10	12	6	8	1			6
59	Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>							1	
60	Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>			5					
61	Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Hirundo daurica</i>					20+		2	
62	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	8	20+	30+	20+	30c	10	12	4
63	House Martin	<i>Delichon urbica</i>	10	8	20+	15	20+	10	20c	10
64	Tree Pipit	<i>Anthus trivialis</i>				1				
65	Red-throated Pipit	<i>Anthus cervinus</i>		3						

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66	Tawny Pipit	<i>Anthus campestris</i>		5						
67	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>		10		2	5			2
68	Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava flavissima</i>		1	1				1	
69	Black-headed (Yellow) Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava feldegg</i>		2	3				3	1
70	Grey-headed (Yellow) Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava thunbergi</i>								
71	Blue-headed (Yellow) Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava flava</i>		12	5				3	2
72	Citrine Wagtail	<i>Motacilla citreola</i>			1					
73	Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>							h	
74	Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>							h	
75	Nightingale	<i>Luscinia megarhynchos</i>		1	h	1				
76	Bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>		1						
77	Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus phoenicurus</i>								1
78	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>				1				
79	Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>					2			
80	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	5	12	2	3				1
81	Isabelline Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe isabellina</i>	1	1	1	1				
82	Black-eared Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe hispanica</i>		1		1				
83	Cyprus Pied Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe cypriaca</i>			2	2	8	10	12	3
84	Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>		1						
85	Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>						2	3	
86	Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>			1					
87	Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>			2	1	1			
88	Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>		3h	2	h	h	h	h	h
89	Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>			1					h
90	Subalpine Warbler	<i>Sylvia cantillans</i>				1				
91	Spectacled Warbler	<i>Sylvia conspicillata</i>					1			
92	Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>		3	2	1	3			1
93	Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia communis</i>					1			
94	Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>				2	2	3		1
95	Rüppell's Warbler	<i>Sylvia rüppelli</i>		1		1				
96	Sardinian Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>	1	10	2	8	7	5	6	1
97	Cyprus Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanothorax</i>		6		1				
98	Eastern Bonelli's	<i>Phylloscopus orientalis</i>				5				
99	Wood Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus sibilatrix</i>					1	1		
100	Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>		1		1		1		
101	Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>			1	3				
102	Collared Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula albicollis</i>					1	1		
103	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		3	2	3	6	4	14	3
104	Coal Tit	<i>Parus ater</i>						3	14	
105	Short-toed Treecreeper	<i>Certhia brachydactyla</i>							1	1
106	Lesser Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius minor</i>						1		
107	Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>		1	2					
108	Masked Shrike	<i>Lanius nubicus</i>					3	3	5	
109	Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>						4	8	
110	Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>		6	18	8	4	8	2	
111	Jackdaw	<i>Corvus monedula</i>	30+	40c	10	30+	4	30+	30+	7
112	Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>				1			h	
113	Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus corone cornix</i>	10+	20+	20c	30+	6	6	10	9
114	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	60+	100+	20c	80+	20+	100c	50c	20c
115	Spanish Sparrow	<i>Passer hispaniolensis</i>	1				1	30+	1	
116	Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	2	h				12	8	2

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117	Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>					1	1	3	
118	Greenfinch	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>	4	4	14	4	10	3	4	4
119	Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>		6		2	20c		6	6
120	Linnet	<i>Acanthis cannabina</i>	4	4	6		6	h	2	
121	Corn Bunting	<i>Miliaria calandra</i>		2			20+	14		
122	Cretzschmar's Bunting	<i>Emberiza caesia</i>	3			2	6	1		

Reptiles & Amphibians

1	Kotchy's Gecko	<i>Cyrtodactylus kotchi fitzingeri</i>								
2	Hardun or Starred Agama	<i>Agama stellio cypriaca</i>		3	1	5	4	6		
3	Spiny-footed Lizard	<i>Acanthodactylus erythurus</i>			12	10				
4	Troodos Rock Lizard	<i>Lacerta laevis troodica</i>						1	1	
5	Snake-eyed Lizard	<i>Ophisops elegans schlueteri</i>		2	1	2				
6	European Tree Frog	<i>Hyla arborea</i>				4	2+h		h	
7	Marsh Frog	<i>Rana ridibunda</i>			h		5			

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133	Eel					1				
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Mammals

1	Bats sp.									
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Invertebrates

1	Emperor Dragonfly	<i>Anax imperator</i>			1					
2	Scarlet Darter	<i>Crocothemis erythraea</i>			1					
3	Fire Bug	<i>Rhapalus subrutus</i>				2				
4	7-spotted Ladybird	<i>Coccinella 7-punctata</i>		2	1		1	1		
5	Butterfly-lion	<i>Ascalaphus macaronius</i>								
6	Blue Carpenter Bee	sp.					4	16	10	
7	Cockchafer Beetle	sp.						2		
8	Praying Mantis sp						1			
9	Ant Lion Sp							4		

Butterflies

1	Swallowtail	<i>Papilio machon</i>					1	1	5	
2	Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>	8	6	6	2		1		
3	Small White	<i>Artogenia rapae</i>		7	6	3	4	1	4	
4	Orange-tip	<i>Anthrocharis cardamines</i>						4	8	
5	Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias crocea</i>		2	1				1	
6	Cleopatra	<i>Gonepteryx cleopatra</i>			1		1	1	3	
7	Red Admiral	<i>Venessa atalanta</i>						1		
8	Painted Lady	<i>Cythia cardui</i>	2	10	10	6	1	2	4	
9	Wall Brown	<i>Lasiommata megera</i>					4			
10	Paphos Blue	<i>Glaucopsyche paphos</i>		20+		6	20c	6	4	
11	Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>		1						
12	Lon-tailed Blue	<i>Lampides boeticus</i>					1			