

Picos and Plains - The Best of Northern Spain

Naturetrek Tour Report

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Middle Spotted Woodpecker



Wallcreeper

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Summary

We started this tour from the port of Plymouth, returning to Portsmouth after an exciting week across north-western Spain. We drifted along the majestic cliffs and gorges of Picos de Europa (Cantabria & Asturias) followed by the unique slopes and steppes of Zamora province (Castilla y Leon), and we experienced the best that northern Spain had to offer! The different contrast in landscapes gave us a good taste of the different wildlife, and we all had terrific sightings from both main habitats, although we were not as lucky on the open sea. We had the chance to see the north of Spain from a different perspective; from the real countryside to their ancient and picturesque cities. The weather was very kind to us throughout our trip: quite variable during the crossing and very fresh and pleasant once on land! We experienced an array of habitats and wildlife from the sky-high Picos de Europa to the warmer Mediterranean-influenced plains and rivers of Castilla y Leon. It was indeed a great experience for all of us who came on this tour to enjoy the highlights of the Picos and Plains!

Day 1

Sunday 2nd August

Ferry crossing from Plymouth to Santander

The group met at the ferry terminal in the beautiful city of Plymouth. After introductions and a brief explanation of the activities planned for the week ahead, we boarded the ferry Pont Avent, a good-sized vessel which crosses the northern sea several times weekly. Once on board, we found our cabins and some of us went to the dining room for lunch. Once offshore, the afternoon was sunny but turned very windy. From the deck we saw a couple of Northern Fulmars, Cory's Shearwater and plenty of Northern Gannets before going inside for dinner and retiring to bed.

Day 2

Monday 3rd August

Bay of Biscay and arrival into Santander Port. Drive to Espinama

We met early on the main deck on a sunny and pleasant day in the Bay of Biscay. Although sightings were fairly quiet we saw Short-beaked Common Dolphins, and Long-finned Pilot Whales were also spotted. As the ferry was approaching its final destination, Santander, we collected our bags and, once docked, we left the vessel to start our mainland tour. Our co-leader, Laura, was already waiting for us at the ferry station. About 30 minutes later with vehicles packed we were driving towards Picos de Europa. We had a stop for lunch at the village of Unquera, followed by a second birding stop in the village of Lebeña where we had our first real flavour of birding in the mountains: Alpine Swifts, Griffon and Egyptian Vultures seen beautifully, and Northern Ravens.

We arrived at our hotel in Espinama with plenty of time to settle in to our rooms and to explore the village before a delicious local dinner.

Day 3

Tuesday 4th August

Brez – Quintana – Pembez

We woke to a drizzly and misty morning, so we decided to explore the lower valleys after breakfast and see if the weather improved as we went to lower altitudes. Our first stop was at the bottom of the valley near Brez, which produced fantastic views of a Booted Eagle soaring right in front of us and very close! Dozens of Griffon Vultures were sat along the edges of the high rocky crags and many of them were already in the air having their first stretching flight of the day. A pair of Egyptian Vultures joined them too, whilst a large flock of Red-billed Chough were moving actively from field to field in search of food alongside Serin, European Goldfinch, White Wagtail, and the always handsome Cirl Bunting. We heard the call of the very secretive Middle Spotted Woodpecker coming from the woods so we moved to a field surrounded by pristine Holm, Pyrenean and Portuguese Oaks. We searched for this elusive woodpecker and, with patience, we had fantastic views of a pair in the open!

After this successful first stop, we drove up the valley to Brez, located at the end of the road, where we parked the vehicles next to the hamlet entrance and planned to take a stroll down the road. Well, we tried but there was a lot to see from this high spot starting with outstanding views of the whole valley. With the sky clearing and the sun beginning to shine, we saw lots of Black Redstarts, Red-billed Choughs, Northern Ravens, Griffon Vultures, Common Buzzards, and another pair of Egyptian Vultures which flew very close to us. A stunning Short-toed Eagle was briefly seen in the sky, a few groups of Roe Deer were grazing in the newly mowed fields, and Red-backed Shrikes were feeding youngsters along the hedges and field fences. We finally took our stroll which produced more interesting wildlife sightings. By now it was nearly lunchtime so we drove back to the main road and found a nice picnic spot located in the village of Quintana where we enjoyed our lunch and some birds as well.

The weather had improved dramatically by now and the sunshine was quite bright at times: a great opportunity for butterflies to fly. We saw several interesting and colourful butterflies including a Scarce Swallowtail. We continued exploring the lower valleys after lunch, taking a stroll by the river Deva where we walked by hamlets and followed ancient trails, used mainly by live stock these days. The local plum trees were full of fruit and this attracted many passerines to enjoy the fallen fruit on the ground. We saw Pied and Spotted Flycatchers feeding, together with Black Redstart, Serin, and Great and Blue Tits. European Nuthatches were also spotted working on the larger, older Holm Oak trees. After this relaxing stroll, we drove up the valley and made our final stop of the day at the top of the valley of Pembez and in the hamlet itself from where the views of the upper valleys were fantastic. The activity here was quiet slow but the views were stunning.

In the late afternoon we drove back to our hotel in Espinama and had a break before a delicious supper.

Day 4

Wednesday 5th August

Fuente De (cable car to the top of El Mirador in Picos de Europa)

It was a gorgeous, sunny morning with clear blue skies; ideal to go up to the top of the Picos de Europa and explore this beautiful area, and so we did! After enjoying our delicious breakfast and getting our picnic lunch we set off to Fuente De from where the cable car took us to the high point known as El Mirador. Here we started our walk along the main track which takes you to the heart of the rocky peaks and to the refuge of Aliva. We explored the area of Peña Vieja where we had great views of Alpine Chough, Alpine Accentor, Griffon and

Egyptian Vultures, Northern Wheatear, and various butterflies including an Apollo. Groups of Chamois were seen at the start and at the end of our hike. One of the main birds to see here is the, always difficult, Wallcreeper. We arrived at the spot where we had seen this beautiful and unique bird in the last two years and we patiently waited. Lunchtime arrived and we started to enjoy our picnic lunch when suddenly we heard the unmistakable whistling of a male Wallcreeper. We located him straight away on the cliff closest to us. We had great views of two males and a female. We finished our lunch quite satisfied after seeing this difficult bird. Then suddenly some of us spotted a male Wallcreeper collecting moths from under the boulders we were actually eating on, giving us the closest views of this beautiful bird ever...fantastic!!!

After enjoying the morning in this lovely area, we started to walk down the trail towards the cable car station whilst watching White-winged Snowfinch flying over our heads, more obliging Alpine Accentors, Black Redstart, Northern Wheatear, and a very elusive Water Pipit. Once at the cable car station we had a break at the cafe, enjoying the majestic views from the Mirador, before descending to Fuente De car park in the late afternoon. We then drove back to our hotel in Espinama for a well deserved break, followed by our checklist and then another delicious supper!

Day 5

Thursday 6th August

Potes – Piedrasluengas Pass (1,575 m) – Cervera de Pisuerga – Monte Royal – Zamora

Today we moved to the plains, but before leaving the mountains behind we had a few hours of the morning to enjoy them again! We had a good breakfast before packing and checking out of the hotel, ready for the drive southwards to Zamora. We stopped briefly in the picturesque little town of Potes before continuing to the Piedrasluengas Pass where we stopped to stretch legs and to check the sky, the pristine beech forest and the meadows. It was quite windy but we still managed to see good birds and butterflies. Continuing on, we drove onto the Mediterranean slope and the upper basin of the river Pisuerga, following its course to the little town of Cervera de Pisuerga. Here we visited some interesting graves known as Eremitotios which were used by the wise Catholic priests during the crusades and the war against the Arabs and Moors in order to strengthen the preaching of their religion. After this interesting stop we continued to our next one near the 'biscuit' small town of Aguilar de Campo and the pine-woodland known as Monte Royal where we had our picnic lunch. Here we found some very interesting birds such as Red Crossbill and Serin.

After lunch, we took the main motorway via Palencia-Valladolid to our final destination, the city of Zamora. It was sunny and quite hot as we arrived in the medieval city. Once at our hotel we retired to our comfortable rooms for a break, followed by our daily checklist and a delicious dinner.

Day 6

Friday 7th August

Villafafila plains – River Esla

The weather on the plains was sunny, hot and breezy but not unbearable, unlike some years when it can be very hot. After an early breakfast we left our hotel and headed north, admiring the sunny early morning as we went. We arrived at Villafafila just in time to see our first group of Great Bustards grazing in the empty barley fields and we had great views of this peculiar big bird. We also had fantastic views of two pairs of Montagu's Harriers hunting in the fields opposite. We also spotted Marsh Harrier, White Stork, Spotless Starling, Greater Short-toed Lark and Crested Lark. We continued by driving to the other end of the area and into the abandoned village of

Otero de Sariegos where we took a stroll around the village, which produced interesting species such as Little Owl, Eurasian Kestrel, Marsh Harrier, and Black Redstart. We also saw another large group of Great Bustards near a puddle of water left in the big lagoon, together with Red-legged Partridge and a few distant waders. At mid morning we had a coffee break in a local bar in the village of Villafáfila before we continued birding, finding Greater Short-toed Lark, Northern Wheatear, Crested Lark and Marsh Harrier, amongst others. After a pleasant morning we found a very nice spot amongst big poplar trees where we had our picnic lunch whilst enjoying the surrounding fields and spotting a very elusive European Weasel.

With the sun shining brightly we drove west towards the river Esla. Surrounded by pristine Dehesa habitat, the river Esla is one of the main water points in Zamora province and the main tributary of the river Duero which provides a water supply to the transitional region of plains and mountains. We explored the old Roman bridge from where we saw Black Kite, Great Cormorant, Little and Great Crested Grebes, Mallard, and lovely views of Purple Herons. We then drove to the river shore spotting Serin, Greenfinch, Subalpine Warbler, European Bee-eater, Corn Bunting, Linnet, Sardinian Warbler, and a very close Egyptian Vulture. As the temperature reached its peak around 30 degrees we drove back to our hotel and cool down in our rooms and take a very well deserve break after a very long day and an early start.

Day 7

Saturday 8th August

Fariza – Miranda do Douro (Portugal)

After an early breakfast we left our hotel and headed towards the Duero basin area where the Duero International Park lies along the course of the river which forms the Spanish and Portuguese border. First we visited a watering hole in the dry scrubland close to the small village of Fariza. The rising sun gave the chilly early morning a very refreshing feel. A lot of bird calls could be heard in the vast area: Corn Bunting, Sardinian and Dartford Warblers, Greenfinch, and then the distinctive call of Bee-eaters. The first birds at the watering hole were buntings; then we saw adult Woodchat Shrikes feeding a hungry and demanding chick, the always nice Iberian (Southern) Grey Shrike, and Crested Larks. Turtle Doves flew over and the first of a number of Eurasian Hoopoes flew past. As the sun started to warm the air we were entertained by ten Red-rumped and a number of Barn Swallows hawking over the adjacent fields of the dehesa. A Lesser Spotted Woodpecker was heard and it came closer, giving us great views of this elusive and rare woodpecker. We then had superb views of Dartford Warbler alongside Short-toed Treecreeper, Western Bonelli's Warbler, Sardinian Warbler and Iberian Grey Shrike, amongst others. We started to walk back to the vehicles and a group of raptors caught our eyes; we checked them and there were lots of Griffon Vultures with a pair of Egyptian Vultures flying amongst them. A Booted Eagle was flying lower than the flock of vultures and we had a great view of this fabulous bird. After enjoying our time here we stopped at the village of Fariza for a drink which was very nice, not just for the break itself but also to see the village life and its people!

Lunch time was approaching so we drove to a hermitage, located on the edge of the gorge which divides Spain from Portugal. We enjoyed a nice walk through the scrubby area, getting great views of more Griffon and Egyptian Vultures, Short-toed Treecreeper, Dartford and Sardinian Warblers, Eurasian Hoopoe, Linnet and Red-rumped Swallow. We had our lunch in the hermitage gardens, enjoying the fantastic weather and the views. Some of us also enjoyed a fabulous display by Common and Spanish Swallowtail butterflies along the church hedges.

Next we crossed into Portugal to do some birding in the outskirts of the town of Miranda do Douro, from where we had great views of the crags and woodland that surrounds the river Duero. We saw some interesting birds including Crag Martin, Alpine Swift and Golden Oriole.

With the temperature reaching 30 degrees Celsius, we made our way back to Zamora where some of us explored this very nice city, while others took a break in the hotel's grounds. Later we had another delicious dinner with great local wine; a lovely way to finish another great day!

Day 8

Sunday 9th August

Zamora – Tierra de Campos (La Nava) – Las Tuerces – Santander

We had a relaxing breakfast at the hotel before loading the minibuses and heading north towards Santander. The day was nice and sunny with blue skies, great for driving while enjoying the pristine landscape of the plains. We were heading north on the main motorway to Palencia and then towards Santander, but not before making a stop at a vast steppe area of Tierra de Campos and La Nava marshes. We saw some good waders including Northern Lapwing, Dunlin, Common and Green Sandpipers, and Redshank, together with plenty of Marsh Harriers. We also had great views of Eurasian Penduline Tit and Spanish Yellow Wagtail. A quick stop at the villages of Guaza and Frechilla produced a few pairs of Lesser Kestrels.

Continuing along the motorway, after another hour we arrived at Las Tuerces Geological Reserve where we had our final picnic lunch and a walk along the river Pisuerga. We had great views of Iberian Chiffchaff, Crag Martin, Grey and White Wagtails, amongst others. After lunch we carried on towards Santander, arriving at our hotel in time for a relaxing late afternoon and evening.

Day 9

Monday 10th August

Santander – ferry to Portsmouth

After enjoying the surroundings of Santander the previous night, we had the chance to explore more of this fantastic city throughout the morning. Some of us took it easy at the hotel whilst others went for a stroll along the quay and the beaches of this very picturesque and pretty town. After lunch we gathered together in the hotel lobby before driving to the port to catch our ferry to Portsmouth. We said goodbye to our lovely co-leader Laura who was heading south to her home in La Montana Palentina. We then boarded the vessel and started the crossing in fairly calm waters.

Day 10

Tuesday 11th August

English Channel into Portsmouth

We gathered on deck 9 to look for marine wildlife. We spotted Gannet, Cory's and Manx Shearwaters, Northern Fulmar and a Great Skua. Minke Whale and Short-beaked Common Dolphins were reported, and there was a big 'blow', possibly from a Blue Whale. We went back indoors to eat, and then we gathered together to catch up with our checklist before reaching Portsmouth.

We arrived back at Portsmouth in the afternoon where the tour ended and we went our separate ways with great memories of some of the best parts of northern Spain - its wildlife, countryside, food and beautiful places visited! And of course, we all enjoyed the warm camaraderie and making new friends....Adios Spain!

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Species List

Birds (✓=recorded but not counted; H = heard only)

	Common name	Scientific name	August									
			2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
1	Greylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>							✓			
2	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>		✓				✓	✓	✓	✓	
3	Red-legged Partridge	<i>Alectoris rufa</i>							✓			
4	Northern Fulmar	<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>	✓	✓								
5	Cory's Shearwater	<i>Calonectris borealis</i>		✓								
6	Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>							✓			
7	Great Crested Grebe	<i>Podiceps cristatus</i>						✓				
8	White Stork	<i>Ciconia ciconia</i>						✓	✓	✓	✓	
9	Western Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>		✓								
10	Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>		✓					✓	✓		
11	Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>							✓	✓		
12	Northern Gannet	<i>Morus bassanus</i>	✓	✓								✓
13	Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	✓						✓	✓	✓	
14	Griffon Vulture	<i>Gyps fulvus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
15	Egyptian Vulture	<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	
16	Bearded Vulture (Lammergeier)	<i>Gypaetus barbatus</i>				✓						
17	Short-toed Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>			✓	✓						
18	Booted Eagle	<i>Hieraaetus pennatus</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
19	Western Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>					✓	✓			✓	
20	Montagu's Harrier	<i>Circus pygargus</i>					✓	✓			✓	
21	Red Kite	<i>Milvus milvus</i>					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
22	Black Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>		✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
23	Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
24	Great Bustard	<i>Otis tarda</i>						✓				
25	Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>								✓	✓	
26	Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>						✓	✓			
27	Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	✓									
28	Northern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>									✓	
29	Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>								✓		
30	Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>									✓	
31	Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>									✓	
32	Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>								✓		
33	Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>								✓	✓	
34	Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>		✓						✓	✓	✓
35	European Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	✓	✓							✓	✓
36	Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>		✓					✓	✓	✓	✓
37	Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>										✓
38	Sandwich Tern	<i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>										✓
39	Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>										✓
40	Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
41	Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
42	European Turtle Dove	<i>Streptopelia turtur</i>								✓		
43	Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>							✓	✓	✓	
44	Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>		✓						✓		
45	Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
46	European Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>				✓			✓		✓	
47	European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>							✓	✓	✓	

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			2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
48	Eurasian Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>							✓	✓		
49	Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos minor</i>								✓		
50	Middle Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos medius</i>			✓							
51	Great Spotted Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos major</i>			✓							
52	Iberian Green Woodpecker	<i>Picus sharpei</i>			H							
53	Lesser Kestrel	<i>Falco naumanni</i>							✓			
54	Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
55	Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>		✓								
56	Red-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius collurio</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓					
57	Southern Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius meridionalis</i>								✓		
58	Woodchat Shrike	<i>Lanius senator</i>							✓	✓		
59	Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>								✓		
60	Eurasian Jay	<i>Garrulus glandarius</i>			✓	✓				✓		
61	Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
62	Red-billed Chough	<i>Pyrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>			✓	✓						
63	Alpine Chough	<i>Pyrhocorax graculus</i>				✓						
64	Western Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>							✓			
65	Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
66	Northern Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
67	Coal Tit	<i>Parus ater</i>					✓					
68	European Crested Tit	<i>Lophophanes cristatus</i>								✓		
69	Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
70	Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		✓	✓		✓		✓	✓		
71	Woodlark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>							✓	✓		
72	Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>							✓	✓		
73	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
74	Eurasian Crag Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne rupestris</i>							✓	✓	✓	
75	Common House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
76	Red-rumped Swallow	<i>Cecropis daurica</i>							✓	✓	✓	
77	Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>									✓	
78	Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>			✓							
79	Iberian Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus ibericus</i>									✓	
80	Western Bonelli's Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus bonelli</i>					✓		✓			
81	Melodious Warbler	<i>Hippolais polyglotta</i>							✓			
82	Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>							✓			
83	Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>			✓						✓	
84	Dartford Warbler	<i>Sylvia undata</i>								✓		
85	Subalpine Warbler	<i>Sylvia cantillans</i>							✓			
86	Sardinian Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>							✓	✓		
87	Common Firecrest	<i>Regulus ignicapilla</i>			✓							
88	Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>			✓					✓		
89	Eurasian Nuthatch	<i>Sitta europaea</i>			✓		H		H			
90	Wallcreeper	<i>Tichodroma muraria</i>				✓						
91	Short-toed Treecreeper	<i>Certhia brachydactyla</i>			✓					✓		
92	Spotless Starling	<i>Sturnus unicolor</i>							✓	✓	✓	
93	Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
94	Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>			✓							
95	Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>					✓					
96	Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>			✓	✓		✓	✓			
97	European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>									✓	
98	European Pied Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula hypoleuca</i>			✓							

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			2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
99	Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
100	Blue Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola solitarius</i>							✓			
101	European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>			✓			✓	✓	✓		
102	Northern Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>				✓		✓	✓			
103	White-throated Dipper	<i>Cinclus cinclus</i>			✓		✓					
104	House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
105	Eurasian Tree Sparrow	<i>Passer montanus</i>						✓				
106	Rock Sparrow	<i>Petronia petronia</i>							✓			
107	White-winged Snowfinch	<i>Montifringilla nivalis</i>				✓						
108	Alpine Accentor	<i>Prunella collaris</i>				✓						
109	Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>			✓		✓	✓		✓		
110	White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
111	Tawny Pipit	<i>Anthus campestris</i>						✓				
112	Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>						✓				
113	Water Pipit	<i>Anthus spinoletta</i>				✓						
114	Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		
115	Eurasian Bullfinch	<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>								✓		
116	European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>						✓	✓	✓		
117	Common Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>				✓						
118	Red Crossbill	<i>Loxia curvirostra</i>					✓					
119	European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>			✓			✓	✓	✓		
120	European Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓		
121	Corn Bunting	<i>Emberiza calandra</i>								✓		
122	Cirl Bunting	<i>Emberiza cirlus</i>			✓							

Mammals

1	Cantabrian Chamois	<i>Rupicapra rupicapra pravia</i>				✓					
2	Minke Whale	<i>Balaenoptera acutorostrata</i>									✓
3	Long-finned Pilot Whale	<i>Globicephala melaena</i>		✓							
4	Short-beaked Common Dolphin	<i>Delphinus delphis</i>		✓							✓
5	Red Fox	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>			✓				✓		
6	European Weasel	<i>Mustela nivalis</i>			✓			✓			
7	Rabbit	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>						✓			
8	Roe Deer	<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>			✓						

Amphibians & Reptiles

1	Iberian Rock Lizard	<i>Lacerta monticola</i>			✓	✓	✓			✓	
2	Viviparous Lizard	<i>Zooteca vivipara</i>					✓			✓	
3	Iberian Water Frog	<i>Rana iberica</i>							✓		

Butterflies

1	Swallowtail	<i>Papilio machaon</i>					✓	✓			
2	Scarce Swallowtail	<i>Iphiclidides podalirius</i>			✓				✓		
3	Apollo	<i>Parnassius apollo</i>				✓					
4	Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>			✓		✓	✓	✓		
5	Small White	<i>Artogeia rapae</i>			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
6	Black-veined White	<i>Aporia crataegi</i>			✓						
7	Pale Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias hyale</i>					✓				
8	Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias crocea</i>			✓		✓	✓			
9	Brimstone	<i>Gonepteryx rhamni</i>			✓	✓					

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			2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
10	Wood White	<i>Leptidea sinapis</i>			✓		✓				
11	Scarce Copper	<i>Lycaena virgaureae</i>					✓				
12	Turquoise Blue	<i>Plebicula dorylas</i>				✓					
13	Spanish Chalk-hill Blue	<i>Lysandra albicans</i>				✓					
14	Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>			✓						
15	Chequered Blue	<i>Scolitantides orion</i>							✓		
16	Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>			✓						
17	Small Tortoiseshell	<i>Aglais urticae</i>				✓	✓				
18	Cardinal	<i>Argynnis pandora</i>			✓						
19	High Brown Fritillary	<i>Argynnis adippe</i>			✓						
20	Queen Of Spain Fritillary	<i>Issoria lathonia</i>					✓				
21	Silver-washed Fritillary	<i>Argynnis paphia</i>					✓				
22	Heath Fritillary	<i>Mellicta athalia</i>					✓				
23	Western Marbled White	<i>Melanargia occitanica</i>			✓						
24	Rock Grayling	<i>Hipparchia alcyone</i>					✓	✓			
25	Grayling	<i>Hipparchia semele</i>				✓					
26	Great Banded Grayling	<i>Kanetisa circe</i>							✓		
27	Piedmont Ringlet	<i>Erebia meolans</i>				✓					
28	Chapman's Ringlet	<i>Erebia palarica</i>					✓				
29	Gatekeeper	<i>Pyronia tithonus</i>			✓						
30	Small Heath	<i>Coenonympha pamphilus</i>			✓	✓					
31	Speckled Wood	<i>Pararge aegeria</i>			✓	✓					
32	Speckled Wood	<i>Pararge aegeria aegeria</i>							✓		
33	Wall Brown	<i>Lasiommata megera</i>				✓			✓		
34	Red-underwing Skipper	<i>Spialia sertorius</i>				✓					