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List of birds observed in Nepal  
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- PODICIPEDIFORMES      PODICIPEDIDAE  
2. Podiceps cristatus - Great-crested Grebe  
April 26 one ex. in the Pokhara Lake.
- CICONIIFORMES      ARDEIDAE      ARDEINAE  
13. Nycticorax nycticorax - Black-crowned Night-Heron  
Once along the Pokhara Lake, April 12.  
14. Ardeola grayii - Indian Pond-Heron  
Very common in the Indian Subcontinent.  
15. Ardeola ibis - Cattle Egret  
A common species near cattle, except on higher elevations.  
16. Eutorides striates - Striated Heron  
April 24, Pokhara Lake.  
19. Egretta garzetta - Little Egret  
Common everywhere, but less numerous as for instance Ardeola grayii.
- CICONIIDAE  
25. Ciconia nigra - Black Stork  
April 25, one ex.      in agriculture fields near Pokhara (direction of Hyengja).  
26. Ciconia episcopus - White-necked Stork  
Some observations along mountain-streams in the lower parts of the country, p.e. Birethanti.
- FALCONIFORMES      ACCIPITRIDAE  
61. Milvus migrans - Black Kite  
More common in the lower regions, p.e. April 2 Birganj, near Raxaul. In a town like Kathmandu only a few were present in the end of April, in contrary to the thousands of New Delhi, mid-Februari.  
69. Neophron percnopterus - Egyptian Vulture  
Common between Naudanda and Khare, villages north of Pokhara along the Annapurna-track, April 14.  
69. Gypaetus barbatus - Bearded Vulture  
April 13 1 ex. between Pokhara and Hyengja; April 17, 19 and 20 1 ex. near Gorepani; April 23 1 ex. between Landrung and Dumphus.  
70. Gyps benghalensis - Indian White-backed Vulture  
Only a few individuals were seen during our tracking in the Annapurna Himal: April 14 1 ex. between Naudanda and Khare, April 15 1 ex. near Ulleri.  
72. Gyps himalayensis - Himalayan Griffon  
Above about 6200 feet not uncommon. April 15 3 ex. near Ulleri, April 17 and 18 some individuals near Gorepani, April 22 some near the Ghandrung-village.
74. Sarcogyps calvus - Indian Black Vulture  
April 14 1 ex. between Naudanda and Khare; April 15 several around the villages Hille and Tirkhedhunge.  
76. Spilornis cheela - Crested Serpent Eagle  
April 12 1 ex. along the road Kathmandu - Pokhara; April 15 1 ex. near Hille; April 26 1 ex. near Pokhara Lake.  
86. Buteo rufinus - Long-legged Buzzard (cf)  
Some near Gorepani: April 17 and 18 (cf)  
87. Ictinaetus malayensis - Black Eagle  
April 19 1 ex. near Gorepani and April 24 1 ex. between Landrung and Dumphus.
- FALCONIDAE  
98. Falco tinnunculus - Common Kestrel  
April 13 and 14 several near Hyengja, Suikhet, Chandrakot and Birethanti.  
103. Falco peregrinus - Peregrine Falcon  
April 18 and 19 some near Gorepani
- GALLIFORMES      PHASIANIDAE  
105. Francolinus francolinus - Black Partridge  
April 25 at 4000 feet near Dumphus-village one singing, in the evening of the same day one near Pokhara Lake.  
109. Arborophila torqueola - Common Hill-Partridge  
Rhododendron-forests east of Gorepani: April 19 two were fluffed; April 20 two birds were walking on the forest ground. April 21, 22, 24 sound-records only.  
110. Gallus gallus - Red Junglefowl  
Sound-record from the Gorkana Forest in the Kathmandu Valley on April 5 and 30.  
112. Pavo cristatus - Peafowl  
Only in the Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley.
- CHARADRIIFORMES      CHARADRIIDAE  
136. Vanellus cinereus - Gray-headed Lapwing  
April 6: 6 flying to the east near the Gorkana Forest in the Kathmandu Valley.  
137. Vanellus indicus - Red-wattled Lapwing  
April 12: between Pokhara and Kathmandu near Pokhara Lake and April 26 Pokhara Lake.  
142. Charadrius dubius - Little Ringed Plover  
April 26: some near Pokhara Lake.
- SCOLOPACIDAE      TRINGINAE  
150. Tringa nebularia - Greenshank  
April 26: 1 ex. near the Pokhara Lake.  
153. Actitis hypoleucos - Common Sandpiper  
April 12: Pokhara Lake
- SCOLOPACINAE  
154. Scolopax rusticola - Eurasian Woodcock  
April 16: Heard during the night (cf) in Gorepani.  
157. Calidris temminckii - Temminck's Stint  
April 26: Pokhara Lake region.
- LARIDAE      STERNINAE  
169. Sterna hirundo - Common Tern  
April 26: 1 ex. Pokhara Lake.
- COLUMBIFORMES      COLUMBIDAE  
177. Columbia livia - Rock Dove  
Regularly seen.  
178. Columba pulchricollis - Ashy Wood Pigeon  
April 5 and 6: 2 ex. in the Gorkana Forest in the Kathmandu Valley. None seen in this forest on April 30.  
179. Streptopelia orientalis - Rufous Turtle Dove

- April 14:  $\pm$  10 ex. near Naudanda and . re; April 15: 1 ex. near Ulleri; April 24: groups near Dumphus.
192. *Streptopelia chinensis* - Spotted Dove  
Common in the Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley and the Nagarjum Forest, April 29. April 14: several near Naudanda and Khare.
188. *Treron sphenura* - Wedge-tailed Green Pigeon  
April 23: about 5 ex. between Landrung and Dumphus.
- CUCULIFORMES CUCULIDAE CUCULINAE
194. *Cuculus sparverioides* - Large Hawk-Cuckoo  
Sound-records of the "brain-fever-bird": April 12 Pokhara, April 15 Birethanti, April 16 Ulleri and Gorepani, April 17 Gorepani, April 22 Ghandrung, April 24 Dumphus.
196. *Cuculus micropterus* - Short-winged Cuckoo  
Common. April 12 and 26 fanatically singing near Pokhara Lake, also during the night. April 13 between Pokhara and Hyengja, April 14 Khare, April 19 Gorepani, April 22 Ghandrung, April 23 between Ghandrung and Landrung, April 24 Dumphus (several).
197. *Cuculus canorus* - Cuckoo  
Rather common in Nepal. April 5 1 ex. near Kathmandu; April 7 1 ex. near the Pashu-patinath, Kathmandu Valley; April 13 1 ex. Pokhara; April 14 near the villages Naudanda and Khare; April 16 several near Ulleri and Gorepani.
198. *Cuculus saturatus* - Oriental Cuckoo  
The sound is like that of the Hoopoe: "hoop" repeated about 4 times, sometimes 3 to 6. April 29 NE Kathmandu (except for the Nagarjum Forest). Often heard in the area between Pokhara and Annapurna Himal. Almost daily during the Annapurna track p.e. April 14 several Naudanda, Khare, Lumle; April 16 Ulleri, near Gorepani one was "attacked" by a group of *Alcippe castaneiceps*; April 17, 18, 19 several near Gorepani; until April 24 several near Ghandrung, Landrung and Dumphus.
199. *Surniculus lugubris* - Drongo Cuckoo  
April 26: one singing near Pokhara Lake (3 to 5 rising notes).
200. *Eudynamys scolopacea* - Koel  
April 26 numerous around Pokhara Lake; April 5-7 Kathmandu Valley; April 2 Birganj border; April 29 1 juvenile in the Nagarjum Forest, north of Kathmandu.
- STRIGIFORMES STRIGIDAE BUBONINAE
204. *Otus spilocephalus* - Spotted Scops-Owl  
April 23: calls, jungle between Landrung and Dumphus 5500 feet.
205. *Otus bakkamoena* - Collared Scops-Owl  
April 26: 1 ex. near Pokhara Lake, sitting in scrub, daytime.
206. *Bubo bubo* - Great Eagle-Owl  
April 29, Nagarjum Forest, north of Kathmandu 2 sitting together in a pine tree, making little noises, finally attacked by a Black Kite. One seen on the rocks near the entry of Nagarjum Forest.
208. *Glaucidium brodiei* - Collared Pygmy-Owl  
April 17 one near Gorepani (9300 ft), eating a *Parus rufonuchalis*; April 23 one singing during the day between Landrung and Dumphus; April 24 one singing in daytime near Dumphus.
212. *Athene brama* - Spotted Little Owl

- April 13 near Pokhara; common in Kathmandu centre.
- 212.1. *Glaucidium spec.*  
April 12 Pokhara Lake.
- STRIGINAE
213. *Strix leptogrammica* - Brown Wood-Owl  
April 7: 1 ex. in centre of Kathmandu, chased by a large group of Crows.
- CAPRIMULGIFORMES CAPRIMULGIDAE CAPRIMULGINAE
214. *Caprimulgus indicus* - Jungle Nightjar  
April 16 and 17 sound-record near Gorepani (9500ft); April 23 sound-record between Landrung and Dumphus (6000ft).
215. *Caprimulgus macrurus* - Long-tailed Nightjar  
APODIFORMES APODIDAE APODINAE
216. *Collocalia brevirostris* - Himalayan Swiftlet  
April 20 a group of about 30; April 29 Nagarjum Forest (cf).
220. *Apus pacificus* - Northern White-rumped Swift  
April 17 and 19 several near the Poon-hill, Gorepani; April 24 a group between Landrung and Dumphus.
221. *Apus affinis* - House Swift  
Many in Kathmandu. Common near the Pokhara Lake (April 26).
- CORACIIFORMES ALCEDINIDAE CERYLINAE
223. *Ceryle rudis* - Lesser Pied Kingfisher  
April 12: along the road between Kathmandu and Pokhara.
- ALCEDININAE
224. *Alcedo atthis* - Common Kingfisher  
April 14 Birethanti; April 15 Hille and April 25 Suikhet - Hyengja.
- DACELONINAE
226. *Halcyon smyrnensis* - White-breasted Kingfisher  
Kathmandu Valley; several; April 15: one in the stream of Birethanti (Chhumro Khola).
- CORACIIDAE
234. *Coracias benghalensis* - Indian Roller  
Common, especially in agriculture fields.
- PICTIFORMES CAPITONIDAE
240. *Megalaima virens* - Great Barbet  
Abundant in forested areas; April 5, 7, 30 Kathmandu Valley, Gorkana Forest; April 13 Naudanda; April 14 between Naudanda and Khare, between Chandrakot and Birethanti; April 15 Birethanti, Tirkhedhunge and Hille; April 19, 20 area around Gorepani; April 21 Gorepani - Ghandrung; April 23 Ghandrung - Landrung (many); April 24 Landrung - Dumphus; April 26 Pokhara Lake
242. *Megalaima franklinii* - Golden-throated Barbet  
April 14 one near Birethanti; April 24 several between Landrung and Dumphus.
243. *Megalaima asiatica* - Blue-throated Barbet  
April 5-7, 30 common in Kathmandu Valley, Gorkana Forest; April 26 common Pokhara Lake; no observations from the Annapurna region north of Pokhara.
245. *Megalaima haemacephala* - Crimson-breasted Barbet  
April 5 Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley; April 26 Pokhara Lake.
- PICIDAE PICINAE
248. *Picoides macei* - Fulvous-breasted Pied Woodpecker  
April 12, 26 common Pokhara Lake and Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley; not seen above  $\pm$  5000 ft.

- 250. *Picoides hyperythrus* - Rufous-bellied Pie woodpecker  
April 20: near prayerpole Gorepani.
- 251. *Picoides cathpharius* - Lesser Pied Woodpecker  
April 20: Gorepani - Ghandrung, near Gorepani
- 252. *Picoides darjellensis* - Darjeeling Pied Woodpecker  
Fairly common around Gorepani village in Rhododendron-forest: April 16 one, April 17 one male, April 18 several; April 24 one female near Dumphus village.
- 256. *Picus squamatus* - Scaly-bellied Green Woodpecker  
April 19 one female near prayerpole between Gorepani and Ghandrung.
- 257. *Picus canus* - Gray-headed Woodpecker  
Common, April 5, 7 Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley; April 14 Naudanda - Khare; April 16 Ulleri - Gorepani (9000 ft); April 23 Landrung - Dumphus; April 26 hill-sides Pokhara Lake.

PASSERIFORMES HIRUNDINIDAE

- 277. *Cecropis daurica* - Red-rumped Swallow  
April 13 Hyengja village.
- 279. *Delichon nipalensis* - Nepal House Martin  
Rather common in the Annapurna region: April 15 a large group near Hille village; April 20 between Gorepani and Ghandrung; April 24 between Landrung and Dumphus.

MOTACILLIDAE

- 281. *Motacilla citreola* - Yellow-headed Wagtail  
April 26 one observation of a male in the Pokhara Lake area.
- 282. *Motacilla cinerea* - Gray Wagtail  
April 12 Pokhara Lake; April 14 one between Khare and Lumle; April 14, 15 Birethanti; April 15 one near Hille; April 16 Gorepani; April 20 Gorepani - Ghandrung.
- 283. *Motacilla alba* - White Wagtail  
April 7 Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley.
- 284. *Motacilla maderaspatensis* - Large Pied Wagtail  
April 14 along the Chhumro Khola, Birethanti; April 26 several near Pokhara Lake.
- 295. *Anthus novaeseelandiae* - Richard's Pipit  
April 13 common in the Yangdi Khola Valley between Hyengja and Suikhet; April 26 one near Pokhara Lake.
- 299. *Anthus hodgsoni* - Oriental Tree-Pipit  
Common: many in the Kathmandu Valley, Gorkana Forest p.e. April 5; April 15 near Birethanti; April 17 Gorepani.
- 291. *Anthus sylvanus* - Upland Pipit  
Rather common: April 16 singing near Ulleri (6800 ft); April 23 some between Landrung and Dumphus (+ 5500 ft); April 25 between Dhumphus and Suikhet (farmland).

CAMPEPHAGIDAE

- 292. *Coracina novaehollandiae* - Large Cuckoo-Shrike  
April 13 Hyengja village; April 26 Pokhara.
- 293. *Coracina melaschistos* - Lesser Cuckoo-Shrike  
April 26 Pokhara Lake: one.
- 296. *Pericrocotus solaris* - Mountain Minivet  
April 21 a female, prayerpole near Gorepani (about 9000 ft, rather high for this species: cf).
- 297. *Pericrocotus ethologus* - Flame-colored Minivet  
April 22: 2 ex. near Ghandrung (6500 ft); April 30: Gorkana Forest.
- 299. *Pericrocotus brevirostris* - Short-billed Minivet  
April 23, 24 common between Landrung and Dumphus (5500 ft).

- 299. *Pericrocotus flammeus* - Scarlet Minivet  
Common: April 5 Gorkana Forest and April 29 Nagarjung Forest, Kathmandu Valley; April 26 Pokhara Valley, near lake; April 17 Gorepani (9000 ft, rather high for this species); April 22 Ghandrung (6200 ft).
- 300. *Hemipus picatus* - Pied Flycatcher-Shrike  
April 4, 7 one ex. Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley; April 26 two ex. Pokhara Lake.

PYCNONOTIDAE

- 302. *Pycnonotus striatus* - Striated Green Bulbul  
April 23, 24 6 ex. between Landrung and Dumphus.
- 304. *Pycnonotus jocosus* - Red-whiskered Bulbul
- 305. *Pycnonotus leucogenys* - White-cheeked Bulbul  
Common: April 7 Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley; April 14 Naudanda - Khare (5500 ft); April 15 Birethanti; April 23 near Ghandrung and Landrung; April 25 between Dumphus, Suikhet and Hyengja; April 26 near Pokhara Lake; not in untouched jungle.
- 306. *Pycnonotus cafer* - Red-vented Bulbul  
April 15 common near Birethanti and April 23 between Ghandrung and Landrung along the Chumro Khola; April 26 near Pokhara Lake.
- 308. *Hypsipetes virescens* - Green-winged Bulbul  
April 23 2 ex. along the path, a few kms SE of Landrung.
- 309. *Hypsipetes flavala* - Oriental Brown-eared Bulbul  
April 26 one ex. hills south of Pokhara Lake.
- 310. *Hypsipetes madagascariensis* - Black Bulbul  
April 5, 30 common in Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley; April 14 Naudanda - Khare; April 15 Tir-kedhunge; April 25 near Suikhet and Dumphus; April 26 Pokhara Lake; none seen above 5000 ft.

IRENIDAE

- 313. *Chloropsis hardwickii* - Orange-bellied Leafbird  
April 5 one female Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley; April 26 a pair, hills south of Pokhara Lake.

LANIIDAE

- 316. *Lanius schach* - Black-headed Shrike  
April 12 Kathmandu - Pokhara; April 24 Landrung - Dumphus; April 26 south of Pokhara Lake; April 29 common in Nagarjung Forest, Kathmandu Valley.
- 317. *Lanius (schach) tephronotus* - Tibetan Shrike  
April 7 one ex. near the Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley.

CINCLIDAE

- 320. *Cinclus pallasi* - Brown Dipper  
Rather common along streams: April 14 one near Birethanti; April 15 one adult and one juvenile Chhumro Khola near Birethanti; April 16 two near Gorepani; April 21 two between Gorepani and Ghandrung; April 23 between Ghandrung and Landrung.

PRUNELLIDAE

- 322. *Prunella himalayana* - Himalayan Accentor  
April 18 Poon Hill, Gorepani: 4 ex.

MUSCICAPIDAE TURDINAE

- 326. *Erithacus cyanurus* - Orange-flanked Bush Robin  
April 19 one ex. along the stream through Gorepani (9300 ft).
- 327. *Erithacus chrysaeus* - Golden Bush Robin  
April 18 1+2 ex. skulking in low scrub above Gorepani village; April 19 one ex. along the stream through Gorepani.
- 328. *Copsychus saularis* - Dyal



- April 14 many around the villages Naudanda and Khare; also seen in Kathmandu and Pokhara valley.
331. *Phoenicurus ochruros* - Black Redstart
332. *Phoenicurus frontalis* - Blue-fronted Redstart  
April 17 a pair, Poon Hill near Gorepani; April 19 a male near Gorepani.
333. *Rhyacornis fuliginosus* - Plumbeous Water Redstart  
Common in streams north of Pokhara above 43500 ft. April 14, 15 Birethanti; April 15 around Hille; April 16, 17, 18 Gorepani; April 21 stream between Gorepani and Ghandrung; April 23 between Ghandrung and Landrung; May 1 near Bhairawa border (SW of Pokhara).
334. *Enicurus scouleri* - Little Forktail  
April 21 one ex. along a stream between Gorepani and Ghandrung; April 23 two ex. between Landrung and Dumphus together with *E. schistaceus* and *E. maculatus*.
335. *Enicurus immaculatus* - Black-backed Forktail  
April 12, 26 2 ex. south shore Pokhara Lake; May 1 one ex. near Bhairawa (border Nepal/India).
336. *Enicurus schistaceus* - Slaty-backed Forktail  
April 14 2 ex. near Birethanti; April 15 1+2 ex. near Birethanti; April 23 1 ex. between Ghandrung and Landrung; April 23 2 ex. in a little stream along the path between Landrung and Dumphus.
337. *Enicurus maculatus* - Spotted Forktail  
Most common Forktail in the Annapurna-Himal. April 16 2 ex. near Gorepani; April 17 1 ex. Gorepani; April 18 2 ex. below Poon Hill near Gorepani; April 21 2 ex. 1000 ft above Ghandrung; April 22 1 ex. in Ghandrung after heavy rain; April 23 2 ex. between Landrung and Dumphus.
339. *Saxicola torquata* - Stonechat  
April 5 near Kathmandu; April 26 Pokhara Lake; April 22 near Ghandrung (6400 ft).
340. *Saxicola caprata* - Pied Stonechat  
April 7 several in the Kathmandu Valley; April 26 several in the Pokhara Valley; April 13 many near Hyengja (3600 ft).
341. *Saxicola ferrea* - Gray Bush Chat  
Fairly common above 6000 ft. April 16 several near Ulleri; April 17 several Poon Hill, Gorepani; April 19 centre of Gorepani; April 22 near Ghandrung.
348. *Chaimarrornis leucocephala* - White-capped Water Redstart  
Common in the Annapurna-Himal north of Pokhara. April 14, 15 Birethanti and Hille; April 16 Gorepani; April 21 Gorepani - Ghandrung; several. Less common as *Rhyacornis fuliginosus*.
351. *Monticola cinclorhynchus* - Blue-headed Rock Thrush  
Rather common. April 14 one male between Naudanda and Khare; April 14 1 ex. near Khare; April 16 between Ulleri and Gorepani; April 23 between Ghandrung and Landrung; April 24 between Landrung and Dumphus; April 29 1 ex. in the Nagarjung Forest.
352. *Monticola rufiventris* - Chestnut-bellied Rock Thrush  
April 17 one male Poon Hill near Gorepani
353. *Monticola solitarius* - Blue Rock Thrush  
April 15 one male in Birethanti; April 15 several near Hille
354. *Myiophonus caeruleus* - Blue Whistling Thrush  
Common. April 12 3 ex. Pokhara Lake; April 13 a few near Hyengja; April 14 near Naudanda and Khare; April 15 several near Birethanti and Hille; April 17 Gorepani; April 23 between Ghandrung and Landrung; May 1 near Bhairawa border.

355. *Zonotrichia citreorum* - Orange-headed Ground Thrush  
April 24 one between Landrung and Dumphus.
356. *Zoothera mollissima* - Plain-backed Mountain Thrush  
April 18 one SW above the Gorepani village.
357. *Zoothera dauma* - White's Thrush  
April 7 one in the little forest near the Pashu-patinath, Kathmandu.
358. *Turdus unicolor* - Tickell's Thrush  
April 14 one male near Khare-spring; April 22 some males near Ghandrung; April 24 a female between Landrung and Dumphus; April 30 a few in the Kathmandu valley.
359. *Turdus albocinctus* - White-collared Blackbird  
Single birds around Gorepani (9300 ft); April 17 twice Poon Hill; April 18, 19 one ex.; April 20 a female near the prayer pole, NE of Gorepani.
361. *Turdus ruficollis* - Black-throated Thrush  
April 5, 6 many in the Gorkana Forest, none seen here in the end of April; several around Gorepani; April 17 one ex.; April 18 several; April 19 a large group; April 20 one singing near the prayer pole; April 7 some in Kathmandu near the Pashu-patinath.
365. *Turdus viscivorus* - Mistle Thrush  
April 19 twice one ex. in little meadow NE above Gorepani (9600 ft).
- TIMALINIÆ
366. *Pomatorhinus erythrogenys* - Rusty-cheeked Scimitar Babbler  
April 26 a few ex. on the hill south of the Pokhara Lake.
367. *Pnoepyga albiventer* - Greater Scaly Wren-Babbler  
April 18 two observations near Gorepani; April 19 one in Gorepani village; April 20 near Gorepani.
368. *Stachyris pyrrhops* - Red-billed Babbler  
April 26 2 ex. in ferns, on the hills south of the Pokhara Lake.
369. *Stachyris chrysaea* - Golden-headed Babbler (cf)  
April 24 a little group in jungle between Landrung and Dumphus.
377. *Garrulax albogularis* - White-throated Laughingthrush  
Most common species of this genus in Nepal in April. April 14 more than 10 ex. between Khare and Lumle; April 19 a group in Gorepani; April 21 several groups above Ghandrung; April 22 A group near Ghandrung; April 24 some between Landrung and Dumphus; April 24 many near Dumphus.
378. *Garrulax leucolophus* - White-crested Laughingthrush  
A lower-elevation-species. April 12, 26 a group near Pokhara Lake; April 14 between Naudanda and Khare (5000 ft).
381. *Garrulax striatus* - Striated Laughingthrush  
April 23 several solitary birds in jungle between Landrung and Dumphus (+ 5500 ft).
382. *Garrulax ocellatus* - Spotted Laughingthrush  
April 19, 20 one near the prayer pole, NE of Gorepani.
384. *Garrulax lineatus* - Streaked Laughingthrush  
Prefers short vegetation without scrub. April 16 two, just above Ulleri (7000 ft); April 22, 23 fairly common near Ghandrung (6000 ft).
385. *Garrulax subunicolor* - Plain-colored Laughingthrush  
April 24 a group in jungle between Landrung and Dumphus, mixed with *G. erythrocephalus*.
386. *Garrulax affinis* - Black-faced Laughingthrush  
April 17, 18, 19 near Gorepani; April 20 some near

- prayer pole, NE of Gorepani; April 21 some between Gorepani and Ghandrung.
387. *Garrulax erythrocephalus* - Red-headed Laughingthrush  
One of the most common species of this genus.  
April 18 a little noisy group, west of Gorepani;  
April 21 some between Gorepani and Ghandrung; April 22 near Ghandrung; April 24 a group between Landrung and Dumphus.
398. *Leiothrix lutea* - Peking Robin  
April 22 one above Ghandrung; April 24 one singing between Landrung and Dumphus.
399. *Cutia nipalensis* - Nepal Cutia  
April 24 several in jungle between Landrung and Dumphus (5500 ft).
390. *Pteruthius flaviscapis* - Red-winged Shrike-Babbler  
April 24 east of Dumphus, along the path, one male.
391. *Pteruthius melanotis* - Chestnut-throated Shrike-Babbler  
April 16 one near Gorepani; April 22 1 ex. 2 km west of Ghandrung.
392. *Minla cyanouroptera* - Blue-winged Siva  
April 22 2+2 west above Ghandrung; April 23, 24 some between Landrung and Dumphus.
393. *Minla strigula* - Bar-throated Siva  
April 16, 17, 18, 19 common around Gorepani; April 22 a few individuals near Ghandrung.
394. *Alcippe castaneiceps* - Chestnut-headed Tit-Babbler  
April 16 a small group below Gorepani; April 22 common above Ghandrung; April 24 between Landrung and Dumphus.
395. *Alcippe vinipectus* - White-browed Tit-Babbler  
Only seen in pairs. April 18 about 4 pairs west of Gorepani; April 19 two pairs near Gorepani and one pair in the village of Gorepani.
396. *Heterophasia capistrata* - Black-headed Sibia  
April 22 two near Ghandrung; April 23, 24 very common between Landrung and Dumphus; Absent in Gorepani
397. *Yuhina flavicollis* - Yellow-naped Yuhina  
April 22 a few in a mixed flock of *Minla strigula*, *Alcippe castaneiceps*, *Yuhina gularis* and *Seicercus burkii* near Ghandrung; April 24 several between Landrung and Dumphus.
398. *Yuhina gularis* - Stripe-throated Yuhina  
April 16-19 very common around Gorepani, often seen in mixed species flocks together with *Yuhina occipitalis* and *Minla strigula*; April 22 several in Ghandrung.
399. *Yuhina occipitalis* - Rufous-vented Yuhina  
April 17-19 fairly common around Gorepani, but less common than p.e. *Yuhina gularis*.
- PANURINAE
400. *Conostoma oemodium* - Great Parrotbill  
April 20 a few on the floor of *Rhododendron* forest, NE above Gorepani.
401. *Paradoxornis unicolor* - Brown Parrotbill  
April 18 a pair west of Gorepani on a hill-slope covered with scrub.
- SYLVIINAE
402. *Oligura castaneocoronata* - Chestnut-headed Ground Warbler  
April 24 rather common in jungle between Landrung and Dumphus.
404. *Cettia brunnifrons* - Rufous-capped Bush Warbler  
April 20 several near prayer pole NE of Gorepani;

- April 21 some between Gorepani and Ghandrung;  
April 22 some near Ghandrung; April 24 one between Landrung and Dumphus; all observations above 5500 ft.
414. *Phylloscopus collybita* - Chiffchaff  
A few "cf" observations.
415. *Phylloscopus affinis* - Tickell's Willow Warbler  
April 18, 19, 20 in low vegetation, scrub near Gorepani.
417. *Phylloscopus pulcher* - Orange-barred Willow Warbler  
April 17 rather common around Gorepani (10000 ft); April 20, 21 a few near prayer pole NE of Gorepani.
418. *Phylloscopus inornatus* - Yellow-browed Warbler  
April 6 common in Gorkana Forest; April 26 common around Pokhara Lake; also seen in Annapurna-Himal.
419. *Phylloscopus proregulus* - Pallas's Leaf Warbler  
Most common species of this genus in the Annapurna-Himal; April 14 several north of Chandrakot and above Birethanti; April 16 near Ulleri and Gorepani; April 17, 18, 19 common around Gorepani; April 22 common around Ghandrung; April 24 common between Landrung and Dumphus.
420. *Phylloscopus maculipennis* - Gray-faced Willow Warbler  
April 14 one near Birethanti; April 16 rather common around Gorepani.
423. *Phylloscopus reguloides* - Blyth's Crowned Willow Warbler  
April 20 possibly a few near the prayer pole NE of Gorepani; quite often it was not possible to identify the *Phylloscopi*; near Gorepani and Ghandrung (9500-7000 ft) it probably concerned species like *P. reguloides*, *P. trochiloides* and *P. occipitalis*.
424. *Seicercus burkii* - Yellow-eyed Flycatcher Warbler  
April 17, 18, 19 single individuals in mixed flocks around Gorepani; April 20 one singing between Gorepani and Ghandrung; April 22 near Ghandrung in mixed species group with *Minla strigula*, *Alcippe castaneiceps*, *Yuhina flavicollis* and *Yuhina gularis*; April 23, 24 singing between Landrung and Dumphus.
425. *Seicercus xanthoschistos* - Gray-headed Flycatcher Warbler  
April 5-7 very common in Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley; April 12 common near Pokhara Lake; April 14 common around Naudanda, Khare and Birethanti; April 15 near Tirkedhunge and Hille; April 22 near Ghandrung; April 23 common near Ghandrung and Landrung; April 24 between Landrung and Dumphus.
426. *Abroscopus schisticeps* - Black-faced Flycatcher Warbler  
April 24 two in jungle between Landrung and Dumphus.
432. *Prinia criniger* - Hill Warbler  
April 16 one above Ulleri (6900 ft); April 25 some near Dumphus (6000 ft); April 29 one singing in the Nagarjung Forest near Kathmandu.
- MUSCICAPINAE
437. *Ficedula strophhiata* - Orange-gorgetted Flycatcher  
April 16, 17 a few around Gorepani; April 20 several between Gorepani and Ghandrung.
438. *Ficedula hyperythra* - White-fronted Blue Flycatcher  
April 21 one in forest west above Ghandrung, along the path from Gorepani.
439. *Ficedula westermanni* - Little Pied Blue Flycatcher  
April 23, 24 one male in jungle between Landrung and Dumphus.
440. *Ficedula superciliaris* - White-browed Blue Flycatcher  
April 16 one male along the path between Ulleri and Gorepani; April 21 one near Ghandrung.
441. *Niltava macgrigoriae* - Small Niltava

- April 23 two singing near a stream along the path between Landrung and Dumphus.
442. *Niltava sundara* - Rufous-bellied Niltava  
April 21, 22 2 males and 2 pair above Ghandrung;  
April 24 fairly common between Landrung and Dumphus.
443. *Niltava rubeculoides* - Blue-throated Niltava  
April 14 between Naudanda and Khare; April 30  
2 males singing in the Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu.
447. *Muscicapa sibirica* - Sooty Flycatcher  
April 15 one near Hille and several near Tirkedhunge (4900 ft); April 24 one, west of Dumphus (5900 ft).
449. *Muscicapa ruficauda* - Rufous-tailed Flycatcher  
April 5 one in the Gorkana Forest; April 11 one in the Nagarjung Forest, Kathmandu Valley; April 14 one near Khare village.
450. *Muscicapa ferruginea* - Ferruginous Flycatcher  
April 22 one above Ghandrung; April 24 one between Landrung and Dumphus.
451. *Muscicapa thalassina* - Verditer Flycatcher  
April 5-7 several in the Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley; April 14 common around Naudanda and Khare; April 15 near Tirkedhunge; April 16 near Ulleri; April 17-19 near Gorepani; April 24 near Dumphus.
452. *Culicicapa ceylonensis* - Gray-headed Flycatcher  
Rather common; April 5 one in the Gorkana Forest; April 7 one near the Pashu Patinath near Kathmandu; April 14 near Khare village; April 22 near Ghandrung; April 24 one, west of Dumphus.
- RHIPIDURINAE
455. *Chelidorhynchus hypoxantha* - Yellow-bellied Flycatcher  
April 16-20 common around Gorepani; April 20 between Gorepani and Ghandrung.
456. *Rhipidura albicollis* - White-throated Fantail Flycatcher  
April 22 two, SE of Ghandrung; April 23, 24 one between Landrung and Dumphus.
- AEGITHALIDAE
458. *Aegithalos concinnus* - Red-headed Long-tailed Tit  
April 22 one and a group of about 10 near Ghandrung.
459. *Aegithalos iouschistos* - Blyth's Long-tailed Tit  
April 18 ± 3, SW of Gorepani on a hill-slope with scrub.
- PARIDAE
460. *Parus rufonuchalis* - Rufous-vented Tit  
Often considered as a race of *P. rubidiventris*;  
April 17-19 common on Poon Hill near Gorepani.
461. *Parus ater* - Coal Tit  
A crested subspecies, different from the European one;  
April 18, 19 common near Gorepani; April 21 common halfway Gorepani and Ghandrung.
462. *Parus dichrous* - Brown Crested Tit  
Small numbers, but regular to be seen; April 17-19 Poon Hill near Gorepani; April 20 Gorepani - Ghandrung.
463. *Parus major* - Great Tit  
April 14 near Naudanda and Khare.
465. *Parus monticolus* - Green-backed Tit  
April 16 two, NW above Ulleri (7000 ft); April 21, 22 common above Ghandrung; April 24 several between Landrung and Dumphus (5600 ft).
466. *Parus xanthogenys* - Black-spotted Yellow Tit  
Common in Kathmandu Valley; April 5-7 in Gorkana Forest, April 11-29 in Nagarjung Forest; very common in Pokhara Valley; April 12-26 around Pokhara Lake, April 13 common between Pokhara and Hyengja;

- April 14 common near Naudanda, Khare and Birethanti (up to 5500 ft).
- SITTIDAE                      SITTINAE
468. *Sitta castanea* - Chestnut-breasted Nuthatch  
April 11-29 a few in the Nagarjung Forest, Kathmandu Valley.
469. *Sitta himalayensis* - White-tailed Nuthatch  
April 16 2 between Ulleri and Gorepani; April 19 a pair nesting, Gorepani; April 22 many around Ghandrung; April 23, 24 common between Landrung and Dumphus.
471. *Sitta frontalis* - Velvet-fronted Nuthatch  
Rather common in Kathmandu Valley; April 5 one and April 7 four in the Gorkana Forest; April 26 several in woods south of Pokhara Lake.
- CERTHIIDAE                      CERTHIINAE
473. *Certhia nipalensis* - Stoliczka's Tree-Creeper  
April 17 one and April 18 two near Gorepani village.
- DICAELIDAE
474. *Dicaeum agile* - Thick-billed Flowerpecker  
April 5-30 common near entrance of the Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley.
476. *Dicaeum concolor* - Plain Flowerpecker  
April 29 some in the Nagarjung Forest, Kathmandu Valley.
477. *Dicaeum ignipectus* - Fire-breasted Flowerpecker  
April 14 common near Naudanda, Khare, Chandrakot and Birethanti (single birds); April 22 two near Ghandrung.
- NECTARINIIDAE
481. *Aethopyga nipalensis* - Green-tailed Sunbird  
April 18, 19 several around Gorepani; April 21 between Gorepani and Ghandrung; April 22 a male near Ghandrung; April 24 one between Landrung and Dumphus.
482. *Aethopyga siparaja* - Yellow-backed Sunbird  
April 26 one near Pokhara Lake.
483. *Aethopyga ignicauda* - Fire-tailed Sunbird  
April 16 one above Ulleri; April 18 near Gorepani; April 22 a male near Ghandrung.
- ZOSTEROPIDAE
485. *Zosterops palpebrosa* - Oriental White-Eye  
April 7 Gorkana Forest, Kathmandu Valley; April 22 near Ghandrung (6400 ft).
- EMBERIZIDAE
486. *Melophus lathami* - Crested Bunting  
April 13 one in Naudanda village; April 23 one male between Ghandrung and Landrung, near Ghandrung.
491. *Emberiza pusilla* - Little Bunting  
April 24 two, near Dumphus feeding in grass.
- FRINGILLIDAE                      CARDUELINAE
499. *Carduelis spinoides* - Black-headed Greenfinch  
April 16 one in agriculture fields above Ulleri; April 29 two in the pine-wood Nagarjung Forest.
501. *Carpodacus erythrinus* - Scarlet Grosbeak  
April 14 groups near Naudanda and Khare; April 16 near Ulleri; April 18 in Gorepani, together with *C. rhodopeplus*; April 20 common around Gorepani.
502. *Carpodacus rhodopeplus* - Spotted Rosefinch  
April 18 one male and two females near Gorepani; April 19, 20 a few near Gorepani.
503. *Pyrrhula erythrocephala* - Red-headed Bullfinch  
April 18 one SW of Gorepani; April 19 ± 10 NE of Gorepani; April 20 several near Gorepani.
504. *Coccothraustes affinis* - Allied Grosbeak  
April 17, 18 in total about 10 in the mixed forest around Gorepani.



ESTRILDIDAE

- 507. *Lonchura striata* - White-rumped Munia  
April 23 a group feeding on grain between Ghandrung and Landrung; April 26 a little group near Pokhara Lake.
- 508. *Lonchura punctulata* - Spotted Munia  
April 11 a few hundred in the evening near Nagarjung Forest, Kathmandu Valley.

PLOCEIDAE

- 510. *Passer domesticus* - House Sparrow
- 511. *Passer rutilans* - Cinnamon Sparrow  
April 15 one in Birethanti; April 21 common near Ghandrung; April 23 several between Landrung and Ghandrung.
- 512. *Passer montanus* - Tree Sparrow  
April 2 near Birganj; April 21 Ghandrung.

STURNIDAE

- 520. *Sturnus malabaricus* - Gray-headed Starling  
April 29 some in Nagarjung Forest, Kathmandu Valley.
- 521. *Sturnus pagodarum* - Brahminy Starling  
April 12 Pokhara Lake.
- 524. *Sturnus contra* - Pied Starling  
Several in the lower areas p.e. April 2 Birganj.
- 525. *Acridotheres tristis* - Common Myna  
Common; April 14 near Naudanda and Khare; April 21 in Ghandrung; not found above 7500 ft; April 29 many in Nagarjung Forest.
- 527. *Acridotheres fuscus* - Jungle Myna  
April 29 very common near the Nagarjung Forest, Kathmandu Valley.

ORIOOLIDAE

- 529. *Oriolus oriolus* - Golden Oriole  
April 13-26 some sound-records and two males seen near Pokhara Lake.
- 530.1. *Oriolus traillii* - Maroon Oriole  
April 23 one male between Landrung and Dumphus.

DICRURIDAE

- 531. *Dicrurus macrocercus* - Black Drongo  
Common; April 2 Birganj; April 21 Ghandrung; highest elevation 6400 ft; end of April Nagarjung Forest, Kathmandu Valley.
- 534. *Dicrurus aeneus* - Bronzed Drongo  
Rather common; April 12 two near Pokhara Lake; April 14 common near Naudanda and Khare; April 24 several between Landrung and Dumphus.
- 535. *Dicrurus hottentottus* - Hair-crested Drongo  
April 12, 26 two near the Pokhara Lake.

CORVIDAE

- 538. *Urocissa flavirostris* - Yellow-billed Blue Magpie  
Found at higher elevations as *U. erythrorhyncha*; April 18 one near Gorepani; April 20 five near Gorepani; April 22 one near Ghandrung; April 24 one, west of Dumphus; not seen below 5500 ft.
- 539. *Urocissa erythrorhyncha* - Red-billed Blue Magpie  
April 11 a group in the pines of the Nagarjung Forest; April 25 one near Suikhet (4000 ft).
- 540. *Cissa chinensis* - Green Magpie  
April 23 between Ghandrung and Landrung.
- 542. *Dendrocitta formosae* - Gray Treepie  
Common; April 12, 26 several near Pokhara Lake; April 14 near Naudanda, Khare, Lumle, Chandrakot and Birethanti; April 15 near Hille and Tirkedhunge; April 23 two below Landrung; April 25 several near Dumphus village; not seen above 5400 ft.

- 544. *Nucifraga caryocatactes* - Nutcracker  
April 20 one near prayer pole, Gorepani.
- 547. *Corvus splendens* - House Crow  
The most common species of this family; common in Kathmandu Valley, not seen above 4000 ft.
- 550. *Corvus macrorhynchos* - Jungle Crow  
Seen at low and high elevations: April 2 Birganj; April 17 Gorepani, 10000 ft.



Itinerary  
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April 2 Birganj (border India/Nepal)  
April 2-11 Kathmandu, Kathmandu Valley p.e. Gorkana  
Forest, Nagarjum Forest, Pashu-Patinath  
April 12 Kathmandu - Pokhara  
April 13 Pokhara (2997 ft) - Hyengja - Yangdi Khola  
Valley - Suikhet - Naudanda (4782 ft)  
April 14 Naudanda (4782 ft) - Khare (5600 ft) -  
Lumle (5300 ft) - Birethanti (3300 ft)  
April 15 Birethanti (3300 ft) - Hille - Tirkedhunge  
(4900 ft) - Ulleri (7000 ft)  
April 16 Ulleri (7000 ft) - Gorepani (9300 ft)  
April 17-20 Gorepani, p.e. Poon Hill  
April 21 Gorepani (9300 ft) - Ghandrung (6400 ft)  
April 22 Ghandrung  
April 23-24 Ghandrung (6400 ft) - Landrung (5400 ft) -  
Dumphus  
April 25 Dumphus - Suikhet - Hyengja - Pokhara  
April 26 Pokhara  
April 27 Pokhara - Kathmandu  
April 28-30 Kathmandu, Kathmandu Valley p.e. Gorkana  
Forest, Nagarjum Forest, Pashu-Patinath  
May 1 Kathmandu - Pokhara - Bairawa (border Nepal/  
India)

Remarks:

jungle between Landrung and Dumphus: oaks;  
around Gorepani: rhododendron, some pines.

numbers in the report correspond with numbers used for  
report on birds observed in the northern states of India.

some observations still under discussion are indicated by(cf).

