

## Rarity list

The following are the taxa or plumage forms of bird species which are presently in the Sri Lanka List or its two Appendices and of which any report needs to be evaluated by the CBCRRC. Each is either a rare or/and 'confusion' species or subspecies or a plumage form which can be difficult to identify. The CBC requests that if an observation is made of any of these a report be submitted to the CBCRRC according to the format in the Rarity Report Form, so that it will be properly included in ornithological records if ratified.

### Petrels and Shearwaters **Procellariidae**

Cape Petrel *Daption capense*  
Barau's Petrel *Pterodroma barau*  
Bulwer's Petrel *Bulweria bulwerii*  
Jouanin's Petrel *Bulweria fallax*  
Streaked Shearwater *Calonectris leucomelas*  
Sooty Shearwater *Puffinus griseus*  
Short-tailed Shearwater *Puffinus tenuirostris*  
White-headed Petrel *Pterodroma lessonii*  
Soft-plumaged Petrel *Pterodroma mollis*

### Storm-petrels **Hydrobatidae**

Swinhoe's Storm-petrel *Oceanodroma monorhis*

### Pelicans **Pelecanidae**

Great White Pelican *Pelecanus onocrotalus*

### Frigatebirds **Fregatidae**

Lesser Frigatebird *Fregata ariel* - especially immatures  
Great Frigatebird *Fregata minor* - especially immatures  
Christmas Frigatebird *Fregata andrewsi* - especially immatures

### Hérons and Egrets **Ardeidae**

Goliath Heron *Ardea goliath*  
Chinese Pond Heron *Ardeola bacchus*  
Eurasian Bittern *Botaurus stellaris*

### Storks **Ciconiidae**

Black Stork *Ciconia nigra*  
White Stork *Ciconia ciconia*

### Flamingos **Phoenicopteridae**

Lesser Flamingo *Phoenicopterus minor*

### Geese and Ducks (Waterfowl) **Anatidae**

Fulvous Whistling-duck *Dendrocygna bicolor*  
Greylag Goose *Anser anser*  
Comb Duck *Sarkidiornis melanotos*  
Gadwall *Anas strepera*  
Tufted Duck *Aythya fuligula*  
Mallard *Anas platyrhynchos*

Red-crested Pochard *Netta rufina*  
Common Pochard *Aythya farina*  
Marbled Teal *Marmaronetta angustirostris*

Hawks, Kites, Eagles and Vultures **Accipitridae**

Black Baza *Aviceda leuphotes*  
Egyptian Vulture *Neophron percnopterus*  
Pied Harrier *Circus melanoleucos*  
Eurasian Sparrowhawk *Accipiter nisus*  
Long-legged Buzzard *Buteo rufinus*  
Bonelli's Eagle *Hieraaetus fasciatus*

Falcons **Falconidae**

Lesser Kestrel *Falco naumanni*  
Red-headed Falcon *Falco chicquera*  
Amur Falcon *Falco amurensis* – female and immature  
Oriental Hobby *Falco severus*

Partridges, Quails and Pheasants **Phasianidae**

Rain Quail *Coturnix coromandelica*

Buttonquails **Turnicidae**

Small Buttonquail *Turnix sylvaticus*

Rails, Crakes, Gallinules and Coots **Rallidae**

Eastern Water Rail *Rallus indicus*  
Corn Crake *Crex crex*

Plovers **Charadriidae**

Caspian Plover *Charadrius asiaticus* – immature  
Oriental Plover *Charadrius veredus*  
Grey-headed Lapwing *Vanellus cinereus*  
Sociable Plover *Vanellus gregarius*  
Long-billed Plover *Charadrius placidus*

Sandpipers and allies **Scolopacidae**

Wood Snipe *Gallinago nemoricola*  
Swinhoe's Snipe *Gallinago megala*  
Great Snipe *Gallinago media*  
Jack Snipe *Lymnocyptes minimus*  
Black-tailed Godwit *Limosa limosa* – 'Eastern' subspecies *melanuroides*  
Spotted Redshank *Tringa erythropus* – in non-breeding plumage  
Asian Dowitcher *Limnodromus semipalmatus*  
Rufous-necked Stint *Calidris ruficollis* – in non-breeding plumage  
Sharp-tailed Sandpiper *Calidris acuminata*  
Pectoral Sandpiper *Calidris melanotos*  
Dunlin *Calidris alpina*  
Spoon-billed Sandpiper *Eurynorhynchus pygmeus*  
Buff-breasted Sandpiper *Tryngites subruficollis*  
Spotted Greenshank (Nordmann's Greenshank) *Tringa guttifer*  
Grey Phalarope (Red Phalarope) *Phalaropus fulicaria*

Skuas and jaegers **Stercorariidae**

South Polar Skua *Catharacta maccormicki*  
Parasitic Jaeger [Arctic Skua] *Stercorarius parasiticus*

Gulls **Laridae**

Sooty Gull *Larus hemprichii*  
Slender-billed Gull *Larus genei*

Terns **Sternidae**

Black-naped Tern *Sterna sumatrana*  
White-cheeked Tern *Sterna repressa*  
Black Tern *Chlidonias niger*  
Black Noddy *Anous minutus*

Pigeons and doves **Columbidae**

Pale-capped Woodpigeon *Columba punicea*  
Red Collared-dove *Streptopelia tranquebarica*

Cuckoos **Cuculidae**

Asian Emerald Cuckoo *Chrysococcyx maculatus*  
Lesser Coucal *Centropus sinensis*

Nightjars **Caprimulgidae**

Great Eared-Nightjar *Eurostopodus macrotis*

Swifts **Apodidae**

Pacific Swift *Apus pacificus*

Kingfishers **Alcedinidae**

Blue-eared Kingfisher *Alcedo meninting* - resident

Woodpeckers **Picidae**

Eurasian Wryneck *Jynx torquilla sarudnyi*

Swallows and Martins **Hirundinidae**

Dusky Crag Martin *Ptyonoprogne concolor*  
Wire-tailed Swallow *Hirundo smithii*  
Red-rumped Swallow *Hirundo daurica* – subspecies *nepalensis*  
Streak-throated Swallow *Hirundo fluvicola*

Pipits and Wagtails **Motacillidae**

White Wagtail *Motacilla alba* – subspecies *leucopsis*  
White-browed Wagtail *Motacilla maderaspatensis*  
Citrine Wagtail *Motacilla citreola*  
Western Yellow Wagtail *Motacilla flava* – subspecies *beema*, *lutia*, *simillima*, *melanogrisea*  
Tawny Pipit *Anthus campestris*  
Olive-backed Pipit *Anthus hodgsoni*  
Red-throated Pipit *Anthus cervinus*

Shrikes **Laniidae**

Bay-backed Shrike *Lanius vittatus*  
Great Grey Shrike *Lanius excubitor*

Thrushes **Turdidae**

Eyebrowed Thrush *Turdus obscurus*

Old World Flycatchers and Chats **Muscicapidae**

Yellow-rumped Flycatcher *Ficedula zanthopygia*

Blue-throated Flycatcher *Cyornis rubeculoides*

Bluethroat *Luscinia svecica*

Rufous-tailed Scrub-robin *Cercotrichas galactotes*

Pied Wheatear *Oenanthe pleschanka*

Desert Wheatear *Oenanthe deserti*

Isabelline Wheatear *Oenanthe isabellina*

Old World Warblers **Sylviidae**

Lanceolated Warbler *Locustella lanceolata*

Grasshopper Warbler *Locustella naevia*

Sykes's Warbler *Hippolais rama*

Booted Warbler *Hippolais caligata*

Dusky Warbler *Phylloscopus fuscatus*

Greenish Warbler *Phylloscopus trochiloides*

Indian Broad-tailed Grass-Warbler *Schoenicola platyurus*

Lesser Whitethroat *Sylvia curruca* – subspecies *minula* ('Desert' Whitethroat)

Sunbirds **Nectariniidae**

Small Sunbird *Nectarinia minima*

Buntings **Emberizidae**

Black-headed Bunting *Emberiza melanocephala*

Red-headed Bunting *Emberiza bruniceps*

Finches **Fringillidae**

Common Rosefinch *Carpodacus erythrinus*

Old World Sparrows **Passeridae**

Yellow-throated Sparrow *Petronia xanthocollis*

Starlings and Mynas **Sturnidae**

Grey-headed Starling *Sturnia malabarica*

Daurian Starling *Sturnia sturnina*

Orioles **Oriolidae**

European Golden Oriole *Oriolus oriolus*

Indian Golden Oriole *Oriolus kundoo* – especially immature

Black-naped Oriole *Oriolus chinensis* – especially immature

Slender-billed Oriole *Oriolus tenuirostris*

Fairy-bluebirds **Irenidae**

Asian Fairy-bluebird *Irena puella*