



# indicator BIRDING



## Seasonal occurrence of birds on our trips to Mozambique (incl Zimbabwe)

Compiled by Etienne Marais. For interpretation of this list, please read the notes at the end!

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	50	Pink-backed Pelican	yes			all
	61	Greater Frigatebird	yes			rar
	69	Black Heron	yes			reg
	70	Slaty Egret	yes			occ
	73	Malagasy Pond-Heron			winter	occ
	75	Rufous-bellied Heron	yes			all
	79	Dwarf Bittern		summer		occ
	80	Eurasian Bittern	yes			reg
	86	Woolly-necked Stork	yes			all
	87	African Openbill	yes			all
	88	Saddle-billed Stork	yes			reg

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	110	Garganey		summer		occ
	114	African Pygmy-Goose	yes			reg
	128	African Cuckoo Hawk	yes			reg
	130	European Honey-Buzzard		summer		reg
	136	Booted Eagle	yes			reg
	138	Ayres's Hawk-Eagle	yes			reg
	141	African Crowned Eagle	yes			all
	144	Southern Banded Snake-Eagle	yes			reg
	147	Palm-nut Vulture	yes			reg
	153	Augur Buzzard	yes			all
	156	Ovambo Sparrowhawk	yes			reg
	163	Dark Chanting Goshawk	yes			reg
	165	African Marsh-Harrier	yes			all
	166	Montagu's Harrier		summer		reg
	167	Pallid Harrier		summer		reg
	170	Osprey	yes			all
	171	Peregrine Falcon	yes			occ
	174	African Hobby		summer		occ
	175	Sooty Falcon		summer		occ More common in South
	177	Eleonora's Falcon		summer		occ Mainly Zim
	178	Red-necked Falcon	yes			reg
	185	Dickinson's Kestrel	yes			all
	189	Kirk's Francolin	yes			all
	198	Red-necked Spurfowl	yes			all
	202	Blue Quail		summer		reg
	206	Black-rumped Buttonquail	yes			all
	207	Wattled Crane	yes			reg

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	209	Grey Crowned Crane	yes			reg
	211	Corn Crake		summer		occ
	212	African Crake	?			occ
	216	Striped Crake		summer		occ
	218	Buff-spotted Flufftail	yes			reg
	219	Streaky-breasted Flufftail		summer		occ, Central Zim Plateaux only
	238	Black-bellied Bustard	yes			all
	241	Lesser Jacana	yes			all
	250	Lesser Sand Plover		summer		occ
	251	Greater Sand Plover		summer		reg
	256	Senegal Lapwing	yes			all
	261	Long-toed Lapwing	yes			reg
	285	Great Snipe		summer		reg
	296	Crab Plover		summer		occ, Best in Inhambane
	304	Collared Pratincole	yes			all
	325	Lesser Crested Tern	yes			reg
	351	Eastern Bronze-naped Pigeon	yes			reg
	357	Blue-spotted Wood-Dove	yes			all
	362	Grey-headed Parrot	yes			all
	370	Livingstone's Turaco	yes			all
	376	Lesser Cuckoo		summer		occ
	376	Madagascar Cuckoo	yes		???	occ
	379	Barred Long-tailed Cuckoo		summer	?	occ
	383	Thick-billed Cuckoo	yes			reg
	387	Green Malkoha	yes			all
	388	Black Coucal	yes	summer		reg
	409	Square-tailed Nightjar	yes			all

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	410	Pennant-winged Nightjar		summer		reg
	419	Mottled Swift	yes			reg
	420	Scarce Swift	yes			occ
	422	Mottled Spinetail	yes			reg
	423	Böhms Spinetail	yes			all
	427	Narina Trogon	yes			all
	434	Mangrove Kingfisher	yes			all
	439	Madagascar Bee-eater	yes			reg
	440	Blue-cheeked Bee-eater		summer		all
	445	Swallow-tailed Bee-eater	yes			all
	448	Racket-tailed Roller	yes			reg
	450	Broad-billed Roller		summer		all
	456	Silvery-cheeked Hornbill	yes			all
	467	Whyte's Barbet	yes			reg Mainly Zim
	477	Pallid Honeyguide	yes			reg
	479	Green-backed Honeybird	yes			reg
	482	Speckle-throated Woodpecker	yes			reg
	485	Green-backed Woodpecker	yes			all
	490	African Broadbill	yes			all
	491	African Pitta		summer		reg
	496	Flappet Lark	yes			all
	525	Mosque Swallow	yes			all
	531	Grey-rumped Swallow	yes		winter	all
	535	Mascarene Martin			winter	occ
	537	Eastern Saw-wing	yes			all
	539	White-breasted Cuckooshrike	yes			all
	544	African Golden Oriole	yes	summer		reg

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	546	Green-headed Oriole	yes		winter	all
	553	Miombo Tit	yes			all
	556	Cinnamon-breasted Tit	yes			reg
	559	Spotted Creeper	yes			reg
	571	Tiny Greenbul	yes			all
	573	Stripe-cheeked Greenbul	yes			all
	575	Eastern Nicator	yes			all
	579	Orange Ground-Thrush	yes			all
	584	Miombo Rock-Thrush	yes			all Mainly Zim
	594	Arnot's Chat	yes			all
	603	Collared Palm-Thrush	yes			all
	605	White-chested Alethe	yes	summer		reg
	607	Swynnerton's Robin	yes			all
	608	East Coast Akalat	yes			reg
	609	Thrush Nightingale		summer		occ
	610	Boulder Chat	yes			reg Mainly Zim
	623	Yellow-bellied Hyliota	yes			rar
	624	Southern Hyliota	yes			all
	628	Great Reed-Warbler		summer		all
	639	Barratt's Warbler	yes			all Mainly Zim
	642	Broad-tailed Warbler	yes	summer		reg
	646	Chirinda Apalis	yes			all
	647	Black-headed Apalis	yes			all
	649	Rudd's Apalis	yes			reg South Only
	650	Red-faced Crombec	yes			all
	655	Green-capped Eremomela	yes			all
	659	Stierling's Wren-Warbler	yes			all

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	663	Moustached Grass-Warbler	yes			all
	673	Singing Cisticola	yes			all
	675	Rufous-winged Cisticola	yes			all
	680	Short-winged Cisticola	yes	summer		all Common and more obvious in su
	682	Red-winged Warbler	yes			all
	684	Roberts's Warbler	yes			all Mainly Zim
	692	Collared Flycatcher		summer		occ
	699	Black-and-white Flycatcher	yes			reg
	702	Pale Batis	yes			all
	704	Woodwards' Batis	yes			all
	705	Black-throated Wattle-eye	yes			reg
	707	Livingstone's Flycatcher	yes			all
	709	White-tailed Crested Flycatcher	yes			all
	717	Wood Pipit	yes			reg Mainly Zim
	722	Tree Pipit		summer		reg Mainly Zim
	724	Short-tailed Pipit			winter	all
	730	Rosy-throated Longclaw	yes			reg S of Vilanculos or Central Zim
	737	Tropical Boubou	yes			all
	745	Anchieta's (Marsh) Tchagra	yes			reg
	749	Black-fronted Bush-Shrike	yes			reg
	755	Chestnut-fronted Helmet-Shrike	yes			all
	766	Miombo Blue-eared Starling	yes			reg
	776	Bronzy Sunbird	yes			all Mainly Zim
	778	Copper Sunbird	yes			reg
	782	Neergaard's Sunbird	yes			reg South Only
	784	Miombo Double-collared Sunbird	yes			all Mainly Zim
	786	Variable Sunbird	yes			all

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	794	Plain-backed Sunbird	yes			reg
	795	Western Violet-backed Sunbird	yes			reg
	809	Olive-headed Weaver	yes			all
	816	Golden Weaver	yes			all
	818	Southern Brown-throated Weaver	yes			all
	820	Cuckoo Finch		summer		reg
	822	Red-headed Quelea	yes			reg
	825	Black-winged Bishop	yes			all
	830	Yellow-mantled Widowbird	yes	summer		reg Mainly Zim
	833	Orange-winged Pytilia	yes			reg
	836	Red-faced Crimsonwing	yes			reg
	837	Lesser Seedcracker	yes			occ
	838	Pink-throated Twinspot	yes			reg South Only
	839	Red-throated Twinspot	yes			all
	848	Grey Waxbill	yes			reg
	851	Yellow-bellied Waxbill	yes			all
	853	Locustfinch	yes			all
	859	Magpie Mannikin	yes		winter	reg
	863	Broad-tailed Paradise-Whydah	yes	summer		reg
	864	Twinspot Indigobird	yes	summer		reg
	865	Purple Indigobird	yes	summer		reg
	871	Lemon-breasted Canary	yes			reg
	882	Black-eared Seedeater	yes			all
	883	Cabanis's Bunting	yes			all
	911	Eurasian Blackcap		summer		rar Mainly Zim

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Notes and interpretation.						
<p>This list has been prepared mainly to guide birders wishing to take part on our Mozambique Trips. The list focuses on the mostly commonly <b>sought after</b> Mozambique and Eastern Zim specials which are seen on these trips. Other species which may be seen, but are regular in South Africa are not included. The occurrence of species is marked : Summer (November to March), Winter (usually April to September) or "All year round". If birds are marked both "all year round" and a particular season, this means that the species is easier to find and see during that period.</p>						
1. <b>all</b> Those species marked "all" are seen on virtually all trips we run. In other words these birds are seen more than 95% of the time.						
2. <b>reg</b> (Regular) Those species marked "reg are seen on most trips where the right habitat for this species is visited, and the trip takes place in the appropriate season.						
3. <b>occ</b> Those species marked "occ" are seen occasionally, but by no means regularly. On some trips a special effort may be made to find these species, in which case the likelihood of seeing them is improved.						
4. <b>rar (rare)</b> These species are seldom seen, but may be encountered.						
<i>Note that seasons vary and the above is only a guide, and not a guarantee of any kind !!</i>						