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General information about the trip

Introduction

In July 2002 I spent two weeks in Uganda with Vital & Riet van Gorp, Eric Wille and my girlfriend Willemien van Ginneken. The main reason for visiting this country was to observe the enigmatic and endangered Shoebill and to see as many birds as possible. For a birdwatcher the main aim should be to see the so-called Albertine Rift endemics (26 of the 43 can be seen) or other near endemics, nearly all of which are in Bwindi Impenetrable Forest. A bonus was the opportunity to see the rare and endangered Mountain Gorilla in south west Uganda.

Uganda is a tiny landlocked country supporting more than 1,000 species and deserves its reputation as "Birders' Eden". Uganda, once the "Pearl of the British Empire" in East Africa is one of the most beautiful countries on the continent. One sixth of its area is covered by water. Large lakes include Lake Albert, Lake Victoria the source of the White Nile, Lake Edward and Lake George. Situated on the equator Uganda has an area contiguous with the great Guinea/Congo Basin rainforest on its Western border. Subsequently there are a number of West and Central African bird species occurring in Uganda that are not found elsewhere in East Africa. These "Uganda specials" are very difficult to see elsewhere, for the simple reason that the other countries in which they occur are poorly developed for tourism. The key to Uganda's diversity is its variety of habitats: arid semi-desert, rich savannahs, lowland and montane rainforests, papyrus-fringed lakes and great swamps, volcanoes and an Afro-alpine zone. Uganda covers an altitude from 650 to 5,000m. The

species list to date of 1,018 birds is the fourth highest in Africa, behind Congo, Kenya and Tanzania, however Uganda is a fraction of the size of any of these countries and fantastic birding is within easy and accessible reach of the capital, Kampala. Given its comparatively small size, Uganda is arguably the richest African birding destination. Uganda's excellent infrastructure, short distances, fine landscapes and excellent avifauna, including quite a few birds which are hard elsewhere to see, make it a worthy destination.

Uganda's ten most commonly sought after birds are:

- Shoebill
- Nahan's Francolin
- Brown-chested Lapwing
- Ruwenzori Turaco
- Black Bee-eater
- Grauer's Broadbill
- Green-breasted Pitta
- Karamoja Apalis
- Puvel's Illadopsis
- Jameson's Antpecker

Flight & Visa

We travelled to Uganda via Amsterdam and Nairobi (Kenya). It was relatively expensive, as it was the peak holiday period. Our return-ticket (Kenya Airways) for the air journey cost us about €900. You do need a visa for Uganda. We applied for one at the embassy at Brussels and the visa cost us €35.

Money

The Ugandan Shilling is a stable, fully convertible currency, fluctuating very little from day to day. The exchange rate in July 2002 was about 1800 shilling for 1 US\$. US\$ cash is the best currency, exchangeable in the large towns and major lodges in the National Parks.

Accommodation

There is a very wide variety of accommodation available, from expensive first-class hotels in the main towns and lodges at the national parks to very basic bandas (huts) at Bwindi, as well as campsites in the main national parks. There is accommodation at all sites, which is convenient to birding early and late in the day (details in Rossouw and Sacchi).

Food & Drinks

Generally quite good. Stay away from uncooked fruits and vegetables that you haven't peeled yourself, and don't use ice. It is best to avoid drinking the water unless you know it is boiled. Restaurants are available in towns and the national parks. Most of the towns have small supermarkets where you can buy most of your supplies. We also bought mineral water, fanta, sprite and beer (Nile Special). Fresh vegetables can easily be purchased at local markets.

Entrance fees National Parks

The entrance fees of national parks in Uganda are 15 US\$ p.p. per day.

Health & Safety

Uganda's long string of tragedies since independence has been a staple of the Western media so most people still regard the country as a volatile place to be avoided. However, most parts of the country have been stable for several years. The people are among the friendliest on the continent. Over three years have passed since the Buhoma tragedy in Bwindi Impenetrable NP, which consequently discouraged many tourists from travelling to Uganda. Since then a strong military presence in the border areas has assured the safety of those visiting there. Uganda seems determined to remain peaceful and, with its friendly and welcoming inhabitants, win the tourists back. Theft is really not a problem in Uganda unless you are careless. We found Uganda to be a friendly and safe country and the worst that the traveller is likely to encounter, is a pickpocket in Kampala. For vaccinations consult your own doctor for up to date advice. Malaria is a major risk so all precautions against malaria are a must.

Language

The official language, English, is spoken as a second language by most educated Ugandans and is as widely spoken here as in Kenya or Tanzania and even in remote villages you will meet people who speak English.

Weather

Its elevated altitude tempers Uganda's equatorial climate and in most parts of the country, the daily maximum is between 20o C and 27o C. A typically equatorial climate ensures that the weather will be varied, and you are bound to encounter some rain, although July is during the "dry season". Uganda, has two dry seasons, June to September and December to March, both of which are good times to visit, however, June to September is the best time. The weather was generally pleasant, warm and sunny throughout the trip, although we had a few showers in the late afternoon and during the night.

Equipment

A small tape recorder and the tape cassette of recordings by Jonathan Rossouw are quite useful for drawing in birds. A good torch is a must. A telescope is useful at lakes and very useful for viewing canopy species especially from roadsides. Photography is NOT difficult, as birds are easy to approach and light conditions are good. Clothing can be T shirt and short anywhere (during the daytime).

Transport & Roads

Road conditions in Uganda vary, but are generally good by African standards, make getting around easy. The main roads are sealed, but elsewhere are poor quality dirt, where a 4 wheel drive would be a distinct advantage. In Uganda, it's best to hire a car if you can afford it. For car rental you will need a major credit card. It is forbidden to alight from one's car away from specified areas in Murchison Falls NP and Queen Elizabeth NP. This is no great disadvantage as we found most of the birds and animals most confiding and the car provided a superb hide.

Map

We used the Uganda Tourist Map published by A.P. Sharmans in London (1:520,000).

Nomenclature & Taxonomy

In Africa there is much confusion regarding the English names for birds, and often each author, having their own preferences which results in the same species having up to 3 or 4 different names.

I have decided to follow the English names of James F. Clements (Birds of the World, A Check List, Fifth Edition, 2000).

Identification problems

Most of the birds are fairly easy to identify from the books, but Greenbuls, Cisticolas, Sunbirds and Weavers are very difficult to identify. To identify the more troublesome species we had help from first class Ugandan guides:

- Vincent Odama expert in the Budongo Forest Reserve.
- Alfred Twinomujuni who accompanied us three days at Bwindi Impenetrable NP. His knowledge of forest birds and their calls was quite extraordinary - and without him we would have not been able to identify half the birds seen and heard.

Common Birdspecies

The following list of birds we saw frequently and if you spend any sort of time in the right habitats you will too:

- Black-headed Heron
- Cattle Egret
- Hamerkop
- Marabou Stork
- Hadada Ibis
- Black shouldered Kite
- Black Kite
- African Fish Eagle
- Long-crested Eagle
- Helmeted Guineafowl
- Red eyed Dove
- Ring-necked Dove
- Eastern Grey Plantain-eater
- White browed Coucal
- African Palm Swift
- Little Swift
- Speckled Mousebird
- Grey headed Kingfisher
- Pied Kingfisher
- Black and white casqued Hornbill
- Angola Swallow
- Wire tailed Swallow
- White headed Sawwing
- African Pied Wagtail
- Common Bulbul
- Little Greenbul
- Tawny flanked Prinia
- Swamp Flycatcher
- Sooty Chat
- African Paradise Flycatcher
- Scarlet chested Sunbird
- Grey backed Fiscal
- Pied Crow
- Rueppell's Glossy Starling
- Grey-headed Sparrow
- Baglafecht Weaver
- Vieillot's Weaver
- Golden-backed Weaver
- Red billed Quelea
- Black winged Bishop
- Orange (Northern Red) Bishop
- African Firefinch
- Bronze Mannikin
- Pin tailed Whydah
- Yellow-fronted Canary

Wildlife

Uganda was once very rich in wildlife, but much of the larger game was killed during Idi Amin's rule and the war to oust him in the late 1970s. However, wildlife populations are returning.

For a detailed report of species and numbers of birds and mammals please refer to the systematic lists at the end of this report.

Acknowledgements

Many thanks to Jon Hornbuckle who always helps me and who sent me tapes of Ugandan bird calls right away when I asked for them and also of course to my friend Mark van Beirs, with whom you can always talk about travelling and birdwatching, for providing useful information.

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Useful Adresses

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Hassan Mutebi, manager of this company, organised an almost perfect trip for us and I can recommend this company. We stayed most of the time at very luxurious hotels and lodges, only the community bandas at Buhoma were very basic, but clean. We had to pay 1300 US\$ per person for the whole trip, including transport, accommodation, food, park entrance, boat rides, park & ranger guides in each park. The gorilla permits (275 US\$ per person) were not included in this price. Mozes Lubega Musa was our driver and a good birder in the savannahs. Vincent Odama also accompanied us the whole trip and was our expert at Budongo.

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SOFTWARE

BirdBase & BirdArea

I use this software to keep track of the birds I have seen and to make lists of any country, labelling endemics and birds previously seen in that country, outside it, or both. BirdArea can produce checklists of the birds of any country of Clements' world birds.

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Itinerary

- July 16/17 Chaam - Amsterdam - Nairobi - Entebbe - Kampala - Mabamba Wetland - Kampala - Entebbe
- July 18 Entebbe - Masindi - Budongo Forest Reserve
- July 19 Budongo Forest Reserve - Masindi
- July 20 Masindi - Murchison Falls National Park (Sambiya River Lodge)
- July 21 Murchison Falls National Park (Sambiya River Lodge)
- July 22 Murchison Falls National Park - Fort Portal
- July 23 Fort Portal - Bigodi Wetland Sanctuary - Kibale National Park - Fort Portal
- July 24 Fort Portal - Queen Elizabeth National Park (Mweya Safari Lodge)
- July 25 Queen Elizabeth National Park (Mweya Safari Lodge)
- July 26 Queen Elizabeth National Park - Kabale - Bwindi Impenetrable National Park - Buhoma
- July 27 Bwindi Impenetrable National Park - Buhoma
- July 28 Bwindi Impenetrable National Park - Buhoma
- July 29 Bwindi Impenetrable National Park - Ruhizha - Kabale
- July 30 Kabale - Kaaku Swamp - Kampala - Entebbe
- July 31 Entebbe - Nairobi - Amsterdam - Chaam

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National Parks & Sites

Rossouw and Sacchi's "Where to watch birds in Uganda" is an excellent and essential guide to all the bird sites and so the notes on the sites are only an update. They do list key birds for each site but some of these are highly unlikely to be seen. We had a very limited time for birding. Inevitably, it was a rush and more time could have been spent everywhere, especially at Budongo Forest Reserve and Bwindi Impenetrable National Park. We did not visit Lake Mburo National Park, so we dipped Brown chested Lapwing.

[Murchison Falls NP](#) | [Budongo Forest Reserve](#) | [Kibale NP/Bigodi Wetland Sanct.](#) | [Queen Elizabeth NP](#) | [Bwindi Impenetrable NP](#) | [Kaaku Swamp](#) | [Mabamba Wetland](#)

Murchison Falls NP

Accommodation: *Sambiya River Lodge in the park only 30 minutes by car from the top of the falls, a very luxurious lodge.*

This park is possibly more interesting for mammals and the famous falls than for birds. The park is named after the falls where the Victoria Nile rushes through a ten-metre-gap with tremendous force to crash on the rocks 40 metres below, before continuing on its journey to Lake Albert. Murchison Falls NP is the largest game park in Uganda and one of the most spectacular in Uganda, indeed, in all Africa. Probably the most heavily marketed area for the Shoebill is this park. Nile Safari Camp, outside the park, just west of the Bugunga Gate, offers short boat trips to look for the bird. Within the park, launch trips ply up and down the Nile River from the main camp at Paraa. We did not do the trip to the Falls, but did the downstream delta trip and had good views of three Shoebills.

Birds seen here during our trip:

- Pink backed Pelican
- Great Cormorant
- Darter
- Grey Heron
- Black headed Heron
- Goliath Heron
- Purple Heron
- Great Egret
- Little Bittern
- Hamerkop
- African Openbill
- Saddle billed Stork
- Shoebill
- Hadada Ibis
- Fulvous Whistling Duck
- White faced Whistling Duck
- Egyptian Goose
- Comb Duck
- Osprey
- Bat Hawk
- Black shouldered Kite
- African Fish Eagle
- Palm nut Vulture
- Hooded Vulture
- Northern Carmine Bee eater
- Broad billed Roller
- Eurasian Hoopoe
- African Grey Hornbill
- Abyssinian Ground Hornbill
- Yellow fronted Tinkerbird
- Hairy breasted Barbet
- Spot flanked Barbet
- Black billed Barbet
- Double toothed Barbet
- Greater Honeyguide
- Flappet Lark
- Angola Swallow
- Wire tailed Swallow
- Lesser Striped Swallow
- Mosque Swallow
- White headed Sawwing
- African Pied Wagtail
- Plain backed Pipit
- African (Grassland) Pipit
- Common Bulbul
- African Thrush
- Rattling Cisticola
- Winding Cisticola

- White backed Vulture
- Lappet faced Vulture
- White headed Vulture
- Brown Snake Eagle
- Bateleur
- African Harrier Hawk
- Lizard Buzzard
- Dark Chanting Goshawk
- Augur Buzzard
- Tawny Eagle
- Wahlberg's Eagle
- Long crested Eagle
- Grey Kestrel
- Red necked Falcon
- Crested Francolin
- Heuglin's Francolin
- Helmeted Guineafowl
- Black Crake
- Stanley's Bustard
- Black bellied Bustard
- African Jacana
- Senegal Thick knee
- Temminck's Courser
- Rock Pratincole
- Long toed Lapwing
- Spur winged Plover
- Wattled Lapwing
- Red eyed Dove
- Ring necked Dove
- Vinaceous Dove
- Laughing Dove
- Black billed Wood Dove
- Blue-spotted Wood Dove
- Bruce's Green Pigeon
- Meyer's (Brown) Parrot
- Eastern Grey Plantain eater
- Yellowbill
- Senegal Coucal
- White browed Coucal
- Verreaux's Eagle Owl
- Long tailed Nightjar
- Square tailed Nightjar
- Pennant winged Nightjar
- African Palm Swift
- Speckled Mousebird
- Blue naped Mousebird
- Malachite Kingfisher
- African Pygmy Kingfisher
- Grey headed Kingfisher
- Woodland Kingfisher
- Striped Kingfisher
- Pied Kingfisher
- Red throated Bee Eater
- Croaking Cisticola
- Foxy Cisticola
- Zitting Cisticola
- Tawny flanked Prinia
- Red winged Grey Warbler
- Yellow breasted Apalis
- Buff bellied Warbler
- Red faced Crombec
- Silverbird
- Northern Black Flycatcher
- Swamp Flycatcher
- White browed Robin Chat
- Spotted Morning Thrush
- Sooty Chat
- Black throated Wattle eye
- Chinspot Batis
- Black headed Batis
- African Paradise Flycatcher
- Arrow marked Babbler
- Western Violet backed Sunbird
- Scarlet chested Sunbird
- Beautiful Sunbird
- Copper Sunbird
- African Yellow White eye
- Grey backed Fiscal
- Common Fiscal
- Black crowned Tchagra
- Black headed Gonolek
- Fork tailed Drongo
- Pied Crow
- Lesser Blue eared Glossy Starling
- Rueppell's Glossy Starling
- Violet backed Starling
- Yellow billed Oxpecker
- Grey headed Sparrow
- Speckle fronted Weaver
- White browed Sparrow Weaver
- Chestnut crowned Sparrow Weaver
- Village Weaver
- Vieillot's Weaver
- Golden backed Weaver
- Red billed Quelea
- Black Bishop
- Black winged Bishop
- Orange Bishop
- Yellow shouldered Widowbird
- Grosbeak Weaver
- Red winged Pytilia
- Brown Twinspot
- Bar breasted Firefinch
- African Firefinch
- Red cheeked Cordonblue
- Black crowned Waxbill

- Little Bee eater
- Blue breasted Bee eater
- Cinnamon chested Bee eater
- Swallow tailed Bee eater
- Bronze Mannikin
- Pin tailed Whydah
- Yellow fronted Canary

Budongo Forest Reserve

Accommodation: *Nyabyeya Guest House at the Nyabyeya Forest College, only 5 minutes by car to the Royal Mile. The Guest House was basic but okay. The Masindi Hotel is also an option of course.*

Budongo Forest lies to the South of Murchison Falls National Park, between the town of Masindi and Lake Albert. The lush tropical forests of Central Africa are known as the "Central Refugium". Not only do they offer a unique and fast disappearing habitat that is home to many endemic birds, but also they are also home to an exceptional range of primates. Whilst only 435 square kilometres in extent, and small by Amazonian standards, Budongo is nonetheless one of the largest and most beautiful forests in Uganda. The birds in Budongo FR and at Kibale NP are virtually the same but this is definitely the better site to see the specialities. We visited the Busingiro Forest (including a small lake, where we did see Shining blue Kingfisher and Sabine's & Cassin's Spinetail) and the Royal Mile. Budongo Forest is also famous for its Chimpanzees, although they can be hard to see.

Birds seen here during our trip:

- Hadada Ibis
- African Goshawk
- Black Goshawk (Great Sparrowhawk)
- African Hawk Eagle
- Cassin's Hawk Eagle
- Crowned Hawk Eagle
- White spotted Flufftail
- Afeb Pigeon
- Blue spotted Wood Dove
- Tambourine Dove
- African Green Pigeon
- Red headed Lovebird
- Meyer's (Brown) Parrot
- Great Blue Turaco
- Black billed Turaco
- Eastern Grey Plantain eater
- Red chested Cuckoo
- Black Cuckoo
- Dusky Long tailed Cuckoo
- Klaas' Cuckoo
- Yellowbill
- Senegal Coucal
- Spotted Eagle Owl
- Sabine's Spinetail
- Cassin's Spinetail
- African Palm Swift
- Little Swift
- White rumped Swift
- Speckled Mousebird
- Slender billed Greenbul
- Yellow whiskered Bulbul
- Honeyguide Greenbul
- Spotted Greenbul
- White throated Greenbul
- Common Bristlebill
- Yellow spotted (Eastern) Nicator
- Red tailed Greenbul
- Red tailed Ant Thrush
- Fire crested Alethe
- Whistling Cisticola
- Tawny flanked Prinia
- Black throated Apalis
- Buff throated Apalis
- Grey Apalis
- Green backed Camaroptera
- Yellow browed Camaroptera
- Rufous crowned Eremomela
- Green Crombec
- Lemon bellied Crombec
- Yellow Longbill
- Grey Longbill
- Green Hylia
- Northern Black Flycatcher
- Sooty Flycatcher
- Grey throated Tit Flycatcher
- Forest Robin
- Snowy crowned Robin Chat
- Black and white Shrike Flycatcher

- Narina Trogon
- Shining blue Kingfisher
- Dwarf Kingfisher
- Chocolate backed Kingfisher
- Blue breasted Kingfisher
- Blue throated Roller
- Black and white casqued Hornbill
- White thighed Hornbill
- Speckled Tinkerbird
- Yellow throated Tinkerbird
- Yellow spotted Barbet
- Yellow billed Barbet
- Bearded Woodpecker
- Golden crowned (Yellow crested) Woodpecker
- Wire tailed Swallow
- Lesser Striped Swallow
- White headed Sawwing
- African Pied Wagtail
- Red shouldered Cuckoo Shrike
- Common Bulbul
- Little Greenbul
- Grey Greenbul
- Plain (Cameroon Sombre) Greenbul
- Chestnut Wattle eye
- Jameson's Wattle eye
- Chestnut capped Flycatcher
- Black headed Paradise Flycatcher
- Puvel's Illadopsis
- White winged Black Tit
- Little Green Sunbird
- Green Sunbird
- Collared Sunbird
- Green headed Sunbird
- Blue throated Brown Sunbird
- Olive bellied Sunbird
- Western Black headed Oriole
- Tropical Boubou
- Splendid Glossy Starling
- Purple headed Glossy Starling
- Black necked Weaver
- Vieillot's Weaver
- Yellow mantled Weaver
- Crested Malimbe
- Grey headed Negrofinch
- Red headed Bluebill
- Red billed Firefinch

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Kibale NP/Bigodi Wetland Sanct.

Accommodation: Kahangi Estate, P.O. Box 282, Fort Portal (very good and is – now - noted for the excellence of its food) or Ruwenzori Guest House at Fort Portal.

The birding at Kibale NP was disappointing, although our search for the Chimpanzees was very successful. The ranger who accompanied us told us he had seen African Pitta this week, when he was with a few tourists searching for the Chimpanzees. The tourists were not interested in the birds. Of course we searched in vain for the Pitta, although we eventually did see White naped Pigeon. Our visit to the Bigodi WS was good, where we had good looks at White collared Oliveback.

Birds seen here during our trip:

- Hadada Ibis
- Lanner Falcon
- Crested Guinea fowl
- White naped Pigeon
- Red eyed Dove
- Blue spotted Wood Dove
- Tambourine Dove
- African Green Pigeon
- Grey Parrot
- Great Blue Turaco
- Black billed Turaco
- Eastern Grey Plantain eater
- African Emerald Cuckoo
- White chinned Prinia
- Buff throated Apalis
- Grey capped Warbler
- Green backed Camaroptera
- White winged Scrub Warbler
- Green Hylia
- Swamp Flycatcher
- Dusky blue Flycatcher
- Grey (Lead coloured) Tit Flycatcher
- Snowy crowned Robin Chat
- Black and white Shrike Flycatcher
- Brown throated Wattle eye
- African Blue Flycatcher

- Yellowbill
- White browed Coucal
- Speckled Mousebird
- Narina Trogon
- Woodland Kingfisher
- Grey throated Barbet
- Yellow rumped Tinkerbird
- Yellow spotted Barbet
- Double toothed Barbet
- Willcock's Honeyguide
- Green backed Woodpecker
- Brown eared Woodpecker
- Cardinal Woodpecker
- African Pied Wagtail
- Yellow throated Longclaw
- Common Bulbul
- Little Greenbul
- Slender billed Greenbul
- Common Bristlebill
- Red tailed Ant Thrush
- White tailed Ant Thrush
- African Thrush
- Red faced Cisticola
- Tawny flanked Prinia
- Black headed Paradise Flycatcher
- African Paradise Flycatcher
- Green headed Sunbird
- Blue throated Brown Sunbird
- Scarlet chested Sunbird
- Bronze Sunbird
- Olive bellied Sunbird
- African Yellow White eye
- Brown crowned Tchagra
- Papyrus Gonolek
- Grey green (Bocage's) Bushshrike
- Black necked Weaver
- Vieillot's Weaver
- Red headed Malimbe
- Black Bishop
- Fan tailed Widowbird
- Grosbeak Weaver
- White breasted Negrofinch
- Grey headed Negrofinch
- White collared Oliveback
- Red headed Bluebill
- Black crowned Waxbill
- Pin tailed Whydah
- African Citril

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Queen Elizabeth NP

Accommodation: *Mweya Safari Lodge in the park. VERY luxurious and the best lodge I have ever visited.*

This is Uganda's most popular and accessible game reserve. The park contains about 2000 km² of tremendous scenic variety, including crater lakes, grassy plains, rivers, swamps, lakes and tropical forest. The snow capped Ruwenzori Mountains lie to the north and are not part of the park itself. Queen Elizabeth National Park has a bird list of more than 600 species the highest for any protected area in Africa, although most of the birds are widespread East African species. We only explored the open savannah here, seeing many animals (Lion, Leopard, Giant Forest Hog, Spotted Hyena, Python) and had good views of Harlequin Quail, Blue Quail, Small (Common) Buttonquail, African Crake, but no Hottentot Buttonquail, my only potential tick.

Birds seen here during our trip:

- Great White Pelican
- Pink backed Pelican
- Great Cormorant
- Grey Heron
- Black headed Heron
- Goliath Heron
- Purple Heron
- Great Egret
- Intermediate Egret
- Little Egret
- Little Bittern
- Hamerkop
- African Openbill
- Saddle billed Stork
- Marabou Stork
- Hadada Ibis
- African Spoonbill
- Egyptian Goose
- Black shouldered Kite
- African Fish Eagle
- Palm nut Vulture
- Hooded Vulture
- White backed Vulture
- Brown Snake Eagle
- Bateleur
- Gabar Goshawk
- Augur Buzzard
- Tawny Eagle
- Long crested Eagle
- Red necked Francolin
- Harlequin Quail
- Blue Quail
- Helmeted Guineafowl
- Small (Common) Buttonquail
- African Crake
- Black Crake
- Black bellied Bustard
- African Jacana
- Water Thick knee
- Spur winged Plover
- Senegal Lapwing
- Crowned Lapwing
- Wattled Lapwing
- Kittlitz's Plover
- Three banded Plover
- Wood Sandpiper
- Common Sandpiper
- Grey headed Gull
- African Mourning Dove
- Red eyed Dove
- Ring-necked Dove
- Laughing Dove
- Blue-spotted Wood Dove
- Pied Kingfisher
- Little Bee eater
- Madagascar Bee eater
- Broad billed Roller
- Eurasian Hoopoe
- Hairy breasted Barbet
- Spot flanked Barbet
- Rufous naped Lark
- Flappet Lark
- Plain Martin
- Rock Martin
- Angola Swallow
- Wire tailed Swallow
- Lesser Striped Swallow
- Rufous chested Swallow
- White headed Sawwing
- African Pied Wagtail
- Yellow throated Longclaw
- Plain backed Pipit
- African (Grassland) Pipit
- Common Bulbul
- African Thrush
- Trilling Cisticola
- Winding Cisticola
- Croaking Cisticola
- Siffling Cisticola
- Zitting Cisticola
- Wing snapping Cisticola
- Tawny flanked Prinia
- Grey capped Warbler
- White winged Scrub Warbler
- Lesser Swamp Warbler
- Buff bellied Warbler
- Red faced Crombec
- Northern Black Flycatcher
- Swamp Flycatcher
- White browed Robin Chat
- Sooty Chat
- Black headed Batis
- African Paradise Flycatcher
- Black lored Babbler
- Red chested Sunbird
- African Yellow White eye
- Grey backed Fiscal
- Common Fiscal
- Black crowned Tchagra
- Tropical Boubou
- Black headed Gonolek
- Papyrus Gonolek
- Fork tailed Drongo
- Pied Crow
- Wattled Starling
- Greater Blue eared Glossy Starling

- Tambourine Dove
- African Green Pigeon
- Eastern Grey Plantain eater
- Klaas' Cuckoo
- Dideric Cuckoo
- Black Coucal
- White browed Coucal
- Swamp Nightjar
- Slender tailed Nightjar
- Square tailed Nightjar
- African Palm Swift
- Little Swift
- White rumped Swift
- Speckled Mousebird
- Blue naped Mousebird
- Malachite Kingfisher
- Grey headed Kingfisher
- Rueppell's Glossy Starling
- Yellow billed Oxpecker
- Grey headed Sparrow
- Village Weaver
- Vieillot's Weaver
- Slender billed Weaver
- Golden backed Weaver
- Red billed Quelea
- Red Bishop
- African Firefinch
- Common Waxbill
- Black crowned Waxbill
- Bronze Mannikin
- Pin tailed Whydah
- Yellow-fronted Canary
- Brimstone Canary
- Golden breasted Bunting

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Bwindi Impenetrable NP

Accommodation: *the community bandas at Buhoma.*

Bwindi is believed to hold the richest faunal community in East Africa, including over 214 species of forest birds (336 species in total). Highly diverse, this park supports 24 of 26 Albertine Rift endemics that occur in Uganda. The park covers 330 km² in the south-west of the country, very close to the Congo border. It encompasses one of the last remaining habitats of the Mountain Gorilla, and is home to half of the surviving Mountain Gorillas in the world - an estimated 320 individuals. Because of the unrest in Rwanda and Eastern Congo, Bwindi has become the main place in East Africa to see the gorillas. Three of the family groups living close to the park headquarters at Buhoma have now been successfully habituated to allow human approach. Each day, 15 visitors - split into three parties - are allowed access to these gorillas for up to an hour's viewing often in exceptionally dense cover. You should be warned, however, that it can take up to 6 hours of tracking in the most arduous of terrain in order to find the gorillas, and such conditions are only likely to be tolerated by the fit, adventurous and, above all, masochistic people! At the end of the day you will certainly appreciate why this forest has earned its name. Not only will you be moving, off trail, through dense forest all day, you will be continually moving up and down on the steep, humus-covered slopes of very rugged hills. Intense humidity and regular heavy rainfall add to the challenge! Willemien and Riet were exhausted when we finally returned at the park's headquarters, while Eric, Vital and I just back from a trekking in the Himalayas, were not tired at all. Do not underestimate the challenge of gorilla-tracking in this ultimate of gorilla territories. We were fortunate in having Alfred Twinomujuni (E-mail: ugasaf@hotmail.com), without a doubt Uganda's best bird guide with us here. He had to come from Kampala in a hurry from a Birdquest trip.

The two main areas to visit are:

BUHOMA (1550m):

The park headquarters are at Buhoma, on the northern edge of the park, and it's here that gorilla visits start and where you'll find the park's only accommodation. Handsome

Francolin, Rufous chested Flufftail, (Western) Bronze naped Pigeon, Red chested Owlet, Willcock's Honeyguide, Toro Olive Greenbul, Red throated Alethe, Grauer's Warbler, Neumann's (Short tailed) Warbler, Chapin's Flycatcher, Equatorial Akalat, White bellied Robin Chat, Pale breasted Illadopsis, Grey headed & Blue headed Sunbird.

RUHIZHA (2300m):

The Ruhizha highland forest has a different nature and avifauna and it is also the site with most of the Albertine endemics. The star attractions here are Collared Apalis, African (Ruwenzori) Hill Babbler, Grauer's Warbler, Shelley's Crimsonwing, Dusky Crimsonwing, Archer's Robin-Chat, Regal Sunbird, Blue-headed Sunbird, Dwarf Honeyguide and many others.

The trail to Mubwindi Swamp is the best for some of the most difficult to find of all rift-endemics including Grauer's (African Green) Broadbill. Mubwindi Swamp holds Grauer's Scrub Warbler and Carruthers' Cisticola. Fraser's Eagle Owl and Ruwenzori Double collared Sunbird were seen here the week before we were there, but are very difficult.

Birds seen at Bwindi Impenetrable NP:

- Woolly necked Stork
- Mountain Buzzard
- Augur Buzzard
- Ayres' Hawk Eagle
- Long crested Eagle
- Handsome Francolin
- Rameron (Olive) Pigeon
- (Western) Bronze naped Pigeon
- Dusky Turtle Dove
- Great Blue Turaco
- Black billed Turaco
- Levillant's Cuckoo
- Dusky Long tailed Cuckoo
- African Wood Owl
- Red chested Owlet
- Speckled Mousebird
- Bar tailed Trogon
- Black Bee eater
- Cinnamon chested Bee eater
- White headed Woodhoopoe
- Crowned Hornbill
- Grey throated Barbet
- Yellow rumped Tinkerbird
- Willcock's Honeyguide
- Dwarf Honeyguide
- Buff spotted Woodpecker
- Elliot's Woodpecker
- African Broadbill
- Grauer's (African Green) Broadbill
- Angola Swallow
- White headed Sawwing
- Black Sawwing
- Cape Wagtail
- Grey Cuckoo Shrike
- Cinnamon Bracken Warbler
- Black faced Rufous Warbler
- Mountain Yellow Warbler
- Grauer's Warbler
- White browed Crombec
- Neumann's (Short tailed) Warbler
- Red faced Woodland Warbler
- White eyed Slaty Flycatcher
- Chapin's Flycatcher
- African Dusky Flycatcher
- Cassin's Flycatcher
- Grey (Lead coloured) Tit Flycatcher
- White starred Robin
- Equatorial Akalat
- White bellied Robin Chat
- Archer's Robin Chat
- Black and white Shrike Flycatcher
- Ruwenzori Batis
- African Blue Flycatcher
- White bellied Crested Flycatcher
- White tailed Crested Flycatcher
- African Paradise Flycatcher
- Pale breasted Illadopsis
- Mountain Illadopsis
- African (Ruwenzori) Hill Babbler
- Grey chested Illadopsis
- Dusky Tit
- Stripe breasted Tit
- Grey headed Sunbird
- Green Sunbird
- Collared Sunbird
- Blue headed Sunbird
- Blue throated Brown Sunbird
- Western Olive Sunbird

- Petit's Cuckoo Shrike
- Common Bulbul
- Shelley's Greenbul
- Little Greenbul
- Plain (Cameroon Sombre) Greenbul
- Slender billed Greenbul
- Yellow whiskered Bulbul
- Eastern Mountain Greenbul
- Honeyguide Greenbul
- Yellow throated Greenbul
- Toro Olive Greenbul
- Yellow streaked Greenbul
- Red tailed Greenbul
- White tailed Ant Thrush
- Olive Thrush
- Red throated Alethe
- Chubb's Cisticola
- Tawny flanked Prinia
- White chinned Prinia
- Banded Prinia
- Ruwenzori (Collared) Apalis
- Black faced (Mountain Masked) Apalis
- Buff throated Apalis
- Chestnut throated Apalis
- Grey Apalis
- Green backed Camaroptera
- Olive green Camaroptera
- Grauer's Scrub Warbler
- Green throated Sunbird
- Scarlet chested Sunbird
- Olive bellied Sunbird
- Northern Double collared Sunbird
- Regal Sunbird
- Variable Sunbird
- African Yellow White eye
- Black tailed (Montane) Oriole
- Mackinnon's Shrike
- Pink footed Puffback
- Brown crowned Tchagra
- Luehder's Bushshrike
- Tropical Boubou
- Sooty Boubou
- Mountain Sooty Boubou
- Grey green (Bocage's) Bushshrike
- Many coloured Bushshrike
- Slender billed Starling
- Waller's Starling
- Stuhlmann's Starling
- Black necked Weaver
- Vieillot's Weaver
- Brown capped Weaver
- Grey headed Negrofinch
- Yellow bellied Waxbill
- Magpie Mannikin
- Streaky Seedeater

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Kaaku Swamp

En route from Mbarara – Masaka, 5 km west of Mbirzi, it is worthwhile to make a stop at this swamp, where you can find many waterbirds and where we saw our only Papyrus Canary of the trip.

Birds seen in both areas:

- Goliath Heron
- Purple Heron
- Squacco Heron
- Rufous bellied Heron
- African Openbill
- Woolly necked Stork
- Saddle billed Stork
- White faced Whistling Duck
- Spur winged Goose
- Yellow billed Duck
- Black shouldered Kite
- African Fish Eagle
- African Marsh Harrier
- Long crested Eagle
- Grey crowned Crane
- Dideric Cuckoo
- Blue headed Coucal
- Speckled Mousebird
- Malachite Kingfisher
- Woodland Kingfisher
- Pied Kingfisher
- Angola Swallow
- Tawny flanked Prinia
- Greater Swamp Warbler
- Brown backed Scrub Robin
- Variable Sunbird
- Papyrus Gonolek
- Black headed Weaver
- Fan tailed Widowbird
- African Firefinch

- Black Crake
- Purple Swamphen
- Common Moorhen
- African Jacana
- Blue spotted Wood Dove
- Bare faced Go away bird
- Fawn breasted Waxbill
- Black crowned Waxbill
- Bronze Mannikin
- Papyrus Canary
- Yellow fronted Canary

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Mabamba Wetland

Accommodation: Victoria Inn at Entebbe or a hotel in Kampala.

This large and accessible wetland on the shores of Lake Victoria is only 45 minutes from the hustle and bustle of central Kampala and a reliable site to find the Shoebill. We took a boat into the papyrus swamp and had good views of two birds. We also made a few stops on the way to the swamp.

Birds seen/heard at the swamp and in the vicinity of the swamp:

- Long tailed Cormorant
- Darter, Black headed Heron
- Squacco Heron
- Cattle Egret
- Hamerkop
- African Openbill
- Marabou Stork
- Shoebill
- Hadada Ibis
- White faced Whistling Duck
- African Pygmy Goose
- Yellow billed Duck
- African Fish Eagle
- Palm nut Vulture
- African Marsh Harrier
- Lizard Buzzard
- Martial Eagle
- Long crested Eagle
- Black Crake
- Purple Swamphen
- Common Moorhen
- African Jacana
- Gull billed Tern
- Long toed Lapwing
- African Mourning Dove
- Red eyed Dove
- Ring-necked Dove
- Great Blue Turaco
- Eastern Grey Plantain eater
- Dideric Cuckoo
- Yellowbill
- Blue headed Coucal
- White rumped Swift
- Speckled Mousebird
- Broad billed Roller
- Crowned Hornbill
- African Pied Hornbill
- Black and white casqued Hornbill
- Yellow rumped Tinkerbird
- Yellow fronted Tinkerbird
- Spot flanked Barbet
- Wire tailed Swallow
- Lesser Striped Swallow
- Mosque Swallow
- Golden crowned (Yellow crested) Woodpecker
- African Pied Wagtail
- Common Bulbul
- African Thrush
- Carruthers' Cisticola
- Tawny flanked Prinia
- White winged Scrub Warbler
- Swamp Flycatcher
- Grey (Lead coloured) Tit Flycatcher
- Sooty Chat
- Brown throated Wattle eye
- African Blue Flycatcher
- White winged Black Tit
- Scarlet-chested Sunbird
- African Yellow White eye
- Tropical Boubou
- Papyrus Gonolek
- Pied Crow
- Grey headed Sparrow
- Baglafecht Weaver
- Village Weaver
- Slender billed Weaver
- Golden backed Weaver

- Malachite Kingfisher
- Grey headed Kingfisher
- Pied Kingfisher
- Little Bee eater
- White throated Bee eater
- Grey headed Negrofinch
- African Firefinch
- Fan tailed Widowbird
- Bronze Mannikin
- Pin tailed Whydah

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Daily log

Tuesday/Wednesday 16/17th July

Our trip started with a Kenya Airways flight from Amsterdam to Nairobi. An hour flight from Nairobi took us to Entebbe airport at 7.45 a.m. local time (one hour time difference with the Netherlands). The new airport at Entebbe - rebuilt since the Israeli raid on the hijacked airliner - was small, quiet, and idyllically situated on the shores of Lake Victoria. From the airport we drove straight to the Victoria Inn Hotel and here we met Hassan Mutebi, the organiser of our trip. Hereafter we headed to Mabamba Swamp where we had a first flavouring of Ugandan birds. We spent the whole afternoon in that area and made a boat trip into the swamp. The main prize sought here was a sighting of the bizarre Shoebill. Unfortunately, we came across the first one too suddenly and, as surprised to see us as we were to see it, the bird flushed immediately. We were left with a snapshot image of this huge creature as it lifted on heavy wings and disappeared deep into the swamp. However the second Shoebill was seen quite well standing only 20 metres from us in the papyrus. In the dense stand of papyrus we also had superb close-up views of the secretive White-winged Scrub Warbler, Carruthers' Cisticola, but only heard the noisy Papyrus Gonolek. The woodland surrounding the swamp harboured Martial Eagle, Eastern Grey Plantain-Eater, Grey Tit Flycatcher, the enormous Black and white casqued Hornbill and Grey headed Negrofinch. We spent the night at the Victoria Inn in Entebbe.

Thursday 18th July

The next morning we set off on a travel day to Masindi with some birding opportunities en route. Our large bus gave us ample room and the wide windows ensured that we fully enjoyed the views of the lakes and the secondary rain forest. Showy Great Blue Turacos, and brightly coloured, breeding plumaged Golden-backed Weavers and Black Bishops, Marsh Widowbird, Black Goshawk and Lizard Buzzard all showed well. We had lunch at the Masindi Hotel and hereafter we headed to the small village of Nyabyeya and put our luggage at the guesthouse only a few kilometres from the Budongo Forest. The afternoon we spent at Busingiro in Budongo Forest Reserve. Vincent, born in a near bye village, proved to be a very good birder and knew every squeak and whistle in this forest. New birds came thick and fast. Chocolate-backed Kingfisher was seen in my brand new telescope, as well as an Afeb Pigeon while walking on the middle of the road. With the tape we lured in the secretive White spotted Flufftail, a bird I had only seen once before at the Ngaoundaba Ranch in Cameroon. A wealth of other species quickly expanded our list and most noteworthy of these birds were Black billed Turaco, White thighed Hornbill, Spotted Greenbul, Red tailed Ant Thrush, Rufous crowned Eremomela, Green Hylia, Sooty Flycatcher and Little Green Sunbird. We then spent quite a while along a forest pool and above our heads Cassin's & Sabine Spinetails fluttered like strange bats over the pool that was also home to a few Blue throated Rollers and a pair of the beautiful Shining-blue Kingfishers. While having dinner at the guesthouse a night time bonus was a splendid Spotted Eagle Owl on the roof of a near bye building!

Friday 19th July

Dawn next morning found us at the Royal Mile, a wide pathway through level forests where the canopy towered far overhead. Canopy flocks supported Rufous crowned Eremomela, the elusive Lemon-bellied Crombec, Grey Longbill and Yellow mantled Weaver, while in the dark undergrowth we saw fleeting glimpses of the Forest Robin. Easier to find were the diminutive Dwarf Kingfisher, Yellow browed Camaroptera, Green Crombec and Yellow Longbill. It also was our chance to get to grips with a confusing array of Greenbuls and Vincent was a great help in identifying these troublesome species, amongst them Little Greenbul, Slender billed Greenbul, White throated Greenbul and Plain Greenbul. Every now and then we heard explosive hoots and screams from Chimpanzees shattering the peace of the forest. We also had good views of more colourful species like Black headed Paradise Flycatcher, Crested Malimbe and Red headed Bluebill. A great disappointment to us was that we were not able to find Nahan's Francolin, a speciality of Budongo. When it was almost dark we left the Royal Mile and drove to the Masindi Hotel, where an ample supply of Nile Special Beer and many small, but very nasty flies were waiting for us.

Saturday 20th July

En route to Murchison Falls we made a stop at the forest of Kaniyo Pabidi, where it took us more than one hour before we had good looks at Puvél's Illadopsis, a bird I had dipped in Cameroon a few years back. In the dark forest we also noted Honeyguide Greenbul, Fire crested Alethe, Yellow Longbill and Red chested Cuckoo. We then headed to the national park and checked in at the comfortable Sambiya River Lodge, where only a few tourists stayed. In the afternoon we drove to the top of the falls, a wonderful area for photography. As well as being a dramatic place in their own right, the falls also held a range of good birds including many White-headed Sawwings and Rock Pratincoles. We made a stroll in this area and amongst the birds seen were Red throated Bee eater, Red shouldered Cuckoo Shrike, Western Violet backed Sunbird, Black headed Gonolek, Chestnut crowned Sparrow Weaver, Brown Twin-spot, Bar breasted Firefinch, Red winged Pytilia and Red winged Grey Warbler. The sheer cliff face above the falls is home to thousands of bats and as dusk fell it was quite a spectacle when the bats emerged en masse from their daytime darkness and Grey Kestrels, Wahlberg's Eagles and Bat Hawks had easy pickings. There were so many bats that it would have been difficult not to catch one. The whole spectacle, with the backdrop of a setting sun, was quite memorable. On our way back to the lodge both Long-tailed and marvellous Pennant-winged Nightjars appeared and we also had a huge Verreaux's Eagle Owl in the headlights of our car.

Sunday 21st July

After a comfortable night at the lodge next morning found us at 6.45 at the ferry, where we made the crossing to the north side of the park. In the company of an armed ranger guide, who obviously knew a lot about the birds in the park, we spent all morning north of the White Nile. The grasslands and riverine thickets supported many species amongst them White headed Vulture, Small Buttonquail, Stanley's Bustard, Temminck's Courser, Blue naped Mousebird, Northern Carmine Bee eater, Flappet Lark, Croaking Cisticola, Buff bellied Warbler, Spotted Morning Thrush, Piapiac and Black-winged and Northern Red Bishops all in fine breeding plumage. Best of all for the ranger was the sighting of two White browed Sparrow Weavers, a species he had never seen before at Murchison Falls. In addition to the birding, which was good, Murchison Falls was also great for game viewing. This was 'classic' Africa with large concentrations of game, Elephants, several large herds of Buffalos, Rothschilds Giraffes, a dozing pride of Lions, Waterbucks, Warthogs and ever alert Oribis and Kobs. We had lunch along the White Nile and then made a boat trip down-

stream to the delta and within 15 minutes we found our first Shoebill here. Hundreds of Hippos and many enormous Nile Crocodiles as well as many Pied Kingfishers and beautiful Red-throated Bee-eaters lined the banks. Other birds we noted were Goliath Heron, Little Bittern, two more Shoebills, Fulvous Whistling Duck, Osprey, Red necked Falcon, Senegal Tick knee, Blue breasted Bee eater and Grosbeak Weaver to name but a few. Hereafter we drove back to the lodge and en route we added Heuglin's Francolin to our list.

Monday 22nd July

Today was largely a travelling day as we set out to drive to Fort Portal. We made a short stop at the dramatic Butiaba escarpment, overlooking Lake Albert, where we had good views of Scaly Francolin, Foxy Cisticola, Brubru and Black rumped Waxbill. The rest of the journey was straightforward on the fairly good dirt road all the way to Fort Portal, only the last 50 km was tarmac. In the late afternoon we arrived at the Kahangi Estate, our base for the next two nights, and a wonderful place to stay. We made a walk on the estate and saw amongst others Mackinnon's Shrike, Chestnut winged Starling and Scarlet chested Sunbird, but the Papyrus birds we only heard. Fiona and Haifa, the two female servants at the estate, had made a wonderful dinner for us and we had a very pleasant evening sitting next to a log fire.

Tuesday 23rd July

The following day involved an early start as we visited the Bigodi Wetland Sanctuary in extensive, mid-montane Kibale National Park. We did the guided walk in this papyrus and swamp forest. Amongst the highlights seen here were Willcock's Honeyguide, Brown eared Woodpecker, Red headed Malimbe, White breasted Negrofinch and White collared Oliveback. In the afternoon we did the Chimpanzee trek in Kibale Forest and we found no less than ten and had a particularly close encounter with this primate! Our stroll in the forest proved once again that birding in African rainforest can be the most frustrating branch of the hobby. The bird walk was very disappointing although we did see Crested Guineafowl, Narina Trogon, Red tailed Ant Thrush, White tailed Ant Thrush and, at the very last moment had a poor flight view of White-naped Pigeon. With a spectacular thunderstorm and torrential downpour we headed back to the estate complete with hot fire, cold drinks and BBC World News and where Fiona and Haifa had made an excellent dinner.

Wednesday 24th July

Not having completely achieved our objectives at Kibale NP we set off for the famous Queen Elizabeth NP. En route to this reserve we made a few roadside stops and noted amongst others Lilac breasted Roller and Black lored Babbler. At mid morning we arrived at "QE" ", as it is affectionately known, and at our luxurious lodge overlooking the Kazinga Channel we shared our lunch with tame Swamp Flycatchers, Slender-billed and Golden backed Weavers and enjoyed a swimming pool. An afternoon boat trip on the Kazinga Channel, the narrow neck of water that connects Lakes George and Edward, was relaxing and offered excellent photographic opportunities for waterside birds and abundant Hippopotamus. Amongst the birds seen were Striated Heron, African Spoonbill, Water Thick knee, Three banded Plover, Lesser Swamp Warbler and Yellow billed Oxpecker. In the late afternoon we made a drive in this typically East African reserve and saw a few Giant Forest Hogs - so shy and elusive elsewhere in East Africa - and a host of common savannah birds, amongst them Golden breasted Bunting. As dusk fell Slender-tailed & Swamp Nightjars emerged in the lights of the lodge.

Thursday 25th July

The wild yelp of the fish eagle was our daily alarm clock. From the luxury of the Mweya Safari Lodge we ventured out into the bush and Queen Elizabeth NP was simply bursting with wildlife. We made scenic drives around the extinct volcanoes and searched the scrub and lakeshore for the many birds and mammals that live here. Indeed, the recovery made by its animal population since its wholesale slaughter at the hands of the invading Tanzanian army in 1979 was remarkable. Lions, Spotted Hyena's, Elephants, Bushbucks, Defassa Waterbucks, Kobs and a host of other animals were seen. The open savannahs of Queen Elizabeth National Park were lush and green and Black Coucal and African Crake were all easy to see. We even flushed Harlequin Quail, Blue Quail and Small Buttonquail, although we failed to find Hottentot Buttonquail. Other birds seen included Saddle-billed Stork, Senegal Lapwing, Red-necked Francolin, lots of Plain backed Pipits, Rufous-naped Lark, several Cisticola species, Black-headed Gonolek and Streaky Seedeater. Particularly thrilling was our encounter with a 4 metre long Python with a large prey in its belly.

Friday 26th July

When leaving "QE" we had excellent views of a hunting Leopard. Just outside the park we made a stop at the river with the papyrus stands. Here we had finally for the first time good views of the skulking Papyrus Gonolek and I also had good views of the even more skulking White winged Scrub Warbler. We spent all day travelling to Bwindi Impenetrable Forest. The dirt road from Kabale to Buhoma was at some places very bad, but the drive proved less of an ordeal than we thought it would be. We climbed up out of the heat and made a few stops in the mountains and had good views of Bar tailed Trogon, Cape Wagtail, Chubb's Cisticola and Cassin's Flycatcher. After a long and tiring drive we arrived at Buhoma and put our luggage in the bandas. We then made a short stroll with Alfred in the valley of the Munyaga River and amongst the birds seen were Black Bee eater, Petit's Cuckoo Shrike, Yellow throated Greenbul, White chinned Prinia, White eyed Slaty Flycatcher, Brown throated Wattle eye, Pink footed Puffback, Luehder's Bushshrike and Magpie Mannikin.

Saturday 27th July

We spent all day with Alfred, our talented local guide and four armed guards in Bwindi Impenetrable NP searching for the Albertine Rift endemics. Amongst the endemics we did see were Handsome Francolin, Toro Olive Greenbul, Red throated Alethe, Black faced Apalis, Grauer's Warbler, Red faced Woodland Warbler, Dusky Tit, Neumann's Warbler (ran rings around us, but we had good views), Chapin's Flycatcher, Ruwenzori Batis and Blue headed Sunbird. Other goodies included (Western) Bronze naped Pigeon, Red chested Owlet, Elliot's Woodpecker, Equatorial Akalat, White bellied Robin-Chat, a ridiculously confiding Pale-breasted Illadopsis, Dusky Tit and African Broadbill that whirled and twirled upon its perch. Like all rain forest inhabitants mammals are difficult to see, but we managed to find L'Hoest Monkey and Ruwenzori & Yellow backed Duiker. In the late afternoon when we searched for the elusive Kivu Ground Thrush, it started raining with a vengeance which made birding virtually impossible. The rain drove us back into the cover of our camp, but not before we had a close encounter with a Green Mamba, one of Africa's most poisonous snakes.

Sunday 28th July

The next morning offered clear skies and this was a day we would never forget, especially the women. In the company of more than 10 people the five of us started the gorilla tracking.

After one hour we moved off trail and it took us more than five hours before we found the group of 9 Mountain Gorillas. Willemien and Riet were exhausted, not used to continually moving up and down on the steep, humus-covered slopes of very rugged hills and the intense humidity. We spent an hour with these immense but placid creatures and it was an experience never to be forgotten, especially when the "silverback " came out of the bushes, only three metres from us. The way back to the camp was a nightmare for the women, but eventually we arrived at Buhoma at 18.00 p.m. After a shower and a glass of cold white wine the women were glad that they had made the trip. However when I told them that our trekking in the Himalayas in April was much more difficult and that I was not tired at all, they were very angry and they still have not forgiven me.

Monday 29th July

We were not allowed to leave Buhoma before 7.00 a.m., so we arrived rather late at Ruhizha, some 800 m higher than Buhoma. The Ruhizha forest had a dramatically different nature and avifauna and it was also the site with most of the Albertine endemics and we did not have much time. The main reason for coming here was to trek down to the Mubwindi Swamp. Walking down we saw amongst others Dwarf Honeyguide, Stripe breasted Tit, Ruwenzori Apalis and African Hill Babbler, the last one sometimes treated as a separate species, Ruwenzori Hill Babbler. At the swamp itself we found the rare and localised Grauer's Scrub Warbler. The species surrendered itself immediately and we were treated to some great views as the birds flipped from clump to clump. Other Albertine Rift endemics we saw in this area were the beautiful Regal Sunbird and Archer's Robin-Chat. We were in prime habitat for the rarely seen Grauer's Broadbill and when I was almost convinced we would dip the species, Alfred heard their high pitched "see see see" call. and we had excellent views of a group of 6 birds amongst the similarly coloured leaves. In the late afternoon we left Ruhizha and headed to Kabale en route searching in vain for Dusky Crimsonwing and Doherty's Bushshrike. The luxurious White Horse Inn was a welcome change to the Buhoma bandas.

Tuesday 30th July

The final day of the trip began with the discovery of large colonies of Straw coloured Fruit Bats in the trees around our hotel. Even the drive back to Entebbe added some new birds. The route took us via Kaaku Swamp, where we had superb views of the very difficult to see Papyrus Canary. The swamp was alive with waterbirds such as Rufous bellied Heron, Saddle billed Stork, Spur winged Goose, Grey crowned Crane and Papyrus Gonolek. In the late afternoon we arrived at Entebbe and again spent the night at the Victoria Inn.

Wednesday 31st July

The following day we flew back to Nairobi and then to Amsterdam. At 5.00 p.m. we arrived at Schiphol airport and three hours later my father was waiting for me and Willemien at Breda railway station.

The final total for the two weeks trip was 453 species of birds. I finished the trip with 61 lifers, mostly of birds found elsewhere only in Congo and Rwanda. In addition to all these birds 35 species of mammal were identified on the trip.

My ten best birds of the trip? Shoebill, Pennant winged Nightjar, Shining blue Kingfisher, Chocolate backed Kingfisher, Dwarf Honeyguide, Grauer's (African Green) Broadbill, Red throated Alethe, Neumann's (Short tailed) Warbler, Papyrus Gonolek and Papyrus Canary, as always lifers all of course.

Chaam, 31 August 2002,

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Systematic list of birds

This list follows the taxonomy, names and sequence of James F. Clements (Birds of the World, A Check List, Fifth Edition, 2000). This fifth edition is based primarily on the higher taxonomic sequence outlined in the "Handbook of the Birds of the World" series published by Lynx Edicions.

Species in brackets are the English names in "Field Guide to the Birds of East Africa" by Terry Stevenson and John Fanshawe, but only mentioned when these differ substantially from the Clements Check List.

The Dutch names follow the translated "Complete Checklist of Birds of the World" (Complete Checklist van Vogels van de Wereld) of Michael Walters. Numbers quoted are estimates of the minimum numbers seen.

The following abbreviations are used:

WS = Wetland Sanctuary

FR = Forest Reserve

NP = National Park

100+ = a minimum of 100 birds

* = Albertine Rift endemic

LITTLE GREBE, *Tachybaptus ruficollis*, Dodaars
Only one bird seen in a crater lake near Kibale NP.

GREAT WHITE PELICAN, *Pelecanus onocrotalus*, Roze Pelikaan
A single one at Queen Elizabeth NP.

PINK-BACKED PELICAN, *Pelecanus rufescens*, Kleine Pelikaan
10+ en route Kampala - Masindi, a few at Murchison Falls NP, 50+ at Queen Elizabeth NP and 20+ at Kaaku Swamp.

GREAT CORMORANT, *Phalacrocorax carbo*, Aalscholver
4 at Murchison Falls NP and 50+ at Queen Elizabeth NP.

LONG TAILED CORMORANT, *Phalacrocorax africanus*, Afrikaanse Dwergaalscholver

7 at Mabamba wetland near Kampala.

DARTER, *Anhinga melanogaster*, Slangenhalsvogel

1 at Mabamba wetland near Kampala and 15+ at Murchison Falls NP.

GREY HERON, *Ardea cinerea*, Blauwe Reiger

3 at Murchison Falls NP and 2 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

BLACK-HEADED HERON, *Ardea melanocephala*, Zwartkopreiger

A common and widespread species.

GOLIATH HERON, *Ardea goliath*, Reuzenreiger

15+ at Murchison Falls NP, 4 at Queen Elizabeth NP and 1 at Kaaku Swamp.

PURPLE HERON, *Ardea purpurea*, Purperreiger

10+ at Murchison Falls NP, 1 at Queen Elizabeth NP and 2 at Kaaku Swamp.

GREAT EGRET, *Ardea alba*, Grote Zilverreiger

1 at Murchison Falls NP and 10+ at Queen Elizabeth NP.

INTERMEDIATE EGRET, *Egretta intermedia*, Middelste Zilverreiger

A single bird along the Kazinga Channel at Queen Elizabeth NP.

LITTLE EGRET, *Egretta garzetta*, Kleine Zilverreiger

Small numbers near Budongo FR and Queen Elizabeth NP and 1 at Kaaku Swamp.

SQUACCO HERON, *Ardeola ralloides*, Ralreiger

5 at Mabamba wetland near Kampala and 6 at Kaaku Swamp.

RUFOUS-BELLIED HERON, *Ardeola rufiventris*, Roodbuikreiger

3 at Kaaku Swamp.

CATTLE EGRET, *Bubulcus ibis*, Koereiger

A very common and widespread species.

STRIATED HERON, *Butorides striatus*, Mangrovereiger

3 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

LITTLE BITTERN, *Ixobrychus minutus*, Woudaap

Single ones at Murchison Falls NP and Queen Elizabeth NP.

HAMERKOP, *Scopus umbretta*, Hamerkop

A fairly common and widespread species.

YELLOW-BILLED STORK, *Mycteria ibis*, Afrikaanse Nimmerzat

5 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

AFRICAN OPENBILL, *Anastomus lamelligerus*, Afrikaanse Gaper

4 in the Kampala area, 10+ at Murchison Falls NP, 2 at Queen Elizabeth NP and 15+ at Kaaku Swamp.

WOOLLY-NECKED STORK, *Ciconia episcopus*, Bisschopsooievaar

2 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP and 2 at Kaaku Swamp.

SADDLE-BILLED STORK, *Ephippiorhynchus senegalensis*, Zadelbekooievaar
2 at Murchison Falls NP, 2 at Queen Elizabeth NP and 2 at Kaaku Swamp.

MARABOU STORK, *Leptoptilos crumeniferus*, Afrikaanse Maraboe
A very common and widespread species.

SHOEBILL, *Balaeniceps rex*, Schoenbekooievaar
2 at Mabamba wetland near Kampala and 3 along the White Nile to the delta at Murchison Falls NP.

SACRED IBIS, *Threskiornis aethiopicus*, Heilige Ibis
8 in the vicinity of Kabale.

HADADA IBIS, *Bostrychia hagedash*, Hadada-ibis
A common and widespread species, seen every day of the trip.

AFRICAN SPOONBILL, *Platalea alba*, Afrikaanse Lepelaar
4 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

FULVOUS WHISTLING-DUCK, *Dendrocygna bicolor*, Rosse Fluiteend
4 at Murchison Falls NP.

WHITE-FACED WHISTLING-DUCK, *Dendrocygna viduata*, Witwangfluiteend
6 at Mabamba wetland near Kampala, 10+ at Murchison Falls NP and 20+ at Kaaku Swamp.

EGYPTIAN GOOSE, *Alopochen aegyptiacus*, Nijlgans
1 at Murchison Falls NP and 25+ at Queen Elizabeth NP.

SPUR-WINGED GOOSE, *Plectropterus gambensis*, Spoorwiekgans
25+ at Kaaku Swamp.

COMB (KNOB-BILLED) DUCK, *Sarkidiornis melanotos*, Knobbeleend
50+ at Murchison Falls NP.

AFRICAN PYGMY-GOOSE, *Nettapus auritus*, Afrikaanse Dwergeend
4 at Mabamba wetland near Kampala.

YELLOW-BILLED DUCK, *Anas undulata*, Geelsnaveleend
4 at Mabamba wetland near Kampala, 2 near Fort Portal and 10+ at Kaaku Swamp.

OSPREY, *Pandion haliaetus*, Visarend
A single bird along the White Nile at Murchison Falls NP.

BAT HAWK, *Macheiramphus alcinus*, Vleermuiswouw
A single one at the falls in Murchison Falls NP.

BLACK-SHOULDERED KITE, *Elanus caeruleus*, Grijze Wouw
Seen most days with a maximum of 9 on the 19th.

BLACK KITE, *Milvus migrans*, Zwarte Wouw
Fairly common especially in the cities.

AFRICAN FISH-EAGLE, *Haliaeetus vocifer*, Afrikaanse Zeearend
A common appearance along lakes and rivers.

PALM-NUT VULTURE, *Gypohierax angolensis*, Palmgier
4 near Kampala, 4 at Murchison Falls NP, up to 5 a day at Queen Elizabeth NP.

HOODED VULTURE, *Necrosyrtes monachus*, Kapgier
1 at Murchison Falls NP and 2 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

WHITE-BACKED VULTURE, *Gyps africanus*, Witruggier
A few at Murchison Falls NP, 100+ at Queen Elizabeth NP and a few at Lake Mburo NP.

LAPPET-FACED VULTURE, *Torgos tracheliotus*, Oorgier
A single one at Murchison Falls NP.

WHITE-HEADED VULTURE, *Trigonoceps occipitalis*, Witkopgier
A single one at Murchison Falls NP.

BROWN SNAKE-EAGLE, *Circaetus cinereus*, Bruine Slangenarend
2 at Murchison Falls NP and 2 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

BATELEUR, *Terathopius ecaudatus*, Bateleur
5 at Murchison Falls NP and 4 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

AFRICAN MARSH-HARRIER, *Circus ranivorus*, Afrikaanse Bruine Kiekendief
5 at Mabamba wetland near Kampala and 3 at Kaaku Swamp.

AFRICAN HARRIER-HAWK, *Polyboroides typus*, Kaalkopkiekendief
A single bird at Murchison Falls NP.

LIZARD BUZZARD, *Kaupifalco monogrammicus*, Hagedisbuizerd
Singles near Kampala and near Masindi, 2 en route from Masindi - Murchison Falls NP, 3 at Murchison Falls NP and 1 near Fort Portal.

DARK CHANTING-GOSHAWK, *Melierax metabates*, Donkere Zanghavik
3 at Murchison Falls NP.

GABAR GOSHAWK, *Melierax gabar*, Gabarhavik
A single observation at Queen Elizabeth NP.

AFRICAN GOSHAWK, *Accipiter tachiro*, Afrikaanse Havik
1 at Budongo FR.

BLACK GOSHAWK (GREAT SPARROWHAWK), *Accipiter melanoleucus*, Zwarte Havik
1 at Budongo FR.

MOUNTAIN BUZZARD, *Buteo oreophilus*, Bergbuizerd
2 en route Kabale - Bwindi Impenetrable NP, 1 near Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

AUGUR BUZZARD, *Buteo augur*, Augurbuizerd
Single birds at Murchison Falls NP, Queen Elizabeth NP and en route Bwindi Impenetrable NP - Kabale.

TAWNY EAGLE, *Aquila rapax*, Taankleurige Arend
4 at Murchison Falls NP and 2 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

WAHLBERG'S EAGLE, *Aquila wahlbergi*, Wahlbergs Arend
2 at the falls in Murchison Falls NP.

AFRICAN HAWK-EAGLE, *Aquila spilogaster*, Afrikaanse Havikarend
A single one at Budongo FR.

AYRES' HAWK-EAGLE, *Aquila ayresii*, Ayres' Havikarend
A pair at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

MARTIAL EAGLE, *Polemaetus bellicosus*, Vechtarend
A splendid bird in a tree in the Mabamba wetland area near Kampala.

LONG-CRESTED EAGLE, *Lophaetus occipitalis*, Afrikaanse Zwarte Kuifarend
A fairly common and widespread appearance.

CASSIN'S HAWK-EAGLE, *Spizaetus africanus*, Cassins Kuifarend
A single one at Budongo FR.

CROWNED HAWK-EAGLE (AFRICAN CROWNED-EAGLE), *Stephanoaetus coronatus*, Kroonarend
A single one at Budongo FR.

GREY KESTREL, *Falco ardosiaceus*, Grijze Torenavalk
4 at Murchison Falls NP and 1 en route Fort Portal - Queen Elizabeth NP.

RED-NECKED FALCON, *Falco chicquera*, Roodkopsmelleken
A single one at Murchison Falls NP.

LANNER FALCON, *Falco biarmicus*, Lannervalk
A single bird near Kibale NP.

CRESTED FRANCOLIN, *Francolinus sephaena*, Kuiffrankolijn
4 at Murchison Falls NP.

SCALY FRANCOLIN, *Francolinus squamatus*, Geschubde Frankolijn
A single bird at the Butiaba escarpment.

HEUGLIN'S FRANCOLIN, *Francolinus icterorhynchus*, Geelsnavelfrankolijn
3 at Murchison Falls NP.

RED-NECKED FRANCOLIN (RED-NECKED SPURFOWL), *Francolinus afer*, Roodkeelfrankolijn
Common at Queen Elizabeth NP.

HANDSOME FRANCOLIN, *Francolinus nobilis*, Bamboefrankolijn
4 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

HARLEQUIN QUAIL, *Coturnix delegorguei*, Harlekijnkwartel
3 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

BLUE QUAIL, *Coturnix adansonii*, Blauwe Kwartel
A single bird at Queen Elizabeth NP.

HELMETED GUINEAFOWL, *Numida meleagris*, Helmparelhoen
A very common and widespread species.

CRESTED GUINEAFOWL, *Guttera pucherani*, Kroonparelhoen
2 at Kibale NP.

SMALL (COMMON) BUTTONQUAIL, *Turnix sylvatica*, Gestreepte Vechtkwartel
2 at Murchison Falls NP and 6 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

GREY CROWNED-CRANE, *Balearica regulorum*, Grijze Kroonkraan
6 at Murchison Falls NP, 25+ en route Kabale – Bwindi Impenetrable NP, 100+ at Kaaku Swamp.

WHITE-SPOTTED FLUFFTAIL, *Sarothrura pulchra*, Parelvlekral
A single bird at Budongo FR.

AFRICAN CRAKE, *Crecopsis egregia*, Afrikaanse Kwartelkoning
A splendid observation at Queen Elizabeth NP.

BLACK CRAKE, *Amaurornis flavirostra*, Zwart Porseleinhoen
3 at Mabamba wetland, 10+ at Murchison Falls NP, 15+ at Queen Elizabeth NP and 10+ at Kaaku Swamp.

PURPLE SWAMPHEN, *Porphyrio porphyrio*, Purperkoet
6 at Mabamba wetland and 10+ at Kaaku Swamp.

COMMON MOORHEN, *Gallinula chloropus*, Waterhoen
1 at Mabamba wetland and 2 at Kaaku Swamp.

STANLEY BUSTARD, *Neotis denhami*, Denhams Trap
2 at Murchison Falls NP.

BLACK-BELLIED BUSTARD, *Lissotis melanogaster*, Zwartbuiktrap
3 at Murchison Falls NP, 1 at Queen Elizabeth NP and 1 at Lake Mburo NP.

AFRICAN JACANA, *Actophilornis africanus*, Lelieloper
15+ at Mabamba wetland, a few at Murchison Falls NP, 15+ at Queen Elizabeth NP and fairly common at Kaaku Swamp.

WATER THICK-KNEE, *Burhinus vermiculatus*, Watergriel
8 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

SENEGAL THICK-KNEE, *Burhinus senegalensis*, Senegalese Griel
6 at Murchison Falls NP.

TEMMINCK'S COURSER, *Cursorius temminckii*, Temmincks Renvogel
A single bird at Murchison Falls NP.

ROCK PRATINCOLE, *Glareola nuchalis*, Rotsvorkstaartplevier
25+ at Murchison Falls NP.

LONG-TOED LAPWING, *Vanellus crassirostris*, Langteenkievit
A few at Mabamba Swamp and 10+ at Murchison Falls NP.

SPUR-WINGED PLOVER, *Vanellus spinosus*, Sporenkievit
10+ at Murchison Falls NP and 25+ at Queen Elizabeth NP.

SENEGAL LAPWING, *Vanellus lugubris*, Rouwkievit
8 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

CROWNED LAPWING, *Vanellus coronatus*, Diadeemkievit
9 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

WATTLED LAPWING, *Vanellus senegallus*, Lelkievit
15+ at Murchison Falls NP and 30+ at Queen Elizabeth NP.

KITTLITZ'S PLOVER, *Charadrius pecuarius*, Herdersplevier
50+ along the Kazinga Channel in Queen Elizabeth NP.

THREE-BANDED PLOVER, *Charadrius tricollaris*, Driebandplevier
2 along the Kazinga Channel in Queen Elizabeth NP.

WOOD SANDPIPER, *Tringa glareola*, Bosruiter
1 along the Kazinga Channel in Queen Elizabeth NP.

COMMON SANDPIPER, *Actitis hypoleucos*, Oeverloper
6 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

GREY-HEADED GULL, *Larus cirrocephalus*, Grijskopmeeuw
30+ at Queen Elizabeth NP.

GULL-BILLED TERN, *Sterna nilotica*, Lachstern
A single one near Kampala.

WHITE-WINGED TERN, *Chlidonias leucopterus*, Witvleugelstern
30+ at Entebbe.

ROCK DOVE, *Columba livia*, Rotsduif
Common in villages and cities.

AFEB PIGEON, *Columba unicincta*, Afrikaanse Houtduif
A single observation at Budongo FR.

RAMERON (OLIVE) PIGEON, *Columba arquatrix*, Olijfduif
4 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

WHITE-NAPED PIGEON, *Columba albinucha*, Witnekduif

1 at Kibale NP.

(WESTERN) BRONZE-NAPED PIGEON, *Columba iriditorques*, Bronsnekduif
2 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

DUSKY TURTLE-DOVE, *Streptopelia lugens*, Rouwtortel
5 near Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

AFRICAN MOURNING DOVE, *Streptopelia decipiens*, Treurtortel
1 near Kampala and a few at Queen Elizabeth NP, more heard than seen.

RED-EYED DOVE, *Streptopelia semitorquata*, Roodoogtortel
A common and widespread species.

RING-NECKED DOVE, *Streptopelia capicola*, Kaapse Tortel
A rather common and widespread species.

VINACEOUS DOVE, *Streptopelia vinacea*, Wijntortel
Small numbers at Murchison Falls NP.

LAUGHING DOVE, *Streptopelia senegalensis*, Palmtortel
Seen in small numbers at Masindi, Murchison Falls NP and Queen Elizabeth NP.

BLACK-BILLED WOOD-DOVE, *Turtur abyssinicus*, Zwartsnavelduif
A few at Murchison Falls NP.

BLUE-SPOTTED WOOD-DOVE, *Turtur afer*, Staalvlekduif
Small numbers at Budongo FR, Murchison Falls NP, Kibale NP, Queen Elizabeth NP and near Kabale.

TAMBOURINE DOVE, *Turtur tympanistria*, Tamboerijnduif
4 at Budongo FR, Kibale NP and Queen Elizabeth NP.

BRUCE'S GREEN-PIGEON, *Treron waalia*, Waaliaduif
4 at Murchison Falls NP.

AFRICAN GREEN-PIGEON, *Treron calva*, Afrikaanse Papegaaiduif
Seen regularly with up to 5 a day.

RED-HEADED LOVEBIRD, *Agapornis pullarius*, Roodmaskeragapornis
4 at Budongo FR.

GREY PARROT, *Psittacus erithacus*, Grijze Roodstaartpapegaai
3 at Bigodi WS.

MEYER'S (BROWN) PARROT, *Poicephalus meyeri*, Meyers Papegaai
6 en route Kampala – Masindi, 1 at Budongo FR, 1 at Murchison Falls NP and 2 at Lake Mburo NP.

GREAT BLUE TURACO, *Corythaeo cristata*, Reuzentoerako
8 near Mabamba wetland, 2 at Budongo FR, 6 at Bigodi WS, 3 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP, 10+ at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BLACK-BILLED TURACO, *Tauraco schuettii*, Zwartsnaveltoerako
5 at Budongo FR, 3 at Kibale NP, up to 5 a day at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BARE-FACED GO-AWAY-BIRD, *Corythaixoides personata*, Maskertoerako
8 at Lake Mburo NP.

EASTERN GREY PLANTAIN-EATER, *Crinifer zonurus*, Bandstaartbananeneter
A common and widespread species.

LEVAILLANT'S CUCKOO, *Clamator levaillantii*, Levailants Koekoek
A single observation at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

RED-CHESTED CUCKOO, *Cuculus solitarius*, Heremietkoekoek
5 at Budongo FR and 1 at the forest in Kaniyo Pabidi.

BLACK CUCKOO, *Cuculus clamosus*, Zwarte Koekoek
A single bird at Budongo FR.

DUSKY LONG-TAILED CUCKOO, *Cercococcyx mechowi*, Grijze Langstaartkoekoek
A single one seen at Budongo FR and 1 seen and 2 heard at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

KLAAS' CUCKOO, *Chrysococcyx klaas*, Klaas' Koekoek
Single ones at Budongo FR and Queen Elizabeth NP.

AFRICAN EMERALD CUCKOO, *Chrysococcyx cupreus*, Smaragdkoekoek
1 near Mabamba wetland and 2 heard at Queen Elizabeth NP.

DIDERIC CUCKOO, *Chrysococcyx caprius*, Diederikkoekoek
1 near Mabamba wetland, 2 at Queen Elizabeth NP and 2 at Kaaku Swamp.

YELLOWBILL, *Ceuthmochares aereus*, Geelsnavelmalkoha
1 near Mabamba wetland, 1 at Budongo FR, 2 at Murchison Falls NP and 2 at Kibale NP.

BLACK COUCAL, *Centropus grillii*, Zwarte Spoorkeekoek
A single observation at Queen Elizabeth NP.

BLUE-HEADED COUCAL, *Centropus monachus*, Monniksspoorkeekoek
1 at Mabamba wetland and 2 at Kaaku Swamp.

SENEGAL COUCAL, *Centropus senegalensis*, Senegalese Spoorkeekoek
2 at Budongo FR and 6 at Murchison Falls NP.

WHITE-BROWED COUCAL, *Centropus superciliosus*, Wenkbrauwspoorkeekoek
A fairly common and widespread species.

SPOTTED EAGLE-OWL, *Bubo africanus*, Afrikaanse Oehoe
A single one at Budongo FR.

VERREAUX'S EAGLE-OWL, *Bubo lacteus*, Verreaux' Oehoe
A single one at Murchison Falls NP.

AFRICAN WOOD-OWL, *Strix woodfordii*, Afrikaanse Bosuil
A single one heard at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

RED-CHESTED OWLET, *Glaucidium tephronotum*, Roodborstdwerguil
A single observation at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

SWAMP NIGHTJAR, *Caprimulgus natalensis*, Moerasnachtzwaluw
2 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

LONG-TAILED NIGHTJAR, *Caprimulgus climacurus*, Mozambikaanse Nachtzwaluw
4 at Murchison Falls NP.

SLENDER-TAILED NIGHTJAR, *Caprimulgus clarus*, Reichenows Nachtzwaluw
2 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

SQUARE-TAILED NIGHTJAR, *Caprimulgus fossii*, Gabonnachtzwaluw
1 at Murchison Falls NP and 1 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

PENNANT-WINGED NIGHTJAR, *Macrodipteryx vexillarius*, Wimpelnachtzwaluw
4 at Murchison Falls NP. Seen a few traffic victims en route Murchison Falls NP - Butiaba escarpment.

SABINE'S SPINETAIL, *Rhaphidura sabini*, Moerasgierzwaluw
A small group above a forest pool at Budongo FR.

CASSIN'S SPINETAIL, *Neafrapus cassini*, Cassins Gierzwaluw
3 above a forest pool at Budongo FR.

AFRICAN PALM-SWIFT, *Cypsiurus parvus*, Afrikaanse Palmgierzwaluw
A very common species.

AFRICAN (BLACK) SWIFT, *Apus barbatus*, Kaapse Gierzwaluw
Small numbers near Kabale.

LITTLE SWIFT, *Apus affinis*, Huisgierzwaluw
A fairly common and widespread species.

WHITE-RUMPED SWIFT, *Apus caffer*, Kaffergierzwaluw
A fairly common and widespread species.

SPECKLED MOUSEBIRD, *Colius striatus*, Bruine Muisvogel
A very common species.

BLUE-NAPED MOUSEBIRD, *Urocolius macrourus*, Blauwnekmuisevogel
5 at Murchison Falls NP and 3 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

NARINA TROGON, *Apaloderma narina*, Narinatrogon
Heard at Budongo FR and Kibale NP.

BAR-TAILED TROGON, *Apaloderma vittatum*, Bandstaarttrogon
A single one en route Kabale – Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

SHINING-BLUE KINGFISHER, *Alcedo quadribrachys*, Glansijsvogel
2 at Budongo FR.

MALACHITE KINGFISHER, *Alcedo cristata*, Malachietijsvogel
A common species along rivers and in the swamps.

AFRICAN PYGMY-KINGFISHER, *Ispidina picta*, Afrikaanse Dwergijsvogel
Single ones at Murchison Falls NP and en route Masindi - Butiaba escarpment.

DWARF KINGFISHER, *Ispidina lecontei*, Bruinkopdwergijsvogel
3 at Budongo FR.

CHOCOLATE-BACKED KINGFISHER, *Halcyon badia*, Witkeelijsvogel
2 seen and 3 heard at Budongo FR.

GREY-HEADED KINGFISHER, *Halcyon leucocephala*, Grijskopijsvogel
A rather common and widespread species.

WOODLAND KINGFISHER, *Halcyon senegalensis*, Senegalijsvogel
2 in the Kampala area, 4 en route Kampala – Masindi, 2 at Murchison Falls NP, 2 at Bigodi WS, 1 near Fort Portal and 1 at Kaaku Swamp.

BLUE-BREASTED KINGFISHER, *Halcyon malimbica*, Teugelijsvogel
3 at Budongo FR.

STRIPED KINGFISHER, *Halcyon chelicuti*, Gestreepte IJsvogel
7 at Murchison Falls NP.

PIED KINGFISHER, *Ceryle rudis*, Bonte IJsvogel
A very common species. Seen in large numbers along the White Nile in Murchison Falls NP and along the Kazinga Channel in Queen Elizabeth NP.

BLACK BEE-EATER, *Merops gularis*, Zwarte Bijeneter
8 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

RED-THROATED BEE-EATER, *Merops bulocki*, Roodkeelbijeneter
10+ at Murchison Falls NP.

LITTLE BEE-EATER, *Merops pusillus*, Dwergbijeneter
7 at Mabamba wetland, a few at Murchison Falls NP and 5 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

BLUE-BREASTED BEE-EATER, *Merops variegatus*, Blauwborstbijeneter
4 at Murchison Falls NP.

CINNAMON-CHESTED BEE-EATER, *Merops oreobates*, Bergbijeneter
Small numbers at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

SWALLOW-TAILED BEE-EATER, *Merops hirundineus*, Zwaluwstaartbijeneter
6 at Murchison Falls NP.

WHITE-THROATED BEE-EATER, *Merops albicollis*, Witkeelbijeneter
4 at Mabamba wetland near Kampala.

MADAGASCAR BEE-EATER, *Merops superciliosus*, Blauwwangbijeneter
3 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

NORTHERN CARMINE BEE-EATER, *Merops nubicus*, Noordelijke Karmijnrode Bijeneter
15+ at Murchison Falls NP.

LILAC-BREASTED ROLLER, *Coracias caudata*, Vorkstaartscharrelaar
1 en route Kibale NP – Queen Elizabeth NP and 4 en route Lake Mburo NP – Kampala.

BROAD-BILLED ROLLER, *Eurystomus glaucurus*, Breedbekscharrelaar
Fairly common in the Kampala area, a few en route Kampala – Masindi, 2 at Murchison
Falls NP and 3 en route Lake Mburo NP – Kampala.

BLUE-THROATED ROLLER, *Eurystomus gularis*, Blauwkeelscharrelaar
3 at Budongo FR.

EURASIAN HOOPOE, *Upupa epops*, Hop
A single bird at Murchison Falls NP.

WHITE-HEADED WOODHOOPOE, *Phoeniculus bollei*, Witkopkakelaar
30+ at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

CROWNED HORNBILL, *Tockus alboterminatus*, Kuiftok
8 near Mabamba wetland, 4 at Bigodi WS and 2 at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

AFRICAN PIED HORNBILL, *Tockus fasciatus*, Bonte Tok
4 in the Mabamba wetland area near Kampala.

AFRICAN GREY HORNBILL, *Tockus nasutus*, Grijze Tok
50+ at Murchison Falls NP.

BLACK-AND-WHITE-CASQUED HORNBILL, *Ceratogymna subcylindricus*,
Grijsoorneushoornvogel
A common and widespread species.

WHITE-THIGHED HORNBILL, *Ceratogymna albotibialis*, Witdijneushoornvogel
Fairly common at Budongo FR.

ABYSSINIAN GROUND-HORNBILL, *Bucorvus abyssinicus*, Noordelijke Hoornraaf
5 at Murchison Falls NP.

GREY-THROATED BARBET, *Gymnobucco bonapartei*, Grijskeelborstelneus
3 at Bigodi WS and 5 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

SPECKLED TINKERBIRD, *Pogoniulus scolopaceus*, Gespikkelde Ketellapper
4 at Budongo FR.

YELLOW-THROATED TINKERBIRD, *Pogoniulus subsulphureus*, Geelkeelketellapper
A single one at Budongo FR.

YELLOW-RUMPED TINKERBIRD, *Pogoniulus bilineatus*, Geelstuitketellapper

3 in the Mabamba wetland area, 2 at Kibale NP, 3 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

YELLOW-FRONTED TINKERBIRD, *Pogoniulus chrysoconus*, Geelvoorhoofdketellapper
Single birds in the Mabamba wetland area and at Murchison Falls NP.

YELLOW-SPOTTED BARBET, *Buccanodon duchaillui*, Geelvlekbaardvogel
Single birds at Budongo FR and at Bigodi WS.

HAIRY-BREASTED BARBET, *Tricholaema hirsuta*, Geelparelbaardvogel
A single bird at Murchison Falls NP.

SPOT-FLANKED BARBET, *Tricholaema lacrymosa*, Rouwbaardvogel
2 in the Mabamba wetland area, 1 at Murchison Falls NP and 3 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

BLACK-BILLED BARBET, *Lybius guifsobalito*, Rood-zwarte Baardvogel
2 at Murchison Falls NP.

DOUBLE-TOOTHED BARBET, *Lybius bidentatus*, Dubbeltandbaardvogel
1 in Kampala, 2 at Murchison Falls NP and 2 at Bigodi WS.

YELLOW-BILLED BARBET, *Trachyphonus purpuratus*, Geelsnavelbaardvogel
A single one at Budongo FR.

GREATER HONEYGUIDE, *Indicator indicator*, Grote Honingspeurder
A pair at Murchison Falls NP.

WILLCOCK'S HONEYGUIDE, *Indicator willcocksi*, Willcocks Honingspeurder
2 at Bigodi WS and 1 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

DWARF HONEYGUIDE, *Indicator pumilio*, Kortsnavelhoningspeurder
A splendid observation at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GREEN-BACKED WOODPECKER, *Campethera cailliautii*, Groenrugspecht
3 at Bigodi WS.

BUFF-SPOTTED WOODPECKER, *Campethera nivosa*, Termietenspecht
Heard at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BROWN-EARED WOODPECKER, *Campethera caroli*, Bruinoorspecht
A single one at Bigodi WS.

CARDINAL WOODPECKER, *Dendropicos fuscescens*, Kardinaalspecht
A single one at Bigodi WS.

BEARDED WOODPECKER, *Dendropicos namaquus*, Baardspecht
A single one at Budongo FR.

GOLDEN-CROWNED (YELLOW-CRESTED) WOODPECKER, *Dendropicos xantholophus*,
Geelkruinspecht
1 in the Mabamba wetland area and 10+ at Budongo FR.

ELLIOT'S WOODPECKER, *Dendropicos elliotii*, Elliots Specht

A single one at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

AFRICAN BROADBILL, *Smithornis capensis*, Kaapse Breedbek
2 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GRAUER'S (AFRICAN GREEN) BROADBILL, *Pseudocalyptomena graueri*, Grauers Breedbek
Bird of the trip. A group of 6 birds at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

RUFOUS-NAPED LARK, *Mirafraga africana*, Roodnekleeuwerik
3 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

FLAPPET LARK, *Mirafraga rufocinnamomea*, Ratelleeuwerik
Fairly common at Murchison Falls NP, small numbers at Queen Elizabeth NP.

PLAIN MARTIN, *Riparia paludicola*, Vale Oeverzwaluw
Fairly common at Queen Elizabeth NP.

ROCK MARTIN, *Hirundo fuligula*, Kaapse Rotszwaluw
A few at Queen Elizabeth NP.

ANGOLA SWALLOW, *Hirundo angolensis*, Angolese Zwaluw
A common and widespread species.

WIRE-TAILED SWALLOW, *Hirundo smithii*, Roodkruinzwaluw
Small numbers in the Masindi area and at Murchison Falls NP.

LESSER STRIPED-SWALLOW, *Hirundo abyssinica*, Savannezwaluw
A few near Kampala and at Murchison Falls NP, fairly common at Queen Elizabeth NP.

RUFOUS-CHESTED SWALLOW, *Hirundo semirufa*, Roodborstzwaluw
A few at Queen Elizabeth NP.

MOSQUE SWALLOW, *Hirundo senegalensis*, Moskeezwaluw
Small numbers near Entebbe, Murchison Falls NP and en route Masindi - Butiaba
escarpment.

WHITE-HEADED SAWWING, *Psalidoprocne albiceps*, Witkopkamzwaluw
15+ at Budongo FR, common at Murchison Falls NP, a few at Queen Elizabeth NP and en
route Kabale – Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BLACK SAWWING, *Psalidoprocne holomelas*, Zwarte Kamzwaluw
Small numbers at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

AFRICAN PIED WAGTAIL, *Motacilla aguimp*, Afrikaanse Bonte Kwikstaart
A common and widespread species.

CAPE WAGTAIL, *Motacilla capensis*, Kaapse Kwikstaart
3 en route Kabale – Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

YELLOW-THROATED LONGCLAW, *Macronyx croceus*, Geelkeellangklauw
2 at Bigodi WS and 25+ at Queen Elizabeth NP.

PLAIN-BACKED PIPIT, *Anthus leucophrys*, Bruinrugpieper
6 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

AFRICAN (GRASSLAND) PIPIT, *Anthus cinnamomeus*, Kaneelpieper
1 at Murchison Falls NP and 5 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

GREY CUCKOO-SHRIKE, *Coracina caesia*, Bosrupsvogel
4 at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

PETIT'S CUCKOO-SHRIKE, *Campephaga petiti*, Zairese Rupsvogel
4 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

RED-SHOULDERED CUCKOO-SHRIKE, *Campephaga phoenicea*, Roodschouderrupsvogel
4 at Budongo FR.

COMMON BULBUL, *Pycnonotus barbatus*, Grauwe Buulbuul
A very common and widespread species.

SHELLEY'S GREENBUL, *Andropadus masukuensis*, Shelleys Buulbuul
A single bird at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

LITTLE GREENBUL, *Andropadus virens*, Groene Buulbuul
Common in the forests visited.

GREY (LITTLE GREY) GREENBUL, *Andropadus gracilis*, Dwergbuulbuul
A single bird at Budongo FR.

PLAIN (CAMEROON SOMBRE) GREENBUL, *Andropadus curvirostris*, Alexanderbuulbuul
2 at Budongo FR.

SLENDER-BILLED GREENBUL, *Andropadus gracilirostris*, Dunsnavelbuulbuul
2 at Budongo FR, 1 at Kibale NP and 6 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

YELLOW-WHISKERED BULBUL, *Andropadus latirostris*, Geelbaardbuulbuul
1 at Budongo FR and 3 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

EASTERN MOUNTAIN-GREENBUL, *Andropadus nigriceps*, Oostelijke Grijskeelbuulbuul
2 at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

HONEYGUIDE GREENBUL, *Baeopogon indicator*, Witstaartbuulbuul
1 at Budongo FR and 1 at the forest in Kaniyo Pabidi, 5 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

SPOTTED GREENBUL, *Ixonotus guttatus*, Gevlekte Buulbuul
A single one at Budongo FR.

YELLOW-THROATED GREENBUL, *Chlorocichla flavicollis*, Geelkraagbuulbuul
4 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

TORO OLIVE-GREENBUL, *Phyllastrephus hypochloris*, Toroloofbuulbuul
2 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

YELLOW-STREAKED GREENBUL, *Phyllastrephus flavostriatus*, Gestreepte Loofbuulbuul

4 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

WHITE-THROATED GREENBUL, *Phyllastrephus albigularis*, Witkeelloofbuulbuul
3 at Budongo FR.

COMMON BRISTLEBILL, *Bleda syndactyla*, Roodstaartblada
A single one at Budongo FR and Kibale NP.

YELLOW-SPOTTED (EASTERN) NICATOR, *Nicator chloris*, Grijskeelnicator
A single observation at Budongo FR.

RED-TAILED GREENBUL, *Criniger calurus*, Roodstaartbaardbuulbuul
3 at Budongo FR and 1 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

RED-TAILED ANT-THRUSH, *Neocossyphus rufus*, Roodstaartlijster
6 at Budongo FR and 1 at Kibale NP.

WHITE-TAILED ANT-THRUSH, *Neocossyphus poensis*, Witstaartlijster
2 at Kibale NP and 1 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

OLIVE THRUSH, *Turdus olivaceus*, Kaapse Lijster
A single bird at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

AFRICAN THRUSH, *Turdus pelios*, Pelioslijster
Regularly seen most days of the trip.

RED-THROATED ALETHE, *Alethe poliophrys*, Roodkeelalethe
2 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

FIRE-CRESTED ALETHE, *Alethe diademata*, Vuurkapalethe
1 at Budongo FR and also 1 at the forest in Kaniyo Pabidi.

RED-FACED CISTICOLA, *Cisticola erythrops*, Roodmaskergraszanger
2 en route Masindi – Fort Portal and 1 at Bigodi WS.

WHISTLING CISTICOLA, *Cisticola lateralis*, Fluitgraszanger
1 at Budongo FR.

TRILLING CISTICOLA, *Cisticola woosnami*, Miombograszanger
A single one at Queen Elizabeth NP.

CHUBB'S CISTICOLA, *Cisticola chubbi*, Chubbs Graszanger
2 en route Kabale – Bwindi Impenetrable NP and 6 at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

RATTLING CISTICOLA, *Cisticola chiniana*, Ratelgraszanger
6 at Murchison Falls NP.

WINDING CISTICOLA, *Cisticola galactotes*, Zwartruggraszanger
1 at Murchison Falls NP and 2 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

CARRUTHERS' CISTICOLA, *Cisticola carruthersi*, Papyrusgraszanger
2 at Mabamba wetland near Kampala.

CROAKING CISTICOLA, *Cisticola natalensis*, Natalgraszanger
Fairly common at Murchison Falls NP and Queen Elizabeth NP.

SIFFLING CISTICOLA, *Cisticola brachypterus*, Kortvleugelgraszanger
A single observation at Queen Elizabeth NP.

FOXY CISTICOLA, *Cisticola troglodytes*, Vosgraszanger
2 at Murchison Falls NP and 1 at the Butiaba escarpment.

ZITTING CISTICOLA, *Cisticola juncidis*, Graszanger
Small numbers at Murchison Falls NP and Queen Elizabeth NP.

WING-SNAPPING CISTICOLA, *Cisticola ayresii*, Dwerggraszanger
A single one at Murchison Falls NP.

TAWNY-FLANKED PRINIA, *Prinia subflava*, Roestflankprinia
A common and widespread species.

WHITE-CHINNED PRINIA, *Prinia leucopogon*, Witkeelprinia
3 at Bigodi WS and a few at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BANDED PRINIA, *Prinia bairdii*, Zebraprinia
2 at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

RED-WINGED GREY WARBLER, *Drymocichla incana*, Roodvleugelzanger
2 at Murchison Falls NP.

RUWENZORI (COLLARED) APALIS, *Apalis ruwenzori*, Ruwenzori-apalis
A single one at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BLACK-THROATED APALIS, *Apalis jacksoni*, Zwartkeelapalis
1 at Budongo FR.

BLACK-FACED (MOUNTAIN MASKED) APALIS, *Apalis personata*, Kivu-apalis
3 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

YELLOW-BREASTED APALIS, *Apalis flavida*, Geelborstapalis
A single one at Murchison Falls NP.

BUFF-THROATED APALIS, *Apalis rufogularis*, Zwartrugapalis
1 at Budongo FR, 2 at Bigodi WS and 2 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

CHESTNUT-THROATED APALIS, *Apalis porphyrolaema*, Bergapalis
A single bird at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GREY APALIS, *Apalis cinerea*, Grijze Apalis
1 at Budongo FR and 4 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GREY-CAPPED WARBLER, *Eminia lepida*, Eminianger
2 at Bigodi WS and singles at Entebbe, Queen Elizabeth NP and Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GREEN-BACKED CAMAROPTERA, *Camaroptera brachyura*, Mekkercamaroptera
Seen in small numbers in the forests.

YELLOW-BROWED CAMAROPTERA, *Camaroptera superciliaris*, Geelbrauwcamaroptera
4 at Budongo FR.

OLIVE-GREEN CAMAROPTERA, *Camaroptera chloronota*, Olijfgroene Camaroptera
A single observation at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

WHITE-WINGED SCRUB-WARBLER, *Bradypterus carpalis*, Witvleugelstruikzanger
1 at Mabamba wetland near Kampala, heard at Bigodi WS and near Fort Portal and a
splendid observation in the papyrus just outside Queen Elizabeth NP.

GRAUER'S SCRUB-WARBLER (GRAUER'S RUSH WARBLER), *Bradypterus graueri*, Grauers
Struikzanger
4 at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

CINNAMON BRACKEN-WARBLER, *Bradypterus cinnamomeus*, Kaneelstruikzanger
A single one at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BLACK-FACED RUFOUS WARBLER, *Bathmocercus rufus*, GrijsBuikvoszanger
6 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GREATER SWAMP-WARBLER, *Acrocephalus rufescens*, Papyrusrietzanger
A single bird at Kaaku Swamp.

LESSER SWAMP-WARBLER, *Acrocephalus gracilirostris*, Kaapse Rietzanger
4 along the Kazinga Channel in Queen Elizabeth NP.

MOUNTAIN YELLOW WARBLER, *Chloropeta similis*, Bamboerietzanger
A single observation at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BUFF-BELLIED WARBLER, *Phyllolais pulchella*, Acacia-apalis
1 at Murchison Falls NP and 2 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

GRAUER'S WARBLER, *Graueria vittata*, Grauers Zanger
2 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

RUFOUS-CROWNED EREMOMELA, *Eremomela badiceps*, Roodkaperemomela
4 at Budongo FR.

GREEN CROMBEC, *Sylvietta virens*, Groene Krombek
4 at Budongo FR.

LEMON-BELLIED CROMBEC, *Sylvietta denti*, Geelbuikkrombek
2 at Budongo FR.

WHITE-BROWED CROMBEC, *Sylvietta leucophrys*, Witbrauwkrombek
6 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

RED-FACED CROMBEC, *Sylvietta whytii*, Roodteugelkrombek

2 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

NEUMANN'S (SHORT-TAILED) WARBLER, *Hemitesia neumanni*, Neumanns Tesiazanger
A splendid observation at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

YELLOW LONGBILL, *Macrosphenus flavicans*, Gele Langsnavelzanger
3 at Budongo FR and 1 at the forest in Kaniyo Pabidi.

GREY LONGBILL, *Macrosphenus concolour*, Grijze Langsnavelzanger
A single bird at Budongo FR.

GREEN HYLIA, *Hylia prasina*, Hylia
1 at Budongo FR and 6 at Bigodi WS and Kibale NP.

RED-FACED WOODLAND-WARBLER, *Phylloscopus laetus*, Bruinwangboszanger
15+ at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

SILVERBIRD, *Empidonax semipartitus*, Zilvervliegenvanger
6 at Murchison Falls NP.

WHITE-EYED SLATY-FLYCATCHER, *Melaenornis fischeri*, Bergdrongovliegenvanger
15+ at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

NORTHERN BLACK-FLYCATCHER, *Melaenornis edolioides*, Senegalese Drongovliegenvanger
Seen most days of the trip; maximum on the 24th with 6 birds.

SOOTY FLYCATCHER, *Muscicapa infuscata*, Rouwvliegenvanger
4 at Budongo FR.

SWAMP FLYCATCHER, *Muscicapa aquatica*, Moerasvliegenvanger
6 at Mabamba wetland, fairly common at Murchison Falls NP, Bigodi WS and Queen Elizabeth NP.

CHAPIN'S FLYCATCHER, *Muscicapa lendu*, Chapins Vliegenvanger
5 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

AFRICAN DUSKY FLYCATCHER, *Muscicapa adusta*, Kaapse Vliegenvanger
Small numbers at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

DUSKY-BLUE FLYCATCHER, *Muscicapa comitata*, Dofblauwe Vliegenvanger
1 at Bigodi WS and 3 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

CASSIN'S (CASSIN'S GREY) FLYCATCHER, *Muscicapa cassini*, Cassins Vliegenvanger
2 in the mountains en route Kabale – Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GREY-THROATED TIT-FLYCATCHER, *Myioparus griseigularis*, Grijskeelvliegenvanger
3 at Budongo FR.

GREY (LEAD-COLOURED) TIT-FLYCATCHER, *Myioparus plumbeus*, Meesvliegenvanger
1 in the Mabamba wetland area, 1 at Kibale NP and 2 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

WHITE-STARRED ROBIN, *Pogonocichla stellata*, Sterrepaapje
A single one at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

FOREST ROBIN, *Stiphornis erythrorax*, Bosakalat
2 heard and 1 briefly seen at Budongo FR.

EQUATORIAL AKALAT, *Sheppardia aequatorialis*, Jacksons Akalat
2 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

WHITE-BELLIED ROBIN-CHAT, *Cossypha roberti*, Witbuikakalat
3 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

ARCHER'S ROBIN-CHAT, *Cossypha archeri*, Archers Janfrederik
A single bird at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

WHITE-BROWED ROBIN-CHAT, *Cossypha heuglini*, Witbrauwlawaaimaker
3 at Murchison Falls NP, fairly common at Queen Elizabeth NP.

SNOWY-CROWNED ROBIN-CHAT, *Cossypha niveicapilla*, Witkruinlawaaimaker
Heard at Budongo FR and 1 seen at Bigodi WS.

SPOTTED MORNING-THRUSH, *Cichladusa guttata*, Gevlekte Palmlijster
2 at Murchison Falls NP.

BROWN-BACKED SCRUB-ROBIN, *Cercotrichas hartlaubi*, Bruinrugwaaierstaart
1 at the Butiaba escarpment and 1 en route Kabale – Kaaku Swamp.

RED-BACKED SCRUB-ROBIN, *Cercotrichas leucophrys*, Witbrauwwaaierstaart
1 near Masindi.

AFRICAN STONECHAT, *Saxicola torquata*, Afrikaanse Roodborsttapuit
1 near Masindi, 2 at Fort Portal, 5 in the Kabale area and a few en route Kabale – Lake Mburo NP.

SOOTY CHAT, *Myrmecocichla nigra*, Zwarte Miertapuit
A common and widespread species.

BLACK-AND-WHITE SHRIKE-FLYCATCHER, *Bias musicus*, Zwart-witte
Klauwiervliegenvanger
A pair at Budongo FR, 3 at Bigodi WS and 1 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BROWN-THROATED WATTLE-EYE, *Platysteira cyanea*, Bruinkeellelvliegenvanger
2 at Entebbe, 2 at Bigodi WS and 1 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BLACK-THROATED WATTLE-EYE, *Platysteira peltata*, Zwartkeellelvliegenvanger
A single bird at Murchison Falls NP.

CHESTNUT WATTLE-EYE, *Platysteira castanea*, Witstuitlelvliegenvanger
A single bird at Budongo FR.

JAMESON'S WATTLE-EYE, *Platysteira jamesoni*, Jamesons Lelvliegenvanger
2 heard at Budongo FR.

RUWENZORI BATIS, *Batis diops*, Ruwenzorivliegenvanger
3 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

CHINSPOT BATIS, *Batis molitor*, Witflankvliegenvanger
1 at Murchison Falls NP.

BLACK-HEADED BATIS, *Batis minor*, Savannevliegenvanger
1 at Murchison Falls NP and 1 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

CHESTNUT-CAPPED FLYCATCHER, *Erythrocercus mccallii*, Roodkapelfmonarch
4 at Budongo FR.

AFRICAN BLUE-FLYCATCHER, *Elminia longicauda*, Turkooismonarch
2 at Mabamba wetland, 3 en route Masindi – Fort Portal, 2 at Bigodi WS, 1 at Buhoma in
Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

WHITE-BELLIED CRESTED-FLYCATCHER, *Elminia albiventris*, Witbuikkuifmonarch
2 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

WHITE-TAILED CRESTED-FLYCATCHER, *Elminia albonotatus*, Bergkuifmonarch
1 at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BLACK-HEADED (RED-BELLIED) PARADISE-FLYCATCHER, *Terpsiphone rufiventer*,
Roodbuikparadijsmonarch
Singles at Budongo FR and Kibale NP.

AFRICAN PARADISE-FLYCATCHER, *Terpsiphone viridis*, Afrikaanse Paradijsmonarch
A fairly common and widespread species.

PUVEL'S ILLADOPSIS, *Illadopsis puveli*, Puvels Lijstertimalia
A splendid observation at the forest in Kaniyo Pabidi.

PALE-BREASTED ILLADOPSIS, *Illadopsis rufipennis*, Grijswanglijstertimalia
A single bird at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

MOUNTAIN ILLADOPSIS, *Illadopsis pyrrhoptera*, Berglijstertimalia
5 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

AFRICAN HILL-BABBLER, *Illadopsis abyssinica*, Ethiopische Monnikstimalia
2 at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP. This species is sometimes treated as a separate
species Ruwenzori Hill Babbler, *Illadopsis atriceps*.

GREY-CHESTED ILLADOPSIS, *Kakamega poliothorax*, Grijsborstlijstertimalia
Heard at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BLACK-LORED BABBLER, *Turdoides sharpei*, Sharps Babbelaar
25+ at Queen Elizabeth NP.

ARROW-MARKED BABBLER, *Turdoides jardineii*, Pijlpuntbabbelaar
10+ at Murchison Falls NP.

WHITE-WINGED BLACK-TIT, *Melaniparus leucomelas*, Rüppells Mees
6 in the Mabamba wetland area and 1 at Budongo FR.

DUSKY TIT, *Melaniparus funereus*, Gabonmees
6 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

STRIPE-BREASTED TIT, *Melaniparus fasciiventer*, Ruwenzorimees
2 at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GREY-HEADED SUNBIRD, *Deleornis axillaris*, Grijskophoningzuiger
3 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

WESTERN VIOLET-BACKED SUNBIRD, *Anthreptes longuemarei*, Violetrughoningzuiger
A single observation at Murchison Falls NP.

LITTLE GREEN SUNBIRD, *Anthreptes seimundi*, Kortstaarhoningzuiger
2 at Budongo FR.

GREEN SUNBIRD, *Anthreptes rectirostris*, Goudbandhoningzuiger
2 at Budongo FR and 6 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

COLLARED SUNBIRD, *Hedydipna collaris*, Halsbandhoningzuiger
2 at Budongo FR and 4 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GREEN-HEADED SUNBIRD, *Cyanomitra verticalis*, Groenkophoningzuiger
1 at Budongo FR and 6 at Bigodi WS and Kibale NP.

BLUE-THROATED BROWN SUNBIRD, *Cyanomitra cyanolaema*, Bruinrughoningzuiger
2 at Budongo FR, 3 at Murchison Falls NP and 4 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BLUE-HEADED SUNBIRD, *Cyanomitra alinae*, Ruwenzorihoningzuiger
4 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

WESTERN OLIVE-SUNBIRD, *Cyanomitra obscura*, Westelijke Oijfgroene Honingzuiger
2 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GREEN-THROATED SUNBIRD, *Chalcomitrarubescens*, Groenkeelhoningzuiger
A single bird at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

SCARLET-CHESTED SUNBIRD, *Chalcomitra senegalensis*, Roodborsthoningzuiger
10+ in the Mabamba wetland area, 4 at Murchison Falls NP, 4 en route Masindi – Fort
Portal, 2 at Bigodi WS, 4 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BRONZE SUNBIRD, *Nectarinia kilimensis*, Bronshoningzuiger
3 at Bigodi WS, 2 at Queen Elizabeth NP and 2 at Kabale.

OLIVE-BELLIED SUNBIRD, *Cinnyris chloropygia*, Olijfbuikhoningzuiger
3 at Budongo FR, 1 at Bigodi WS and 3 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

NORTHERN DOUBLE-COLLARED SUNBIRD, *Cinnyris reichenowi*, Preuss' Honingzuiger
7 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

REGAL SUNBIRD, *Cinnyris regius*, Koningshoningzuiger
2 at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BEAUTIFUL SUNBIRD, *Cinnyris pulchellus*, Feeënhoningzuiger
2 at Murchison Falls NP.

RED-CHESTED SUNBIRD, *Cinnyris erythrocerca*, Sierhoningzuiger
20+ at Queen Elizabeth NP.

VARIABLE SUNBIRD, *Cinnyris venusta*, Ornaathoningzuiger
1 at Kabale and 3 in the Kaaku Swamp area.

COPPER SUNBIRD, *Cinnyris cupreus*, Koperhoningzuiger
3 at Murchison Falls NP.

AFRICAN YELLOW WHITE-EYE, *Zosterops senegalensis*, Afrikaanse Brilvogel
A common and widespread species.

WESTERN BLACK-HEADED ORIOLE, *Oriolus brachyrhynchus*, Blauwvleugelwielewaal
5 at Budongo FR.

BLACK-TAILED (MONTANE) ORIOLE, *Oriolus percivali*, Bergwielewaal
2 at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GREY-BACKED FISCAL, *Lanius excubitoroides*, Grijsrugklapekster
Fairly common in the Entebbe area, Murchison Falls NP and Queen Elizabeth NP.

MACKINNON'S SHRIKE, *Lanius mackinnoni*, Mackinnons Klauwier
Small numbers near Fort Portal, Bwindi Impenetrable NP and en route Kabale – Lake Mbuo NP.

COMMON FISCAL, *Lanius collaris*, Gekraagde Klauwier
A few near Entebbe, Murchison Falls NP and Queen Elizabeth NP.

BRUBRU, *Nilaus afer*, Broebro
A single bird at the Butiaba escarpment.

PINK-FOOTED PUFFBACK, *Dryoscopus angolensis*, Gabonpoederdonsklauwier
4 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BLACK-CROWNED TCHAGRA, *Tchagra senegala*, Zwartkruintsjagra
4 at Murchison Falls NP, small numbers at Queen Elizabeth NP and a few en route Kabale – Kampala.

BROWN-CROWNED TCHAGRA, *Tchagra australis*, Bruinkoptsjagra
3 at Bigodi WS and 4 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

LUEHDER'S BUSHSHRIKE, *Laniarius luehderi*, Lühders Fiskaal
5 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

TROPICAL BOUBOU, *Laniarius aethiopicus*, Ethiopische Fiskaal
Single ones near Entebbe, Budongo FR, Queen Elizabeth NP and Ruhizha in Bwindi

Impenetrable NP.

BLACK-HEADED GONOLEK, *Laniarius erythrogaster*, Zwartkopfiskaal
5 at Murchison Falls NP, 15+ at Queen Elizabeth NP.

PAPYRUS GONOLEK, *Laniarius mufumbiri*, Papyrusfiskaal
Heard at Mabamba wetland, Bigodi WS, near Fort Portal, 2 seen at Queen Elizabeth NP and
2 at Kaaku Swamp.

SOOTY BOUBOU, *Laniarius leucorhynchus*, Zwarte Fiskaal
A single one at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

MOUNTAIN SOOTY BOUBOU, *Laniarius poensis*, Bergfiskaal
Heard at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GREY-GREEN (BOCAGE'S) BUSHSHRIKE, *Telophorus bocagei*, Grijze Bosklauwier
1 at Bigodi WS and 2 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

MANY-COLOURED BUSHSHRIKE, *Telophorus multicolor*, Veelkleurige Bosklauwier
1 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

WHITE (WHITE-CRESTED) HELMETSHRIKE, *Prionops plumatus*, Helmklauwier
A group of 6 birds en route Masindi – Murchison Falls NP.

FORK-TAILED DRONGO, *Dicrurus adsimilis*, Fluweeldrongo
1 en route Kampala – Masindi, 2 at Queen Elizabeth NP and 1 en route Kabale – Lake
Mburo NP.

PIAPIAC, *Ptilostomus afer*, Piapiac
20+ at Murchison Falls NP and 10+ en route Masindi - Butiaba escarpment.

PIED CROW, *Corvus albus*, Schildraaf
A very common and widespread species.

WATTLED STARLING, *Creatophora cinerea*, Lelspreeuw
A few at Queen Elizabeth NP.

GREATER BLUE-EARED GLOSSY-STARLING, *Lamprotornis chalybaeus*,
Groenstaartglansspreeuw
A few en route Kampala – Masindi and at Queen Elizabeth NP.

LESSER BLUE-EARED GLOSSY-STARLING, *Lamprotornis chloropterus*,
Blauwoorglansspreeuw
Fairly common at Murchison Falls NP.

SPLENDID GLOSSY-STARLING, *Lamprotornis splendidus*, Prachtglansspreeuw
3 at Budongo FR.

RUEPPELL'S GLOSSY-STARLING, *Lamprotornis purpuropterus*, Blauwe
Langstaartglansspreeuw
A common and widespread species.

PURPLE-HEADED GLOSSY-STARLING, *Lamprotornis purpureiceps*, Purperkopglansspreeuw
2 at Budongo FR.

VIOLET-BACKED STARLING, *Cinnyricinclus leucogaster*, Amethistspreeuw
10+ at Murchison Falls NP.

SLENDER-BILLED STARLING, *Onychognathus tenuirostris*, Kaneelvleugelspreeuw
20+ at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

CHESTNUT-WINGED STARLING, *Onychognathus fulgidus*, Kastanjevleugelspreeuw
2 in the Fort Portal area.

WALLER'S STARLING, *Onychognathus walleri*, Wallers Spreeuw
15+ at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

NARROW-TAILED STARLING, *Poeoptera lugubris*, Spitsstaartspreeuw
2 at Kibale NP.

STUHLMANN'S STARLING, *Poeoptera stuhlmanni*, Stuhlmanns Spreeuw
10+ at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

YELLOW-BILLED OXPECKER, *Buphagus africanus*, Geelsnavelossenpikker
Fairly common at Murchison Falls NP and Queen Elizabeth NP.

GREY-HEADED SPARROW, *Passer griseus*, Grijskopmus
A common and widespread species.

SPECKLED-FRONTED WEAVER, *Sporopipes frontalis*, Schubkopwever
10+ at Murchison Falls NP.

WHITE-BROWED SPARROW-WEAVER, *Plocepasser mahali*, Mahaliwever
2 at Murchison Falls NP.

CHESTNUT-CROWNED SPARROW-WEAVER, *Plocepasser superciliosus*, Roestwangwever
Small numbers at Murchison Falls NP.

BAGLAFECHT WEAVER, *Ploceus baglafecht*, Baglafechtwever
Small numbers at Entebbe, a few at Fort Portal, Queen Elizabeth NP and near Bwindi
Impenetrable NP.

SLENDER-BILLED WEAVER, *Ploceus pelzelni*, Dunbekwever
3 at Entebbe and fairly common at Queen Elizabeth NP.

LITTLE WEAVER, *Ploceus luteolus*, Dwergmaskerwever
A single one at Entebbe.

LESSER MASKED WEAVER, *Ploceus intermedius*, Kleine Textorwever
2 near Kabale.

BLACK-NECKED WEAVER, *Ploceus nigricollis*, Zwartnekwever
1 at Budongo FR, 10+ at Kibale NP and 2 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BLACK-BILLED WEAVER, *Ploceus melanogaster*, Hooglandwever
8 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

VILLAGE (BLACK-HEADED) WEAVER, *Ploceus cucullatus*, Grote Textorwever
Common at Murchison Falls NP, a few at Bigodi WS, Queen Elizabeth NP and near Kaaku Swamp.

VIEILLOT'S (VIEILLOT'S BLACK) WEAVER, *Ploceus nigerrimus*, Fluweelwever
A common and widespread species.

GOLDEN-BACKED WEAVER, *Ploceus jacksoni*, Jacksons Wever
Common at Entebbe, Murchison Falls NP, Queen Elizabeth NP and at Kaaku Swamp.

YELLOW-MANTLED WEAVER, *Ploceus tricolor*, Driekleurwever
2 at Budongo FR.

BROWN-CAPPED WEAVER, *Ploceus insignis*, Bruinkapwever
A single one at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

CRESTED MALIMBE, *Malimbus malimbicus*, Kuifprachtwever
2 at Budongo FR.

RED-HEADED MALIMBE, *Malimbus rubricollis*, Roodkopprachtwever
3 at Bigodi WS.

RED-HEADED QUELEA, *Quelea erythrogastra*, Roodkopwever
4 en route Masindi - Budongo FR.

RED-BILLED QUELEA, *Quelea quelea*, Roodbekwever
A very common and widespread species.

BLACK BISHOP, *Euplectes gierowii*, Zwarte Vuurwever
4 en route Masindi – Budongo FR, 10+ at Murchison Falls NP and 1 en route Masindi - Butiaba escarpment.

BLACK-WINGED BISHOP, *Euplectes hordeaceus*, Roodvoorhoofdwever
Common at Murchison Falls NP and en route Murchison Falls NP - Butiaba escarpment.

ORANGE (NORTHERN RED) BISHOP, *Euplectes franciscanus*, Oranjeweever
Common en route Masindi – Budongo FR and at Murchison Falls NP.

RED (SOUTHERN RED) BISHOP, *Euplectes orix*, Grenadierwever
3 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

FAN-TAILED WIDOWBIRD, *Euplectes axillaris*, Roodschouderwidavink
1 at Mabamba wetland and 2 at Bigodi WS.

YELLOW-SHOULDERED WIDOWBIRD, *Euplectes macrourus*, Geelrugwidavink
4 en route Masindi – Murchison Falls NP and 4 at Murchison Falls NP.

MARSH (HARTLAUB'S MARSH) WIDOWBIRD, *Euplectes hartlaubi*, Hartlaubs Widavink

A single one en route Masindi - Butiaba escarpment.

GROSBEAK WEAVER, *Amblyospiza albifrons*, Dikbekwever
2 at Murchison Falls NP and 1 at Bigodi WS.

WHITE-BREASTED NEGROFINCH, *Nigrita fusconota*, Witborstnegervink
A pair at the nest in Bigodi WS.

GREY-HEADED NEGROFINCH, *Nigrita canicapilla*, Grijskopnegervink
1 near Mabamba wetland, 2 at Budongo FR, 1 at Bigodi WS and 5 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

WHITE-COLLARED OLIVEBACK, *Nesocharis ansorgei*, Halsbandastrild
2 at Bigodi WS.

RED-WINGED PYTILIA, *Pytilia phoenicoptera*, Aurora-astrild
A single observation at Murchison Falls NP.

RED-HEADED BLUEBILL, *Spermophaga ruficapilla*, Roodkopblauwsnavel
2 at Budongo FR and 1 at Bigodi WS.

BROWN TWINSPOOT, *Clytospiza monteiri*, Bruine Druppelastrild
A single bird at Murchison Falls NP.

BAR-BREASTED FIREFINCH, *Lagonosticta rufopicta*, Stippelamarant
A single one at Murchison Falls NP.

RED-BILLED FIREFINCH, *Lagonosticta senegala*, Vuurvinkje
2 at Budongo FR.

AFRICAN FIREFINCH, *Lagonosticta rubricata*, Donkerrode Amarant
A common and widespread species.

RED-CHEEKED CORDONBLUE, *Uraeginthus bengalus*, Blauwfazantje
2 near Budongo FR, fairly common at Murchison Falls NP.

YELLOW-BELLIED WAXBILL, *Estrilda quartinia*, Geelbuikastrild
A single one at Ruhizha in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

FAWN-BREASTED WAXBILL, *Estrilda paludicola*, Moerasastrild
2 at Lake Mburo NP.

COMMON WAXBILL, *Estrilda astrild*, Sint-Helenafazantje
3 at Bigodi WS, a few at Queen Elizabeth NP and Kaaku Swamp.

BLACK-CROWNED WAXBILL, *Estrilda nonnula*, Nonastrild
3 at Bigodi WS, several at Queen Elizabeth NP and Kaaku Swamp.

BLACK-HEADED WAXBILL, *Estrilda atricapilla*, Zwartkapastrild
25+ at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

BLACK-RUMPED WAXBILL, *Estrilda troglodytes*, Napoleonnetje

2 at the Butiaba escarpment.

BRONZE MANNIKIN, *Lonchura cucullata*, Gewoon Ekstertje
A common and widespread species.

BLACK-AND-WHITE MANNIKIN, *Lonchura bicolor*, Glansekstertje
10+ at Fort Portal.

MAGPIE MANNIKIN, *Lonchura fringilloides*, Reuzenekstertje
3 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

VILLAGE INDIGOBIRD, *Vidua chalybeata*, Staalvink
4 in the Budongo FR area.

STEEL-BLUE WHYDAH, *Vidua hypocherina*, Langstaartstaalvink
25+ en route Masindi – Budongo FR.

PIN-TAILED WHYDAH, *Vidua macroura*, Dominicanerwida
A common and widespread species.

AFRICAN CITRIL, *Serinus citrinelloides*, Dunbekkanarie
3 at Bigodi WS.

PAPYRUS CANARY, *Serinus koliensis*, Papyruskanarie
An unexpected, but splendid observation at Kaaku Swamp.

YELLOW-FRONTED CANARY, *Serinus mozambicus*, Mozambiquesijs
A common and widespread species.

BRIMSTONE CANARY, *Serinus sulphuratus*, Zwavelkanarie
4 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

STREAKY SEEDEATER, *Serinus striolatus*, Gestreepte Kanarie
Small numbers en route Kabale – Bwindi Impenetrable NP and at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GOLDEN-BREASTED BUNTING, *Emberiza flaviventris*, Acaciagors
2 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

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Systematic list of Mammals

This list follows the sequence and scientific nomenclature of “The Kingdon Field Guide to African Mammals” by Jonathan Kingdon. Data are estimates of the minimum numbers seen. The Dutch names follow "Elseviers Gids van de Afrikaanse Zoogdieren" by Haltenorth/Diller/Smeenk.

CHIMPANZEE, *Pan troglodytes*, Chimpanzee
10 at Kibale NP and a few times heard at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

GORILLA, *Gorilla gorilla*, Gorilla
A group of 9 at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

CENTRAL AFRICAN RED COLOBUS, *Piliocolobus oustaleti*, Rode Colobus
A few at Kibale NP.

GUEREZA COLOBUS, *Colobus guereza*, Noordelijke Franjeaap
Fairly common at Budongo FR and Murchison Falls NP, a few at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

OLIVE BABOON, *Papio anubis*, Baviaan
A fairly common and widespread species.

GREY-CHEEKED MANGABEY, *Lophocebus albigena*, Zwarte Mangabey
15+ at Kibale NP.

PATAS MONKEY, *Cercopithecus patas*, Patas
A single one at Murchison Falls NP.

VERVET MONKEY, *Cercopithecus pygerythrus*, Groene Meerkat
A fairly common and widespread species.

L'HOEST'S MONKEY, *Cercopithecus lhoesti*, Bergmeerkat
15+ at Buhoma in Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

RED-TAILED MONKEY, *Cercopithecus ascanius*, Congo-Witneusmeerkat
Small numbers at Budongo FR and Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

STRAW-COLOURED FRUIT-BAT, *Eidolon helvum*, Gele Vruchtenvleermuis
Common at Murchison Falls NP and at Kabale.

CAPE HARE, *Lepus capensis*, Haas
Small numbers at Murchison Falls NP.

BOEHM'S SQUIRREL, *Paraxerus lucifer*, Zwartrode Eekhoorn
A few at Budongo FR and at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

RUWENZORI SUN SQUIRREL, *Heliosciurus ruwenzori*, Ruwenzori Zonne-eekhoorn
A single one at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

AFRICAN GIANT SQUIRREL, *Protoxerus stangeri*, Grote Eekhoorn
A single one at Budongo FR.

SAVANNAH CANE-RAT, *Thryonomys gregorianus*, Grote Rietrat
Small numbers at Queen Elizabeth NP.

SIDE-STRIPED JACKAL, *Canis adustus*, Gestreepte Jakhals
3 at Murchison Falls NP.

BANDED MONGOOSE, *Mungos mungo*, Zebramangoeste

Common at Queen Elizabeth NP.

SPOTTED HYENA, *Crocuta crocuta*, Gevlekte Hyena
8 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

LEOPARD, *Panthera pardus*, Luipaard
A splendid observation at Queen Elizabeth NP.

LION, *Panthera leo*, Leeuw
7 at Murchison Falls NP and 3 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

AFRICAN ELEPHANT, *Loxodonta africana*, Olifant
2 at Murchison Falls NP and 17 at Queen Elizabeth NP.

HIPPOPOTAMUS, *Hippopotamus amphibius*, Nijlpaard
Abundant along the Nile at Murchison Falls NP and at Queen Elizabeth NP.

COMMON WARTHOG, *Phacochoerus africanus*, Wrattenzwijn
Common at Murchison Falls NP and Queen Elizabeth NP.

GIANT HOG, *Hylochoerus meinertzhageni*, Reuzenzwijn
20+ at Queen Elizabeth NP.

GIRAFFE, *Giraffa camelopardalis*, Giraffe
50+ at Murchison Falls NP.

AFRICAN BUFFALO, *Syncerus caffer*, Kaapse Buffel
Common at Murchison Falls NP and Queen Elizabeth NP.

BUSHBUCK, *Tragelaphus scriptus*, Bosbok
1 at Murchison Falls NP and up to 4 a day at Queen Elizabeth NP.

BUSH DUIKER, *Sylvicapra grimmia*, Savanneduiker
A single one at Budongo FR.

RUWENZORI RED DUIKER, *Cephalophus rubridus*, Ruwenzoriduiker
A splendid observation at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

YELLOW-BACKED DUIKER, *Cephalophus silvicultor*, Geelrugduiker
2 at Bwindi Impenetrable NP.

ORIBI, *Ourebia ourebi*, Oribi
Common at Murchison Falls NP.

KOB, *Kobus kob*, Kob
Common at Murchison Falls NP and Queen Elizabeth NP.

WATERBUCK, *Kobus ellipsiprymnus*, Waterbok
Fairly common at Murchison Falls NP and Queen Elizabeth NP.

KONGONI, *Alcephalus busephalus*, Hartebeest
Fairly common at Murchison Falls NP.

Other wildlife we did see:

NILE CROCODILE, MONITOR LIZARD, GREEN MAMBA & PYTHON

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