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## Namibia Okavango Sept - Oct 2015 trip list by Tertius Gous. Total species recorded: 355

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**Bold = endemic or near-endemic**

*Italics = migrant*

[ ] = species had a different name on the IOC list but we include this name to make it clearer

<b>Ostriches</b>	<b>Family Struthionidae</b>	
Common Ostrich	<i>Struthio camelus</i>	Common at Etosha
<b>Ducks, Geese &amp; Swans</b>	<b>Family Anatidae</b>	
White-faced Whistling Duck	<i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>	Seen along the Okavango river and associated floodplain
Spur-winged Goose	<i>Plectropterus gambensis</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Knob-billed Duck	<i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>	Seen flying along Okavango River
Egyptian Goose	<i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>	Common at waterbodies and rivers at Etosha and the north
African Pygmy Goose	<i>Nettapus auritus</i>	Seen along a backwater of the Okavango River
Cape Teal	<i>Anas capensis</i>	Common at Walvis Bay and Etosha
Cape Shoveler	<i>Anas smithii</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and Etosha
Red-billed Teal	<i>Anas erythrorhynchos</i>	Seen at farm dam near Khorixas and at Etosha
Hottentot Teal	<i>Anas hottentota</i>	Seen at Rundu Sewage Works
<b>Guineafowl</b>	<b>Family Numididae</b>	
Helmeted Guineafowl	<i>Numida meleagris</i>	Scattered sightings all over
<b>Pheasants, Fowl &amp; Allies</b>	<b>Family Phasianidae</b>	
Coqui Francolin	<i>Peliperdix coqui</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands near Rundu
Orange River Francolin	<i>Scleroptila gutturalis</i>	Heard at Erongo
Crested Francolin	<i>Dendroperdix sephaena</i>	Seen at Waterberg
<b>Hartlaub's Spurfowl</b>	<b><i>Pternistis hartlaubi</i></b>	<b>Seen very well at Erongo</b>
Red-billed Spurfowl	<i>Pternistis adspersus</i>	Abundant all over
Swainson's Spurfowl	<i>Pternistis swainsonii</i>	Seen once near Etosha
<b>Grebes</b>	<b>Family Podicipedidae</b>	
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>	Seen at waterbodies at Etosha and Rundu Sewage Works
Black-necked Grebe	<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay lagoon and the ocean
<b>Flamingos</b>	<b>Family Phoenicopteridae</b>	
Greater Flamingo	<i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>	Abundant at Walvis Bay
Lesser Flamingo	<i>Phoeniconaias minor</i>	Abundant at Walvis Bay
<b>Storks</b>	<b>Family Ciconiidae</b>	
Yellow-billed Stork	<i>Mycteria ibis</i>	Seen on the Okavango floodplain
African Openbill	<i>Anastomus lamelligerus</i>	Common along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Marabou Stork	<i>Leptoptilos crumenifer</i>	A few sightings along Okavango River and associated floodplain
<b>Ibises, Spoonbills</b>	<b>Family Threskiornithidae</b>	
African Sacred Ibis	<i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i>	Regular along Okavango River and associated floodplain
Glossy Ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	Seen once along the Okavango River
African Spoonbill	<i>Platalea alba</i>	Common along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
<b>Hérons, Bitterns</b>	<b>Family Ardeidae</b>	
Little Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus minutus</i>	A few sightings in the reed beds of the Okavango River
White-backed Night Heron	<i>Gorsachius leuconotus</i>	Pair with juvenile at our Okavango Lodge
Black-crowned Night Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Striated Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Squacco Heron	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>	Common along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Rufous-bellied Heron	<i>Ardeola rufiventris</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Western Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	Seen along the Okavango River associated with livestock and game
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and the Okavango River

Goliath Heron	<i>Ardea goliath</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Purple Heron	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Great Egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Intermediate Egret	<i>Ardea intermedia</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Black Heron	<i>Egretta ardesiaca</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Slaty Egret	<i>Egretta vinaceigula</i>	Seen on the Okavango floodplain
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and the Okavango River
<b>Hamerkop</b>	<b>Family Scopidae</b>	
Hamerkop	<i>Scopus umbretta</i>	Common along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
<b>Pelicans</b>	<b>Family Pelecanidae</b>	
Great White Pelican	<i>Pelecanus onocrotalus</i>	Flocks seen at Walvis Bay and the ocean
<b>Gannets, Boobies</b>	<b>Family Sulidae</b>	
<b>Cape Gannet</b>	<b><i>Morus capensis</i></b>	<b>Seen flying over the Atlantic Ocean</b>
<b>Cormorants, shags</b>	<b>Family Phalacrocoracidae</b>	
Reed Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo africanus</i>	Common along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
<b>Crowned Cormorant</b>	<b><i>Microcarbo coronatus</i></b>	<b>Seen only at the guano platform near Walvis Bay</b>
White-breasted Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax lucidus</i>	Common at Walvis Bay
Cape Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax capensis</i>	Common at Walvis Bay
<b>Anhingas, darters</b>	<b>Family Anhingidae</b>	
African Darter	<i>Anhinga rufa</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
<b>Secretarybird</b>	<b>Family Sagittariidae</b>	
Secretarybird	<i>Sagittarius serpentarius</i>	Pair seen at Etosha
<b>Kites, Hawks &amp; Eagles</b>	<b>Family Accipitridae</b>	
Black-winged Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	Seen in Windhoek area and at our Okavango Lodge
White-backed Vulture	<i>Gyps africanus</i>	Seen at Etosha and Mahango
Lappet-faced Vulture	<i>Torgos tracheliotos</i>	Seen on the Namib plain, at Etosha and Mahango
Black-chested Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus pectoralis</i>	Scattered sightings all over with a pair seen well along the Okavango River
Brown Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus cinereus</i>	Seen once along the road in the north
Bateleur	<i>Terathopius ecaudatus</i>	Seen at Etosha, Mahango and over the Okavango floodplain
Martial Eagle	<i>Polemaetus bellicosus</i>	Seen on the Namib plain and at Etosha
<i>Booted Eagle</i>	<i>Hieraaetus pennatus</i>	<i>Seen at Erongo</i>
Tawny Eagle	<i>Aquila rapax</i>	Seen at Etosha
Verreaux's Eagle	<i>Aquila verreauxii</i>	Pair seen at Waterberg
African Hawk-Eagle	<i>Aquila spilogaster</i>	Pair seen over the Okavango River
Gabar Goshawk	<i>Micronisus gabar</i>	Seen once along the Khan River
Dark Chanting Goshawk	<i>Melierax metabates</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands and at Mahango
Pale Chanting Goshawk	<i>Melierax canorus</i>	Very common in the west and at Etosha
Little Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter minullus</i>	Seen at Halali, our lodge near Rundu and our Okavango lodge
African Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus ranivorus</i>	Seen along the Okavango river and associated floodplain
Yellow-billed Kite	<i>Milvus aegyptius</i>	Common along Okavango River
African Fish Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus vocifer</i>	Common along Okavango River
Augur Buzzard	<i>Buteo augur</i>	Seen near Spitzkoppe
<b>Bustards</b>	<b>Family Otididae</b>	
Kori Bustard	<i>Ardeotis kori</i>	Common at Etosha
Ludwig's Bustard	<i>Neotis ludwigii</i>	Seen at Rooibank, the Namib plains and Etosha
Rüppell's Korhaan	<i>Eupodotis rueppellii</i>	Fairly common on Namib plains and near Brandberg
Red-crested Korhaan	<i>Lophotis ruficrista</i>	Scattered sightings near Erongo, at Etosha and near Waterberg
Northern Black Korhaan	<i>Afrotis afraoides</i>	Common at Etosha
<b>Rails, Crakes &amp; Coots</b>	<b>Family Rallidae</b>	
Black Crake	<i>Amauromis flavirostra</i>	Common along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	Seen at Etosha and Rundu Sewage Works
Red-knobbed Coot	<i>Fulica cristata</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
<b>Cranes</b>	<b>Family Gruidae</b>	
Wattled Crane	<i>Grus carunculata</i>	Three pairs seen at Mahango
<b>Stone-curlews, Thick-knees</b>	<b>Family Burhinidae</b>	
Water Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus vermiculatus</i>	Seen and heard along the Okavango River
Spotted Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus capensis</i>	Seen at Etosha
<b>Oystercatchers</b>	<b>Family Haematopodidae</b>	
<b>African Oystercatcher</b>	<b><i>Haematopus moquini</i></b>	<b>Seen at Walvis Bay</b>
<b>Stilts, Avocets</b>	<b>Family Recurvirostridae</b>	
Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and the Okavango River
Pied Avocet	<i>Recurvirostra avosetta</i>	Seen along Swakop River and at Walvis Bay
<b>Plovers</b>	<b>Family Charadriidae</b>	
Long-toed Lapwing	<i>Vanellus crassirostris</i>	Seen along the Okavango river and associated floodplain

Blacksmith Lapwing	<i>Vanellus armatus</i>	Very common at Etosha and along Okavango River
Crowned Lapwing	<i>Vanellus coronatus</i>	Seen along the road and at Etosha and Mahango
African Wattled Lapwing	<i>Vanellus senegallus</i>	Seen at Mahango
Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and Rundu Sewage Works
Kittlitz's Plover	<i>Charadrius pecuarius</i>	Seen along Swakop River and at Etosha
Three-banded Plover	<i>Charadrius tricollaris</i>	Seen along Swakop River and at Etosha
White-fronted Plover	<i>Charadrius marginatus</i>	Seen along the coast and at Walvis Bay
Chestnut-banded Plover	<i>Charadrius pallidus</i>	Common at Walvis Bay
<b>Painted-snipes</b>	<b>Family Rostratulidae</b>	
Greater Painted-snipe	<i>Rostratula benghalensis</i>	Seen at Rundu Sewage Works
<b>Jacanas</b>	<b>Family Jacanidae</b>	
African Jacana	<i>Actophilornis africanus</i>	Seen at Etosha and common along Okavango River and floodplain
<b>Sandpipers, Snipes</b>	<b>Family Scolopacidae</b>	
Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>	Seen at Etosha
Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay, Etosha and along Okavango River
Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	Fairly common at Etosha and along Okavango River
Common Sandpiper	<i>Actitis hypoleucos</i>	Seen at Etosha and along Okavango River
Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Sanderling	<i>Calidris alba</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay, Etosha and Rundu Sewage Works
Curllew Sandpiper	<i>Calidris ferruginea</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and Etosha
Ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay, Etosha and along Okavango River
<b>Couriers, Pratincoles</b>	<b>Family Glareolidae</b>	
Burchell's Courser	<i>Cursorius rufus</i>	Seen on the Namib plain and at Etosha
Double-banded Courser	<i>Rhinoptilus africanus</i>	Fairly common at Etosha
Collared Pratincole	<i>Glareola pratincola</i>	Seen at Mahango
Rock Pratincole	<i>Glareola nuchalis</i>	Seen on rocks in the Okavango River
<b>Gulls, Terns &amp; Skimmers</b>	<b>Family Laridae</b>	
African Skimmer	<i>Rynchops flavirostris</i>	Seen well along Okavango River with nesting noted
Grey-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Hartlaub's Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus hartlaubii</i>	Seen along coast and at Walvis Bay
Kelp Gull	<i>Larus dominicanus</i>	Seen along coast and at Walvis Bay
Caspian Tern	<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Greater Crested Tern	<i>Thalasseus bergii</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Sandwich Tern	<i>Thalasseus sandvicensis</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybrida</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
<b>Skuas</b>	<b>Family Stercorariidae</b>	
Brown Skua	<i>Stercorarius antarcticus</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Parasitic Jaeger	<i>Stercorarius parasiticus</i>	Seen over the ocean near Hentiesbay
<b>Sandgrouse</b>	<b>Family Pteroclididae</b>	
Namaqua Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles namaqua</i>	Very common at Etosha with large numbers at waterholes
Double-banded Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles bicinctus</i>	Seen at Erongo and Etosha
Burchell's Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles burchelli</i>	Seen along Okavango River at Mahangu Lodge
<b>Pigeons, Doves</b>	<b>Family Columbidae</b>	
Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>	Seen in Windhoek
Speckled Pigeon	<i>Columba guinea</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay
Mourning Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decipiens</i>	Seen at Rundu Sewage Works and in riverine forest of Okavango River
Red-eyed Dove	<i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i>	Very common in the north
Ring-necked Dove	<i>Streptopelia capicola</i>	Abundant all over
Laughing Dove	<i>Spilopelia senegalensis</i>	Very common all over
Emerald-spotted Wood Dove	<i>Turtur chalcospilos</i>	Common from eastern Etosha and further north
Namaqua Dove	<i>Oena capensis</i>	Fairly common all over
African Green Pigeon	<i>Treron calvus</i>	Seen in the riverine forest along the Okavango River
<b>Turacos</b>	<b>Family Musophagidae</b>	
Grey Go-away-bird	<i>Corythaixoides concolor</i>	Fairly common all over
<b>Cuckoos</b>	<b>Family Cuculidae</b>	
Senegal Coucal	<i>Centropus senegalensis</i>	Seen at our lodge near Rundu and Mahangu Lodge
Coppery-tailed Coucal	<i>Centropus cupreicaudus</i>	Seen along the Okavango River and associated floodplain
White-browed Coucal	<i>Centropus superciliosus</i>	Heard only at our Okavango Lodge
Black Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus clamosus</i>	Seen and heard at our Okavango Lodge

African Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus gularis</i>	Seen and heard at Etosha and the north
<b>Barn Owls</b>	<b>Family Tytonidae</b>	
Western Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>	Heard at our Okavango Lodge
<b>Owls</b>	<b>Family Strigidae</b>	
African Scops Owl	<i>Otus senegalensis</i>	Heard a few times but seen at roost in Halali
Spotted Eagle-Owl	<i>Bubo africanus</i>	Seen at Etosha by some
Verreaux's Eagle-Owl	<i>Bubo lacteus</i>	Seen and heard at Mahangu Lodge
Pel's Fishing Owl	<i>Scotopelia peli</i>	Seen well at our Okavango Lodge, including juvenile
African Wood Owl	<i>Strix woodfordii</i>	Seen and heard at our Okavango Lodge
Pearl-spotted Owlet	<i>Glaucidium perlatum</i>	Common and heard and seen all over
African Barred Owlet	<i>Glaucidium capense</i>	Seen at our lodge near Rundu and our Okavango Lodge
<b>Nightjars</b>	<b>Family Caprimulgidae</b>	
Rufous-cheeked Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus rufigena</i>	Seen well at the waterholes at Okaukuejo and Halali in Etosha
Fiery-necked Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus pectoralis</i>	Great sightings at our lodge near Rundu
Freckled Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus tristigma</i>	Seen well at Erongo and Brandberg Lodges
Square-tailed Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus fossii</i>	Heard along Okavango River
<b>Swifts</b>	<b>Family Apodidae</b>	
African Palm Swift	<i>Cypsiurus parvus</i>	Scattered sightings at Windhoek, Etosha and the north
Alpine Swift	<i>Tachymarptis melba</i>	Seen at farm dam near Khorixas and Waterberg
Bradfield's Swift	<i>Apus bradfieldi</i>	Screaming parties seen well at Waterberg
Little Swift	<i>Apus affinis</i>	A few scattered sightings, including Etosha
White-rumped Swift	<i>Apus caffer</i>	A few scattered sightings, including Etosha
<b>Mousebirds</b>	<b>Family Coliidae</b>	
White-backed Mousebird	<i>Colius colius</i>	Seen in Windhoek and at Spitzkoppe
Red-faced Mousebird	<i>Urocolius indicus</i>	Fairly common all over
<b>Rollers</b>	<b>Family Coraciidae</b>	
Purple Roller	<i>Coracias naevius</i>	Seen near Erongo and at Etosha
Lilac-breasted Roller	<i>Coracias caudatus</i>	Common in the north and Waterberg area
<b>Kingfishers</b>	<b>Family Alcedinidae</b>	
Striped Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon chelicuti</i>	Heard in the Kavango woodlands
Malachite Kingfisher	<i>Corythornis cristatus</i>	Common along Okavango River
Giant Kingfisher	<i>Megaceryle maxima</i>	Fairly common along Okavango River
Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>	Very common along Okavango River
<b>Bee-eaters</b>	<b>Family Meropidae</b>	
Swallow-tailed Bee-eater	<i>Merops hirundineus</i>	Scattered sightings all over
Little Bee-eater	<i>Merops pusillus</i>	Common in the north
White-fronted Bee-eater	<i>Merops bullockoides</i>	Common along Okavango River
European Bee-eater	<i>Merops apiaster</i>	Seen in Etosha
Southern Carmine Bee-eater	<i>Merops nubicoides</i>	Common along Okavango River with spectacular nesting colony at Shakawe
<b>Hoopoes</b>	<b>Family Upupidae</b>	
African Hoopoe	<i>Upupa africana</i>	Seen along the Khan River, at Etosha and the north
<b>Wood Hoopoes</b>	<b>Family Phoeniculidae</b>	
Green Wood Hoopoe	<i>Phoeniculus purpureus</i>	Seen in the riverine forest along the Okavango River
Violet Wood Hoopoe	<i>Phoeniculus damarensis</i>	Seen very well in riverine vegetation near Erongo and at Halali
Common Scimitarbill	<i>Rhinopomastus cyanomelas</i>	Seen along the Khan River and the north
<b>Hornbills</b>	<b>Family Bucerotidae</b>	
Damara Red-billed Hornbill	<i>Tockus damarensis</i>	Seen along the Khan River and at Brandberg
Southern Red-billed Hornbill	<i>Tockus rufirostris</i>	Common at Etosha
Monteiro's Hornbill	<i>Tockus monteiri</i>	Seen well at Erongo and Spitzkoppe
Southern Yellow-billed Hornbill	<i>Tockus leucomelas</i>	Common in all woodlands
Bradfield's Hornbill	<i>Lophoceros bradfieldi</i>	Seen near Shakawe and our Okavango Lodge
African Grey Hornbill	<i>Lophoceros nasutus</i>	Common in all woodlands
<b>African barbets</b>	<b>Family Lybiidae</b>	
Yellow-fronted Tinkerbird	<i>Pogoniulus chrysoconus</i>	Seen and heard in the north
Acacia Pied Barbet	<i>Tricholaema leucomelas</i>	Fairly common in the dry centre and west, and Etosha
Black-collared Barbet	<i>Lybius torquatus</i>	Seen in the riverine forest along the Okavango River
Crested Barbet	<i>Trachyphonus vaillantii</i>	Seen in the riverine forest along the Okavango River
<b>Honeyguides</b>	<b>Family Indicatoridae</b>	
Lesser Honeyguide	<i>Indicator minor</i>	Seen at our Okavango Lodge
Greater Honeyguide	<i>Indicator indicator</i>	Seen at our Okavango Lodge
<b>Woodpeckers</b>	<b>Family Picidae</b>	
Golden-tailed Woodpecker	<i>Campethera abingoni</i>	Seen along the Khan River and north
Bearded Woodpecker	<i>Chloropicus namaquus</i>	Seen along the Khan River
Cardinal Woodpecker	<i>Dendropicos fuscescens</i>	Seen at Etosha and the north

<b>Falcons</b>	<b>Family Falconidae</b>	
Rock Kestrel	<i>Falco rupicolus</i>	Seen in mountainous areas such as near Brandberg and at Etosha
Greater Kestrel	<i>Falco rupicoloides</i>	Fairly common at Etosha
Lanner Falcon	<i>Falco biarmicus</i>	Seen at Etosha and Kavango woodlands
<b>African &amp; New World Parrots</b>	<b>Family Psittacidae</b>	
Meyer's Parrot	<i>Poicephalus meyeri</i>	Fairly common in the north
Rüppell's Parrot	<i>Poicephalus rueppellii</i>	Seen well along Khan River and at Erongo
<b>Old World Parrots</b>	<b>Family Psittaculidae</b>	
Rosy-faced Lovebird	<i>Agapornis roseicollis</i>	Common in the Erongo Mountains, Spitzkoppe and Waterberg
<b>Wattle-eyes, Batises</b>	<b>Family Platysteiridae</b>	
Chin-spot Batis	<i>Batis molitor</i>	Common in the north
Pririt Batis	<i>Batis pririt</i>	Common at Windhoek, Erongo area and Spitzkoppe
White-tailed Shrike	<i>Lanioturdus torquatus</i>	Seen well in Erongo area and at Spitzkoppe
<b>Helmetshrikes</b>	<b>Family Prionopidae</b>	
White-crested Helmetshrike	<i>Prionops plumatus</i>	Seen at Etosha and the north
Retz's Helmetshrike	<i>Prionops retzii</i>	Seen at Mahango and our Okavango Lodge
<b>Bushshrikes</b>	<b>Family Malaconotidae</b>	
Orange-breasted Bushshrike	<i>Chlorophoneus sulfureopectus</i>	Heard and seen in riverine forest of the Okavango River
<b>Bokmakierie</b>	<b>Telophorus zeylonus</b>	<b>Seen well at Spitzkoppe</b>
Brown-crowned Tchagra	<i>Tchagra australis</i>	Seen at Erongo and the north
Black-backed Puffback	<i>Dryoscopus cubla</i>	Common in the north
Swamp Boubou	<i>Laniarius bicolor</i>	Very common along Okavango River
Crimson-breasted Shrike	<i>Laniarius atrococcineus</i>	Common in thornveld all over
Brubru	<i>Nilaus afer</i>	A few scattered sightings but mostly heard
<b>Shrikes</b>	<b>Family Laniidae</b>	
Maggie Shrike	<i>Urolestes melanoleucus</i>	Seen in the north
Southern White-crowned Shrike	<i>Eurocephalus anguitimens</i>	Common at Etosha
Souza's Shrike	<i>Lanius souzae</i>	Pair seen in Kavango woodlands
Southern Fiscal	<i>Lanius collaris</i>	Seen mostly in the dry west (subsp subcoronatus)
<b>Orioles</b>	<b>Family Oriolidae</b>	
Black-headed Oriole	<i>Oriolus larvatus</i>	Seen in the north
<b>Drongos</b>	<b>Family Dicruridae</b>	
Fork-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>	Very common all over
<b>Monarchs</b>	<b>Family Monarchidae</b>	
African Paradise Flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone viridis</i>	Seen in the north
<b>Crows</b>	<b>Family Corvidae</b>	
Cape Crow	<i>Corvus capensis</i>	Fairly common at Etosha
Pied Crow	<i>Corvus albus</i>	Scattered sightings all over
<b>Tits</b>	<b>Family Paridae</b>	
Southern Black Tit	<i>Melaniparus niger</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
Carp's Tit	<i>Melaniparus carpi</i>	Seen along Khan River and at Etosha
Rufous-bellied Tit	<i>Melaniparus rufiventris</i>	Seen well in the Kavango woodlands
Ashy Tit	<i>Melaniparus cinerascens</i>	Seen in the thornveld of the centre and west
<b>Penduline Tits</b>	<b>Family Remizidae</b>	
Cape Penduline Tit	<i>Anthoscopus minutus</i>	Seen near Erongo
<b>Larks</b>	<b>Family Alaudidae</b>	
Spike-heeled Lark	<i>Chersomanes albofasciata</i>	Seen on Namib plains south of Spitzkoppe and Etosha
Gray's Lark	<i>Ammomanopsis grayi</i>	Seen in Namib Desert east of Wlotzkasbaken
<b>Karoo Long-billed Lark</b>	<b><i>Certhilauda subcoronata</i></b>	<b>Seen well along dry watercourses south of Spitzkoppe</b>
Benguela Long-billed Lark	<i>Certhilauda benguelensis</i>	Seen well on plains south and east of Brandberg
Chestnut-backed Sparrow-Lark	<i>Eremopterix leucotis</i>	Seen at farm dam near Khorixas, and Etosha
Grey-backed Sparrow-Lark	<i>Eremopterix verticalis</i>	Seen at farm dam near Khorixas, and Etosha
Sabota Lark	<i>Calendulauda sabota</i>	Common in west and at Etosha (mostly subsp herero)
Fawn-colored Lark	<i>Calendulauda africanoides</i>	Seen in Kavango woodlands
Dune Lark	<i>Calendulauda erythrochlamys</i>	Fantastic sightings of at least 3 pairs at Rooibank near Walvis Bay
<b>Eastern Clapper Lark</b>	<b><i>Mirafrasi fasciolata</i></b>	<b>Seen at Etosha</b>
Stark's Lark	<i>Spizocorys starki</i>	Seen well at Etosha
Pink-billed Lark	<i>Spizocorys conirostris</i>	Seen at Etosha
Red-capped Lark	<i>Calandrella cinerea</i>	Very common at Etosha
<b>Bulbuls</b>	<b>Family Pycnonotidae</b>	
African Red-eyed Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus nigricans</i>	Common in centre, west and Etosha
Dark-capped Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus tricolor</i>	Very common in the north
Yellow-bellied Greenbul	<i>Chlorocichla flaviventris</i>	Fairly common in riverine forest of Okavango River
Terrestrial Brownbul	<i>Phyllastrephus terrestris</i>	Seen in riverine thickets along Okavango River

<b>Swallows, martins</b>	<b>Family Hirundinidae</b>	
Brown-throated Martin	<i>Riparia paludicola</i>	Seen along Okavango River
Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Seen at Etosha and along Okavango River
Banded Martin	<i>Riparia cincta</i>	Seen along Okavango River
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	Seen at Etosha and along Okavango River
Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>	Common along Okavango River
Pearl-breasted Swallow	<i>Hirundo dimidiata</i>	Seen en route to Erongo
Rock Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne fuligula</i>	Common in mountainous areas and Etosha
<b>Greater Striped Swallow</b>	<b><i>Cecropis cucullata</i></b>	<b>Seen at Etosha</b>
Lesser Striped Swallow	<i>Cecropis abyssinica</i>	Common in the north
Red-breasted Swallow	<i>Cecropis semirufa</i>	Common at Etosha
Mosque Swallow	<i>Cecropis senegalensis</i>	Seen at Divundu
<b>South African Cliff Swallow</b>	<b><i>Petrochelidon spilodera</i></b>	<b>Seen along the Okavango River</b>
<b>Crombecs, African warblers</b>	<b>Family Macrospenidae</b>	
Rockrunner	<i>Achaetops pycnopygius</i>	Seen well at Erongo
Long-billed Crombec	<i>Sylvietta rufescens</i>	Several sightings all over
<b>Leaf warblers and allies</b>	<b>Family Phylloscopidae</b>	
Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	Fairly common in the north
<b>Reed warblers and allies</b>	<b>Family Acrocephalidae</b>	
Greater Swamp Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus rufescens</i>	Seen and heard in the papyrus swamps along the Okavango River
Lesser Swamp Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus gracilirostris</i>	Heard and seen along the Okavango River
African Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus baeticatus</i>	Seen and heard along Okavango River
<b>Grassbirds and allies</b>	<b>Family Locustellidae</b>	
Little Rush Warbler	<i>Bradypterus baboecala</i>	Heard along the Okavango River
<b>Cisticolas and allies</b>	<b>Family Cisticolidae</b>	
Rattling Cisticola	<i>Cisticola chiniana</i>	Common in the north
Tinkling Cisticola	<i>Cisticola rufilatus</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
Luapula Cisticola	<i>Cisticola luapula</i>	Seen along the Okavango River near our Okavango Lodge
Chirping Cisticola	<i>Cisticola pipiens</i>	Seen and heard along Okavango River
Neddicky	<i>Cisticola fulvicapilla</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
Desert Cisticola	<i>Cisticola aridulus</i>	Seen at Erongo and Etosha
Tawny-flanked Prinia	<i>Prinia subflava</i>	Seen and heard along Okavango River
Black-chested Prinia	<i>Prinia flavicans</i>	Common in the west, centre and at Etosha
Yellow-breasted Apalis	<i>Apalis flavida</i>	Heard only along Okavango river
<b>Rufous-eared Warbler</b>	<b><i>Malcorus pectoralis</i></b>	<b>Seen on the Namib plain near Brandberg</b>
Grey-backed Camaroptera	<i>Camaroptera brevicaudata</i>	Fairly common with scattered sightings all over
Barred Wren-Warbler	<i>Calamonastes fasciolatus</i>	Seen at Erongo
Yellow-bellied Eremomela	<i>Eremomela icteropygialis</i>	Seen in the centre, west and at Etosha
Green-capped Eremomela	<i>Eremomela scotops</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
Burnt-necked Eremomela	<i>Eremomela usticollis</i>	Seen in Windhoek and Erongo area
<b>Typical Babblers</b>	<b>Family Leiothrichidae</b>	
Black-faced Babbler	<i>Turdoides melanops</i>	Seen well near our Okavango lodge
Arrow-marked Babbler	<i>Turdoides jardineii</i>	Common in the northern woodlands
Hartlaub's Babbler	<i>Turdoides hartlaubii</i>	Very common along the Okavango River
Southern Pied Babbler	<i>Turdoides bicolor</i>	Seen along the Khan River and near our Okavango lodge
Bare-cheeked Babbler	<i>Turdoides gymnogenys</i>	Seen at Brandberg and Halali
<b>Sylviid Babblers</b>	<b>Family Sylviidae</b>	
Chestnut-vented Warbler	<i>Sylvia subcaerulea</i>	Common in the west, centre and at Etosha
<b>Layard's Warbler</b>	<b><i>Sylvia layardi</i></b>	<b>Seen well at Spitzkoppe</b>
<b>White-eyes</b>	<b>Family Zosteropidae</b>	
<b>Orange River White-eye</b>	<b><i>Zosterops pallidus</i></b>	<b>Seen at Walvis Bay</b>
African Yellow White-eye	<i>Zosterops senegalensis</i>	Common at our lodge near Rundu and the northern woodlands
<b>Starlings</b>	<b>Family Sturnidae</b>	
Wattled Starling	<i>Creatophora cinerea</i>	A few scattered sightings
Cape Starling	<i>Lamprotornis nitens</i>	Very common at Etosha
Greater Blue-eared Starling	<i>Lamprotornis chalybaeus</i>	Seen at Mahangu Lodge
Meves's Starling	<i>Lamprotornis mevesii</i>	Very common in woodlands along the Okavango River
Burchell's Starling	<i>Lamprotornis australis</i>	Common in woodlands along Okavango and Khan Rivers, and Waterberg
Violet-backed Starling	<i>Cinnyricinclus leucogaster</i>	Seen a few times in the north
Pale-winged Starling	<i>Onychognathus nabouroup</i>	Common in the western mountains and Waterberg
<b>Oxpeckers</b>	<b>Family Buphagidae</b>	
Yellow-billed Oxpecker	<i>Buphagus africanus</i>	Seen on game at Mahango
Red-billed Oxpecker	<i>Buphagus erythrorhynchus</i>	Seen on livestock and game in the north
<b>Thrushes</b>	<b>Family Turdidae</b>	

Groundscraper Thrush	<i>Turdus litsitsirupa</i>	Seen along the Khan River and at Etosha
Kurrichane Thrush	<i>Turdus libonyana</i>	Seen and heard in the north a few times
<b>Chats, Old World Flycatchers</b>	<b>Family Muscicapidae</b>	
Kalahari Scrub Robin	<i>Cercotrichas paena</i>	Seen at Erongo
White-browed Scrub Robin	<i>Cercotrichas leucophrys</i>	Seen along the Khan River
Grey Tit-Flycatcher	<i>Myioparus plumbeus</i>	Seen and heard at our Okavango Lodge
Southern Black Flycatcher	<i>Melaenornis pammelaina</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
Pale Flycatcher	<i>Melaenornis pallidus</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
Chat Flycatcher	<i>Melaenornis infuscatus</i>	Several sightings in the west and at Etosha
Marico Flycatcher	<i>Melaenornis mariquensis</i>	Very common in the centre, west and at Etosha
Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>	Seen a few times in the north
Ashy Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa caerulescens</i>	Seen in the riverine forest along the Okavango River
White-browed Robin-Chat	<i>Cossypha heuglini</i>	Common in the north along Okavango River
Short-toed Rock Thrush	<i>Monticola brevipes</i>	Seen in the Erongo area and Spitzkoppe
African Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquatus</i>	Seen once along Okavango River
Karoo Chat	<i>Emarginata schlegelii</i>	Seen on the dry western plains
Tractrac Chat	<i>Emarginata tractrac</i>	Seen on the plains of the Namib Desert
Ant-eating Chat	<i>Myrmecocichla formicivora</i>	Seen at Etosha
Mountain Wheatear	<i>Myrmecocichla monticola</i>	Seen at Spitzkoppe and near Brandberg
Familiar Chat	<i>Oenanthe familiaris</i>	Seen well at Erongo
Herero Chat	<i>Namibornis herero</i>	Seen well at Spitzkoppe
<b>Sunbirds</b>	<b>Family Nectariniidae</b>	
Collared Sunbird	<i>Hedydipna collaris</i>	Seen in the riverine forest along the Okavango River
Amethyst Sunbird	<i>Chalcomitra amethystina</i>	Seen at our Okavango lodge
Scarlet-chested Sunbird	<i>Chalcomitra senegalensis</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
Marico Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris mariquensis</i>	Common in the centre, west and north
White-bellied Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris talatala</i>	Common in the north
Dusky Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris fuscus</i>	Common at Spitzkoppe, Rooibank and Etosha
<b>Old World Sparrows</b>	<b>Family Passeridae</b>	
White-browed Sparrow-Weaver	<i>Plocepasser mahali</i>	Common in the centre, west and at Etosha
Sociable Weaver	<i>Philetairus socius</i>	Common at Etosha
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	Scattered sightings in urban areas
Great Sparrow	<i>Passer motitensis</i>	Common at Erongo
Cape Sparrow	<i>Passer melanurus</i>	Seen in the west
Southern Grey-headed Sparrow	<i>Passer diffusus</i>	Common at Etosha
Yellow-throated Petronia	<i>Gymnoris superciliaris</i>	Seen in the Kavango woodlands
<b>Weavers, Widowbirds</b>	<b>Family Ploceidae</b>	
Red-billed Buffalo Weaver	<i>Bubalornis niger</i>	Seen along the Khan River and at Etosha
Scaly-feathered Weaver	<i>Sporopipes squamifrons</i>	Seen at Etosha
Thick-billed Weaver	<i>Amblyospiza albifrons</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Spectacled Weaver	<i>Ploceus ocularis</i>	Seen at our lodge near Rundu and our Okavango lodge
Holub's Golden Weaver	<i>Ploceus xanthops</i>	Fairly common along the Okavango River
Southern Brown-throated Weaver	<i>Ploceus xanthopterus</i>	Common along the Okavango River
Lesser Masked Weaver	<i>Ploceus intermedius</i>	Colony at Arebbusch Lodge in Windhoek
Southern Masked Weaver	<i>Ploceus velatus</i>	Very common all over
Red-headed Weaver	<i>Anaplectes rubriceps</i>	Seen at Etosha
Southern Red Bishop	<i>Euplectes orix</i>	Seen in the north
Fan-tailed Widowbird	<i>Euplectes axillaris</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
<b>Waxbills, Munias &amp; Allies</b>	<b>Family Estrildidae</b>	
Green-winged Pytilia	<i>Pytilia melba</i>	Seen well at Erongo
Red-headed Finch	<i>Amadina erythrocephala</i>	Seen at Erongo and Etosha
Brown Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta nitidula</i>	Seen well at our Okavango Lodge
Red-billed Firefinch	<i>Lagonosticta senegala</i>	Seen along the Okavango River
Blue Waxbill	<i>Uraeginthus angolensis</i>	Scattered sightings in the north
Violet-eared Waxbill	<i>Uraeginthus granatinus</i>	Seen well at Erongo and Etosha
Common Waxbill	<i>Estrilda astrild</i>	Seen at Walvis Bay and our Okavango Lodge
Black-faced Waxbill	<i>Estrilda erythronotos</i>	Seen well at Erongo
<b>Indigobirds, Whydahs</b>	<b>Family Viduidae</b>	
Pin-tailed Whydah	<i>Vidua macroura</i>	Seen once on the Okavango floodplain
Shaft-tailed Whydah	<i>Vidua regia</i>	Non-breeding males seen at Erongo
Long-tailed Paradise Whydah	<i>Vidua paradisaea</i>	Seen once at Mahango
<b>Wagtails, Pipits</b>	<b>Family Motacillidae</b>	
Cape Wagtail	<i>Motacilla capensis</i>	Common at Walvis Bay
African Pied Wagtail	<i>Motacilla aguimp</i>	Fairly common along the Okavango River

African Pipit	<i>Anthus cinnamomeus</i>	Scattered sightings at Etosha and Mahango
Long-billed Pipit	<i>Anthus similis</i>	Seen near Erongo
<b>Finches</b>	<b>Family Fringillidae</b>	
Black-throated Canary	<i>Crithagra atrogularis</i>	Common at Erongo and Etosha
Yellow-fronted Canary	<i>Crithagra mozambica</i>	Seen in the north, especially the Kavango woodlands
White-throated Canary	<i>Crithagra albogularis</i>	Seen at Erongo
<b>Buntings</b>	<b>Family Emberizidae</b>	
Lark-like Bunting	<i>Emberiza impetuani</i>	Abundant at Erongo and Etosha
Cape Bunting	<i>Emberiza capensis</i>	Seen at Spitzkoppe
Golden-breasted Bunting	<i>Emberiza flaviventris</i>	Seen in the woodlands of the north