Papua New Guinea
Birding in Paradise V
14\textsuperscript{th} to 31\textsuperscript{st} August 2018 (18 days)
Trip Report

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Tour Summary

Papua New Guinea is renowned as a wild and exotic location that is home to an array of species, most famously its incredible birds-of-paradise. On this tour, we explored the vast rainforests (after the Amazon and the Congo, the island of New Guinea has the largest tract of virgin forest), both in the hot and humid lowlands as well as the cool highlands. The birding was not always easy, but we still managed to see some spectacular birds, such as Brehm’s Tiger Parrot, Pacific Baza, Sclater’s Crowned Pigeon, Ornate and Beautiful Fruit Doves, Common Paradise Kingfisher, Rufous-bellied Kookaburra, Blyth’s Hornbill, Palm Cockatoo, Emperor Fairywren, Belford’s Melidectes, Golden Myna, and Regent Whistler. We saw 19 bird-of-paradise (BOP) species – including Magnificent, Superb, and Twelve-wired – Queen Carola’s Parotia, and Short-tailed Paradigalla. In addition, we saw representatives of all the island’s endemic families – the berrypeckers, painted berrypeckers, melampittas, satinbirds, and the monotypic Wattled Ploughbill, Blue-capped Ifrit, and Mottled Berryhunter.

The Tour in Detail

After assembling at our hotel on a warm afternoon in Port Moresby, we crossed town to the well-known Pacific Adventist University (PAU). The wide, open grounds, which include extensive wetlands, provided an enjoyable (and perhaps unrealistically easy!) introduction to birding in Papua New Guinea.

Waterbirds formed the bulk of our haul, with species such as Plumed and Wandering Whistling Ducks, Grey Teal, Royal Spoonbill, Pied Heron, Common Kingfisher, Little Pied Cormorant, Australasian Swamphen, Dusky Moorhen, and Comb-crested Jacana all showing nicely.

The surrounding parkland yielded Peaceful and Bar-shouldered Doves, Torresian Imperial Pigeon, the huge Pheasant Coucal, Variable Goshawk, Forest and Sacred Kingfishers, Coconut Lorikeet, New Guinea Friarbird, Rufous-banded Honeyeater, Black-backed Butcherbird, White-bellied Cuckooshrike, Australasian Figbird, Metallic and Singing Starlings, and the ever-present Willie Wagtail. We also enjoyed excellent looks at PAU’s two specialities – Papuan Frogmouth and Fawn-breasted Bowerbird, whose bower was decorated with an assortment of apple-green objects. As we were leaving, we were treated to a fly-by of a gorgeous Raja Shelduck – a nice way to end the day!

We had an early breakfast the next day before making the hour-long journey to the country’s only national park:
Varirata National Park. Our first stop was the Raggiana Bird-of-paradise lek, the park’s top attraction. Strangely, the birds never really got going, offering us only glimpses through the casuarina trees, despite making the occasional racket. We eventually had to move on, but were compensated with a totally exposed view of a stunning male bird back at the bus. Up at the viewpoint, we admired the vista down to Port Moresby and spotted Sulphur-crested Cockatoo and Zoe’s Imperial Pigeon before taking to the forest trails.

The trails through Varirata are notoriously inconsistent, providing a different experience on each occasion, something we can certainly attest to. Conditions were relatively dry around the time of our visit and the birding was consequently rather tough. Despite this, we managed views of Black-billed Brushturkey, Amboyna Cuckoo-Dove, Wompoo, Pink-spotted and Superb Fruit Doves, Brush Cuckoo, Barred Owlet-Nightjar, Brown-headed Paradise Kingfisher, Azure Kingfisher, Papuan King Parrot, Black Berryepecker, Hooded Butcherbird, Boyer’s Cuckoo-shrike, Hooded Pitohui, Chestnut-bellied Fantail, Spot-winged and Frilled Monarchs, a brief female Growling Riflebird, and Black-fronted White-eye. While eating our lunch at the picnic area, we saw Pacific Baza and a huge Gurney’s Eagle that soared over.

On our way out of the park, we birded the drier, open woodland surrounding the forest, where we picked up Barking Owl, Blue-winged Kookaburra, White-throated Honeyeater, Varied Triller, localised White-bellied Whistler, Leaden Flycatcher, and Lemon-bellied Flyrobin.

We flew from Port Moresby to the highland town of Mount Hagen the next morning. On our way to our lodge – Rondon Ridge – perched on a hill overlooking the town, we stopped at an Asaro village where the story of the eerie “Mudmen”, with their heavy clay masks, was acted out for us. Over the next two days, we explored the network of trails through the forest behind the lodge, finding Papuan Mountain Pigeon, Brown Falcon, Madarasz’s Tiger Parrot, Plum-faced Lorikeet, Buff-faced Scrubwren, Fan-tailed Berryepecker, Black-breasted Boatbill, Hooded Cuckoo-shrike, Brown-breasted Gerygone, Brown-backed Whistler, Black and Dimorphic Fantails, Black Monarch, King of Saxony Bird-of-paradise, Black and Brown Sicklebills, and Black-throated Robin.

Various fruiting trees attracted Great Cuckoo-Dove, MacGregor’s Bowerbird, Yellow-browed Melidectes, Princess Stephanie’s Astrapia, and a female Superb Bird-of-paradise; while the lodge grounds provided looks at Mountain and Red-collared Myzomelas, Ornate Melidectes, Papuan White-eye, and Hooded Mannikin.
Our stay at Rondon Ridge coincided with a regional sing-sing festival where, during the unproductive middle of the day, we were treated to a display of about 10 tribes’ dances, including a curious “skeleton” troupe.

From Rondon Ridge we moved on to Kumul Lodge, on the other side of Mount Hagen. The increase in altitude was apparent, not only in the cooler temperature but also in the amount of breath one needed to climb the stairs from the carpark to reception! We immediately checked out the lodge’s famous feeding table which, during our stay, hosted Brehm’s Tiger Parrot, Grey-streaked Honeyeater, Common Smoky Honeyeater, Belford’s Melidectes, Friendly Fantail, Ribbon-tailed Astrapia, Brown Sicklebill, and Island Thrush. Other species seen on the grounds included White-bibbed Fruit Dove, Orange-billed Lorikeet, Large Scrubwren, lovely Crested Berryecker, Rufous-naped, Regent and Brown-backed Whistlers, the monotypic Blue-capped Ifrit, White-winged and Garnet Robins, Canary Flyrobin, and Mountain Firetail. The elusive and unpredictable Crested Satinbird provided much entertainment, with some lucky enough to eventually find the stunning male.

While at Kumul, we made two afternoon visits to a productive forest clearing along Moru-Moru Pass. Here we had multiple glimpses of the sought-after, but shy and flighty, Mottled Berryhunter, as well as Rufous-throated Bronze Cuckoo, Glossy Swiftlet, Papuan Lorikeet, Rufous-backed and Black-throated Honeyeaters, Mid-mountain Berryecker, Lesser Melampitta, Ashy Robin, and Blue-faced Parrotfinch. On our second morning at Kumul, we set out pre-dawn to be at Kama Village to watch for the resident Lesser Bird-of-paradise. Despite betraying his presence with his shrieks, the male took a long time to show; although, when he eventually did, he granted us wonderful views. While we were waiting for his appearance, we could at least admire the sweeping view out over the valley, and a supporting cast that included Rainbow Bee-eater, Brush Cuckoo, Mountain Honeyeater, Ornate Melidectes, Black-headed Whistler, and Crinkle-collared Manucode. En route back to the lodge, we stopped at Mambis and Lae River, where we found Brown Goshawk, Black-winged Kite, Yellow-breasted Bowerbird, White-shouldered Fairywren, Papuan Grassbird, and Torrent Flyrobin. The rest of our time at Kumul was spent birding the roadside at various spots, which yielded some quality birds in the form of Bar-tailed Cuckoo-Dove, Yellow-billed Lorikeet, Streaked and Tit Berryeckers, Great Woodswallow, Marbled Honeyeater, Grey Thornbill, the much-wanted Wattled Ploughbill, and a trio of BOPs: Short-tailed Paradigalla, and Superb and Magnificent Birds-of-paradise.
After four nights at Kumul, we returned to Mount Hagen for our flight to Kiunga. Before boarding the plane we squeezed in some airport birding, adding Australian Pipit and Papuan Harrier to our list. Upon landing at Kiunga, we embarked on our four-hour bus journey to Tabubil. That afternoon, we paid a visit to the Ok Menga hydroplant, but this was cut short when the heavens opened. This was to be a familiar feature of our stay in the area! The next morning, we made our way up the steep gravel road at Dablin Creek and took our positions for the next few hours. Unfortunately, there weren’t any easily visible fruiting trees so activity was rather quiet, making for a slow morning. We did, however, spot White-eared Bronze and Chestnut-breasted Cuckoos, a bedraggled Brown Falcon, Dusky Lory, Orange-breasted Fig Parrot, Rusty Mouse-Warbler, Green-backed Gerygone, Mountain Peltops, Black-shouldered Cicadabird, Grey-headed Cuckoo-shrike, Queen Carola’s Parotia, and Capped White-eye, with a Pygmy Eagle seen nearby.

The following day, we visited a new location above the Ok Menga site, which needed a 4x4 to access. The rain started shortly after the second part of the group was ferried up, and it didn’t stop for three hours! Luckily, there was a small structure nearby where we sought shelter from the wet, some even fashioning benches from the stack of firewood as we realised that the rain wasn’t going to let up anytime soon. We drove back down to our lodge for lunch, but returned to the spot in the afternoon. The weather was, thankfully, drier, and we found some good species, including Rufous-bellied Kookaburra, Pesquet’s Parrot, Meyer’s Friarbird, Obscure Honeyeater, Pygmy Longbill, Trumpet Manucode, a female Magnificent Riflebird, White-rumped Robin, and Yellow-eyed Starling. The main reason for our afternoon visit, however, was to search for the strange Shovel-billed Kookaburra, which only becomes active around dawn and dusk. We heard four birds and, after spotting its eyeshine in the spotlight, managed to scope one. What an excellent way to end the day, considering how it began!

While at Tabubil we also visited the Ok Menga hydroplant site a few times, both en route to the new spot and as a destination itself. We saw Blyth’s Hornbill, Eclectus Parrot, Tawny-breasted and Long-billed Honeyeaters, Black Butcherbird, Brown Oriole, and Common Sandpiper, but the absolute highlights were the two river specialists: a pair of Salvadori’s Teal and Torrent-lark.

After a short return visit to Dablin Creek, which yielded Stephan’s Emerald Dove, we drove the mine road back to Kiunga, stopping at Km 120 to see the endemic subspecies of Little Ringed Plover. Closer to Kiunga, we pulled into Km 17, famously visited by David Attenborough while filming his bird-of-
paradise documentaries. The lowland rainforest was still and steamy as we made our way along the trails to our first stop: the favoured tree of a male King Bird-of-paradise. We heard the bird calling above us, and soon we were all ogling this tiny white and ruby BOP through the scope. We couldn’t dally for too long, though, as the Greater Birds-of-paradise were already starting to work themselves into a froth further along the trail. When we arrived at the tree, we watched in amazement as four or five males put on a terrific display with each pass of a female.

In the relative cool of the following morning, we ventured out to Boy’s Town Road and set up on a little grassy knoll overlooking the road. One of the primary targets – Flame Bowerbird – sadly never turned up, but we did see Orange-bellied Fruit Dove, Channel-billed Cuckoo, Papuan Spine-tailed Swift, Oriental Dollarbird, Red-flanked Lorikeet, Emperor Fairwren, and Glossy-mantled Manucode in between bouts of light rain. As the morning warmed and the bird activity cooled, we drove to the unfenced edge of Kiunga airport, where we enjoyed superb looks at Crimson Finch. That afternoon, we returned to Km 17 but did not see much, let alone anything new.

Before the sun rose the next day, we made our way to two boats on the shoreline of the Fly River, filled with anticipation – and not a little apprehension! – at the adventure that awaited us. Thankfully, everyone heeded the advice to keep their rain gear handy, as the first hour of the boat ride was wet and miserable. By the time we reached the Elevala River tributary the rain had ceased and we could start our birding, both from the boats and along trails through the humid jungle. There had evidently been a LOT of rain recently, as the water levels were much higher than normal (they dropped more than a metre overnight!), which meant that some trails unfortunately weren’t accessible. On those that were, we were thankful to have our rubber boots; while the local guides scurried around barefoot and carefree. Sclater’s Crowned Pigeon was surprisingly common this year, and we had sublime views of this massive columbid. On the other end of the scale, we also had good looks at Dwarf Fruit Dove, as well as Ivory-billed Coucal, Common Paradise Kingfisher (despite much coaxing, we were not able to see Little Paradise Kingfisher, only hear it), magnificent Palm Cockatoo, Red-cheeked and Eclectus Parrots, Yellowish-streaked Lory, dashing glimpses of Hooded Pitta, Double-eyed Fig Parrot, Yellow-gaped Honeyeater, Lowland Peltops, Yellow-bellied Gerygone, Golden Cuckooshrike, Golden Monarch, Shining Flycatcher, Papuan Babbler, Crinkle-collared Manucode, and Golden Myna. We spent some time at an elaborately constructed hide in front of a Flame Bowerbird’s bower but, alas, the bird never showed. As we settled into our rustic

Crimson Finch by Dennis Braddy

Common Paradise Kingfisher by Dušan Brinkhuizen

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accommodation for the night, a male Twelve-wired Bird-of-paradise was spotted across the river, affording us excellent – and stable (this species is usually viewed from the boat) – scope views.

That night, some of us ventured into the forest for some owling, and were on the verge of turning back when our local guide expertly located a vocal but evasive Wallace’s Owlet-Nightjar.

Our first bird the following morning was once again the Twelve-wired Bird-of-paradise, which danced his little jig for us up and down his exposed snag above the treeline. We stopped at another hide, this time in search of New Guinea Flightless Rail. Despite watching silently for a good amount of time, nothing showed up, and so we focused our efforts elsewhere. We spotted Wompoo Fruit Dove, numerous Blyth’s Hornbills, Sulphur-crested Cockatoo, Large-billed Gerygone, Black-faced Monarch, Grey Crow, Yellow-faced Myna, and Black Sunbird before returning to the camp for lunch. On our way back to Kiunga in the afternoon, we once again visited the bowerbird hide and once again left empty-handed. Once on the main channel, the Fly River, we added White-bellied Sea Eagle to our tally before arriving at Kiunga, where we all savoured hot showers and air-conditioned rooms that evening.

Before flying back to Port Moresby the next day, we spent a few more hours at Boy’s Town Road in a last-ditch, but unsuccessful, attempt to find Flame Bowerbird. With time to spare that afternoon, we ventured out to the Lealea area, passing the stilt village on the outskirts of the capital. The mangroves at Lealea were very small, but we did find our target bird: Silver-eared Honeyeater. Between the mangrove trees and the ocean, the extensive, windswept mudflats held surprisingly few birds – just Whimbrel, Greater Sand Plover, Grey-tailed Tattler, and Gull-billed and Greater Crested Terns. The highlight was a trio of Lesser Frigatebirds that sailed lazily over.

On our penultimate morning, we drove out to the Brown River area, where we bired the patches of secondary forest and degraded agricultural clearings from along the road and sampled the local banana varieties. We caught up on some missing honeyeater species – Streak-headed, Mimic, and Elegant – as well as seeing four Pacific Bazas, Whistling Kite, Coroneted Fruit Dove, improved looks at Blue-winged Kookaburra, Black-winged Monarch, and Olive-headed Sunbird. That afternoon, we paid a repeat visit to PAU and added quite a few new species in the form of Straw-necked and Australian White Ibises, a young Nankeen Night Heron, Great Cormorant (we saw all three possible cormorant species), Yellow-tinted Honeyeater, and Grey Shrikethrush. The biggest
surprise came when we investigated what was whipping some Fawn-breasted Bowerbirds into such a fuss, and discovered an Eastern Barn Owl roosting (or trying to!) in the short tree beneath which was a different bower to the one we’d seen on our last visit.

The next day, the flight commencing the New Britain extension (on which most guests were participating) only took place in the afternoon, so we spent the morning at Varirata National Park. We forewent the Raggiana display and set out immediately on the forest trail, hoping to find some of the shyer forest species, but they were, again, having none of it! We consoled ourselves with views of a bevvy of fruit doves – Beautiful, Superb, and Dwarf – a pair of stunning Rufous-tailed Imperial Pigeons (which we’d heard only on previous days), Papuan Dwarf Kingfisher, Fairy Gerygone, Black Berrypecker, brief Yellow-breasted Boatbill, Common and Black Cicadabirds, Rusty Pitohui, Frilled Monarch, Growling Riflebird, and Grey-headed Mannikin, among others.

Annotated List of species recorded
Note: Number in brackets ( ) indicate number of days on the tour the species was recorded.
List powered through the report generator of our partner iGoTerra.

**Birds (297 in total: 274 seen, 23 heard)**

**Status codes:** E = Endemic, NE = Near-endemic, I = Introduced
**IUCN codes:** CR = Critically endangered, EN = Endangered, VU = Vulnerable, EW = Extinct in the Wild, NT = Near Threatened, DD = Data Deficient

**Ducks, Geese & Swans Anatidae**

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**Ibises, Spoonbills Threskiornithidae**

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_Herons, Egrets, and Bitterns Ardeidae_

Nankeen Night Heron  
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Eastern Cattle Egret  
(5) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Port Moresby 15.8, Port Moresby 16.8, Pacific Adventist University 30.8 and Port Moresby 31.8.  

Great Egret  
(4) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Elevala River 27.8, Elevala River 28.8 and Pacific Adventist University 30.8.  

Intermediate Egret  
(3) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Fly River 28.8 and Pacific Adventist University 30.8.  

Pied Heron  
(2) Pacific Adventist University 14.8 and Pacific Adventist University 30.8.  

Little Egret  
(1) Pacific Adventist University 14.8.  

Pacific Reef Heron  
(1) Lea Lea 29.8.  

_Frigatebirds Fregatidae_

Lesser Frigatebird  
(1) Lea Lea 29.8.  

_Cormorants and Shags Phalacrocoracidae_

Little Pied Cormorant  
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Little Black Cormorant  
(3) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Mount Hagen 16.8 and Pacific Adventist University 30.8.  

Great Cormorant  
(1) Pacific Adventist University 30.8.  

_Kites, Hawks & Eagles Accipitridae_

Black-winged Kite  
(1) Mambis 20.8.  

Pacific Baza  
(3) Varirata NP 15.8, Dablin Creek Rd 23.8 and Brown River 30.8.  

Long-tailed Honey Buzzard  
(2) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8 and Fly River 28.8.  

Pygmy Eagle  
(2) Rondon Ridge 17.8 and Dablin Creek Rd 23.8.  

Gurney's Eagle (NT)  
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.  

Variable Goshawk  
(6) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Mount Hagen 16.8, Tabubil - Kiunga Road 22.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Elevala River 28.8 and Brown River 30.8.  

Papuan Harrier  
(1) Mount Hagen airport 22.8.
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Black Kite
(10) Observed 10 days in total.  
*Milvus migrans affinis*

Whistling Kite
(2) Port Moresby 14.8 and Brown River 30.8.  
*Haliastur sphenurus*

Brahminy Kite
(13) Observed 13 days in total.  
*Haliastur indus*

White-bellied Sea Eagle
(1) Fly River 28.8.  
*Haliaeetus leucogaster*

Rails, Crakes & Coots *Rallidae*

Pale-vented Bush-hen
(1) 1 heard Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 23.8.  
*Amaurornis moluccana*

Australasian Swamphen
(4) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Port Moresby 15.8, Brown River 30.8 and Port Moresby 31.8.  
*Porphyrio melanotus*

Dusky Moorhen
(2) Pacific Adventist University 14.8 and Brown River 30.8.  
*Gallinula tenebrosa*

Red-backed Buttonquail
(1) 1 heard Kiunga 26.8.  
*Turnix maculosus*

Masked Lapwing
(3) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Mount Hagen 16.8 and Pacific Adventist University 30.8.  
*Vanellus miles miles*

Little Ringed Plover
(1) Tabubil - Kiunga Road 25.8.  
*Charadrius dubius dubius*

Greater Sand Plover
(1) Lea Lea 29.8.  
*Charadrius leschenaultii leschenaultii*

Comb-crested Jacana
(2) Pacific Adventist University 14.8 and Pacific Adventist University 30.8.  
*Irediparra gallinacea*

Whimbrel
(1) Lea Lea 29.8.  
*Numenius phaeopus variegatus*

Common Sandpiper
(4) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Elevala River 27.8 and Elevala River 28.8.  
*Actitis hypoleucos*

Grey-tailed Tattler (NT)
(1) Lea Lea 29.8.  
*Tringa brevipes*

Gull-billed Tern
(1) Lea Lea 29.8.  
*Gelochelidon nilotica macrotarsa*

Greater Crested Tern
(1) Lea Lea 29.8.  
*Thalasseus bergii cristatus*
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**Cuckoos Cuculidae**

**Ivory-billed Coucal**
(1) Elevala River 27.8.

**Black-billed Coucal**
(2) 1 heard Km 17 25.8 and 1 heard Km 17 26.8.

**Pheasant Coucal**
(4) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Varirata NP 15.8, Brown River 30.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**Dwarf Koel**
(1) 1 heard Varirata NP 15.8.

**Pacific Koel**
(2) Boys' Town Rd 26.8 and Elevala River 27.8.

**Channel-billed Cuckoo**
(3) Boys' Town Rd 26.8, Fly River 28.8 and Brown River 30.8.

**Rufous-throated Bronze Cuckoo**
(2) Rondon Ridge 18.8 and Murmura pass 19.8.

**White-eared Bronze Cuckoo**
(2) Dablin Creek Rd 23.8 and Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8.

**Little Bronze Cuckoo**
(1) Boys' Town Rd 26.8.

**White-crowned Cuckoo**
(1) 1 heard Varirata NP 15.8.

**Chestnut-breasted Cuckoo**
(1) Dablin Creek Rd 23.8.

**Fan-tailed Cuckoo**
(1) 1 heard Murmura pass 21.8.

**Brush Cuckoo**
(4) Varirata NP 15.8, Kama village 20.8, Dablin Creek Rd 23.8 and Dablin Creek Rd 25.8.

**Barn Owls Tytonidae**

**Eastern Barn Owl**
(1) Pacific Adventist University 30.8.

**Owls Strigidae**

**Barking Owl**
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.

**Papuan Boobook**
(4) 1 heard Rondon Ridge 16.8, 1 heard Rondon Ridge 17.8, 1 heard Kumul Lodge 21.8 and 1 heard Tabubil 22.8.

**Frogmouths Podargidae**

**Papuan Frogmouth**
(2) Pacific Adventist University 14.8 and Pacific Adventist University 30.8.

**Owlet-Nightjars Aegotheilidae**

**Wallace's Owlet-nightjar (DD)**
(1) Kwatu Lodge 27.8.

**Barred Owlet-Nightjar**
(2) Pacific Adventist University 15.8 and Pacific Adventist University 31.8.
### Treeswifts *Hemiprocnidae*

**Moustached Treeswift**  
*Hemiprocnus mystacea*  
(5) Tabubil - Kiunga Road 22.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 23.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Tabubil - Kiunga Road 25.8 and Fly River 28.8.

### Swifts *Apodidae*

**Glossy Swiftlet**  
*Collocalia esculenta*  
Observed 9 day(s) in total.

**Mountain Swiftlet**  
*Aerodramus hirundinaceus hirundinaceus*  

**Uniform Swiftlet**  
*Aerodramus vanikorensis*  
Observed 9 day(s) in total.

**Papuan Spine-tailed Swift**  
*Mearnsia novaeguineae*  
(4) Boys' Town Rd 26.8, Elevala River 27.8, Elevala River 28.8 and Boys' Town Rd 29.8.

### Rollers *Coraciidae*

**Oriental Dollarbird**  
*Eurystomus orientalis*  
Observed 9 day(s) in total.

### Kingfishers *Alcedinidae*

**Hook-billed Kingfisher**  
*Melidora macrorrhina*  
(4) 1 heard Elevala River 27.8, 1 heard Elevala River 28.8, 1 heard Boys' Town Rd 29.8 and 1 heard Brown River 30.8.

**Common Paradise Kingfisher**  
*Tanysiptera galatea*  
(1) Elevala River 27.8.

**Little Paradise Kingfisher (DD)**  
*Tanysiptera hydrocharis*  
(1) 1 heard Elevala River 28.8.

**Brown-headed Paradise Kingfisher**  
*Tanysiptera danae*  
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.

**Shovel-billed Kookaburra**  
*Clytoceyx rex*  
(1) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8.

**Blue-winged Kookaburra**  
*Dacelo leachii intermedia*  
(2) Varirata NP 15.8 and Brown River 30.8.

**Rufous-bellied Kookaburra**  
*Dacelo gaudichaud*  
(7) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Boys' Town Rd 26.8, Elevala River 27.8, Elevala River 28.8, Boys' Town Rd 29.8, Brown River 30.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**Forest Kingfisher**  
*Todiramphus macleayii*  
(2) Pacific Adventist University 14.8 and Varirata NP 15.8.

**Sacred Kingfisher**  
*Todiramphus sanctus sanctus*  
(7) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, observed Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 22-24.8, Lea Lea 29.8, Pacific Adventist University 30.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**Yellow-billed Kingfisher**  
*Syma torotoro*  
(3) Boys' Town Rd 26.8, Boys' Town Rd 29.8 and Brown River 30.8.

**Mountain Kingfisher**  
*Syma megarhyncha*  
(1) 1 heard Rondon Ridge 17.8.

**Common Kingfisher**  
*Alcedo atthis*  
(2) Pacific Adventist University 14.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**Papuan Dwarf Kingfisher**  
*Ceyx solitarius*  
(1) Varirata NP 31.8.
**Azure Kingfisher**  
*Ceyx azureus*  
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.

**Bee-eaters *Meropidae***  
**Rainbow Bee-eater**  
*Merops ornatus*  

**Hornbills *Bucerotidae***  
**Blyth's Hornbill**  
*Rhyticeros plicatus*  
(7) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 23.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Boys' Town Rd 26.8, Elevala River 27.8, Elevala River 28.8, Boys' Town Rd 29.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**Falcons and Caracaras *Falconidae***  
**Brown Falcon**  
*Falcoboenas novaeguineae*  
(3) Rondon Ridge 17.8, Dablin Creek Rd 23.8 and Dablin Creek Rd 25.8.

**Cockatoos *Cacatuidae***  
**Palm Cockatoo**  
*Probosciger aterrimus*  
(3) Boys' Town Rd 26.8, Elevala River 27.8 and Elevala River 28.8.

**Sulphur-crested Cockatoo**  
*Cacatua galerita triton*  
(5) Varirata NP 15.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Elevala River 27.8, Elevala River 28.8 and Brown River 30.8.

**Old World Parrots *Psittaculidae***  
**Pesquet's Parrot (VU)**  
*Psitrichas fulgidus*  
(1) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8.

**Yellow-capped Pygmy Parrot**  
*Micropsitta keiensis keiensis*  
(1) Boys' Town Rd 26.8.

**Papuan King Parrot**  
*Alisterus chloropterus*  
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.

**Eclectus Parrot**  
*Eclectus roratus*  
Observed 10 day(s) in total.

**Red-cheeked Parrot**  
*Geoffroyus geoffroyi*  
Observed 8 day(s) in total.

**Brehm's Tiger Parrot**  
*Psittacella brehmii*  

**Madarasz's Tiger Parrot**  
*Psittacella madaraszi*  
(1) Rondon Ridge 17.8.

**Plum-faced Lorikeet**  
*Oreopsittacus arfaki grandis*  
(3) Rondon Ridge 17.8, Murmura pass 19.8 and Murmura pass 21.8.

**Red-flanked Lorikeet**  
*Charmosyna placentis*  
(1) Boys' Town Rd 26.8.

**Papuan Lorikeet**  
*Charmosyna papou*  
(3) Rondon Ridge 17.8, Rondon Ridge 18.8 and Murmura pass 21.8.

**Yellow-billed Lorikeet**  
*Neopsittacus musschenbroekii*  
(1) Anji-walya 20.8.

**Orange-billed Lorikeet**  
*Neopsittacus pullicauda*  
(2) Kumul Lodge 19.8 and Murmura pass 21.8.
**Black-capped Lory** *Lorius lory*
(7) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Boys' Town Rd 26.8, Elevala River 27.8, Elevala River 28.8, Boys' Town Rd 29.8, Brown River 30.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**Yellowish-streaked Lory** *Chalcopsitta scintillata*
(2) Elevala River 27.8 and Boys' Town Rd 29.8.

**Dusky Lory** *Pseudeos fuscata*
(5) Dablin Creek Rd 23.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Dablin Creek Rd 25.8, Boys' Town Rd 26.8 and Brown River 30.8.

**Coconut Lorikeet** *Trichoglossus haematodus*
(6) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Varirata NP 15.8, Kama village 20.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 25.8, Brown River 30.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**Large Fig Parrot** *Psittaculirostris desmarestii*
(1) Elevala River 27.8.

**Orange-breasted Fig Parrot** *Cyclopsitta guliemlitertii*
(7) Dablin Creek Rd 23.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 25.8, Boys' Town Rd 26.8, Elevala River 27.8, Elevala River 28.8 and Boys' Town Rd 29.8.

**Double-eyed Fig Parrot** *Cyclopsitta diophthalma*
(1) Elevala River 27.8.

**Pittas** *Pittidae*

**Hooded Pitta** *Pitta sordida novaeguineae*
(1) Elevala River 27.8.

**Bowerbirds** *Ptilonorhynchidae*

**Ochre-breasted Catbird** *Ailuroedus stonii*
(1) I heard Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8.

**MacGregor's Bowerbird** *Amblyornis macgregoriae*

**Yellow-breasted Bowerbird** *Chlamydera lauterbachii*
(1) Mambis 20.8.

**Fawn-breasted Bowerbird** *Chlamydera cerviniventris*
(3) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Pacific Adventist University 30.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**Fairywrens** *Maluridae*

**Wallace's Fairywren** *Sipodotus wallaci*
(1) I heard Varirata NP 15.8.

**Emperor Fairywren** *Malurus cyanoccephalus*
(1) Boys' Town Rd 26.8.

**White-shouldered Fairywren** *Malurus alboscapulatus*
(3) Mambis 20.8, Anji-walya 21.8 and Dablin Creek Rd 23.8.

**Honeyeaters** *Meliphagidae*

**Mountain Myzomela** *Myzomela adolphinae*

**Red-collared Myzomela** *Myzomela rosenbergii*

**Rufous-backed Honeyeater** *Ptiloprora guisei*
(2) Murmura pass 19.8 and Murmura pass 21.8.
Grey-streaked Honeyeater  
(*Ptiloprora perstriata*)

Marbled Honeyeater  
(*Pycnopygius cinereus*)

Streak-headed Honeyeater  
(*Pycnopygius stictocephalus*)
(2) Brown River 30.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

Silver-eared Honeyeater  
(*Lichmera alboauricularis*)
(1) Lea Lea 29.8.

Tawny-breasted Honeyeater  
(*Xanthotis flaviventer*)
(5) Dablin Creek Rd 23.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Boys' Town Rd 26.8, Elevala River 27.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

Meyer's Friarbird  
(*Philemon meyeri*)
(2) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8 and Boys' Town Rd 26.8.

New Guinea Friarbird  
(*Philemon novaeguineae*)
Observed 9 day(s) in total.

White-throated Honeyeater  
(*Melithreptus albogularis albogularis*)
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.

Long-billed Honeyeater  
(*Melilestes megarhynchus*)
(4) Anji-walya 21.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 22.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8 and Brown River 30.8.

Common Smoky Honeyeater  
(*Melipotes fumigatus*)
(7) Observed Rondon Ridge 16-18.8, observed Kumul Lodge 19-21.8 and Dablin Creek Rd 25.8.

Rufous-banded Honeyeater  
(*Conopophila albogularis*)
(3) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Kwatu Lodge 28.8 and Pacific Adventist University 30.8.

Black-throated Honeyeater  
(*Caligavis subfrenata*)
(1) Murmura pass 19.8.

Obscure Honeyeater  
(*Caligavis obscura*)
(1) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8.

Yellow-browed Melidectes  
(*Melidectes rufocrissalis*)
(3) Observed Rondon Ridge 16-18.8.

Belford's Melidectes  
(*Melidectes belfordi*)
(5) Observed Kumul Lodge 18-22.8.

Ornate Melidectes  
(*Melidectes torquatus*)
(5) Rondon Ridge 17.8, Rondon Ridge 18.8, Kama village 20.8, Anji-walya 21.8 and Dablin Creek Rd 23.8.

Yellow-tinted Honeyeater  
(*Ptilotula flavescens flavescens*)
(1) Pacific Adventist University 30.8.

Mountain Honeyeater  
(*Meliphaga orientalis*)
(1) Kama village 20.8.

Scrub Honeyeater  
(*Meliphaga albonotata*)
(2) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 22.8 and Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 23.8.

Mimic Honeyeater  
(*Meliphaga analoga*)
(1) Brown River 30.8.

Elegant Honeyeater  
(*Meliphaga cinereifrons*)
(1) Brown River 30.8.

Yellow-gaped Honeyeater  
(*Meliphaga flavirictus*)
(1) Elevala River 27.8.
**Australasian Warblers** *Acanthizidae*

**Rusty Mouse-Warbler**  
*Crateroscelis murina*  
(1) Dablin Creek Rd 23.8.

**Mountain Mouse-Warbler**  
*Crateroscelis robusta*  
(3) Observed Kumul Lodge 18-20.8.

**Papuan Scrubwren**  
*Sericornis papuensis*  

**Large Scrubwren**  
*Sericornis nouhuysi*  

**Buff-faced Scrubwren**  
*Sericornis perspicillatus*  
(1) Rondon Ridge 17.8.

**Brown-breasted Gerygone**  
*Gerygone ruficollis*  

**Large-billed Gerygone**  
*Gerygone magnirostris*  
(1) Elevala River 28.8.

**Yellow-billed Gerygone**  
*Gerygone chrysogaster chrysogaster*  
(3) Varirata NP 15.8, Elevala River 27.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**Green-backed Gerygone**  
*Gerygone chloronota chloronota*  
(1) Dablin Creek Rd 23.8.

**Fairy Gerygone**  
*Gerygone palpebrosa*  
(1) Varirata NP 31.8.

**Grey Thornbill**  
*Acanthiza cinerea*  
(1) Kumul Lodge 21.8.

**Pseudo-Babblers** *Pomatostomidae*

**Papuan Babbler**  
*Garritornis isidorei*  
(2) Boys’ Town Rd 26.8 and Elevala River 28.8.

**Satinbirds** *Cnemophilidae*

**Crested Satinbird**  
*Cnemophilus macgregorii*  

**Berrypeckers and Longbills** *Melanocharitidae*

**Black Berrypecker**  
*Melanocharis nigra*  
(2) Varirata NP 15.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**Mid-mountain Berrypecker**  
*Melanocharis longicauda*  
(1) Murmura pass 21.8.

**Fan-tailed Berrypecker**  
*Melanocharis versteri*  
(1) Rondon Ridge 18.8.

**Streaked Berrypecker**  
*Melanocharis striativeniris striativeniris*  

**Pygmy Longbill**  
*Oedistoma pygmaeum*  
(1) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8.

**Yellow-billed Longbill**  
*Toxorhamphus novaeguineae*  
(1) Elevala River 28.8.

**Tit Berrypecker and Crested Berrypecker** *Paramythiidae*

**Tit Berrypecker**  
*Oreocharis arfaki*  
(2) Anji-walya 20.8 and Murmura pass 21.8.
Crested Berrypecker  
*Paramythia montium montium*

**Whipbirds, Jewel-babblers and Quail-thrushes Psophodidae**

**Blue Jewel-babbler**  
*Ptilorhoa caerulescens*
(1) 1 heard Km 17 25.8.

**Chestnut-backed Jewel-babbler**  
*Ptilorhoa castanonota*
(1) 1 heard Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8.

**Painted Quail-thrush**  
*Cinclosoma ajax*
(2) 1 heard Varirata NP 15.8 and 1 heard Varirata NP 31.8.

**Boatbills Machaerirhynchidae**

**Yellow-breasted Boatbill**  
*Machaerirhynchus flaviventer*
(1) Varirata NP 31.8.

**Black-breasted Boatbill**  
*Machaerirhynchus nigripectus*
(2) Rondon Ridge 17.8 and Murmura pass 19.8.

**Woodswallows, Butcherbirds and allies Artamidae**

**White-breasted Woodswallow**  
*Artamus leucorynchus leucopygialis*
(5) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Kiunga 26.8, Port Moresby 29.8, Pacific Adventist University 30.8 and Port Moresby 31.8.

**Great Woodswallow**  
*Artamus maximus*
(6) Kumul Lodge 20.8, Kumul Lodge 21.8 and observed Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 22-25.8.

**Lowland Peltops**  
*Peltops blainvillii*
(3) Elevala River 27.8, Elevala River 28.8 and Boys' Town Rd 29.8.

**Mountain Peltops**  
*Peltops montanus*
(2) Dablin Creek Rd 23.8 and Dablin Creek Rd 25.8.

**Black Butcherbird**  
*Melloria quoyi*
(3) Varirata NP 15.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8 and Dablin Creek Rd 25.8.

**Black-backed Butcherbird**  
*Cracticus mentalis mentalis*
(2) Pacific Adventist University 14.8 and Pacific Adventist University 30.8.

**Hooded Butcherbird**  
*Cracticus cassinus*
(5) Varirata NP 15.8, Km 17 25.8, Km 17 26.8, Lea Lea 29.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**Mottled Whistler Rhagologidae**

**Mottled Berryhunter**  
*Rhagologus leucostigma obscurus*
(1) Murmura pass 21.8.

**Cuckoo-shrikes Campephagidae**

**Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike**  
*Coracina novaehollandiae melanops*
(2) Varirata NP 15.8 and Lea Lea 29.8.

**Stout-billed Cuckoo-shrike**  
*Coracina caeruleogrisea*
(1) Rondon Ridge 16.8.

**Boyer's Cuckoo-shrike**  
*Coracina boyeri*
(4) Varirata NP 15.8, Elevala River 27.8, Boys' Town Rd 29.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**White-bellied Cuckoo-shrike**  
*Coracina papuensis*
(4) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Kama village 20.8, Pacific Adventist University 30.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.
**Hooded Cuckoo-shrike**
(1) Rondon Ridge 18.8.

**Common Cicadabird**

**Black-shouldered Cicadabird**
(1) Dablin Creek Rd 23.8.

**Grey-headed Cuckoo-shrike**
(2) Dablin Creek Rd 23.8 and Dablin Creek Rd 25.8.

**Golden Cuckoo-shrike**
(2) Km 17 25.8 and Elevala River 27.8.

**Varied Triller**
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.

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**Hooded Cuckoo-shrike**
*Coracina longicauda*

**Common Cicadabird**
*Coracina tenuirostris*

**Black-shouldered Cicadabird**
*Coracina incerta*

**Grey-headed Cuckoo-shrike**
*Coracina schisticeps*

**Golden Cuckoo-shrike**
*Campochaera sloetii*

**Varied Triller**
*Lalage leucomela*

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**Ploughbill Eulacestomatidae**

**Wattled Ploughbill**
(1) Kumul Lodge 21.8.

**Australo-Papuan Bellbirds Oreoicidae**

**Rufous-naped Bellbird**
*Aleadryas rufinucha*

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**Whistlers and allies Pachycephalidae**

**Brown-backed Whistler**
(5) Observed Kumul Lodge 18-22.8.

**Sclater’s Whistler**
(1) I heard Rondon Ridge 18.8.

**Regent Whistler**

**Black-headed Whistler**
(1) Kama village 20.8.

**White-bellied Whistler**
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.

**White-bellied Pitohui**
(1) I heard Elevala River 28.8.

**Rusty Pitohui**
(2) Km 17 26.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**Little Shrikethrush**
(2) Varirata NP 15.8 and Rondon Ridge 17.8.

**Grey Shrikethrush**
(1) Pacific Adventist University 30.8.

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**Shrikes Laniidae**

**Long-tailed Shrike**
*Lanius schach stresemanni*

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**Old World Orioles Oriolidae**

**Australasian Figbird**
*Sphecotheres vieilloti salvadorii*

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Hooded Pitohui
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.

Brown Oriole
(7) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Varirata NP 15.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 25.8, Boys' Town Rd 26.8, Brown River 30.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

Spangled Drongo
Observed 10 day(s) in total.

Drongos Dicruridae

Willie Wagtail
Observed 17 day(s) in total.

Black Thicket Fantail
(1) 1 heard Brown River 30.8.

White-bellied Thicket Fantail
(5) Up to 1 Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 23-25.8, 1 heard Boys' Town Rd 26.8 and 1 heard Elevala River 28.8.

Black Fantail
(2) Rondon Ridge 16.8 and Rondon Ridge 17.8.

Chestnut-bellied Fantail
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.

Friendly Fantail

Dimorphic Fantail
(2) Rondon Ridge 17.8 and Murmura pass 21.8.

Rufous-backed Fantail
(1) 1 heard Km 17 26.8.

Monarchs Monarchidae

Black Monarch
(1) Rondon Ridge 17.8.

Spot-winged Monarch
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.

Black-faced Monarch
(1) Elevala River 28.8.

Black-winged Monarch
(2) Dablin Creek Rd 23.8 and Brown River 30.8.

Golden Monarch
(1) Elevala River 27.8.

Frilled Monarch

Torrent-lark
(1) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8.

Leaden Flycatcher
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.

Shining Flycatcher
(3) Elevala River 27.8, Elevala River 28.8 and Brown River 30.8.
Crows, Jays, and Magpies *Corvidae*

**Grey Crow** *Corvus tristis*
(7) Tabubil - Kiunga Road 22.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Dablin Creek Rd 25.8, Elevala River 27.8, Elevala River 28.8, Boys' Town Rd 29.8 and Brown River 30.8.

**Torresian Crow** *Corvus orru orru*
(4) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Port Moresby 15.8, Lea Lea 29.8 and Brown River 30.8.

**Melampittas *Melampittidae***

**Lesser Melampitta** *Melampitta lugubris*

**Ifrita *Ifritidae***

**Blue-capped Ifrit** *Ifrita kowaldi*
(3) Rondon Ridge 17.8, Kumul Lodge 19.8 and Kumul Lodge 20.8.

**Birds-of-paradise *Paradisaeidae***

**Glossy-mantled Manucode** *Manucodia ater*
(3) Boys' Town Rd 26.8, Elevala River 27.8 and Elevala River 28.8.

**Crinkle-collared Manucode** *Manucodia chalybatus*
(5) Kama village 20.8, Dablin Creek Rd 23.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 25.8 and Elevala River 27.8.

**Trumpet Manucode** *Phonygammus keraudrenii*
(2) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8 and Boys' Town Rd 26.8.

**Short-tailed Paradigalla** *Paradigalla brevicauda*
(1) Anji-walya 20.8.

**Ribbon-tailed Astrapia (NT)** *Astrapia mayeri*
(5) Observed Kumul Lodge 18-22.8.

**Princess Stephanie's Astrapia** *Astrapia stephaniae*
(3) Observed Rondon Ridge 16-18.8.

**Queen Carola's Parotia** *Parotia caroleae*
(1) Dablin Creek Rd 23.8.

**King of Saxony Bird-of-paradise** *Pteridophora alberti*
(2) Rondon Ridge 17.8 and Murmura pass 19.8.

**Superb Bird-of-paradise** *Lophorina superba*

**Magnificent Riflebird** *Ptiloris magnificus magnificus*
(1) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8.

**Growling Riflebird** *Ptiloris intercedens*
(2) Varirata NP 15.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.

**Black Sicklebill** *Epimachus fastosus*
(1) Rondon Ridge 17.8.

**Brown Sicklebill** *Epimachus meyeri*
(5) Rondon Ridge 17.8 and observed Kumul Lodge 18-21.8.

**Magnificent Bird-of-paradise** *Diphyllodes magnificus*
(2) Kama village 20.8 and Anji-walya 21.8.

**King Bird-of-paradise** *Cicinnurus regius*
(1) Km 17 25.8.

**Twelve-wired Bird-of-paradise** *Seleucidis melanoleucus*
(2) Kwatu Lodge 27.8 and Kwatu Lodge 28.8.
Greater Bird-of-paradise  \textit{Paradisaea apoda}  
(4) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8, Km 17 25.8, Boys' Town Rd 26.8 and Boys' Town Rd 29.8.  
Raggiana Bird-of-paradise  \textit{Paradisaea raggiana}  
(2) Varirata NP 15.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.  
Lesser Bird-of-paradise  \textit{Paradisaea minor minor}  
(1) Kama village 20.8.  
Blue Bird-of-paradise (VU)  \textit{Paradisaea rudolphi}  
(1) 1 heard Anji-walya 21.8. 

**Australasian Robins \textit{Petroicidae}**  

**Ashy Robin**  \textit{Heteromyias albispecularis armiti}  
(1) Murmura pass 21.8.  
**Black-sided Robin**  \textit{Poecilodryas hypoleuca}  
(1) 1 heard Km 17 25.8.  
**Black-throated Robin**  \textit{Poecilodryas albonotata}  
**White-winged Robin**  \textit{Peneothello sigillata}  
**White-rumped Robin**  \textit{Peneothello bimaculata}  
(1) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8.  
**Torrent Flyrobin**  \textit{Monachella muelleriana}  
(3) Lai River Bridge, Highlands Highway 20.8, Anji-walya 21.8 and Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8.  
**Canary Flyrobin**  \textit{Microeca papuana}  
(3) Kumul Lodge 18.8, Kumul Lodge 19.8 and Murmura pass 21.8.  
**Lemon-bellied Flyrobin**  \textit{Microeca flavigaster}  
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.  
**Garnet Robin**  \textit{Eugerygone rubra}  
(1) Kumul Lodge 19.8.  
**Papuan Scrub Robin**  \textit{Drymodes beccarii}  
(1) 1 heard Varirata NP 31.8.  

**Swallows \textit{Hirundinidae}**  
**Pacific Swallow**  \textit{Hirundo tahitica}  
Observed 12 day(s) in total.  

**Leaf Warblers and allies \textit{Phylloscopidae}**  
**Island Leaf Warbler**  \textit{Phylloscopus maforensis}  

**Grassbirds and allies \textit{Locustellidae}**  
**Papuan Grassbird**  \textit{Megalurus macrurus}  
(1) Mambis 20.8.  

**White-eyes \textit{Zosteropidae}**  
**Black-fronted White-eye**  \textit{Zosterops minor}  
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.  
**Capped White-eye**  \textit{Zosterops fuscicapilla}  
(1) Dablin Creek Rd 23.8.
Papuan White-eye  
*Zosterops novaeguineae*  

**Starlings Sturnidae**

Metallic Starling  
*Aplonis metallica*  
(7) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Km 17 25.8, Boys’ Town Rd 26.8, Elevala River 27.8, Elevala River 28.8, Boys’ Town Rd 29.8 and Brown River 30.8.

Yellow-eyed Starling (NT)  
*Aplonis mystacea*  
(1) Ok Menga Hydro Powerplant 24.8.

Singing Starling  
*Aplonis cantoroides*  
(1) Pacific Adventist University 14.8.

Yellow-faced Myna  
*Minio dumontii*  
Observed 8 day(s) in total.

Golden Myna  
*Minio anais*  
(2) Elevala River 27.8 and Elevala River 28.8.

**Thrushes and Allies Turdidae**

Island Thrush  
*Turdus poliocephalus*  

**Chats, Old World Flycatchers Muscicapididae**

Pied Bush Chat  
*Saxicola caprata*  
Observed 8 day(s) in total.

**Flowerpeckers Dicaeidae**

Red-capped Flowerpecker  
*Dicaeum geelvinkianum*  
Observed 10 day(s) in total.

**Sunbirds and Spiderhunters Nectariniidae**

Black Sunbird  
*Leptocoma aspasia*  
Observed 7 day(s) in total.

Olive-backed Sunbird  
*Cinnyris jugularis*  
(1) Brown River 30.8.

**Old World Sparrows Passeridae**

House Sparrow  
*Passer domesticus domesticus*  
(3) Port Moresby 14.8, Port Moresby 16.8 and Mount Hagen airport 22.8.

Eurasian Tree Sparrow  
*Passer montanus*  
Observed 10 day(s) in total.

**Waxbills, Munias and allies Estrildidae**

Mountain Firetail  
*Oreostruthus fuliginosus*  
(1) Kumul Lodge 21.8.

Crimson Finch  
*Neochmia phaeton evangelinae*  
(1) Kiunga 26.8.

Blue-faced Parrotfinch  
*Erythrura trichroa*  
(1) Murmura pass 21.8.

Grey-headed Mannikin  
*Lonchura caniceps*  
(3) Pacific Adventist University 14.8, Pacific Adventist University 30.8 and Varirata NP 31.8.
Hooded Mannikin  
*Lonchura spectabilis*  
(3) Rondon Ridge 17.8, Mambis 20.8 and Anji-walya 21.8.

**Wagtails, Pipits Motacillidae**  
*Anthus australis exigus*  
Australian Pipit  
(1) Mount Hagen airport 22.8.

**Mammals (1 in total: 1 seen)**

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**Javan Rusa**  
*Rusa timorensis*  
(1) Varirata NP 15.8.

**Reptiles (1 in total: 1 seen)**

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**New Guinea Crocodile**  
*Crocodylus novaeguineae*  
(1) Elevala River 28.8.