

Birds at Lake Narasha (Timboroa Dam) on 28th January 2024

Birds observed during World Wetlands Day 2024 build-up activity (8.00 am to 12.00 pm). List compiled by Richard Kipngeno, Dr. Wanyoike Wamiti, Peter Njeru.

Names and sequence from Checklist of the Birds of Kenya, 5th Edition, 2019. Some old names in bracket.

PM = Palearctic migrant (nests in Europe or Asia)

Anatidae: Ducks and Geese

- Yellow-billed Duck
- Egyptian Goose

Podicipedidae: Grebes

• Little Grebe

Columbidae: Pigeons & Doves

- Red-eyed Dove
- Dusky Turtle Dove

Apodidae: Swifts

• Nyanza Swift

Rallidae: Rails, Crakes and Gallinules

- Common Moorhen
- Black Crake
- Purple Swamphen
- Red-knobbed Coot

Gruidae: Cranes

• Grey Crowned Crane

Scolopidae: Sandpipers and Allies

- Common Sandpiper PM
- Wood Sandpiper PM
- Marsh Sandpiper PM

Scopidae: Hamerkop

• Hamerkop

Ardeidae: Herons, Egrets and Bitterns

- Black-headed Heron
- Grey Heron

Threskiornithidae: Ibises & Spoonbills

• Hadada Ibis

Accipitridae: Hawks, Vultures, Buzzards, Eagles & Allies

- Long-crested Eagle
- Western Marsh Harrier PM
- African Goshawk
- Little Sparrowhawk
- Yellow-billed (Black) Kite
- Common (Steppe) Buzzard PM
- Augur Buzzard

Picidae: Wrynecks and Woodpeckers

• Nubian Woodpecker

Rhamphastidae (Lybiinae): Barbets and Tinkerbirds

• Yellow-rumped Tinkerbird

Meropidae: Bee-eaters

• Cinnamon-chested Bee-eater

Malaconotidae: Bush-shrikes, Tchagras & Puffbacks

Tropical Boubou







Laniidae: Shrikes

• Northern (Common) Fiscal

Corvidae: Crows & Allies

• Cape Rook (Crow)

Nectariniidae: Sunbirds

- Variable Sunbird
- Malachite Sunbird
- Golden-winged Sunbird
- Eastern Double-collared Sunbird
- Bronze Sunbird

Ploceidae: Weavers, Bishops & Widowbirds

- Black-billed Weaver
- Baglafetch Weaver

Estrildidae: Waxbills

- Yellow-bellied Waxbill
- Common Waxbill
- Bronze Mannikin

Motacillidae: Wagtails, Longclaws & Pipits

- African Pied Wagtail
- Cape Wagtail

Fringillidae: Canaries, Seedeaters & allies

- African Citril
- Streaky Seedeater
- Thick-billed Seedeater

Cisticolidae: Cisticolas & allies

- Grey-capped Warbler
- Hunter's Cisticola
- Winding Cisticola

Locustellidae: Grassbirds

• Highland Rush Warbler

Pycnonotidae: Bulbuls

Common Bulbul

Zosteropidae: White-eyes

• Northern Yellow White-eye

Muscicapidae: Scrub Robins, African Robins, Chats & Flycatchers

- African Dusky Flycatcher
- White-eyed Slaty Flycatcher
- Cape Robin Chat
- Common (African) Stonechat

Turdidae: True Thrushes

• Abyssinian (Olive) Thrush