

Avibase - The World Bird Database

Region: Caprivi
Number of species: 501
Number of endemics: 0
Number of breeding endemics: 0
Number of globally threatened species: 16
Number of extinct species: 0
Number of introduced species: 4

Col	Location	Date	Start time	Duration	Distance
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Common Ostrich		Orange River Francolin		Kori Bustard	
		Common Quail		Denham's Bustard	
White-faced Whistling-Duck		Harlequin Quail		Red-crested Bustard	
Fulvous Whistling-Duck		Red-billed Spurfowl		White-quilled Bustard	
White-backed Duck		Natal Spurfowl [x]		Black-bellied Bustard	
Knob-billed Duck		Swainson's Spurfowl			
Egyptian Goose				Gray Go-away-bird	
South African Shelduck		Rock Pigeon [i]		Ross's Turaco [x]	
Spur-winged Goose		Speckled Pigeon		Schalow's Turaco	
African Pygmy-Goose		Mourning Collared-Dove			
Blue-billed Teal		Red-eyed Dove		Senegal Coucal	
Cape Shoveler		Ring-necked Dove		Coppery-tailed Coucal	
African Black Duck		Laughing Dove		White-browed Coucal	
Yellow-billed Duck		Emerald-spotted Wood-Dove		Black Coucal	
Cape Teal		Namaqua Dove		Great Spotted Cuckoo	
Red-billed Duck		African Green-Pigeon		Levaillant's Cuckoo	
Southern Pochard				Pied Cuckoo	
		Namaqua Sandgrouse		Thick-billed Cuckoo	
Helmeted Guineafowl		Yellow-throated Sandgrouse		Dideric Cuckoo	
Southern Crested Guineafowl		Double-banded Sandgrouse		Klaas's Cuckoo	
		Burchell's Sandgrouse		African Emerald Cuckoo	
Crested Francolin				Black Cuckoo	
Coqui Francolin				Red-chested Cuckoo [x]	

African Cuckoo
Common Cuckoo

African Finfoot

Wattled Crane

Spotted Thick-knee

Water Thick-knee

Black-winged Stilt

Pied Avocet

Black-bellied Plover

Common Ringed Plover

Three-banded Plover

Long-toed Lapwing

Blacksmith Lapwing

White-crowned Lapwing

Crowned Lapwing

Wattled Lapwing

Caspian Plover

Greater Sand-Plover [x]

Kittlitz's Plover

White-fronted Plover

Greater Painted-Snipe

Lesser Jacana

African Jacana

Eurasian Whimbrel

Bar-tailed Godwit

Great Snipe

African Snipe

Wilson's Phalarope [x]

Terek Sandpiper

Common Sandpiper

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Green Sandpiper

Marsh Sandpiper

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Wood Sandpiper

Common Greenshank

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Ruddy Turnstone

Ruff

Curlew Sandpiper

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Sanderling

Little Stint

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Small Buttonquail

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Double-banded Courser

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Bronze-winged Courser

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Three-banded Courser

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Temminck's Courser

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Rock Pratincole

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Collared Pratincole

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Black-winged Pratincole

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Gray-hooded Gull

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Lesser Black-backed Gull [x]

African Skimmer

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Gull-billed Tern [x]

Caspian Tern

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Whiskered Tern

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Black Tern

White-winged Tern

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Greater Flamingo

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Lesser Flamingo

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Little Grebe

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Pennant-winged Nightjar
Eurasian Nightjar
Rufous-cheeked Nightjar
Fiery-necked Nightjar
Swamp Nightjar
Freckled Nightjar
Square-tailed Nightjar

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Bat-like Spinetail
Alpine Swift
Common Swift
African Swift
Little Swift
Horus Swift
White-rumped Swift
African Palm Swift

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Buff-spotted Flufftail
Red-chested Flufftail

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African Rail
Corn Crake [x]

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African Crake

Spotted Crake [x]

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Lesser Moorhen

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Eurasian Moorhen

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Red-knobbed Coot

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Allen's Gallinule

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African Swampphen

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Striped Crake

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Black Crake

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Baillon's Crake

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African Openbill
Black Stork
Abdim's Stork
African Woolly-necked Stork
White Stork
Saddle-billed Stork
Marabou Stork
Yellow-billed Stork

Black-headed Heron
Goliath Heron

Hamerkop

Great White Pelican
Pink-backed Pelican

Secretarybird

Osprey

Black-winged Kite
African Harrier-Hawk
Palm-nut Vulture [x]
African Cuckoo-Hawk
European Honey-buzzard
White-headed Vulture

Lappet-faced Vulture

Hooded Vulture
White-backed Vulture

Cape Griffon [i]

Bateleur
Western Banded Snake-Eagle
Black-chested Snake-Eagle
Brown Snake-Eagle
Crowned Eagle [x]
Martial Eagle
Long-crested Eagle
Lesser Spotted Eagle
Wahlberg's Eagle
Ayres's Hawk-Eagle
Booted Eagle
Steppe Eagle
Tawny Eagle

Verreaux's Eagle
African Hawk-Eagle
Bat Hawk

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Gabar Goshawk
Dark Chanting-Goshawk

Pale Chanting-Goshawk
Lizard Buzzard
African Goshawk

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Little Sparrowhawk
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Ovambo Sparrowhawk
Black Goshawk

Western Marsh Harrier [x]
African Marsh Harrier
Pallid Harrier
Montagu's Harrier
Black Kite
African Fish-Eagle
Red-necked Buzzard [x]
Common Buzzard
Long-legged Buzzard [x]

Western Barn Owl

African Scops-Owl
Southern White-faced Owl
Spotted Eagle-Owl
Cape Eagle-Owl
Verreaux's Eagle-Owl
Pel's Fishing-Owl
Pearl-spotted Owlet
African Barred Owlet
African Wood-Owl
Marsh Owl

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Red-faced Mousebird		European Roller		Brown-necked Parrot	
		Lilac-breasted Roller		Meyer's Parrot	
Narina Trogon		Racket-tailed Roller			
		Purple Roller		African Broadbill	
Common Hoopoe		Broad-billed Roller			
				White-breasted Cuckooshrike	
Green Woodhoopoe		Crested Barbet		Black Cuckooshrike	
Common Scimitarbill		Yellow-fronted Tinkerbird			
Southern Ground-Hornbill		Pied Barbet		Eurasian Golden Oriole	
		Black-collared Barbet		African Golden Oriole	
Crowned Hornbill				African Black-headed Oriole	
Bradfield's Hornbill		Green-backed Honeybird			
African Gray Hornbill		Brown-backed Honeybird		Chinspot Batis	
Southern Yellow-billed Hornbill		Lesser Honeyguide			
Southern Red-billed Hornbill		Greater Honeyguide		White-crested Helmetshrike	
Trumpeter Hornbill				Retz's Helmetshrike	
		Bearded Woodpecker			
White-fronted Bee-eater		Cardinal Woodpecker		Brubru	
Little Bee-eater		Olive Woodpecker		Black-backed Puffback	
Swallow-tailed Bee-eater		Bennett's Woodpecker		Black-crowned Tchagra	
Blue-cheeked Bee-eater		Golden-tailed Woodpecker		Brown-crowned Tchagra	
Olive Bee-eater				Tropical Boubou	
European Bee-eater		Lesser Kestrel		Gabon Boubou	
Northern Carmine Bee-eater [x]		Rock Kestrel		Crimson-breasted Gonolek	
Southern Carmine Bee-eater		Greater Kestrel		Sulphur-breasted Bushshrike	
		Dickinson's Kestrel		Gray-headed Bushshrike	
Half-collared Kingfisher		Red-necked Falcon			
Malachite Kingfisher		Red-footed Falcon		Fork-tailed Drongo	
African Pygmy Kingfisher		Amur Falcon			
Gray-headed Kingfisher		Eurasian Hobby		African Paradise-Flycatcher	
Woodland Kingfisher		African Hobby			
Brown-hooded Kingfisher		Lanner Falcon		Magpie Shrike	
Striped Kingfisher		Peregrine Falcon		Red-backed Shrike	
Giant Kingfisher				Lesser Gray Shrike	
Pied Kingfisher				Southern Fiscal	

Souza's Shrike [x]		Yellow-breasted Apalis		Western House-Martin	
White-crowned Shrike		Tawny-flanked Prinia		Greater Striped Swallow	
		Black-chested Prinia		Lesser Striped Swallow	
Cape Crow		Red-faced Cisticola		Rufous-chested Swallow	
Pied Crow		Rattling Cisticola		Mosque Swallow	
		Tinkling Cisticola		South African Swallow	
Rufous-bellied Tit		Gray-backed Cisticola			
Southern Black-Tit		Luapula Cisticola		Pale-throated Greenbul [x]	
		Chirping Cisticola		Yellow-bellied Greenbul	
African Penduline-Tit		Piping Cisticola		Terrestrial Brownbul	
Southern Penduline-Tit		Zitting Cisticola		Common Bulbul	
		Desert Cisticola		Black-fronted Bulbul	
Dusky Lark					
Chestnut-backed Sparrow-Lark		Olive-tree Warbler [i]		Willow Warbler	
Gray-backed Sparrow-Lark		Icterine Warbler			
Sabota Lark		Sedge Warbler		Garden Warbler	
Fawn-colored Lark		Marsh Warbler		Chestnut-vented Warbler	
Monotonous Lark		Common Reed Warbler		Greater Whitethroat	
Flappet Lark		Lesser Swamp Warbler			
Cape Clapper Lark		Greater Swamp Warbler		Southern Yellow White-eye	
Eastern Clapper Lark		Great Reed Warbler			
Rufous-naped Lark				Arrow-marked Babbler	
Red-capped Lark		River Warbler		Southern Pied-Babbler	
		Little Rush Warbler		Hartlaub's Babbler	
Eastern Nicator				Black-faced Babbler	
		Gray-rumped Swallow			
Red-faced Crombec [x]		Banded Martin		Red-billed Oxpecker	
Long-billed Crombec		Plain Martin		Yellow-billed Oxpecker	
		Bank Swallow			
Yellow-bellied Eremomela		Southern Crag-Martin		Wattled Starling	
Green-capped Eremomela		Pearl-breasted Swallow		Common Myna [x]	
Burnt-neck Eremomela		Barn Swallow		Violet-backed Starling	
Stierling's Wren-Warbler		Angola Swallow [x]		Burchell's Starling	
Barred Wren-Warbler		White-throated Swallow		Meves's Starling	
Green-backed Camaroptera		Wire-tailed Swallow		Lesser Blue-eared Starling	

Sharp-tailed Starling
Greater Blue-eared Starling
Cape Starling

Red-billed Buffalo-Weaver
Scaly Weaver
White-browed Sparrow-Weaver
Red-headed Weaver
Spectacled Weaver
Holub's Golden-Weaver
Southern Brown-throated Weaver

Spotted Flycatcher
Marico Flycatcher
Pale Flycatcher
Gray Tit-Flycatcher
Ashy Flycatcher
Southern Black-Flycatcher
Bearded Scrub-Robin
Kalahari Scrub-Robin
White-browed Scrub-Robin
White-browed Robin-Chat
Red-capped Robin-Chat [x]

Lesser Masked-Weaver
Southern Masked-Weaver
Village Weaver
Cardinal Quelea [x]
Red-headed Quelea [x]
Red-billed Quelea
Southern Red Bishop
Yellow-crowned Bishop
White-winged Widowbird
Fan-tailed Widowbird
Grosbeak Weaver

Collared Palm-Thrush
Thrush Nightingale
Collared Flycatcher [x]
African Stonechat
Southern Anteater-Chat
Arnot's Chat
Capped Wheatear
Familiar Chat

Bronze Mannikin
Maggie Mannikin
Black-faced Waxbill
Common Waxbill
Quailfinch
Cut-throat
Red-headed Finch
Zebra Waxbill

Collared Sunbird
Amethyst Sunbird
Scarlet-chested Sunbird
Marico Sunbird
Shelley's Sunbird [x]
Purple-banded Sunbird
White-bellied Sunbird
Copper Sunbird

Violet-eared Waxbill
Southern Cordonbleu
Green-winged Pytilia
Orange-winged Pytilia
Red-billed Firefinch
Jameson's Firefinch
Brown Firefinch

Pin-tailed Whydah
Broad-tailed Paradise-Whydah
Eastern Paradise-Whydah
Shaft-tailed Whydah
Village Indigobird
Purple Indigobird
Parasitic Weaver

House Sparrow [i]
Great Rufous Sparrow
Northern Gray-headed Sparrow
Southern Gray-headed Sparrow
Yellow-throated Bush Sparrow

Cape Wagtail
Gray Wagtail [x]
Western Yellow Wagtail
African Pied Wagtail
African Pipit
Woodland Pipit
Nicholson's Pipit
Plain-backed Pipit
Buffy Pipit
Tree Pipit [x]
Rosy-throated Longclaw

Yellow-fronted Canary
Black-throated Canary
Yellow Canary

Ortolan Bunting [x]
Golden-breasted Bunting
Lark-like Bunting
Cinnamon-breasted Bunting
