

# PNG

(Normanby, Manus, New Britain and Tari)

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## Introduction

Our fourth stop in our year of travelling after a 5,5 week trip in West Papua. There is quite a lot of overlap with the Western part of Papua, but there remained more than enough to justify a trip and take a first bite of the specialities of PNG. To minimize overlap we mainly focussed on some islands (Normanby, Manus, New Britain) and added a visit in the highlands (Tari) for some additional Birds of Paradise (Blue!) and species we knew were difficult in West Papua.

Since we are still traveling this is a preliminary trip report with our main findings and a rough annotated species list (counts are incomplete and subspecies indication is missing). Please send us an email if you are missing any information.

## Itinerary

Day 1	Sunday August 5	Travel to Port Moresby
Day 2	Monday August 6	Fly to Alotau (09:40)
Day 3	Tuesday August 7	Normanby - morning and early afternoon Goldies BoP
Day 4	Wednesday August 8	Normanby – morning and early afternoon Duchess island
Day 5	Thursday August 9	Normanby – morning and afternoon walk around homestay
Day 6	Friday August 10	Normanby - back to Alotau
Day 7	Saturday August 11	Fly back to Port Moresby (07:25) - Fly to Manus (12AM)
Day 8	Sunday August 12	Manus – morning Timothy's place – afternoon Rossun
Day 9	Monday August 13	Manus – morning Waterfall trail – afternoon stayed at hotel.
Day 10	Tuesday August 14	Manus – Trip to Tong island
Day 11	Wednesday August 15	Manus – rest day at hotel
Day 12	Thursday August 16	Fly out of Manus (13:40)
Day 13	Friday August 17	Flight to Mt. Hagen (08:30) and drive to Tari (arrive 18.30)
Day 14	Saturday August 18	Makara lodge
Day 15	Sunday August 19	Makara lodge
Day 16	Monday August 20	Makara lodge
Day 17	Tuesday August 21	Morning birding till 09.00 drive back to Mt. Hagen
Day 18	Wednesday August 22	Flight back to Port Moresby (10:00) - 15:40 flight to Hoskins (NB)
Day 19	Thursday August 23	New Britain – morning Tili Forest, Davialu bridge and afternoon Kulu River and
Day 20	Friday August 24	New Britain – morning Garu Forest – afternoon grasslands (evening rain)
Day 21	Saturday August 25	New Britain – morning Tove forest – afternoon rainy and stayed hotel

Day 22	Sunday August 26	New Britain – morning Tili forest – afternoon Garu and Masked Owl
Day 23	Monday August 27	New Britain – morning stayed at hotel – afternoon Garu and Masked Owl
Day 24	Tuesday August 28	New Britain – morning to Restorff island – afternoon at hotel
Day 25	Wednesday August 29	Kimbe to Port Moresby (6:45) – afternoon Varirata
Day 26	Thursday August 30	Varirata
Day 27	Friday August 31	Port Moresby to Brisbane (13:50 h)

### **What would we do different in hindsight.**

The trip-parts are really quite separate because of the need to travel back to Port Moresby all the time so the order can be shifted around, cut & combined with other sites on the mainland (Mt Hagen, Kiunga, Adelbert ranges, Huon, Eastern Ranges) or more islands (New Ireland, Bougainville, Louisiades) etc. There is so much to explore (especially on the islands) that a trip here will only whet your appetite for more!

On all islands we had more than enough time, this was built in to deal with possible logistical issues and (if the birds would cooperate) some rest during our travels. So, a visit to Normanby should be a day shorter (or add some additional days to also visit Goodenough). And six days on New Britain is a bit long, 4 would be appropriate (or find a way up into the highlands!). Manus could have been a day shorter as well, although maybe you should have some extra time here if you want to increase your chance for the Pitta. In the end this worked for us during our long trip, but otherwise this would have been too slow. At Tari we missed more than a day due to logistical issues and although we managed quite well, we would have really like to have it.

### **Other birders**

Not many other birders were seen in Alotau, Manus, Tari, New Britain & Varirata. The only birders we saw during our trip was a Rockjumper tour on Mt. Hagen airport and another tour group at Varirata.

## **Practicalities**

### **Guiding**

Alotau: we were guided by Waiyaki Nemani on Alotau. The most important is that you need someone to show you the displaying trees for the Goldie's, and bring you to Duchess, which I guess, all the villagers can. The birding is very easy.

Manus: guided by Aaron (knew his birds, but a shifty guy) in Rossun, Timothy (knew most birds, and very aware of Pitta and where he heard it when at his land) and a local from Tong (knew the fantail, but otherwise just to walk us around the island, letting us search for the birds which is easy enough).

Tari/Makara lodge: guided by Benson who was an excellent guide.

New Britain: no guiding.

Varirata: guided by the local ranger Robert – see paragraph on Varirata.

### **Literature**

Papua has been blessed by two recent fieldguides (Pratt & Beehler 2015, Gregory 2017). Both were used on this trip and have their own pros and cons. The Pratt & Beehler guide is also available as an iBook which is convenient, but it doesn't cover Manus and the Bismarcks.

For sounds we obtained a collection of downloaded Xeno-Canto.org (thanks Aidan!) and downloaded some additional sounds. In preparation we relied heavily on tripreports found on [www.cloudbirders.com](http://www.cloudbirders.com) especially those of:

- Bech (2010) - Tari
- Birdquest remote Papua (2014, 1016) – Manus, Entrecasteaux Is.
- Campbell (2017) – Manus
- Chaplin (2010) – Normanby

- Hornbuckle (1999) – New Britain
- Hornbuckle (2008) – Manus, Normanby
- Hottola (2013) – New Britain
- Jacob (2014) – Varirata & New Britain
- Talbot (2017) – Tari

## Travelling

Most flight routes go through Port Moresby. Air Niugini and PNG Air are the two carriers. Air Niugini (AN) is not known for its reliability but at our time it was the only one that was offered while searching on skyscanner.com (so we might have missed some options/cheaper fares). Three of our flights flew on a slightly different time than on our booking (half hour or even 2,5 hours) without notification by AN, one was delayed for an hour, another flight got cancelled and we were offered an earlier flight (or a later one with a stop-over) via e-mail. The airport of Tari turned out to be closed (of which AN did not notify us) so last minute we asked to be rebooked to Mount Hagen which luckily worked out although it still costs us some birding time at Tari. Where in most countries it's not a problem to show up rather late for a domestic flight we think it's wise to show up early because of the changing times, very slow check-in processes and regularly overbooked flight (although some flight we were on were almost empty).

## Eating & Sleeping

There is not much choice of accommodation in PNG and most of it is pricy so we booked everything in advance. See site accounts for details.

## Weather

We had some showers throughout (Manus, Alotau, Tari) but not much getting in the way of birding (except for one afternoon in Tari). In July, August and September Milne bay and New Britain get SE trade winds making sea travel less comfortable. On New Britain we had local thunderstorms most late afternoons/evenings. Depending on the location of the storm birding/owling was possible or not.

## Gear

We didn't have a telescope available because ours broke in West Papua and it travelled back with friends to the Netherlands for repairs. We really missed a scope in New Britain and Tari, so bring one.

A local sim was essential for keeping in contact with hotels/guides and arrange transport.

Also essential is a GPS with a map (or smartphone with Maps.me or similar app) for navigation when driving yourself around (or make use of GPS-points in this report 😊) We used our rubber boots in Normanby (useful for river crossing), Manus (also river crossings) and Tari (not really necessary) and used our regular boots in New Britain and Varirata.

## Health and safety

We used anti-malarials (Malarone) throughout our trip and had no health issues. Safety can be an issue in the large cities of PNG where going out at night without a taxi is not advised. Tribal issues can sometimes lead to closed airports (especially in the Western highlands) but violence is (usually?) not directed to tourists. A plane was recently torched in Mendi but was only done so after all passengers and crew had left the plane... We travelled the road between Tari and Mt. Hagen which can be less than safe (although our driver was adamant that there wouldn't be any problem that couldn't be solved by patience and staying calm). On our way back we overtook a large group with their faces painted black, carrying bow and arrow, axe etc chanting along the road. An earlier 'fight' on the road also delayed some trucks our driver spoke to. This is truly the wild west of Papua.

## Money & costs

PNG is an expensive place (comparing our trips the PNG leg was significantly more expensive than West Papua).

Creditcards are accepted at some places but don't count on it too much. ATM's are available at most places (1200 Kina – about 300 euros per transaction at ANZ). ATM's were out of service at least two of the times we were at Jackson Airport in Port Moresby.

In total we spent 1200 euros per person on flight tickets within PNG, and another 5200 per person on accommodation, food, guiding and local transportation. The issues with Tari airports costs us 1000, which is included in that price.

## Visited Sites

### Normanby (Entrecastaux Islands)

#### **Logistics**

We didn't have much information from trip reports available so in the planning stage we allocated 4 days, and thought to fly to Alotau, go to the Napatana lodge and try to organize from there. In the end we found the website of Waiyaki Nemani ( <https://sibonaiguesthouse.wordpress.com/your-host/>) and contacted him by email for a trip to Normanby including a visit to Duchess island. He sent us a tour folder describing exactly what we wanted for 3500 kina per person (including car transport from Alotau to East Cape, all boat rides and the final night at Napatana). We thought it was a bit expensive but chose to go ahead and stay at Sibonai Guesthouse -10.0305, 150.9734. The trip worked out fine, but we think it's still a bit expensive for what you get, but that's just PNG we guess. It probably can be done (a lot) cheaper. Waiyaki can also organise tours to the Goodenough, Fergusson or to the Louisiades.

#### **Birding**

##### Normanby island

Main targets are Curl-crested Manucode and Goldie's Bird-of-Paradise. The Curl-crested Manucode is common on the island and will be one of the first birds you hear. The sound is wonderful and the birds are quite easily seen. From the Sibonai guest house it's a two hour walk to the displaying trees of the Goldie's BoP (-10.0592, 150.9856). During the walk you have to cross a river so rubber boots are useful. After watching the displaying Goldie's we slowly birded back, had lunch by the river and arrived at the homestay at 14.00. On our final day we made two walks through the forest and gardens around the villages near the bay seeing a few species but this can be skipped without worry. Overall there are quite a few species with distinct subspecies in the Entrecastaux archipelago: for example Yellow-billed Kingfisher is larger and has a totally different call than the birds we heard near Alotau and elsewhere and Double-eyed Fig Parrot lacks its 'eye'. Neighbouring Goodenough has an endemic Myzomela and a White-eye (above 1000 M), so who knows what's still up there (peak of Goodenough at 2600 meter). The (Pinon's) Imperial pigeon is split by HBW/Birdlife and in Gregory (2017), but in the book only describes for Fergusson and Goodenough (but we saw it on Normanby).

##### Duchess island

The second day we went to Duchess island by boat. Duchess is a small island off the coast of Normanby (-9.9555, 150.8491) with a few birds not found on the main island: Islet Kingfisher, Louisiade White-eye, Mangrove Golden Whistler, Rufous Fantail, Island Imperial Pigeon and Nicobar Pigeon. All were easily found in an hour of birdwatching up the ridge and down through the forest. Afterwards we did some snorkelling (excellent!) and had freshly caught fish for lunch which made for an enjoyable trip.

##### Around Alotou

Before flying back to Port Moresby we spent one night at the Napatana lodge (-10.3063, 150.4375) and birded one afternoon on a nearby ridge. In the lodge gardens we saw Forest Kingfisher, Silver-eared Honeyeater and Fawn-breasted Bowerbird. The trip to the ridge was very windy and sunny but we managed to have good looks at a male Raggiana Bird of Paradise (-10.3071, 150.4786) and saw a Meyer's Goshawk along the ridge.

## Manus

#### **Logistics**

Based on the report of Campbell 2017 we contacted Edin Corr. He wrote back he is no longer with Seeadler Bay and referred us to Mark Jowilz Lowap (jowilzm@gmail.com, +675 72777373) to arrange our visit. This worked out great; Mark turned out to be one of the shareholders of the Harbourside Hotel and is a man with many connections on the island. He arranged our hotel (350 kina per night – there were cheaper rooms but they were unfortunately all

reserved early on), transportation on the island, the contact with Aaron and the trip to Tong. He didn't ask any money for his services as he told us his main objective is to encourage tourism on the island.

### ***Birding***

We had 4 full days on the island, the first 2 were spent in search of the Pitta around the Rossun village (we found one on the second morning), day 3 we went to Tong and day 4 we had a rest day (since we were now travelling for more than 70 days a rest day was very welcome). We saw all Manus targets except the Dwarf Kingfisher (Timothy had a regular spot, but it wasn't there when we tried) and the Manus Masked Owl (not sightings since 1934).

### **Rossun village and around**

The logistics in finding the Pitta and other Manus specialties turned into a complex landowner soap that we have tried to describe as clearly as possible so that hopefully birdwatchers in the future are better informed while making their arrangements:

Mark had arranged that we met Aaron Joseph the first afternoon in the hotel to discuss the plan. Aaron has several phone numbers (+675 74451256, +675 70618029, + 675 70182321 – he called us a few times, but when we tried to call him we didn't reach him). When we met at the hotel Aaron smelt like alcohol and told us that he knows how to find the Pitta but that recently the landowners had started to ask 500 kina fee to access the land for the Pitta. We argued this is a lot of money, but he kept insisting that this is the only way and that he needed the money upfront to arrange our visit with the landowner. His guiding fee he told us is 300kina per day so after some more discussion (he wanted a guiding fee for every day we would be on the island...) we ended up paying him 1100 kina for the first 2 days (2x300 + the 500 for the landowners). We would meet the next morning at 5:30 at his village (Rossun), which is 8km up to road behind Lorengau. He also told us the hotel is no good and it would be better to stay with him in the village which we declined. He brought in that transportation was difficult and staying in Rossun would be easier and cheaper. Aaron told us that the Hotel cars are not allowed to travel up this road and hiring a car outside the hotel would be at a rate of 750kina per day. Luckily Mark could help us out here again; he talked to the hotel and arranged that they would explore the road to see if it was drivable. It turned out to be ok so both days we had breakfast at 5am and then a drop-off with the hotel car who would later also pick us up for lunch again (in the end both Timothy's place and the Waterfall trail are about 8 and 5 km from Rossun, so the whole transport thing would still be an issue if we would have stayed in Rossun).

On our first morning we were driven up to Rossun (-2.0667, 147.2553) and then unexpectedly we drove back towards the main road and then to Timothy's house (-2.0573, 147.2852) where Aaron surprised Timothy (he was still asleep) that he would guide us this morning. Aaron left us there with Timothy. We asked Aaron whether he would pay Timothy out of the landowner fee and Aaron said he already did, but later heard otherwise from Timothy. Timothy had heard the Pitta the last few days near his house so that's where we tried first, later on we tried several other territories, but no Pitta responded (Stanley, Timothy's son imitated the Pitta very well). We had an enjoyable morning with Timothy (although no Pitta) but saw some other Admiralty endemics (Bismarck White-eye, Admiralty Cicadabird).

In the afternoon we visited Rossun where Aaron told us we would be searching for the Boobook (we told him that we hadn't seen the Pitta, but he told us he didn't hear them around Rossun either). We were quite surprised to search for a Boobook at 16.00 but Aaron knew a place and after a short bout of tape a Manus Boobook came flying in.

Next morning we visited the 'waterfall trail'- area (-2.0436, 147.2646, although no waterfall was observed ☺) we walked a track, descended a walking trail to the left, crossed a few streams and followed a difficult to follow trail to forest (Aaron working hard with a machete). A combination of taping (and Aaron imitating the Pitta) led to no response (we did see a nice Pied Cuckoo-dove though) until after two hours of bushwacking finally a Pitta responded (quite far) but came flying in rapidly and stayed around for about a half an hour giving great looks (-2.0519, 147.2438). A second Pitta came in as well (giving brief looks). All the bushwacking paid off. We walked back to the road where we asked Aaron what the deal was with the guiding fees he owed to Timothy and he told us a different story than two days ago (he paid Timothy 60 kina, but he would pay the rest of the involved families also 60 each), so not one landowner that got paid 500 by a previous visitor and now wouldn't go back. We were quite annoyed with Aaron (although he did very well finding the Pitta) and he couldn't give a clear picture what we would be doing in the afternoon so left it at that.

We spoke about all this with Mark and he told us there was some issue between Timothy and the hotel as well

(Timothy expected the hotel to have received the guiding fee from earlier guests, but the hotel had no record of this, so we expect that Aaron got payed for guiding but not payed Timothy). All in all it's quite an (expensive) mess. Our conclusion: Timothy's land does contain all the species we think, he mentioned his fees are 100 for guiding, 200 for access to the lands (to share with family). Timothy's land is also much easier to visit; along the main asphalt road so ideally one would stay at the Harbourside, arrange a drop-off/pick-up with them, and be guided by Timothy (tel 73760725). If that doesn't work out try going with Aaron, but only pay him his guiding fee after guiding, and tell him you would like to pay relevant landowners yourself. Obviously paying Aaron for guiding by Timothy is not ideal.

### Tong island

Tong is about a 2-hour boat trip west of Manus. Mark arranged our trip with one of the sons of the local chiefs (Shane). All-in all it was quite an expensive trip. We payed 600 kina for the boat and 700 kina for fuel (we did not use all the fuel, but wanted to be on the safe side – see *The Jewel Hunter* by Chris Gooddie for the alternative and we had headwind on the way back ☺). We brought some tea, coffee, sugar and biscuits to the island to drink with the locals. On the island we payed 100 for guiding and 300 in landowner fees. In the past there have been some issues between the landowners. Mark joined us for the trip and he told he wanted to make sure the money is shared between the relevant clans, and they all know what is involved. The people on the island want this as well and were happy with our visit. They showed us that they are also in the process of building a small house for accommodation, so visitors can stay over for a night (for which there is no reason for birdwatchers, all the species can be found in an hour). In our short walk we saw about 5 Manus Fantails, one Manus Monarch (the white-tailed subspecies), 3 MacKinlay's Cuckoo-Doves, a Beach Kingfisher and many Yellow-bibbed Fruitdoves. We didn't see the undescribed race of Melanesian kingfisher but also didn't try very hard.

## **Tari**

### **Logistics**

In the planning stages we contacted Makara Bird View lodge (-5.9606, 143.0739) through [www.countrytoursniugini.com.pg](http://www.countrytoursniugini.com.pg) for a stay in Tari after reading Talbot (2017). We got a response by Wako Napasu and discussed our plans with him. The price was 150 dollar pppd (including all meals and guiding), which had to be paid in advance. Just a day before our departure to Tari we were emailed by Wako telling us about the need for a "plan B transportwise" because there were no flights to Tari. A quick google search learned that the airport had been closed since June 20th, first because of the earthquake in February, then closed because of civil unrest and 4 days after flights had resumed a plane got torched in neighbouring Mendi by locals who didn't agree with an election court decision. Air Niugini promptly decided to stop flying to the region (but forgot to inform ticket holders apparently). We received the email by Makara just when we were about to take off in Manus to POM, so after we landed we went to the Air Niugini sales desk to rebook our flight to Mt Hagen (which succeeded but only just because it also happened to be the weekend of the big Mt. Hagen Show). Wako arranged transport from Mt. Hagen to Tari (6 hours one way on a bumpy road for 3000 kina). Because of this additional driving time we lost two afternoons birding and half a morning in Tari and also had to spend a night in Mt. Hagen (Highlander hotel – 550 kina).

### **Birding**

Luckily the birding after this detour was excellent. Birdguide Bensson accompanied us on all days and was a pleasure to go birding with, even without a binocular he identifies all birds very quickly both on sight and sound. Birding is done along the road towards Tari Gap (grassy area at the pass) and a few side-trails into the forest. We also visited some lower gardens near the village for some additional species (most notably Blue Bird of Paradise).

### Tari Gap (inc. baileybridge trail)

The road up to Tari gap is not very busy with traffic. First up along the road up is a quarry (-5.9684, 143.0988) where we saw Archbold's nightjar on the second try (Benson told us after rain is better). Further on the road crosses a Bailey bridge, shortly after the bridge a trail goes in to the forest to the right (-5.9710, 143.1061) where King-of-Saxony BoP and Brown Sicklebill are common. We saw both *Astrapia*'s here (and a hybrid male) along with Blue-capped Ifrit, *Lorias* Satinbird. Papuan Eagle was heard (but not seen) on two visits, once on the opposite side of the road, once further down the valley.

Further along the main road is another trail parallel to the road, in somewhat more mossy forest (Lesser Ground Robin -5.9632, 143.1258, Lesser Melampitta). The road continues up out of the forest in the grassland at the gap (Papuan Harrier, Island Thrush and Papuan Grassbird). After the gap we visited another forest patch with some wooden fences along the road. Benson told us this area is especially good for Macgregor's (probably seen) and Archbold Bowerbird (heard only). This is also the area where we (finally!) had good views of Wattled Ploughbill; a female in the forest and a male along the road.

### Below Makara View Lodge

Two early morning visits to some gardens (-5.9553, 143.0451) for Blue BoP (male and female close by!), Superb BoP (several), Papuan King Parrot (several). The Melidictes around here are part of the hybrid swarm between Belford's and Yellow-browed but we also saw some pure (looking...) birds. We didn't see Lawes Parotia on our first visit so tried a second time without result. We additionally tried along the road further down, and from the edge of the airstrip just below Ambua lodge (-5.9622, 1043.0637 Princess Stephanies Astrapia, Blue BoP, Super BoP). A telescope would have been very useful at this site and unfortunately we missed the Parotia.

On the road just below the lodge we tried for Greater Sooty Owl early morning were Benson regularly sees them (we only heard two) and tried the river on the other side of the road for Torrent lark (first we did a late morning visit without success, but a repeat early morning the next day was successful -5.9620, 143.0722).

## **New Britain**

### **Logistics**

Most birders (and especially tourgroups) stay at Walindi Resort while visiting New Britain. Although they are fully suited to host birders their prices were too high for us so instead we switched to the Liamo Reef Resort and hired our own vehicle. We also contacted Mahonia na Dari but we were told they are not really open to hosting birders. In the end we decided a resort type location was more what we wanted this time anyway. Rooms at Liamo start at 440 kina. Driving ourselves resulted in somewhat more puzzling to get to the right birding places but also gave a lot of freedom and flexibility which was much welcome after many weeks of birding with a local guide. For the car hire we reached out to Kimbe Car Rental ([kcrs.kimbe@gmail.com](mailto:kcrs.kimbe@gmail.com)) after we found out that both car rental companies mentioned by Hottola 2013 and Jacob 2014 no longer exist. After some email conversations with Freddie Kumai from Kimbe Car Rental we agreed on 600kina per day for a Toyota Hilux plus 300kina for the fuel (we received the car with a somewhat full tank which we could return empty).

### **Birding**

#### Kulu River (inc Davialu Bridge)

We visited Davialu Bridge (-5.5487, 150.0180) once (mid-morning) and found it quite busy with trucks and very quiet with birds. We also tried another spot along the river (very small buffer zone between plantation and river) at -5.5429, 149.9953. We heard Red-Bellied Pitta across the river, saw Spotted Whistling Duck and quite a lot of Nicobar Pigeons flying back and forth (apparently feeding in the Palm oil plantation).

#### Palm oil Plantation

Not much birding to do in the plantations itself in the daytime, although we saw some Buff-breasted Manakins along the main road and many Stephan's Emerald Doves. However we saw our biggest surprise in the plantation; during daytime we found a Slaty-mantled Goshawk at -5.5356, 149.9869 but nothing special about the location so not entirely sure why it was there). We drove through the plantations as a small, thin looking, sparrowhawk crossed the road and perched on a palmleaf. We immediately stopped and had a look, but by the time I got the camera it flew on. We saw a smallish slim looking sparrowhawk with an orange-red cere, slaty-grey upperparts without any collar and creamy-white underparts. But sadly no photo...

At night time the plantations are the hunting grounds of the Golden Masked Owl, a rare bird that was only (re)found as recently as 2015, but it's probably quite common in the plantations. We used eBird to determine where sightings were made, tried the tracks and found one within half an hour at -5.53022, 150.0641 and saw another (or the same bird?) a few days later -5.5301, 150.0623. Systematically driving around the grids of the plantations should turn one up.

### Tove Forest

One morning we visited Tove forest on the southern banks of the Kulu river. After doing some research on Googlemaps we thought we had found a logging road going up the hills at -5.6199, 149.9286, but when we arrived the road hadn't been used for a while and was quite overgrown. We drove up for a while until -5.6517, 149.9305 where we turned around since the road was very overgrown by now (this is approximately at 300m above sealevel). Going up the road we saw several Black-bellied Myzomela and two Red-chinned Lorikeets. We then explored another track driving into the active logging operation. The road ended at -5.6735, 149.9649 in good forest (but being rapidly logged). It was mid-morning when we arrived and didn't see or hear much so we drove back. When driving back we decided to check out a couple streams again for Bismarck Kingfisher (without result) but driving around we did find a Black Honey-buzzard circling.

### Restorf island

Liamo Reef Resort can also organise a trip out to the islands in Kimbe Bay. We chose for a half day trip (costing 600 kina). Before we even set foot on land we had the first Sclater's Myzomela and loads of Island Imperial pigeons. In the forest we had good views of Nicobar Pigeon and Melanesian Scrubfowl. We saw a few Mangrove Golden Whistlers and heard Beach Kingfisher and Island Monarch. Snorkeling around Restorf was incredible! Since the sea was quite choppy we didn't inform about going out further for Heinroth's Shearwater & Becks Petrel.

### Garu Forest (/Wildlife management area)

We visited this site one morning, and two late afternoons. We found birding here more difficult than Tili Forest. This was the only site where we saw Velvet Flycatcher. We heard our only New Britain Boobook here (other attempts ended with rain). Other good birds include Melanesian Scrubfowl (a few crossing the road), Black-capped Paradise-Kingfishers and Ashy Myzomela.

### Tili forest

We visited Tili forest on two mornings (a short stretch of road around -5.5592, 150.0680 and saw Finsch Imperial Pigeon, White-mantled Kingfisher, White-bibbed Fruitdove, Black-capped Paradise kingfisher, Black-tailed Monarch and a host of common species. Really productive visits.

### Numondo Grasslands

One late afternoon visit where we easily saw the usual suspects (White-browed Crake, Papuan? Grassbird, Australian Reed Warbler) here but no waders other than a Swinhoes Snipe.

### **Afterthoughts**

We did not visit Pokili forest or Kilu ridge. Most tourgroups see their New Britain Boobook on a day roost at Kilu ridge, and although we didn't know where the landowner for the Boobook lives along the road at Kilu ridge it should be possible to go up there and ask around. We don't think there is any current reason to go to Pokili forest (and since it's quite a drive we decided to skip it). All in all we missed three species that are somewhat possible in the lowlands (Song Parrot, Pink-legged Rail & Bismarck Black Pigeon). Access to the highlands remains difficult: We couldn't find any recent reference to a place where someone had walked up a trail with a reasonable chance for mouth-watering species like New Britain Thrush. We probably could have tried harder and asked around which we did not do.

### **Varirata**

To allow for some flight changes by Air Niugini we had a spare day at the end of our trip which we spent in Varirata. Like Jacob (2014) we stayed at Sogeri lodge (-9.4246, 147.4008) which is just past the entrance road to Varirata (350 kina for a double), costs for transport (airport both ways and back and forth to the NP) where 200k kina in total. On the first afternoon when we drove up the park was closed (and no one was around) so we decided to walk the Entrance road down (White-breasted Whistler, White-throated Honeyeater, Blue-winged Kookaburra). Alfred contacted one of the rangers (Robert, tel 7098 9448) to check if a visit was ok and he offered to guide us the next day (100 kina for a full day, 50 kina for half a day). Robert was a really pleasant guide, knowing sites for some of the targets species and knew the sounds as well. We had a very good day with him walking the trails (shame for the rain



from 15.00 onwards). In a single day birding we saw among others Brown-headed Paradise Kingfisher, Papuan Scrub Robin, Painted Quail-thrush & Piping bellbird. One of our last sighting was a Black-billed Brush Turkey flushed from the trail giving some excellent perched views before it flew on. Sadly Pheasant-pigeon remained heard only. All in all Varirata is an excellent park, with nice trails and picnic areas, good accommodation close by (including transport), a pleasant guide if you want.

## ANNOTATED SPECIES LIST

We have tried to accurately indicate the proper subspecies for all our observations, usually based on geographic locations based on the IOC World Bird List version 6.4. We tried to keep detailed notes throughout the trip but especially commoner species might not have been written down daily. Triplist generated with iGoterra trips, see [www.igoterra.com](http://www.igoterra.com) for details. In my view the best listing software/website!. If you are looking for a species list for one part of the trip please send us an email.

- 1 **Spotted Whistling Duck** *Dendrocygna guttata*  
2 Kulu River 23.8.
- 2 **Pacific Black Duck** *Anas superciliosa*  
5 Kulu River 23.8 and 4 Beef Farm 24.8.
- 3 **Black-billed Brushturkey** *Talegalla fuscirostris*  
1+1 heard Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 4 **Melanesian Megapode** *Megapodius eremita*  
1 heard Tili Forest 23.8, 1 heard Garu Wildlife Management Area 24.8, 1 heard Tili Forest 26.8, 2 Garu Forest 27.8 and 2 Malu Malu I and Restorf I, 28.8.
- 5 **Orange-footed Scrubfowl** *Megapodius reinwardt*  
1 Normanby 7.8, 1 Duchess island 8.8, 1 Normanby 9.8 and 1 Boia Boia Waga island 10.8.
- 6 **Black Bittern** *Dupetor flavicollis*  
2 Kulu River 23.8.
- 7 **Nankeen Night Heron** *Nycticorax caledonicus*  
1 Kulu River 23.8.
- 8 **Eastern Cattle Egret** *Bubulcus coromandus*  
1 Gurney Airport (Alotau) 11.8 and 1 Tari Valley 20.8.
- 9 **Intermediate Egret** *Ardea intermedia*  
3 Beef Farm 24.8.
- 10 **Pacific Reef Heron** *Egretta sacra*  
1 Duchess island 8.8, 1 Boia Boia Waga island 10.8 and 2 Harbourside Hotel Lorengau 14.8 and 1 Harbourside Hotel Lorengau 16.8.
- 11 **Brown Booby** *Sula leucogaster*  
1 en route 14.8 and 1 Kimbe Bay 28.8.

- 12 **Little Pied Cormorant** *Microcarbo melanoleucos*  
1+1 Kulu River 23.8.
- 13 **Eastern Osprey** *Pandion cristatus*  
1 Normanby 9.8, 1 Tong 14.8, 1 Walindi Plantation Resort, Kimbe 24.8 and 1 Beef Farm 24.8.
- 14 **Pacific Baza** *Aviceda subcristata*  
2 Tili Forest 23.8 and 1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8.
- 15 **Long-tailed Honey Buzzard** *Henicopernis longicauda*  
1 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8.
- 16 **Black Honey Buzzard** *Henicopernis infuscatus* (VU) Endemic  
1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8.
- 17 **Papuan Eagle** *Harpyopsis novaeguineae* (VU)  
1 heard+1 heard Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8.
- 18 **Variable Goshawk** *Accipiter hiogaster*  
1 Garu Forest 24.8 and 1 Garu Forest 26.8.
- 19 **Black-mantled Goshawk** *Accipiter melanochlamys*  
1 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 17.8 and 1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 19.8.
- 20 **Slaty-mantled Goshawk** *Accipiter luteschistaceus* (VU) Endemic  
1 Kulu River 23.8.
- 21 **Meyer's Goshawk** *Accipiter meyerianus*  
1 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8.
- 22 **Papuan Harrier** *Circus spilothorax*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 19.8 and 1 Tari Gap 21.8.
- 23 **Black Kite** *Milvus migrans*  
1 Napatana lodge 10.8, 1 Gurney Airport (Alotau) 11.8 and 1 Mount Hagen 17.8.
- 24 **Whistling Kite** *Haliastur sphenurus*  
1 Varirata - lower entrance road 29.8.
- 25 **Brahminy Kite** *Haliastur indus*  
1 Normanby 6.8, 2 Normanby 8.8, 1 there 9.8, 1 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8, 1 Gurney Airport (Alotau) 11.8, 1 Hills behind Lorengau 13.8, 1 Tong 14.8, 2 Kulu River 23.8, 3 Beef Farm 24.8, 1 Malu Malu I and Restorf I, 28.8, 1 Sogeri Lodge 29.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 26 **White-bellied Sea Eagle** *Haliaeetus leucogaster*  
1 Duchess island 8.8, 1 Boia Boia Waga island 10.8, 1 Hills behind Lorengau 13.8 and 1 Kimbe 24.8.
- 27 **Chestnut Forest Rail** *Rallicula rubra*  
1+1 heard Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 1 Tari Gap 19.8.

- 28 **Buff-banded Rail** *Gallirallus philippensis*  
2 Beef Farm 24.8.
- 29 **Pale-vented Bush-hen** *Amaurornis moluccana*  
1 heard Beef Farm 24.8.
- 30 **White-browed Crake** *Porzana cinerea*  
2 Beef Farm 24.8.
- 31 **Australasian Swamphen** *Porphyrio melanotus*  
1 Kulu River 23.8 and 1 Beef Farm 24.8.
- 32 **Masked Lapwing** *Vanellus miles*  
2 Gurney Airport (Alotau) 11.8.
- 33 **Little Curlew** *Numenius minutus*  
2 Gurney Airport (Alotau) 11.8 and 5 Momote Airport (Manus) 16.8.
- 34 **Swinhoe's Snipe** *Gallinago megala*  
1 Beef Farm 24.8.
- 35 **Common Sandpiper** *Actitis hypoleucos*  
1 Normanby 10.8, 1 Harbourside Hotel Lorengau 11.8, 1 Harbourside Hotel Lorengau 13.8, 2 there 14.8 and 1 Kimbe 24.8 and 2 Kimbe 26.8.
- 36 **Brown Noddy** *Anous stolidus*  
30 Kimbe 26.8.
- 37 **Black Noddy** *Anous minutus*  
1 Normanby 6.8, 1 en route 14.8 and 50 Kimbe Bay 28.8.
- 38 **Greater Crested Tern** *Thalasseus bergii*  
1 East Cape 6.8, 1 Duchess island 8.8 and 1 Kimbe 24.8.
- 39 **Bridled Tern** *Onychoprion anaethetus*  
2 Kimbe Bay 28.8.
- 40 **Amboyna Cuckoo-Dove** *Macropygia amboinensis*  
1 Normanby 9.8, 2 Rossum (Manus) 12.8, 1 Tili Forest 23.8, 1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 1 Tili Forest 26.8.
- 41 **Sultan's Cuckoo-Dove** *Macropygia doreya*  
1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 42 **Bar-tailed Cuckoo-Dove** *Macropygia nigrirostris*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8.
- 43 **MacKinlay's Cuckoo-Dove** *Macropygia mackinlayi*  
3 Tong 14.8.

- 44 **Great Cuckoo-Dove** *Reinwardtoena reinwardti*  
1 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 19.8.
- 45 **Pied Cuckoo-Dove** *Reinwardtoena browni* (NT) Endemic  
1 Hills behind Lorengau 13.8.
- 46 **Pacific Emerald Dove** *Chalcophaps longirostris*  
1 Normanby 9.8.
- 47 **Stephan's Emerald Dove** *Chalcophaps stephani*  
1 Tili Forest 23.8, 1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 2 Garu Forest 26.8.
- 48 **Peaceful Dove** *Geopelia placida*  
1 Varirata NP 29.8.
- 49 **Nicobar Pigeon** *Caloenas nicobarica* (NT)  
2 Duchess island 8.8, 3 Kulu River 23.8 and 1 Malu Malu I and Restorf I, 28.8.
- 50 **Pheasant Pigeon** *Otidiphaps nobilis*  
1 heard Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 51 **Wompoo Fruit Dove** *Ptilinopus magnificus*  
1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 52 **Pink-spotted Fruit Dove** *Ptilinopus perlatus*  
1 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 53 **Ornate Fruit Dove** *Ptilinopus ornatus*  
2 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8.
- 54 **Orange-fronted Fruit Dove** *Ptilinopus aurantiifrons*  
5 Normanby 9.8 and 1 Napatana lodge 10.8.
- 55 **Superb Fruit Dove** *Ptilinopus superbus*  
1 Hills behind Lorengau 13.8, 2 Tili Forest 23.8, 3 Tili Forest 26.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 56 **White-bibbed Fruit Dove** *Ptilinopus rivoli*  
1 Tili Forest 26.8.
- 57 **Yellow-bibbed Fruit Dove** *Ptilinopus solomonensis*  
1 Tong 14.8.
- 58 **Orange-bellied Fruit Dove** *Ptilinopus iozonus*  
1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 59 **Knob-billed Fruit Dove** *Ptilinopus insolitus* Endemic  
2 Tili Forest 23.8, 3 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 1 Tili Forest 26.8.

- 60 **Red-knobbed Imperial Pigeon** *Ducula rubricera* (NT)  
2 Tili Forest 23.8, 3 Kulu River 23.8, 1 Garu Forest 24.8, 5 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 5 Garu Forest 27.8.
- 61 **Finsch's Imperial Pigeon** *Ducula finschii* (NT) Endemic  
1 Tili Forest 23.8.
- 62 **Island Imperial Pigeon** *Ducula pistrinaria*  
4 Duchess island 8.8, 1 Rossum (Manus) 12.8, 10 Hills behind Lorengau 12.8, 5 Tong 14.8 and 20 Malu Malu I and Restorf I, 28.8.
- 63 **Pinon's Imperial Pigeon** *Ducula pinon*  
1 heard Normanby 7.8 and 1 Normanby 9.8.
- 64 **Zoe's Imperial Pigeon** *Ducula zoeae*  
1 Normanby 9.8.
- 65 **Torresian Imperial Pigeon** *Ducula spilorrhoa*  
5 East Cape 6.8, 5 Duchess island 8.8, 1 Normanby 9.8 and 3 Napatana lodge 10.8.
- 66 **Yellowish Imperial Pigeon** *Ducula subflavescens* (NT) Endemic  
2 Kulu River 23.8, 1 Kimbe 27.8 and 1 Malu Malu I and Restorf I, 28.8.
- 67 **Papuan Mountain Pigeon** *Gymnophaps albertisii*  
2 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 20.8.
- 68 **White-necked Coucal** *Centropus ateralbus* Endemic  
1 heard Tili Forest 23.8, 2 Kulu River 23.8, 1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 1 heard Tili Forest 26.8.
- 69 **Violaceous Coucal** *Centropus violaceus* (NT) Endemic  
1 Tili Forest 23.8 and 1 Garu Forest 26.8, 1 there 27.8.
- 70 **Pheasant Coucal** *Centropus phasianinus*  
1 heard Normanby 9.8, 1 heard Alotau Forest Rd 10.8 and 1 Varirata - lower entrance road 29.8.
- 71 **Channel-billed Cuckoo** *Scythrops novaehollandiae*  
Up to 5 Normanby 7-10.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 72 **Rufous-throated Bronze Cuckoo** *Chrysococcyx ruficollis*  
1 heard Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 18.8 and 1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8.
- 73 **Shining Bronze Cuckoo** *Chrysococcyx lucidus*  
1 Normanby 9.8.
- 74 **Fan-tailed Cuckoo** *Cacomantis flabelliformis*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 1 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 20.8.
- 75 **Brush Cuckoo** *Cacomantis variolosus*  
1 heard Normanby 8.8, 1 heard Rossum (Manus) 12.8, 1 heard Hills behind Lorengau 13.8, 1 Lower village, Tari 19.8, 1 Tari Valley 20.8, 1 heard Kulu River 23.8 and 1 Tili Forest 26.8.

- 76 **Greater Sooty Owl** *Tyto tenebricosa*  
2 heard Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 21.8.
- 77 **Golden Masked Owl** *Tyto aurantia* (VU) Endemic  
1 Numundo village 23.8 and 1 Numundo village 26.8.
- 78 **Papuan Boobook** *Ninox theomacha*  
1 heard Normanby 7.8 and 1 heard Normanby 9.8.
- 79 **Manus Boobook** *Ninox meeki* Endemic  
1 Hills behind Lorengau 12.8.
- 80 **New Britain Boobook** *Ninox odiosa* (VU) Endemic  
1 heard Garu Forest 26.8.
- 81 **Papuan Frogmouth** *Podargus papuensis*  
1 heard Normanby 8.8 and 1 heard Sogeri Lodge 30.8.
- 82 **Archbold's Nightjar** *Eurostopodus archboldi*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 19.8.
- 83 **Large-tailed Nightjar** *Caprimulgus macrurus*  
1 heard Sogeri Lodge 30.8.
- 84 **Feline Owlet-Nightjar** *Aegotheles insignis*  
1 heard Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 17.8.
- 85 **Barred Owlet-Nightjar** *Aegotheles bennettii*  
1 heard Normanby 9.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 86 **Moustached Treeswift** *Hemiprocne mystacea*  
1 Rossum (Manus) 12.8, 1 Kulu River 23.8, 1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 1 Garu Forest 26.8.
- 87 **Glossy Swiftlet** *Collocalia esculenta*  
1 Normanby 7.8, 1 Hills behind Lorengau 12.8, 1 there 13.8, 1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8, 1 Tari Gap 19.8, 1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 5 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8.
- 88 **Mountain Swiftlet** *Aerodramus hirundinaceus*  
5 Bellybridge trail, Tari 19.8.
- 89 **White-rumped Swiftlet** *Aerodramus spodiopygius*  
1 Rossum (Manus) 12.8 and 1 Beef Farm 24.8.
- 90 **Uniform Swiftlet** *Aerodramus vanikorensis*  
1 Normanby 7.8, 5 Normanby 9.8, 5 Kulu River 23.8 and 20 Beef Farm 24.8.
- 91 **Oriental Dollarbird** *Eurystomus orientalis*  
1 Tili Forest 23.8, 1 Tili Forest 26.8 and 2 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8.

- 92 **Black-capped Paradise Kingfisher** *Tanysiptera nigriceps* Endemic  
1 Tili Forest 23.8 and 1 heard Garu Forest 24.8 and 1 Garu Forest 26.8, heard there 27.8.
- 93 **Brown-headed Paradise Kingfisher** *Tanysiptera danae* Endemic  
1 Varirata - picnic area 30.8.
- 94 **Blue-winged Kookaburra** *Dacelo leachii*  
1 Varirata - lower entrance road 29.8.
- 95 **Forest Kingfisher** *Todiramphus macleayii*  
1 Napatana lodge 10.8.
- 96 **White-mantled Kingfisher** *Todiramphus albonotatus* (NT) Endemic  
2 Tili Forest 23.8.
- 97 **Islet Kingfisher** *Todiramphus colonus* Endemic  
2 Duchess island 8.8.
- 98 **Melanesian Kingfisher** *Todiramphus tristrami*  
3 Kimbe 24.8, 1+1 heard Tili Forest 26.8 and 2 Malu Malu I and Restorf I, 28.8.
- 99 **Beach Kingfisher** *Todiramphus saurophagus*  
1 Tong 14.8.
- 100 **Sacred Kingfisher** *Todiramphus sanctus*  
1 Duchess island 8.8, 1 Normanby 9.8, 1 Napatana lodge 10.8, 1 Tari Valley 20.8 and 1 Kulu River 23.8.
- 101 **Yellow-billed Kingfisher** *Syma torotoro*  
2 Normanby 7.8, 1 heard Normanby 9.8, 1 heard Alotau Forest Rd 10.8, 1 heard Sogeri Lodge 29.8, 1 Varirata - picnic area 30.8 and 1 heard Sogeri Lodge 31.8.
- 102 **Mountain Kingfisher** *Syma megarhyncha*  
1 heard Lower village, Tari 19.8.
- 103 **Common Kingfisher** *Alcedo atthis*  
1 Hills behind Lorengau 13.8, 1 Tili Forest 23.8, 1 Kulu River 23.8 and 1 Varirata - lower entrance road 30.8.
- 104 **New Britain Dwarf Kingfisher** *Ceyx sacerdotis* Endemic  
1 Garu Forest 24.8 and 1 heard Varirata - picnic area 30.8.
- 105 **Rainbow Bee-eater** *Merops ornatus*  
1 Normanby 9.8, 10 Tili Forest 23.8, 5 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8, 1 Tili Forest 26.8 and 4 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8.
- 106 **Blyth's Hornbill** *Rhyticeros plicatus*  
1 Normanby 7.8, 1 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8, 2+4 Kulu River 23.8, 2 Garu Forest 24.8, 2 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 2 Varirata - picnic area 30.8.
- 107 **Sulphur-crested Cockatoo** *Cacatua galerita*  
1 Normanby 6-9.8, 1 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8 and 1 Varirata - picnic area 30.8.

- 108 **Blue-eyed Cockatoo** *Cacatua ophthalmica* (VU) Endemic  
1 Tili Forest 23.8, 2 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8, 4 Tili Forest 26.8 and 3 Garu Forest 27.8.
- 109 **Buff-faced Pygmy Parrot** *Micropsitta pusio*  
1 Tili Forest 23.8, 1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 110 **Meek's Pygmy Parrot** *Micropsitta meeki* Endemic  
2 Rossum (Manus) 12.8 and 1+1 heard Hills behind Lorengau 13.8.
- 111 **Papuan King Parrot** *Alisterus chloropterus*  
3 Lower village, Tari 19.8, 2 there 20.8.
- 112 **Eclectus Parrot** *Eclectus roratus*  
2 Normanby 6.8, 1 Normanby 9.8, 1 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8, 2 Rossum (Manus) 12.8, 5 Tili Forest 23.8, 20 Kulu River 23.8, 5 Garu Forest 24.8, 1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8, 10 Tili Forest 26.8 and 10 Garu Forest 27.8.
- 113 **Red-cheeked Parrot** *Geoffroyus geoffroyi*  
1 Normanby 9.8 and 1+10 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 114 **Brehm's Tiger Parrot** *Psittacella brehmii*  
1 Tari Gap 19.8 and 1 Tari Gap 21.8.
- 115 **Plum-faced Lorikeet** *Oreopsittacus arfaki*  
4 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8, 2 there 19.8.
- 116 **Red-chinned Lorikeet** *Charmosyna rubrigularis* Endemic  
1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8.
- 117 **Red-flanked Lorikeet** *Charmosyna placensis*  
20 Tili Forest 23.8, 2 Garu Forest 24.8, 3 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 2 Tili Forest 26.8.
- 118 **Papuan Lorikeet** *Charmosyna papou*  
Up to 2 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18-20.8 and 4 Tari Gap 21.8.
- 119 **Yellow-billed Lorikeet** *Neopsittacus musschenbroekii*  
2 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8, 10 Lower village, Tari 19.8, 3 Tari Valley 20.8 and 5 Ambua Lodge, Tari 20.8.
- 120 **Black-capped Lory** *Lorius lory*  
2 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8.
- 121 **Purple-bellied Lory** *Lorius hypoinochrous* Endemic  
1 Normanby 6.8, 3 there 7.8, 4+6 Normanby 9.8, 3 Tili Forest 23.8, 2 Kulu River 23.8, 2 Garu Forest 24.8, 2 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8, 4 Tili Forest 26.8 and 5 Garu Forest 27.8.
- 122 **Goldie's Lorikeet** *Psitteuteles goldiei*  
1 heard Lower village, Tari 19.8 and 10 Tari Gap 21.8.
- 123 **Coconut Lorikeet** *Trichoglossus haematodus*  
3 Rossum (Manus) 12.8, 5 Tong 14.8, 2 Kulu River 23.8, 2 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8, 10 Tili Forest 26.8, 2 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8, 2 Varirata - picknick area 30.8 and 2 Sogeri Lodge 31.8.



- 124 **Double-eyed Fig Parrot** *Cyclopsitta diophthalma*  
1 Normanby 7.8.
- 125 **Bismarck Hanging Parrot** *Loriculus tener* (NT) Endemic  
1 Tili Forest 23.8 and 2 Tili Forest 26.8.
- 126 **Bismarck Pitta** *Erythropitta novaehibernicae* Endemic  
1 heard Tili Forest 23.8.
- 127 **Papuan Pitta** *Erythropitta macklotii*  
1 Normanby 7.8 and 2 heard Normanby 9.8.
- 128 **Superb Pitta** *Pitta superba* (EN) Endemic  
2 Hills behind Lorengau 13.8.
- 129 **Black-capped Catbird** *Ailuroedus melanocephalus* Endemic  
1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 130 **Archbold's Bowerbird** *Archboldia papuensis* (NT)  
1 heard Tari Gap 19.8.
- 131 **Fawn-breasted Bowerbird** *Chlamydera cerviniventris*  
1 Napatana lodge 10.8, 1 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8 and 1 Sogeri Lodge 30.8.
- 132 **Papuan Treecreeper** *Cormobates placens*  
1 heard Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 19.8.
- 133 **White-shouldered Fairywren** *Malurus alboscapulatus*  
2 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 20.8.
- 134 **Ashy Myzomela** *Myzomela cineracea* Endemic  
1+1 Garu Wildlife Management Area 24.8, 1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 1 Garu Forest 27.8.
- 135 **Papuan Black Myzomela** *Myzomela nigrita*  
2 Normanby 9.8.
- 136 **Sclater's Myzomela** *Myzomela sclateri* Endemic  
8 Malu Malu I and Restorf I, 28.8.
- 137 **Bismarck Black Myzomela** *Myzomela pammelaena* Endemic  
2 Tong 14.8.
- 138 **Black-bellied Myzomela** *Myzomela erythromelas* Endemic  
1+2 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8.
- 139 **Red-collared Myzomela** *Myzomela rosenbergii*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8, 1 there 19.8 and 20 Tari Gap 21.8.
- 140 **Green-backed Honeyeater** *Glycichaera fallax*  
1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.

- 141 **Rufous-backed Honeyeater** *Ptiloprora guisei* Endemic  
2 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 1 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 20.8.
- 142 **Grey-streaked Honeyeater** *Ptiloprora perstriata*  
2 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8, 1 there 19.8 and 1 Tari Gap 19.8.
- 143 **Marbled Honeyeater** *Pycnopygius cinereus*  
2 Lower village, Tari 19.8, 1 there 20.8.
- 144 **Silver-eared Honeyeater** *Lichmera alboauricularis*  
1 Napatana lodge 10.8.
- 145 **Tawny-breasted Honeyeater** *Xanthotis flaviventer*  
1 Normanby 9.8 and 1 Varirata - picnic area 30.8.
- 146 **New Guinea Friarbird** *Philemon novaeguineae*  
1 Normanby 7.8, 1 Normanby 9.8, 1 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8 and 1 Sogeri Lodge 29.8, 1 there 30.8.
- 147 **New Britain Friarbird** *Philemon cockerelli* Endemic  
2 Tili Forest 23.8, 2 Kulu River 23.8, 1 heard Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8, 1 Tili Forest 26.8 and 5 Garu Forest 27.8.
- 148 **Manus Friarbird** *Philemon albitorques* Endemic  
1 Rossum (Manus) 12.8 and 1 heard Hills behind Lorengau 13.8.
- 149 **White-throated Honeyeater** *Melithreptus albogularis*  
5 Varirata NP 29.8.
- 150 **Common Smoky Honeyeater** *Melipotes fumigatus*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8, 3 there 19.8, 1 Lower village, Tari 20.8 and 10 Ambua Lodge, Tari 21.8.
- 151 **Rufous-banded Honeyeater** *Conopophila albogularis*  
2 Varirata - picnic area 30.8.
- 152 **Black-throated Honeyeater** *Caligavis subfrenata*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 3 Tari Gap 19.8 and 5 Tari Gap 21.8.
- 153 **Yellow-browed Melidectes** *Melidectes rufocrissalis* Endemic  
2 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 17.8, 1 Lower village, Tari 19.8 and 1 Ambua Lodge, Tari 21.8.
- 154 **Belford's Melidectes** *Melidectes belfordi*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18-20.8 and 1 Tari Gap 19.8.
- 155 **Varied Honeyeater** *Gavicalis versicolor*  
1 East Cape 6.8 and 1 Duchess island 8.8.
- 156 **Scrub Honeyeater** *Meliphaga albonotata*  
1 Napatana lodge 10.8.

- 157 **Elegant Honeyeater** *Meliphaga cinereifrons* Endemic  
1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 158 **Puff-backed Honeyeater** *Meliphaga aruensis*  
1 Normanby 7.8.
- 159 **Rusty Mouse-Warbler** *Crateroscelis murina*  
1 heard Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 160 **Papuan Scrubwren** *Sericornis papuensis*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8.
- 161 **Large Scrubwren** *Sericornis nouhuysi*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 1 heard Tari Gap 19.8.
- 162 **Buff-faced Scrubwren** *Sericornis perspicillatus*  
3 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 18.8 and 3 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 20.8.
- 163 **Brown-breasted Gerygone** *Gerygone ruficollis*  
heard Lower village, Tari 19.8, 4 there 20.8.
- 164 **Large-billed Gerygone** *Gerygone magnirostris*  
1 Normanby 7.8 and 1 Normanby 9.8.
- 165 **Yellow-bellied Gerygone** *Gerygone chrysogaster*  
1 heard Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 166 **Green-backed Gerygone** *Gerygone chloronota*  
1+1 heard Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 167 **Loria's Satinbird** *Cnemophilus loriae*  
1+1 heard Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 1 Tari Gap 19.8.
- 168 **Black Berrypecker** *Melanocharis nigra*  
2 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 169 **Fan-tailed Berrypecker** *Melanocharis versteri*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8, 1 there 19.8.
- 170 **Dwarf Longbill** *Oedistoma iliolophus*  
2 Normanby 9.8.
- 171 **Pygmy Longbill** *Oedistoma pygmaeum*  
1 Normanby 7.8.
- 172 **Crested Berrypecker** *Paramythia montium*  
2 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 1 Tari Gap 19.8.
- 173 **Spotted Jewel-babbler** *Ptilorrhoa leucosticta*  
1 heard Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 1 heard Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 19.8.

- 174 **Painted Quail-thrush** *Cinclosoma ajax*  
2+1 heard Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 175 **Black-breasted Boatbill** *Machaerirhynchus nigripectus*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 1 Tari Gap 19.8.
- 176 **White-breasted Woodswallow** *Artamus leucorhynchus*  
2 Duchess island 8.8, 2 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8 and 1 Sogeri Lodge 29.8.
- 177 **Great Woodswallow** *Artamus maximus*  
3 Bellybridge trail, Tari 19.8.
- 178 **Mountain Peltops** *Peltops montanus*  
1 Ambua Lodge, Tari 21.8.
- 179 **Black Butcherbird** *Melloria quoyi*  
1 Ambua Lodge, Tari 20.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 180 **Hooded Butcherbird** *Cracticus cassicus*  
1 Normanby 7.8, 1 Normanby 9.8, 1 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 181 **Mottled Berryhunter** *Rhagologus leucostigma*  
1 heard Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 18.8.
- 182 **Stout-billed Cuckooshrike** *Coracina caeruleo-grisea*  
1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 183 **Hooded Cuckooshrike** *Coracina longicauda*  
1 heard Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 19.8.
- 184 **Barred Cuckooshrike** *Coracina lineata*  
1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 185 **Black-faced Cuckooshrike** *Coracina novaehollandiae*  
5 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8.
- 186 **Boyer's Cuckooshrike** *Coracina boyeri*  
1 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8, 3 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 187 **White-bellied Cuckooshrike** *Coracina papuensis*  
1 Normanby 6.8, 15 Normanby 10.8, 1 Kulu River 23.8, 1 Sogeri Lodge 29.8, 1 there 30.8, 1 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8 and 1 Varirata - lower entrance road 29.8.
- 188 **Manus Cuckooshrike** *Coracina ingens* Endemic  
1 Rossum (Manus) 12.8 and 3 Hills behind Lorengau 12.8.
- 189 **Black-bellied Cuckooshrike** *Edolisoma montanum*  
3 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8.

- 190 **Grey-headed Cuckooshrike** *Edolisoma schisticeps*  
2 Normanby 7.8.
- 191 **Grey-capped Cicadabird** *Edolisoma remotum*  
1 Rossum (Manus) 12.8 and 1 Tili Forest 26.8.
- 192 **Black Cicadabird** *Edolisoma melas*  
2 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 193 **White-winged Triller** *Lalage tricolor*  
1 Varirata - lower entrance road 29.8.
- 194 **Varied Triller** *Lalage leucomela*  
2 Normanby 7.8, 1+1 Normanby 9.8, 3 Tili Forest 23.8, 2 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 2 Tili Forest 26.8.
- 195 **Papuan Sittella** *Daphoenositta papuensis*  
10 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 18.8.
- 196 **Black Sittella** *Daphoenositta miranda*  
4 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 2 Tari Gap 19.8.
- 197 **Wattled Ploughbill** *Eulacestoma nigropectus*  
heard Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 18.8, heard there 19.8 and 1 Tari Gap 19.8 and 2 Tari Gap 21.8.
- 198 **Rufous-naped Bellbird** *Aleadryas rufinucha*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8.
- 199 **Piping Bellbird** *Ornorettes cristatus*  
2 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 200 **Brown-backed Whistler** *Pachycephala modesta* Endemic  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 19.8.
- 201 **Grey Whistler** *Pachycephala simplex*  
1 Normanby 9.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 202 **Sclater's Whistler** *Pachycephala soror*  
1 Lower village, Tari 19.8.
- 203 **Bismarck Whistler** *Pachycephala citreogaster* Endemic  
1 heard Rossum (Manus) 12.8 and 1+1 heard Hills behind Lorengau 13.8.
- 204 **Mangrove Golden Whistler** *Pachycephala melanura*  
1 Duchess island 8.8, 1 Boia Boia Waga island 10.8 and 1 Malu Malu I and Restorf I, 28.8.
- 205 **Regent Whistler** *Pachycephala schlegelii*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8.
- 206 **Black-headed Whistler** *Pachycephala monacha*  
1 Lower village, Tari 20.8.

- 207 **White-bellied Whistler** *Pachycephala leucogastra* Endemic  
2 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8.
- 208 **Rusty Pitohui** *Pseudorectes ferrugineus*  
8 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 209 **Little Shrikethrush** *Colluricincla megarhyncha*  
1 Normanby 7.8, 1 Lower village, Tari 20.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 210 **Grey Shrikethrush** *Colluricincla harmonica*  
1 Sogeri Lodge 29.8, 1 there 30.8.
- 211 **Long-tailed Shrike** *Lanius schach*  
1 Mount Hagen 17.8, 1 Lower village, Tari 19.8 and 1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 20.8.
- 212 **Hooded Pitohui** *Pitohui dichrous*  
1 Varirata - upper entrance road 30.8 and 4 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 213 **Brown Oriole** *Oriolus szalayi*  
1 heard Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 214 **Spangled Drongo** *Dicrurus bracteatus*  
1 Normanby 9.8, 1 Tili Forest 23.8, 1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8, 1 Tili Forest 26.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 215 **Willie Wagtail** *Rhipidura leucophrys*  
1 East Cape 6.8, 1 Normanby 9.8, 1 Napatana lodge 10.8, 1 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8, 1 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 18.8, 1 Lower village, Tari 20.8, 1 Kulu River 23.8, 5 Beef Farm 24.8, 1 Malu Malu I and Restorf I, 28.8 and 1 Sogeri Lodge 29.8.
- 216 **Northern Fantail** *Rhipidura rufiventris*  
1 Normanby 7.8, 1 Normanby 9.8, 2 Hills behind Lorengau 13.8, 5 Tili Forest 23.8, 1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8, 2 Tili Forest 26.8 and 1 heard Garu Forest 26.8.
- 217 **Black Fantail** *Rhipidura atra*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 19.8 and 1 heard Lower village, Tari 20.8.
- 218 **Chestnut-bellied Fantail** *Rhipidura hyperythra*  
3 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 219 **Friendly Fantail** *Rhipidura albolimbata*  
1 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 18.8 and 1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 19.8, 2 there 20.8.
- 220 **Dimorphic Fantail** *Rhipidura brachyrhyncha*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8, 1 there 19.8.
- 221 **Manus Fantail** *Rhipidura semirubra* (VU) Endemic  
1 Tong 14.8.

- 222 **Rufous Fantail** *Rhipidura rufifrons*  
1 Duchess island 8.8.
- 223 **Drongo Fantail** *Chaetorhynchus papuensis*  
1 Varirata - upper entrance road 30.8.
- 224 **Black Monarch** *Symposiachrus axillaris*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8.
- 225 **Spot-winged Monarch** *Symposiachrus guttula*  
1 Normanby 7.8, 1 Normanby 9.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 226 **Manus Monarch** *Symposiachrus infelix* Endemic  
1 Hills behind Lorengau 13.8 and 1 Tong 14.8.
- 227 **Black-tailed Monarch** *Symposiachrus verticalis* Endemic  
1 Tili Forest 23.8 and 1 Tili Forest 26.8.
- 228 **Island Monarch** *Monarcha cinerascens*  
1 Tong 14.8.
- 229 **Black-faced Monarch** *Monarcha melanopsis*  
1 Normanby 7.8 and 1+1 Normanby 9.8.
- 230 **Golden Monarch** *Carterornis chrysomela*  
1 Normanby 7.8 and 1 Normanby 9.8.
- 231 **Torrent-lark** *Grallina bruijnii*  
2 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 19.8.
- 232 **Leaden Flycatcher** *Myiagra rubecula*  
1 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8.
- 233 **Satin Flycatcher** *Myiagra cyanoleuca*  
1 Normanby 9.8.
- 234 **Shining Flycatcher** *Myiagra alecto*  
1 heard Normanby 9.8, 1+1 heard Hills behind Lorengau 13.8, 1 heard Tili Forest 23.8, 1 Kulu River 23.8 and 1 Tili Forest 26.8.
- 235 **Velvet Flycatcher** *Myiagra hebetior* Endemic  
1 Garu Wildlife Management Area 24.8.
- 236 **Grey Crow** *Corvus tristis*  
3 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8.
- 237 **Torresian Crow** *Corvus orru*  
2 Normanby 7.8, 1 Duchess island 8.8, 1 Normanby 9.8, 1 there 10.8 and 1 Sogeri Lodge 29.8.

- 238 **Bismarck Crow** *Corvus insularis* Endemic  
1 Kulu River 23.8, 2 Tili Forest 26.8 and 3 Malu Malu I and Restorf I, 28.8.
- 239 **Lesser Melampitta** *Melampitta lugubris*  
1 heard Tari Gap 19.8.
- 240 **Blue-capped Ifrit** *Ifrita kowaldi*  
1+1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 1 Tari Gap 21.8.
- 241 **Glossy-mantled Manucode** *Manucodia ater*  
1 Sogeri Lodge 29.8.
- 242 **Crinkle-collared Manucode** *Manucodia chalybatus*  
1 Varirata - lower entrance road 29.8.
- 243 **Curly-crested Manucode** *Manucodia comrii* Endemic  
1 Normanby 6.8, 3 there 7.8 and 3+1 heard Normanby 9.8.
- 244 **Trumpet Manucode** *Phonygammus keraudrenii*  
3 Normanby 9.8.
- 245 **Short-tailed Paradigalla** *Paradigalla brevicauda*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8.
- 246 **Ribbon-tailed Astrapia** *Astrapia mayeri* (NT) Endemic  
2 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8, 1 there 19.8 and 1+1+1 Tari Gap 19.8.
- 247 **Princess Stephanie's Astrapia** *Astrapia stephaniae* Endemic  
1+1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8, 1 Lower village, Tari 20.8 and 1 Ambua Lodge, Tari 20.8, 1 there 21.8.
- 248 **King of Saxony Bird-of-paradise** *Pteridophora alberti*  
3+3 heard Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8.
- 249 **Greater Lophorina** *Lophorina superba*  
1 Lower village, Tari 19.8, 1 there 20.8 and 1 Ambua Lodge, Tari 20.8.
- 250 **Growing Riflebird** *Ptiloris intercedens* Endemic  
1 heard Varirata NP 29.8 and 1 Varirata - picnic area 30.8.
- 251 **Black Sicklebill** *Epimachus fastosus*  
heard Lower village, Tari 19.8, heard there 20.8.
- 252 **Brown Sicklebill** *Epimachus meyeri*  
4+1 heard Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8.
- 253 **Raggiana Bird-of-paradise** *Paradisaea raggiana*  
2 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8, 1 heard Varirata NP 29.8, 1 Varirata - lower entrance road 29.8 and 1 Varirata - picnic area 30.8.



- 254 **Goldie's Bird-of-paradise** *Paradisaea decora* (VU) Endemic  
5 Normanby 7.8.
- 255 **Blue Bird-of-paradise** *Paradisaea rudolphi* (VU) Endemic  
1 Lower village, Tari 19.8, 2 there 20.8 and 1 Ambua Lodge, Tari 20.8.
- 256 **Black-throated Robin** *Poecilodryas albonotata*  
1 heard Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8.
- 257 **White-winged Robin** *Peneothello sigillata*  
1 Tari Gap 21.8.
- 258 **Slaty Robin** *Peneothello cyanus*  
1 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 17.8 and 1 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 19.8.
- 259 **White-faced Robin** *Tregellasia leucops*  
1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 260 **Torrent Flyrobin** *Monachella muelleriana*  
1 Normanby 7.8.
- 261 **Canary Flyrobin** *Microeca papuana*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 1 Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 19.8.
- 262 **Lemon-bellied Flyrobin** *Microeca flavigaster*  
1 Varirata NP 29.8.
- 263 **Garnet Robin** *Eugerygone rubra*  
1 heard Bellybridge trail, Tari 19.8.
- 264 **Papuan Scrub Robin** *Drymodes beccarii*  
1 Varirata - upper entrance road 30.8.
- 265 **Lesser Ground Robin** *Amalocichla incerta*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 19.8.
- 266 **Pacific Swallow** *Hirundo tahitica*  
1 East Cape 6.8, 1 Normanby 9.8, 5 Gurney Airport (Alotau) 11.8, 1 Airways Hotel, Port Moresby 11.8 and 1 Kimbe 26.8.
- 267 **Australian Reed Warbler** *Acrocephalus australis*  
5 Beef Farm 24.8.
- 268 **Papuan Grassbird** *Cincloramphus macrurus*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8, 1 Tari Gap 19.8 and 1 Beef Farm 24.8.
- 269 **Golden-headed Cisticola** *Cisticola exilis*  
1 Beef Farm 24.8.

- 270 **Black-fronted White-eye** *Zosterops minor*  
1 Normanby 7.8, 2 Normanby 9.8 and 1 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 271 **Bismarck White-eye** *Zosterops hypoxanthus* Endemic  
1 Rossum (Manus) 12.8.
- 272 **Capped White-eye** *Zosterops fuscicapilla*  
2 Tari Valley 20.8.
- 273 **Papuan White-eye** *Zosterops novaeguineae*  
5 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8.
- 274 **Louisiade White-eye** *Zosterops griseotinctus* Endemic  
2 Duchess island 8.8.
- 275 **Metallic Starling** *Aplonis metallica*  
3 Normanby 9.8, 10 Rossum (Manus) 12.8, 3 Tong 14.8, 20 Tili Forest 23.8, 30 Garu Forest 24.8, 20 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 20 Tili Forest 26.8.
- 276 **Singing Starling** *Aplonis cantoroides*  
15 Duchess island 8.8, 5 Napatana lodge 10.8, 3 Harbourside Hotel Lorengau 11.8 and 5 Tili Forest 23.8.
- 277 **Yellow-faced Myna** *Mino dumontii*  
1 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8 and 2 Varirata - upper entrance road 29.8.
- 278 **Long-tailed Myna** *Mino kreffti*  
4 Tili Forest 23.8, 3 Kulu River 23.8, 2 Garu Wildlife Management Area 24.8, 2 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 1 Tili Forest 26.8.
- 279 **Island Thrush** *Turdus poliocephalus*  
1 Tari Gap 19.8 and 1 Tari Gap 21.8.
- 280 **Pied Bush Chat** *Saxicola caprata*  
1 Gurney Airport (Alotau) 11.8.
- 281 **Red-capped Flowerpecker** *Dicaeum geelvinkianum*  
2 Normanby 7.8, 2 Normanby 9.8, 1 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8, 1 Lower village, Tari 19.8, 1 there 20.8, 2 Sogeri Lodge 29.8 and 2 Varirata - picknick area 30.8.
- 282 **Red-banded Flowerpecker** *Dicaeum eximium* Endemic  
3 Tili Forest 23.8, 1 Garu Forest 24.8, 5 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8 and 1 Tili Forest 26.8.
- 283 **Black Sunbird** *Leptocoma aspasia*  
1 Normanby 6.8, 2 Normanby 9.8, 1 Kulu River 23.8, 1 Garu Forest 24.8, 1 Tove Forest, Near Kimbe 25.8, 2 Tili Forest 26.8 and 2 Garu Forest 27.8.
- 284 **Olive-backed Sunbird** *Cinnyris jugularis*  
1 Normanby 8.8, 1 Napatana lodge 10.8, 1 Alotau Forest Rd 10.8, 1 Rossum (Manus) 12.8 and 1 Kulu River 23.8.

- 285 **Blue-faced Parrotfinch** *Erythrura trichroa*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8 and 1 heard Makara Bird View Lodge, Tari 20.8.
- 286 **Hooded Mannikin** *Lonchura spectabilis*  
1 Bellybridge trail, Tari 18.8, 1 Lower village, Tari 19.8, 5 there 20.8 and 1 Tili Forest 23.8.
- 287 **Chestnut-breasted Mannikin** *Lonchura castaneothorax*  
10 Normanby 9.8.
- 288 **Buff-bellied Mannikin** *Lonchura melaena*  
1 Tili Forest 23.8 and 3 Beef Farm 24.8.