

## BIRDING REPORT FOR MARY AND TOM WALLIS

29<sup>th</sup> January – 5<sup>th</sup> February 2016

### Birdingextremadura & Casa Rural El Recuerdo

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*All photos by Tom Wallis*

#### **29<sup>th</sup> January 2016: Transfer from Madrid Airport to Casa Rural El Recuerdo with stop at Arrocampo Reservoir.**

Mary and Tom's flight from the UK arrived just a few minutes later than scheduled and by 11.30 we were leaving the airport to take the southern ring road around Madrid. There was an overcast start to the day, but as the afternoon progressed the clouds started to break and we enjoyed some sunny conditions. As we left Madrid on the A5 motorway heading south-west towards Extremadura, we started seeing **Red Kites** and indeed they were the most numerous bird of prey on the journey. **White Storks** were also seen, some on their nests. We made a stop for coffee and then when reaching the Arrocampo Reservoir, had our lunch beside the fringe of emergent vegetation. Here we had glimpses of **Cetti's Warblers** and then we heard a **Bluethroat** calling. There was an interaction between two males. A few minutes later we were enjoying a superb view of one in a muddy gap between the vegetation. **Chiffchaffs** were also feeding in the damp vegetation, whilst a **Common Snipe** stood motionless at the water's edge.



Progressing around the edge of the marsh, we stopped to watch a party of **Spanish Sparrows** feeding on the ground and a pair of **Iberian Grey Shrikes** courtship feeding. A **Barn Swallow** was hawking insects and **House Martins** were flying over the village of Saucedilla. From the marsh we heard **Penduline Tit** and eventually tracked down one feeding on *Typha* seed heads.

Beside the village there were **Black Redstart**, **Corn Bunting** and **Crested Lark**. We ventured to look at a couple of pools, where a pair of **Black-winged Stilts** were feeding along with a **Common Sandpiper**. Overhead, we had sightings of **Black** and **Griffon Vultures**.

We then continued with our journey, reaching Casa Rural El Recuerdo at about 17.00, with time to settle down before the evening meal.

### **30<sup>th</sup> January 2016: The plains between Trujillo and Santa Marta de Magasca**

The day dawned clear and remained so for much of the day, with just a few periods of light cloud. We set off to the plains to the west of Trujillo, making some initial stops along a minor road, where we got acquainted with **Crested**, **Thekla** and **Calandra Larks**, as well as numerous **Corn Buntings**. Parties of **Spanish Sparrows** thronged the bushes whilst on the fields there were groups of wintering **Lapwing**. Down a dirt road, we stopped to look at fields on either side and quickly found the vagrant **Sociable**

**Lapwing** that had been present here for a month. The views were not great because of the light, but our find was warmly welcomed by two birders from Galicia and then two from Germany. As we stood there we also got excellent views of feeding **Black-bellied** and **Pin-tailed Sandgrouse**.

We then stopped for coffee at Santa Marta de Magasca, where we were entertained by **House Martins**, **Crag Martins** and **Serins**. A brief visit was then made to the Tamuja valley, followed by a longer one beside the Magasca River, where again **Serins** and **Crag Martins** were present, as well as **Grey Wagtail** and **Cirl Bunting**.

Climbing back onto the plains, we started seeing larger birds of prey: numerous **Red Kite**, as well as small group of **Griffon** and **Black Vultures** on the ground. It was in this area where we stopped for our picnic, with singing **Corn Buntings** and fields full of yellow crucifers and daisies. Here we had an excellent view of a juvenile **Spanish Imperial Eagle**. Our next stop was beside a field full of crucifers beside woodland, where a group of **Common Cranes** fed in glorious sunshine. In the same field we found and watched a group of 21 **Little Bustard**. Close to the village of Aldea del Obispo there was a large party of **White Stork** resting beside a small pool, as well as several **Red Kites**.



We then returned to the site where the **Sociable Lapwing** was and quite quickly refound the bird, this time showing well in excellent light. We enjoyed prolonged views of it, preening, feeding and in flight. Other memorable moments there were close fly-bys of **Black-bellied Sandgrouse**, a large flock of **Linnet**, which at one point lined-up shoulder to shoulder on a fence, and a distant and brief sighting of an adult **Spanish Imperial Eagle**.



### 31<sup>st</sup> January 2016: Monfragüe National Park

It was a calm, sunny day with just a few periods of patchy cloud: indeed, perfect for our visit to the Monfragüe National Park. We set off after breakfast, north, past the town of Trujillo and across an undulating vast landscape of *dehesa* wood pasture. After passing the village of Torrejón El Rubio, we followed hairpin bends down across the Arroyo de la Vid valley and then into the National Park.

Our first stop was in the Peña Flacon gorge, looking down onto the Tagus river and up onto the massive cliff face opposite. This provided perches and nesting sites for a colony of **Griffon Vultures**, and we watched as some became airborne in the still chilly air, whilst others stood hunched on the rocks. At one moment a **Peregrine** joined the wheeling vultures. **Crag Martins** were active, as was an engaging male **Rock Bunting** at very close range. We also watched a **Hawfinch**.

We then drove across the park to the Portilla del Tiétar, where the Tiétar River cut a gorge through another ridge. The water was like a millpond, creating wonderful reflections of the impressive folded rocks. **Angel's Tears Narcissus** were in profusion on the grassy bank beside the road. The cliff face itself was again haunt of **Griffon Vultures**, whilst a few **Black Vultures** glided past. **Black Redstart** was singing across the river, on which **Great Cormorants** were fishing. We did not have to wait long before we heard the barking call of **Spanish Imperial Eagle** and first one bird and then



another glided in. There then followed the best part of an hour watching these magnificent birds in various behaviours: bringing branches to their nest site (including one branch so big it was almost impossible for the bird to manoeuvre successfully once perched!), soaring, perched and most impressively a series of mobbing attacks on the hapless **Griffon Vultures**, where physical contact was made on several occasions and once the eagle appeared to force the vulture to the ground (or at very least into the trees). A juvenile **Bonelli's Eagle** and a **Marsh Harrier** were also seen flying over.

After being completely satiated with this display, we adjourned for coffee nearby, which we enjoyed sitting the sunshine amidst a superb cork oak grove, where we saw amongst other birds, a pair of **Cirl Bunting**.

We then slowly made our way back through the park, stopping to admire views, to take a walk in a belt of pinewood and then stopping for lunch at the Tajadilla picnic area. **Griffon** and **Black Vultures** were overhead (and an adult **Golden Eagle** joined then for a moment), but pride of place was a party of **Azure-winged Magpies** which came in to clean up after picnickers vacated their tables.

From there we made another stop to look at the confluence between the Tagus and Tiétar rivers before our final stop to revisit Peña Falcon. Here again we enjoyed the spectacular of dozens of **Griffon Vultures**, as well as **Blue Rock Thrush**, **Black Redstart** and a **Rock Bunting**.



### **1<sup>st</sup> February 2016: The Campo Lugar plains and Alcollarín Reservoir**

Cloudless skies and calm conditions greeted us as we headed off and thus were the conditions throughout the day, becoming decidedly warm in the afternoon sunshine.

We started off on the plains south of Zorita, near the village of Campo Lugar. At our very first stop we found a group of 14 male **Great Bustards**, at quite close quarters, quietly preening and foraging. A **Black Stork** was also present. The views were magnificent, especially in the early morning light. From the same place we could also see two **Little Owl**, and some delightful **Zitting Cisticolas**. A little further along the road we were treated with more views of **Great Bustards**, including some flying by close and in excellent light, as well as parties of **Common Crane** flying overhead. **Calandra Larks** and **Corn Buntings** were singing from all directions, as were **Common Chiffchaffs**.



Proceeding across the plains, we saw good numbers of **Golden Plover**, **Lapwing** and **Common Starling**, and a male **Hen Harrier**. Following a dirt track, we came across a group of 32 **Little Bustard**, as well as more **Great Bustard**. We passed two small pools

which hosted some duck (mainly **Teal**), as well as **Black-winged Stilt** and **Spoonbill**. Close to the village of Campo Lugar was a winter roost of about 40 **Stone Curlew**.

After coffee, we headed to the new reservoir of Alcollarín. We stopped first on the eastern side, watching a couple of skeins of migrating **Grey Lag Geese** coming down to rest. Masses of **Common Coot** grazed the bank. At a small subsidiary pool, where we had our picnic, the calm water provided excellent foraging habitat for **White Wagtails** and **Common Chiffchaff**, whilst the pool held a good range of duck species including a rare **Ring-necked Duck**, two **Ferruginous Duck**, **Tufted Duck**, **Pochard**, **Gadwall** and **Mallard**. Three **Spoonbill** rested in a tree and a **Kingfisher** passed several times. Whilst we had lunch, **White Storks** clacked their bills and a diminutive **Firecrest** foraged in the holm oaks.

We then visited the western shore, taking advantage of the excellent afternoon light. Here we could really appreciate the masses of wintering duck, especially **Shoveler**, but also good numbers of **Pintail** and 26 **Common Shelduck**. As well as **Little Grebe** and **Great Crested**, several **Black-necked** were also present.

**Marsh Harriers** frequently cruised along the shoreline (at lunch a **Peregrine** was briefly overhead and Common Buzzards were in courtship flights). As we left an interestingly-plumaged buzzard was encountered.

## **2<sup>nd</sup> February 2016: Madrigalejo and the rice fields near Vegas Altas, Orellana Reservoir and Moheda Alta**

After a spectacular sunrise, the day started with high cloud and wisps of mist. As the day progressed the sun came out and it was warm and calm and only on our return home did we encounter any fog.

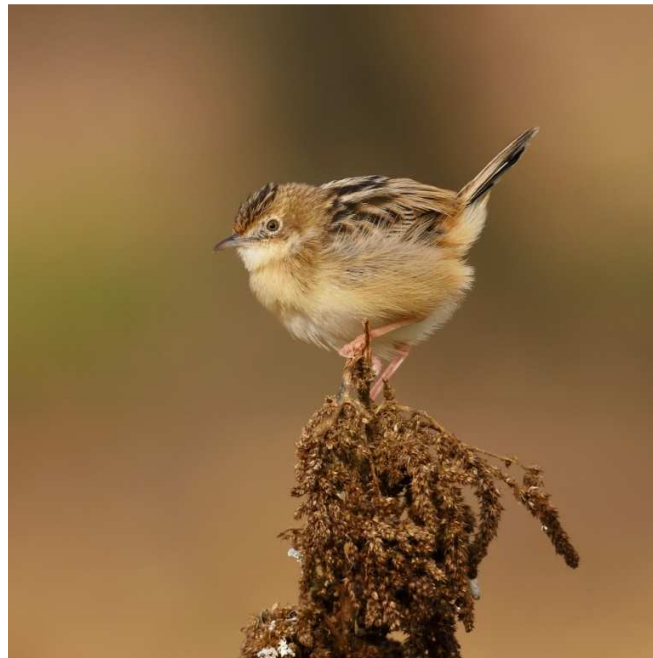
We headed south again, and stopped first of all at the old railway station of Madrigalejo, in the hope of seeing **Stone Curlew**. There were about 50 birds present but because of the activities of a flock of sheep they were further away than we had hoped.

Nevertheless, they provided a fine sight. We then drove slowly through an area of allotments and small cultivated fields, where family parties of **Common Cranes** offered excellent views, as did **Cattle Egret**, **Hoopoes**, **Spanish Sparrows** and parties of **Red Avadavat**.





We continued into an area of more extensive arable land near the village of Vegas Altas, where more **cranes** were encountered as well as a flock of **Great Bustard**. Most memorable however, was a sublimely obliging **Zitting Cisticola** that perched and sang from an old flower head right beside the car.



After an excellent coffee in Vegas Altas, we headed to the Orellana Reservoir where we had our picnic. Here the calm conditions provided great views of several species of duck present: the drake **Tufted Ducks** were especially smart, as well as **Black-headed Gulls** hawking insects and a **Black-necked Grebe**. **Common Sandpipers** fed along the water's edge. The warm weather was encouraging several butterflies to be on the wing including an immaculate **Wall Brown**, several **Clouded Yellows** and a **Western Dappled White**. **Sand Crocuses** were in flower.

We then visited the woodland and rice fields of Moheda Alta where the highlight was our late afternoon sojourn in the hide. Here as well as a large party of **Black-winged Stilt**, we were entertained by **Iberian Grey Shrikes**, **Sardinian Warblers** and an **Egyptian Mongoose**.



### **3<sup>rd</sup> February 2016: The rice fields near Palazuelo and Montánchez**

A rather thick Scotch mist welcomed us first thing, but it was nothing more than the reflection of the altitude of Casa Rural El Recuerdo (about two thousand feet above sea-level) and as soon as we had dropped to the lower-lying rice fields near Palazuelo, the visibility was good and the weather improved progressively through the day. By the afternoon indeed we were enjoying glorious sunshine.

We drove slowly across the rice fields, most of which were either muddy expanses or stubble. Parties of **Common Crane** were everywhere and in the ditches were groups of **Red Avadavats** and **Common Waxbills**. The wetter fields had **Lapwing**, numerous **Common Snipe**, **White Wagtails** and both **Meadow** and **Water Pipits**. **Harriers**, mainly **Marsh** but also a fine male **Hen**, hunted low over the terrain. At one point we came across a farmer in a tractor, ploughing the stubble in and this attracted hordes of egrets (**Cattle** and **Little**) as well as **White Stork** and **Grey Heron**. It was a magnificent spectacle.



After coffee, we retrained ton the area and found large flocks of **Dunlin** and **Golden Plover**, and enjoyed an excellent view of a singing **Bluethroat**.

We then drove north-west, past the town of Miajadas, centre of tomato-processing and home of the world's largest tomato (a huge model tomato on a pole complete with nesting White Storks. We ascended the Sierra of Montánchez and found a small road through patches of deciduous Pyrenean Oak and wonderfully terraced hillsides, bearing olive groves. The place where we had our picnic was full of birdsong: **Blackcap**, **Wren** and **Serin**.

We then visited the town of Montánchez, where the townsfolk were celebrating the festival of Saint Blas, with many of the women in traditional costume. We walked to the castle where quite quickly we found and then had superb views of a party of five **Alpine Accentors**. The area also held **Black Redstart** and **Blue Rock Thrush**, whilst **Crag Martin** and **House Martin** hawked insects above us. Whilst we stood there, a skein of **Grey Lag Geese** past, heading north on migration, en route back to Norway.



#### **4<sup>th</sup> February 2016: Arrocampo Reservoir, woodland and river near Jaraicejo, Trujillo and the plains between Trujillo and Santa Marta de Magasca**

It was a wonderfully clear day, with a crispness to the morning air. Until mid-afternoon there was a fresh north-easterly breeze, but the afternoon concluded with calm, warm and sunny conditions.

We headed for the Arrocampo reservoir, making an abrupt stop en route when Mary spotted a **Black-winged Kite** perched on a telegraph cable. At the reservoir itself the fresh wind made conditions quite difficult for seeing small birds, but we got glimpses of several **Bluethroat**, **Reed Bunting** and two **Penduline Tits**. It was the **Purple Swamphen** however, that took the pride of place, watched, albeit briefly, in glorious sunshine. Following coffee, we then returned south to stop in a beautiful area of cork oak woodland near Jaraicejo, where we had our picnic. It was reasonably sheltered here and we found **Crested Tit**, **Long-tailed Tit**, **Dunnock**, **Jay** and **Firecrest** amongst other woodland birds. South of the village we enjoyed a stop beside the River Almonte, seeing a couple of pairs of **Girl Bunting** as well as **Crag Martin** and **Common Sandpiper**.

We then made a visit to Trujillo, walking up to the castle. By now the wind had dropped, but the air remained as clear as ever, affording us magnificent views across the surrounding landscape and onto the Gredos Mountains to the north. **Serins** sang nearby, **White Storks** bill-clacked and again **Crag Martins** were much in evidence.

We ended the afternoon with a return visit to the plains to the west of Trujillo. Here with wonderful light, we watched both **Black-bellied** and **Pin-tailed Sandgrouse**, two groups of **Great Bustard** and good numbers of **Lapwing** and Golden Plover. Returning to the Pago de San Clemente, Mary took a short stroll and was rewarded with fine views of a **Short-toed Treecreeper**.

#### **5<sup>th</sup> February 2016: Monfragüe National Park and return to Madrid**

We departed from Casa Rural El Recuerdo with sunshine, although there was a fresh north-easterly wind. A **Hawfinch** showed itself nicely in the garden before we left.

We made a return visit to the Portilla del Tiétar viewpoint in the Monfragüe National Park where we were duly rewarded with another spectacle from the **Spanish Imperial Eagles**. A bird was perched as we arrived and in the hour that we enjoyed there we witnessed two different copulations of the pair, as well as frenzied chasing of **Griffon Vultures**, nest-building and preening.





From there we took coffee and then continued on our journey to Madrid, arriving in good time for the check-in.

## Annotated checklist

### Birds

- 1) **Grey Lag Goose**: About 70 present at Alcollarín on 1<sup>st</sup> February and seen passing Montánchez on 3<sup>rd</sup> February.
- 2) **Egyptian Goose**: Seen at Alcollarín.
- 3) **Common Shelduck**: 26 at Alcollarín on 1<sup>st</sup> February.
- 4) **Wigeon**: Large numbers at Alcollarín.
- 5) **Gadwall**: Seen on all large water bodies.
- 6) **Teal**: Seen on all large water bodies.
- 7) **Pintail**: Seen at Alcollarín.
- 8) **Mallard**: Seen almost daily.
- 9) **Shoveler**: Seen on all large water bodies, and in large numbers at Alcollarín.
- 10) **Pochard**: Seen at Alcollarín and Orellana Reservoirs.
- 11) **Tufted Duck**: Seen at Alcollarín and Orellana Reservoirs.
- 12) **Ring-necked Duck**: A female at Alcollarín on 1<sup>st</sup> February.
- 13) **Ferruginous Duck**: Two at Alcollarín on 1<sup>st</sup> February.

- 14) **Red-legged Partridge:** Seen on plains near Santa Marta de Magasca.
- 15) **Little Grebe:** Seen at Alcollarín.
- 16) **Great Crested Grebe:** Seen at Alcollarín and Orellana Reservoirs.
- 17) **Black-necked Grebe:** Seen at Alcollarín and Orellana Reservoirs.
- 18) **Great Cormorant:** Seen daily.
- 19) **Cattle Egret:** Seen daily.
- 20) **Little Egret:** Seen almost daily.
- 21) **Great White Egret:** Seen at Alcollarín and at Arrocampo.
- 22) **Grey Heron:** Seen daily.
- 23) **Black Stork:** One on Campo Lugar plains on 1<sup>st</sup> February.
- 24) **White Stork:** Seen daily.
- 25) **Spoonbill:** Six seen on 1<sup>st</sup> February and one seen at Vegas Altas on 2<sup>nd</sup> February.
- 26) **Griffon Vulture:** Seen most days.
- 27) **Black Vulture:** Seen most days.
- 28) **Spanish Imperial Eagle:** A juvenile seen on plains on 30<sup>th</sup> January and a pair seen in Monfragüe on 31<sup>st</sup> January and 5<sup>th</sup> February.
- 29) **Golden Eagle:** Adult seen in Monfragüe on 31<sup>st</sup> January.
- 30) **Bonelli's Eagle:** A juvenile seen in Monfragüe on 31<sup>st</sup> January.
- 31) **Red Kite:** Numerous and seen daily.
- 32) **Marsh Harrier:** Seen almost daily.
- 33) **Hen Harrier:** Males seen on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> February.
- 34) **Common Buzzard:** Seen almost daily.
- 35) **Black-winged Kite:** One at Arrocampo on 4<sup>th</sup> February.
- 36) **Common Kestrel:** Seen almost daily.
- 37) **Merlin:** One seen near Vegas Altas on 2<sup>nd</sup> February.
- 38) **Peregrine Falcon:** Seen at Monfragüe and Alcollarín.
- 39) **Water Rail:** Heard at Arrocampo.
- 40) **Moorhen:** Seen at Arrocampo, Alcollarín and rice fields.
- 41) **Purple Swamphen:** Seen at Arrocampo on 4<sup>th</sup> February.
- 42) **Common Coot:** Seen on all large water bodies.
- 43) **Common Crane:** Seen almost daily in large numbers.
- 44) **Little Bustard:** 21 on plains north-west of Trujillo on 30<sup>th</sup> January and 32 near Campo Lugar on 1<sup>st</sup> February.
- 45) **Great Bustard:** 50 on Campo Lugar plains on 1<sup>st</sup> February, 25 on fields near Vegas Altas on 2<sup>nd</sup> February and 30 on plains west of Trujillo on 4<sup>th</sup> February.
- 46) **Black-winged Stilt:** Seen at Arrocampo, near Campo Lugar and at Moheda Alta where 78 were present on 2<sup>nd</sup> February.
- 47) **Stone Curlew:** 40 near Campo Lugar on 1<sup>st</sup> February and over 50 at Madrigalejo on 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- 48) **Little Ringed Plover:** Seen on rice fields on 3<sup>rd</sup> February.
- 49) **Golden Plover:** Seen almost daily.
- 50) **Lapwing:** Seen daily.

- 51) **Sociable Lapwing**: One on plains west of Trujillo on 30<sup>th</sup> January.
- 52) **Dunlin**: Seen on rice fields on 3<sup>rd</sup> February.
- 53) **Common Snipe**: Seen almost daily.
- 54) **Greenshank**: Seen on rice fields on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> February.
- 55) **Green Sandpiper**: Seen at Arrocampo and on rice fields.
- 56) **Wood Sandpiper**: Two at Moheda Alta on 2<sup>nd</sup> February.
- 57) **Common Sandpiper**: Seen at Arrocampo and Orellana Reservoirs.
- 58) **Lesser Black-backed Gull**: Seen almost daily.
- 59) **Black-headed Gull**: Seen almost daily.
- 60) **Black-bellied Sandgrouse**: About 30 seen on plains west of Trujillo on 30<sup>th</sup> January, two near Campo Lugar on 1<sup>st</sup> February and about 15 near Trujillo on 4<sup>th</sup>.
- 61) **Pin-tailed Sandgrouse**: About 50 on plains west of Trujillo on 30<sup>th</sup> January and more than 30 there on 4<sup>th</sup> February.
- 62) **Rock Dove/Feral Pigeon**: Seen daily.
- 63) **Wood Pigeon**: Seen daily.
- 64) **Collared Dove**: Seen daily.
- 65) **Little Owl**: Seen on Campo Lugar plains.
- 66) **Kingfisher**: Seen on several days.
- 67) **Hoopoe**: Seen almost daily.
- 68) **Great Spotted Woodpecker**: One seen in Monfragüe.
- 69) **Calandra Lark**: Seen on the plains near Trujillo and Campo Lugar.
- 70) **Crested Lark**: Seen almost daily.
- 71) **Thekla Lark**: Seen on plains and close to Orellana and Alcollarín Reservoirs.
- 72) **Woodlark**: Seen near Santa Marta de Magasca.
- 73) **Skylark**: Seen on plains near Trujillo and Santa Marta de Magasca.
- 74) **Crag Martin**: Seen on most days.
- 75) **Barn Swallow**: Seen daily.
- 76) **House Martin**: Seen daily.
- 77) **Meadow Pipit**: Seen almost daily.
- 78) **Water Pipit**: Seen on rice fields near Palazuelo on 3<sup>rd</sup> February.
- 79) **Grey Wagtail**: Seen on Magasca River and on River Almonte.
- 80) **White Wagtail**: Seen daily.
- 81) **Wren**: Recorded most days.
- 82) **Dunnock**: Seen near Jaraicejo.
- 83) **Alpine Accentor**: Five at Montánchez castle on 3<sup>rd</sup> February.
- 84) **Robin**: Seen almost daily.
- 85) **Bluethroat**: seen at Arrocampo and on rice fields.
- 86) **Black Redstart**: Seen daily.
- 87) **Stonechat**: Seen daily.
- 88) **Blue Rock Thrush**: Seen in Monfragüe and Montánchez.
- 89) **Blackbird**: Seen daily.
- 90) **Song Thrush**: Seen daily.

- 91) **Mistle Thrush**: Seen near Aldea del Obispo and Monfragüe.
- 92) **Cetti's Warbler**: Recorded most days.
- 93) **Zitting Cisticola**: Seen most days.
- 94) **Dartford Warbler**: Seen in Monfragüe and near Campo Lugar.
- 95) **Sardinian Warbler**: Seen most days.
- 96) **Blackcap**: Seen most days.
- 97) **Common Chiffchaff**: Seen daily.
- 98) **Firecrest**: Seen at Alcollarín and Jaraicejo.
- 99) **Long-tailed Tit**: Seen in Monfragüe and Jaraicejo.
- 100) **Crested Tit**: Seen at Jaraicejo on 4<sup>th</sup> February.
- 101) **Blue Tit**: Seen almost daily.
- 102) **Great Tit**: Seen daily.
- 103) **Nuthatch**: Seen at Montánchez and Jaraicejo.
- 104) **Short-toed Treecreeper**: Seen at Pago de San Clemente.
- 105) **Penduline Tit**: Seen at Arrocampo on 29<sup>th</sup> January and 4<sup>th</sup> February.
- 106) **Iberian Grey Shrike**: Seen daily.
- 107) **Jay**: Seen at Jaraicejo.
- 108) **Azure-winged Magpie**: Seen daily.
- 109) **Magpie**: Seen daily.
- 110) **Jackdaw**: Seen most days.
- 111) **Raven**: Seen most days.
- 112) **Common Starling**: Seen on Campo Lugar plains on 1<sup>st</sup> February.
- 113) **Spotless Starling**: Seen daily.
- 114) **House Sparrow**: seen daily.
- 115) **Spanish Sparrow**: Seen almost daily, in large flocks.
- 116) **Tree Sparrow**: Seen on rice fields, in flocks on 3<sup>rd</sup> February.
- 117) **Red Avadavat**: Seen on rice fields.
- 118) **Common Waxbill**: Seen on rice fields.
- 119) **Chaffinch**: Seen daily.
- 120) **Serin**: Seen daily.
- 121) **Greenfinch**: Seen most days.
- 122) **Goldfinch**: Seen daily.
- 123) **Siskin**: Seen at Monfragüe.
- 124) **Linnet**: Seen most days and in large flocks on plains on 30<sup>th</sup> January.
- 125) **Hawfinch**: Seen in Monfragüe and at Pago de San Clemente.
- 126) **Cirl Bunting**: Seen by Magasca River, Monfragüe and Jaraicejo.
- 127) **Rock Bunting**: Seen in Monfragüe.
- 128) **Reed Bunting**: Seen on rice fields and at Arrocampo.
- 129) **Corn Bunting**: Seen daily.



## **Mammals**

- 1) **Fox** (30<sup>th</sup> January)
- 2) **Red Deer** (31<sup>st</sup> January)
- 3) **Egyptian Mongoose** (2<sup>nd</sup> February)
- 4) **Iberian Hare** (4<sup>th</sup> February)

## **Butterflies**

- 1) **Cleopatra** (31<sup>st</sup> January)
- 2) **Red Admiral** (31<sup>st</sup> January & 4<sup>th</sup> February)
- 3) **Painted Lady** (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> February)
- 4) **Clouded Yellow** (1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> February)
- 5) **Wall Brown** (2<sup>nd</sup> February)
- 6) **Western Dappled White** (2<sup>nd</sup> February)