

# **Birding Trip Report to The Lesser Sundas**

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## **From the “traditional” places to the adventures of a few smaller islands, Sumba – Timor – Roti – Alor – Pantar – Flores – Komodo**

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### **Introduction**

Our last visit to Indonesia was in [2008](#), so it was time to visit the islands again.

The Lesser Sundas are one of the regions in Indonesia that we never visited before. They have a lot of endemic birds and for us; it would be nice to have a look at them. So the decision to go there was quickly made. It was clear that we absolutely wanted to visit the main islands Sumba, Timor and Flores as nearly all the endemics are there. While discussing our itinerary with Filip Verbelen, he argued that the smaller islands Roti, Alor and Pantar also hold a lot of surprises. These islands are very seldomly visited by birdwatchers so going there would be a great adventure. With the prospect of new taxonomical decisions, it became clear that visiting these islands could provide us with several “new” species. Also there are still a lot of things to discover on these islands (see further in our report). This means these islands are likely to be put on more and more birdwatchers’ itinerary.

We planned a trip of 4 weeks. First of all, we would spend enough time on Sumba, Timor and Flores. Depending on how fast we saw the endemics here, we provided some days to put Roti, Alor and Pantar on our itinerary. Seeing the endemics on the main islands was very straightforward, so we had time enough to visit Roti, Alor and Pantar.

Finally, we also visited Komodo. First of course for the Yellow-crested Cockatoo, secondly for the Komodo Dragon.

### **Thanks ...**

..... to Raf Drijvers, Nick Brickle and Georges Wagner. They all give us very useful information. But most of the information, we got from Filip Verbelen. Thanks to him for providing sound recordings, maps and up-to-date information. Especially the information about the smaller islands was essential to organize our visits.

### **Books and CD’s**

- [“A Guide to the Birds of Wallacea” by Brian J. Coates, K. David Bishop and Dana Gardner](#)
- [“Birding Indonesia – A Birdwatcher’s Guido to the World’s Largest Achipelago” by Paul Epsen](#). This book was not really helpful for preparing our trip.
- “Where to watch Birds in Asia” by Nigel Wheatley.
- “Birds of Tropical Asia 3” by Jelle Scharringa

## Trip reports and information on the internet

Main source for finding trip reports on the internet is [www.travellingbirder.com](http://www.travellingbirder.com).

The following reports contain the most usefull information:

- [Islands of the Lesser Sundas and remote Moluccas, 12 August – 7 October 2009 and 27 October - 7 November 2009 by George Wagner](#)
- [Lesser Sundas \(Nusa Tenggara\), 23th July–20th August 2008: Bali, Sumba, Timor, Flores, Rinca & Komodo by Henk Hendriks](#)
- [Birding Nusa Tenggara Timor, Sumba, Flores, Komodo, Bali and Java 2005 by Mikael Bauer](#)

And also these articles were good valuable to prepair the trip:

- [Birds of Tapuafu peninsula, Roti island, Lesser Sundas, Indonesia. FORKTAIL 21 \(2005\): 121–131 by Colin R. Trainor](#)
- [Species richness, habitat use and conservation of birds of Alor Island, Lesser Sundas, Indonesia by Colin R. Trainor](#)
- Asian enigma: First field observations of *Ninox (novaeseelandiae) rotiensis* on Roti island, Lesser Sundas, Indonesia. *BirdingASIA* 13: 85-89 by F. Verbelen 2010.
- [A new Ninox owl from Sumba, Indonesia. Emu 2002, 102, 223-231 by Jerry Olsen, Michael Wink, Hedi Sauer-Gürth and Susan Trost](#)
- [Owls of the Island of Sumba, Indonesia. Australian Field Ornithology 2009, 26, 2-14 by Jerry Olsen, Susan Trost and Susan D. Myers](#)
- Description of a new subspecies of Boobook owl *Ninox novaeseelandiae* from Roti Island, Indonesia by R.E. Johnstone and J.C. Darnell
- The Birds of Roti Island, Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia by R.E. Johnstone and P. Jepson

Also highly recommendable are the following websites:

- [Burung Nusantara](#). This website contains very useful information for [Sumba](#), [Timor](#) and [Komodo](#). The section for [Flores](#) is under construction. Well done. Highly recommended! You can find GPS-coordinates for Sumba and Timor already.
- [Birdquest](#). Reports that give a good impression about the birds you can expect and give an idea about the places you have to visit.
- [Birdtourasia](#). Reports that give a good impression about the birds you can expect and give an idea about the places you have to visit.

## GPS-coordinates

It was the first time we had a GPS with us. I took a lot of coordinates and registered many tracks. For more details, please contact me.

## Visited sites

For the main islands Sumba, Flores and Timor there is very useful information in the trip reports of [H. Hendriks](#) and [G. Wagner](#). Also on [Burung Nusantara](#), there is a lot of information. I am not going to repeat all this info here.

### ➤ Sumba

- Yumbu
- Lewa area
  - Km 51
  - Km 69
  - Km 90

We paid Rp. 10.000/pp, Rp. 25.000/camera and Rp. 100.000/guide in total. The guide even did not go with us to the forest but we had to pay him.

- Manurara.

Nowadays the forest near this village seems to be much better for Yellow-crested Cockatoo than the forest near Watumbela. You have to take a local guide with you to show the viewpoint. We had to pay him a little bit and we also had to make a donation for the village. I forgot the fee.

### ➤ Timor

- Bipolo
- Camplong
- Ole Nasi (or Oelnasi) near Soe
- Fatumnasi (Gunung Mutis)

### ➤ Flores

- Labuanbajo area
  - Potawangka Road
  - Puarlolo
- Ruteng area
  - Danau Rana Mese
  - Golo Lusang
  - Poco Ranaka
  - Pagal
- Kisol

### ➤ Roti

This small island southwest of Timor is seldom visited by birdwatchers. Following the current taxonomic directives, no endemic bird species occur on Roti. But this is likely going to change. First of all there is the local race *rotiensis* of Southern Boobook. This race has a different call and little differences in plumage and morphology compared to the other races. Also the endemic race of Northern Fantail looks very different than its neighbours on Timor. There is also a little known *Myzomela* species on Roti of which the taxonomic affinities are not fully established yet. Its plumage and song strongly resemble the Sumba *Myzomela* but further research is needed.

Roti also holds some species that nowadays are difficult on Timor like Yellow-crested Cockatoo, Olive-shouldered Parrot and Timor Green-Pigeon. Further on there are other interesting restricted-range species like Slaty Cuckoo-dove, Timor Bushchat, Timor Oriole,

Timor Stubtail, Orange-banded Thrush, Timor Leaf-Warbler, Black-backed Fruit-Dove, Pink-headed Imperial-Pigeon, and so on (see Bird List).

- Baa

This small village is the destination of the fast ferries from Kupang (Timor). We only did some seawatching from our hotel.

- Bolatena and Sotimori

We just passed by Sotimori but this place is also good for the Boobook (information from F. Verbelen) and general forest birding. In Bolatena, we were birdwatching near the village. There are a few small patches of forest where all specialities can be seen. Our guide in this village was Yarsos Hersmen Maku (also known as Rens Maku). Ask for him by the local people, they all know him. Rens only knows the Boobook but he can guide you around in the forest.

➤ Alor

- Kalabahi

The airport is just near this small town. We had no information about where to go for birdwatching around this village. So we just took one of the roads that go into the hills above the town. There was only secondary and much degraded forest. F. Verbelen went to several better forested areas in East and Central Alor (Tanglapui Timor area in the east and the mountain forest beyond Apui respectively) but to look for the endemic subspecies of Southern Boobook *plesseni* but we had not enough time to go there and looked for this species on Pantar instead. These mountain areas in East and Central Alor are much better for birdwatching with species like Flores Green-Pigeon, Yellow-crested Cockatoo, Chestnut-backed Thrush, Flores Hawk-Eagle and an endemic subspecies of the Sunda Bush-warbler. F Verbelen also found a new *Bradypterus* population in the mountains of Central Alor and some other bird species that were not known from Alor before. An article about the discovery of this *Bradypterus* population is in preparation by Colin Trainor and Filip Verbelen)

➤ Pantar

- Baranusa

The ferry from Alor arrives in this small town. There is only one guesthouse over here. It was full booked so we had to sleep on the floor in a small room. The people from the guesthouse know Abdul.

It is just a short distance (+/- 7 km) to the mangroves. The area here is known as Wae Ko. Both the endemic race of Southern Boobook *plesseni* and a yet unidentified Scops-Owl are found there.

➤ Komodo

## Transport

Except the domestic flights Java-Bali-Waingapu, Tambolaka – Kupang and Labuanbajo – Bali – Jakarta, we did not book anything in advance. All the other transport (boat trips, other domestic flights, taxis) was arranged during the trip.

- International flight with Etihad Airlines. Flight Brussels – Abu Dhabi – Jakarta and vice versa.
- Domestic flights
  - Jakarta (Java) – Denpasar (Bali) – Waingapu (Sumba) by Merpati Airlines
  - Tambolaka (Sumba) – Kupang (Timor) by Merpati Airlines
  - Kupang (Timor) – Kalabahi (Alor)
  - Kalabahi (Alor) – Kupang (Timor)
  - Kupang (Timor) – Labuanbajo (Flores)
  - Labuanbajo (Flores) – Denpasar (Bali) – Jakarta (Java) by Lion Air
- Boats
  - From and to Kupang (Timor) – Baa (Roti): Fast ferry. Daily service. Leaving at 9.00am. Asked in the hotel in Kupang for transport to the ferry terminal. Cheap. Terminal in Baa at walking distance from our hotel. There is also a slow ferry from Kupang (Timor) to Pantaburi (Roti). This harbour is closer (+/- 5.5 km) to the birding places.
  - From and to Kalabahi (Alor) – Baranusa (Pantar): slow small ferry. Very cheap. Daily service leaving the harbour on Alor and Pantar at 8.00am. Normally the ferry does the crossing in 4 hours but during the trip Alor - Pantar one of the engines was broken and the crossing took 6 hours. Harbour in Kalabahi less than 1 km from our hotel. Guesthouse in Baranusa only 100 meters from the harbour.
  - From and to Labuanbajo (Flores) – Komodo: slow ferry. Arranged very slow but cheap boat (Rp. 1.000.000) from our hotel. Takes 5-6 hours to do the passage. Faster speedboats are also available but much more expensive. At the hotel there was a speedboat for Rp. 3.000.000, time to do the crossing 1 hour.
- Taxis and bemos.
 

This transport is rather expensive.

  - Timor: All transport with the same taxi-driver, Forbes (+62 852 39 26 50 08). Speaks a little English. No other transport on Timor. We paid Rp. 550.000 per day/4 days.
  - Roti: Bemo from Baa to Bolatena (Rp. 450.000) with last part of the road hardly accessible for a bemo. Second drive from Pantaburi harbour to Baa (Rp. 300.000).
  - Sumba: Taxi from Waingapu to Lewa with stop in Yumbu (Rp. 550.000) and from Lewa to Manurara to Lewa (Rp. 550.000)
  - Flores: Same taxi from Labuanbajo to Ruteng, around Ruteng and from Ruteng to Kisol. We paid Rp. 1.800.000/4 days. After we returned from Kisol to Ruteng, we took another taxi for our last morning in Danau Rana Mese (Rp. 600000).
- Buses
 

Very cheap transport. Both bigger public buses and smaller private buses.

  - Sumba: from Lewa to Tambolaka
  - Flores: from Ruteng to Labuanbajo and from Kisol to Ruteng.

➤ Ojeks

Not always as cheap as we expected. Ojeks-drivers sometimes asked ridiculous high fees. We felt often ripped off.

- Sumba: from Lewa to km 51 and km 69. Rp. 50.000/ojek/traject
- Roti: from Bolatena to Patanburi. Just a short drive of +/- 5.5 km but they charged Rp. 20.000/ojek.
- Alor: for birdwatching in the hills just near Kalabahi. Small fee but I did not note it.
- Pantar: for birdwatching in the mangroves just near Baranusa. They asked Rp. 100.000/ojek for a short drive of +/- 6 km. Finally we had to pay Rp. 50.000/ojek.

## Accommodation

➤ Sumba

- Lewa

We stayed at Cornelis and Katy Hary's Guesthouse: Rp 250.000/night/person including 3 meals but still very much overpriced. Contact [Budiyanto Karwelo](#) for arranging the accommodation. He is living in Lewa.

➤ Timor

- Kupang

First night in the Lavalon Guesthouse. Small and dirty guesthouse (Rp. 40.000 per person). All other nights we stayed in the Maliana Hotel. Rp. 180.000 for two rooms.

- Camplong

We stayed with a family opposite the seminary. Small fee for food and bed (Rp. 75000 in total).

- Fatumnasi (Gunung Mutis)

We stayed at Mateos's Guesthouse. Rp. 600.000, all included (guiding, food and accommodation for 2 nights).

➤ Flores

- Labuanbajo

Hotel Bajo: Rp. 180.000/night/2 beds and extra matras

- Ruteng

Rima Hotel: Rp. 100.000/night/room with 3 beds

- Kisol

We stayed in the seminary where other birdwatchers always stay. The time of giving a fee is over. It was the most expensive place we stayed. They tried to charge us Rp. 1.600.000 for 3 nights, everything included. After negotiation we could reduce the price to Rp. 800.000.

- Roti
  - Bolatena  
We stayed at Rens Maku's house. Rp. 300.000 for guiding less than 2 half days, food and accommodation. Very much overpriced.
  - Baa  
Hotel near the harbour. Rp. 290.000/night for 2 beds with extra bed (mattress) included.
- Alor
  - Kalabahi  
Stayed in hotel less than 1 km from the harbour. The Pelanghi Indi hotel at 80.000 per room.
- Pantar
  - Baranusa  
Stayed at the only guesthouse in the village. Despite the fact that we had to sleep on the floor, we had to pay the full amount (Rp. 50.000 per person).

## **Short description of our itinerary**

- Day 1 – June 19<sup>th</sup>  
Train to Brussels National Airport – Flight to Abu Dhabi.
- Day 2 – June 20<sup>th</sup>  
Flight from Abu Dhabi to Jakarta. Late afternoon we arrived on Java. Night in a hotel just near the airport.
- Day 3 – June 21<sup>st</sup>  
Early morning domestic flight to Waingapu (Sumba) with a stopover in Denpasar (Bali). Arrival time in Waingapu was 9h35. Hired a taxi for the rest of the day and drove straight to the bridge in Yumbu. After 5 minutes we flushed the first Sumba Buttonquails already. We spent our time till noon at the grasslands and hoped to get better views of the buttonquails.  
We arrived in Lewa at 14h00. Check-in at Harry's Guesthouse. Arranged permits for the park. Taxi dropped us at km 51 on his way back to Waingapu. We spent late afternoon and evening here with local guide Fredi. He was guiding a Swiss birder, (Stephan Lauper). Nice views of both Little Sumba Hawk-Owl and Sumba Boobook.
- Day 4 – June 22<sup>nd</sup>  
It was an early start at 6 o'clock. We went to the forest at km 69 and we stayed there for the rest of the day. Transport by ojek.
- Day 5 – June 23<sup>rd</sup>  
At 4 o'clock we left for Manurara. We were there at sunrise. We did not try to enter the forest but just walked to a viewpoint in the fields. A local guide went with us. Soon we were at the place and we saw a small flock of cockatoos flying above the trees. Also a few Rainbow Lorikeets were seen at close distance. Finally, also a cockatoo decided to have a closer look at us. And we got a closer look at it. It was as early as 8 o'clock when we left the place again. We drove to the forest at km 90. Here we stayed the rest of the day. Best bird was a Red-naped Fruit-Dove.

➤ Day 6 – June 24<sup>th</sup>

This morning, we went to the forest at km 51 again. We stayed here till noon. In the afternoon, we went to the forest at km 69 again. One of the rangers showed us the nesting tree of a pair of Barn Owls. We walked the whole afternoon up and down the road. In the evening, the pair of Barn Owls showed well in their nesting hole. Also a couple of Little Sumba Hawk-Owls were seen again.

➤ Day 7 – June 25<sup>th</sup>

At 9 o'clock we took the public bus to Tambolaka. We arrived at the airport at 13h00. The schedule of our flight to Kupang (Timor) was at 13h45 but we had a delay of 3 hours. When we arrived in Kupang, we took a taxi to the Lavalon Guesthouse. The owner of the guesthouse arranged a taxi for us for the next 4 days. Forbes, the taxi-driver, is also driving for birdwatching tours and he knows all the places on Timor.

➤ Day 8 – June 26<sup>th</sup>

In the morning, we arrived in Bipolo. We walked around the forest first and later before noon, we went to the ricefields and fishponds behind the forest. A lot of birds were seen and despite the forest is much degraded, it was worth staying here for a few hours. Only the forest at the left side of the road was accessible. Around the forest at the right side of the road, there was a fence and pigs were in the forest.

In the afternoon we drove to Camplong. Our plan was to stay at the seminary but it was not possible to stay there. They told us that all the rooms were busy, but every time we passed by we did not see anybody. Strange. Luckily, one of the people of the village offered us to stay at his home. His house is opposite the seminary. We got a warm welcome by the whole family and it was a pleasure to be there. Late afternoon, we only got few hours left to do some birding. It was rather quiet in the forest but a couple of Southern Boobooks were very responsive at the end of the day.

➤ Day 9 – June 27<sup>th</sup>

Before noon, again we walked around in the forest near Camplong. There was much more activity now and birding was very pleasant. All our targets came out very quick and we noticed species like Slaty Cuckoo-Dove, Black-banded Flycatcher, Timor Bushchat, Timor White-eye, Buff-banded Bushbird and so much more. At noon, we felt we saw all targets and it was time to drive to Fatumnasi. It was a 3-hours drive to the small village near Gunung Mutis. We arrived there at 17h00 and we were welcomed by Mateos Anin, our guide. We stayed at the guesthouse near his house. This new but rather primitive guesthouse was our home for the next 2 days.

➤ Day 10 – June 28<sup>th</sup>

In the morning, we drove by car higher up Gunung Mutis. The trail to the large clearing start at a small clearing with a pool. The walk produced (Timor) Pygmy Wren-Babblers and Olive-headed Lorikeets. Near the large clearing, there were no birds to observe. We had a open blue sky but the wind was blowing very hard. Erwin observed a Timor Imperial-Pigeon, not far from the clearing in the direction of the car. At noon, we returned to the guesthouse for dinner and thereafter we went to the forest west of Fatumnasi. A lot of trees were flowering here and many Olive-headed Lorikeets were present. Amongst them we found 1 Iris Lorikeet. We had just a glimpse of this nice parakeet. But luckily, we had a Timor Imperial-Pigeon perching nice on a branch. Evening at Mateos' guesthouse.



➤ Day 11 – June 29<sup>th</sup>

In the morning we walked to the forest west of the village again. We hoped to have better views of the Iris Lorikeets. And just at the boundary of the village, the first birds we saw were 5 Iris Lorikeets. They were feeding in the trees right in front of us and we all had great views. So we could go back to the guesthouse to collect our luggage. We drove the way back down to stop in Ole Nasi. We arrived here at 10h00. We found our target, Dusky Cuckoo-Dove soon and we had a Black-backed Fruit-Dove showing well. Early afternoon, we finished birding in this nice patch of forest. We drove back to Bipolo, to search for Olive-shouldered Parrot. We also tried to find the place near Batari where Birdquest is going now to see the parrot. But we did not find this place and we did not succeed in finding the parrot. Night in Kupang.

➤ Day 12 – June 30<sup>th</sup>

At 8h30 we took the fast ferry from Kupang to Baa (Roti). It takes 2 hours to reach the small island southwest of Timor. Soon we found a bemo-driver who was prepared to drive us to Sotimori. But there was some misunderstanding. We thought it was better to first drive to Sotimori and thereafter to Bolatena. But that was not a good idea. The road between the 2 villages is very rough and at a few places, the bemo could barely pass. So we had a long and hard drive. The bemo-driver was not happy with that. Because in the harbour we asked him to bring us to Sotimori and did not talk about Bolatena, we paid him an extra fee for the rough ride. To go to Bolatena it would have been better to go to the harbour of Pantaburi and from there take an ojek for the short distance to Bolatena. But finally, we reached the village. We soon found the parents of Rens Maku and a little bit later, we met Rens. He was surprised to have foreign visitors but after we told him about Filip Verbelen, all became clear. To have a talk with him was not so easy. We speak no Indonesian and he barely speaks English. It was already late afternoon when we were ready to do some birdwatching. It was limited to the fields and bushes near Rens' house. When the sun was down, we walk to a few palm trees near the village. When playing the sound of the (Roti) Southern Boobook, we had response within a minut. First one and soon two birds came in. We had very nice views as they performed just in front of us. After observing them for more then half an hour, we put off the lights and left them alone. Now it was time to go back to Rens' parent's house where they were raiding Tom's box of sigares. We spent the night in Rens' house and bed while his wife and child spent the night in Rens' parent's house.

➤ Day 13 – July 1<sup>st</sup>

In the morning, we walked around in the forest near the village. This forest is already degraded but has still many birds. Best of all was an Olive-shouldered Parrot. We could not find this species on Timor, so it was a welcome write-in. Other Lesser Sundas endemics we saw here were Black-backed Fruit-Dove, Pink-headed Imperial-Pigeon, the undescribed Myzomela, Timor Oriole, Timor Stubtail, Timor Leaf-Warbler, Timor Blue-Flycatcher, Timor Bushchat and Orange-banded Thrush. Because the forest was small and we had the feeling that Rens was getting annoyed by guiding us, we decided to leave Bolatena. We got an ojek to the harbour of Pantaburi. This harbour is just near the village. As there had no ferry arrived during the last hours, it was very quiet there. But one of the few people present drove to the village to get a bemo. We took the bemo to Baa where we arrived at 15h00. We spent the afternoon in the hotel. We had a room with view over the sea but scanning the horizon did only produce Brown Boobies and Great Crested Terns.

➤ Day 14 – July 2<sup>nd</sup>

It was already 11h35 when we got the ferry to Kupang. We arrived in Timor at 13h30. we decided to spent another afternoon in a hotel because the birding places where to far away to go at this time of the day.

➤ Day 15 – July 3<sup>rd</sup>

At 9h10 we got our flight to Kalabahi (Alor). Before we got this flight, we booked all the other domestic flights we needed for the rest of our holiday.

After a short flight we arrived on Alor. After taking a taxi to the city and checking in a hotel, we planned to go birdwatching for the last hours of the day. Outside the hotel we soon found 3 ojekes who were prepared to drive us to the hills near the city. At these hills, we only found very much degraded forest and birdactivity was very low. We heard a few Elegant Pittas and two Dusky Cuckoo-Doves. While driving around, Erwin discovered a raptor that was sitting in top of a tree. It was a large black-and-white eagle and after a while we determinated it as a Flores Hawk-Eagle. To our knowledge, this was the first record of this critically endangered bird on Alor (see more under the “Bird list” chapter). Night in a hotel in Kalabahi.

➤ Day 16 – July 4<sup>th</sup>

The ferry to Pantar leaves in the harbour of Kalabahi. The “terminal” was at walking distance of our hotel. We had a delay of one hour when we left at 9h00. Normally the crossing takes 4 hours but one of the two engines was broken. It therefore took us 6 hours on a small ferry to reach Pantar.

When we arrived we went straight to the only guesthouse in Baranusa. But it was fully booked. They only could offer us an empty small room without a bed. We accepted the offer.

But we had also some luck. Pak Abdullah, the driver who took Filip around in 2009, was in the guesthouse. He is a friend of the owners of the guesthouse. Abdul arranged 3 ojekes to take us to the mangroves in the evening. Once we arrived there we started play-back of recordings of the Boobook and immediately a Boobook responded. The owl came into view and was soon accompnied by a second bird. We had great view of this pair of (Alor) Southern Boobook. While they were calling, we heard already a presumed Scops-Owl calling in the mangroves. This was the species Filip also heard here. Playing tape made no sense. The owl kept calling but it did not come closer. It was low tide so Erwin and I decided to go into the mangroves. But when we approached, the owl was always calling from a place further away. Soon it was calling from an inaccessible place and we had to give up our attempt.

➤ Day 17 – July 5<sup>th</sup>

At 8 o'clock we took the ferry back to Alor. Now both engines worked so it only took 4 hours to do the crossing. In the afternoon we stayed in the hotel.

➤ Day 18 – July 6<sup>th</sup>

We had our flight to Kupang in the morning. I contacted Forbes and he was waiting for us at the airport. We drove straight to Bipolo again to have a last try for our last targets, Black-faced Woodswallow and Red-backed Buttonquail. We soon found both species. Strange we did not see them during our earlier visits to the area. A wellcome extra bonus was a Pied Heron at the fishponds. Night in Kupang.

➤ Day 19 – July 7<sup>th</sup>

At 6 o'clock we had our flight to Labuanbajo, with a stop in Ende. At the airport, we hired a taxi for the next 4 days. We left the city immediately and drove to Potawangka Road. Probably it was already too late in the day because it was warm and birdactivity was very low. But we had our first Flores Minivet and Brown-capped Fantails. We only stayed here for a little while and decided to drive further on to Puarlolo. We had more luck at this place. Very soon we noticed our first Flores Monarch. Later on we saw another 2 birds. Also very nice was a male Rufous-chested Flycatcher and Flores and Dark-crowned White-eyes. Around 14h00, we drove further to Ruteng. We arrived here in the evening.

➤ Day 20 – July 8<sup>th</sup>

We made an appointment with our driver to meet us at the hotel at 3 o'clock. We planned to go to Danau Rana Mese. But he arrived there at 4h30, much too late. This reduced our time for searching owls a lot and we were not really happy with that. Shortly after we arrived in Danau Rana Mese, we heard a Wallace's Scops-Owl calling. Soon the bird was perching in a tree next to the road. Sadly he stayed there not long enough to take some pictures. In the meanwhile we heard a Flores Scops-Owl calling in the forest below the road. A second one started calling to. Our efforts to see them failed. The forest flank below the road is too steep to descent and the scops was not prepared to come closer to the road. As soon as it was getting light, also fog came in. Birding became difficult and we decided to go to another place. It was Poco Ranaka where we were driving to. Here the weather was very good and birds were everywhere. Species like Black-backed Fruit-Dove, Rainbow Lorikeets, Sunda Honeyeater, Bare-throated Whistler, Flores Jungle-Flycatcher, Pygmy Wren-Babbler, the 3 endemic white-eyes and Tawny-breasted Parrotfinch were noticed amongst commoner species. We stayed here till 14h00 and then we drove further to Pagal. But at the moment we arrived there it had started to rain heavily. Scanning a fruiting tree from the car delivered a Flores Green-Pigeon for Tom. The dense fog made it impossible for the others to see the birds. It kept on raining very hard and more fog made scanning the trees impossible. So we soon drove back to the hotel in Ruteng.

➤ Day 21 – July 9<sup>th</sup>

Early morning, at 3h45, we drove to Danau Rana Mese again. This time our driver was in time. We soon heard 4 Flores Scops-Owls calling in the forest beneath us. This time, one reacted to the play-back of the call and it came closer. It was already getting light when it flew over the road. When it flew back over the road again, it was perching for a few seconds on an open branch. We got nice but short views of this mega! After owling we drove back to Pagal. The weather was nice today and we stayed here till 14h00. Birding was slow but we found one of our targets. A Wallace's Hanging-Parrot was sitting in the top of a tree. Later we found another 3 of these small parrots, foraging at small red flowers. Late afternoon we went to Golo Lusang. But here the weather was not good. There was dense fog and light rain. These conditions were only good to search for skulkers. We concentrated on finding a Pygmy Wren-Babbler. And after a while, we got views of one, creeping in the dense vegetation in front of us. Night in Ruteng.

➤ Day 22 – July 10<sup>th</sup>

At 6h30 we were at Golo Lusang again. Today we had to wait half an hour for our driver again. Now the weather was fine. The sun was shining and only from time to time some small clouds were moving over the forest flanks. A pair of Yellow-breasted Warblers was a good find. But most appreciated by us were 3 White-browed Shortwings of the endemics Flores race. Nice birds that looked completely different from the ones on other places. After

having lunch we drove to Kisol. By taxi it is only a short drive of 1 and a half hour. We went to the seminary to ask for accommodation. We were welcome and got 3 rooms. After putting our luggage in the rooms we walked to the forest. It was too late to walk to the best forest parts so we spend the last hours of the day at a trail closer to the seminary. Tom saw another Flores Green-Pigeon and a White-rumped Kingfisher. We all saw 2 Elegant Pittas. Later on we decided to try for owls in the better parts of the forest. We only heard 3 Moluccan Scops-Owl calling but the Wallace's Scops-Owls kept silent.

➤ Day 23 – July 11<sup>th</sup>

Early morning we walked to the forest again. We went to the patch where we were already yesterday evening. This is the patch where everybody is going. The first hours of the day, we were birding along the track and trails. Also in the afternoon, we stayed at the trails. We saw the amazing number of 5 Chestnut-capped Thrushes. Some of them were very cooperative and they were seen for minutes. A great surprise was the 4 Dark-backed Imperial-Pigeons that we saw here in this lowland forest. Other goodies were Flores Crow and White-rumped Kingfisher. It was only from 8 till 11 o'clock we stayed at the viewpoint for scanning the sky for Flores Hawk-Eagle. And soon we saw one bird flying over the forest.

In the evening, we searched for owls on the forested hill behind the seminary but without success.

➤ Day 24 – July 12<sup>th</sup>

In the morning we went to the same forest patch again. This time we saw another 4 Dark-backed Imperial-Pigeons. The Flores Hawk-Eagle was flying over the forest again. In the evening, Erwin and I went to the trail again where we went the first evening. This time we had a pair of Mees's Nightjars and a pair of Moluccan Scops-Owl was seen in the upper branches of a high tree.

➤ Day 25 – July 13<sup>th</sup>

For Erwin and me, Flores Green-Pigeon was still on the still-have-to-see list. Today we would try our luck in another part of the Kisol forests. The track we took was going to very much degraded forest. A lot of new houses were built in this part of the forest. Not so many birds were seen but for Flores Crow, it was very good here. At least 6 birds were seen, many more were heard. And then finally, we flushed a Flores Green-Pigeon that was sitting in a small tree near the track. Not the best views we ever had of a bird, but good enough to write it in.

At 14h00, we took the bus to Ruteng again.

➤ Day 26 – July 14<sup>th</sup>

This was our last morning in the Ruteng area. We returned to Danau Rana Mese by taxi. We would like to have better views of the Flores Scops-Owl. It was the same scenario as a few days ago. The owls were most responsive at sunrise. One was calling close near the road and was flying over it a few times. Later when it was already getting light he was still calling. We went into the forest and found the owl sitting on a branch. We got excellent views and a few photographs of it.

At 14h00, the bus picked us up at the hotel for the long drive to Labuanbajo. We arrived there late in the evening. Check-in in Hotel Bajo, in the harbour and the touristic area.

➤ Day 27 – July 15<sup>th</sup>

At 5 o'clock, we walked to the harbour. Soon we were sailing away to Komodo. We think we had the slowest boat on the island as it took nearly 5 hours to reach Komodo. Already from the boat we saw a few Yellow-crested Cockatoos. Once we were on land we found more cockatoos. Now we had nice close views. While walking through the bushes we did not find a Komodo Dragon but at the end of our walk, we went to the kitchen near the headquarters. There are always a few dragons around here. We saw 3 bigger and a smaller one. Because the crossing is very long, we only had limited time on the island. During our way back, the sea was very rough and it took nearly 6 hours to reach Labuanbajo again.



➤ Day 28 – July 16<sup>th</sup>

Start of the long journey back home with the flight Labuanbajo – Denpasar – Abu Dhabi – Brussels.

➤ Day 29 – July 17<sup>th</sup>

We arrived in Brussels at 8 o'clock in the morning.

## Bird list

Our list of observed birds is strictly following [Clements 6<sup>th</sup> edition](#) and the updates till 2011. For some species recent information about taxonomic decisions not yet included in Clements is given.

**Pacific Black Duck** *Anas superciliosa*

09/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - +/- 50

14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - +/- 10

**Sunda Teal** *Anas gibberifrons*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - +/- 150

30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - +/- 300

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - +/- 100

**Orange-footed Scrubfowl** *Megapodius reinwardt*

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 1

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 1

**Brown Quail** *Coturnix ypsilophora*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - +/- 10

**Green Junglefowl** *Gallus varius* [Country endemic](#)

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1 heard  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 1 male  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 1 male  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few heard  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few heard  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - fairly common, heard only  
14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 1 female and a few heard

**Little Grebe** *Tachybaptus ruficollis*

09/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 2  
14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 3

**Streaked Shearwater** *Calonectris leucomelas*

15/07/2011 - Komodo - 1 during the boat trip

**Lesser Frigatebird** *Fregata ariel*

02/07/2011 - Baa (Roti) - 1  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) 4  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - 2

**Brown Booby** *Sula leucogaster*

02/07/2011 - Baa (Roti) - 6+

**Little Pied Cormorant** *Phalacrocorax melanoleucos*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 5  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few

**Cinnamon Bittern** *Ixobrychus cinnamomeus*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

**Great-billed Heron** *Ardea sumatrana*

15/07/2011 - Komodo - 1 during the boat trip

**Purple Heron** *Ardea purpurea*

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 1

**Great Egret** *Ardea alba*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp *modesta* - +/- 10  
29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp *modesta* - a few  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp *modesta* - a few

The eastern subspecies *modesta* is often treated as a separate species, **Eastern Great Egret**.

**White-faced Heron** *Egretta novaehollandiae*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 15+  
29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 5  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - +/- 10

**Pacific Reef-Heron** *Egretta sacra*

15/07/2011 - Komodo 3

**Pied Heron** *Egretta picata*

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

**Cattle Egret** *Bubulcus ibis*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu to Lewa (Sumba) - ssp *coromandus* - a few  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - ssp *coromandus* - 10+  
23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - ssp *coromandus* - +/- 30  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp *coromandus* - 30+

The eastern subspecies *coromandus* is often treated as a separate species, **Eastern Cattle Egret**.

**Striated Heron** *Butorides striata*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2

**Osprey** *Pandion haliaetus*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

**Black-shouldered Kite** *Elanus caeruleus*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

**Black Kite** *Milvus migrans*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - 1

23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 2

**Brahminy Kite** *Haliastur indus*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu to Lewa (Sumba) - a few

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 2

23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 2

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2

04/07/2011 - Baranusa (Pantar) - 1

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2

**White-bellied Sea-Eagle** *Haliaeetus leucogaster*

23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 1

15/07/2011 - Komodo - 3

**Short-toed Eagle** *Circaetus gallicus*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - 1

07/07/2011 - Potawangka Road (Flores) - 1

**Spotted Harrier** *Circus assimilis*

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 1 male

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1

**Variable Goshawk** *Accipiter hiogaster*

11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp *sylvestris* - 1

12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp *sylvestris* - 2

13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp *sylvestris* - 2

15/07/2011 - Komodo - ssp *sylvestris* - 2

**Brown Goshawk** *Accipiter fasciatus*

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) 1

**Bonelli's Eagle** *Aquila fasciata*

29/06/2011 - Fatumnasi to Oelnasi (Timor) - ssp *renschii* - 2

The subspecies *renschii* has potential to be split from its mainland relatives.

**Rufous-bellied Eagle** *Lophotriorchis kienerii*

10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 1

12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 1

14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 1

**Flores Hawk-Eagle** *Nisaetus floris* Lesser Sundas endemic Critically endangered

03/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - 1 adult perched in a tree

11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 1

12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 1

Probably this is the surprise of our trip. We discovered and photographed a large eagle on Alor and identified the bird as a Flores Hawk-Eagle. But later on others doubted the identification. Finally the determination as a Flores Hawk-Eagle was accepted by all people we contacted. Later, we got the information that a few unidentified eagles observed on the island in 2009 also seem to be this species (F. Verbelen). FV observed at least 5 different Flores Hawk-Eagles on Alor. So this is important good news for this species that is currently ranked by Birdlife International as “critically endangered” with a population of less than 100 pairs on Flores.



Flores Hawk-Eagle on Alor

**Spotted Kestrel** *Falco moluccensis* Country endemic

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - 1

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2

29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1 male

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

07/07/2011 - Labuanbajo to Ruteng (Flores) - 4

14/07/2011 - Ruteng to Labuanbajo (Flores) - 1

**Peregrine Falcon** *Falco peregrinus*

11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp *ernesti* - 1

15/07/2011 - Komodo - ssp *ernesti* - 1

**White-breasted Waterhen** *Amaurornis phoenicurus*

07/07/2011 - Potawangka Road (Flores) - 1

**Common Moorhen** *Gallinula chloropus*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu to Lewa (Sumba) - 1

15/07/2011 - Komodo - 3

**Red-capped Plover** *Charadrius ruficapillus*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 8

30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - 50+

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 10+

**Pied Stilt** *Himantopus leucocephalus*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - +/- 10

30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - 30+

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 10+

**Terek Sandpiper** *Xenus cinereus*

30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - 1



**Common Sandpiper** *Actitis hypoleucos*

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

**Gray-tailed Tattler** *Tringa brevipes*

30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - +/- 50

**Common Greenshank** *Tringa nebularia*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - +/- 10

30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - 30+

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 5

**Marsh Sandpiper** *Tringa stagnatilis*

30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - 2

**Whimbrel** *Numenius phaeopus*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2

**Black-tailed Godwit** *Limosa limosa* **Near-threatened (NT)**

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp *melanuroides* - 6

The eastern subspecies *melanuroides* is often treated as a separate species,

**Eastern Black-tailed Godwit.**

**Red-necked Stint** *Calidris ruficollis*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 5

30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - +/- 10

**Red-backed Buttonquail** *Turnix maculosus*

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2

**Sumba Buttonquail** *Turnix everetti* **Lesser Sundas endemic**

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - 4

**Australian Pratincole** *Stiltia isabella*

29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - 40+

03/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - +/- 15 at the airport

06/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - 3 at the airport

07/07/2011 - Kupang (Timor) - 22 at the airport

**Little Tern** *Sternula albifrons*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 3

30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - 4

**Gull-billed Tern** *Gelochelidon nilotica*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 5

30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - +/- 20

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 15+

**Whiskered Tern** *Chlidonias hybrida*

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

**Black-naped Tern** *Sterna sumatrana*

15/07/2011 - Komodo - +/- 20

**Common Tern** *Sterna hirundo*

30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - +/- 30

**Great Crested Tern *Thalasseus bergii***

30/06/2011 - Boat to Roti - 1  
02/07/2011 - Baa (Roti) - 10+  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - 1

**Metallic Pigeon *Columba vitiensis***

23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - ssp *metallica* - 1  
28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - ssp *metallica* - 6  
07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - ssp *metallica* - a few heard  
08/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - ssp *metallica* - 2

**Spotted Dove *Streptopelia chinensis***

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - a few  
21/06/2011 - Yumbu to Lewa (Sumba) - a few  
23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 2  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 4  
29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few  
30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - a few  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - fairly common  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - a few

**Barred Cuckoo-Dove *Macropygia unchall***

14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - ssp *unchall* - 2 seen and a few heard

**Dusky Cuckoo-Dove *Macropygia magna* Country endemic**

29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - ssp *magna* - 2 seen and 1 heard  
03/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - ssp *magna* - 2 heard

**Slaty Cuckoo-Dove *Turacoena modesta* Lesser Sundas endemic Near-threatened (NT)**

26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 1 seen and a few heard

**Emerald Dove *Chalcophaps indica***

23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - ssp *indica* - 2  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp *chrysochlora* - 2  
26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - ssp *chrysochlora* - 1  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - ssp *chrysochlora* - 3  
03/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - ssp *indica* - 1  
07/07/2011 - Potawangka Road (Flores) - ssp *indica* - 1  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - ssp *indica* - 1  
09/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - ssp *indica* - 4  
10/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp *indica* - +/- 5  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp *indica* - +/- 10  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp *indica* - a few  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp *indica* - a few

The eastern subspecies *chrysochlora*, *longirostris* and *sandwichensis* are often treated as a separate species, **Green-winged Dove** *C. longirostris*.

**Barred Dove** *Geopelia maugei* Country endemic

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - 1  
23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 4  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1  
30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - a few  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - a few  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - +/- 5  
07/07/2011 - Labuanbajo to Ruteng (Flores) - 1  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - +/- 20

**Sumba Green-Pigeon** *Treron teysmannii* Lesser Sundas endemic Near-threatened (NT)

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 17  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 2  
23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 2  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - +/- 30  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 6

**Flores Green-Pigeon** *Treron floris* Lesser Sundas endemic Vulnerable (VU)

08/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 1  
10/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 1  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 1

**Black-backed Fruit-Dove** *Ptilinopus cinctus*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp cinctus - 1  
29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - ssp cinctus - 1 seen and 2 heard  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - ssp cinctus - +/- 5  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - ssp albocinctus - 3  
08/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - ssp albocinctus - 5+  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - ssp albocinctus - +/- 10 and a few heard  
09/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - ssp albocinctus - heard

**Red-naped Fruit-Dove** *Ptilinopus dohertyi* Lesser Sundas endemic Vulnerable (VU)

23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 1  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1

**Rose-crowned Fruit-Dove** *Ptilinopus regina*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - +/- 5  
26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 1  
27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 2 seen and more heard  
29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - a few heard  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 1 seen and a few heard

**Black-naped Fruit-Dove** *Ptilinopus melanospilus*

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 3  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 1  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 8  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 5+

**Green Imperial-Pigeon** *Ducula aenea*

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - +/- 20  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - +/- 15  
03/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - 6  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few heard  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 5+  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - common

**Pink-headed Imperial-Pigeon** *Ducula rosacea* Near-threatened (NT)

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2

01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 1



**Dark-backed Imperial-Pigeon** *Ducula lacernulata* Country endemic

11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 4

12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 4 seen very well and a few heard

**Timor Imperial-Pigeon** *Ducula cineracea* Lesser Sundas endemic

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - 1 near the top and 1 west of the village

**Yellow-crested Cockatoo** *Cacatua sulphurea* Critically endangered (CR)

23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - *ssp citrinocristata* - 8 to 10

23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - *ssp citrinocristata* - 2

15/07/2011 - Komodo - *ssp parvula* - 6 seen and a few heard

The smaller subspecies *citrinocristata* on Sumba is now often treated as a separate species, **Sumba** or **Citron-crested Cockatoo**.



Yellow-crested Cockatoo on Komodo

**Rainbow Lorikeet** *Trichoglossus haematodus*

23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - ssp *fortis* - +/- 5  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp *capistratus* - +/- 10  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp *capistratus* - heard only  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - ssp *capistratus* - 5  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - ssp *capistratus* - 2  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - ssp *capistratus* - 6

Within the Rainbouw Lorikeet complex, a few recent decisions about the taxonomy have been taken. The subspecies *fortis* (Sumba) and *capistratus* (Timor) are now treated as a separate species, **Marigold Parakeet** *T. capistratus* and the subspecies *weberi* (Flores) is now named **Flores Lorikeet** *T. weberi*.



"Flores" Lorikeet

**Olive-headed Lorikeet** *Trichoglossus euteles* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - 40+

**Iris Lorikeet** *Psitteuteles iris* [Country endemic](#)

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - 1  
29/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - 5

**Red-cheeked Parrot** *Geoffroyus geoffroyi*

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 4  
23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - a few  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1  
07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - 2  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 2  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2

**Great-billed Parrot** *Tanygnathus megalorynchos* [Country endemic](#)

21/06/2011 - Yumbu to Lewa (Sumba) - 1  
23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 1  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 1

**Eclectus Parrot** *Eclectus roratus*

23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) -ssp *cornelia* - 6

**Olive-shouldered Parrot** *Aprosmictus jonquillaceus* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#) [Near-threatened \(NT\)](#)

01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 1

**Wallace's Hanging-Parrot** *Loriculus flosculus* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#) [Endangered \(EN\)](#)

09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 1 + 3



**Sunda Cuckoo** *Cuculus lepidus*

23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 1  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 1 seen and a few heard  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - heard only  
09/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 1  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 1 seen and a few heard  
14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 1 seen and a few heard



**Brush Cuckoo** *Cacomantis variolosus*

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp *sepulcralis* - a few  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - ssp *sepulcralis* - 1 seen and a few heard  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp *sepulcralis* - 3 and a few heard  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp *variolosus* - 1  
07/07/2011 - Potawangka Road (Flores) - ssp *sepulcralis* - 1 heard  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - ssp *sepulcralis* - a few heard  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - ssp *sepulcralis* - 1 seen and also a few heard  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - ssp *sepulcralis* - heard  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp *sepulcralis* - 1 heard  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp *sepulcralis* - a few heard

The subspecies *sepulcralis* is often treated as a separate species, **Rusty-breasted Cuckoo**.

**Little Bronze-Cuckoo** *Chrysococcyx minutillus*

27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 2

**Asian Koel** *Eudynamis scolopaceus*

23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 1

**Barn Owl** *Tyto alba*

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - *ssp sumbaensis* - 2 at a nesthole

The subspecies *sumbaensis* is sometimes treated as a separate species, **Sumba Barn Owl**.



**Flores Scops-Owl** *Otus alfredi* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#) [Endangered \(EN\)](#)

08/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 2 heard

09/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 1 seen well and 3 more heard

14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 1 seen very well and photographed. Four more were heard.



**Wallace's Scops-Owl** *Otus silvicola* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

08/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 1

09/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 1 heard

14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 1 heard

**Moluccan Scops-Owl** *Otus magicus* [Country endemic](#)

10/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - *ssp albiventris* - 3 heard

12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - *ssp albiventris* - 1

**Unidentified Scops-Owl** *Otus spec.*

04/07/2011 - Baranusa (Pantar) - 1 heard

No Scops Owl is (was) known from Pantar (and Alor). In the mangroves near Baranusa we heard a presumed scops-owl calling in the mangroves. It was F. Verbelen who first recorded calls of what he presumed to come from an unknown scops-owl here in 2009. The call sounds different from other scops-owls in the region. A record of the sound can be found here. We heard the owl calling for more than half an hour. As it was low tide, we could enter the mangroves. We used sound recordings and made new ones but despite that, we were not able to see the owl. It always flew a little bit further as soon as we approached.

**Sumba Boobook** *Ninox rudolfi* Lesser Sundas endemic Near-threatened (NT)

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1 seen very well



**Southern Boobook** *Ninox novaeseelandiae*

26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - ssp fusca - 2

30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - ssp rotiensis - 2 seen very well

04/07/2011 - Baranusa (Pantar) - ssp plesseni - 2 seen extremely well.

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp fusca - 2



"Timor" Boobook





"Roti" Boobook



"Alor" Boobook

Within the Southern Boobook-complex, a few taxonomic decisions are expected. F. Verbelen, Frank Rheindt and J. Eaton are preparing an article about this issue. Several taxons in the Lesser Sundas will be upgraded to species status with **Streaked (or Timor) Boobook** *Ninox fusca*, **Roti Boobook** *N. rotiensis* and **Alor Boobook** *N. plesseni*.

**Little Sumba Hawk-Owl** *Ninox sumbaensis* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2 seen very well and 2 other heard

23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 2 seen and 2 heard

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 2 seen well



**Mees's Nightjar** *Caprimulgus meesi* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2

12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2



**Glossy Swiftlet** *Collocalia esculenta*

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp *sumbawae* - 20+

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - ssp *sumbawae* - common

23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - ssp *sumbawae* - fairly common

23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - ssp *sumbawae* - common

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp *sumbawae* - fairly common

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - ssp *sumbawae* - fairly common

26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - ssp *neglecta* - 5+

27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - ssp *neglecta* - 5+

27/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - ssp *neglecta* - a few

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - ssp *neglecta* - 20+

29/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - ssp *neglecta* - a few

29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - ssp *neglecta* - a few

30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - ssp *neglecta* - a few

01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - ssp *neglecta* - a few

07/07/2011 - Labuanbajo to Ruteng (Flores) - ssp *sumbawae* - a few

08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - ssp *sumbawae* - a few

09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - ssp *sumbawae* - a few

10/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp *sumbawae* - a few

11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp *sumbawae* - a few

12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp *sumbawae* - a few

14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - ssp *sumbawae* - a few

The subspecies *neglecta* is often treated as a separate species, **Timor Swiftlet**.

**Edible-nest Swiftlet** *Aerodramus fuciphagus*

09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - a few

14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - a few

**Common Kingfisher** *Alcedo atthis*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - 1

**Collared Kingfisher** *Todiramphus chloris*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu to Lewa (Sumba) - a few

23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 3

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - 1

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

14/07/2011 - Ruteng to Labuanbajo (Flores) - 4

15/07/2011 - Komodo - 3

**Cinnamon-banded Kingfisher** *Todiramphus australasia* Lesser Sundas endemic Near-threatened (NT)

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 1  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 1 heard  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1  
26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 1 heard  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1 heard



**Sacred Kingfisher** *Todiramphus sanctus*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - 2

**White-rumped Kingfisher** *Caridonax fulgidus* Lesser Sundas endemic

10/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 1  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2 seen and a few heard  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 1 seen and a few heard  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2 heard  
14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 1 heard

**Blue-tailed Bee-eater** *Merops philippinus*

23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 1

**Rainbow Bee-eater** *Merops ornatus*

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - +/- 5  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - a few  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few  
29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few  
30/06/2011 - Baa to Sotimori (Roti) - a few  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - a few  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 20+  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - a few  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 8  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - 2

**Dollarbird** *Eurystomus orientalis*

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 1

**Sumba Hornbill** *Aceros everetti* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 2  
23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 3  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - +/- 15

**Brown-capped Woodpecker** *Dendrocopos moluccensis*

08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 2  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 1

**Elegant Pitta** *Pitta elegans* [Country endemic](#)

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp maria - 2 heard  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - ssp maria - 2 seen and a few heard  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - ssp maria - 1 heard  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp maria - a few heard  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - ssp maria - 1 seen and a few heard  
03/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - ssp concinna - 1 seen and 3 heard  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - ssp concinna - a few heard  
10/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp maria - 2 seen and a few heard  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp maria - a few heard  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp maria - a few heard  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp maria - a few heard

**Streak-breasted Honeyeater** *Meliphaga reticulata* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - fairly common  
26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - common  
27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - fairly common  
28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - 5+  
29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - a few  
30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - a few  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - a few

**Sumba Myzomela** *Myzomela dammermani* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 3  
23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 1  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 2  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 1



**Myzomela spec. *Myzomela spec.***

30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 1 male and 3 females/juveniles

01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 2 males

Jepson and Johnstone first saw a *Myzomela* on Roti (1990) which they assumed to be Sumba Honey-eaters. Filip Verbelen also observed several of these birds on Roti.

We observed the birds near the village in Bolatena. We saw the birds in the garden of our guide in Bolatena and in the forest near the village.

These birds appear to be closely related to Sumba *Myzomela* and may be the same species. If confirmed, this would shed a new light on the affinities of the avifaunas of both islands.



**Black-breasted Myzomela *Myzomela vulnerata*** [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - +/- 10

26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - +/- 10

27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 5+

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - 2

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few

**Sunda Honeyeater *Lichmera lombokia*** [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - common

09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - a few

10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - a few

**Indonesian Honeyeater *Lichmera limbata*** [Country endemic](#)

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - 1 and a few heard

01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - a few

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few

**Yellow-eared Honeyeater *Lichmera flavicans*** [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 5+

27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 5

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - a few

29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - a few

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few

**Timor Friarbird** *Philemon inornatus* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 4

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - 2

**Helmeted Friarbird** *Philemon buceroides*

23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 3

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 2

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 4

29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 5+

01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - +/- 5

03/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - +/- 5

07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - 1

08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 2

09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - a few

10/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 1

11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few

13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2

15/07/2011 - Komodo - 2 seen and a few heard

**Golden-bellied Gerygone** *Gerygone sulphurea*

09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - fairly common

**Plain Gerygone** *Gerygone inornata* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few

26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - a few

27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - a few

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - common

29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - a few

01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - fairly common

**White-breasted Woodswallow** *Artamus leucorhynchus*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 4

29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 6

15/07/2011 - Komodo - 1

**Black-faced Woodswallow** *Artamus cinereus*

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 4

**Wallacean Cuckoo-shrike** *Coracina personata* [Country endemic](#)

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 1

**Black-faced Cuckoo-shrike** *Coracina novaehollandiae*

03/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - 3

**Sumba Cuckoo-shrike** *Coracina dohertyi* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 3

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 2

**White-winged Triller** *Lalage sueurii*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp sueurii - 3

27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - ssp sueurii - 4

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - ssp sueurii - a few

29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp sueurii - 2

01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - ssp sueurii - a few

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp sueurii - a few

**Flores Minivet** *Pericrocotus lansbergei* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

07/07/2011 - Potawangka Road (Flores) - 1  
07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - 6  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 4  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - a few  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 4  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 4  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 4  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2  
14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 2



**Fawn-breasted Whistler** *Pachycephala orpheus* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - fairly common  
26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - a few  
27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - fairly common  
28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - a few  
29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - 2  
29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - a few  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few

**Golden Whistler** *Pachycephala pectoralis*

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 4  
23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 1  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - a few  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 4  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 1  
26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 2  
27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - a few  
30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 1 male  
07/07/2011 - Potawangka Road (Flores) - 1  
07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - 2  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 2  
10/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - a few

**Bare-throated Whistler** *Pachycephala nudigula* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 2 seen and a few heard  
09/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - a few heard  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 1 seen and more heard

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

29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - 1

**Timor Oriole** *Oriolus melanotis* Lesser Sundas endemic

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2  
28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - 1 seen and 1 heard  
29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - 1 heard  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 2 seen and a few heard

**Black-naped Oriole** *Oriolus chinensis*

23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 1 heard  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 2  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - 4

**Green Figbird** *Sphecotheres viridis*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 10+  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - a few

**Wallacean Drongo** *Dicrurus densus* Country endemic

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp sumbae - 2  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - ssp sumbae - 5 seen and more heard  
23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - ssp sumbae - a few  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp sumbae - a few  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - ssp sumbae - a few  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp densus - 2  
28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - ssp densus - 2  
03/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - ssp bimaensis - 1  
07/07/2011 - Potawangka Road (Flores) - ssp bimaensis - a few  
07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - ssp bimaensis - a few  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - ssp bimaensis - a few  
08/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - ssp bimaensis - 2  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - ssp bimaensis - a few  
10/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp bimaensis - a few  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp bimaensis - a few  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp bimaensis - fairly common  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - ssp bimaensis - fairly common  
14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - ssp bimaensis - a few  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - ssp bimaensis - a few

The subspecies *bimaensis* and *sumbae* are often treated as a separate species, **Lesser Wallacean Drongo**. When splitting this species, the nominate subspecies *densus* from Timor is known as **Greater Wallacean Drongo**.



**Northern Fantail *Rhipidura rufiventris***

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp rufiventris - a few  
26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - ssp rufiventris - a few  
27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - ssp rufiventris - a few  
28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - ssp rufiventris - a few  
29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - ssp rufiventris - a few  
29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp rufiventris - a few  
30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - ssp tenkatei - 2  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - ssp tenkatei - 5  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp rufiventris - fairly common



Northern Fantail on Roti

The subspecies *tenkatei* from Roti looks very different from the birds on Timor. A different species?

**Brown-capped Fantail *Rhipidura diluta*** [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

07/07/2011 - Potawangka Road (Flores) - 2  
07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - 4  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 2  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - a few  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - a few  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2+  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2  
14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 2

**Arafura Fantail *Rhipidura dryas***

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 4  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 1  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - a few  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1  
26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 3  
27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 4  
28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - a few  
29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - a few  
29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 2  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

**Black-naped Monarch *Hypothymis azurea***

03/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - 1  
07/07/2011 - Potawangka Road (Flores) - 5  
07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - 2  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 1  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 3  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - 1

**Asian Paradise-Flycatcher** *Terpsiphone paradisi*

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 2  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 1  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1  
07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - 1  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 1  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2  
14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 2

**Flores Monarch** *Monarcha sacerdotum* Lesser Sundas endemic Endangered (EN)

07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - 3



**Spectacled Monarch** *Symposiachrus trivirgatus*

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 1  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 1  
07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - 1

**Broad-billed Flycatcher** *Myiagra ruficollis*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - 1 male  
23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 2  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 2  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2

**Flores Crow** *Corvus florensis* Lesser Sundas endemic Endangered (EN)

11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 1 seen and a few heard  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 4  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 6 + a few heard

**Large-billed Crow** *Corvus macrorhynchos*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu to Lewa (Sumba) - ssp macrorhynchos - a few  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - ssp macrorhynchos - 3  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - ssp macrorhynchos - a few  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp macrorhynchos - 2  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - ssp macrorhynchos - 2  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp macrorhynchos - 2  
28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - ssp macrorhynchos - 1  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - ssp macrorhynchos - 2  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - ssp macrorhynchos - 1

**Australasian Bushlark** *Mirafra javanica*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - 5+

**Pacific Swallow** *Hirundo tahitica*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - a few  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - +/- 10

**Striated Swallow** *Cecropis striolata*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - a few  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 10+  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 2

**Tree Martin** *Petrochelidon nigricans*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 3  
29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 10+  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few

**Gray-headed Canary-Flycatcher** *Culicicapa ceylonensis*

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - a few  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - a few  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 2

**Great Tit** *Parus major*

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp cinereus - 1  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp cinereus - 2  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - ssp cinereus - 2  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - ssp cinereus - 1

The subspecies *cinereus* of Great Tit is often treated as a separate species, **Grey Tit**.

**Russet-capped Tesia** *Tesia everetti* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - 3  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 2

**Timor Stubtail** *Urosphena subulata* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 4 seen and a few heard  
29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - 1 heard  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 2 heard

**Mountain Tailorbird** *Phyllergates cucullatus*

08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - ssp everetti - a few  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - ssp everetti - a few

**Timor Leaf-Warbler** *Phylloscopus presbytes*

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - ssp presbytes - +/- 10  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 6  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - ssp floris - 3  
09/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - ssp floris - 1  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - ssp floris - 2

The subspecies *floris* is often treated as a separate species, **Flores Leaf-Warbler**.

**Yellow-breasted Warbler** *Seicercus montis*

10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 2

**Australian Reed-Warbler** *Acrocephalus australis*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 3

**Buff-banded Bushbird** *Buettikoferella bivittata* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 2 seen well and a few more heard

**Zitting Cisticola** *Cisticola juncidis*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - fairly common

**Golden-headed Cisticola** *Cisticola exilis*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few

**Flores Jungle-Flycatcher** *Rhinomyias oscillans* Lesser Sundas endemic

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp *stresemanni* - 1

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp *stresemanni* - 2

08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - ssp *oscillans* - 1

10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - ssp *oscillans* - 1

The subspecies *stresemanni* is often treated as a separate species, **Sumba Jungle-Flycatcher**.

**Sumba Brown Flycatcher** *Muscicapa segregata* Lesser Sundas endemic Near-threatened (NT)

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 3

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 3

**Snowy-browed Flycatcher** *Ficedula hyperythra*

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - ssp *vulcani* - 3

**Rufous-chested Flycatcher** *Ficedula dumetoria*

07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - ssp *dumetoria* - 1 male

**Sumba Flycatcher** *Ficedula harterti* Lesser Sundas endemic

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 2

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2

**Little Pied Flycatcher** *Ficedula westermanni*

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 2

**Black-banded Flycatcher** *Ficedula timorensis* Lesser Sundas endemic Near-threatened (NT)

26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 1

27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 3

**Timor Blue-Flycatcher** *Cyornis hyacinthinus* Lesser Sundas endemic

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 4

26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 1

27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 1 male

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - a few

29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 4

01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 3

**Pied Bushchat** *Saxicola caprata*

21/06/2011 - Yumbu to Lewa (Sumba) - a few

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 4

24/06/2011 - Lewa (Sumba) - 1 en route

27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - a few

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - a few

29/06/2011 - Fatumnasi to Oelnasi (Timor) - a few

30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - a few

01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - a few

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few

08/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 2

09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 1

**Timor Bushchat** *Saxicola gutturalis* Lesser Sundas endemic

27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 2 males

29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - 1 male

30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 2

01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 4



**Chestnut-capped Thrush** *Zoothera interpres*

11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 5 seen very well

12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 1





**Chestnut-backed Thrush** *Zoothera dohertyi* Lesser Sundas endemic

21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 1

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 2

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2

24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 2

08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 2

09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 2

10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 2



**Orange-banded Thrush** *Zoothera peronii* Lesser Sundas endemic Near-threatened (NT)

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 1

27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 2 seen and a few heard

30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 2

01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 3

**Island Thrush** *Turdus poliocephalus*

27/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - ssp schlegelii - a few

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - ssp schlegelii - common

29/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - ssp schlegelii - a few

**White-browed Shortwing** *Brachypteryx montana*

10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - *ssp floris* - 3 seen very well

The birds on Flores look and sound very different from the “other” White-browed Shortwings and maybe they deserve a status as a separate species. These Shortwings are paler blue than the nominate birds with reddish-brown wings, underparts ashy with whitish throat and darker grey flanks. The sound is a loud explosive jangle of clear, quick, rising and falling whistles with some scratchy notes, starting and ending abruptly.



**Pygmy Wren-Babbler** *Phnoepyga pusilla*

28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - *ssp timorensis* - 3 seen very well and a few heard

08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - *ssp everetti* - 5 heard only

09/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - *ssp everetti* - 1 seen and a few heard

10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - *ssp everetti* - a few heard



"Timor" Wren-Babbler

The subspecies of Pygmy Wren-Babbler on both Timor and Flores look and sound different from the birds on the mainland. Maybe they deserve species status, as they did with the birds on Taiwan now.

**Oriental White-eye** *Zosterops palpebrosus*

07/07/2011 - Labuanbajo (Flores) - s6

11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few

12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few

14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - a few

**Mountain White-eye *Zosterops montanus***

27/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - 3  
28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - airly common  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - fairly common

**Yellow-bellied White-eye *Zosterops chloris***

15/07/2011 - Komodo - 20+

**Ashy-bellied White-eye *Zosterops citrinella***

21/06/2011 - Yumbu to Lewa (Sumba) - 2  
21/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2  
22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 6  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - a few  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - 2  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - a few  
03/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - a few

**Yellow-spectacled White-eye *Zosterops wallacei*** [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - fairly common  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - a few  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - a few  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - a few  
07/07/2011 - Potawangka Road (Flores) - a few  
07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - a few  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 2  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 3  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 2

**White-browed White-eye *Lophozosterops superciliaris*** [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 5  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 2  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 4  
14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 2

**Dark-crowned White-eye *Lophozosterops dohertyi*** [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - 8  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 4  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - +/- 5

**Flores White-eye *Heleia crassirostris*** [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - 4  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 6  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 3

**Timor White-eye *Heleia muelleri*** [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 2

**Short-tailed Starling *Aplonis minor***

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 2  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 4  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 10+  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 10+  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 6  
09/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 10+  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 6  
14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - 10+

**White-vented Myna *Acridotheres grandis***

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - 1  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2



**Golden-rumped Flowerpecker** *Dicaeum annae* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - 2  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 1  
08/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 1  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 3  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 1  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 1

**Thick-billed Flowerpecker** *Dicaeum agile*

23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 1

**Black-fronted Flowerpecker** *Dicaeum igniferum* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

03/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - 1  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - +/- 5  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few

**Red-chested Flowerpecker** *Dicaeum maugei*

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1 female  
29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - 1 male  
30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 1 male  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 1 pair

**Blood-breasted Flowerpecker** *Dicaeum sanguinolentum* [Country endemic](#)

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - ssp *wilhelminae* - 3  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - ssp *wilhelminae* - 3  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 51 (Sumba) - ssp *wilhelminae* - 2  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - ssp *wilhelminae* - 2  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - ssp *rhodopygale* - 1 male

The subspecies *wilhelminae* is often treated as a separate species, **Sumba Flowerpecker**.

**Plain-throated Sunbird** *Anthreptes malacensis*

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 1 male  
24/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 1  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 1

**Olive-backed Sunbird** *Cinnyris jugularis*

23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 2  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - 1  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few

**Apricot-breasted Sunbird** *Cinnyris buettikoferi* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - 6  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - 1

**Flame-breasted Sunbird** *Cinnyris solaris* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1 pair  
27/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 1 male  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - 1 male  
03/07/2011 - Kalabahi (Alor) - 5+  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2  
07/07/2011 - Potawangka Road (Flores) - fairly common  
07/07/2011 - Puarlolo (Flores) - a few  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - a few  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - fairly common  
11/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few  
14/07/2011 - Danau Rana Mese (Flores) - a few  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - 1 male

**Oriental Pipit *Anthus rufulus***

23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - 1  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1  
28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - a few  
29/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - a few  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 1  
14/07/2011 - Ruteng to Labuanbajo (Flores) - 2  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - 2

**Eurasian Tree Sparrow *Passer montanus***

22/06/2011 - Lewa (Sumba) - a few  
24/06/2011 - Lewa (Sumba) - a few  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few  
29/06/2011 - Fatumnasi to Oelnasi (Timor) - a few  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few  
08/07/2011 - Ruteng (Flores) - a few  
14/07/2011 - Ruteng to Labuanbajo (Flores) - a few  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - a few

**Red Avadavat *Amandava amandava***

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - 3  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1

**Zebra Finch *Taeniopygia guttata***

21/06/2011 - Yumbu (Sumba) - +/- 10  
26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - a few  
30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - +/- 10  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 10+  
15/07/2011 - Komodo - 20+

**Tawny-breasted Parrotfinch *Erythrura hyperythra***

08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 1

**Tricolored Parrotfinch *Erythrura tricolor* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)**

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - +/- 7  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2+1

**Black-faced Munia *Lonchura molucca***

22/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 69 (Sumba) - +/- 15  
23/06/2011 - Manurara (Sumba) - a few  
23/06/2011 - Lewa: area at km 90 (Sumba) - a few  
08/07/2011 - Poco Ranaka (Flores) - 5  
09/07/2011 - Pagal (Flores) - a few  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - a few  
12/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - 10+

**Nutmeg Mannikin *Lonchura punctulata***

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 1000+  
28/06/2011 - Fatumnasi (Timor) - +/- 10  
29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - a few  
30/06/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - fairly common  
01/07/2011 - Bolatena (Roti) - fairly common  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - fairly common  
10/07/2011 - Golo Lusang (Flores) - 2  
13/07/2011 - Kisol (Flores) - a few

**Five-colored Munia *Lonchura quincolor* [Lesser Sundas endemic](#)**

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - +/- 50  
29/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 5+  
06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - fairly common

**Pale-headed Munia** *Lonchura pallida* Country endemic

22/06/2011 - Lewa (Sumba) - 8

24/06/2011 - Lewa (Sumba) - 6

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - +/- 20

29/06/2011 - Ole Nasi (Timor) - 1

**Timor Sparrow** *Lonchura fuscata* Lesser Sundas endemic Near-threatened (NT)

26/06/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 4

26/06/2011 - Camplong (Timor) - 1

06/07/2011 - Bipolo (Timor) - 2