

Gaoligongshan & Ruili, Yunnan, China 1-17 Dec 2005.

An at-a-glance list of 263 bird species identified.

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On this visit, my 13th to Yunnan since 1988, I stayed on in the Gaoligongshan after my companions of the first three-days-and-a-morning, B Andersson, C Campion, C Gladwin & J Hammar, had left for home, and finished off with four days out of Ruili.

The list is intended to form the baseline for further work, is thus best considered preliminary, and should not be cited without the author's permission.

In the species list the concept "bird-days" is used - it is the avian equivalent of man-hours: for example, separate flocks of ten and 15 Asian Dowitchers moving through score 25 bird-days, as would a single individual seen daily for 25 days. The sum of day totals - a handy measure of relative abundance, nothing more.

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Species list.

Little Grebe *Tachybaptus ruficollis*

Ruili: four on 13th.

Great Crested Grebe *Podiceps cristatus*

Ruili: one adult on 13th.

***Although listed as wintering in Yunnan the species was not mapped for W of the Salween by Cheng (1987).

Robson (2000) considered it a rare to scarce winter visitor to adjacent NE, C & E Burma (and a vagrant to NW Thailand).

Great Cormorant *Phalacrocorax carbo*

Ruili: five on 13th.

which was not mapped for W of Salween by Cheng (1987).

Little Green Heron *Butorides striatus*

Ruili: one juvenile on 16th, dropping out of pines adjacent to pool onto tree fallen into it.

Chinese Pond Heron *Ardeola bacchus*

Ruili: one on 13th.

Eastern Cattle Egret *Bubulcus coromandus*

Baoshan – Ruili: five on 13th.

Ruili: one on 13th.

****Egretta spp.*

Ruili: 240 in roost on 16th.

Spotbill *Anas poecilorhyncha*

Ruili: 25 on 13th.

***Cheng (1987) listed this taxon only for Yunnan (as a resident at Jingdong & Simao, and as a migrant at Lijiang) & Guangdong.

Common Teal *A. crecca*

Ruili: 99 on 13th.

Jerdon's Baza *Avecida jerdoni*

Ruili: one on 17th, flying along the hillside just before sunrise & landing at <100m to allow good if relatively brief views.

***Cheng (1987) listed the species only for SW Yunnan & Hainan; Robson (2000) did not list it for adjacent E Burma.

Identification was fairly straight-forward: a smallish raptor with *Avecida* wing-shape – “hand broad, inner wing somewhat pinched-in”. Perched – “crest very up-sticking. Throat pale with hint of mesial stripe. Upper breast streaked chestnut; rest of underparts broadly barred chestnut (= fairly dark, washed-out general appearance). Sides of head grey [ish?]; iris yellow. Tail with three well-spaced, not-too-wide [-looking, from below] bars.”

Crested Honey Buzzard *Pernis ptilorhyncus*

Ruili: three adults on 16th.

Himalayan Griffon *Gyps himalayensis*

Gaoligongshan: one 1st cy bird flew S on 8th.

Besra *Accipiter virgatus*

Gaoligongshan: singles on 4+6+10th, and two on 1st.

Eurasian Sparrowhawk *A. nisus*

Ruili: one hunting on 16th.

Crested Goshawk *A. trivirgatus*

Gaoligongshan: singles on 1+3+4+6+10th.

Ruili: one adult perched up at <50m at sunset on 16th.

****Accipiter sp.*

Gaoligongshan: one on 7th.

Common Buzzard *Buteo buteo*

Gaoligongshan: singles on 1+10th (and two on 2nd: JoH).

Ruili: one on 15th & three on 16th.

Black Eagle *Ictinaetus malayensis*

Gaoligongshan: 10-11 bird-days (1-4 noted on six dates) over 1-12th.

Mountain Hawk Eagle *Spizaetus nipalensis*

Gaoligongshan: one adult on 1st, two adults on 9th & an adult with a 1st cy bird – “adult landed, 1st cy kept circling; later both flew across, the adult continued but the 1st cy circled at <200m in superb sun, landed, then circled again” - on 10th.

Ruili: one adult on 15th.

Eurasian Kestrel *Falco tinnunculus*

Baoshan – Ruili: three on 13th.

Peregrine *F. peregrinus*

Ruili: one adult “on the usual pylon” on 13th.

Common Hill Partridge *Arborophila torqueola*

Gaoligongshan: 42 bird-days (1-7 noted on 11 dates) over 1-12th.

Ruili: one heard on 17th.

Rufous-throated Hill Partridge *A. rufogularis*

Gaoligongshan: four “seen properly” on 12th.

*** *Arborophila* sp.

Gaoligongshan: three glimpsed on 12th.

Mountain Bamboo Partridge *Bambusicola fytchii*

Ruili: 2+ heard on 14th & three heard on 16th.

Temminck's Tragopan *Tragopan temminckii*

Gaoligongshan: single females on 2+3rd & a male on 7th.

Silver Pheasant *Lophura nyctemera*

Gaoligongshan: single males on 7+12th & a male with four females on 8th.

Red Junglefowl *Gallus gallus*

Gaoligongshan: one male in Area B at c2,400m on 3rd.

Ruili: Two (male & female in different spots) on 16th & a pair on 17th.

[?Mrs. Hume's Pheasant *Syrnaticus humiae*

Gaoligongshan: only the tail of a female pheasant presumed to be this species on 9th...

Common Sandpiper *Actitis hypoleucos*

Ruili: two on 13th.

Wood Snipe *Gallinago nemoricola*

Gaoligongshan: one flushed at c2,350m on 7th.

***Cheng (1987) considered the species to be only an exceedingly rare straggler in China, recording it for Yunnan (without locality) & Nyingchi in Xizang. The species breeds in the Wolong area, Sichuan (B. King pers. com.).

Speckled Wood Pigeon *Columba hodgsonii*

Gaoligongshan: eight on 3rd.

Barred Cuckoo Dove *Macropygia unchall*

Ruili: three on 15th.

Wedge-tailed Green Pigeon *Treron sphenura*

Gaoligongshan: two at c1,600m on 9th.

*** *Treron* sp.

Ruili: two heard on 15th & six on 17th.

Gaoligongshan: 1-2 on four dates over 1-12th.

Red-breasted Parakeet *Psittacula alexandri*

Ruili: c7,000 (largest flock c2,900 birds, passing at 18h45) on 13th.

Grey-headed Parakeet *P. finschii*

Ruili: four on 17th.

*** **Parakeet** sp.

Ruili: 18 on 17th.

Collared Scops Owl *Otus bakkamoena*

Gaoligongshan: perhaps the same singleton heard near the accommodation on 4+5+7+8th.

Collared Owlet *Glaucidium brodiei*

Gaoligongshan: singles heard on 1+2+8+11th.

Ruili: one heard on 15th.

Brown Wood Owl *Strix leptogrammica*

Gaoligongshan: five bird-days (heard-onlies on four dates, apparently representing three different pairs) on

4+8+11+12th.

Chinese Tawny Owl *S. nivicola*

Gaoligongshan: singles heard on only 2+4th (despite other pre-dawn starts).

*In addition, an **Owl sp** seen on 10 Dec 2005 may have been this species.*

Hodgson's Frogmouth *Batrachostomus hodgsoni*

Gaoligongshan: 1-2 heard on 7th & one heard on 12th.

***Cheng (1987) considered the species only an accidental to China. One was heard near Ruili by P Holt (P. Holt unpublished) and the species occurs up to 1,900m in SE Asia, incl in E Burma (Robson 2000).

Himalayan Swiftlet *Collocalia brevirostris*

Gaoligongshan: singles on 1+2+12th.

Fork-tailed Swift *Apus pacificus*

Gaoligongshan: four on 4th & 20 on 10th.

Ruili: four on 15th & eight on 17th.

***The only Yunnan localities mentioned by Cheng (1987) are Deqin (in NW) & Kaiyuan (in SE).

While subspecific identification of Fork-tailed Swifts has not been a priority on visits to Yunnan, it is worth noting that the birds on 15 Dec 2005 had "[...] smaller rump patches" – presumably they were *cooki* rather than *kanoi* which according to Robson (2000) is "said to be intermediate" between *cooki* and the nominate. *cooki* was however not included for China by Cheng (1987). *leoconyx*, the remaining ssp, breeds Himalayas and Assam Hills & migrates to S India (Dickinson 2003), and thus seems unlikely to turn up in SW Yunnan.

[?Dark-rumped Swift *A. acuticauda*

Gaoligongshan: a dark-rumped swift on 1st [BA] was most likely also this species.]

House Swift *A. affinis*

Gaoligongshan: two over the main ridge on 8th.

In addition, five swifts heading down towards the Salween at dawn on 9th were presumably also this species.

Ruili: four on 16th.

Red-headed Trogon *Harpactes erythrocephalus*

Gaoligongshan: singles on 1+3rd, the latter at c2,350m.

***Perhaps only exceptionally recorded above c2,000m, the upper altitudinal limit given by Lekagul & Round (1991), though Grimmett et al. (1998) have it down as occurring "terai up to 1,800 m (-2,400 m)" in India.

Indian Roller *Coracias benghalensis*

Shweli Bridge – Mangshi: one on 17th.

Pied Kingfisher *Ceryle rudis*

Ruili: six on 13th.

Common Kingfisher *Alcedo atthis*

Baoshan – Ruili: two on 13th.

Great Barbet *Megalaima virens*

Gaoligongshan: 19 bird-days (1-3 almost daily) over 1-12th.

Ruili: two on 14+16th & five on 15+17th.

Golden-throated Barbet *M. franklinii*

Gaoligongshan: 19 bird-days (1-5 noted on eight dates, incl one at c1,600m on 6th) over 1-12th.

Blue-throated Barbet *M. asiatica*

Gaoligongshan: at <1,600m singles on 5+6th & two on 9th.

Ruili: one on 14th & four on 16th, and ten on 15th & one on 17th.

Speckled Piculet *Picumnus innominatus*

Ruili: two on 15th & 16th.

White-browed Piculet *Sasia ochracea*

Ruili: one on 14th.

Greater Yellownape *Picus flavinucha*

Gaoligongshan: 14 bird-days (1-4 noted on eight dates) over 2-12th – most likely 6-8 birds were involved, with four together on 6th the main event.

Darjeeling Woodpecker *Dendrocopus darjellensis*

Gaoligongshan: 1-2 on 7th, 2-3 on 8th (two in the Streak-throated Barwing Flock; a singleton seen later may have been one of the same), one male on 10th, four on 11th (incl a male & two females together, the male at eye level at <15m in perfect light) & one female on 12th.

Crimson-breasted Woodpecker *D. cathpharius*

Gaoligongshan: singles on 4+7th – the latter associated with a mixed feeding flock at c2,400m.

Stripe-breasted Woodpecker *D. atratus*

Ruili: three on 15th.

*In addition, a **Dendrocopus sp** heard on 13th may have been this species.*

Grey-capped Woodpecker *D. canicapillus*

Gaoligongshan: singles on 4+5+9+11th & five (all at <1,600m) on 6th.

Ruili: two on 14th & one on 16th, and singles on 15+17th.

Greater Goldenback *Chrysocolaptes lucidus*

Ruili: singles heard on 14+16th.

***Cheng (1987) listed the species for W, SW & S Yunnan but considered it “very rare”.

Bay Woodpecker *Blythipicus pyrrhotis*

Gaoligongshan: 27 bird-days (1-5 daily, of which just one was seen) over 1-12th.

Ruili: two heard on 15th.

Long-tailed Broadbill *Psarisomus dalhousiae*

Gaoligongshan: three at c1,600m on 6th.

Ruili: 14 on 14th & 16 on 16th, and six on 15th.

***Listed as very rare by Cheng (1987).

Grey-throated Sand Martin *Riparia chinensis*

Baoshan – Ruili: 15 on 13th.

***formerly conspecific with **Plain Martin** *Riparia paludicola*; split here following Rasmussen & Anderton (2005)

Crag Martin *Hirundo rupestris*

Gaoligongshan: two on 5th & one on 9th.

Barn Swallow *H. rustica*

Baoshan – Ruili: 10+ on 13th.

Ruili: c150 on 13th, ten on 14th & 150+ on 16th, and 15 on 15th.

Red-rumped Swallow *H. daurica*

Gaoligongshan: seven on 5th & ten on 9th.

Ruili: one on 16th.

*** **Red-rumped/Striated Swallows**

Ruili: 30-40 on 15+17th & two on 16th.

Asian House Martin *Delichon dasypus*

Gaoligongshan: 30+ on 1st, three on 5th & one on 6th.

In addition, a flock of 200+ was seen by JoH et al. on 1+3^d.

Ruili: 35+ on 16th.

Nepal House Martin *D. nipalense*

Gaoligongshan: c20 on 2nd, five on 3rd, 20+ on 10th & 30+ (with some synchronized flutter-flying “going on” involving mostly two birds, sometimes three) on 12th.

In addition, 8-10 birds were in the large flock of Asian House Martins on 1st [BA].

***Cheng (1987) considered the species “very rare” in China, listing ssp *cuttingi* for W Yunnan (“Gazuo of Gongshan”) and the nominate ssp for S Xizang (Zhangmun Nyalam). Robson (2000) did not include the species for adjacent E Burma, though he considered it an “uncommon resident in SW, W, N [Burma], NE Thailand, Laos, W Tonkin”.

Grey Wagtail *Motacilla cinerea*

Baoshan – Ruili: one on 13th.

Ruili: two on 14th & one 16th, and probably the same singleton on 15+17th.

White Wagtail *M. alba*

Baoshan – Ruili: three on 13th.

Ruili: two on 13th.

Olive-backed Pipit *Anthus hodgsonii*

Gaoligongshan: one on 5th & four on 9th.

Ruili: 26 bird-days over 13-17th.

Large Cuckoo Shrike *Coracina macei*

Gaoligongshan: singles on 7+11+12th.

Black-winged Cuckoo Shrike *C. melaschista*

Gaoligongshan: one at <1,600m on 6th & one male at c2,300m on 7th.

Ruili: two on 14th & two on 15+17th.

Grey-chinned Minivet *Pericrocotus solaris*

Gaoligongshan: 49 bird-days (1-9 birds noted on ten dates) over 1-12th.

Long-tailed Minivet *P. ethologus*

Gaoligongshan: five on 1st, singles on 7+9+11th & two on 10th.

Ruili: a flock of 11 on 14th & 1+ heard on 16th.

Short-billed Minivet *P. brevirostris*

Ruili: four on 15th.

Scarlet Minivet *P. flammeus*

Ruili: 39 on 14th & 8+ on 16th, and three on 15th & two on 17th.

Bar-winged Flycatcher Shrike *Hemipus picatus*

Gaoligongshan: three on 1st, 30 (at <1,600m) on 5th, 12 (at <1,600m) on 6th & one on 9th.

Ruili: six on 14th & five on 16th, and 12 on 15th.

Large Wood Shrike *Tephrodornis gularis*

Gaoligongshan: four at c2,150m on 5th.

Ruili: seven on 14th.

*** The Gaoligongshan birds were considerably higher than Robson (2000)'s max altitude for adjacent SE Asia, c1,500m.

Crested Finchbill *Spizixos canifrons*

Ruili: c20 on 15th & 15+ on 17th.

Striated Bulbul *Pycnonotus striatus*

Gaoligongshan: at <1,600m ten on 5th, five on 6th & 26 on 9th.

Ruili: ten on 15th.

Black-crested Bulbul *P. melanicterus*

Ruili: two on 14+16th & four on 15th.

Red-whiskered Bulbul *P. jocosus*

Baoshan – Ruili: two on 13th.

Ruili: one on 14th & four on 16th, and 17 on 15th & ten on 17th.

Red-vented Bulbul *P. cafer*

Baoshan – Ruili: 15+ on 13th.

Ruili: 47 bird-days over 12-17th.

Flavescent Bulbul *P. flavescens*

Ruili: three on 14th & one on 16th, and 12+ on 15th & two on 17th.

White-throated Bulbul *Criniger flaveolus*

Ruili: 11+ on 14th & 15 on 16th, and four on 15th & 5+ on 17th.

Mountain Bulbul *Hypsipetes maclellandii*

Gaoligongshan: 52 bird-days (2-10 birds noted on nine dates) over 1-12th.

Ruili: ten on 15th & three on 17th.

Ashy Bulbul *H. flavala*

Ruili: nine on 14th & 12+ on 16th, and four on 15th.

Black Bulbul *H. leucocephalus*

Gaoligongshan: 149+ bird-days (3-25+ daily - the vast majority black-headed: single white-headed birds only on 1st & 9th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: eight on 14th & 14 (three black- & 11 white-headed) on 16th, and 23 on 15th & 30 (of which c15 were white-, the rest black-headed) on 17th.

Common Iora *Aegithina tiphia*

Ruili: two on 14th & one on 16th.

***Considered rare by Cheng (1987).

Golden-fronted Leafbird *Chloropsis aurifrons*

Ruili: one on 15th.

Orange-bellied Leafbird *C. hardwickii*

Gaoligongshan: singles on 5+6+10+12th & two on 11th – the one on 10th at c2,330m was unusually high.

Ruili: four on 14th & three on 16th, and two on 15th & five on 17th.

****Chloropsis* sp.

Gaoligongshan: one at <1,600m on 6th.

Brown Shrike *Lanius cristatus*

Baoshan – Ruili: two on 13th.

Long-tailed Shrike *L. schach*

Baoshan – Ruili: five on 13th.

Ruili: Seven bird-days over 13-17th.

Grey-backed Shrike *L. tephronotus*

Baoshan – Ruili: two on 13th.

Ruili: one on 15+17th.

Maroon-backed Accentor *Prunella immaculata*

Gaoligongshan: one at 1,995m on 10th.

Gould's Shortwing *Brachypteryx stellata*

Gaoligongshan: one seen extremely well by everyone present at c2,300m on 1st [another was present in the same gully: BA] & one heard singing at <1,550m on 5th.

***Considered very rare in China by Cheng (1987) who listed it only for Yunnan (Yanjin) & SW Qamdo, Xizang.

Lesser Shortwing *B. leucophrys*

Ruili: five on 14th & two on 16th, and one on 15th – all were heard singing: none seen.

White-browed Shortwing *B. montana*

Ruili: one heard singing on 17th.

Siberian Rubythroat *Luscinia calliope*

Ruili: four heard on 14 Dec 2005.

Himalayan Red-flanked Bluetail *Tarsiger (cyanurus) rufilatus*

Gaoligongshan: 59 bird-days (2-9 noted daily, of which 11 were adult males, all *rufilatus*; at <1,600m 2-4 birds each day on 5+6+9th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: one on 14th & three (incl an adult male *rufilatus*) on 15th.

***Rasmussen & Anderton (2005) elevated *rufilatus* to full species status. *cyanurus* is a visitor to NW Thailand & N Indochina (Robson 2000) but it remains to be discovered if it is regular in Yunnan.

White-browed Bush Robin *T. indicus*

Gaoligongshan: two female-types on 4th.

Golden Bush Robin *T. chrysaeus*

Gaoligongshan: one at c2,300m on 10th.

Magpie Robin *Copsychus saularis*

Ruili: singles on 14+16th.

Shweli bridge - Mangshi: one on 17th.

Blue-fronted Redstart *Phoenicurus frontalis*

Gaoligongshan: nine bird-days (1-3 noted on six dates) over 1-12th.

Daurian Redstart *P. aureus*

Gaoligongshan: probably the same single male at c1,600m on 5+6+9th.

Ruili: singles on 13+14th.

Plumbeous Redstart *Rhyacornis fuliginosus*

Ruili: one male on 16th.

Little Forktail *Enicurus scouleri*

Gaoligongshan: one at c1,500m on 9th.

***The bird put on a memorable show, turning a comparatively slow afternoon completely around - it would have been a serious contender for Bird of the Trip, right up there with Gould's Shortwing, had a vote been taken: "worked the near-vertical rock, pecking at moss; [also did] two ledges, slipping pale-leggedly on slithery surface but, having wings, not worried. Constant tail-fanning in pulses [calling to mind] female Plumbeous [Redstart]".

White-crowned Forktail *E. leschenaultii*

Ruili: one on 15th.

Spotted Forktail *E. maculatus*

Gaoligongshan: ten bird-days (1-3 noted on six dates, incl three heard-onlies & one at <1,500m on 5th) over 1-12th.

Black-backed Forktail *E. immaculata*

Ruili: four on 14th & five 16th.

***Only one record in China prior to 1995 (J H Christensen unpublished).

Slaty-backed Forktail *E. schistaceus*

Gaoligongshan: different singles on 7th & on 9th, the latter disappearing over the cliff where the Little Forktail appeared later.

Ruili: three on 16th.

****Enicurus* sp.

Gaoligongshan: nine bird-days (1-4 noted on four dates – most likely eight were **Spotted** & one a **Slaty-backed**) over 1-12th.

Stonechat *Saxicola torquata*

Baoshan – Ruili: 2+ on 13th.

Grey Bushchat *S. ferrea*

Gaoligongshan: two on 4th.

Ruili: two on 14+16th & two on 15th.

River Chat *Chaimarrornis leucocephala*

Ruili: one on 16th.

Chestnut-bellied Rock Thrush *Monticola rufiventris*

Gaoligongshan: single males at c1,600m on 9th & at c2,300m on 10th.

Ruili: one female on 14th.

Blue Whistling Thrush *Myophonus caeruleus*

Gaoligongshan: eight bird-days (1-4 noted on four dates; daily max four on 9th, all at <1,600m, as were two on 6th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: two heard on 14th & one heard on 15th.

White's Thrush *Zoothera dauma*

Gaoligongshan: one on 1st was considered to be a *dauma* (as was one seen the following day in a different spot [BA *et al.*] but at similar altitude, c2,400m) by JoH *et al.* who got a more prolonged look.

***Cheng (1987) listed both *Z. d. aurea* & *Z. d. socia* for Yunnan. Dickinson (2003) included the latter with *dauma*. Stott (1993) listed the species as "commonly recorded" in the Kunming area. The breeding range of ssp *dauma*, treated as a full species, Small-billed Scaly Thrush, by Rasmussen & Anderton (2005), is N Pakistan (Rasmussen & Anderton 2005) E to Yunnan, Sichuan & Guangxi (Dickinson 2003), and six "Scaly Thrush" recorded in the Gaoligongshan in early June 1999 by Brown *et al.* (Brown 1999) were presumably this taxon rather than *aurea* (or *toratugumi* – the other northern form treated with *aurea* as a species distinct from *dauma* on size and voice by Dickinson (2003)).

Z. aurea differs in being "slightly [larger – length 240-255mm vs 210-215mm, wing 154-168mm vs 136-147mm], typically with a longer bill and more prominent whitish eye-ring, heavily mottled cheek with less prominent blackish spot at rear of auriculars, and stronger spots on malar. Upperparts often paler than on Small-billed, with bolder, broader and more rounded scales, denser and more distinct on rump and especially prominent on uppertail-coverts; wings dark olive-brown boldly variegated with rufous-buff and black, median coverts black with very large triangular pale buff tips, greater coverts olive-brown with moderate-width, strongly contrasting wing-bar, tertials usually with slightly darker inner webs than outer ones and with sharply contrasting small paler tips, while fresh primaries usually have very narrow, indistinct paler tips."": Rasmussen & Anderton (2005).

Plain-backed Thrush *Z. mollissima*

Gaoligongshan: nine bird-days (1-2 noted on seven dates, involving at least five different individuals frequently allowing close approach) over 1-12th.

In addition, a thrush seen in front of the vehicle on 12th was suspected to be this species rather than Long-tailed Thrush.

Long-tailed Ground Thrush *Z. dixonii*

Gaoligongshan: 92 bird-days (2-12 noted daily, with birds at <1,600m only on 6+9th – two on each date) over 1-12th.

Close looks at a messed-up looking and perhaps particularly confiding bird on 10th revealed that most of the coverts were missing off its right wing, most likely following a close encounter with an *Accipiter*...

Eyebrowed Thrush *Turdus obscurus*

Gaoligongshan: two on 2nd & singles on 3+6th.

Ruili: three on 17th.

Black-breasted Thrush *T. dissimilis*

Ruili: one on 15th.

Grey-winged Blackbird *T. bouboul*

Gaoligongshan: one present at c1,600m on 6+9th, perched up in Big Tree at dawn.

Naumann's Thrush *T. naumanni*

Gaoligongshan: singles on 3+9+11th – the 1st was a *eunomus*, the other two heard-onlies.

Chestnut Thrush *T. rubrocanus*

Gaoligongshan: singles on 1+7+10th, nine on 2nd & five on 4th.

Puff-throated Babbler *Pellorneum ruficeps*

Gaoligongshan: at <1,600m two heard on 5th & one heard (giving full song) on 9th.

Ruili: six on both 14+16th.

Spot-breasted Scimitar Babbler *Pomatorhinus erythrocnemis*

Gaoligongshan: 11 bird-days (1-3 heard-onlies noted on six dates, incl 1-3 at <1,600m on 5+6+9th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: one heard on 13th.

Streak-breasted Scimitar Babbler *P. ruficollis*

Gaoligongshan (ssp. *similis*): 145 bird-days (3-23 daily, incl 3-5 at <1,600m on 5+6+9th) over 1-12th.

Ruili (ssp. *albipectus*): seven on 14th & ten on 16th, and five on 15th & four on 17th.

Red-billed Scimitar Babbler *P. ochraceiceps*

Ruili: 2-3 birds seen repeatedly on 15th.

Slender-billed Scimitar Babbler *Xiphirrhynchus superciliaris*

Gaoligongshan: nine bird-days involving 5+ individuals - two on 2nd, one heard on 4th, one seen well on 10th, two heard ("new birds; alarm [-call]ed, then gave complex song once in response to [recording obtained on 10th]") on 11th & two on 12th.

***Considered very rare by Cheng (1987), and rare by Han (1996) who listed specimen records only from Gongshan, Tengchong & Xinping counties & observed just 11 individuals during his fieldwork. DeSchaensee (1984), in error, gives the altitudinal range as 915-2,135m; Ali & Ripley (1987) gives it as 2,100-3,400m (for the nominate form).

The usual song is about eight run-together, bubbly hoots concluded by a whiplashed note. Han (1996), in November, noted only "a three-syllabled, deep 'do go go, do go go'".

Streaked Wren Babbler *Napothera brevicaudata*

Gaoligongshan: one on 6th.

Scaly-breasted Wren Babbler *Pnoepyga albiventer*

Gaoligongshan: singles heard singing on 4+12th & one seen (a Robson (2000)'s "juvenile dark morph?" type bird at c2,300m) on 8th.

In addition, a loud Wren Babbler "tschick" heard at c2,350m on 12th was most likely given by this species.

Pygmy Wren Babbler *P. pusilla*

Gaoligongshan: singles on 1+6th & two on 5th, all at >2,000m.

Ruili: three heard on 14th & one heard on 16th.

Long-tailed Wren Babbler *Spelaeornis reptatus*

Gaoligongshan: 11 bird-days (involving ten individuals: singles on 1+3rd, five on 2nd & four on 12th) over 1-12th.

***formerly considered conspecific with *S. chocolatinus* – see Rasmussen & Anderton (2005).

Rufous-capped Babbler *Stachyris ruficeps*

Gaoligongshan: 31 bird-days (1-6 noted on eight dates, of which only three on 5th were at <1,600m) over 1-12th.

Ruili: singles on 15+17th.

Golden Babbler *S. chrysaea*

Gaoligongshan: 10+ bird-days - at <1,600m two on 5+6th & five on 9th; one higher up (2,000m?) on 10th.

Ruili: five on 15th & four on 17th, and two on 16th.

Grey-throated Babbler *S. nigriceps*

Gaoligongshan: eight bird-days over 1-12th – two heard at >1,600m on 4th, and two (involving 4-6 individuals) at <1,600m on 5+6+9th.

Ruili: two on 15th.

Chestnut-capped Babbler *Timalia pileata*

Ruili: three on 14th & two in the same spot on 16th.

White-throated Laughingthrush *Garrulax albogularis*

Gaoligongshan: 19 (at c1,500m, moving "uphill across the path: super views") on 5th & 9+ at c1,600m on 9th.

Greater Necklaced Laughingthrush *G. pectoralis*

Gaoligongshan: two heard (& taperecorded) at c2,250m on 12th.

*****Lesser/Greater Necklaced Laughingthrush**

Ruili: 1+ heard on 16th – probably Lesser...

Black-throated Laughingthrush *G. chinensis*

Ruili: four (the song of a group of three taperecorded, with one distant bird singing back in response) on 14th & 12+ on 16th.

Spotted Laughingthrush *G. ocellatus*

Gaoligongshan: four at c2,400m on 7th & one on 8th.

Grey-sided Laughingthrush *G. caerulatus latifrons*

Gaoligongshan: six on 2nd, one on 4th, seven on 11th & a group of ten (seen well & taperecorded at c2,325m) on 12th.

In addition, it seems likely in retrospect that two birds taperecorded on 10th but unresponsive to playback, and maybe a couple of birds seen briefly and heard uttering a 'frog-like' croak on 3rd [JoH],

were also this often retiring species.

***Considered rare by Cheng (1987) who separated *ricinus*, *berthemeyi* & *poecilorhyncus* as Rufous Laughingthrush *G. latifrons*.

Rufous-necked Laughingthrush *G. ruficollis*

Ruili: c10 on 13th, feeding in flowering scrubs alongside a few White-browed Laughingthrushes.

Hwamei *G. canorus*

Gaoligongshan: one heard singing at <1,600m on 9th.

White-browed Laughingthrush *G. sannio*

Ruili: 43+ bird-days over 13-17th.

Blue-winged Laughingthrush *G. squamatus*

Gaoligongshan: 4+ (of which 2+ were at <1,600m) on 5th & two at c2,000m on 10th.

Scaled Laughingthrush *G. subunicolor*

Gaoligongshan: 18 bird-days involving probably no more than nine individuals over 1-12th.

Black-faced Laughingthrush *G. affinis*

Gaoligongshan: three seen well and heard singing on 8th.

***Considered uncommon by Cheng (1987).

Chestnut-crowned Laughingthrush *G. erythrocephalus*

Gaoligongshan: 57 bird-days (1-14 noted daily, incl 1-3 at <1,600m on 5+6+9th) over 1-12th.

Red-tailed Laughingthrush *G. milnei*

Gaoligongshan: a group of 12 at c1,600m "crossing the track heading downhill as the 1st sun hit" on 6th, 3+ in the same spot on 9th, and five at c1,900m on 11th.

Red-faced Liocichla *Liocichla phoenicea*

Gaoligongshan: four at <1,600m ("new song taped") on 5th.

Ruili: two on 15th & three heard (in two places; one taperecorded) on 17th.

Silver-eared Mesia *Leiothrix argentea*

Gaoligongshan: 15 on 5+9th & 20+ on 6th (all at <1,600m), and 3+ heard at c1,900m on 11th.

Ruili: 91+ bird-days over 14-17th.

Red-billed Leiothrix *L. lutea*

Gaoligongshan: six at c1,600m on 5th & one in the same spot on 6th.

Cutia *Cutia nipalensis*

Gaoligongshan: two on 2nd & three on 7th.

In addition, four birds heard on 12th were considered to be probably this species.

Black-headed Shrike-babbler *Pteruthius rufiventer*

Gaoligongshan: 21+ bird-days over 1-12th: eight – incl a flock of six, three males & three females – on 2nd, four in the same spot on 7th, five (of which three were with Streak-throated Barwings) on 8th, one on 10th, and 3+ (in spot where six seen on 2nd) on 12th.

***Listed as rare by Cheng (1987).

White-browed Shrike-babbler *P. flaviscapis*

Gaoligongshan: 27 bird-days (1-6 noted on eight dates, incl a female with the flock of six Black-headed on 2nd, and at <1,600m four on 5th & three on 9th) over 1-12th.

In addition, two Black-headed/ White-browed Shrike Babblers were heard on 10th.

Ruili: four on 14th & three on 16th, and three on 15th & four on 17th.

Black-eared Shrike-babbler *P. melanotis*

Gaoligongshan: 14 bird-days (1-4 noted on nine dates, incl one at <1,600m on 5th & two there on 6th, and a female seen memorably on 11th, one of four birds seen that day) over 1-12th.

Chestnut-fronted Shrike-babbler *P. aenobarbus*

Gaoligongshan: two on both 2+7th.

Rusty-fronted Barwing *Actinodura egertoni*

Gaoligongshan: 108+ bird-days (2-23 birds on ten dates, incl 2-9 at <1,600m on 5+6+9th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: two on 17th.

***Considered rare by Cheng (1987), with Ruili being SW of range given.

Streak-throated Barwing *Actinodura waldeni*

Gaoligongshan: three on 8th in a low-key flock.

***Cheng (1987) considered the species "very rare", listing *saturation* only for Gongshan & Tengchong.

Ssp daflaensis – listed by Cheng for SW Qamdo, Tibet, and recorded at Tangmai by Robson & Farrow (Robson 1987) – "shows complete intermediate characters between the very different *waldeni* and *nipalensis*, and hybrids are known from W Arunachal between *nipalensis* and *daflaensis*. Arguments could be made for treating *daflaensis* as a race of *nipalensis* instead, or for considering all the forms a single species. Vocalisations differ between *waldeni* and *nipalensis*, but insufficient material was available for *daflaensis*." : Rasmussen & Anderton (2005).

Blue-winged Minla *Minla cyanuroptera*

Gaoligongshan: 5-8 (21 bird-days) at <1,600m on 5+6+9th.

Ruili: three on 14th, and 45 on 15th & nine on 17th.

Chestnut-tailed Minla *M. strigula*

Gaoligongshan: 150 bird-days (5-30 noted on ten dates, with none below c2,000m) over 1-12th.

Red-tailed Minla *M. ignotinta*

Gaoligongshan: 25 bird-days (2-7 noted on six dates, incl one on 5th, six on 6th & four on 9th at <1,600m) over 1-12th.

Golden-breasted Fulvetta *Alcippe chrysotis ssp.*

Gaoligongshan: c15 on 2nd, one on 3rd, eight on 7th & 8+ on 10th.

Yellow-throated Fulvetta *A. cinerea*

Gaoligongshan: three on 3rd, 5+ heard singing & calling on 4th, and 23+ in flock with ten Grey-cheeked Fulvettas & one Rufous-capped Babbler – seen as close as 5m in good light, roughly in the area where seen on 4+5 Nov 2005 [JH *et al.*] & heard on 4th - on 10th.

Rufous-winged Fulvetta *A. castaneiceps*

Gaoligongshan: 180+ bird-days (4-c55 noted on eight dates, of which just four as low as c1,600m, on 6th) over 1-12th.

White-browed Fulvetta *A. vinipectus*

Gaoligongshan: five on 8th.

Manipur Fulvetta *A. manipurensis*

Gaoligongshan: 10+ bird-days (1-3 noted on five dates, all at >2,350m) over 1-12th.

***Streak-throated Fulvetta *A. cinereiceps* – from which Rasmussen & Anderton (2005) split *manipurensis* and *tonkinensis* as Manipur Fulvetta *A. manipurensis*, a treatment followed here – was included as a resident for the Kunming area, apparently in error, by Stott (1993), having been "uncommonly recorded" by visiting Hong Kong birders, "generally at different times [from *A. ruficapilla*]", suggesting perfectly understandable confusion between the two similar species..

Rusty-capped Fulvetta *A. dubia*

Gaoligongshan: 43 bird-days (4-15 noted on five dates, incl nine at <1,600m on 5th & five there on 9th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: four on 14th & seven on 16th, and ten on 15th & four on 17th.

***Listed as uncommon by Cheng (1987). Formerly considered conspecific with *A. brunnea*. Robson (2000) considered *dubia*, *genestieri*, *mandellii* & *intermedia* to be one species, while Clements (2000) considered *A. dubia* to be monotypic (giving the range as "pine forests of s Myanmar (Tenasserim))".

Grey-cheeked Fulvetta *A. morrisonia*

Gaoligongshan: 660 bird-days (5-155 noted daily, incl five at <1,600m on 6th & 35 ditto on 9th) over 1-12th.

Nepal Fulvetta *A. nipalensis*

Ruili: two seen rather poorly on 14th.

Rufous-backed Sibia *Heterophasia annectans*

Ruili: one on 17th.

Grey Sibia *H. gracilis*

Ruili: three on 15th.

Black-headed Sibia *H. desgodinsi*

Gaoligongshan: nine bird-days over 1-12th (1-4 noted on 1+2+4+5th; mostly singing heard-onlies).

*** Split from *H. melanoleuca* following Robson (2000).

Beautiful Sibia *H. pulchella*

Gaoligongshan: 152 bird-days (2-35 birds noted on ten dates, all above c1,900m) over 1-12th.

***Considered rare by Cheng (1987).

Long-tailed Sibia *H. picaoides*

Gaoligongshan: in Area B c5 at c1,900m on 12th, "making a racket, then back to feeding on flowers for a moment, then frozen: roosting".

Ruili: 14 on 15th & two on 17th.

Striated Yuhina *Yuhina castaniceps*

Gaoligongshan: 27 at c2,000m on 12th.

Ruili: 60 on 14th.

Whiskered Yuhina *Y. flavicollis*

Gaoligongshan: 69 bird-days over 1-12th.

Stripe-throated Yuhina *Y. gularis*

Gaoligongshan: 32+ bird-days (2-10+ noted on seven dates, all at >2,000m) over 1-12th.

Rufous-vented Yuhina *Y. occipitalis*

Gaoligongshan: 213 bird-days (6-52 noted on nine dates, all at >2,000m) over 1-12th.

White-bellied Yuhina *Y. zantholeuca*

Gaoligongshan: 26+ bird-days (2-5 noted on seven dates, incl at <1,600m five on 5th, 2+ on 6th & four on 9th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: four on 15th & three on 16th.

Fulvous Parrotbill *Paradoxornis fulvifrons*

Gaoligongshan: one at c2,330m on 10th.

Black-throated Parrotbill *P. nipalensis*

Gaoligongshan: c15 on 3rd, 25+ on 7th & c25 on 12th.

Grey-headed Parrotbill *P. gularis*

Gaoligongshan: c15 at c2,375m on 3rd, five at >2,100m on 4th & 35+ at c2,350m on 7th.

Ruili: a flock of 45 on 14th.

Chestnut-headed Tesia *Tesia castaneocoronata*

Gaoligongshan: 80 bird-days over 1-12th (1-17 daily – daily max count on 6th all concerning birds at <1,600m where most common, but also e g eight at >2,100m on 7th).

Ruili: two on 15th & one of the same again on 17th.

Slaty-bellied Tesia *T. olivea*

Gaoligongshan: 42 bird-days – two on 1st & on 4th at >2,000m, and ten on 5th, 14 on 6th & 15 on 9th all at <1,600m.

Grey-bellied Tesia *T. cyaniventer*

Ruili: three on 14th & two on 16th, and one on 17th.

*****Slaty-bellied/ Grey-bellied Tesia**

Gaoligongshan: singles on 4+5+9+11th.

[?Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler *Cettia fortipes*

Gaoligongshan: one at c1,600m on 6th may have been this species.]

[?Yellowish-bellied Bush Warbler *C. acanthizoides*

Gaoligongshan: one at c1,600m on 9th may have been this species.]

Tickell's Leaf Warbler *Phylloscopus affinis*

Ruili: two on 13th.

Dusky Warbler *P. fuscatus*

Ruili: two on 13th.

Yellow-streaked Warbler *P. armandii*

Ruili: three on 14th.

Buff-barred Leaf Warbler *P. pulcher*

Gaoligongshan: seven on 1st, one on 10th & three on 12th.

Ruili: one on 15th & three on 17th.

Yellow-browed Warbler *P. inornatus*

Ruili: 51 bird-days over 13-17th.

Hume's Leaf Warbler *P. humei mandelli*

Ruili: heard-onlies were four on 14+16th, and five on 15th.

Pallas's Leaf Warbler *P. proregulus*

Gaoligongshan: 14 bird-days (1-4 noted on seven dates, incl at c1,600m two - possibly the same – on both 5+6th, and four on 9th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: six bird-days (1-3 noted daily) over 15-17th.

Lemon-rumped Warbler *P. chloronotus*

Gaoligongshan: 75 bird-days (1-13 daily, incl nine at <1,600m on 6th, and 12 on 9th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: 22 bird-days over 14-17th.

Chinese Leaf Warbler *P. yunnanensis*

Ruili: one heard on 15th 2005.

Ashy-throated Leaf Warbler *P. maculipennis*

Gaoligongshan: 221+ bird-days (11-31 noted daily, incl 14 at <1,600m on both 6+9th – higher average daily counts towards the end of the period likely to reflect greater awareness of the species rather than an increase in numbers present) over 1-12th.

Greenish Warbler *P. trochiloides* [including *plumbeitarsus*]

Ruili: two heard on 14th & six (one *plumbeitarsus*, one not, four not seen well enough to be sure) in same area on 16th, and one on 15th.

Blyth's Leaf Warbler *P. reguloides*

Ruili: 27+ on 14th & c40 on 16th, and two on 15th & one on 17th.

***Ssp *assamensis* (W Yunnan – NW Vietnam & NW Thailand: Olsson *et al.* in press.), *reguloides* (incl. *kashmiriensis*) & *ticehursti* (Langbian Plateau, SC Vietnam: Dickinson) are better considered one species, with *assamensis* perhaps best not recognized though “more yellow below”, while *claudiae* (C China – N Hebei) is best considered a monotypic species though “the morphological differences between the three [Blyth's Leaf Warbler] species [*fokiensis* (Guizhou – Fujian) & *goodsoni* (breeds Guangdong & Guangxi, winter record from Hong Kong: Olsson *et al.* in press – Dickinson apparently in error lists the species for Hainan – constituting the third)] are very slight [...], and their songs and calls are presently considered indistinguishable”: Olsson *et al.* in press. “*Claudiae* is slightly browner above than *disturbans*, and the coronal stripe and supercilium are whiter making a better contrast in the head plumage”: Williamson (1967). *Claudiae* larger than *assamensis* & other “sspp”: wing 57-68 (vs 53-62) & tail 41-50 (vs 39-49); it has legs “brownish-grey, yellower on toes” (vs “some shade of brownish or yellowish” in *reguloides* & *assamensis*): Williamson (1967).

White-tailed Leaf Warbler *P. davisoni*

Gaoligongshan: at <1,600m two on 6th & four heard on 9th.

Ruili: one on 14th & three on 16th, and three on 15th & seven on 17th.

***The taxon *davisoni* of N+W+C Yunnan is best considered a monotypic species despite only very slight morphological differences & extremely similar songs and calls, while the taxa *disturbans* (S Sichuan - SE Yunnan), *klossi* & *ogilviegranti* (Fujian) are better treated as one species: Olsson *et al.* in press.

Williamson (1967) noted that “Burmese *davisoni* have a greyish-olive cast on the mantle so that is less pure than in other races”.

Bianchi's Warbler *Seicercus valentini*

Gaoligongshan: 12 bird-days (1-3 noted on seven dates – at <1,600m singles on 5+9th & three on 6th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: two on 14th & seven on 16th, and four on 15th & six on 17th.

Grey-crowned Warbler *S. tephrocephalus*

Ruili: three on 14th & seven on 16th, and three on 15th.

Emei Flycatcher-warbler *S. omeiensis*

Ruili: one on 16th.

Grey-cheeked Warbler *S. poliogenys*

Gaoligongshan: 32 bird-days (1-6 noted on 11 dates, of which just five – singles on 5+9th, three on 6th – at <1,600m) over 1-12th.

Chestnut-crowned Warbler *S. castaniceps*

Gaoligongshan: 39 bird-days (1-8 noted on 11 dates – at <1,600m singles on 5+6th & four on 9th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: three on 14th.

Broad-billed Warbler *Tickellia hodgsoni*

Gaoligongshan: one heard singing at c2,350m on 2nd.

Yellow-bellied Warbler *Abroscopus superciliaris*

Ruili: five on 15th.

Black-faced Warbler *A. schisticeps*

Gaoligongshan: 145 bird-days (2-30+ noted on ten dates, with none seen below c2,000m) over 1-12th.

Rufescent Prinia *Prinia rufescens*

Ruili: eight on 14th.

Grey-breasted Prinia *P. hodgsoni*

Ruili: nine on 13th, and three on 14th & two on 16th.

Hill Prinia *P. atrogularis*

Gaoligongshan: at <1,600m one on 6th & six on 9th.

Ruili: ten on 15th & four on 17th, and five on 16th.

Common Tailorbird *Orthomus sutorius*

Ruili: seven bird-days over 13-17th.

Mountain Tailorbird *O. cucullatus*

Gaoligongshan: at <1,600m three on 5th, six on 6th & five on 9th.

Ruili: one heard on 15th.

Orange-gorgeted Flycatcher *Ficedula strophilata*

Gaoligongshan: eight bird-days (1-2 noted on five dates between c1,500-2,330m) over 1-12th.

Ruili: 2+ on 15th & three on 17th.

Slaty-blue Flycatcher *F. tricolor*

Gaoligongshan: singles on 6+7+9th (only the last seen briefly – a cooperative female seen in November 2005 had moved on).

Ruili: singles heard on 14+16th.

Sapphire Flycatcher *F. sapphira*

Gaoligongshan: singles heard at c1,600m on 6th & at >2,150m – same spot on both dates - on 7+8th.

Ruili: one heard on 14th.

Large Niltava *Niltava grandis*

Gaoligongshan: 34 bird-days (1-6 noted on 11 dates, most were heard-onlies but some showed memorably – at c1,600m four on 5th, two on 6th & five on 9th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: one on 14th, and two on 15th & one on 17th.

Rufous-bellied Niltava *N. sundara*

Gaoligongshan: two males at <1,600m on 9th.

Ruili: single males 15+16th.

Hill Blue Flycatcher *Cyornis banyumas*

Ruili: one male seen very well on 16th.

*In addition, two **Blue Flycatcher sp** on 14th were presumably also this species...*

Pygmy Blue Flycatcher *Muscicapella hodgsoni*

Gaoligongshan: one male at <1,500m on 6th.

Verditer Flycatcher *Eumyias thalassina*

Ruili: two on 14th & one on 16th.

Grey-headed Flycatcher *Culicicapa ceylonensis*

Gaoligongshan: two on 1+12th & one (at <1,600m) on 6th.

Ruili: four on 14th & three on 16th, and singles on 15+17th.

Yellow-bellied Fantail *Chelidorhynx hypoxantha*

Gaoligongshan: 46 bird-days over 1-12th (2-8 daily: more common at lower altitude, with 7-8 at <1,600m on 6+9th).

Ruili: one on 14th, and four on 15th & two on 17th.

White-throated Fantail *Rhipidura albicollis*

Gaoligongshan: 48 bird-days (1-8 daily) over 1-12th.

Ruili: four on 14th & six on 16th, and five on 15th & four on 17th.

Black-throated Tit *Aegithalos concinnus*

Gaoligongshan: 91+ bird-days (2-20+ noted on nine dates) over 1-12th.

Black-browed Tit *A. iouschistos bonvaloti*

Gaoligongshan: four on 8th.

Fire-capped Tit *Cephalopyrus flammiceps*

Gaoligongshan: four seen poorly at c1,600m on 9th.

Great Tit *Parus. major*

Gaoligongshan: one at c1,600m on 9th.

Ruili: 17 bird-days over 13-17th.

Green-backed Tit *P. monticolus*

Gaoligongshan: 16 bird-days (1-5 noted on nine dates) over 1-12th.

Yellow-cheeked Tit *P. spilonotus*

Gaoligongshan: 34-36 bird-days (1-7 noted on ten dates, incl two at <1,600m on 6th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: two on 15+16th.

Yellow-browed Tit *Sylviparus modestus*

Gaoligongshan: c115 bird-days over 1-12th (1-25 daily, incl one with four Black-browed Tits on 8th & c15 at <1,600m on 9th).

Naga Nuthatch *Sitta nagaensis*

Gaoligongshan: 43 bird-days (2-7 noted on nine dates, incl 4-7 at <1,600m on 5+6+9th, of which a group of three "rock-creeping" individuals on 6th were noteworthy) over 1-12th.

Ruili: three on 15th & two on 17th.

***The Ruili birds somewhat below altitudinal range given for Yunnan by Harrap & Quinn (1996).

Cheng (1987) included *montium* with **Eurasian Nuthatch** *S. europaea*, noting, however, that Greenway (1967: in Paynter Check-list of Birds of the World) treated it as synonymous with *nagaensis*. Harrap & Quinn (1996) accepted *montium*, but felt that "their general appearance supports the treatment of the races *grisiventris-nagaensis-montium-sinensis* as a natural grouping of subspecies of Eurasian Nuthatch" (in spite of "vocal differences between the two species"); nonetheless, pending further studies, they kept *sinensis* with *S. europaea* due to apparent altitudinal segregation of *montium* and *sinensis* where they meet in Fujian (in Sichuan intergradation may or may not occur), a treatment followed by Dickinson (2003).

White-tailed Nuthatch *S. himalayensis*

Gaoligongshan: 25 bird-days (1-8 noted on eight days, all at >2,100m) over 1-12th.

Velvet-fronted Nuthatch *S. frontalis*

Ruili: 11 in 14th & four on 16th, and five on 15th.

Brown-throated Treecreeper *Certhia discolor*

Gaoligongshan: 13 bird-days (1-2 noted at c1,550-2,400m on eight dates) over 1-12th.

Ruili: one heard on 15th & two (one seen singing) on 17th.

Yellow-vented Flowerpecker *Dicaeum chrysorrheum*

Ruili: one on 15th.

Yellow-bellied Flowerpecker *D. melanoxanthum*

Gaoligongshan: six bird-days, concerning five individuals at c2,000-2,450m: 1-2 birds noted on 1+7+11+12th.

Buff-bellied Flowerpecker *D. ignipectus*

Gaoligongshan: 34 bird-days (1-5 noted daily, incl at <1,600m on 5+6+9th & as high as 2,400+m as late as on 12th) over 1-12th.

Ruili: one on 14th & three on 16th, and nine on 15th & seven on 17th.

Gould's Sunbird *Aethopyga gouldiae*

Gaoligongshan: five on 1st, one on 4th & three on 10th.

Ruili: seven on 15th & ten on 17th.

Green-tailed Sunbird *A. nipalensis*

Gaoligongshan: 122+ bird-days (2-19 noted on ten dates, all at >1,900m) over 1-12th.

Black-throated Sunbird *A. saturata*

Gaoligongshan: at <1,600m seven on 6th & six on 9th.

Ruili: four on 14th & 3+ on 16th, and two on 15th.

Crimson Sunbird *A. siparaja*

Ruili: one adult male feeding in flowering scrub on 13th.

Fire-tailed Sunbird *A. ignicauda*

Gaoligongshan: 17 on 1st & eight on 10th.

Streaked Spiderhunter *Arachnothera magna*

Gaoligongshan: ten bird-days (1-3 noted on five dates, all bar singles on 2+7th at <1,600m) over 1-12th.

Ruili: four on 14th & three on 16th, and four on 15th & two on 17th.

Japanese Whiteeye *Zosterops japonica*

Gaoligongshan: two on 4+5th, three on 9th (at <1,600m) & eight on 10th.

Ruili: two on 14th.

Oriental Whiteeye *Z. palpebrosa*

Gaoligongshan: two at <1,600m on both 6+9th & one on 10th.

Ruili: three on both 14+16th & five on 15th.

*****Whiteeye sp.** *Zosterops sp*

Gaoligongshan: 15 flew S in Area B on 11th.

Ruili: 15+ at Canal on 16th.

Little Bunting *E. pusilla*

Gaoligongshan: one on 3rd, four at c1,600m on 5th & six ditto on 9th.

Ruili: singles 14+17th.

Yellow-throated Bunting *E. elegans*

Gaoligongshan: three at 1,995m on 1st.

Tibetan Siskin *Carduelis thibetanus*

Gaoligongshan: two at 1,995m on 1st & four at 2,390m on 7th.

Ruili: c25 on 15th.

Dark-breasted Rosefinch *Carpodacus nipalensis*

Gaoligongshan: 14 bird-days (1-3 noted on eight dates between 1,600-c2,900m) over 1-12th.

Common Rosefinch *C. erythrurus*

Gaoligongshan: one heard on 10th.

Ruili: three on 14th & one on 15th.

Vinaceous Rosefinch *C. vinaceus*

Gaoligongshan: a female-type bird feeding with a male Golden-naped Finch & a female-type Dark-breasted Rosefinch on 11th.

Brown Bullfinch *Pyrrhula nipalensis*

Gaoligongshan: 23+ bird-days (noted on five dates, two on 2+4+7+8th & c15 on 3rd) over 1-12th.

Collared Grosbeak *Mycerobas affinis*

Gaoligongshan: c40 (two flocks of c20 each flying S) on 8th.

****"Lijiang Mt." was the only Yunnan locality for which Cheng (1987) listed the species.

Golden-naped Finch *Pyrrhoplectes epauletta*

Gaoligongshan: one female on 7th, two (one a male feeding at c2,150m, the other a heard-only at c2,400m close to the spot where the female was on 7th) on 11th & one female on 12th.

White-rumped Munia *Lonchura striata*

Ruili: seven on 14th & eight on 16th.

Spotted Munia *L. punctulata*

Ruili: ten on 14th & two on 16th, and 15 on 15th.

Tree Sparrow *Passer montanus*

***Not systematically recorded.

Maroon Oriole *Oriolus trailii*

Gaoligongshan: two on 2nd, three (very active birds: calling and 'pursuit-flying' at c2,390m) on 7th & singles on 9th (heard at <1,600m) and 12th.

Ruili: two on 14+16th & two on 15th.

***Considered uncommon by Cheng (1987).

Ashy Drongo *Dicrurus leucophaeus*

Gaoligongshan: 1-6 daily (40 bird-days) over 1-12th.

Ruili: eight bird-days over 13-17th.

Bronzed Drongo *D. aeneus*

Gaoligongshan: at c1,600m two on 6th.

Ruili: six on 14th & five on 16th, and five on 15th & four on 17th.

Lesser Racket-tailed Drongo *D. remifer*

Gaoligongshan: one at <1,500m in Area B on 6th, in a mixed flock of some 27 spp.

Ruili: one on 14th.

Gold-billed Magpie *Urocissa flavirostris*

Gaoligongshan: 12 bird-days, involving 7+ individuals (up to three birds in three different spots on 1+4+7+8+10+11th)

Red-billed Blue Magpie *U. erythrorhyncha*

Gaoligongshan: 22 bird-days over 1-12th (1-5 birds noted on eight dates).

Common Green Magpie *Cissa chinensis*

Ruili: two on 15th.

Grey Treepie *Dendrocitta formosae*

Gaoligongshan: 12 bird-days (1-6 noted on five dates) over 1-12th.

Ruili: 11 on 14th, and five on 15th & two on 17th.