

Birding checklist for a tour with Wrybill Birding Tours, NZ

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GREBES - PODICIPEDIDAE								
E	New Zealand grebe (dabchick)	<i>Polyocephalus rufopectus</i>		1	1	1	2	
CORMORANTS - PHALACROCORACIDAE								
	Great cormorant (black shag)	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
	Pied cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax varius</i>			1	1	1	
	Little black cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax sulcirostris</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
	Little pied cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax melanoleucos</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
HERONS, EGRETS, BITTERNS - ARDEIDAE								
	White-faced heron	<i>Egretta novaehollandiae</i>		1	1	1	2	
	Great egret (white heron)	<i>Ardea alba</i>			1	1	1	
IBISES & SPOONBILLS - THRESKIORNITHIDAE								
	Royal spoonbill	<i>Platalea regia</i>			1	1	1	
DUCKS, GEESE, SWANS - ANATIDAE								
	Black swan	<i>Cygnus atratus</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
	Feral (greylag) goose	<i>Anser anser</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
	Canada goose	<i>Branta canadensis</i>		1	1	1	2	
E	Paradise shelduck	<i>Tadorna variegata</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
E	Blue duck	<i>Hymenolaimus malacorhynchos</i>		1		1	1	
	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
	Pacific black (grey) duck	<i>Anas superciliosa</i>	1			1	1	
	Grey teal	<i>Anas gracilis</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
	Australasian shoveler	<i>Anas rhynchotis</i>	1		1	1	2	
E	New Zealand scaup	<i>Aythya novaeseelandiae</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
HAWKS, EAGLES, KITES - ACCIPTRIDAE								
	Swamp (Australasian) harrier	<i>Circus approximans</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
NEW WORLD QUAIL - ODONTOPHORIDAE								
	California quail	<i>Callipepla californica</i>	1			1	1	
RAILS, GALLINULES, COOTS - RALLIDAE								
	Pukeko (purple swamphen)	<i>Porphyrio melanotus</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
	Common coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	1		1	1	2	
OYSTERCATCHERS - HAEMATOPODIDAE								
E	South Island oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus finschi</i>		1	1	1	2	
E	Variable oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus unicolor</i>		1	1	1	2	
AVOCETS & STILTS - RECURVIROSTRIDAE								
	Pied (black-winged) stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
PLOVERS & LAPWINGS - CHARADRIIDAE								
	Pacific golden plover	<i>Pluvialis fulva</i>			1	1	1	
E	Banded dotterel (double-banded plover)	<i>Charadrius bicinctus</i>		1	1	1	2	
	Black-fronted dotterel	<i>Charadrius melanops</i>			1	1	1	
E	Wrybill	<i>Anarhynchus frontalis</i>		1	1	1	2	
	Masked lapwing (spur-winged plover)	<i>Vanellus miles</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
SANDPIPERS - SCOLOPACIDAE								
	Bar-tailed godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>		1	1	1	2	
	Red (lesser) knot	<i>Calidris canutus</i>		1	1	1	2	
GULLS - LARIDAE								
	Black-backed (kelp) gull	<i>Larus dominicanus</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
E	Red-billed gull	<i>Larus scopulinus</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
E	Black-billed gull	<i>Larus bulleri</i>	1	1		1	2	
TERNs - STERNIDAE								
	Caspian tern	<i>Sterna caspia</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
	White-fronted tern	<i>Sterna striata</i>		1	1	1	2	
	Common tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>		1		1	1	

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PIGEONS & DOVES - COLUMBIDAE								
E	New Zealand pigeon	<i>Hemiphaga novaeseelandiae</i>	1	1		1	2	
	Rock (feral) pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>		1	1	1	2	
PARROTS - PSITTACIDAE								
E	New Zealand kaka	<i>Nestor meridionalis</i>	1			1	1	
E	Yellow-crowned parakeet	<i>Cyanoramphus auriceps</i>	1			1	1	
CUCKOOS- CUCULIDAE								
	Long-tailed koel (cuckoo)	<i>Eudynamys taitensis</i>	1			1	1	
KINGFISHERS - ALCEDINIDAE								
	Sacred kingfisher	<i>Todiramphus sanctus</i>	1			1	1	
NEW ZEALAND WRENS - ACANTHISITTIDAE								
E	Rifleman	<i>Acanthisitta chloris</i>	1			1	1	
LARKS - ALAUDIDAE								
	Sky lark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
SWALLOWS - HIRUNDINIDAE								
	Welcome swallow	<i>Hirundo neoxena</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
ACCENTORS - PRUNELLIDAE								
	Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>		1		1	1	
THRUSHES - TURDIDAE								
	Common blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
	Song thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
OLD WORLD WARBLERS - SYLVIIDAE								
E	New Zealand fernbird	<i>Megalurus punctata</i>		1		1	1	
FANTAILS - RHIPIDURIDAE								
	Grey fantail	<i>Rhipidura fuliginosa</i>	1	1		1	2	
AUSTRALASIAN ROBINS - PETROCIDAE								
E	Tomtit	<i>Petroica macrocephala</i>	1			1	1	
E	New Zealand robin	<i>Petroica australis</i>	1			1	1	
WHISTLERS & ALLIES - PACHYCEPHALIDAE								
E	Whitehead	<i>Mohoua albicilla</i>	1			1	1	
THORNBILLS & ALLIES - ACANTHIZIDAE								
E	Grey gerygone (warbler)	<i>Gerygone igata</i>	1	1		1	2	
WHITE-EYES - ZOSTEROPIDAE								
	Silvereeye (waxeeye)	<i>Zosterops lateralis</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
HONEYEATERS - MELIPHAGIDAE								
E	New Zealand bellbird	<i>Anthornis melanura</i>	1	1		1	2	
E	Tui	<i>Prosthemadera novaeseelandiae</i>	1	1		1	2	
BELLMAGPIES - CRACTICIDAE								
	Australian magpie	<i>Gymnorhina tibicen</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
STARLINGS - STURNIDAE								
	Common starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
	Common myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>	1	1		1	2	
OLD WORLD SPARROWS - PASSERIDAE								
	House sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	1	1	1	1	3	

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SISKINS, CROSSBILLS - FRINGILLIDAE							
Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
European greenfinch	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
European goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>	1	1	1	1	3	
Common redpoll	<i>Carduelis flammea</i>		1		1	1	
BUNTINGS, SPARROWS - EMBERIZIDAE							
Yellowhammer	<i>Emberiza citrinella</i>	1	1		1	2	
TOTAL		47	51	45	68		
Day One							
Visited Pureora Forest Park including the "Tower", Whakamaru Hydroelectric dam, and Tokaanu on the shores of Lake Taupo							
Day Two							
Visited Tokaanu again in the early morning, then to Frethey Drive to see fernbird, and on to Ruatiti Domain on the Maunganui-a-teao River for blue duck. Late afternoon at the Manawatu Estuary.							
Day Three							
Visited the Manawatu Estuary in the early morning and then south to Lake Horowhenua, and then on to the Waikanae Estuary and Waimanu Lagoons where we spent most of the day. Finished in Petone.							