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## Introduction

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This report summarizes a 24 day bird-watching trip to Ethiopia, with the primary objective of seeing as many of the endemics, near-endemics and other specialty birds of the country. Ethiopia is already well-established within the African birding circuit, but reports about privately-organised trips are still rare as most go with either a driver + local bird guide or just with one of the well-known birdtour companies. Unfortunately the information that is available from those sources is not detailed enough to independently prepare a private birding trip. Hopefully the [upcoming site guide](#), written by Ken Behrens, Keith Barnes and Christian Boix (Tropical Birding) will fill that gap.

The report of Richard Webb (1995) is still valid for most of the target species and areas. This report SHOULD BE SEEN AS AN ADDITION TO WEBB, with updated maps updated maps, GPS coordinates (always given in latlong WGS1984 format) if appropriate (you can enter the coordinates in [Google maps](#)), fotos and some site descriptions of (the very few) areas that we visited and are not covered by the report of Richard Webb. [Here](#) are some pictures with comments (in Dutch).

## Itinerary

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08 oct	Departure from Brussels Airport 9PM. Night on plane.
09 oct	Arrival at Bole airport, Addis, 7AM. Birding Solulta plains (10 AM - 14 PM) and Jemma escarpment (2 PM – 6 PM). Camp @ Jemma river
10 oct	Birding Jemma river + escarpment (5.30 AM – 6 PM). Camp @ Jemma river.
11 oct	Birding Jemma river + escarpment (5.30 AM – 11 AM). Drive to Debre Zeyt with birding stops on the Solulta plain (1 PM – 6.30 PM). Night @ Debre Zeyt
12 oct	Birding Lake Chelekleka 6AM-1PM. Drive to Awash NP with birding stops (2 PM – 6 PM). Camp @ Awash NP.
13 oct	Birding Mount Fantalle 5.30 AM-3 PM. Birding around Awash river 4 PM-6 PM. Nightdrive @ airstrip 7 PM-8 PM. Camp @ Awash NP.
14 oct	Birding Kudu Valley and Poring Hot Springs in Awash NP (6 AM – 3 PM). Birding grasslands 3 PM – 6.30 PM. Camp @ Awash NP.
15 oct	Birding around Awash River (5.30 AM – 7.30 AM). Birding grasslands 7.30 AM – 9.30 AM. Drive to Lake Ziway. Birding from the fishing jetty 4 PM – 6 PM. Night Ziway.
16 oct	Birding around Bekele Molla hotel @ Lake Langano (6 AM – 9 AM). Drive to Wendo Genet with stop in Shashemene (2 hrs). Birding Wendo Genet (11 AM – 5PM). Night Wendo Genet.
17 oct	Birding Wendo Genet (5.30 AM – 10 AM). Drive to Dinsho (6 hrs). Birding around Bale NP headquarters @ Dinsho. Night @ Bale NP HQ.
18	Birding around Bale NP HQ (5.30 AM – 8 AM). Drive to Sof Omar (4 hrs). Birding Sof

oct	Omar (13.30 PM – 6 PM)
19 oct	Drive Sof Omar – Dinsho (4.5 hrs). Birding 9 kms before Dinsho (11.30 AM – 2 PM). Birding around Bale NP HQ (2 PM – 4 PM). Night @ Bale NP HQ.
20 oct	Birding Sanetti Plateau (5.15 AM – 11 AM). Drive through Hareenna forest ( 11 AM – 1 PM). Drive to Genale river with birding stops (2.30 PM – 6 PM). Drive to Negele (6 PM – 7.15 PM). Night @ Negele
21 oct	Birding Liben plains (6AM – 10 AM). Birding first 30 kms of the Arero track (10 AM – 1 PM). Free afternoon at the hotel. Night @ Negele.
22 oct	Birding Negele – Soda Road (unpaved but good) (6 AM – 4 PM). Birding Soda – Yabelo road (asphalted) (4 PM – 6 PM). Night @ Yabelo
23 oct	Birding the hill behind the hotel @ Yabelo (6 AM – 8 AM). Birding Yabelo – Mega road towards Soda, sidetrip towards Soda ( 8 AM – 6 PM). Night @ Yabelo.
24 oct	Birding Yabelo – Konso road (6 AM – 4 PM). Night @ Konso.
25 oct	Birding Konso – Turmi road (6 AM – 9 AM). Drive to Arba Minch (3 hrs). Birding Nechisar NP riverine forest (2 PM – 6.30 PM). Night in Arba Minch.
26 oct	Boat trip on Lake Chamo (7 AM – 11 AM). Birding Nechisar NP (12 AM – 6 PM). Night drive in Nechisar NP (6.30 PM – 9 PM). Camp @ Nechisar NP.
27oct	Birding Nechisar NP. Night drive in Nechisar NP (6.30 PM – 9 PM). Camp @ Nechisar NP.
28 oct	Drive to main entrance (3.5 hrs). Drive Arba Minch – Lake Awasa (6 hrs). Night Awasa.
29 oct	Birding Lake Awasa Fish Market (6 AM – 9 AM). Drive to Awash NP (5.5 hrs) with birding stops. Night Awash.
30 oct	Birding Bilen lodge (6 AM – 9 AM). Birding grasslands @ Awash NP. Drive to Debre Zeyt (3.5 hrs). Night Debre Zeyt.
31 oct	Birding Lake Chelekleka 6 AM-8 AM. Drive to Addis for practicalities (9 AM – 11.30 AM). Drive to Gibe Gorge (11.30 AM – 4 PM with birding stops and flat tyre. Birding Gibe Gorge 4 PM – 6 PM. Night Welkite.
01 nov	Drive to Gibe Gorge (30 minutes). Birding Gibe Gorge (5.45 AM – 1 PM). Drive to Addis (3 hrs with birding stop). Flight to Brussels (11.50 PM) with stop in Frankfurt.
02 nov	Arrival at Brussels Airport (7.30 AM).

### **Suggestions based on our experiences with this itinerary:**

- We did not clean up all of the endemics at Awash during our first visit, so it would have been better to stay one day more in Awash.
- The long ride from Shashemene to Dinsho was underestimated. Things should improve as they are working on the road. Spot-breasted Plover and Rouget's Rail are both easy on the Sanetti plateau, we reserved a full afternoon to search for them near Dinsho, which proved to be unnecessary.
- If you want to do the Hareenna forest justice (i.e. do more birding than just some short road-side stops on the way to Negele or Wadera, sleep in Dolo Mena, so split the long travel day to Negele into two days.
- You can fit the Liben plain and the arero track in one day and overnight in Mega. We spent one day for the Liben plains and the beginning of the Arero track. We travelled Negele-Yabello the next day, but had to go back all the way to Mega to clean up on some of the target species we did not find the day before.
- Skip the long trip to Turmi and lake Turkana, unless you really want to see some of the south-west specialties or the Hamer girls.
- Spend some more time at lake Ziway and Gibe Gorge. We used that time to search for the Sombre Rock Chat we missed in Awash.

## **Practicalities**

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### **Flight and visa**

We flew from Brussels to Addis Abeba via Paris with Ethiopian Airlines for 680 EUR return, including taxes. The baggage allowance was two times 23 kg per person. We have the feeling that the allowance is less strict for size when checking in at Bole airport, as some others were having bikes that could be checked in without surcharge. They had to pay 80EUR one way for the same bikes when checking in at Brussels.

The Ethiopian embassy in Brussels will grant a 3-month tourist visa without any hassles when presenting the filled form, one recent picture and a valid passport. The cost for this single entry is 20 EUR. Application for a visa is rather hassle-free at Addis airport, so there is no real need to do it at the consulate/embassy in your home country, but Dale his airport visa was only valid for 30 days. It is recommended that your passport has a remaining validity of at least six months. The departure tax was included in the ticket/so no departure tax anymore!?. To learn more about visas, check with your consulate or your embassy for details pertaining to your citizenship.

### **Money**

Ethiopia's official currency is the Birr (Br). Notes are in denominations of 100 (highest we saw), 50, 20, 10, 5 and 1. Coins are seldomly used for values below 1 birr. The best currencies to bring are USD or EUR. It is recommended to change all needed money upon arrival in Addis in order to save money, time and cash problems. ATM's do not exist outside Addis, and if they do, chances are slim your plastic will be accepted.

The exchange rate is more or less the same for all banks, and was 18.5 birr for one euro, or 12.5 birr for one dollar. Changing from EUR or dollar to Birr is no problem, the other way around could be more difficult. As we arrived back on Sunday in Addis on our last day, all banks were closed. The airport

bank was officially open (open 24 hours, but with 1h breaks around 6h, 12h, 18h and 24h) , but nobody was there to change our Birr. We had to rely on a Belgian Missionary brother for changing about 6000 birr that remained. We spent around 330 EUR/person for the entrance of parks, hotels, food and drinks, the service fee for the driver and some small gifts.

In total, we spent 680 (flight) + 530 (car) + 330 (food, hotels,...) = 1540 eur/person. With around 390 lifers and 500 species seen, I paid about 4 euro/lifer and 3 euro/bird.

## Transport

It seems like we are one of the few that chose a 4WD + driver without any other (birding) guide to complete the itinerary. After a lot of back-and-forth email with Greenland Ethiopia ([www.greenlandethiopia.com](http://www.greenlandethiopia.com)), a vehicle with English-speaking driver was arranged for 170\$ per day. This price included the driver unlimited fuel, mileage, insurance and expenses of the driver, like his food and hotels.

### *About the car.*

The 4WD was a 1994 Toyota Landcruiser, 1.8 turbodiesel with new tires. The 4-wheel drive had to be engaged through the manual locking of the hubs, thus the driver had to go out of the car with a big wrench.

The car had some (to overcome) shortcomings:

- The windscreen sweepers were not functioning. Due to a lot of rain the first days, this caused some minor but frustrating problems. While it was raining, we could not see any bird through the front window, and even the road and its possible hazards were not visible anymore! This problem was fixed the 4<sup>th</sup> day at Debre Zeyt, and cost us some hours waiting.
- The car was not completely waterproof: people in the front experienced wet feet because the rain was coming in through some gaps between the windscreen shield.
- Only 1 of the 2 rear doors could be opened, and only from the inside. This slowed packing and unpacking of gear, and made access to scopes on tripods more difficult.
- One of the rear windows could only be (electrically) opened and closed from the driver's seat.
- After the sometimes strenuous roads in the south, the rear shockbrakers were clearly ready for a change.
- The car did not have a music radio, nor a cigarette lighter. We brought a powerful torch (light) that required the power be provided through the cigarette lighter, so we could not use it on night drives.. The head lights of the car were not very powerfull. We have seen 4WD with extra headlights on the roof. This would be perfect for the nightdrives.
- According to the driver, the car was not insured for driving at night, which sometimes caused some tension between us and the driver. Clarify on this issue with your tour company before booking.

We had some difficulties with the way Greenland provided a driver + 4WD to us. Through email, we asked clearly for unlimited fuel and mileage. We paid half of the amount beforehand by wiring the

money to a German account (common practice). The other half of the money (still around 1750 dollar) we paid the first day in Addis. Unfortunately, the person we paid to, and even our driver were not working for Greenland. Greenland hired an intermediate, and that person hired the driver, because Greenland did not have any of its own vehicles available. So our driver was a subcontractor from a subcontractor. He received just enough money to pay for about 3500km driving. We were planning to drive about 5000km. To make things worse, fuel prices went up by 10 % during our trip. This would be no problem if we did not pay the full amount at the beginning. So we were short on fuel the last 3 days, and we had to pay the driver for the fuel.

Fortunately, we had it clearly written and signed on paper by the intermediate that we got unlimited fuel and mileage for paid money. Back in addis on the penultimate day, we spent 2 not-so-pleasant hours at the Greenland office in order to get the money back that we paid for the fuel the last 3 days. We got the money after making a scene.

My advice for the car: pay 90% of the price, 10 % in the end. Check shortcomings FIRST before leaving Addis.

#### *About the driver.*

Sisay is a freelance driver. He is regularly hired by the well-established tour companies to drive their clients around. He has a lot of experience driving in all parts of Ethiopia and even beyond. He is not the fastest or most dynamic driver, but he drove very safe, which is important when you like to take a nap while driving, or when a herd of camels crosses the road. He had a good understanding about distances and travel times, and, not unimportant, he was a nice guy overall.

However, we were the first birdwatchers he had ever driven for. Driving around birdwatchers requires more flexibility, such as driving in the dark, early morning starts, long days in the field, irregular short (or longer) stops when a bird is seen, etc. Siskey was flexible and professional enough to adapt to this situation. He did not know anything about birds, but was interested in having a shortlist about where to find what bird, in order to have a better understanding what his future clients need. I have the feeling that he can perfectly serve another birdgroup, at least, if he would still like to be doing that after having had us!

Keep in mind that not all of the well-established tour companies and drivers will be as flexible. Tony Hickey of Ethiopian quadrants is probably one of the best known persons who can arrange a vehicle and is specialised in birding excursions.

We tipped Siskey 3000 Birr for the service.

#### **Electricity**

Electric appliances operate on an alternating current, continental Europe-styled two-pin round plugs – 220 volts, 60 cycles (Hertz) are most common.

#### **Health and safety**

Yellow Fever vaccination is obligatory when visiting Ethiopia. Travellers need to be cautious with respect to what they eat and drink and to insect bites. Hepatitis A and Typhoid Fever are the two most common diseases transmitted through food and water. Yellow Fever and Malaria are the most common diseases transmitted by insects. Some of us took Malorone, others (like me) took Lariam to cover

Malaria. The wet season (may–september) results in higher chances of being bitten by mosquitos, but Malaria is only present in the lower parts of the country (in our case, the south(west) and the Rift valley).

Ethiopia is considered one of the safer countries in Africa, and even Addis felt like a relatively safe place. In many parts, people had virtually nothing at all. They are certainly not used to seeing birdwatchers with binoculars. If one wants to look through your bins, the whole village want to looks through your bins. People are generally curious, friendly if sometime a little too curious. Especially children can be a pain in the neck: they are always begging and asking for money, and unless you are in a remote corner of a national park, they are omnipresent. We did not give anything, as they will be more depending upon asking money from foreigners than (struggling to) make a living. Remember that you are still a guest in their country, and respect should be shown, even if they are just standing around you and observing you when you are searching for the birds. It is better to feel honoured because of the attention they give you, than to feel bothered because you want nobody around at that time.

The biggest risk is traffic, and especially cows, goats and camels that cross the road without warning. We saw perhaps a dozen trucks upside–down at the side of the (seemingly not overly dangerous) road. Twice we saw the rotten bodies of 5 camels after collision with a truck, close to Awash. This highway is famous for the qad–chewing truck driver that go up–and–down the Djibouti–Addis route, without taking the necessary rest to avoid the herds camels crossing the road.

### **Food and drink**

The national staple is injera (pancake) with roasted goat. I ate spaghetti with vegetables or fasting food most of the time, after some bad experience with injera the first two days. For vegetarians, there are not many options. 2 days in the week you can opt for the fasting food, which includes injera or bread with some vegetables. This is good enough to fill up and have a nice meal. The non–vegetarians had a certain preference for Dorowat, which is boiled chicken in some spicy rich sauce.

In the bigger restaurants, they have fasting food (bayenet) every day, and some pasta dishes. In the smaller places, the basis is injera with meat. Sometimes they have some nice hot bean sauce. We ate for around 200 birr for 5–6 persons, including 1–2 beverages each (Saint–George beer or soft drinks). The bill = hissab.

We had breakfast with some fruit (oranges, bananas, very good avocados), bread (not bad), chocopasta and jelly. From time to time, we bought samosa (triangular fried dough cookies filled with lentils).

For the sake of your intestinal happiness, drink only bottled or boiled water, not water from the tap. Distilled waters are available throughout the country and are of good quality. Remember that tap water is frequently used in ice, so request your beverages without ice in restaurants. We never encountered problems even though we did not always follow these guidelines.

### **Language**

Amharic is the official (or at least the main) language of Ethiopia. Almost all Ethiopian citizens, unless in the remoter corners of the country, are fluent in Amharic while there are actually over 40 other main languages actively spoken! In the Oromia province, most people tend to speak Oromia, even though they understand and speak Amharic. Our driver did not have major difficulties explaining what we

wanted him to ask/agree. English is little understood, except for those who work in bigger hotels or some of the guards in the national parks.

### Weather and clothing

The rainy season is from May to September, but we experienced some rainfall the 3<sup>rd</sup> day on the Solulta plain, at Sof Omar and at Dinsho, a heavy shower at Soda and and our last night camping at Nechisar NP (which made for an exciting drive back to Arba Minch, as about a km of the track was flooded by a stream in which we had to drive against the current that nearly flooded out then engine!).

Most of the time, it was fairly hot during the day, and it did not cool down too much during the night. Ofcourse, at higher altitudes (Dinsho, Sanetti Plateau, Solulta plain), temperatures are below comfort level at night (< 15 degrees celsius), but generally, suncream is more valuable than that extra pullover.

During the early morning, the grass can still be wet, so take shoes and long trousers. During the day, especially in the southern bushland, it can be very hot. Short trousers and sandals are comfortable, but be aware of thorn bushes (many) and snakes (only saw one). A cap or hat is handy to protect against too much sun.

### Other equipment

We took a LED flashlight to do some nightbirding and a small Nikon ED 50 scope with 27x eyepiece for longer walks, a Solid state sound recorder (Edirol R-09) for missing bird sounds, 2 big Zeiss 85mm scopes with 20-60 zoom and a digital SLR camera with 300mm F4 lens for some photos of this memorable trip.

### Time zone

Ethiopia is 2 hr in advance of GMT in summer, 3 hrs in winter.

### Accommodation

Accommodation is easy to find at most towns, and there is no reason to prebook. In the National Parks, we camped if possible.

Take earplugs for the hotels, there is always some bar with loud music, trucks passing on the main road, other guests making noise,... I generally had very good nights while camping in the parks, because it was silent. Take a torch (a must, also in some hotels without working light) and a very light sleeping bed (in hotels against bed bugs, in tents you won't need a warm sleeping bag at all).

Jemma Valley	Camping in a village near the river	About 200 Birr for guards
Debre Zeyt	First time a hotel at the main road (Bishoftu road hotel?), second time Bishoftu hotel	Roadside hotel: about 100/double, decent. Bishoftu: 105 birr for a double, no electricity, no water (only in buckets), but wonderful view on the lake from the restaurant.
Awash	Camping in the NP, second time a	Camping in the park (near the river) was



	hotel at the main road in Awash town	about 40/person/night.  The roadside hotel was still under construction, rooms were 300 birr/double, but it had shortcomings: one toilet was not working and the airco was not yet installed. The rooms were very hot at night.
Ziway	Brothers Hotel	150/double, good value but noisy because of the bar nextdoor.
Wendo Genet	Wabe Shabele lodge	300/night for a bungalow + breakfast. Rooms are good value and the garden is excellent for some of the target birds, but restaurant is bad and the design is 70's spaceship. We ate down in the village for dinner (7.085840, 38.614132).
Dinsho	Bunk beds in the "Bale NP Lodge"	90/person, comfortable but a little cold for some. The meeting room has a nice fireplace. One women cooked for us the second night we slept here (on request), but they normally have no food available.
Sof Omar	Camping in the valley	A warden from the famous Sof Omar caves asked 300birr for camping (i.e. Guarding the tents). We were not believing this was the official price, but they gave us a receipt and insisted this was the official price.
Negele	Green Hotel (camping + room)	The first night there was not a single room in Negele available, due to "a congress about regional sports"(sic). We camped in thegarden of Green hotel, and they had the guts to ask 300 Birr for camping (without use of sanitary), which is more than the room price. The second night we had double rooms for about 100/room. Not recommended, as they are a lot of other (better) options in Negele, something Lonely Planet does not mention. Try the Nile Hotel
Konso	Faranji hotel (don't remember the name)	About 150birr/double. Average.
Yabelo	Yabelo Motel	About 250 Birr/double. Although not cheap, this place has hot showers and good cuisine (+ champions league

		football).
Arba Minch	Arba Minch hotel (90/double)	Awfully smelling bathroom, no light in the room, mosquito net with holes, cracking bed. Not really recommended. The roasted Tilapia fish (fish tibs) and the fish goulash that is available everywhere in town has to be the best meal we had during the trip.
Nechisar NP	Camping in the park (5.969351,37.65418)	Fantastic views over the plains and the lakes. About 40 birr/pers/night
Awasa	Wabe Shabele 2	295 Birr /double including breakfast. Value for money, and the garden is good for birding + it is located at the border of the lake. The fish market is within walking distance.
Welkite	Hotel Soressa	50, 100 or 150 for a single. Only 3 months old, very good with hot showers and very nice rooms. The staff does anything to improve its service. Warmly recommended and possibly the best hotel of the trip.

### Something about Faranji places to eat/sleep

It seems like all tourists go to the same hotels and restaurants. These can be distinguished by the number of 4WD parked in front of the place. They are usually serving some more western style food, but from time to time, we felt like they were not any better, if not worse than the places the locals tend to go for lunch/sleeping.

So you can end up in a place where food is average, service is poor and the prices are high, and the main reason is because your driver/guide thinks you want to go there, and because you easily think those are the best (or even only) places in town. Unless tourists become a little more sensitive, this will not change anytime soon. Two places that spring to mind that are absolutely not recommended are the Wabe Shabele in Soddo, where they did not have coffee nor Cola (while the local bar across the street had Godly fresh fruitshakes), and the Green Hotel in Negele, which has very poor rooms and service, because they know that Faranjis will keep coming there as long as Lonely Planet describes this hotel as the only one in Negele (but there are plenty alternatives such as Nile Hotel, where we had an excellent meal; tel 0464451582).

## Map

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## Site descriptions

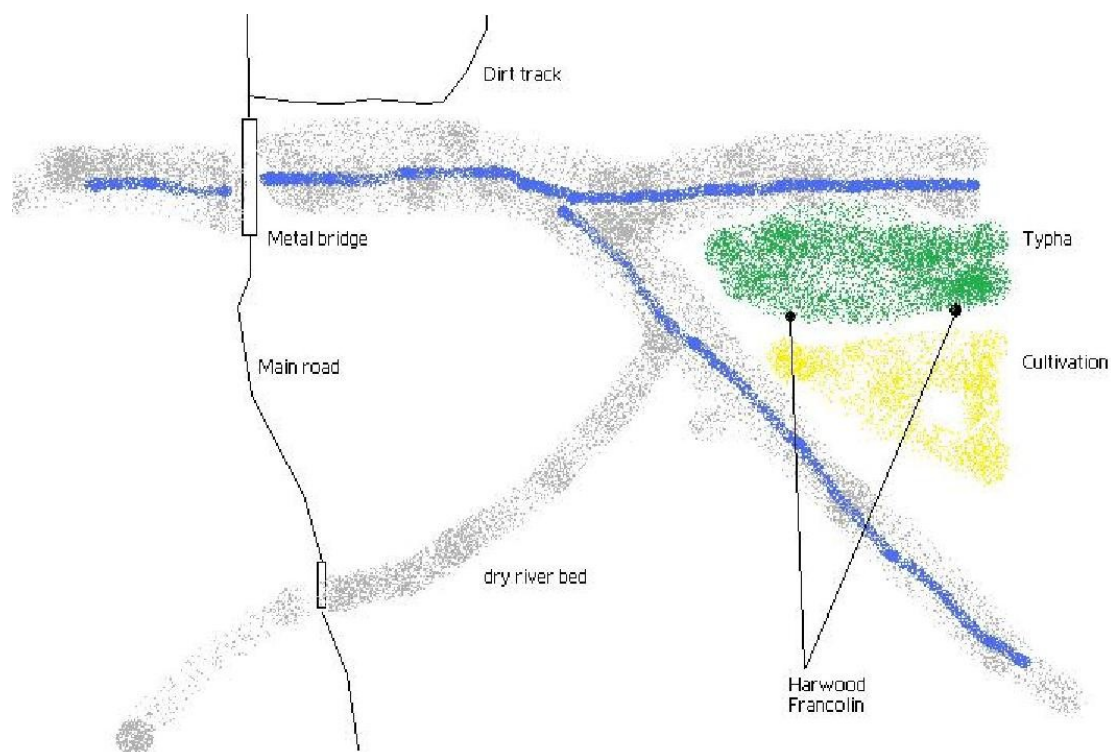
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## Sululta plains

After climbing the road north from Addis, one reaches a zone with some forest. Here we saw our first **Brown-rumped Seed-eaters** and *Moorland Chats*. The road gently settles until you will see grasslands left and right near the road. We held a long stop here, and saw plenty of *Yellow-crowned* and *Yellow Bishops*, *Groundscraper Thrush*, *Fan-tailed Widowbird*, **Red-breasted Wheatear**, *Rattling*, *Singing* and *Pectoral-patch Cisticolas*, *Pin-tailed* and *Eastern Paradise Wydah*, some *Common Cranes*, our first **Wattled Ibis** and a *Tawny eagle* landing on a pole at short distance. During lunch in a nearby village, our first of many *Lanner Falcons* was spotted. A big but probably temporary lake at the left hand side resulted in some Eurasian duck species, *African Spoonbill*, **Blue-winged Goose** and our first *Greater Flamingos*. A short stop at a river on the plains resulted on our only sighting of *African Black Duck*.

## Jemma river & Escarpment

Descending the escarpment coming down from Lemi, it takes some time before arriving at the steel bridge spanning the permanent Jemma river. Once at the bridge it is difficult to reach the fields upstream at the right hand side of the river (there is a track at the left hand side). The bridge spanning a dry riverbed some 100ths mtrs before this steel bridge is a good place to start birding.



Follow the dry river bed at the right side of the road, until you reach the permanent river. There are some fields and some high grass/reed/typha near the river, and this is suitable habitat for the **Harwood's Francolin**, who like to hide in the typha reedbeds and wander through the cultivated fields, as long as they have nearby cover. The track at north bank of the river produced both *Black-winged* and *Orange Bishop*, *Cut-throat*, *Black Saw-wing*, *Lesser Striped Swallow*, *Bush Petronia* and also some first encounters with birds like *African Pied Wagtail*, *Malachite Kingfisher* and *Black-billed Barbet*.

The dry river bed produced *Freckled Nightjar* (HO) and *Four-banded Sandgrouse* at resp. dawn and dusk.

Going back up to Lemi, you cannot miss the hairpin bends with a nice rocky gorge at the right-hand side of the road. Check the cliff for *Fox Kestrel*. There is a small house halfway between two hairpins, and this is where we tracked down a flock of *White-throated Serins* feeding on grassy seeds. Other birds comprised *Siffling* and *Singing Cisticola*, *African Silverbill* and *Hemprich's Hornbill*.

A little higher and after the hairpin bends, the road gradually goes up towards the west. The rocky hillside surprisingly held 3 *Ankober Serins* inspecting a possible nest site (N9.82355,E38.88339). Here we also noted our first *White-billed Starlings* and *Rueppel's Black Chats*. *Mocking Cliff-Chat*, *Red-collared Widowbird* and *Abyssinian Black Wheatear* are common along the slopes of the escarpment. Just past Lemi (or just before, if coming from Addis), we looked down the escarpment from the top and saw several *Erkel's Francolin* calling from the giant boulders. After some concentrated scanning, one distant *White-winged Cliff-Chat* was finally discovered. Rock Hyrax was also seen while scanning down. The grassy fields on the top were filled with *Erlanger's Lark*.

### Lake Chelekleka

We visited this lake on two different mornings. The first time we only birded the southern shore. We saw plenty of ducks at this side, such as *White-faced* and *Fulvous Whistling Duck*, *Yellow-billed* and *Red-billed Duck*, *Hottentot Teal*, *White-backed duck* and *Maccoa Duck*. One *Black-crowned Crane* the first date, and a couple the second date gave very nice views. *Rueppel's Weaver* is quite common, and the river shores attracted some good birds as *Red-faced Crombec*, *Bronze Mannakin*, *White-breasted White-eye* and *Beautiful Sunbird*. *Black-winged Lovebirds* were seen mating, and this was the only place where we saw *Malachite Sunbird*, *Rueppel's Robin-chat* and some *Mosque Swallows* on the electricity wires.

### Awash NP

The grasslands at the south of the main entrance (on the Metehara-Awash road) produced lots of *Chestnut-bellied Sandgrouse* flying overhead and sometimes sitting on the road. Some *Four-banded Sandgrouse* were flushed early morning from the road. *Singing Bushlarks* are very common in the grass. We found lots of *Kori Bustards*, even one with a *Northern Carmine Bee-eater* sitting on his back, and one *Arabian Bustard*, but failed to see any *White-bellied*, *Harlaub's* or *Black-bellied Bustards*. Other good birds were flocks of *Chestnut-backed* and *Black-crowned Sparrowlarks*, *Pygmy Falcons* and a nest with one juvenile *Black-chested Snake-eagle*. The disused airstrip was rather disappointing as not even a single nightjar was seen. Shortly before sunset, a beautiful Aardwolf came slowly towards us on his foraging track.

### Fantalle crater

The Fantalle crater dominates Awash NP. It was not possible to reach the crater edge by 4WD from the north-west (taking a track to the right, coming from Metehara at N8.919355,E39.844222), as the road was washed away, and above all, the heavily-paid guards did not know the exact route leading to the top. However, a park official told the road will be fixed in near future... The surroundings of the volcano held our first *Somali Fiscal*, while on the way up, a nice showing *Gillet's Lark* was seen. We walked all the way to the top coming from the west, without any trace of *Sombre Rock Chat*, nor *Boran Cisticola*. The consolation came in at the crater edge, when two *Yellow-throated Serins* were briefly seen halfway between the edge and the bottom of the crater.

## Kudu Valley

The Kudu Valley was quiet and hot. In the early morning, a pair of *Martial Eagles* was showing off on the electricity poles (somewhere here: N8.937841,E40.045785). On the way to the Hot Springs we got good views of *Green-winged Pytilia*. The hot springs held some waders and storks, with three *Saddle-billed Storks* as the main highlight. *African Palm Swifts* were abundant here. We searched (again) in vain for *Sombre Rock Chat* on the rocky lava fields and *Nile Valley Sunbird* on flowering bushes, but the only goodie we saw was *White-throated Bee-eater*.

## Bilen Lodge area

This isolated lodge is situated north of Awash town. Drive about 40 kms north from Awash, until there is a dirt road at the left-hand side. Follow this road for about 13 kms. We found eclipse plumage *Nile Valley Sunbirds* on this road, a fly-by *Arabian Bustard*, and the **somaliensis race of Common Bulbul**. *African Mourning Dove* was seen by Dirk and Roland. The lodge was severely overpriced, as they asked 10\$ for breakfast, and 60\$ for a single room. Needless to say, we did not stay long at this place.

## Lake Beseka

A first search on the barren lava fields surrounding the lake produced no *Sombre Rock Chats*. We tried again 2 weeks later and found 2 *Lesser Flamingos* in a small *Greater Flamingo* flock, some *Little Stints*, one unobscured *Kittlitz's Plover* and some *Curlew Sandpipers* in a big wader flock.

## Sombre Rock Chat site

On the way from Nazret to Awash, there is a very obvious big lava field at the right hand site of the road, 61km after Nazret (N8.83351,E39.71185). Some kind of big black hill is a good places to park. The first little grey bird we saw was a good one. But it showed only briefly before the undertail coverts were to be seen in the telescope. After some back-and-forth gymnastics on the baking hot lava field, we found *Blackstart* and had finally very good views of a pair of ***Sombre Rock Chats***.

## Lake Ziway

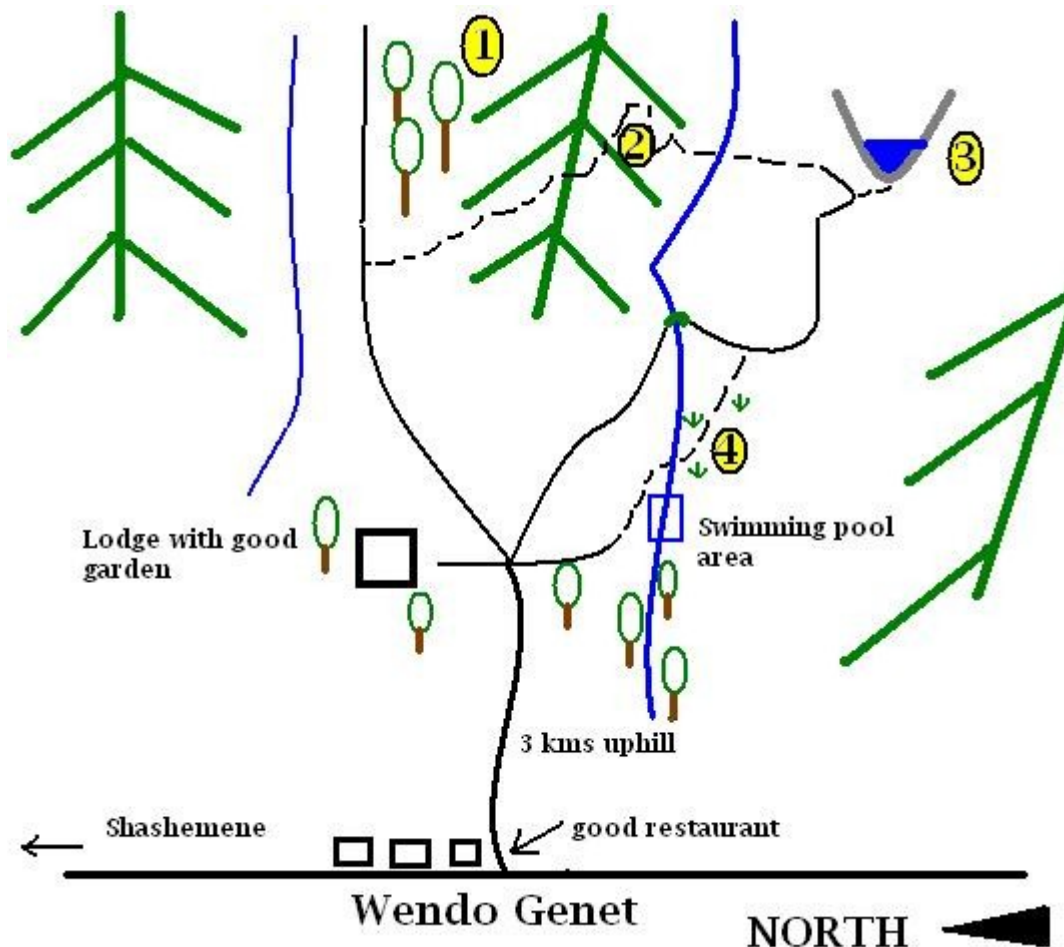
The fishing jetty at Lake Ziway is almost in the city centre (7.924746,38.729272). Turn left (or just ask) in the centre of Ziway (coming from the north), and follow this road for about a kilometre until you reach the shores of the lake. This is a good place to see some waders and ducks. There are good water lily fields at the left of the jetty, where 3 *African Pygmy Goose* were easily found. *African Darter* is abundant here, and *African Black Crake* was easily spotted. There was a massive movement of *Yellow Wagtail* of different ssp. just before dusk at the end of the jetty. This is probably also a good place for *Lesser Moorhen* and *Allen's Gallinule*, but on the way back to the north we unfortunately did not take the effort to scan the area once again.

## Lake Langano

In the early morning, we birded the hotel grounds of the Bekele Molla hotel at the lake. We had to pay 20 birr/person entrance for entering the hotel grounds. This is a very good place for *Rufous-throated Wryneck*, which was found side-by-side with *Eurasian Wryneck* in the treetops at the left from the entrance (7.547184,38.681675). *White-winged Black Tit* was found in the three in front of the entrance at the right (7.547242,38.682678). The rocky parts are good for *Little Rock Thrush*. *Red-fronted* and *Banded Barbet* were seen at the terrace while having breakfast, together with a rather unexpected *Bare-faced Go-away-bird*.

## Wendo Genet

Wendo Genet is a village about 40 minutes south from Shashemene, and the surrounding hills (mainly the east) still hold some forest with high trees and good understorey. Sadly, we saw dozens little children as young as 5, but also elderly people walking out with loads of firewood. If there is one place where a guide can be handy, this should be it.



We found *Spotted Creeper* and *Abyssinian Woodpecker* almost side-by-side in the high trees way up the valley (1). Closeby, *Yellow-bellied Waxbill*, *Yellow-fronted Tinkerbird*, *Gray Cuckoo-shrike* and *Red-shouldered Cuckoo-shrike* were seen in the same area. A couple of *African Hill Babblers* was first heard and taped in at another ridge (2), and three confiding *Half-collared Kingfishers* were seen for as long as we wanted at a quarry (3) which you can reach going all the way

up (and crossing the river) from the Wabe Shabele hotel/lodge. *Yellow-fronted Parrot* and *White-cheeked Turaco* were common in the big trees near the river, with *Abyssinian Slaty Flycatcher* lower in the same trees. *Abyssinian Ground-thrush* can be found in the Swimming pool area, but go early in the morning before the swimmers arrive, as it is rather shy and elusive. *Scaly Francolin* was heard close to the river upstream from the swimming pool, but despite some efforts was not to be seen (4).

*Double-toothed Barbet* and *Dark-headed Oriole* were found at the hotel grounds (N7.083742,E38.63774), and not far away we had rather poor views of *Brown Parisoma* (at the road crossing in front of the hotel). *Afrikan Goshawk* and *Ayres' Hawk-Eagle* were seen flying above the canopy.

### Dinsho area

On the way up to Dinsho, we had some brief roadside stops. We saw our only *Abyssinian Longclaw* and some *Ethiopian Cisticolas* in the pasture fields, and while cooling down the engine of our vehicle, we scanned (and immediately found) *Abyssinian Catbird* in the Junipers on the hillside. A *Chestnut-naped Francolin* was briefly seen around the highest point of the road.

Some 9kms before reaching Dinsho, there is a little lake which held *Blue-winged goose*, *Rouget's rail* and about 70 *Spot-breasted plovers* (N7.123192,E39.718813). Even before reaching this lake, a roadside gorge held a mighty pair of *Cape Eagle Owls* (7.104668, 39.689866). As we found the birds ourselves, we did not pay a self-proclaimed guard of the site for seeing the owls, even though he claimed that all bird groups pay him in order to search/see them.

At Dinsho National park Headquarters, the guard searched and found the roosting site for a magnificent *Abyssinian Long-eared Owl* for us. *White-backed Black Tit* was easily found, and more *Catbirds* were around. *Brown Woodland Warbler* was also common here.

### Sof Omar

Sof Omar is nothing more than a river going through a gorge, some 150 kms to the east from Dinsho. The road is not that great for some longer stretches. Pass the village of Sof Omar at the left. You will soon start to descend into the small gorge, which was remarkably green at the time of visit. We found *Salvadori's Serin* in a flock of 5 after some hours just across the gorge (6.90494,40.852529). Other good birds were *Purple Grenadier*, lots of *Bristle-crowned Starling*, *White Helmetshrike*, *Somali Tit*, *Lesser Honeyguide*, a magnificent *Red-Headed Weaver*, a couple of *African Hawk-eagles* perched in a big tree and a day-roosting *Pearl-Spotted Owl* that was mobbed by *Blue-breasted Bee-eaters*. The nightbirding produced at least 4 *African Scops-owls* in the spotlight.

### Sanetti Plateau

We wanted to be on the plateau in the early morning, because we had a long travel day ahead. Due to a persistent mist, we had to wait till 9h before we could have good views of Ethiopian wolf, *Wattled Crane* and *Moorland Francolin*. *Chestnut-naped Francolin*, *Spot-breasted Plover* and *Rouget's Rail* were abundant.

### Hareenna Forest

We did not do this place justice, like a lot of other people, because there is still a long way to travel to Negele from the forest. It would be better to spend more time at Hareenna and sleep e.g. in Dolo Mena

which is about half way between Goba and Negele. The day after, one can do justice to the Genale river to search *Prince's Ruspoli Turaco* (we found this one a little before going into the Genale river valley at, N5.92383,E39.54789, we also found Narina Trogon here), and by this divide the long travel day from Goba to Negele in two nice days. We found *Abyssinian Crimson-wing* on the way down (N6.73369,E39.71740), and some *Buzzard sp.*, most probably Mountain but difficult to judge.

### Liben Plains

The place to go for *Sidamo Lark*, the Liben grasslands are easily found at the junction between the Dolo-odo road and the Arero track, which forks right just opposite from a military base at the left-hand side (7.044210, 38.459582). Unexpectedly we found *Rufous-tailed Rock-thrush* at the site, together with just one *Sidamo Lark* and a lot of *Somali Short-toed Larks*. No coursers were to be found here, but *Crowned* and *Black-winged Plovers* were abundant, together with *White-crowned Starling*. *Shelley's Rufous-crowned Sparrow* was found sand-bathing near its nest on the way back to Negele (N5.29473 E39.66697).

### Arero track

The common name for this track, but the better route goes from the junction at the *Sidamo Lark* site almost straight to Soda, a little north of Mega. There is good birding to be done along this way, but the main focus should be on the last part of the road. Before Dawa river we encountered the first flocks of *Shelley's Starling* and *Golden-breasted Starling*, and lots of *Vulturine Guineafowl*. Halfway, a stop at Dawa River is an absolute must to see *White-winged Dove* (4.87024, 39.30392) and *Juba Weaver* (4.86389,39.30922). Some 20 meters after crossing the narrow bridge, turn right and follow this track for 1 km until you see the river and cannot move any further. *Juba Weavers* were nesting in the high grass in a river island. Some roadside stops closer to Soda produced *Black-faced Sandgrouse*, *Red-and-yellow Barbet*, *Pale Prinia*, *Pygmy Batis* and *d'Arnaud's Barbet* amongst others, but we failed to see *Bare-eyed Thrush* and *Pringle's Puffback*. After a heavy shower and a flat tyre in Soda, we found just outside the village a big flock of *Short-tailed Lark* and our first *Stresemann's Bush-crows*, in the company of *White-tailed Swallows*. The area just north of Soda should be good for *Masked Lark*, but we did not find suitable habitat. Just before arriving at the asphalt road, there were good numbers of *Black-capped Social Weavers* in the company of some *Chestnut Sparrows* and *Shelley's Rufous-crowned Sparrow* (4.17143,38.30199).

### Mega-Yabelo

The vegetation around Mega is more open than towards Yabelo. This southern part with scattered trees and a lot of termite mounts seemed to be preferred by the *Stresemann's Bush-crows* and the *White-tailed Swallows*. During a stop to observe a Imperial suspected Eagle and a Bush-crow nest visible from the roadside, we found a pair of *Heuglin's Courser*, one *Spotted Thick-knee*, an elusive flock of five *Scaly Chatterers* and *Northern Grosbeak-canary* (N4.27240 E38.28199). More towards Yabello, the more dense bush held a much-wanted *Red-naped Bush-shrike*, *Three-streaked tchagra*, *Foxy Lark*, *Brown-rumped Bunting*, and *Gray-capped Social Weaver* (approx. N4.43267 E38.27411). A *Coqui Francolin* was flushed from the higher grass near Yabello, while we finally saw our first *Boran Cisticolas* here (N4.82066 E38.20144). *Black-faced Waxbill* also occurs in the same area, but was not seen by us.

### Wadi 10 km south of Konso



In the first wadi we crossed on the route from Konso to Turmi, we saw *Spotted Palm-thrush*, *Grey-headed Silverbill* and some *Bruce Green-pigeons* (GPS). A little further down this road Toon saw a possible Reichard's Serin. We were planning to bird along this route up to Turmi, but as we were driving through a seemingly endless landscape of cultivated terraces, we were not motivated to bird further along this route, and returned at the first big bridge back to Arba Minch and Nechisar NP.

### **Nechisar NP**

Nechisar has more different habitats that all deserve some birding time. Because of car repair, we had to do a boat excursion on lake Chamo the first morning. *Goliath Heron* is easy to observe from the boat. We saw 2 *Black Herons* sitting on the poles standing near the shore. At the crocodile market we saw a *Striated Heron* and one *Lesser Sand Plover* between the crocodiles and the hippos. The park headquarters are surrounded by dense riverine forest. This should be good for *Narina Trogon* (not seen here). The best birds were *Tambourine Dove* and *Red-capped Robin-chat*. *African Fish-eagles* were present at the river. After crossing the bridge, we had good views of *Yellowbill* and *Levaillant's Cuckoo* (N5.99214 E37.57119).

The area known as "The Bridges of God" did not really produce any good birds, as we were just driving through and to keen on reaching the Grasslands. Once there, good birds we saw were *White-tailed Lark* in display flight, *Secretary Bird* hunting snakes in between the Burchell's Zebras, a day-roosting *Slender-tailed Nightjar* (across the plain under the first low bushes), and a *Black-Bellied Bustard* on the plains at first daylight.

The star activity however is driving at night and trying to catch a glimpse of at least 5 possible species of nightjar, and other wildlife. But with only *Plain* and *Slender-tailed* sitting on the track, we were a little disappointed. We at least expected *Donaldson's Smith* or *Star-spotted*, while chances to see *Dusky* and especially *Nechisar* were a little lower to almost non-existent. The most productive track for the nightjars was just south of our camping grounds when you reach the plains (5.955864,37.64868). Other notable birds and wildlife at night were *Greyish Eagle-Owl* and *Civet Cat*.

### **Lake Awasa**

The fishmarket has to be the easiest place to find *Spotted Creeper* (7.044210, 38.459582). We found 2 of them while having much more focus on finding *Abyssinian Waxbill*, in vain. A *Grey Kestrel* was perched side-by-side with a larger juvenile unidentified falcon. *Clapperton's Francolin* was heard behind the fish market grounds, but due to the dense vegetation, we did not get any views. The reedbeds left of the fish market were good for *Purple Swamphen*.

### **Gibe Gorge**

Gibe gorge is situated 25km south-west from Welkite (30 minutes drive) (8.22995,37.577863). We were lucky enough to encounter a flock of around 5 (first evening) and 15 (next morning) ***Abyssinian Waxbills*** at both sides of the river. Other birds included *Wahlberg's Eagle*, *Bush Petronia*, a flying-by *Giant Kingfisher*, a flock of *Eastern Gray Plain-tain-eaters* and a pair of *Ovampo Sparrowhawks*. The star bird, however, was a wintering *Egyptian Plover* that gave perfect views while foraging at the [riverside](#).

## Dipped target species

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What follows is a short list of species we searched for, but did not find in the right habitat or in their range. Species in **bold** are range restricted and near-endemic to the Horn of Africa (with only very small ranges in E-Sudan and North-Kenya).

African Swallow-tailed Kite (Awash grasslands), Bat Hawk (possible sighting at Sof Omar), Grasshopper Buzzard (Konso-Turmi road), Mountain Buzzard (possible sighting at Harena forest), Greater Kestrel (possible sighting of a bird flying away at the Mega-Yabelo road), Taita Falcon (searched for on rocky outcrops on the Mega-Yabelo road), Stone Partridge, **Orange River Francolin** (the sound recording was probably from the South-African ssp. and was very similar to Crested Francolin, so we were never sure of hearing any), Allen's Gallinule (should be at lake Ziway), Lesser Moorhen (Ziway? Awasa?), Heuglin's Bustard (Turkana, site not visited), Lesser Jacana (Ziway), Temminck's Courser (we scanned the Liben Plains but did not find any), Somali Courser, Double-banded Courser, Yellow-throated Sandgrouse (Nechisar?), Verraux's Eagle-Owl (Probably on the rocky wall at the Wabe shabele hotel at Lake Langanu?), Pel's Fishing Owl (old sightings at Nechisar), Montane Nightjar (played the sound at Dinsho), Dusky Nightjar, Egyptian Nightjar (Rockjumper has seen them at Aledoghi plains?), Nubian Nightjar, Star-spotted Nightjar (should be quite easy at Nechisar), Donaldson Smith's Nightjar (Nechisar), **Nechisar Nightjar** (current status? Claim by Ian Sinclair seeing one, but no further confirmation), Black Scimitarbill (no 100% sure sightings), **Masked Lark** (should be around Soda in suitable habitat, not searched for), **"Ethiopian" Cliff Swallow** (has been seen at Awash Falls and Gibe gorge), Bush Pipit (Mega-Yabelo road?), Cyprus Wheatear (status? sightings? We had only 'male' birds at Nechisar, maybe indicating this was Cyprus Wheatear?), White-fronted Black Chat (Nechisar?), Bare-eyed Thrush (Arero Track), Cinnamon Bracken Warbler (Dinsho, did not react to playback), Basra Reed Warbler (Ziway, not enough time spent here), Green-backed Eremomela, **Somali Crombec** (has been seen along the Arero Track), Desert Cisticola (Arero track), Gambaga Flycatcher (status?), hunter's Sunbird, Pringle's Puffback (dipped at the Arero Track), **Somali Starling** (no good sites/stake-outs), **Magpie Starling** (Yabelo area), Sharpe's Starling (Wendo Genet?), White-winged Widowbird (Gibe Gorge), **Red-billed Pytilia** (Gibe Gorge, searched but not found along the river sides), Orange-winged Pytilia (possible bird along the way to Sof Omar), Exclamatory Paradise Whydah (Gibe Gorge), Stripe-breasted Seed-eater.

## References

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### Bird sounds

David Matson sent me the bulk of the sounds. The quality of those recordings is very good.

Kirstin Davies sent me the cassette of Steve Smith. I digitalised those sounds.

Some additional sounds were provided by Hans Matheve.

### Trip Reports

The following trip reports were found on travellingbirder.com:

- o [Ethiopia \(23 nov - 14 dec\)](#) by Janós Olah.
- o [Trip report Ethiopia: october 1999](#) by Jan Vermeulen

- [Birding the roof of Africa: 24 nov–22 dec 2005](#) by Christian Boix

The most valuable however, is the report written by Richard Webb. It is available through the African bird club through this link: <http://www.africanbirdclub.org/sales/sales2.html#east>

- This report contains (still valid) maps and site descriptions, and surprisingly good information about where to find the target birds. The reports by John Hornbuckle and David Murdoch were found to be less interesting, as Richard Webb has done an excellent job already.

## **Books**

Birds of the horn of Africa – Nigel Redman, Terry Stevenson, John Fanshawe (2009). (the most relevant field guide)

James F. Clements – Birds of the World. A check list, (6th edition, June 2007). (@ home)

Birds of Africa South of the Sahara – Ian Sinclair, Peter Ryan (2008)

Birds of Europe – Lars Svensson, Dan Zetterström, and Killian Mullarney (2001).

Most books can be found through Amazon, NHBS and other online bookshops.

# Trip list

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Strictly following Clements 6th edition with updates.

Total number of birds: 509 seen, 3 Heard (Common Quail, Clapperton's Francolin, Scaly Francolin), 9 not seen by myself, 6 Not Countable.

- Not seen by myself: Brown-rumped Bunting, Brown-throated Wattle-eye, African Mourning dove, White-cheeked Bee-eater, Red-shouldered Cuckoo-shrike, White-winged Black Tit, Red-fronted Warbler, Garden Warbler, Northern Grosbeak-canary
- Not countable: Ostrich (Feral), African Reed-warbler (possible Eurasian), Brown-tailed chat (to check photo ID), Eurasian Hobby (possible Amur), Mountain Buzzard (not sure), Cyprus Wheatear (probably this species)

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From 09/10/2009 till 01/11/2009

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Ostrich *Struthio camelus*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – NC – Feral – 1

White-faced Whistling-Duck *Dendrocygna viduata*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 4

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 3

Fulvous Whistling-Duck *Dendrocygna bicolor*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2

White-backed Duck *Thalassornis leuconotus*

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1

Blue-winged Goose *Cyanochen cyanoptera* Near-threatened (NT) Near-endemic

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 2

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 2

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 10+

20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 10+

Comb Duck *Sarkidiornis melanotos*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 3

Egyptian Goose *Alopochen aegyptiaca*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 2

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 10+  
20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 10+

Spur-winged Goose *Plectropterus gambensis*  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1

African Pygmy-goose *Nettapus auritus*  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 3

African Black Duck *Anas sparsa*  
09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1

Gadwall *Anas strepera*  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Yellow-billed Duck *Anas undulata*  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 2  
20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 2

Northern Shoveler *Anas clypeata*  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

Red-billed Duck *Anas erythrorhyncha*  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

Northern Pintail *Anas acuta*  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Hottentot Teal *Anas hottentota*  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5

Garganey *Anas querquedula*  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 3

Southern Pochard *Netta erythrophthalma*  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2

Tufted Duck *Aythya fuligula*  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Maccoa Duck *Oxyura maccoa*  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1

Coqui Francolin *Francolinus coqui*  
23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 1

Crested Francolin *Fringilla sephaena*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 2  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 5+

Moorland Francolin *Fringilla psilolaemus*

20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 2

Scaly Francolin *Fringilla squamatus*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – HO – 1  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – HO – 5+

Erckel's Francolin *Fringilla erckelii*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – HO  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Clapperton's Francolin *Fringilla clappertoni*

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – HO – 2

Harwood's Francolin *Fringilla harwoodi* Vulnerable (VU) Country endemic

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 3

Yellow-necked Francolin *Fringilla leucoscepus*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 10+

Chestnut-naped Francolin *Fringilla castaneicollis*

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – HO – 1  
20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 5+

Common Quail *Coturnix coturnix*

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – HO

Helmeted Guineafowl *Numida meleagris*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 3

Vulturine Guineafowl *Acryllium vulturinum*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 50+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+

Little Grebe *Tachybaptus ruficollis*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 3  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

Great Crested Grebe *Podiceps cristatus*

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1

Eared Grebe *Podiceps nigricollis*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

Greater Flamingo *Phoenicopterus roseus*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 10+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

Lesser Flamingo *Phoenicopterus minor* Near-threatened (NT)

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 2

Great White Pelican *Pelecanus onocrotalus*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 4  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 100+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

Pink-backed Pelican *Pelecanus rufescens*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – HO – 2  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5

Great Cormorant *Phalacrocorax carbo*

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1

Long-tailed Cormorant *Phalacrocorax africanus*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1

Darter *Anhinga melanogaster*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

Little Bittern *Ixobrychus minutus*

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

Gray Heron *Ardea cinerea*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 3

21/10/2009 – Negele – 1

Black-headed Heron *Ardea melanocephala*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 4

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

21/10/2009 – Negele – 2

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Goliath Heron *Ardea goliath*

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 3

Purple Heron *Ardea purpurea*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

Great Egret *Ardea alba*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

21/10/2009 – Negele – 1

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 2

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+

Intermediate Egret *Egretta intermedia*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 3

Little Egret *Egretta garzetta*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+

Black Heron *Egretta ardesiaca*

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 2

Cattle Egret *Bubulcus ibis*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+



Squacco Heron *Ardeola ralloides*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

Striated Heron *Butorides striata*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Glossy Ibis *Plegadis falcinellus*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 3

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

Sacred Ibis *Threskiornis aethiopicus*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 5+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

Hadada Ibis *Bostrychia hagedash*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 5+

Wattled Ibis *Bostrychia carunculata* Near-endemic

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 10+

20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 10+

African Spoonbill *Platalea alba*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Hamerkop *Scopus umbretta*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 2  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

African Openbill *Anastomus lamelligerus*  
23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 50+

Black Stork *Ciconia nigra*  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

Woolly-necked Stork *Ciconia episcopus*  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

White Stork *Ciconia ciconia*  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

Saddle-billed Stork *Ephippiorhynchus senegalensis*  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1 close to Awash at a temporary lake  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 3 @ hot springs flying

Marabou Stork *Leptoptilos crumeniferus*  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+  
21/10/2009 – Negele – 1  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 5+

Yellow-billed Stork *Mycteria ibis*  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 10+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 10+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2

Osprey *Pandion haliaetus*  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

European Honey-buzzard *Pernis apivorus*  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

Black-shouldered Kite *Elanus caeruleus*  
09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 1  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2

**Black Kite *Milvus migrans***

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – ssp aegyptius – 10+  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – ssp aegyptius – 10+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – ssp aegyptius – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – ssp aegyptius – 10+  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – ssp aegyptius – 10+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – ssp aegyptius – 10+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – ssp aegyptius – 5+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – ssp aegyptius – 10+  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 10+  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – ssp aegyptius – 10+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – ssp aegyptius – 10+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – ssp aegyptius – 10+

**African Fish-Eagle *Haliaeetus vocifer***

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 2  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 5+

**Hooded Vulture *Necrosyrtes monachus***

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 10+  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 10+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

**Lammergeier *Gypaetus barbatus***

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1

**Egyptian Vulture *Neophron percnopterus***

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1

**White-backed Vulture *Gyps africanus***

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 10+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1

Rueppell's Griffon Gyps rueppellii

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 4  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

Lappet-faced Vulture Torgos tracheliotus Vulnerable (VU)

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2

White-headed Vulture Trionoceph occipitalis

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 3 at lake Chelekleka

Short-toed Eagle Circaetus gallicus

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Black-breasted Snake-Eagle Circaetus pectoralis

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2

Brown Snake-Eagle Circaetus cinereus

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

Bateleur Terathopius ecaudatus

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1  
20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 1  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 2

Western Marsh-Harrier Circus aeruginosus

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1

Pallid Harrier Circus macrourus Near-threatened (NT)

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 2  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 3  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 3  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 2

Montagu's Harrier *Circus pygargus*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 2  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Zaway jetty – 1  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 3  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 2

African Harrier-Hawk *Polyboroides typus*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Zaway jetty – 2  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

Dark Chanting-Goshawk *Melierax metabates*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Zaway jetty – 5+  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 1  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

Eastern Chanting-Goshawk *Melierax poliopterus*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Gabar Goshawk *Micronisus gabar*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2

African Goshawk *Accipiter tachiro*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1

Shikra *Accipiter badius*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1

Little Sparrowhawk *Accipiter minullus*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Zaway jetty – 1 @ Awash river

Ovampo Sparrowhawk *Accipiter ovampensis*

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 2 dark morph

Eurasian Sparrowhawk *Accipiter nisus*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1

Rufous-chested Sparrowhawk *Accipiter rufiventris*

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 3

Black Goshawk *Accipiter melanoleucus*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1

Eurasian Buzzard *Buteo buteo*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – ssp vulpinus – 5+

27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 1

Mountain Buzzard *Buteo oreophilus*

20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – NC – Possibly this species – 2

Augur Buzzard *Buteo augur*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 3

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 3

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 3

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 3

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 10+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

Tawny Eagle *Aquila rapax*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 5+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 1

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

Steppe Eagle *Aquila nipalensis*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 1

Wahlberg's Eagle *Aquila wahlbergi*

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 1

Verreaux's Eagle *Aquila verreauxii*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

African Hawk-Eagle *Aquila spilogaster*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 2

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 2

Booted Eagle *Aquila pennata*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1  
21/10/2009 – Negele – 1  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Ayres's Hawk-Eagle *Aquila ayresii*  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

Martial Eagle *Polemaetus bellicosus*  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2 @ Kudu valley

Long-crested Eagle *Lophaetus occipitalis*  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1 perched on the way to Awash  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2

Secretary-bird *Sagittarius serpentarius*  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 2

Pygmy Falcon *Polihierax semitorquatus*  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 2  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 4  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2

Lesser Kestrel *Falco naumanni* Vulnerable (VU)  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 4  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 1  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2

Eurasian Kestrel *Falco tinnunculus*  
09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 3  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1  
21/10/2009 – Negele – 1  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1

Fox Kestrel *Falco alopex*  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1 on the cliffs at the hairpin bends

Gray Kestrel *Falco ardosiaceus*  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1

Eurasian Hobby *Falco subbuteo*  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – NC – Possibly this species – 1  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1

African Hobby *Falco cuvierii*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1

Lanner Falcon *Falco biarmicus*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 5+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 1

21/10/2009 – Negele – 1

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

Peregrine Falcon *Falco peregrinus*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1

Rouget's Rail *Rougetius rougetii* Near-threatened (NT) Near-endemic

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 10+

Black Crake *Amaurornis flavirostra*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1

Purple Swamphen *Porphyrio porphyrio*

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 3

Common Moorhen *Gallinula chloropus*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 5+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 3

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Red-knobbed Coot *Fulica cristata*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 10+

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 5+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

Arabian Bustard *Ardeotis arabs*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

Kori Bustard *Ardeotis kori*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 4

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2



Buff-crested Bustard *Eupodotis gindiana*  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

Black-bellied Bustard *Lissotis melanogaster*  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 1

Black Crowned-Crane *Balearica pavonina* Near-threatened (NT)  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1 @ lake Chelekleka  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 2

Wattled Crane *Bugeranus carunculatus* Vulnerable (VU)  
20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 2

Common Crane *Grus grus*  
09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 5+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1

Water Thick-knee *Burhinus vermiculatus*  
23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 5 at Dawa River

Senegal Thick-knee *Burhinus senegalensis*  
09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1 @ Jemma river  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 2

Spotted Thick-knee *Burhinus capensis*  
23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 1

Spur-winged Plover *Vanellus spinosus*  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 3  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

Black-winged Lapwing *Vanellus melanopterus*  
21/10/2009 – Negele – 10+

Crowned Lapwing *Vanellus coronatus*  
21/10/2009 – Negele – 10+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – NC – Possibly this species – 2 during the night drive

Wattled Lapwing *Vanellus senegallus*  
21/10/2009 – Negele – 2

Spot-breasted Lapwing *Vanellus melanocephalus* Country endemic

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 70+

Lesser Sandplover *Charadrius mongolus*

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Kittlitz's Plover *Charadrius pecuarius*

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1

Common Ringed Plover *Charadrius hiaticula*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1

21/10/2009 – Negele – 5+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

Three-banded Plover *Charadrius tricollaris*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

Black-winged Stilt *Himantopus himantopus*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 2

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

Pied Avocet *Recurvirostra avosetta*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

African Jacana *Actophilornis africanus*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Common Sandpiper *Actitis hypoleucos*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 3

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 3

21/10/2009 – Negele – 5+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 5+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

Green Sandpiper *Tringa ochropus*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 2

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1

Common Greenshank *Tringa nebularia*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1

21/10/2009 – Negele – 5+

27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 2

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 2

Marsh Sandpiper *Tringa stagnatilis*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1

21/10/2009 – Negele – 2

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1

Wood Sandpiper *Tringa glareola*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1

21/10/2009 – Negele – 3

Black-tailed Godwit *Limosa limosa*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

Little Stint *Calidris minuta*

21/10/2009 – Negele – 3

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5

Temminck's Stint *Calidris temminckii*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1

21/10/2009 – Negele – 1

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

Curlew Sandpiper *Calidris ferruginea*

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 3

Ruff *Philomachus pugnax*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+

Common Snipe *Gallinago gallinago*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1

Egyptian Plover *Pluvianus aegyptius*

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 1

Three-banded Courser *Rhinoptilus cinctus*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 2

Gray-hooded Gull *Chroicocephalus cirrocephalus*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 10+

Gull-billed Tern *Gelochelidon nilotica*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

White-winged Tern *Chlidonias leucopterus*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+

Chestnut-bellied Sandgrouse *Pterocles exustus*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 100+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

Black-faced Sandgrouse *Pterocles decoratus*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 2

Lichtenstein's Sandgrouse *Pterocles lichtensteinii*

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 3

Four-banded Sandgrouse *Pterocles quadricinctus*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 3 flying @ Jemma river

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+ flying @ Awash

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 4

Speckled Pigeon *Columba guinea*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 10+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+

27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 10+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 10+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

White-collared Pigeon *Columba albitorques* Near-endemic

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+

Lemon Dove *Columba larvata*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+

Dusky Turtle-Dove *Streptopelia lugens*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+

White-winged Collared-Dove *Streptopelia reichenowi* Near-threatened (NT)

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 2

African Mourning Dove *Streptopelia decipiens*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 10+

Red-eyed Dove *Streptopelia semitorquata*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 10+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1

Ring-necked Dove *Streptopelia capicola*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 10+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+

Vinaceous Dove *Streptopelia vinacea*

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 1

Laughing Dove *Streptopelia senegalensis*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 5+

*Emerald-spotted Wood-Dove Turtur chalcospilos*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+

*Blue-spotted Wood-Dove Turtur afer*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

*Tambourine Dove Turtur tympanistria*

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+  
25/10/2009 – Konso – Arba Minch (+ park HQ) – 1

*Namaqua Dove Oena capensis*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 2  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

*Bruce's Green-Pigeon Treron waalia*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 2

*Black-winged Lovebird Agapornis taranta* Near-endemic

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2 mating @ lake Chelekleka  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 2

*Red-bellied Parrot Poicephalus rufiventris*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 4  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+

*Yellow-fronted Parrot Poicephalus flavifrons* Country endemic

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

*White-cheeked Turaco Tauraco leucotis* Near-endemic

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – HO – 1  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 4  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Prince Ruspoli's Turaco *Tauraco ruspolii* Vulnerable (VU) Country endemic  
20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 1

Bare-faced Go-away-bird *Corythaixoides personatus*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 2

27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 2

White-bellied Go-away-bird *Corythaixoides leucogaster*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 4

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+

27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 5+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 3

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2

Eastern Plantain-eater *Crinifer zonurus*

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 5+

Pied Cuckoo *Clamator jacobinus*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 1

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

Levaillant's Cuckoo *Clamator levaillantii*

25/10/2009 – Konso – Arba Minch (+ park HQ) – 1

African Cuckoo *Cuculus gularis*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – NC – Possibly this species – 1

Klaas's Cuckoo *Chrysococcyx klaas*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 1

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Yellowbill *Ceuthmochares aereus*

25/10/2009 – Konso – Arba Minch (+ park HQ) – 1

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Blue-headed Coucal *Centropus monachus*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 2

White-browed Coucal *Centropus superciliosus*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 3

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1

African Scops-Owl *Otus senegalensis*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 3

Cape Eagle-Owl *Bubo capensis*  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 2

Grayish Eagle-Owl *Bubo cinerascens*  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Pearl-spotted Owlet *Glaucidium perlatum*  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1  
20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 1

African Long-eared Owl *Asio abyssinicus*  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 1 near Dinsho NP HQ

Plain Nightjar *Caprimulgus inornatus*  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Freckled Nightjar *Caprimulgus tristigma*  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – HO – 1

Slender-tailed Nightjar *Caprimulgus clarus*  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1  
21/10/2009 – Negele – NC – Possibly this species – 1  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 2

Common Swift *Apus apus*  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

Nyanza Swift *Apus niansae*  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

Alpine Swift *Tachymarptis melba*  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 1

Mottled Swift *Tachymarptis aequatorialis*  
09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 5+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+

African Palm-Swift *Cypsiurus parvus*  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+

Speckled Mousebird *Colius striatus*  
09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 5+



10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

Blue-naped Mousebird *Urocolius macrourus*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+

Narina Trogon *Apaloderma narina*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 1

Half-collared Kingfisher *Alcedo semitorquata*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 3

Malachite Kingfisher *Alcedo cristata*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 2

African Pygmy-Kingfisher *Ispidina picta*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1  
22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 1

Gray-headed Kingfisher *Halcyon leucocephala*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 3  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1

Woodland Kingfisher *Halcyon senegalensis*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1

Striped Kingfisher *Halcyon chelicuti*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 2

Giant Kingfisher *Megaceryle maximus*

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 1

Pied Kingfisher *Ceryle rudis*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 2

Little Bee-eater *Merops pusillus*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

Blue-breasted Bee-eater *Merops variegatus*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+

White-throated Bee-eater *Merops albicollis*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – NC – Not seen by myself – 1

Madagascar Bee-eater *Merops superciliosus*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 4

European Bee-eater *Merops apiaster*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+

Northern Carmine Bee-eater *Merops nubicus*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Zway jetty – 2 of which one perched on a Kori Bustard @ Awash NP  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 3  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 3  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 2  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2

European Roller *Coracias garrulus*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2

Abyssinian Roller *Coracias abyssinicus*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Zway jetty – 5+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 2

Lilac-breasted Roller *Coracias caudatus*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1  
22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 5+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 1

Broad-billed Roller *Eurystomus glaucurus*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1 @ Awash  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Eurasian Hoopoe *Upupa epops*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+  
21/10/2009 – Negele – 3

Black-billed Woodhoopoe *Phoeniculus somaliensis*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 10+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5+

Abyssinian Scimitar-bill *Rhinopomastus minor*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2

Red-billed Hornbill *Tockus erythrorhynchus*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Eastern Yellow-billed Hornbill *Tockus flavirostris*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – NC – Not seen by myself – 1  
22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 5+

Von der Decken's Hornbill *Tockus deckeni*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 2  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+

Hemprich's Hornbill *Tockus hemprichii*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2

African Gray Hornbill *Tockus nasutus*

- 13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 4
- 14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+
- 15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+
- 30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2
- 31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 2

Silvery-cheeked Hornbill *Ceratogymna brevis*

- 16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+
- 17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 2
- 27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 3

Abyssinian Ground-Hornbill *Bucorvus abyssinicus*

- 10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1
- 13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 2
- 14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 4
- 20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 2
- 27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 1
- 29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1

Red-and-yellow Barbet *Trachyphonus erythrocephalus*

- 20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 2
- 21/10/2009 – Negele – 1
- 22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 1

Yellow-breasted Barbet *Trachyphonus margaritatus*

- 13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1
- 30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

D'Arnaud's Barbet *Trachyphonus darnaudii*

- 22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 2
- 24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+

Red-fronted Tinkerbird *Pogoniulus pusillus*

- 10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1
- 13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 2
- 14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2
- 15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2

Yellow-fronted Tinkerbird *Pogoniulus chrysoconus*

- 16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 3

Red-fronted Barbet *Tricholaema diademata*

- 16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

Black-throated Barbet *Tricholaema melanocephala*

- 13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1
- 22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 3
- 30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

Banded Barbet *Lybius undatus* Near-endemic

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 4

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1

Black-billed Barbet *Lybius guifsobalito*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Zaway jetty – 4

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

Double-toothed Barbet *Lybius bidentatus*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

Wahlberg's Honeyguide *Prodotiscus regulus*

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Lesser Honeyguide *Indicator minor*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1

Eurasian Wryneck *Jynx torquilla*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

Rufous-necked Wryneck *Jynx ruficollis*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

Nubian Woodpecker *Campethera nubica*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Zaway jetty – 1

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1

Abyssinian Woodpecker *Dendropicos abyssinicus* Country endemic

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1 @ the Jemma escarpment

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

Cardinal Woodpecker *Dendropicos fuscescens*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 3

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2

Bearded Woodpecker *Dendropicos namaquus*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

Gray-headed Woodpecker *Dendropicos spodocephalus*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1

Red-backed Shrike *Lanius collurio*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

Rufous-tailed Shrike *Lanius isabellinus*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Southern Gray Shrike *Lanius meridionalis*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 2

Gray-backed Fiscal *Lanius excubitoroides*

25/10/2009 – Konso – Arba Minch (+ park HQ) – 3  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+

Taita Fiscal *Lanius dorsalis*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 2

Somali Fiscal *Lanius somalicus*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 3  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 3

Common Fiscal *Lanius collaris*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 2

Masked Shrike *Lanius nubicus*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

Woodchat Shrike *Lanius senator*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 3

White-rumped Shrike *Eurocephalus rueppelli*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 3  
21/10/2009 – Negele – 5+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+

Gray Cuckoo–shrike *Coracina caesia*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

Red–shouldered Cuckoo–shrike *Campephaga phoenicea*

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – NC – Not seen by myself – 1

Stresemann's Bush–Crow *Zavattariornis stresemanni* Vulnerable (VU) Country endemic

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 10+

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 10+

Cape Crow *Corvus capensis*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

Pied Crow *Corvus albus*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

21/10/2009 – Negele – 5+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Somali Crow *Corvus edithae*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5+

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 5+

20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 5+

21/10/2009 – Negele – 5+

Fan–tailed Raven *Corvus rhipidurus*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+

Thick–billed Raven *Corvus crassirostris*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2

African Paradise–Flycatcher *Terpsiphone viridis*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 2  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 2  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 2  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 2

Singing Bushlark *Mirafra cantillans*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

White–tailed Lark *Mirafra albicauda*

27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 1

Gillett's Lark *Mirafra gilletti*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1

Sidamo Lark *Heteromirafra sidamoensis* Vulnerable (VU) Country endemic

21/10/2009 – Negele – 1

Foxy Lark *Calendulauda alopex*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 1

Chestnut–backed Sparrow–Lark *Eremopterix leucotis*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+

Black–crowned Sparrow–Lark *Eremopterix nigriceps*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+

Erlanger's Lark *Calandrella erlangeri* Country endemic

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 5+

Somali Short–toed Lark *Calandrella somalica*

21/10/2009 – Negele – 10+

Short–tailed Lark *Pseudalaemon fremantlii*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 30+

Thekla Lark *Galerida theklae*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 5+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+



18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5+

Plain Martin *Riparia paludicola*

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 5+

Bank Swallow *Riparia riparia*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+

27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 10+

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

Banded Martin *Riparia cincta*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

Rock Martin *Ptyonoprogne fuligula*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 5+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 10+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

21/10/2009 – Negele – 10+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+

27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 10+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 10+

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 10+

Ethiopian Swallow *Hirundo aethiopica*

21/10/2009 – Negele – 10+

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 1

Wire-tailed Swallow *Hirundo smithii*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1

White-tailed Swallow *Hirundo megaensis* Vulnerable (VU) Country endemic

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 5+

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 5+

Red-rumped Swallow *Cecropis daurica*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 3

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

Lesser Striped-Swallow *Cecropis abyssinica*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 2

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 5+

Mosque Swallow *Cecropis senegalensis*

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

House Martin *Delichon urbicum*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+

Black Sawwing *Psalidoprocne pristoptera*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – ssp *pristoptera* – 10+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – ssp *pristoptera* – 10+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – ssp *antinatorii* – 10+

White-winged Black-Tit *Melaniparus leucomelas*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – NC – Not seen by myself – 1

White-backed Black-Tit *Melaniparus leuconotus* Near-endemic

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 3

Somali Tit *Melaniparus thruppi*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1

Mouse-colored Penduline-Tit *Anthoscopus musculus*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 2

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 4

Spotted Creeper *Salpornis spilonotus*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 2

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 2

Common Bulbul *Pycnonotus barbatus*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – ssp schoanus – 1  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – ssp schoanus – 5+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – ssp schoanus – 5+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – ssp schoanus – 5+  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – ssp schoanus – 5+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – ssp schoanus – 5+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 10+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – ssp somaliensis – 3  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

Northern Brownbul *Phyllastrephus strepitans*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+

Red-faced Cisticola *Cisticola erythropus*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

Singing Cisticola *Cisticola cantans*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 2  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

Boran Cisticola *Cisticola bodessa*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 5+

Rattling Cisticola *Cisticola chiniana*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 10+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

Winding Cisticola *Cisticola galactotes*

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – ssp lugubris – 1  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 5+

Siffling Cisticola *Cisticola brachypterus*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1

Foxy Cisticola *Cisticola troglodytes*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

Tiny Cisticola *Cisticola nana*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 1

Zitting Cisticola *Cisticola juncidis*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2

Pectoral-patch Cisticola *Cisticola brunnescens*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 3

Tawny-flanked Prinia *Prinia subflava*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1

Pale Prinia *Prinia somalica*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 2

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 2

Yellow-breasted Apalis *Apalis flavida*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 2

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

Red-fronted Warbler *Urorhipis rufifrons*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – NC – Not seen by myself – 1

Green-backed Camaroptera *Camaroptera brachyura*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 3

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 3

Gray Wren-Warbler *Calamonastes simplex*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

African Reed-Warbler *Acrocephalus baeticatus*

20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – NC – Possibly this species – 1

Lesser Swamp-Warbler *Acrocephalus gracilirostris*

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 3

Eastern Olivaceous Warbler *Hippolais pallida*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1

Upcher's Warbler *Hippolais languida*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2

Buff-bellied Warbler *Phyllolais pulchella*

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

Yellow-bellied Eremomela *Eremomela icteropygialis*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 5+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – HO – 2

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 2

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2

Northern Crombec *Sylvietta brachyura*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 2

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 2

Red-faced Crombec *Sylvietta whytii*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 1

Brown Woodland-Warbler *Phylloscopus umbrovirens*

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 2

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5+

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 2

Willow Warbler *Phylloscopus trochilus*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 2

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 2

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 2

Common Chiffchaff *Phylloscopus collybita*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

Blackcap *Sylvia atricapilla*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

Garden Warbler *Sylvia borin*

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – NC – Not seen by myself – 1

Greater Whitethroat *Sylvia communis*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 5+

Lesser Whitethroat *Sylvia curruca*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+

Brown Warbler *Parisoma lugens*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

Banded Warbler *Parisoma boehmi*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 3

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 2

Pale Flycatcher *Bradornis pallidus*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 5+

African Gray Flycatcher *Bradornis microrhynchus*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 5+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+

Abyssinian Slaty-Flycatcher *Melaenornis chocolatinus* Near-endemic

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

Northern Black-Flycatcher *Melaenornis edolioides*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 1

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+

Spotted Flycatcher *Muscicapa striata*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5+

African Pipit *Anthus cinnamomeus*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 1

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

Long-billed Pipit *Anthus similis*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1

Plain-backed Pipit *Anthus leucophrys*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

Red-throated Pipit *Anthus cervinus*

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1

21/10/2009 – Negele – 5+

Tree Pipit *Anthus trivialis*

21/10/2009 – Negele – 5+

Abyssinian Longclaw *Macronyx flavicollis* Near-threatened (NT) Country endemic

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+

White Wagtail *Motacilla alba*

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 1

African Pied Wagtail *Motacilla aguimp*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 4

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 3

Western Yellow Wagtail *Motacilla flava*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 5+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – ssp thunbergi – 10+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1000+

21/10/2009 – Negele – 10+

Gray Wagtail *Motacilla cinerea*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 1

Mountain Wagtail *Motacilla clara*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+

Rufous-tailed Rock-Thrush *Monticola saxatilis*

21/10/2009 – Negele – 1

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 1

Little Rock-Thrush *Monticola rufocinereus*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 3

Blue Rock-Thrush *Monticola solitarius*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

Abyssinian Ground-Thrush *Zoothera piaggiae*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+

Groundscraper Thrush *Psophocichla litsipsirupa*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+

Olive Thrush *Turdus olivaceus*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 2

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 5+

African Thrush *Turdus pelios*

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 2

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 2

African Dusky Flycatcher *Muscicapa adusta*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+

Thrush Nightingale *Luscinia luscinia*

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1

Common Nightingale *Luscinia megarhynchos*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

Rueppell's Robin-Chat *Cossypha semirufa*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1 @ lake Chelekleka

White-browed Robin-Chat *Cossypha heuglini*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 3

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 4

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 1

Red-capped Robin-Chat *Cossypha natalensis*

27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 1

Spotted Morning-Thrush *Cichladusa guttata*

25/10/2009 – Konso – Arba Minch (+ park HQ) – 2

Red-backed Scrub-Robin *Cercotrichas leucophrys*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+

Rufous-tailed Scrub-Robin *Cercotrichas galactotes*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

Black Redstart *Phoenicurus ochruros*



13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 2  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1

Common Redstart *Phoenicurus phoenicurus*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 2  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 3  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1

Whinchat *Saxicola rubetra*

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 2

Stonechat *Saxicola torquatus*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – ssp *maurus* – 5+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – ssp *albofasciatus* – 1  
21/10/2009 – Negele – 1

Mourning Wheatear *Oenanthe lugens*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – ssp *lugubris* – 10+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – ssp *lugubris* – 10+

Pied Wheatear *Oenanthe pleschanka*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 3  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 2  
27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – 5+  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 3

Cyprus Wheatear *Oenanthe cypriaca*

27/10/2009 – Nechisar NP – NC – Possibly this species – 5+

Black-eared Wheatear *Oenanthe hispanica*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziday jetty – 1

Isabelline Wheatear *Oenanthe isabellina*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziday jetty – 10+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 5+

20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 10+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 10+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+

Red-breasted Wheatear *Oenanthe bottae*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+

Brown-tailed Chat *Cercomela scotocerca*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – NC – Possibly this species – 1

Sombre Chat *Cercomela dubia* Data deficient (DD) Near-endemic

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 2

Blackstart *Cercomela melanura*

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1

Moorland Chat *Cercomela sordida*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 5+

Rueppell's Chat *Myrmecocichla melaena* Near-endemic

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+

Mocking Cliff-Chat *Thamnolaea cinnamomeiventris*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

White-winged Cliff-Chat *Thamnolaea semirufa* Near-endemic

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1 on the top of the Jemma Escarpment

Brown-throated Wattle-eye *Platysteira cyanea*

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – NC – Not seen by myself – 1

Gray-headed Batis *Batis orientalis*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Black-headed Batis *Batis minor*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1

Pygmy Batis *Batis perkeo*

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 3  
25/10/2009 – Konso – Arba Minch (+ park HQ) – 2

African Hill Babbler *Pseudoalcippe abyssinica*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 2

Scaly Chatterer *Turdoides aylmeri*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 5

Rufous Chatterer *Turdoides rubiginosa*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+

White-rumped Babbler *Turdoides leucopygia*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 5+

Abyssinian Catbird *Parophasma galinieri* Country endemic

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 10+

Kenya Violet-backed Sunbird *Anthreptes orientalis*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 2  
23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 2  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2

Collared Sunbird *Hedydipna collaris*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1

Nile Valley Sunbird *Hedydipna metallica*

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Western Olive Sunbird *Cyanomitra obscura*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar

Scarlet-chested Sunbird *Chalcomitra senegalensis*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

Tacazze Sunbird *Nectarinia tacazze*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2

Malachite Sunbird *Nectarinia famosa*  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2

Beautiful Sunbird *Cinnyris pulchellus*  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 4  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Mariqua Sunbird *Cinnyris mariquensis*  
22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 1  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+

Black-bellied Sunbird *Cinnyris nectarinioides*  
21/10/2009 – Negele – 5+

Shining Sunbird *Cinnyris habessinicus*  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

Variable Sunbird *Cinnyris venustus*  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+

Broad-ringed White-eye *Zosterops poliogastrus*  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+

White-breasted White-eye *Zosterops abyssinicus*  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Eurasian Golden Oriole *Oriolus oriolus*  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5+

Dark-headed Oriole *Oriolus monacha* Near-endemic  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+

African Black-headed Oriole *Oriolus larvatus*

21/10/2009 – Negele – 2  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+

*Brubru Nilaus afer*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 2  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1  
22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 2

*Northern Puffback Dryoscopus gambensis*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

*Black-crowned Tchagra Tchagra senegalus*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 2

*Three-streaked Tchagra Tchagra jamesi*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 3

*Red-naped Bushshrike Laniarius ruficeps*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 1

*Tropical Boubou Laniarius aethiopicus*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – ssp aethiopicus – 2  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 2  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 2

*Slate-colored Boubou Laniarius funebris*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 2  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 2

*Rosy-patched Bushshrike Rhodophoneus cruentus*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2  
23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 2  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

*Sulphur-breasted Bushshrike Telophorus sulfureopectus*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1  
22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 2

*Gray-headed Bushshrike Malaconotus blanchoti*

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

*White Helmetshrike Prionops plumatus*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5+

*Fork-tailed Drongo Dicrurus adsimilis*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 3

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 2  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+  
21/10/2009 – Negele – 5+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 5+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 2

*Wattled Starling Creatophora cinerea*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+ on the way to Awash

*Greater Blue-eared Glossy-Starling Lamprotornis chalybaeus*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 10+

*Lesser Blue-eared Glossy-Starling Lamprotornis chloropterus*

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 10+

*Rueppell's Glossy-Starling Lamprotornis purpuroptera*

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+  
26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 5+  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 5+

*Golden-breasted Starling Lamprotornis regius*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 10+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+

*Superb Starling Lamprotornis superbus*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 2  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 10+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+

*Shelley's Starling Lamprotornis shelleyi*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 5+

*Violet-backed Starling Cinnycinclus leucogaster*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

*White-crowned Starling Spreo albicapillus*

21/10/2009 – Negele – 5+

Red-winged Starling *Onychognathus morio*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 5+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 10+

Slender-billed Starling *Onychognathus tenuirostris*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 100+

Bristle-crowned Starling *Onychognathus salvadorii*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5+

White-billed Starling *Onychognathus albirostris* Near-endemic

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Red-billed Oxpecker *Buphagus erythrorhynchus*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 5+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+

Shelley's Rufous Sparrow *Passer shelleyi*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 3

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 5+

Swainson's Sparrow *Passer swainsonii*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 10+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 5+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 5+

Chestnut Sparrow *Passer eminibey*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 5+

Yellow-spotted Petronia *Petronia pyrgita*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 5+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Bush Petronia *Petronia dentata*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 2

Red-billed Buffalo-Weaver *Bubalornis niger*

21/10/2009 – Negele – 1

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+

White-headed Buffalo-Weaver *Dinemellia dinemelli*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziday jetty – 10+

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 10+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 10+

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+

Speckle-fronted Weaver *Sporopipes frontalis*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

White-browed Sparrow-Weaver *Plocepasser mahali*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 10+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 10+

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+

Chestnut-crowned Sparrow-Weaver *Plocepasser superciliosus*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 1

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 1

Gray-headed Social-Weaver *Pseudonigrita arnaudi*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 10+

Black-capped Social-Weaver *Pseudonigrita cabanisi*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 10+

Red-headed Weaver *Anaplectes rubriceps*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1

Baglafaecht Weaver *Ploceus baglafaecht*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 5+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+



Little Weaver *Ploceus luteolus*

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+

Spectacled Weaver *Ploceus ocularis*

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

Northern Masked-Weaver *Ploceus taeniopterus*

26/10/2009 – Lake Chamo – Nechisar – 1

Lesser Masked-Weaver *Ploceus intermedius*

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2

Vitelline Masked-Weaver *Ploceus vitellinus*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 5+

Rueppell's Weaver *Ploceus galbula*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+ @ lake Chelekleka

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

Speke's Weaver *Ploceus spekei*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 5+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1

Village Weaver *Ploceus cucullatus*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 10+

Salvadori's Weaver *Ploceus dichrocephalus*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 5+

Chestnut Weaver *Ploceus rubiginosus*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 5+

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 10+

Red-billed *Quelea quelea quelea*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1

Orange Bishop *Euplectes franciscanus*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

Red Bishop *Euplectes orix*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

Black-winged Bishop *Euplectes hordeaceus*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 2  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 5+

Yellow-crowned Bishop *Euplectes afer*  
09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 2

Yellow Bishop *Euplectes capensis*  
09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 10+

Red-collared Widowbird *Euplectes ardens*  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

Fan-tailed Widowbird *Euplectes axillaris*  
09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

Grosbeak Weaver *Amblyospiza albifrons*  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – NC – Not seen by myself

Yellow-bellied Waxbill *Coccyzygia quartinia*  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 2

Abyssinian Crimson-wing *Cryptospiza salvadorii*  
20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 3

Fawn-breasted Waxbill *Estrilda paludicola*  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 10+

Crimson-rumped Waxbill *Estrilda rhodopyga*  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

Common Waxbill *Estrilda astrild*  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 2  
18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5+

Red-rumped Waxbill *Estrilda charmosyna*  
23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 4

Red-cheeked Cordonbleu *Uraeginthus bengalus*  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+  
13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 10+

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 5+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 1  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 5+  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 5+

Purple Grenadier *Granatina ianthinogaster*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1  
22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 5+  
30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 1

Green-winged Pytilia *Pytilia melba*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 1  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 3 @ Kudu valley

Red-billed Firefinch *Lagonosticta senegala*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+  
10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+  
12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+  
14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 10+  
15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 10+  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 3  
29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 10+  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 5+

Bar-breasted Firefinch *Lagonosticta rufopicta*

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 2  
01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 5+

Black-faced Firefinch *Lagonosticta larvata*

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 1

Cut-throat Amadina *fasciata*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 2  
11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2  
23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 5+  
24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 1  
31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 2

Gray-headed Silverbill *Odontospiza griseicapilla*

25/10/2009 – Konso – Arba Minch (+ park HQ) – 2

Bronze Mannikin *Spermestes cucullatus*

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1  
17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 5

Black-and-white Mannikin *Spermestes bicolor*

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 1  
16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 10+

African Silverbill *Euodice cantans*

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – 10+

Pin-tailed Whydah *Vidua macroura*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 3

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 2

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 1

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 2

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 5+

Eastern Paradise-Whydah *Vidua paradisaea*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 1

14/10/2009 – Hot springs – Kudu valley – grasslands (Awash NP) – 1

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 5+

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 1

Village Indigobird *Vidua chalybeata*

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5+

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

15/10/2009 – Awash NP – Ziway jetty – 2

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 2

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 5+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 5+

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 5+

Ankober Serin *Carduelis ankoberensis* Vulnerable (VU) Country endemic

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 3

Yellow-crowned Canary *Serinus flavivertex*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2

Abyssinian Siskin *Serinus nigriceps* Country endemic

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 5+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

19/10/2009 – Sof Omar – Dinsho – 10+

20/10/2009 – Dinsho – Negele – 10+

African Citril *Serinus citrinelloides*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 2

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 5+

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 10+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

31/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Addis – Gibe gorge – 10+

Reichenow's Seedeater *Serinus reichenowi*

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 1

21/10/2009 – Negele – 5+

Yellow-rumped Serin *Serinus xanthopygius* Near-endemic

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 5 @ hairpin bends in Jemma escarpment

Yellow-fronted Canary *Serinus mozambicus*

01/11/2009 – Gibe – Addis – 2

White-bellied Canary *Serinus dorsostriatus*

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 3

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 1

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 10+

24/10/2009 – Yabello – Konso – 10+

Yellow-throated Serin *Serinus flavigula* Endangered (EN) Country endemic

13/10/2009 – Mount Fantalle, Awash – 2 at the Fantalle crater, Awash NP

Salvadori's Serin *Serinus xantholaemus* Vulnerable (VU) Country endemic

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 5 @ Sof Omar

Northern Grosbeak-Canary *Serinus donaldsoni*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – NC – Not seen by myself – 1

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 1

30/10/2009 – Awash – Bilen – Awash NP – Debre Zeyt – NC – Not seen by myself – 1

Streaky Seedeater *Serinus striolatus*

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 2

12/10/2009 – Lake Chelekleka – Awash NP – 10+

16/10/2009 – Langano – Wondo Genet – 10+

17/10/2009 – Wondo Genet – Dinsho – 10+

Brown-rumped Seedeater *Serinus tristriatus* Near-endemic

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 10+

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

18/10/2009 – Dinsho – Sof Omar – 10+

Ortolan Bunting *Emberiza hortulana*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 2

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 5+

Cinnamon-breasted Bunting *Emberiza tahapisi*

09/10/2009 – Sululta plain – 1

10/10/2009 – Jemma Escarpment – 10+

11/10/2009 – Jemma – Debre Zeyt – 10+

Somali Bunting *Emberiza poliopleura*

22/10/2009 – Negele – Soda – Yabello – 2

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – 5+

29/10/2009 – Lake Awasa – Awash – 2

Brown-rumped Bunting *Emberiza affinis*

23/10/2009 – Yabello – Soda road – NC – Not seen by myself – 1

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