

# SPAIN

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## ITINERARY

On this birding trip was Stefan Cherrug, Malmö, Sweden and Thomas Lindblad, Lund, Sweden. The purpose of our journey was to see as much of Spain and its birds as possible in 8 days. With a more careful planning we should also have had time to visit Zaragoza with a chance to see Dupont's Lark. With this intention the tour was very hectic with little time for looking more carefully at any bird or locality.

Despite thorough search we missed Black-shouldered Kite, Andalusian Hemipode, White-rumped and Little Swifts, Spanish subspecies/species of Green Woodpecker and Rufous Bushchat. For the Swifts and Bushchat it was probably too early in the season. The Andalusian Hemipode was missed because of misreading a map. The species can be seen and heard in Coto del Rey east of the little village El Rocio and in Coto Donana National park. There is no good answer to why we didn't see any Black-shouldered Kites. Even if the species has increased, it is still uncommon. The best area in Spain is the wooded landscape north of Trujillo. In all we saw 189 species of birds.

The journey was without any problems. The car we rented (booked from Sweden) was ready at Malaga airport when we arrived. Picking up the car and the luggage took less than half an hour.

The best maps were Michelin's 446 covering Andalucía and Costa del Sol and 447 covering Madrid and Extremadura. We faced some problems finding them in Spain, so it is advisable to buy them before you travel. In all we drove 2832 kms.

We had dinner at restaurants every evening. We usually had breakfast at a bar after some hours of birding in the morning. We managed good on coca-cola and some snacks during day-time.

We stayed at the hotels and hostels which we could find in the areas visited. The only disappointment was a hostel without water by the road at El Rocio, but good accommodation can be found in Almonte just north of the village.

## EXPENDITURES

The airticket cost 173 £ and was bought at Spies travel agency. Renting the car for one week and with unlimited mileage cost 136 £. The price for the petrol was around 0.36 £ (70 pesetas). In total we filled up with gasoline for 25939 pesetas. The hotels varied between 9 and 35 £ (1800-6860 pesetas) for two persons. The hotel outside Navacerrada was the most expensive but was the only one in the vicinity. Dinner at restaurants cost 5.62-11.23 £ (1100-2200 pesetas). We managed good on 190 £ as pocket-money.

## DIARY

### Thursday 27.4

*Malaga-Antequera-Granada-Jaén-Bailén-Madrid Navacerrada*

Left Copenhagen airport 7.15 and landed at Malaga 3 hours and 15 minutes later. We immediately drove north. Just north Malaga the first tick was showing up: **Azure-winged Magpie**. Later we should see plenty of them. The weather was good between Malaga and Madrid. North of Madrid we had rain showers and it was rather cold.

**Friday 28.4**

*Puerto de Navacerrada-El Escorial-Oropesa-Puerto de Miravete-Jaraiceja-Monroy-Trujillo*

Puerto de Navacerrada offered plenty of wood and mountain species, especially **Citril Finch**; some kilometres below the top we found the Finches. In the afternoon and evening we drove around in the cork-oak woods at Trujillo and Monroy in search of **Black-shouldered Kite**, but we could not find any. **Woodchat Shrike** and **Azure-winged Magpie** were common and the first **Great Spotted Cuckoos** were observed just north of Trujillo. **Lesser Kestrel** was very common at Trujillo. Checked in at a hotel at Trujillo.

**Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4 9.15-10.20**

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|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Crossbill c 25    | Goldcrest 4     | Citril Finch c 30 |
| Nuthatch 2        | Mistle Thrush 1 | Great Tit 1       |
| Wren 4            | Raven 7         | Robin 3           |
| Rock Bunting c 15 | Chaffinch 3     | Great Spotted     |
| Siskin 2          | Crested Tit 6   | G S Woodp 1       |

**Saturday 29.4**

*Trujillo-Puerto de Miravete-Arroya de la Vid-Torecillas de Tiesa-Belen-Trujillo-Almaraz-Majadas-Toil-Villareal-Santuario de Monfragüe*

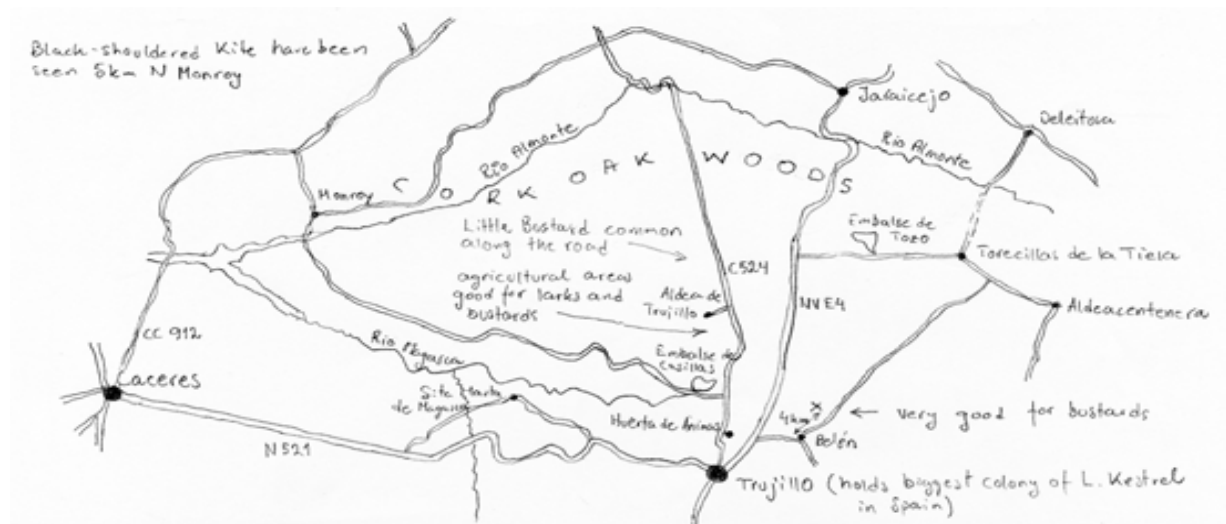
Made a new search for **Black-shouldered Kite** in the area south of Parque Natural de Monfragüe. We stopped at a radar station near Puerto de Miravete, but were asked to leave by guards. We later found out that the area was prohibited and that it was the western part of the park that was accessible. Instead of driving NV E4 through the park we recommend the C 524 from Plasencia. After c. 28 km you pass a rock that holds **Griffon and Black Vulture** and also **Black Stork**. The woods along this road look good for **Black-shouldered Kite**. Parque Nacional de Monfragüe holds the densest population of **Black Vulture** in Spain.

The fields north of the little village Belen (just NE Trujillo) is very good for **Bustards**. Both species were seen in great number.

The night brought us to Costa del Sol and the little village El Rocio.

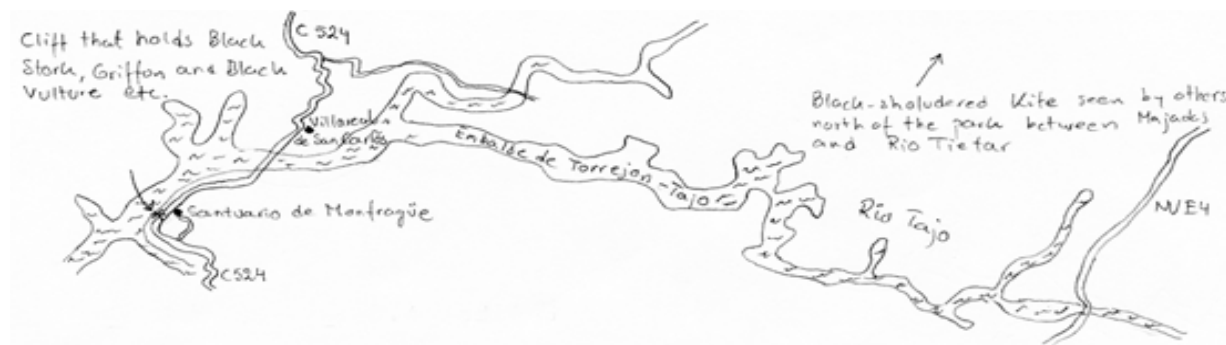
**Trujillo area 28 and 29.4**

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| Azure-w Magpie com   | Black Kite com       | Egyptian Vulture 1 |
| Spotless Starling n  | White Stork 85       | Griffon Vulture 23 |
| House Sparrow com    | Buzzard 5            | Black-e Wheatear 3 |
| Magpie corn          | Mistle Thrush 4      | Hoopoe 4           |
| Serin com            | Wood Lark 4          | Roller 2           |
| Corn Bunting com     | Calandra Lark 6      | Thekla Lark 2      |
| Great Grey Shrike c  | Short-toed Lark 3    | Blue Tit 2         |
| Woodchat Shrike corn | Kestrel 15           | Pallid Swift com   |
| Stonechat com        | Little Owl 1         | Golden Oriole 1    |
| Goldfinch com        | Great Sp Cuckoo 3    | Black Vulture 5    |
| Swallow com          | Montagu's Harrier 10 | Grey Heron 1       |
| House Martin corn    | Little Bustard 5     | Great Bustard 21   |
| Bee-eater com        | Cattle Egret c.240   | Booted Eagle 1     |
| Feral Dove com       | Crag Martin 4        |                    |



**Parque Natural de Monfragüe at Santuario 29.4 18.00-19.15**

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Griffon Vulture c.30  | Black Stork 4         | Black Kite 4         |
| Red-rumped Swallow c. | Black Redstart 1 sing | Rock Bunting 4       |
| Egyptian Vulture 2    | Peregrine 1           | Alpine Swift 2       |
| Crag Martin com       | Chough c.5            | B Rock Thrush 1 sing |



**Sunday 30.4***El Rocio-Aceбуche reception centre-Coto del Rey-Las Marismas*

The night was spent on a gravelled road SW El Rocio. There we got very good views of **Red-necked Nightjar**. In the morning we birded at the Aceбуche reception centre where **Marbled Teal** and **Purple Gallinule** were seen. Just south El Rocio is Arroya de la Rocina which widens to a very rich wetland called Madre de las Marismas del Rocio.

In the afternoon we birded in Las Marismas, the open steppe SE El Rocio. To reach this area we had to drive on a very bad sandy road eastward out of El Rocio. In rainy weather it may be impossible to drive. In the evening and night we tried to hear **Andalusian Hemipode**, but went to the wrong place and missed it.

**Monday 1.5***El Rocio-Aceбуche reception centre-Laguna de Medina-Medina Sedonia*

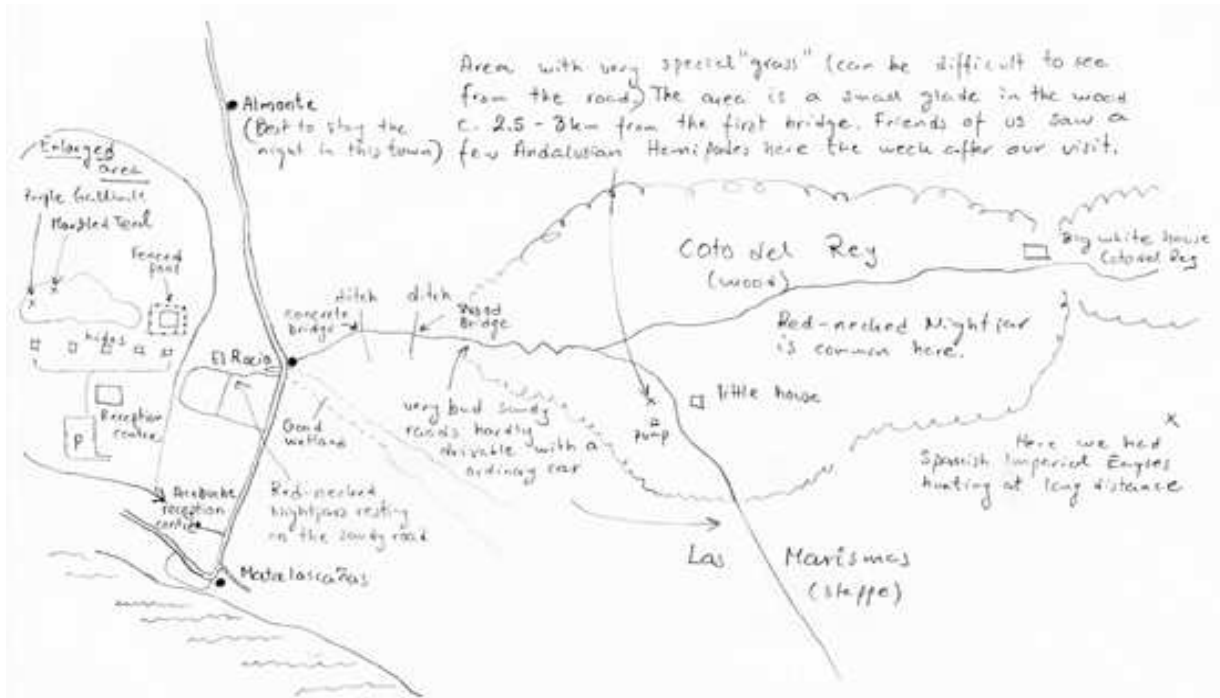
We made a new tour in Las Marismas, which gave us **Pin-tailed Sandgrouse**, **Lesser Short-toed Lark**, **Olivaceous Warbler** and **Spectacled Warbler**.

In the evening we arrived at Laguna de Medina east of Jerez de la Frontera. The lake is said to hold a few **Crested Coots**, but we could not find any. We met an English birder that had visited the lake for four days without finding any. Possibly they were gone.

Checked in at a hotel in the very beautifully situated town Medina Sedonia.

**El Rocio-area 30.4 and 1.5**

|                     |                       |                       |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Red-n Nightjar c.10 | Turtle Dove 6         | Sp Imperial Eagle 2   |
| Black-u Stilt com   | Water Rail 2          | Scops Owl 1           |
| Quail 1             | Reed Warbler 2        | Whitethroat 1         |
| Yellow wagtail com  | Pallid Swift a few    | Sardinian Warbler com |
| Tawny Owl 2-3       | L Short-t Lark c.5    | Spoonbill 22          |
| Black-t Godwit 2    | Stone Curlew 4        | Lapwing 2             |
| Golden Oriole 3     | Short-t Lark com      | Whiskered Tern com    |
| Wood Sandpiper 2    | Whimbrel 18           | Swift com             |
| Black-e Wheatear 1  | Turnstone 16          | Bee-eater com         |
| Common Sandpiper 1  | Ringed Plover c.100   | Gadwall 7             |
| Red-c Pochard com   | Curlew Sandpiper 10   | Melodious Warbler 2   |
| Redshank 2          | Dunlin c.500          | Purple Heron 6        |
| Marbled Teal 6      | Little Stint c.100    | Isabelline Warbler 1  |
| Bee-eater c.25      | Temminck's Stint 2    | Calandra Lark com     |
| Purple Gallinule 4  | Kentish Plover 15     | Spectacled Warbler 3  |
| Greenshank 1        | Zitting Cisticola 5   | Little Bittern 2      |
| Great Reed W com    | Pied Flycatcher 2     | W Bonelli's Warbler 1 |
| Black-h Gull 5      | Griffon Vulture 3     | Little Owl 1          |
| Pochard com         | Spotted Flycatcher 1  | Kestrel 1             |
| Ruff 40             | Garden Warbler 3      | Booted Eagle 1        |
| Mallard com         | Little Grebe v com    | Pin-t Sandgrouse 8    |
| Flamingo c.2000     | Stonechat 1           | Gull-b Tern 1         |
| Serim com White     | Gallinule com         | Green Sandpiper 1     |
| Stork c.15          | Crested Grebe com     | Hoopoe com            |
| House Sparrow com   | Grey Heron 30         | Little Tern 1         |
| Marsh Harrier 2     | Collared Pratincole c | Raven 2               |
| Dartford Warbler 1  | Woodchat Shrike com   | Jackdaw c.25          |
| Montagu s Harrier 2 | Spotted Redshank 1    | White-headed Duck 1   |
| Willow Warbler 1    | Great Sp Cuckoo 1     | Shelduck 2            |
| Black Kite com      | Black Tern com        | Crested Lark com      |
| Little Egret com    | Red-l Partridge 3     | Woodpigeon com        |



## Tuesday 2.5

Medina Sedonia-Laguna Medina-Zahara-Atlanterra- Tarifa-Gibraltar-San Pedro de Alcántara

In the morning we made a new unsuccessful attempt to see **Crested Coot** at Laguna de Medina. On the way to the coast we made a stop at Laguna de Commissario without seeing anything but the common species. It was very windy at the coast, unfortunately from NE. An hours stop at Cabo de Trafalgar gave some **Gannets**. At Zahara and Atlanterra we watched for **White-rumped Swifts**, but we were probably too early in the season, since we could not find any.

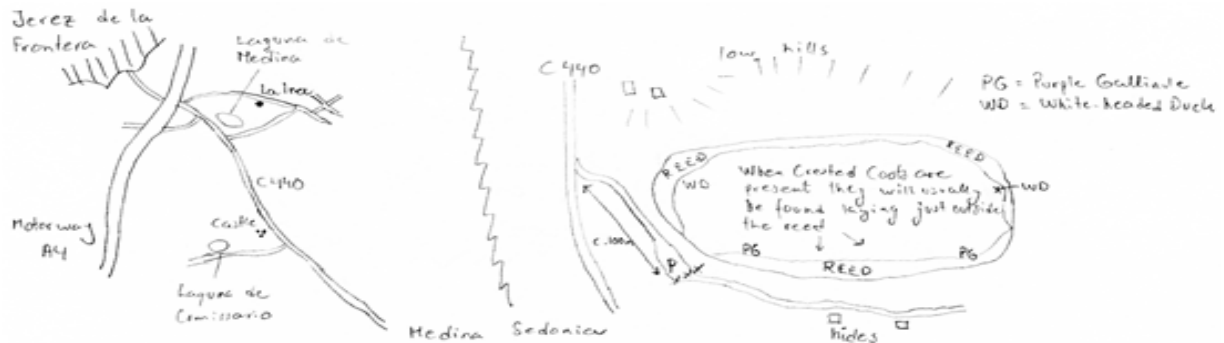
In the evening we visited Gibraltar. Below the radar station we saw two **Barbary Partridges** at dusk. The late evening took us to San Pedro de Alcántara, where we slept in a cheap hostel in the outskirts of the town.

### Laguna de Medina 1.5 18.05-20.30 and 2.5 8.20-9.35

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|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Cetti's Warbler 3   | Gr Reed Warbl c.15 | Coot thousands       |
| White-h Duck 3m+2f  | Purple Gallinule 6 | Gallinule com        |
| Flamingo 28         | Fan-t Warbler 2    | Pochard com          |
| Shoveler 1m         | Nightingale 2      | Goldfinch com        |
| Tufted Duck 1f      | Corn Bunting c.10  | Serin a few          |
| Gadwall c.200       | House Sparrow 1    | Spotted Flycatcher 1 |
| Black-n Grebe c.25  | Little Egret 18    | Crested Lark com     |
| Melodious Warbler 3 | Mallard c.10       | Yellow-l Gull 3 3k   |
| Red-l Partridge 1   | Black-w Stilt 5    | Cuckoo 1             |
| Water Rail 1        | Black Tern c.10    | Whinchat 1m          |
| Pied Flycatcher 1m  | Stonechat 1m       | Linnet 1f            |

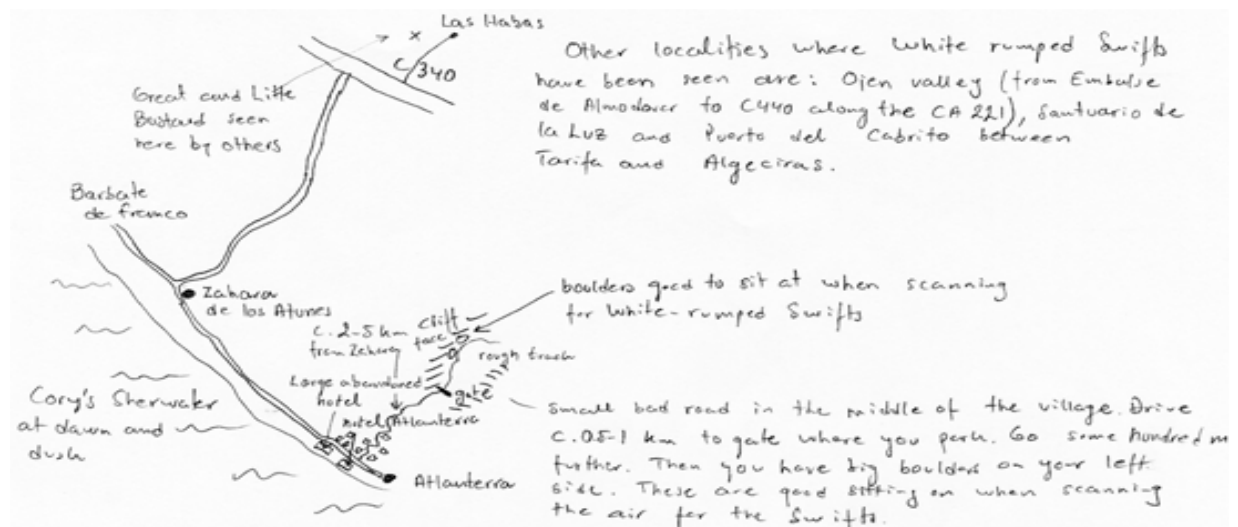
**Laguna de Comissario 2.5 9.50-10.05**

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| Montagu's Harrier 1 | Black-n Grebe 2   | Mallard 2       |
| Coot c.500          | Great Reed W. c.5 | Red-c Pochard 4 |
| Turtle Dove 1       | Pochard c.15      | Gadwall c.10    |



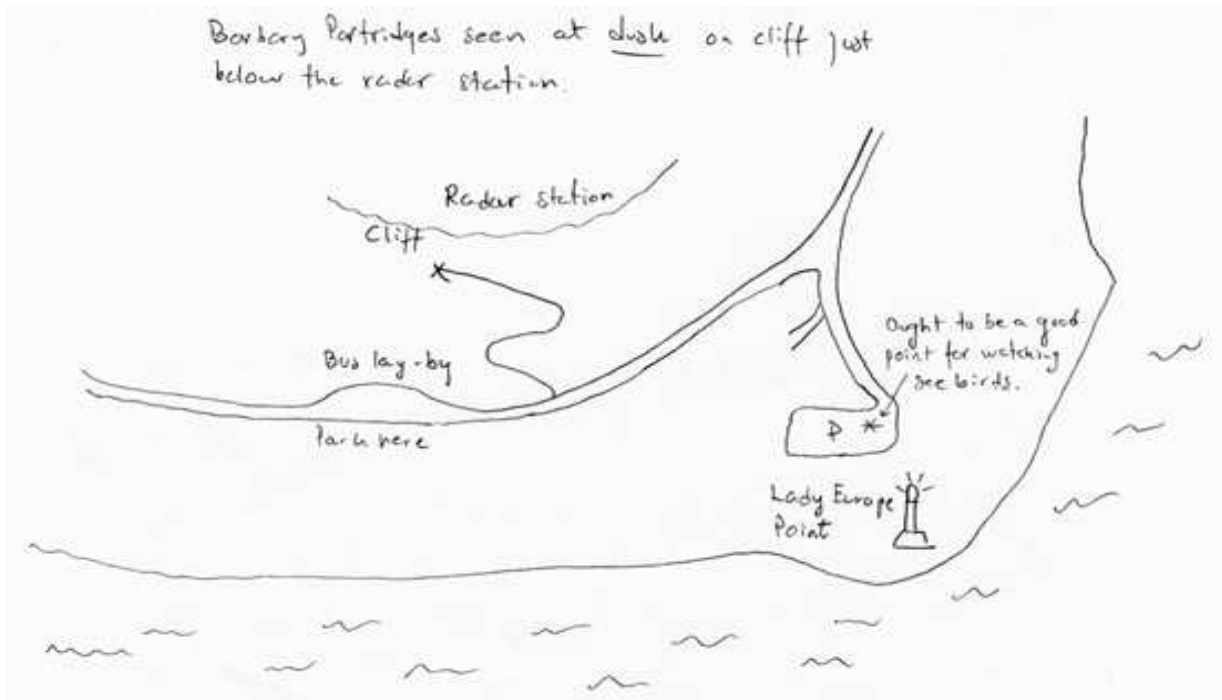
**Zahara/Atlanterra 2.5 15.15-16.25**

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| Pallid Swift com   | Fan-t Warbler 1      | Swift a few          |
| Wren 1             | Black-e Wheatear 1m  | Egyptian Vulture lad |
| Pied Flycatcher 1f | Montagu's Harrier 1m | Honey Buzzard 1      |
| Griffon Vulture 1  | Nightingale 1        | Calandra Lark com    |
| Buzzard 1          | Stonechat 1m         |                      |



**Gibraltar 2.5 19.30-21.50**

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|---------------------|-------------------|
| Barbary Partridge 2 | Blackbird com     |
| Blue Rock Thrush 1m | Yellow-l Gull com |



### Wednesday 3.5

*San Pedro de Alcántara-Ronda-Ubrique-Ronda*

On the way to Ronda **Black Wheatear** was added to the list. The mountains around Ronda produced **Rock Sparrow**, **Bonelli's Eagle** and **Bonelli's Warbler**.

We spent the last night at a good hotel in Ronda, avoiding the more expensive ones around the plaza of that town.

### Ronda area 3.5

|                      |                       |                     |
|----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Black Wheatear 3     | Subalpine Warbler com | Lesser Kestrel 1    |
| Black Redstart 2     | Nightingale com       | Serin com           |
| Blue Tit 1           | Robin 2               | Kestrel 1           |
| Wren 2               | Blackbird com         | Red-r Swallow 2     |
| Jay 4                | Grey Wagtail 1        | Firecrest 2         |
| Great Tit 3          | Chough 2              | Black-e Wheatear 1m |
| Griffon Vulture 16   | Rock Sparrow 3        | Short-t Eagle 1     |
| Pied Flycatcher 1    | Woodpigeon 1          | Thekla Lark 1       |
| Stonechat 1m         | Bee-eater com         | Calandra Lark 1     |
| Turtle Dove 2        | Greenfinch 2          | Golden Oriole 1m    |
| Crag Martin com      | Melodious Warbler com | Tree Pipit 1        |
| W Orphean Warb 2     | Bonelli's Eagle 2ad   | Booted Eagle 1      |
| Alpine Swift 1       | Buzzard 1             | I Chiffchaff com.   |
| Wood Lark 1          | Goldfinch com         | Zitting Cisticola 1 |
| Dunnock 1            | Jackdaw c.20          | Blue Rock Thrush    |
| Great S Woodpecker 1 | Linnet 2              |                     |

### Thursday 4.5

*Ronda-Punta de Calaburra-Torremolinos-Malaga*

A new visit to the coast produced **Balearic Shearwater** and **Audouin's Gull**. At Torremolinos we failed in finding any **Little Swifts**, probably because they have never been seen there; confusion with White-rumped seems likely.

We left Malaga airport half an hour late, 12.30. Landed in Copenhagen 15.50.



## LIST OF BIRDS

1. **GREYLAG GOOSE** Grågås *Anser anser*  
Not uncommon at Acebuche reception centre and in the wetlands south and south-east El Rocio 30.4 and 1.5.
2. **RUDDY SHELDUCK** Gravand *Tadorna ferruginea*  
One in a fenced pond at the Acebuche reception centre 1.5.
3. **COMMON SHELDUCK** Gravand *Tadorna tadorna*  
One pair 1.5 in the same place as for Ruddy Shelduck.
4. **GADWALL** Snatterand *Anas strepera*  
A common bird in the wetlands around El Rocio 30.4 and 1.5. C. 200 in Laguna de Medina 1 and 2.5 and c. 10 in Laguna de Comissario 2.5. Two birds chasing each other in Laguna de Medina 1.5 were also seen diving several times!
5. **MALLARD** Gräsand *Anas platyrhynchos*  
The most common duck. Seen in most wetlands almost every day.
6. **NORTHERN SHOVELER** Skedand *Anas clypeata*  
One male in Laguna de Medina 1.5.
7. **MARbled TEAL** Marmorand *Marmaronetta angustirostris*  
Two at the Acebuche reception centre 30.4, 2 at wetland El Roci 30.4 and 1.5.
8. **RED-CRESTED POCHARD** Rödhuvad dykand *Netta rufina*  
C. 15 at the Acebuche reception centre 30.4. Common in the wetlands around El Rocio 30.4 and 1.5. A few seen in Laguna de Medina 1 and 2.5. Also four birds in Laguna de Comissario 2.5.
9. **COMMON POCHARD** Brunand *Aythya ferina*  
Common at El Rocio 30.4 and 1.5, and common in Laguna de Medina 1 and 2.5 and Laguna de Comissario 2.5.
10. **TUFTED DUCK** Vigg *Aythya fuligula*  
One male in Laguna de Medina 1.5.
11. **WHITE-HEADED DUCK** Kopparand *Oxyura leucocephala*  
One female in a fenced pond at Acebuche reception centre 1.5 and three males and two females in Laguna de Comissario 1 and 2.5.
12. **RED-LEGGED PARTRIDGE** Rödhöna *Alectoris rufa*  
Seen and heard in agricultural and mountainous districts in small numbers all days.
13. **BARBARY PARTRIDGE** Klipphöna *Alectoris barbara*  
One pair seen and heard displaying at dusk just below the radar station at Gibraltar 2.5.
14. **COMMON QUAIL** Vaktel *Coturnix coturnix*  
Two Almaraz-Majadas-Toil 29.4, one Santuario de Monfragüe-Trujillo 29.4, one flushed south-west El Rocio 30.4 and a few at El Rocio 1.5.

15. **LITTLE GREBE** Smådopping *Tachybaptus ruficollis*  
One in Rio Tietar 28.4, common at Acebuche reception centre 30.4 and 1.5 and at the wetlands around El Rocio 30.4 and 1.5. Also one observation from the car 2.5.
16. **GREAT CRESTED GREBE** Skäggdopping *Podiceps cristatus*  
Three in Embalse de Navalcán 28.4, c.10 at Acebuche reception centre 30.4 and 1.5, a few in the wetlands south and south-east of El Rocio 30.4 and 1.5 and a few in Laguna de Medina 2.5.
17. **BLACK-NECKED GREBE** Svarthalsad dopping *Podiceps nigricollis*  
A few in the wetlands south-east of El Rocio 30.4, c. 25 in Laguna de Medina 1 and 2.5 and 2 in Laguna de Comissario 2.5.
18. **BALEARIC SHEARWATER** Balearisk lira *Puffinus mauretanicus*  
Four seen off the beach at Punta de Calaburra.  
This form was earlier treated as a race but should be treated as a full species according to Bourne et al in British Birds (1988)81:306-319.
19. **NORTHERN GANNET** Havssula *Morus bassana*  
About 15 seen in north-eastern gales off Cabo de Trafalgar 2.5, several in second year plumage.
20. **GREAT CORMORANT** Storskarv *Phalacrocorax carbo*  
Six birds, some in second year plumage, in Embalse de Navalcán 2.5.  
The species is mostly seen in the winter season, but a large increase in records has been noted in Spain in recent years, as in north-east Europe.
21. **LITTLE BITTERN** Dvärrördröm *Ixobrychus minutus*  
Two males flying over a pond south-east El Rocio 1.5.
22. **CATTLE EGRET** Kohäger *Bubulcus ibis*  
Very common in agricultural areas away from the coast. Seen every day except the last two. Large numbers: more than 200 Trujillo-area 28 and 29.4 and hundreds in the El Rocio-area 30.4 and 1.5.
23. **LITTLE EGRET** Silkeshäger *Egretta garzetta*  
Common in Andalucia, also seen in small numbers in Extremadura. Largest concentration was 18 in Laguna de Medina 1.5.
24. **GREY HERON** Gråhäger *Ardea cinerea*  
A few seen in Trujillo-area 28 and 29.4 and slightly more common at El Rocio 30.4 and 1.5, but only seen in small numbers.
25. **PURPLE HERON** Purpurhäger *Ardea purpurea*  
A few in wetlands south and south-east El Rocio 30.4 and six in Las Marismas south-east El Rocio 1.5.
26. **BLACK STORK** Svart stork *Ciconia nigra*  
Four birds at the bridge over Rio Tajo south-west of Almaraz 28.4 and one adult with three downy nestlings in nest in precipice some kilometres west of Santuario de Monfragüe after the road 0524 crossed the reservoir Embalse de Torrejón-Tajo.

27. **WHITE STORK** Vit stork *Ciconia ciconia*  
Seen daily except the last two days in small numbers. Larger numbers were noted as follows: 54 between El Escorial-Oropesa via Ramacastanas and up to 35 birds in Trujillo-area 28 and 29.4. Also recorded on nests in several places, eg in Almaraz.
28. **EURASIAN SPOONBILL** Skedstork *Platalea leucorodia*  
The only observation were 22 birds in wetland just south El Rocio 30.4 and 1.5.
29. **GREATER FLAMINGO** Större flamingo *Phoenicopterus roseus*  
More than 2000 birds seen at a distance in Marismas just south El Rocio 30.4 and 1.5. Also 28 individuals in Laguna de Medina 1 and 2.5.
30. **EUROPEAN HONEY BUZZARD** Bivråk *Pernis apivorus*  
One coming in from the sea at Cabo de Trafalgar 1.5.
31. **BLACK KITE** Brun glada *Milvus migrans*  
The most common raptor. Large numbers noted in El Rocio- area.
32. **RED KITE** Röd glada *Milvus milvus*  
Small numbers seen every day, often together with Black Kites.
33. **EGYPTIAN VULTURE** Smutsgam *Neophron percnopterus*  
One adult by the road between Malaga and Antequera 27.4, one between Bajlen and Madrid 27.4, one at the bridge over Rio Tajo south Almaraz 28.4, one subadult in Trujillo-area 28.4, one and another one in a nest at Santuario de Monfragüe 29.4, one between Santuario de Monfragüe and Trujillo 29.4, one adult at Zahara 2.5 and one at Ronda 3.5.
34. **EURASIAN GRIFFON VULTURE** Gåsgam *Gyps fulvus*  
Two at the bridge over Rio Tajo south Almaraz 28.4, one in Trujillo-area 28.4, three at Arroya de la Vid 29.4, one Rio Almonte 29.4, five Rio Almonte-Torecillas de la Tiesa-Belen-Trujillo 29.4, 22 Trujillo-Almaraz 29.4, c. 30 at the precipice west of Santuario de Monfragüe 29.4, one Santuario de Monfraüe-Trujillo, three Las Marismas south-east El Rocio 30.4, one Zahara 2.5 and 16 Ronda-Ubrique 3.5.
35. **EURASIAN BLACK VULTURE** Grågam *Aegypius monachus*  
One 9.5 km north-east of Jaraicejo 29.4, three Puerto de Miravete-Arroya de la Vid 29.4, three Arroya de la Vid 29.4, two Rio Almonte-Torecillas de la Tiesa-Belen-Trujillo 29.4 and two west of Santuario de Monfragüe 29.4.
36. **SHORT-TOED EAGLE** Ormörn *Circaetus gallicus*  
One Zahara-Tarifa 2.5 and one just outside Ubrique 3.5.
37. **MARSH HARRIER** Brun kärhöök *Circus aeruginosus*  
Two females in Madre de las Marismas del Rocio 30.4 and three coming in from the sea Tarifa 2.5.
38. **MONTAGU'S HARRIER** Ängshök *Circus pygargus*  
Quite common in agricultural areas, especially in the Trujillo-area.
39. **COMMON BUZZARD** Ormvråk *Buteo buteo*  
Five El Escorial-Oropesa via Ramacastanas 28.4, two Rio Tietar 28.4, one Embalse de Navalcán 28.4, five Trujillo-area 28.4, two Rio Almonte-Torecillas de la Tiesa-Belen-Trujillo and a few El Rocio-area 30.4.

40. **BOOTED EAGLE** Dvärgörn *Aquila pennata*  
Two light morph El Escorial-Ramacastanas-Oropesa 28.4, one light morph and one dark morph Arroya de la Vid 29.4, one dark morph Trujillo-Almaraz 29.4, one light morph Almaraz-Majadas-Toil 29.4, one light morph east El Rocio 30.4, one coming in from the sea Cabo de Trafalgar 2.5 and one light morph Ubrique-Ronda 3.5.
41. **BONELLI'S EAGLE** Hökörn *Aquila fasciata*  
Two adults patrolling over Sierra del Caillo by the C3331- road between Ronda and Ubrique just before the 5 km-roadsign.
42. **SPANISH IMPERIAL EAGLE** Spansk kejsarörn *Aquila adalberti*  
Two birds in second-year plumage at long distance east of Coto del Rey east El Rocio 30.4.
43. **LESSER KESTREL** Rödfalk *Falco naumanni*  
A common bird in villages. Seen in all days. Largest numbers noted over Trujillo 28.4 when hundreds were seen. Trujillo is said to hold the largest colony in Spain.
44. **COMMON KESTREL** Tornfalk *Falco tinnunculus*  
A common bird in agricultural districts. Seen every day in small numbers.
45. **EURASIAN HOBBY** Lärkfalk *Falco subbuteo*  
The only observation was of four birds over Rio Tietar 28.4.
46. **PEREGRINE FALCON** Pilgrimsfalk *Falco peregrinus*  
One adult at the precipice west of Santuario de Monfragüe 29.4.
47. **WATER RAIL** Vattenrall *Rallus aquaticus*  
Two heard at Acebuche reception centre 30.4 and one heard Laguna de Medina 1.5.
48. **COMMON MOORHEN** Gallinula *Gallinula chloropus*  
Very common in the wetlands surrounding El Rocio. Also quite common Laguna de Medina 1 and 2.5 and Laguna de Gomissario 2.5.
49. **PURPLE SWAMP-HEN** Purpurhöna *Porphyrio porphyrio porphyrio*  
One adult with three pulli at the Acebuche reception centre 1.5 and one pair with one pullus and three other adults Laguna de Medina 1.5.
50. **EURASIAN COOT** Sothöna *Fulica atra*  
Three Embalse de Navalcán 28.4, common El Rocio-area 30.4 and 1.5, Laguna de Medina probably more than 2000 1 and 2.5 and c. 500 Laguna de Comissario 2.5.
51. **LITTLE BUSTARD** Småtrapp *Tetrax tetrax*  
Three males displaying and a few more heard Trujillo-area 28.4, two seen and a few heard north Belen north-east Trujillo 29.4 and two Santuario de Monfraüe-Trujillo 29.4.
52. **GREAT BUSTARD** Stortrapp *Otis tarda*  
Twenty-one seen in one flock in the fields west of the road 4 km north the little village Belen outside Trujillo 29.4.  
The species can also be seen 1.3 km north Tahivilla between Cadiz and Algeciras, but we did not visit that locality.

53. **BLACK-WINGED STILT** Stytlöpare *Himantopus himantopus*  
Two between Bailén and Madrid 27.4, one Embalse de Navalcán 28.4. A very common species in the El Rocio-area. Five Laguna de Medina 1 and 2.5.
54. **STONE-CURLEW** Tjockfot *Burhinus oedicephalus*  
One pair seen in Las Marismas south-east El Rocio 30.4. Also heard during the night the same date in Coto del Rey east El Rocio. One flushed east El Rocio 1.5.
55. **COLLARED PRATINCOLE** Rödvingad vadarsvala *Glareola pratincola*  
Only seen around El Rocio, but very common there. Several hundreds seen in Las Marismas.
56. **LITTLE RINGED PLOVER** Mindre strandpipare *Charadrius dubius*  
One, probably breeding, Rio Almonte 29.4 and a few Las Marismas.
57. **COMMON RINGED PLOVER** Större strandpipare *Charadrius hiaticula*  
C. 100 Las Marismas 30.4 and 1.5 and a few Sancti Petri 2.5.
58. **KENTISH PLOVER** Svartbent strandpipare *Charadrius alexandrinus*  
C. 15 Las Marismas 30.4 and 1.5 and a few Sancti Petri 2.5.
59. **GREY PLOVER** Kustpipare *Pluvialis squatarola*  
One in wetland south El Rocio 30.4, five Las Marismas 30.4 and 1.5 and a few Sancti Petri 2.5.
60. **NORTHERN LAPWING** Tofsvipa *Vanellus vanellus*  
Two Coto del Rey east El Rocio 30.4 and a few Las Marismas 1 5
61. **RED KNOT** Kustsnäppa *Calidris canutus*  
About 300 Sancti Petri 2.5.
62. **SANDERLING** Sandlöpare *Calidris alba*  
About 15 Sancti Petri 2.5.
63. **LITTLE STINT** Småsnäppa *Calidris minuta*  
C. 100 Las Marismas 30.4 and 1.5 and c. 10 Sancti Petri 2.5.
64. **TEMMINCK'S STINT** Mosnäppa *Calidris temminckii*  
Two among Little Stints Las Marismas 30.4.
65. **CURLEW SANDPIPER** Spovsnäppa *Calidris ferruginea*  
Ten moulting into summer plumage Las Marismas 30.4 and 1.5 and a few Sancti Petri 2.5.
66. **DUNLIN** Kärrsnäppa *Calidris alpina*  
C. 500 Las Marismas 30.4 and 1.5 and a few Sancti Petri and Jerez de la Frontera 2.5.
67. **RUFF** Brushane *Philomachus pugnax*  
Fourty in wetland south El Rocio 30.4 and 1.5.
68. **BLACK-TAILED GODWIT** Rödspov *Limosa limosa*  
Two in wetland just south El Rocio 30.4, and roughly the same number 1.5.
69. **BAR-TAILED GODWIT** Myrspov *Limosa lapponica*  
The only observation was of 20 Sancti Petri 2.5.

70. **WHIMBREL** Småspov *Numenius phaeopus*  
Fifteen Las Marismas 30.4 and 1.5.
71. **EURASIAN CURLEW** Storspov *Numenius arquata*  
One Tarifa 2.5.
72. **SPOTTED REDSHANK** Svartsnäppa *Tringa erythropus*  
One in wetland just south El Rocio 30.4, some tens Las Marismas 30.4 and 1.5  
and one observation Cabo de Trafalgar-Zahara 2.5.
73. **COMMON REDSHANK** Rödbena *Tringa totanus*  
Quite common Las Marismas 30.4 and 1.5 and a few Cabo de Trafalgar-Zahara  
2.5.
74. **COMMON GREENSHANK** Gluttsnäppa *Tringa nebularia*  
One in wetland south El Rocio 30.4 and one Sancti Petri 2.5.
75. **GREEN SANDPIPER** Skogssnäppa *Tringa ochropus*  
One flying over bushland east El Rocio 1.5.
76. **WOOD SANDPIPER** Grönbenäppa *Tringa glareola*  
Two in wetland at El Rocio 30.4 and one displaying Zahara-Atlanterra 2.5.
77. **COMMON SANDPIPER** Drillsnäppa *Actitis hypoleucos*  
One in the wetland south El Rocio 30.4 and one Cabo de Trafalgar-Zahara 2.5.
78. **RUDDY TURNSTONE** Roskarl *Arenaria interpres*  
Eleven Las Marismas 30.4 and five 1.5 and one observation 2.5.
79. **BLACK-HEADED GULL** Skattmåsar *Larus ridibundus*  
One heard Malaga 27.4, five in wetland outside El Rocio 30.4 and 1.5 and a few  
along the coast Zahara-San Pedro de Alcántara 2.5.
80. **AUDOUIN'S GULL** Rödnäbbad trut *Larus audouinii*  
One off the coast at Punta de Calaburra 4.5.
81. **LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL** Silltrut *Larus fuscus*  
Two in their 4th calendar year off Punta de Calaburra 4.5.
82. **YELLOW-LEGGED GULL** Medelhavstrut *Larus michahellis*  
Few El Rocio-area 30.4 and 1.5, three Laguna de Medina 1.5, c. 25 Sancti Petri  
2.5, 30 Cabo de Trafalgar 2.5, several Tarifa 2.5, colony at Gibraltar 2.5 and  
many off Punta de Calaburra 4.5.
83. **GULL-BILLED TERN** Sandtärna *Gelochelidon nilotica*  
The only observation was of one heard at Las Marismas 1.5.  
The species should be common in Las Marismas; it's strange that we didn't see  
more of them.
84. **BLACK TERN** Svarttärna *Chlidonias niger*  
Quite common in the wetlands surrounding El Rocio 30.4 1.5 and c. 10 Laguna de  
Medina 1.5 and c. 10 Sancti Petri 2.5.
85. **WHISKERED TERN** Skäggtärna *Chlidonias hybrida*  
Very common in the wetlands in the El Rocio-area 30.4 1.5, but not seen at any  
other site.

86. **COMMON TERN** Fisktärna *Sterna hirundo*  
C. 10 Sancti detri 2.5.
87. **LITTLE TERN** Småtärna *Sternula albifrons*  
C. 5 Las Marismas 30.4 and one 1.5 and c. 10 Sancti Petri 2.5.
88. **SANDWICH TERN** Kentsk tärna *Sterna sandvicensis*  
A few observations Las Marismas 30.4, c. 25 Sancti Petri 2.5 and a few Punta de Calaburra 4.5,
89. **PIN-TAILED SANDGROUSE** Vitbukig flyghöna *Pterocles alchata*  
Eight birds seen and heard in the morning, Las Marismas 1.5.
90. **ROCK DOVE/FERAL DOVE** Klippduva/tamduva *Columbia livia*  
No pure Rock Doves were recorded, but Feral Dove was noted every day as a common bird in most places.
91. **COMMON WOODPIGEON** Ringduva *Columba palumbus*  
Common both at the coastal woods at El Rocio and more inland ones at Trujillo and Madrid. Observations of singles or pairs made every day.
- STREPTOPELIA DOVE** Streptopeliaduva *Streptopelia decaocto/roseogrisea/risoria*  
One, first identified as Collared Dove, on telephone- wire at Cabo de Trafalgar 2.5. When both *S. roseogrisea* and *S. risoria* are common as cage birds, identification to species is uncertain.
92. **EUROPEAN TURTLE DOVE** Turturduva *Streptopelia turtur*  
One Arroya de la Vid 29.4, two at the wetland south El Rodio 30.4, one Las Marismas 30.4 and one heard 1.5, heard Zahara 2.5 and two Ronda-Ubrique 3.5.
93. **GREAT SPOTTED CUCKOO** Skatgök *Clamator glandarius*  
Two adults and two probably in second-year plumage in open agricultural area Monroy-Trujillo 28.4 and one in the same age Coto del Rey 30.4.
94. **COMMON CUCKOO** Gök *Cuculus canorus*  
Singles heard and seen every day in most places. Perhaps slightly more common in mountainous areas.
95. **EUROPEAN SCOPS OWL** Dvärguv *Otus scops*  
One flushed from tree in the middle of the day east El Rocio 30.4.
96. **LITTLE OWL** Minervauggla *Athene noctua*  
One Monroy-Trujillo 28.4, three heard at dusk Coto del Rey 30.4 and one heard at dawn just east El Rocio 1.5.
97. **TAWNY OWL** Kattuggla *Strix aluco*  
Two or three heard south-west El Rocio at midnight 30.4 and three or four Coto del Rey the same date.
98. **RED-NECKED NIGHTJAR** Rödhalsad nattskärna *Caprimulgus ruficollis*  
One pair seen extremely well in the car-light at a distance of 1.5m south-west El Rocio on a sandy road early in the morning 30.4. Seven heard east El Rocio in the evening and night of 30.4.

99. **COMMON SWIFT** Tornseglare *Apus apus*  
Recorded every day in small numbers among Pallid Swifts. A little more common away from Costa del Sol and Andalucia.
100. **PALLID SWIFT** Blek tornseglare *Apus pallidus*  
Seen every day. Especially common along the southern coast.
101. **ALPINE SWIFT** Alpseglare *Apus melba*  
Two east Santuario de Monfragüe 29.4 and one west Ronda 3.5.
102. **EUROPEAN BEE-EATER** Biätare *Merops apiaster*  
Common in most places. Obviously many were on migration. Birds at nest-sites only seen in Las Marismas 30.4 and 1.5.
103. **EUROPEAN ROLLER** Blåkråka *Coracias garrulus*  
One Monroy 28.4, one Rio Almonte-Torecillas de la Tiesa- Belen-Trujillo 29.4
104. **EURASIAN HOOPOE** Härfågel *Upupa epops*  
Singles heard and seen almost every day. A little more common in the Trujillo-area.
105. **GREAT-SPOTTED WOODPECKER** Större hackspett *Dendrocopus major*  
One Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4, one Puerto de Miravete 29.4 and one Ubrique-Ronda 3.5.
106. **CALANDRA LARK** Kalanderlärka *Melanocorypha calandra*  
Common in agricultural districts around Trujillo 28.4 and 29.4, a few Las Marismas 1.5, also recorded in same biotopes at Costa del Sol and Ronda 1, 2 and 3.5.
107. **GREATER SHORT-TOED LARK** Korttålaräka *Calandrella brachydactyla*  
A few seen along the road Malaga-Madrid 27.4, some observations in Trujillo-area 28 and 29.4, common in Las Marismas 30.4 and 1.5; the birds in Las Marismas were surprisingly grey.
108. **LESSER SHORT-TOED LARK** Dvärglärka *Calandrella rufescens*  
Only observations made in Las Marismas 1 and 2.5. It was not at all as common as Short-toed Lark and only 2-5 birds were seen totally. In comparison with Short-toed Lark it was found in more arable fields.
109. **CRESTED LARK** Tofslärka *Galerida cristata*  
One of the most common birds in agricultural districts. Seen every day.
110. **THEKLA LARK** Lagerlärka *Galerida theklae*  
Probably fairly common. Seen in more mountainous areas and often away from villages. Birds definitely identified as this species were seen only 28.4 and 3.5.
111. **WOOD LARK** Trädlärka *Lullula arborea*  
One singing El Escorial-Oropesa via Ramacastanas 28.4, four singing north-east Trujillo 28.4, rather common Puerto de Miravete 29.4 and one Ronda-Ubrique 3.5.
112. **EURASIAN SKYLARK** Sånglärka *Alauda arvensis*  
One Bailén -Madrid 27.4 and one El Escorial-Oropesa via Hamacastanas 28.4.
113. **SAND MARTIN** Backsvala *Riparia riparia*  
The only observation was of one coming in from the sea at Tarifa 2.5.



114. **EURASIAN CRAG MARTIN** Klippsvala *Ptyonoprogne rupestris*  
Fairly common in mountainous districts and recorded most days
115. **BARN SWALLOW** Ladusvala *Hirundo rustica*  
Common. Observations made every day in most areas visited.
116. **RED-RUMPED SWALLOW** Rostgumpssvala *Hirundo daurica*  
Not as common as Swallow but seen in small numbers most days.
117. **COMMON HOUSE MARTIN** Hussvala *Delichon urbicum*  
Common. Often seen among Swifts and Crag Martins.
118. **TAWNY PIPIT** Fältpiplärka *Anthus campestris*  
One in sand dunes at Sancti Petri 2.5.
119. **TREE PIPIT** Trädpiplärka *Anthus trivialis*  
One singing Ronda-Ubrique 3.5.
120. **YELLOW WAGTAIL** Gulärla *Motacilla flava*  
Only seen in Trujillo-area 30.4 and 1.5. The birds showed characters of *M. f. iberiae*.
121. **GREY WAGTAIL** Forsärla *Motacilla cinerea*  
One in creek between Granada and Jaén 27.4, one Rio Tietar 28.4 and one Ronda-Ubrique 3.5.
122. **WHITE WAGTAIL** Sädesärla *Motacilla alba*  
Not common but seen in low numbers on four days.
123. **WINTER WREN** Gärdsmyg *Troglodytes troglodytes*  
Rather common in bushy habitat and woods in most areas visited.
124. **DUNNOCK** Järnsparv *Prunella modularis*  
One singing near the hotel at Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4, one Trujillo-area 29.4 and one singing Ubrique-Ronda 3.5.
125. **EUROPEN ROBIN** Rödhake *Erithacus rubecula*  
Three Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4 and two Ronda-Ubrique 3.5.
126. **COMMON NIGHTINGALE** Sydnäktergal *Luscinia megarhynchos*  
A common bird heard every day, even high up in mountain slopes.
127. **BLACK REDSTART** Svart rödstjärt *Phoenicurus ochruros*  
One singing on top of the hotel at Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4, one singing Santuario de Monfragüe 29.4, one pair with nest in a concrete road bank San Pedro de Alcántara-Ronda 3.5.
128. **WHINCHAT** Buskskvätta *Saxicola rubetra*  
One male Laguna de Medina 1.5.
129. **COMMON STONECHAT** Svarthakad buskskvätta *Saxicola torquatus*  
Rather common. Observations of singles made every day.
130. **BLACK-EARED WHEATEAR** Medelhavsstenskävätta *Oenanthe hispanica*  
Not especially common. Two males and one female north-west Trujillo 28.4, one male Toil-Villareal 29.4, one south-west El Rocio 30.4, two males Zahara 2.5 and one male Ronda-Ubrique 3.5.

131. **BLACK WHEATEAR** Svart stenskvätta *Oenanthe leucura*  
One male in slope below road sign "km31" San Pedro de Alcántara-Ronda 3.5, one on isolated wall 500m after road sign km19 on the same distance 3.5 and one singing on mountain peak just after Puento del Boyar between Ubrique and Ronda the same date.
132. **BLUE ROCK THRUSH** Blåtrast *Monticola solitarius*  
One male Granada-Jaén 27.4, one singing near the bridge over Rio Tajo 28.4, one male singing Puerto de Hiravete 29.4, one male singing Santuario de Monfragüe 29.4, one male singing at the radar station Gibraltar 2.5 and one male singing Puento del Boyar between Ubrique and Ronda 3.5.
133. **COMMON BLACKBIRD** Koltrast *Turdus merula*  
Fairly common in most areas.
134. **SONG TRUSH** Taltrast *Turdus philomelos*  
One El Escorial-Oropesa via Ramacastanas 28.4.
135. **MISTLE TRUSH** Dubbeltrast *Turdus viscivorus*  
One singing in Pine wood Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4, quite common in cork-oak woods north-east Trujillo 28.4 and 29.4 and one observation El Rocio 30.4.
136. **CETTI'S WARBLER** Cettisångare *Cettia cetti*  
One Galapagar 27.4, two singing El Escorial-Ramacastanas-Oropesa 28.4 and three Laguna de Medina 1 and 2.5.
137. **ZITTING CISTICOLA** Grässångare *Cisticola juncidis*  
Singles heard most days in the south.
138. **EUROPEAN REED WARBLER** Rörsångare *Acrocephalus scirpaceus*  
Two seen singing south-east El Rocio in Las Marismas 30.4.
139. **GREAT REED WARBLER** Trastsångare *Acrocephalus arundinaceus*  
Only seen in Las Marismas 30.4, but very common there.
140. **ISABELLINE WARBLER** Macchiasångare *Hippolais opaca*  
One seen well in the wood fringe south-east El Rocio 1.5.
141. **MELODIOUS WARBLER** Polyglottsångare *Hippolais polyglotta*  
Quite common El Rocio 1.5. Also noted at Laguna de Medina 1 and 2.5 and Ronda-Ubrique 3.5.
142. **DARTFORD WARBLER** Provencesångare *Sylvia undata*  
Two Puerto de Miravete 29.4, one Santuario de Monfragüe-Trujillo 29.4 and one Acebuche reception centre 30.4.
143. **SPECTACLED WARBLER** Glasögonsångare *Sylvia conspicillata*  
Rare. Only observation was two in low *Salicornia* vegetation Las Marismas 1.5.
144. **SUBALPINE WARBLER** Rödstrupig sångare *Sylvia cantillans*  
Two males singing El Escorial-Ramacastanas-Oropesa 28.4, one female Puerto de Miravete 29.4 and rather common in the woods between Ronda and Ubrique 3.5.
145. **SARDINIAN WARBLER** Sammetshätta *Sylvia melanocephala*  
Very common in macchia everywhere.

146. **WESTERN ORPHEAN WARBLER** Herdesångare *Sylvia hortensis*  
One seen and heard singing in a cork oak Arroya de la Vid at road E4 29.4 and one just outside Ubrique 3.5.
147. **COMMON WHITETHROAT** Törnsångare *Sylvia communis*  
One singing east El Rocio 30.4.
148. **GARDEN WARBLER** Trädgårdssångare *Sylvia borin*  
Only observed in the woods east El Rocio 30.4 and 1.5. Totally only 2-4 birds were seen.
149. **BLACKCAP** Svarthätta *Sylvia atricapilla*  
One Galapagar 27.4 and one Ronda area 3.5.
150. **WESTERN BONELLI'S WARBLER** Bergsångare *Phylloscopus bonelli*  
One singing Coto del Rey east El Rocio 1.5 and two singing at high altitude Ubrique-Ronda 3.5.
151. **IBERIAN CHIFFCHAFF** Iberisk gransångare *Phylloscopus ibericus*  
Fairly common in pine woods at high altitudes Ubrique-Ronda 3.5.
152. **WILLOW WARBLER** Lövsångare *Phylloscopus trochilus*  
One Rio Tajo 28.4, one east El Rocio 1.5 and one observation 2.5.
153. **GOLDCREST** Kungsfågel *Regulus regulus*  
Four Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4.
154. **FIRECREST** Brandkronad kungsfågel *Regulus ignicapillus*  
Four singing around the hotel at Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4 and one in cork-oak wood Ronda-Ubrique 3.5.
155. **SPOTTED FLYCATCHER** Grå flugsnappare *Muscicapa striata*  
One Las Marismas 30.4 and one Laguna de Medina 1.5.
156. **EUROPEAN PIED FLYCATCHER** Svartvit flugsnappare *Ficedula hypoleuca*  
Singles seen most days.
157. **LONG-TAILED TIT** Stjärtmes *Aegithalos caudatus iberiae*  
Two along the track El Escorial-Ramacastanas-Oropesa and a few heard Santuario de Monfragüe-Trujillo 29.4.
158. **CRESTED TIT** Tofsmes *Parus cristatus*  
Six birds Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4 and a few Ubrique- Ronda 3.5.
159. **COAL TIT** Svartmes *Parus ater*  
A few at the hotel outside Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4.
160. **EURASIAN BLUE TIT** Blåmes *Parus caeruleus*  
Fairly common. A few seen almost every day.
161. **GREAT TIT** Talgoxe *Parus major*  
Common. Seen in most habitats every day.
162. **EURASIAN NUTHATCH** Nötväcka *Sitta europaea*  
One Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4 and a few Ronda-area 3.5.

163. **SHORT-TOED TREECREEPER** Trädgårdsträdskrypare *Certhia brachydactyla*  
One singing at the hotel at Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4.
164. **GOLDEN ORIOLE** Sommargylling *Oriolus oriolus*  
One El Escorial-Ramacastanas-Oropesa 28.4, one Rio Almonte-Torecillas de la Tiesa-Trujillo 29.4, two south-west El Rocio 30.4, one Coto del Rey east of the same village 1.5 and one adult male Ronda-Ubrique 3.5.
165. **SOUTHERN GREY SHRIKE** Ökenvarfågel *Lanius excubitor*  
Quite common El Escorial-Ramacastanas-Oropesa 28.4, two Oropesa-Puerto de Miravete 28.4, one Puerto de Miravete-Jarajceio 28.4, common Trujillo-area 28.4 and 29.4. No observations in the south.
166. **WOODCHAT SHRIKE** Rödhuwad törnskata *Lanius senator*  
Common along roads in all parts visited.
167. **EURASIAN JAY** Nötskrika *Garrulus glandarius*  
The only observation was one Puerto de Miravete 29.4.
168. **AZURE-WINGED MAGPIE** Blåskata *Cyanopica cyana*  
Very common in cork-oak woods, especially in Extremadura. Observed nearly every day.
169. **COMMON MAGPIE** Skata *Pica pica*  
In comparison with Azure-winged Magpie it was slightly more uncommon but seen in small numbers every day.
170. **RED-BILLED COUGH** Alpkråka *Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax*  
About five Santuario de Monfragüe 29.4 and c. five in mountainous areas Ronda-Ubrique 3.5.
171. **WESTERN JACKDAW** Kaja *Corvus monedula*  
Common in most areas. Seen every day.
172. **CARRION CROW** Kråka *Corvus corone corone*  
One at the hotel outside Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4, one El Escorial-Ramacastanas-Oropesa 28.4 and one observation Trujillo-area 29.4.
173. **COMMON RAVEN** Korp *Corvus corax*  
Singles seen in mountainous areas north-west Madrid and Trujillo and in the south at El Rocio. Highest number was seven Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4.
174. **SPOTTLESS STARLING** Svartstare *Sturnus unicolor*  
One of the most common birds, seen every day.
175. **HOUSE SPARROW** Gråsparv *Passer domesticus*  
Very common.
176. **SPANISH SPARROW** Spansk sparv *Passer hispaniolensis*  
Fifty at the bridge over Rio Almonte 29.4 and one in Torecillas de la Tiesa outside Trujillo 29.4.
177. **EURASIAN TREE SPARROW** Pilfink *Passer montanus*  
C. 10 outside Robledo de Chauela 28.4.

178. **ROCK SPARROW** Stensparv *Petronia petronia*  
One just west of Ronda 3.5 and two 15 km west the same town on the way to Ubrique 3.5.
179. **COMMON CHAFFINCH** Bofink *Fringilla coelebs*  
Common in most areas both in the south and north.
180. **EUROPEAN SERIN** Gulhämpling *Serinus serinus*  
Probably the most common bird.
181. **CITRIL FINCH** Citronsiska *Serinus citrinella*  
The first birds were seen a few kilometers below the top Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4. In all, very good views were obtained of c. 30 individuals.
182. **EUROPEAN GREENFINCH** Grönfink *Carduelis chloris*  
One Malaga 27.4, four El Escorial-Ramacastanas-Oropesa 28.4, two San Pedro de Alcántara-Ronda 3.5 and one male Malaga airport 4.5.
183. **EUROPEAN GOLDFINCH** Steglits *Carduelis carduelis*  
Very common in most places.
184. **EURASIAN SISKIN** Grönsiska *Carduelis spinus*  
Two Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4.
185. **COMMON LINNET** Hämpling *Carduelis cannabina*  
Two at the hotel outside Navacerrada 28.4, one Trujillo 29.4, one female Laguna de Medina 2.5 and two San Pedro de Alcántara-Ronda 3.5.
186. **COMMON CROSSBILL** Mindre korsnäbb *Loxia curvirostra*  
C. 25 Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4.
187. **CIRL BUNTING** Häcksparv *Emberiza cirlus*  
A couple close to El Escorial 28.4.
188. **ROCK BUNTING** Klippsparv *Emberiza cia*  
C. 5 at the hotel outside Navacerrada and c. 15 Puerto de Navacerrada 28.4, a couple El Escorial-Ramacastanas-Oropesa 28.4, four Puerto de Niravete 29.4, four Santuario de Monfragüe 29.4 and three San Pedro de Alcántara-Ronda 3.5.
189. **CORN BUNTING** Kornsparv *Emberiza calandra*  
Very common in agricultural districts.

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