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WILDLIFE TRAVEL

Cyprus 2015



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#	DATE	LOCATIONS & NOTES
1	18 th November	Arrival and excursion to lower Ezousa pool and transfer to hotel
2	19 th November	Walked from hotel to Baths of Aphrodite and onwards on nature trail. Sunny and very warm
3	20 th November	Short transfer to terraces above Kritou and then walked down towards and beyond Terra Initially sunny then clouding over.
4	21 st November	Bus to Agios Georgios tis Pegias, Agios Neophytos monastery and Paphos archaeological park Sunny and warm.
5	22 nd November	Walked from the hotel onto hillside opposite and then explored some rock pools at the end. Dry and warm
6	23 rd November	Transfer to Pegeia forest, where we spend the day. Sunny and warm
7	24 th November	By bus to Peristerona, visit museum then on to Stavros tis Psokas. Return via Panagia.
8	25 th November	Return to UK

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Day 1 Wednesday 18 November

The group arrived on three different flights, so the early arrivals from London Gatwick and Bristol went to a pool near the airport where they spent a pleasant couple of hours looking at the bird life. The highlight was a pair of bearded tits; rare visitors to Cyprus, which were showing well. We had fantastic views of a water rail feeding within a few metres of us, along with several moustached warblers *Acrocephalus melanopogon* and a brief glimpse of bluethroat *Luscinia svecica* and grey wagtail *Motacilla cinerea*. There was also a field of *Polygonum lanigerum*, which is a recent arrival on the island. We returned to meet the rest of the group arriving from London Luton before driving on to our hotel in the Akamas peninsula. We arrived at the hotel in time for a late dinner and had our first of many encounters with the tree frogs *Hyla savignyi* and praying mantis, resident in its grounds!

Day 2 Thursday 19 November

We enjoyed our first breakfast on the terrace of the Aphrodite Beach Hotel, enjoying the warmth of the morning sun as we overlooked the sea. Following breakfast we set off towards the Baths of Aphrodite. A patch of disturbed ground close to the hotel provided considerable interest, with plants including *Dittrichia viscosa*, *Dittrichia graveolens*, *Euphorbia chamaesyce* and *Portulaca oleracea*. We enjoyed sightings of a number of butterflies nectaring in this area, including mallow skipper *Carcharodus alceae*, pygmy skipper *Gegenes pumilio*, long-tailed blue *Lampides boeticus* and Lang's short-tailed blue *Leptotes pirithous*.

We followed the road towards the Baths of Aphrodite stopping to look at the roadside plants, which were typical of a Mediterranean climate, such as mastic *Pistacia lentiscus*, olive *Olea europaea*, carob *Ceratonia siliqua*, *Styrax officinalis* and *Vitex agnus-castus*. A small pool of water in the fields next to the road provided considerable interest with birds such as serin *Serinus serinus*, greenfinch *Carduelis chloris*, linnet *Carduelis cannabina* and corn bunting *Miliaria calandra*. During our walk a group of over 60 cormorants *Phalacrocorax carbo* flew overhead.

We had our lunch at the botanical gardens where a pair of ravens *Corvus corax* flew overhead before Yiannis gave a talk on *Bosea cypria*, one of the interesting endemic plants on Cyprus. During our walk along the nature trail we enjoyed the beautiful landscape of the Akamas peninsula and encountered a number of species including starred agama *Laudakia stellio*, and European eel *Anguilla anguilla* in the pool of the waterfall. Yiannis provided a comprehensive talk on the geology of the island and its connection with the flora, before we started to find some of the special autumn-flowering plants we had come to see. The first *Narcissus tazetta* was coming into flower, alongside a group of beautifully coloured exotic looking *Arisarum vulgare*.

Day 3 Friday 20 November

We took a short bus ride to Kritou Terra, spotting yellow-legged gulls *Larus michahellis* and magpies *Pica pica* as we drove along the coast. We spent the morning exploring terraced hillsides, first finding *Verbascum sinuatum* and *Echium angustifolium* unseasonably in flower by the roadside. On the terraces we found two of our target species; Autumn squill *Scilla autumnalis* and masses of the white *Crocus veneris*, and everyone was soon busy photographing their favourite clump! Whilst on the goat-grazed terraces we heard chukar *Alectoris chukar* calling and were soon able to locate them on the opposite slopes using a telescope. After investigating a few rocks, Yiannis was able to show us both Kotschy's gecko *Medinodactylus kotschyi* and Turkish gecko *Hemidactylus turcicus*, before we found a nymph of an Empusa mantis, which posed well for the photographers!

As we made our way down the terraces we found southern daisy *Bellis sylvestris* with its nicely coloured underside to its petals, as well as *Calamintha incana* and *Thymus capitatus*. We had our lunch in the village of Kritou where we enjoyed singing serin and good views of grey wagtail and black redstart *Phoenicurus ochruros*. A pair of raptors, most likely long-legged buzzards *Buteo rufinus* briefly flew over.

As we made our way down the valley we found two of Cyprus's three oak species - royal oak *Quercus infectoria* and kermes oak *Quercus coccifera*. We then came across our next target species, the beautiful endemic Cypriot cyclamen *Cyclamen cyprium*, which was growing amongst shrubs by the roadside, along with more *Crocus veneris*. Some of the group were lucky to find the grass jewel *Chilades trochylus* a tiny butterfly in the blue family.

Day 4 Saturday 21 November

A day delving in to Cyprus' history, our first visit took us to Agios Georgios tis Pegias, opposite the little island with its Bronze Age remains and a place of worship for Aphrodite.

Walking on the seashore we found the bright yellow flowers of the endemic dandelion *Taraxacum aphrogenes*, growing within a few meters of the waves. We also found the pink-flushed fruit of *Noaea mucronata*.

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We then travelled on to the monastery and hermit's cave of Agios Neophytos, where we visited the cave with its religious wall paintings and the church, where George talked us through the paintings there.

The remainder of the day was spent at the Paphos headland with its superb mosaics and small Roman amphitheatre. We found carpets of *Muscari parviflorum* which had flowered some time ago, brought on by the early rains. A good range of birds were using scrubby grassland at the site including flocks of starlings *Sturnus vulgaris* and Spanish sparrows *Passer hispanicus*. We also saw woodlark *Lulula arborea*, Sardinian warbler *Sylvia melanocephala*, kestrel *Falco tinnunculus* and zitting cisticola *Cisticola juncidis*.

Day 5 Sunday 22 November

Another morning of blue skies and sunshine with the usual goldfinch *Carduelis carduelis* flocks flying over and stonechat *Saxicola torquata* perched amongst the scrub. As we set off on foot towards the hills above our hotel a common buzzard *Buteo buteo* circled overhead, providing good views. We were hoping for more *Narcissus tazetta* and were not disappointed, and *Cyclamen persicum* leaves were out but no flowers yet. We were intrigued by two parallel webs of wasp spider *Argiope bruennichi* before another autumn-flowering plant was found; *Euphorbia dimorphocaulon* providing more scope for photography.

During our descent towards the road, we came across patches of, the autumn-flowering buttercup *Ranunculus bullatus*. We then crossed the road to investigate the special environment of the rock-pools where we found more *Narcissus serotinus* and *Arisarum vulgare*. We had our lunch amongst the limestone pavement before setting off to on the return journey to the hotel.

Day 6 Monday 24 November

On another warm and sunny day we boarded our bus for the trip to Pegeia Forest. As soon as we began exploring we were greeted by a swarm of autumn lady's-tresses *Spiranthes spiralis* orchids in the forest glades, where Yiannis provided a useful introduction to orchid reproduction strategies. As we explored the forest paths we found more *Scilla autumnalis* and *Narcissus serotinus*, before a small flower caught our attention; *Colchicum pusillum*. We made our way to some rock pools where there were carpets of *Ranunculus bullatus*. In the sun we had a brief glimpse of Budak's snake-eyed skink *Ablepharus budaki*, whilst a snake-eyed lacertid *Ophisops elegans* posed for everybody to see. Clouded yellow *Colias croceus* was on the wing and we briefly caught sight of swallowtail *Papilio machaon* and red admiral *Vanessa atlanta*.

We enjoyed our lunch in the shaded woodland with panoramic views over Paphos, enjoying a number of red-veined darters *Sympetrum fonscolombii* that were flitting around. We then set off to continue our search for the little fern that grows in this habitat, but were soon distracted by a beautiful moth, rather unfairly named the green drab *Ophiusa tirhaca* and soon after a yellow form of the praying mantis *Mantis religiosa*. Our day was completed when we found a patch of the tiny least adder's-tongue *Ophioglossum lusitanicum* growing in the shade of a large boulder.

Day 7 Tuesday 24 November

Our final excursion for the week took us to the foothills of the Troodos mountains. Our first stop was at the gorge near Peristerona where we scanned the hillside opposite for chukar and birds of prey, before moving to the village to visit the small Byzantine museum. The museum housed a number of interesting icons collected from the small churches of the area, some of which dated back to the 13th century. Hummingbird hawk-moths *Macroglossum stellatarum* were busily feeding on the shrubs outside the museum.

Our journey to Stavros tis Psokas took us past some interesting geology, which Yiannis explained en-route. We were also now in the Paphos forest a new habitat for us, with Turkish pine *Pinus brutia*, strawberry tree *Arbutus andrachne* and the endemic golden oak *Quercus alnifolia*. Before reaching Stavros we walked round the small enclosure to see the Cyprus mouflon, a rare wild sheep. We then had our lunch (in front of a log fire!) at a small restaurant before travelling higher in to the hills. We enjoyed a circular walk, which provided fantastic views across the Troodos and more distantly towards the Kyrenia mountain range on Cyprus' north coast. As we neared the end of our walk we finally caught up with the Cyprus coal tit *Parus ater cypriotes* an endemic sub-species, with a number of individuals busily feeding in the trees around us and visiting a small water trough to drink. As we made our way back to the hotel we enjoyed views of the endemic Cyprus cedar *Cedrus brevifolia* growing on a ridge higher up.

Day 8 Wednesday 25 November

After a quiet morning around the hotel with some people enjoying a swim in the warm sea, we bade farewell to Gregoria, our wonderful host, and headed back to Paphos and our flights home. Those flying to London Luton enjoyed their visit to the nearby pools, finding bluethroat, moustached warbler, water rail *Rallus aquaticus*, kingfisher *Alcedo atthis* and a peregrine *Falco peregrinus* enjoying its lunch!

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Top row, l to r: *Crocus veneris* and *Colchicum pusillum* (Richard Somers Cocks)
Middle row, l to r: *Micromeria cristata*, *Spiranthes spiralis* and *Narcissus tazetta* (RSC)
Bottom row, l to r: *Narcissus serotinus* (RSC) and *Noaea mucronata* (Yiannis Christofides)

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E = endemic species. e = endemic sub-species

	SCIENTIFIC NAME	ENGLISH NAME	NOTES	Seen
FERNS				
	<i>Adiantum capillus-veneris</i>	Maidenhair Fern		x
	<i>Asplenium ceterach</i>	Rustyback Fern		x
	<i>Ophioglossum lusitanicum</i>	Small Adder's Tongue		x
CONIFERS				
Cupressaceae				
	<i>Cupressus sempervirens</i>			x
	<i>Juniperus phoenicea</i>	Phoenician Juniper		x
Ephedraceae				
	<i>Ephedra fragilis</i>	Jointed Pine		x
Pinaceae				
	<i>Pinus brutia</i>	Calabrian Pine		x
	<i>Cedrus brevifolia</i>			x
DICOTYLEDONS				
Amaranthaceae				
	<i>Amaranthus blitoides</i>			x
E	<i>Bosea cypria</i>			x
Anacardiaceae				
	<i>Pistacia lentiscus</i>	Mastic Tree		x
	<i>Pistacia terebinthus</i>	Turpentine Tree		x
	<i>Pistacia atlantica</i>			x
	<i>Rhus coriaria</i>			x
Apiaceae				
	<i>Ferula communis</i>	Giant Fennel		x
	<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	Wild Fennel		x
	<i>Smyrniolus olusatrum</i>			x
Asteraceae				
	<i>Atractylis cancellata</i>			x
	<i>Bellis sylvestris</i>	Autumn Daisy		x
	<i>Calendula arvensis</i>	Corn Marigold		x
E	<i>Centaurea akamantis</i>			x
	<i>Carlina libanotica</i>			x
	<i>Dittrichia graveolens</i>	(was Inula)		x
	<i>Dittrichia viscosa</i>	(was Inula)		x
	<i>Echinops spinosissimus</i>			x
	<i>Erigeron bonariensis</i>			x
	<i>Erigeron canadensis</i>			x
	<i>Helichrysum conglobatum</i>			x
	<i>Helichrysum italicum</i>			x
	<i>Leontodon tuberosum</i>	Tuberous Hawkbit		x
	<i>Scolymus hispanicus</i>			x
E	<i>Taraxacum aphrogenes</i>			x
Betulaceae				
	<i>Alnus orientalis</i>			x
Boraginaceae				
	<i>Echium angustifolium</i>	Narrow-leaved Bugloss		x
	<i>Heliotropium hirsutissimum</i>	Hairy Heliotrope		x
	<i>Lithodora hispidula</i>			x
Brassicaceae				
	<i>Sinapis alba</i>	White Mustard		x

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	Caryophyllaceae			
	Dianthus strictus ssp. troodi			x
	Silene fruticosa			x
	Silene laevigata			x
	Chenopodiaceae			
	Noaea mucronata			x
	Cucurbitaceae			
	Ecballium elaterium			x
	Cistaceae			
	Cistus monspeliensis	Narrow-leaved Cistus		x
	Cistus salviifolius	Sage-leaved Cistus		x
	Fumana arabica	Arabian Rock-rose		x
	Convolvulaceae			
	Convolvulus arvensis			x
	Ericaceae			
	Arbutus andrachne	Eastern Strawberry Tree		x
	Euphorbiaceae			
	Euphorbia chamaesyce			x
	Euphorbia dimorphocaulon			x
	Euphorbia hirta			x
	Mercurialis annua			x
	Ricinus communis			x
	Fabaceae			
	Calycotome villosa	Spiny Broom		x
	Ceratonia siliqua	Carob		x
	Calycotome villosa			x
	Genista sphacelata			x
	Medicago polymorpha			x
	Vicia cassia			x
	Fagaceae			
	Quercus alnifolia			x
	Quercus coccifera	Kermes Oak		x
	Quercus infectoria	Deciduous or Royal Oak		x
	Geraniaceae			
	Erodium cicutarium			x
	Lamiaceae			
	Ballota integrifolia			x
E	Calamintha incana	Grey Calamint		x
	Micromeria myrtifolia			x
	Origanum sp			x
	Prasium majus			x
	Salvia verbenaca	Wild Clary		x
	Teucrium micropodioides			x
	Teucrium kotschyanum			x
	Thymus capitatus			x
	Vitex agnus-castus	Chaste Tree		x
	Lauraceae			
	Laurus nobilis			x
	Moraceae			
	Morus alba			x
	Ficus carica			x
	Myrtaceae			
	Myrtus communis	Myrtle		x
	Oleaceae			
	Olea europaea var. sylvestris	Wild Olive		x

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Platanaceae				
	Platanus orientalis	Eastern Plane		x
Plumbaginaceae				
	Plumbago europaea	Common Leadwort		x
Polygonaceae				
	Polygonum lanigerum			x
Primulaceae				
E	Cyclamen cyprium	Cypriot Cyclamen		x
	Cyclamen persicum	Persian Cyclamen		x
Ranunculaceae				
	Ranunculus bullatus	Autumn Buttercup		x
Rhamnaceae				
	Rhamnus oleoides			x
Rosaceae				
	Crataegus azarolus	Mediterranean Hawthorn		x
	Eriobotrya japonica	Loquat		x
	Prunus dulcis	Almond		x
	Pyrus syriaca			x
	Rubus sanctus	Holy Bramble		x
	Sarcopoterium spinosum	Thorny Burnet		x
Rubiaceae				
	Asperula cypria			x
	Galium canum			x
	Rubia tenuifolia	Narrow-leaved Madder		x
Rutaceae				
	Ruta chalepensis			X
Scrophulariaceae				
	Verbascum sinuatum			x
Solanaceae				
	Nicotiana glauca			x
	Solanum villosum			x
	Solanum nigrum			x
	Lycium schweinfurthii			x
Styracaceae				
	Styrax officinalis			x
Urticaceae				
	Parietaria judaica			x
Verbenaceae				
	Verbena officinalis	Vervain		x
Zygophyllaceae				
	Tribulus terrestris	Caltrop		x

MONOCOTYLEDONS				
Amaryllidaceae				
	Narcissus serotinus			x
	Narcissus tazetta			x
Araceae				
	Arisarum vulgare	Friar's Cowl		x
Asparagaceae				
	Asparagus acutifolius			x
	Drimys pinnatifida	Sea Squill		x
	Muscari parviflorum	Lesser Grape Hyacinth		x
	Scilla autumnalis	Autumn Squill		x
Iridaceae				
E	Crocus veneris	Cyprus Crocus		x

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	Liliaceae			
	Colchicum pusillum			x
	Smilacaceae			
	Smilax aspera	Smilax		x
	Xanthorrhoeaceae			
	Asphodelus ramosus	Common Asphodel		x
	Orchidaceae			
	Spiranthes spiralis	Autumn Lady's Tresses		x
	Poaceae			
	Arundo donax			x
	Cynodon			x
	Oryzopsis miliacea			x
	Paspalus			x
	Setaria sp.			x

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Top row, l to r: Sardinian Warbler and Crested Lark (both RSC)
Second row, l to r: Eastern Bath White (YC), Grass Jewel and African Grass Blue (RSC)
Third row, l to r: Long-tailed Blue, Lang's Short-tailed Blue (RSC) and *Empusa fasciata* (YC)
Bottom row, l to r: Troodos Wall Lizard and Snake-eyed Lacertid (both RSC)

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BIRDS

ENGLISH NAME	LATIN NAME	18 th	19 th	20 th	21 st	22 nd	23 rd	24 th	25 th
Family Phalacrocoridae (Cormorants)									
Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>		X	X	X				
Shag	<i>Phalacrocorax aristotelis</i>				X				
Family Accipitridae (Hawks and Eagles)									
Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>				X	X			
Long-legged Buzzard	<i>Buteo rufinus</i>			X					
Peregrine									X
Family Falconidae (Falcons)									
Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Family Phasianidae (Pheasants and Partridges)									
Chukar	<i>Alectoris chukar</i>			X					
Family Laridae (Gulls)									
Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>		X	X	X	X	X		
Family Scolopacidae (Sandpipers)									
Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>				X				
Family Rallidae (Rails and Crakes)									
Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	X							X
Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	X							
Water Rail	<i>Rallus aquaticus</i>	X							X
Family Columbidae (Pigeons and Doves)									
Rock Dove/Feral Pigeon	<i>Columba livia</i>		X	X	X				
Woodpigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>			X	X				
Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>		X		X			X	
Family Alaudidae (Larks)									
Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>				X				
Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>				X				
Wood Lark	<i>Lullula arborea</i>				X				
Family Motacillidae (Pipits and Wagtails)									
Red-throated Pipit	<i>Anthus cervinus</i>				X				
Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>				X				
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>		X	X	X	X			
White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>		X		X		X		
Family Muscipidae (Flycatchers and Chats)									
Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>		X	X			X	X	
Black Redstart	<i>Phoenicurus ochruros</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	
Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquata</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	
Bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>		X						X
Family Turdidae (Thrushes)									
Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>		X	X					
Family Sylviidae (Sylviid Warblers)									
Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>		X	X	X		X		
Sardinian Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>		X	X	X	X	X		
Family Cisticolidae (Cisticolas)									
Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>				X				
Family Cettiidae (Bush Warblers)									
Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>			X	X		X		
Family Phylloscopidae (Leaf Warblers)									
Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	X	X	X	X		X	X	
Family Acrocephalidae (Reed Warblers)									
Moustached Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus melanopogon</i>	X							X
Family Paridae (Tits)									
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		X	X	X	X	X		
Coal Tit	<i>Pariparus ater cypristes</i>							X	

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Family Panuridae (Bearded Tit)									
Bearded Tit	<i>Panurus biarmicus</i>	X							
Family Corvidae (Crows)									
Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>			X	X		X		
Jackdaw	<i>Corvus monedula</i>		X		X				
Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>		X	X	X		X		
Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>		X	X					
Family Sturnidae (Starlings)									
Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>				X			X	
Family Passeridae (Sparrows)									
Spanish Sparrow	<i>Passer hispanicus</i>				X			X	
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>		X	X	X		X		
Family Fringillidae (Finches)									
Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>		X	X	X	X	X	X	
Linnet	<i>Carduelis cannabina</i>		X	X	X				
Greenfinch	<i>Carduelis chloris</i>		X	X	X	X	X		
Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>		X	X	X	X	X		
Serin	<i>Serinus serinus</i>		X	X		X	X		
Family Emberizidae (Buntings)									
Corn Bunting	<i>Miliaria calandra</i>		X	X					
AMPHIBIANS									
Savigny's Tree Frog	<i>Hyla savignyi</i>		X	X	X	X			
REPTILES									
Family Agamidae (Agamids)									
Starred Agama	<i>Laudakia stellio</i>		X	X	X	X			X
Family Gekkonidae (Geckos)									
Kotschy's Gecko	<i>Mediodactylus kotschyi</i>			X					
Turkish Gecko	<i>Hemidactylus turcicus</i>			X					
Family Lacertidae (Lizards)									
Snake-eyed Lacertid	<i>Ophisops elegans</i>			X		X	X		X
Troodos Wall Lizard	<i>Lacerta troodica</i>			X	X				X
Family Scincidae (Skinks)									
Budak's Snake-eyed Skink	<i>Ablepharus budaki</i>					X	X		
Family Colubridae (Colubrid snakes)									
Large Whip Snake	<i>Coluber jugularis</i>		X	X	X				
MAMMALS									
Cyprus Mouflon	<i>Ovis orientalis ovion</i>								
Long-eared Hedgehog	<i>Hemiechinus auritus</i>								

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BUTTERFLIES									
Family Papilionidae (Swallowtails)									
Swallowtail	<i>Papilio Machaon</i>				X		X		
Family Pieridae (Whites)									
Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>		X	X	X	X	X		X
Small White	<i>Pieris rapae</i>			X	X	X			X
Eastern Bath White	<i>Pontia edusa</i>								
Clouded Yellow	<i>Colias croceus</i>		X	X	X	X	X		
Family Lycaenidae (Blues and Coppers)									
Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>			X					
Grass Jewel	<i>Chilades trochylus</i>			X					
Long-tailed Blue	<i>Lampides boeticus</i>		X			X	X		X
Lang's Short-tailed Blue	<i>Leptotes pirithous</i>		X			X	X		X
African Grass Blue	<i>Zizeeria knysna</i>		X						
Family Nymphalidae (Admirals and Fritillaries)									
Painted Lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>		X	X	X	X	X		X
Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>				X	X	X		X
Family Satyridae (Browns)									
Large Wall Brown	<i>Lasiommata maera</i>			X					
Family Hesperidae (Skippers)									
Mallow Skipper	<i>Carcharodus alceae</i>		X	X	X	X	X		
Pygmy Skipper	<i>Gegenes pumilio</i>		X						

MISCELLANEOUS									
Common Darter	<i>Sympetrum striolatum</i>	X							
Red-veined Darter	<i>Sympetrum fonscomblii</i>	X							
Red-veined Dropwing	<i>Trithemis arteriosa</i>	X							
Epaulet Skimmer	<i>Orthetrum chrysostigma</i>	X							
Red-winged Grasshopper	<i>Oedipoda germanica</i>	X							
a grasshopper	<i>Acrida hungarica</i>	X							
a grasshopper	<i>Calliptamus sp.</i>	X							
Wasp Spider	<i>Argiope bruennichi</i>	X							
Humming-bird hawkmoth	<i>Macroglossum stellatarum</i>	X							
African Mantis	<i>Sphodromantis viridis</i>	X							
Praying Mantis	<i>Mantis religiosa</i>	X							
Lavendar Mantis	<i>Empusa fasciata</i>	X							