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WEATHER

The Winter of 1991/1992 was long and hard. Snow was lying as low as Rethymnon and more fell in late March and on 28th March there was 1.5 metres of snow on the Omalos plateau. Wintering birds lingered on the island during the first week in April. Temperatures rose during the first part of April but then the Sirocco blew from the south on the 7th April, causing a great deal of damage. The middle of April was more settled but it was still cool and on the 20th April it rained nearly all day. The beginning of May was fine but 3rd and 4th were very windy, which brought down migrants and again on 8th there were reports of large flocks of waders, herons and even flamingoes blowing through on the strong winds. From this period onwards the summer settled in and the Autumn continued warm and dry with no rains until late November.

RECORDS

Following the good coverage for 1991, again in 1992 we have reports for every month. The winter produced a good variety of duck and 2 Great Crested Grebes were seen in Ierapetra harbour. There was a good selection of waders in April with 7 Spoonbills dropping into the Gouves lagoon/Aposelemis river and a Spur-winged Plover spending a morning at the Sitia river. In May after storms on the 3rd there were reports of many migrants including storks and flamingoes. In August there was a similar fall on the 30th, this time with many herons including purple, grey and night, as well as glossy ibis being recorded.

RB - Resident Breeder PM - Passage Migrant
MB - Migrant Breeder WV - Winter Visitor
OB - Occasional Breeder AV - Accidental Visitor

SYSTEMATIC LIST of BIRDS RECORDED IN 1992

Please note that these records are printed subject to verification.

LITTLE GREBE *Tachybaptus ruficollis*

PM RB WV

Recorded from the usual 5 sites and in nearly every month of the year. Spring passage noted 4.4. with 13 at Agia reservoir, and Autumn passage on 28.10 with 22 at Lake Kournas.

Jan: Singles at Karteros and Ierapetra reservoir 7.1. & 21.1.

March: Small numbers at Agia Reservoir and Georgioupolis 27.- 30.3.

April: 12 Georgioupolis, 13 Agia Reservoir and 6 Lake Kournas 4.4. Steady decrease from 7.4. with 1 to 6 present at Agia reservoir, Georgioupolis, Lake Kournas, Ierapetra Reservoir and Zaros until 28.10. when 22 recorded at Lake Kournas, thereafter only small numbers; 3 Ierapetra Reservoir 3.11.

GREAT CRESTED GREBE *Podiceps cristatus*

PM WV

March: 2 Ierapetra harbour on 20th. [CJH].

BLACK-NECKED GREBE *Podiceps nigricollis*

PM WV

January: 3 Ierapetra 21.1.

February: 1 Heraklion 1.2.

11 Ierapetra reservoir 10.2. & 7 there 27.2.

March: 9 Ierapetra reservoir 5.3. and a single there 20.3.

Then 60 at Ierapetra reservoir on 30.3.

April: 41 Lake Kournas 4.4. and 18 there 22.4.

October: 7 Lake Kournas 28.10.

November: 4 Ierapetra reservoir 3.11.

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CORY'S SHEARWATER *Calonectris diomedea* PM MB
 April: 180 per hour passing offshore from Gouves lagoons on a windy 2.4.
 50 counted again in wind on 7.4.
 c30 offshore at the mouth of the Tavronitis river 13.4.
 Small flock of Malia 13.4.
 7 at Chania 20.4.
 8 off Petres Gorge 21.4.
 May: 6 off Gouves 6.5.
 A few going E. & W. offshore Rethymnon in NE gale 17.5.
 2 west in calm conditions Rethymnon 23.5.
 June: 40+ off Paleochora 28.6.
 August: Regular in good numbers during August. 500 in hour on 14.8.
 September: 2 Heraklion 13.9.
 October: 450+ offshore at Gouves during strong southerly winds 23.10.

MEDITERRANEAN SHEARWATER *Puffinus puffinus yelkouan* PM MB
 April: 1 off Gouves lagoons 2.4.
 3+ Heraklion power station 12.4
 30+ Sitia harbour 12.4. with 500+ moving north 14.4.
 50 Sitia harbour in the evening 15.4. & 30 off Istro 15.4.
 1 off Gouves lagoons 16.4.
 Several off Rethymnon in NE. gale 17.5.
 June: 3 off Moni Gouvenatou cliffs 1.6.
 August: 5 off Hersonnisos 15.8.
 October: Small numbers recorded off Georgioupolis and 10 offshore at Gouves
 28.10.
 November: A few noted off Ag.Nikolaos at the end of October, early November
 were the last for the year.

CORMORANT *Phalacrocorax carbo* PM WV
 February: 1 Heraklion power station 17.2.
 April: 1 flew across Souda Bay 5.4.
 2 flew across Chania Bay 6.4.
 1 Ierapetra harbour 15.4.
 June: 1 Platanias 27.6.

SHAG *Phalacrocorax aristotelis* RB
 April: 1 offshore at the Tavronitis river 13.4. [DM].
 2 Vai beach 14.4.
 3 Sitia harbour 14.4.
 1 Elounda bay 15.4.

WHITE PELICAN *Pelicanus onocrotalus* ??
 1 or 2 tame birds in Sitia harbour. 12.4.- 15.4.

BITTERN *Botaurus stellaris* PM
 April: 1 Malia 8.4.
 2 Sitia river 16.4.
 1 Agia reservoir 20.4.

LITTLE BITTERN *Ixobrychus minutus* PM
 April: 1-2 f and m's Agia reservoir 5.4 to 21.4.
 1 Heraklion power station 11.4.
 1 Tavronitis river 26.4.
 1 Aposelemis river 28.4.

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May: 1 on river Platis, Agia Galini 6.5.
2 Tavronitis river 10.5.
1 Komos 11.5.
1 Agia reservoir 13.5. & 2. there 21.5.
1 m Platanes 13.5.& 14.5. & 22.5.

NIGHT HERON *Nycticorax nycticorax*

PM

April: 1 Gouves lagoons 1.4. & 7.4. & 26.4.
1 Aposelemis river 2.4. 5 there 8.4.
2 Agia reservoir 4.4. Singles 6.4, 7.4. & 11.4. 2 there 12.4. &
13.4.
2, 1 adult and juvenile, Souda bay cemetery 5.4.
1 Heraklion power station 9.4.
1 Agia 11.4. & 1 Heraklion power station 11.4. & 12.4.
2 Sitia river 14.4. & 1 there 16.4.
1 Tavronitis river 13.4.
1 Elounda Saltpans 25.4.
May: 1 dead (shot) Phalasarna 8.5.
2 Agia reservoir 13.5. 5 there 21.5. 4 on 27.5. & 1 30.5.
2 Platanes river 20.5.
1 Geropotamos bridge 25.5.
August: 22 Aposelemis river 27.8. & 1 Aposelemis river 30.8.
September: 1 Kato Zakros 11.9.
October: 3 Panoromo 3.10.
1 juvenile Georgioupolis 17.10.

SQUACCO HERON *Ardeola ralloides*

PM

April: Widespread in April.
1 Gouves lagoons 1.4. 8.4. 14.4. to 17.4.
2 Souda bay 5.4.
1 Gouves 8.4.
1 Heraklion power station 9.4. & 14.4. 4+ there 12.4.
3 Agia reservoir 11.4. & 13.4. 8 there 20.4.
1 Gouves 14.4.-17.4.
1 Sitia river 15.4.
12 on rocks near Plakias harbour 18.4. & 19.4. but only 2 there 23.4
& 29.4.
2 Elounda saltpans 19.4.
2 Damnoni 22.4.
4 Malia marsh 23.4.
2 Plakias 23.4.
2 Aposelemis river 28.4.
May: 4 Gouves lagoon 3.5.
1 Agia Galini 5.5.
1 Keridis river 7.5.
2+ Agia reservoir 7.5. Up to 10 there 21.5. to 30.5.
Several Tavronitis river 7.5. 12 there 10.5.
1 Megalopotamos 9.5.
1 Platanes river 13.5. & 14.5. & 18.5.
1 Plakias beach 15.5.
1 Kato Zakros 16.5.
1 Gilfos valley 17.5.
1 Agios Nikolaos 19.5.
2 Aposelemis river 23.5. and a single there 26.5.
1 Fodele Beach 25.5.
June: 2 Aposelemis river 5.6.

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2 Agia, 2 Gerani and 2 Tavronitis in late June/early July.
August: 50 attempting to land on Hersonnisos beach 15.8.
September: 2 Aposelemis river 1.9.
October: 3 Hersonnisos 7.10.

LITTLE EGRET *Egretta garzetta*

PM

Common passage migrant widespread from mid March and common in April.

May: 20 Plakias 3.5.
2 Heraklion 5.5.
1 Frangocastello 9.5.
8 Tavronitis 10.5.
3 Agia reservoir 13.5. 5 there 21.5 & a single 27.5.
5 Platanos river 13.5.-16.5. Up to 4 there 18.5.-20.5. A single
25.5.
1 Spinalonga 18.5.
3 Aposelemis river 23.5. & a single there 26.5.
1 Karteros 28.5.
June: 1 to 3 Petres river, Aposelemis river, Agia reservoir & Tavronitis
river up late June.
August: 20 near airport 18.8.
1 Karteros 21.8. & 29.8.
2 Ierapetra 24.8.
Singles Aposelemis river 27.8. & 30.8.
September: 1 Aposelemis 1.9. to 6.9.
1 Karteros 2.9. Large flock there 23.9.
October: 14 Georgioupolis 6.10. 14 there 10.10. & 11 there on 16.10.
6 Karteros 6.10. and 8 there 20.10.
1 Mirabello hotel, Ag. Nikolaos 29.10.

GREAT WHITE EGRET *Egretta alba*

PM

April: 1 Plakias Bay 15.4.
2 Malia 18.4.
May: 1 Malia coast moving W. 3.5.
November: 1 Elounda saltpans 3.11.
1 Ierapetra reservoir 3.11.

GREY HERON *Ardea cinerea*

PM

March: Widespread from 13.3.
April: Common in small numbers at river mouths and on the coast.
Max. 9 Plakias Bay 3.4.
May-September Again small numbers with a maximum of 11 at Plakias mid May. First
indication of Autumn passage was 34 on the Aposelemis river 30.8.
September: 1 Karteros 2.9.
1 Heraklion spring pool 2.9.
1 Kato Gouves 7.9.
October: Passage throughout the month with 2 Panormo 3.10.
47 Karteros 6.10.
25 Georgioupolis 7.10. with 100 there 8.10.
1 Lake Kournas 9.10.
28 Karteros 10.10. 2 at Karteros 20.10
Single Georgioupolis 10.10. rising to 8 there 14.10
38 Georgioupolis 16.10. reduced to 18 at Georgioupolis by 19.10.
5 flew west offshore at Georgioupolis 28.10.
November: 1 Ierapetra 3.11.
1 Karteros 5.11.

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	PURPLE HERON <i>Ardea purpurea</i>	PM
April:	1 Agia reservoir 5.4. 1 Heraklion power station 11.4. 1 near Rethymnon 14.4. 1 Elounda 19.4. 1 flew through the Kotsiphos gorge 19.4.	
May:	1 Aposelemis river 26.5.	
August:	16 Aposelemis river 30.8.	
September:	1 Aposelemis river 1.9.	
October:	1 Georgioupolis 8.10. & 1 there 17.10. 19 Panormo 3.10.	
	WHITE STORK <i>Ciconia ciconia</i>	PM
April:	1 Phaestos 9.4. STORK sp.	
May:	8+18 during stormy weather over Plakias 3.5.	
	GLOSSY IBIS <i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	PM
March:	16 Aposelemis river 21.3. decreasing to 4, 23.4.	
April:	6 Aposelemis rivermouth 1.4. 2.4. & 7.4. 4 Malia 1.4. 6 there 8.4. 4, 13.4. 2, 18.4. and 3, 23.4. 2 Agia reservoir 6.4. 6 Gouves lagoons 8.4. Singles there 14.-16.4. & 24.4. 4 Heraklion power station 8.4. 1 flying west Plakias 10.4. 100+ there 17.4. 24 over Vai beach 14.4. 6 upper Sitia river 15.4. and 6 Ierapetra reservoir 16.4. 1 Elounda salt pans 19.4.	
August:	100 Hersonissos 13.8. 29 there 17.8. 5 Aposelemis river 30.8.	
September:	14 Aposelemis river 1.9. Large flock Hersonissos 10.9.	
October:	12 Georgioupolis 7.10.	
	SPOONBILL <i>Platalea leucorodia</i>	PM
April:	7 Aposelemis river 7.4. & 8.4. 1 Gouves lagoons/Aposelemis river 15.-16.4.	
	GREATER FLAMINGO <i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>	AV
May:	14+4 flying east Plakias Bay 3.5.	
	WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE <i>Anser albifrons</i>	AV
April:	1 at Ierapetra reservoir 16.4.	
	GREYLAG GOOSE <i>Anser anser</i>	
April:	1 with White-fronted goose at Ierapetra 16.4.	
	SHELDUCK <i>Tadorna tadorna</i>	AV
January:	1 at Ierapetra reservoir 21.1.	
	WIGEON <i>Anas penelope</i>	WV
January:	25 Ierapetra reservoir 21.1.	
February:	24 Ierapetra reservoir 10.2. & 8 there 27.2.	
March:	2 Ierapetra reservoir 5.3.	
April:	6 Ierapetra reservoir 15.4.	
November:	2 Aposelemis river 27.11.	

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GADWALL *Anas strepera*

WV

January: 4 Ierapetra reservoir 21.1.
February: 3 Ierapetra reservoir 10.2.

TEAL *Anas crecca*

WV

January: 80 Ierapetra reservoir 21.1.
February: 22 Ierapetra reservoir 10.2.
65 Ierapetra reservoir 27.2.
March: Small flock Ierapetra reservoir 5.3.
7 Ierapetra reservoir 19.3.
August: 12 Ierapetra reservoir 24.8.
November: 60+ Ierapetra reservoir 3.11.

MALLARD *Anas platyrhynchos*

WV

January - March Small numbers at Ierapetra reservoir with a max. of 29 there
5.3. down to 6 by 19.3.
April: 1f flew out to sea Aposelemis river 7.4.
1f Gouves lagoon 8.4.
1 Aposelemis river 15.4.
1 Ierapetra reservoir 16.4.
October: 50 Georgioupolis 17.10. 18 there next day.
4 Lake Kournas 28.10.
November: 15 Ierapetra reservoir 3.11.

PINTAIL *Anas acuta*

WV

January: 50 Ierapetra reservoir 21.1.
February: 6 Ierapetra reservoir 10.2.
1 Istron 27.2.
63 Ierapetra reservoir 27.2.
March: 8 Ierapetra reservoir 5.3.
April: 50+ Plakias 17.4.
November: 8 Ierapetra reservoir 3.11.

GARGANEY *Anas querquedula*

PM

March: 8 Ierapetra reservoir 19.3.
6 Agia reservoir 27.3.
April: 7 offshore from Chania harbour 7.4.
1f Aposelemis river 8.4.
1 Heraklion power station 8.4.
2 Heraklion power station 11.4.
2 Plakias 17.4.
1f Elounda saltpans 19.4. & 20.4.
1 Georgioupolis 28.4.
August: 1m Limnes pool 10.8.
2 Aposelemis river 20.8. & 30.8.
3 Aposelemis river 21.8. & 23.8.
3 Ierapetra reservoir 24.8. then 23 there 25.8.
4 Aposelemis river 27.8.
September: 3 Aposelemis river 4.9. 6.9. & 7.9.
October: 1 Aposelemis river 9.10.

SHOVELER *Anas clypeata*

WV

March: 2 Ierapetra reservoir 5.3.
7 Ierapetra reservoir 19.3. & 20.3.
November: 2 Ierapetra reservoir 3.11.

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POCHARD *Aythya ferina*

WV

January: 200 Ierapetra reservoir 21.1.
 February: 89 Ierapetra reservoir 10.2. down to 2 on 27.2.
 March: Small flock Ierapetra reservoir 5.3.
 November: 50+ Ierapetra reservoir 3.11.

FERRUGINOUS DUCK *Aythya nyroca*

WV

February: 2 Ierapetra reservoir 27.2.
 March: 1 Ierapetra reservoir 19.3.
 October: 14 Lake Kournas 28.10.
 November: 20+ Ierapetra reservoir 3.11.

TUFTED DUCK *Aythya fuligula*

WV

January: 10 Ierapetra reservoir 21.1.
 February: 12 Ierapetra reservoir 10.2. still there 27.2.

HONEY BUZZARD *Pernis apivorus*

PM

May: 1 above Kritsa 4.5.
 2 Tavronitis river 10.5.
 5 rising and moving north over Rethymnon 19.5. and 3, 26.5.
 3 Georgioupolis Lake 28.5.
 August: 1 Kalamavka 25.8.

BLACK KITE *Milvus migrans*

PM

April: 1 at Knossos 16.4.
 1 in off the sea over Kakomouri peninsula, Plakias, on the morning
 of 16.4. another across Kourtaliotiko Gorge 16.4.
 1 Moxos-Stalis road 27.4. mobbed by 2 buzzards.
 May: 1 Aposelemis river 3.5.
 1 Skoutelonas river 7.5. 1 Agia reservoir 7.5.
 1 Petres river gorge 22.5.

LAMMERGEIER *Gypaetus barbatus*

RB

January: 1 Kera 19.1. & 25.1.
 March: 1 Kera/Avdou gorge 6.3.
 April: 2 Kera/Avdou gorge 8.4. and 2 on Lassithi plateau 8.4.
 2 Lassithi 9.4. & 15.4.
 3 Kera/Avdou gorge 13.4.
 1 Omalos 23.4.
 May: 2 Vouvas 9.5.
 Kera/Avdou 6.6.
 August: 1 adult and juv. Lassithi 8.8.
 October: 1 Samaria gorge 11.10.
 1 adult & 1 juv. above Kera/Avdou gorge 24.10.
 1 over Katheron plateau late October.

GRIFFON VULTURE *Gyps fulvus*

RB

Resident: Common largest counts only counts up to 20 this year.
 April: 1 Kera, 2 Lacou, 9 Lassithi Plateau 8.4. 2 Kotsiphos Gorge and 2 Preveli
 9.4. 1 Kourtaliotiko Gorge and c20 Petres Gorge 11.4. 7 Heraklio power station
 gorge 8.4. 8+ above Plaka 20.4. c.12 at Lassithi plateau 15.4. 28 Yuchtas 16.4.
 4 Kotsiphos gorge 17.4. 5 at Kouraliotiko Gorge 18.4. incl. a pair at nest, 7
 over gorge 18.4. 1 at Petres Gorge 21.4.
 Selinari. 15 Lassithi. 10 Kotsiphos Gorge 10.5. 9 Omalos 11.5.
 5 Afrata peninsula 14.5. 1 near sea beyond Kommitades 17.5.
 May: 1 Platanes river gorge

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3 Petres Gorge 22.5
 2 Lassithi plateau 23.5.
 6 Mt Youchtas 25.5.
 12+ Amari valley 26.5. with 6 seen there 29.5.
 1 Omalos 30.5.
 June: 5 Petres river gorge 1.6.
 July: 12 over sea cliffs near Enias Gorge east of Agia Roumeli 24.7.
 August: 5 Lassithi plateau 4.8.& 11.8.
 8 Prasses 7.8. & 5 there 9.8.
 3 Aposelemis river 19.8.
 7 Kera/Avdou 22.8.
 October: 4 Samaria Gorge 11.10.
 7 Amari valley 16.10.
 17 Kera Gorge 24.10.
 2 over Kourtaliotiko Gorge.
 2 over Prasses Gorge 27.10.
 4 in Petres Gorge 29.10.
 8 Katheron Plateau in late October.
 November: 1 Ierapetra 3.11.
 6 Kalo Horio 15.11. & 5 there 17.11.
 2 Selinari 28.11.

SHORT-TOED EAGLE *Circaetus gallicus*

PM

November: 1 hovering near Episkopi near Ierapetra 4.11.

MARSH HARRIER *Circus aeruginosus*

MB

PM

February: 1 Malia 5.2. & 7.2.
 1 Heraklion power station 17.2.
 March: 1 Aposelemis river 18.3. & 22.3.
 1 Agia reservoir 27.3.
 1 Gouves 31.3
 April: 1 Gouves 2.4.
 1 Geropotamus mouth 2.4
 1 Georgioupolis 4.4.
 1 Tavronitis 5.4
 1 Lake Kournas 6.4. & 1 east of Chania harbour 6.4.
 1 Aposelemis 7.4. & 8.4. & 26.4.
 1f Agia reservoir 12.4. & 1m there 13.4.
 3 Malia 8.4. 1 there 13.4. & 18.4.
 1 Tavronitis river 13.4.
 1 Moxos 13.4.
 1 Ierapetra 16.4. & 2 at Youchtas 16.4.
 2 Kotsiphos gorge 17.4.
 1 f Aposelemis river 26.4.
 May: 2f in Plakias 4.5. & 1 near Plakias 6.5. & 9.5.
 1 near Hersonnisos 2.5. & 10.5.
 2 Agia Reservoir 7.5.
 1 Falasarna 8.5.
 1f Agia Reservoir 21.5. & 27.5.
 1 Aposelemis 26.5.
 July: 1 Kalo Horio 4.7.
 August: 1 Monastiraki 24.8.
 September: 1 Agia Deka 28.9.
 October: 2 different females over Agia Reservoir 28.10.

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- HEN HARRIER** *Circus cyaneus* PM WV
 May: 1 Spili 11.5.
 1 Itanos 16.5.
 December: 1 Kalo Horio 7.12.
- PALLID HARRIER** *Circus macrourus* PM
 April: 1 Malia 13.4.
- MONTAGU'S HARRIER** *Circus pygargus* PM
 April: 1 Moni Preveli 3.4.
 2m at Kotsiphos Gorge 17.4.
 1 at Akrotiri 17.4. & 20.4.
 1 Malia Marsh 23.4.
 1 f Gouves lagoons caught a goldfinch. 24.4.
 May: 1 f coming in off the sea at Plakias 4.5.
 1 f at Gouves on 6.5.
- GOSHAWK** *Accipter gentilis* PM WV?
 April: 1m at entrance to Lassithi Plateau 8.4.
 May: 1 Malia coast 3.5.
- SPARROWHAWK** *Accipter nisus* PM WV
 January: 1 Ierapetra 21.1.
 April: 2 Gouves lagoons 1.4. and 1 on 13.4.
 1 Petres Gorge 11.4.
 1 over Sitia Bay 14.4.
 July: 1 Moxos 25.7.
 November: 1 near Episkopi 4.11.
- LEVANT SPARROWHAWK** *Accipter brevipes* AV?
 1 Malia 8.4.
- BUZZARD** *Buteo buteo* RB PM
 Common and thinly widespread. Breeding behaviour noted at Plakias in April.
 10 counted over Lassithi area 9.4. & 10 counted over Platanes river gorge.
 1 Aposelemis river 6.8.
 5 Lassithi plateau 8.8.
 October: Recorded in singles daily, less than in April.
- LONG-LEGGED BUZZARD** *Buteo rufinus* PM
 April: 1 Aposelemis river 10.4.
 1 Rethymnon 22.4.
 1 Rodopou peninsula 26.4.
 May: 1 Agia reservoir 21.5.
 June: 1 Kalo Horio 8.6.
- GOLDEN EAGLE** *Aquila chrysaetos* RB
 April: 3 over the Kotsiphos Gorge Plakias 3.4.& 4.4. 2 there on 15.4. on
 nest site.
 1 Omalos plateau 12.4. & 24.4.
 1 Seli Ambelou Pass 11.4.
 2 Kritsa 16.4.
 1 Megalopotamos valley 15.4.
 2 Asomatos 18.4.

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1 near Moxos 27.4.
 May: 2 Tavronitis river 7.5.
 1 Omalos plateau 11.5.
 1 above new road about 5 km west of Heraklion 23.5.
 October: 1 over Kera 24.10.
 November: 1 Kalo Horio 15.11.

BOOTED EAGLE *Hieraaetus pennatus*

WV PM

April: 1 over Kourtaliotiko gorge 2.4.
 1+ over Heraklion power station river 8.4.
 1 Agia reservoir 4.4.
 1 Kera Avdou gorge 19.4.
 May: 1 Platanes river gorge 21.5.
 1 near Episkopi & Ag. Ioannis near Ierapetra 4.11.
 December: 1 Kalo Horio 3.12.

BONELLI'S EAGLE *Hieraaetus fasciatus*

RB

April: 1 over mountains behind Plakias 3.4.
 1 near Gonies 8.4.
 1 Kotsiphos Gorge 9.4.
 1 Kera 11.4.
 2 Monastiraki 15.4. & 1 over Damnoni beach evening of 15.4.
 1 Aposelemis river 24.4.
 2 Selinari gorge 25.4.
 May: 2 Imbros Gorge 16.5.
 2 Amari valley 26.5.
 1 adult over Prasses Gorge watched for half an hour 9.8.

OSPREY *Pandion haliaetus*

PM

May: 1 Malia coast flying east 3.5.

LESSER KESTREL *Falco naumanni*

RB? PM MB

April: A single m near old Prevelli monastery. 5.4.
 1 Kotsiphos Gorge 9.4.
 2 Vidiani 11.4.
 May: 2-3 cliffs above Kritsa 4.5.
 2 Platanes river gorge 21.5.
 2 Geropotamus bridge 28.5.
 1 Amari valley 29.5.
 June: 2 Geropotamus bridge 2.6.
 October: 1 male at Damnoni 27.10.

KESTREL *Falco tinnunculus*

RB

Common: especially near the coast.

April: 1 pair breeding on cliff at Plakias in April. 3-4 recorded elsewhere everyday during this month. 3 records June:Kalo Horio Kera/Avdou. 3 records July Kalo Horio/ Kera Avdou/ Pheastos.
 October: Few seen mainly on the coast.

RED-FOOTED FALCON *Falco vespertinus*

PM

April: 1m at Akrotiri 20.4.
 2 Aposelemis river 24.4.
 1 Selinari gorge 25.4.
 1m & 1f at eastern end of Plakias beach on 28.4.
 4 Lassithi plateau Psychro 30.4.
 May: 1f at Plakias 3.5, 2 f at Plakias 4.5.

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1m & 1f at top of Kotsiphos gorge 7.5.
 16+ Skoutelonas river 7.5.
 5 Itanos 16.5.
 1 Georgioupolis 20.5.
 4 Lassithi plateau 23.5.

HOBBY *Falco subbuteo*

PM

April: 1 chasing Swifts over Hania 13.4.
 1 Agios Ioannis Point 16.4.
 May: 1 at Plakias on 3.5.
 1 at Gournes 6.5.
 1 Tavronitis - Paleohora road 15.5.
 June: 1 Moni Gouverneto 1.6.
 September: 1 Karteros 2.9.
 October: 1 Lake Kournas 9.10.

ELEONORA'S FALCON *Falco eleonorae*

MB PM

April: 1 Istro 18.4. 1 above Elounda 19.4. & 1 at Agia 19.4.
 1 near Hersonnisos 26.4. & 1 Tavronitis 26.4.
 4 Theriso Gorge 27.4. Then common throughout.
 May: 1 perched in tree before flying over top of Kotsiphos Gorge 7.5.
 1 Moni Prevelli 15.5.
 40+ Giflos valley 16.5.
 12 Phaestos 17.5.
 2 Agia Marina 18.5.
 1 Rethymnon 19.5. and 1 west there 23.5.
 1 west over Rethymnon Pines 21.5.
 200+ above Heraklion 23.5.
 1 carrying prey over Skaleta 26.5.
 1 Heraklion airport 26.5.
 6 Samaria Gorge 30.6.
 June & July: Common.
 August: 5 River Aposelemis 6.8.
 1 Heraklion 7.8.& 8.8.
 2 Kalo Horio 13.8.
 1 Hersonnisos 16.8. & 1 there 17.8.
 4 Kalo Horio 18.8.
 2 Kalamavka 24.8.
 12 Ierapetra 24.8.
 October: Common. 1 Gouves 23.10
 5 Vrises above Neapolis 29.10.
 November: 4 Ierapetra reservoir 3.11.

LANNER *Falco biamicus*

RB PM?

April: 1 Selinari gorge defending cliff against Raven 25.4.
 May: 1 Tavronitis river 7.5.
 1 Moni Prevelli 9.5.
 1 over Rethymnon harbour continued SW over town 14.5.
 1 m Agia 21.5.

PEREGRINE *Falco peregrinus*

RB PM WV

January: 1 Gonies 3.1.
 1 Kalo Horio 9.1.
 1 Fodele 14.1. & 1 Achlada 14.1.
 February: 1 Honos 14.2.
 April: 1 over Mt Edhery 1.4.

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2 Kourtaliotiko Gorge 2.4.
 1 Petres River Gorge 4.4. & 11.4. & 21.4.
 2 Kera/Avdou gorge 8.4. & 1 there 19.4.
 1 Kotsiphos Gorge 9.4.
 1 Kato Zakro Gorge 13.4.
 1 nr. Gonies just north of Lassithi 15.4. & 1 Ierapetra 15.4
 2 at Youchtas 16.4.
 A pair on rocks above Asomatos 18.4.
 1 above Elounda 19.4.
 1 Lassithi Plateau 30.4.
 May: 2 Falasarna 8.5.
 1 Kourtaliotiko Gorge 9.5.
 2 Kera/Avdou gorge 13.5.
 1 Afrata 14.5. & 1 Stalos Beach 14.5. & 1f near Maroulas 14.5.
 3 Giflos valley 16.5.
 1 Agia Marina 18.5.
 3 Petres river gorge 22.5.
 June: 1 Kalo Horio 8.6. & 11.6.
 1 Kera/Avdou Gorge 13.6. & 27.6.
 August: 1 Prasses 8.8.
 1 Lassithi 11.8.
 1 Hersonnisos 12.8.
 1 Monastiraki 24.8.
 1 Kalo Horio 31.8.
 September: 1 Aposelemis river 1.9.
 1 Kalo Horio 25.9.
 October: 1 Kalo Horio 11.10.
 1 or 2 Kera Gorge 24.10.
 2 Petres Gorge 29.10.
 November: 1 Kalo Horio 13.11.
 1 Malia 24.11.

CHUKAR *Alectoris chukar*

RB

March: 1 Monastiraki 5.3.
 April: 1 Petres gorge 6.4. & a pair there 11.4.
 1 Phaestos 9.4.
 2 at Kotsiphos Gorge 17.4.
 1 heard above Plaka 20.4.
 1 Akrotiri 25.4.
 May: 1 heard above Kritsa 4.5.
 1 Hora Sfakion 8.5.
 4 heard en route to Mt. Gingalos 23.5.
 July: A flock at Kalo Horio, Lassithi 31.7.
 September: 1 Heraklion Spring Pool 26.9.
 October: 1 Nida plateau 2.10.

QUAIL *Coturnix coturnix*

MB PM

April: Heard calling at Plakias 11.4.
 May: heard calling Tavronitis river 7.5.

WATER RAIL *Rallus aquaticus*

PM WV

March: 1 heard 31.3. Aposelemis river.
 April: 1 heard 1.4. Aposelemis river and recorded there in early April.
 August: 1 Aposelemis river 6.8.

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- SPOTTED CRAKE** *Porzana porzana* PM
 April: 1 Agia reservoir 11.4. & 13.4. and 2 there 19.-20.4. Single 22.4.
- LITTLE CRAKE** *Porzana parva* PM
 March/April Recorded Georgioupolis and Agia reservoirs, mainly singles, Maximum:
 3 Georgioupolis 7.4.
 May: 1 Agia reservoir 26.5.
- MOORHEN** *Gallinula chloropus* RB PM
 January-February 1-3 at 6 sites along the north coast.
 March: Common
 April: Very common with large numbers until third week.
 81 Agia reservoir 5.4. and c.50 there 11.4.-13.4. reduced c30 19.4.-
 20.4.
 c20 Georgioupolis 21.4. down to 4 on 24.5.
 May-September: 1-3 at rivermouths and wet areas.
 October: Common Georgioupolis 6.10, 12.10. and 18.10.
 4 Geropotamos Bridge 22.10
 November-December: Singles on Aposelemis river.
- COOT** *Fulica atra* RB? WV PM
 Main winter concentration 250 Ierapetra reservoir 21.1. decreasing to 10 by
 27.2. Evidence of passage mid March-April with 52 19.3. and 33 Lake Kournas 4.4.
 20 Ierapetra 15.4. Small numbers on other wet areas. Autumn passage or arrival
 of wintering birds 50 Ierapetra 24.8. 106 Lake Kournas 28.10. November max. 500
 Ierapetra reservoir 3.11.
- OYSTERCATCHER** *Haematopus ostralegus* AV
 October: 5 Georgioupolis Lake 6.10.
- BLACK-WINGED STILT** *Himantopus himantopus* PM
 March: 1-2 Aposelemis river 21.3.- 31.3.
 April: 2 Heraklion Power station 7.4. Several Tavronitis river & Agia
 reservoir 7.4.
 1 Karteros 8.4.
 1 Aposelemis river and 3 flying west 9.4.
 1 recorded there 10.4. 2-3 there 14.4.-16.4. Single 18.4. & 19.4.
 1 Lassithi pools 9.4.
 1 Petres river 11.4.
 1 Tavronitis 13.4. & 1 Malia 13.4.
 1 Petres Gorge 21.4.
 1 Gouves lagoon 24.4. & 26.4.
 May: 3 Agia reservoir 13.5.
 1 Aposelemis river 23.5. & 26.5.
 2 Agia reservoir 27.5.
 June: 1 Aposelemis river 5.6. & 10.6. & 19.6. & 22.6.
- STONE CURLEW** *Burhinus oedicnemus* MB PM WV
 April: 1 Malia 1.4.
 1 Aposelemis river/Gouves lagoons 1.4. 2 there 2.4.
- COLLARED PRATINCOLE** *Glareola pratincola* PM
 April: 9 Gouves lagoons 7.4. & a single there 10.4.

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LITTLE RINGED PLOVER *Charadrius dubius* MB PM
 March: 5 Aposelemis river 10.3. Present remainder of March. Maximum 7 21.3.
 1-2 Makrialos Bay, Karteros, Elounda.
 April: Common. Recorded Aposelemis river c.20 7.4.-9.4., Platanes river,
 Gouves lagoons, Malia, Heraklion power station, Sitia river, Petres river mouth,
 Tavronitis river and Georgioupolis Lake. Up to 10 Gouves dumping ground and
 lagoons in the last week of April.
 May- October: Breeding records Tavronitis river 10.5. and Aposelemis river 1-3
 birds at all regular sites. Maximum 8 at Karteros 21.8. Last record a single at
 Karteros 12.11.

RINGED PLOVER *Charadrius hiaticula* PM WV
 April: 1 Sitia river 14.4.
 May: 1 Gouves lagoons 3.5.
 August: 1 Elounda saltpans 10.8.

KENTISH PLOVER *Charadrius alexandrinus* PM WV?
 April: 1 Gouves lagoons 1.4.

GOLDEN PLOVER *Pluvialis dominica* PM
 January: 1 Vatheo 24.1.
 February: 3 Malia 27.2.

GREY PLOVER *Pluvialis squatarola* PM
 April: 1 Malia 13.4. & 18.4.

SPUR-WINGED PLOVER *Hoplopterus spinosus* AV
 April: 1 at Sitia river for several hours on morning of 13.4. [SC et al].

LAPWING *Vanellus vanellus* WV
 February: 3 Malia 5.2. & 10.2. 4 there 27.2.
 2 Ierapetra 27.2.
 March: 2 Malia 14.3.

SANDERLING *Calidris alba* PM
 May: 10 in mostly summer plumage Gournes river 6.5.

LITTLE STINT *Calidris minuta* PM
 March: 11 Gouves lagoons 31.3.
 April: Common. 9 Aposelemis river. 1.4.
 2 Gouves lagoons 2.4. & 20 there 7.4.- 9.4. & 14.4. Flocks of up to
 30 last week in April.
 5 Karteros 8.4.
 1 Tavronitis river 13.4. 3 there 26.4.
 6-9 Gouves lagoons/ Aposelemis river 15.4.-16.4.
 20+ Elounda saltpans 18.4. 2 there 26.4.
 1 mouth Plakias stream 24.4. 3 there 25.4. 2 there 26.4. & 27.4.
 3 Georgioupolis 28.4.
 May: 23 Aposelemis river 2.5. 4 on 23.5. & 8 on 26.5.
 12 Malia coast 3.5.
 2 Plakias river mouth 5.5. & 1 there 9.5. 3 15.5. & 4 25.5.
 5 Agia reservoir 13.5. 2 there 30.5.
 4 Platanes river 20.5. 5 on 22.5. and 8 25.5. 12 there 28.5.
 5 Petres rivers 22.5
 12 Geropotamus bridge 26.5
 8 Karteros 28.5.

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June: 2 Platanos river 2.6.
 3 Aposelemis river 10.6. 2 there 19.6. & 1 29.6.
 August: 2 Karteros 21.8. and a single 22.8.
 6 Aposelemis river 30.8.
 September: 2 Karteros 2.9.
 1 Aposelemis river 4.9.
 October: 2 Karteros 6.10 & 10.10.
 1 Georgioupolis Lake 28.10.

TEMMINCK'S STINT *Calidris temminckii*

PM

April: 1 Gouves lagoons 8.4. & 15.4.
 1 Aposelemis river 22.4. & 24.4.
 May: 1 at mouth of Plakias river 9.5
 2 Plakias 15.5.

CURLEW SANDPIPER *Calidris ferruginea*

PM

April: 1 Aposelemis river 19.4. & 24.4.
 2 Aposelemis river 22.4. & 26.4.
 May: 4 Aposelemis river 3.5.
 1 mouth of Plakias river 5.5. 3 there 7.5. & 9.5. a single 15.5.
 4 at Gournes 6.5.
 7 Tavronitis river 10.5.
 1 Georgioupolis Lake 19.5.
 1 Elounda saltpans 28.5.
 August: 1 Beachwood City 24.8.

DUNLIN *C. alpina*

PM

April: 2 each day Gouves lagoons 31.3.- 2.4.
 1 east of Hersonnisos 24.4.
 July: 1 Aposelemis river 29.7.
 August: 1 Aposelemis river 14.8. & 16.8. & 21.8. & 23.8.
 October: 1 Georgioupolis Lake 15.10.

RUFF *Philomachus pugnax*

PM

February: 1 Power station 17.2.
 March: 3 Aposelemis river 10.3. 6 there 16.3. rising to 17. 11 on 22.3. & 3
 on 31.3.
 April: Common Aposelemis river during the month max. 18 on 26.4. Small
 numbers Sitia river mouth, Malia, Tavronitis river.
 16 Agia reservoir 27.4.
 May: 6 Aposelemis river 2.5. 12 there 3.5.
 3 Gournes river 6.5., with several Keridis river & Tavronitis river
 7.5.
 Single Agia reservoir 21.5.
 3 Aposelemis river 23.5. & 4 there 26.5.
 2 Karteros 28.5.

SNIPE *Gallinago gallinago*

PM

WV

January: 1 Malia 3.ch: 1 Aposelemis river 10.3. & 22.3.
 April: 1 Tavronitis river 5.4.
 1 Aposelemis river 7.4.
 1 Agia Triada 9.4.
 1 Power station 12.4.
 1 Ierapetra reservoir 16.4.
 October: 1 Aposelemis river 9.10.

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BLACK-TAILED GODWIT *Limosa limosa* PM

March: 1 Elounda 24.3.

CURLEW *Numenius arquata* PM WV?

March: 1 flew east Aposelemis river 31.3.
 April: 1 Aposelemis river 1.4. & 2.4.
 1 at mouth of Aposelemis river 9.4.

REDSHANK *Tringa totanus* PM WV

March: 1 Aposelemis river 16.3. & 18.3. & 21.3. 2 there 22.3. to 26.3.
 April: 1 Aposelemis river 2.4. & 8.4. & 10.4. 2 there 14.4.-15.4. & 19.4
 1 Souda Bay 5.4.
 1 Ag. Fotia beach 14.4.
 1 Elounda Saltpans 16.4. & 17.4. & 1 Ierapetra reservoir 16.4.
 August: 1 Elounda saltpans 10.8.
 September: 1 Karteros 2.9.
 October: 1 Georgioupolis Lake 28.10.
 1 Platanos river 29.10 & 1 Karteros 29.10.
 November: 1 Karteros 5.11.
 2 Karteros 16.11.

MARSH SANDPIPER *Tringa stagnatilis* PM

March: 1 Aposelemis river 22.3.
 April: 1 Gouves lagoons 8.4. & 9.4. & 22.4.
 1 Georgioupolis Lake 11.4.
 1 Aposelemis river 19.4.

GREENSHANK *Tringa nebularia* PM

March; 1 Aposelemis river 31.3.
 April: 1 Aposelemis river 1.4. & 2.4. & 7.4. Also 1-2 there 14.4.-28.4.
 1 Lassithi pool 9.4.
 May: 1 Aposelemis river 2.5.
 15+ Tavronitis river 10.5.
 August: 1 Ierapetra 25.8.

GREEN SANDPIPER *Tringa ochropus* PM WV?

January: 1 Aposelemis river 6.1. 2 on 17.1 and a single 23.1.
 March: 5 Aposelemis river 10.3. 2 there 22.3. & 21.3.
 1 Karteros 13.3.
 1 Limnes 20.3.
 April: 1 Aposelemis river 1.4 & 7.4.
 1 Platanos 4.4.
 2 Tavronitis river 5.4.
 2 Aposelemis river 8.4.
 1 Kato Matochi 8.4.
 1 Sitia river 15.4
 1 Malia 18.4. & 23.4.
 May: 1 Aposelemis river 23.5. & 26.5.
 July: 1 Aposelemis river 29.7.
 August: 34 Aposelemis river 14.8. 9 there 16.8, 4 there 20.8 & 27.8. 5 on
 30.8.
 4 Karteros 21.8.
 1 Ierapetra 24.8.
 2 Karteros 29.8.

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September: 4 Aposelemis river 1.9.

WOOD SANDPIPER *Tringa glareola*

PM

March: 2 Elounda 24.3.
3 Aposelemis river 31.3.

April: 1 Aposelemis river 1.4. & 3.4. 5 there 8.4. Up to 8 by 10.4. & 2
19.4.-22.4. Up to 6 23.4.-28.4.
7 Gouves lagoons 7.4. 20 there 13.4.
1 Agia Triada 9.4.
1 Georgioupolis Lake 14.4 & 1 Sitia river 14.4. & 15.4.
2 Ierapetra reservoir 16.4.
2 above Elounda at hidden valley watering pools 19.4.
2 Agia Reservoir 19.4.- 22.4. A single 24.4.
1 on pool just off Plakias beach road 23.4.- 27.4.
12 Tavronitis river 26.4.

May: 1 Aposelemis river 3.5.
4 Gournes river 6.5. & 1 Plakias river 6.5.
3 Platanes river 13.5. & 14.5.
1 Georgioupolis Lake 24.5.
1 Agia reservoir 30.5.

August: 1 Elounda saltpans 10.8.

September: 1 Aposelemis river 7.9.

COMMON SANDPIPER *Tringa hypoleucos*

PM

WV?

January: Singles Istron 24.1. February: 1 Almyros 27.2.

March: 1 Almyros 5.3. & 20.3.
1 Aposelemis river 22.3. & 26.3.
1 Agia reservoir 27.3.

April: Common. Recorded everyday in small numbers Gouves lagoons, Plakias,
Petres river, Chania harbour, Souda bay, Georgioupolis Lake. Elounda saltpans,
Ierapetra, Agia reservoir, Malia.

May: 3 Aposelemis river 2.5.
1 Limnes 3.5.
7 at Agia Galini river 5.5.
1 Keridis river & Skoutelonas river & Agia reservoir 7.5.
1 in Plakias bay 9.5.
2 Platanes river 21.5.

August: 2 Gouves lagoons 6.8.
1 Elounda saltpans 10.8. & 1 Limnes pool 10.8.
15 on rock in Hersonnisos harbour 16.8.
1 Aposelemis river 23.8.
1 Ierapetra 25.8.
1 Karteros 29.8.

September: 1 Aposelemis river 7.9.

October: 1 Karteros 29.10

TURNSTONE *Arenaria interpres*

PM

May: 1 Gouves lagoons in summer plumage 3.5.
2 on beach at Plakias 7.5.

MEDITERRANEAN GULL *Larus melanocephalus*

PM

WV

April: 3 2nd year birds Rethymon beach 4.4.
1 1st winter & 5 2nd winter Chania harbour 5.4.
3 2nd winter Chania harbour 6.4. & 7.4.
2 at evening roost Sitia harbour 15.4.

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BLACK-HEADED GULL *Larus ridibundus*

PM WV

January: 12 Heraklion 7.1. A single 9.1. Then a small flock Heraklion 10.1.
12 there 31.1.
Large flock Gioforos river 14.1.

February: Many Heraklion 6.2. & 8.2. & 12.2.
2 Rethymnon 13.2.
6 Power Station 17.2. & very large flock Gioforos river 17.2.

March: 6 Heraklion 3.3.
22 Ierapetra harbour 20.3.
Flock Gioforos river 23.3.
1 Chania 30.3.

April: 1 Heraklion Power station 8.4.
2 sub adults Chania 13.4.
2 Sitia 15.4.
1 Ierapetra reservoir 15.4. & 3 there 16.4.
1 Souda 25.4.

May: 1 1st summer, Rethymnon 14.5. & 17.5.

November: Large flock Heraklion 16.11.

December: Very large flock Heraklion 12.12. & 19.12.

AUDOUIN'S GULL *Larus audouinii*

MB RB

5 1st summer birds Plakias bay 7.30am gone by mid morning 15.4.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL *Larus fuscus*

PM WV

April: Singles Almyros 12.4, Tavronitis river 13.4.
2 Sitia 15.4. 2 Ierapetra reservoir 16.4.

May: 1 Rethymnon 13.5.

HERRING/YELLOW-LEGGED GULL *Larus argentatus michahellis*

RB

January, February & March: Very Common

March: 200+ offshore Heraklion airport 31.3.

April: Occasional off Hersonisos & in harbours. Max 25-30 Plakias Bay 20.4. Up to 12 Plakias Bay 18.4.-28.4. Flocks of 100+ at Heraklion Power station roost 11.4. and Sitia harbour 15.4. Common at coastal sites.
Counts c50 1.4. 64 on 2.4. 56 on 3.4. c200 4.4. 112 on 5.4. 85 on 6.4. and 167 on 7.4.

May: Very common. 30 Agia reservoir 21.5. 20+ Tavronitis river 10.5.

June & July: Common in small numbers.

August: Singles and small flocks in Heraklion & Karteros. 40+ in harbour 18.8. Single Karteros 6.8. Small flock there 13.8.
2 Elounda saltpans 10.8.
2 Hersonnisos harbour 14.8. & 3 there 17.8.
1 Ag. Nikolaos 25.8.

September: Common.

October: Small nos recorded with 50+ offshore at Gouves 23.10. during southerly gales. Small numbers with a maximum of 50 at Lake Kournas. Otherwise singles only at 3 sites and 7 dates.

November & December: Common

GREATER BLACK-BACKED GULL *Larus marinus*

WV

April: 2 adults Plakias Bay 16.4. & 19.4.

GULL-BILLED TERN *Gelochelidon nilotica*

PM

April: 1 Malia 13.4.

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- SANDWICH TERN** *Sterna sandvicensis* PM WV
 March: 1 Gioforos river 23.3.
 April: 1 Chania Harbour 5.4.
 1 Souda Bay 5.4. & 6.4. 3 there 7.4.
 2 Heraklion Power station 11.4. and 1 there 12.4.
- COMMON TERN** *Sterna hirundo* PM
 April: 1 Rethymnon Harbour 2.4.
- WHISKERED TERN** *Chlidonias hybrida* PM
 April: 1 fishing over rock pools west of Plakias harbour 27.4.
 May: 1 Aposelemis river 3.5.
 1 Tavronitis river 10.5.
 June: 1 Tavronitis river 28.6. & 29.6. 2 there 30.6.
 July 1 Tavronitis river 5.7.
- BLACK TERN** *Chlidonias niger* PM
 May: 1 Agia Reservoir 27.5.
- WHITE-WINGED BLACK TERN** *Chlidonias leucopterus* PM
 April: 1 Georgioupolis Lake 28.4.
 May: 1 flying SE Plakias Bay 3.5.
 1 Plakias fields 5.5.
 2+ Agia Reservoir 7.5.
 1 Tavronitis river 10.5.
 1 Agia reservoir 21.5.
- ROCK DOVE** *Columba livia* RB
 January: 100 Monasteraki 21.1.
 February: 1 Gournia 27.2.
 March: 1 Monasteraki 5.3.
 1 Red Butterfly Gorge 20.3.
 3 Geropotamus Bridge 27.3.
 3 Omalos Plateau 28.3.
 April: Common. 2-6 recorded in Kotsiphos Gorge. Several Kakomouri Peninsula
 Plakias, 6 Kato Zakro Gorge 13.4.
 May: Several in Gilfos Valley.
 June: July: Common.
 August: Good numbers in hills and mountains. Many Monasteraki 24.8.
 September: 3 Spring Pool 26.9.
 October: 1 Anogia 2.10.
- STOCK DOVE** *Columba oenas* OB?
 May: 2 Omalos 23.5.
- WOOD PIGEON** *Columba palumbus* RB
 Present throughout the year in very small numbers except in April when
 widespread and a flock in Kalo Horio 4.9.
- COLLARED DOVE** *Streptopelia decaocto* RB
 April: 7 Rethymnon 2.4. 8 there 4.4. & 2 there 7.4. & 1-2 11.4. Up to 3
 20.4.-22.4.
 1 Aposelemis river 15.4.
 1 calling behind Plakias 17.4.
 May: 1 Rethymnon 7.5. & 10.5. 8 there 14.5. & 3 on 24.5.
 1 Platanes river 20.5.

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August: 1 Petres river Gorge 22.5.
 12+ Hersonissos town centre 4.- 18.8.
 2 Heraklio 21.8.
 September: 1 Heraklion 22.9.

TURTLE DOVE *Streptopelia turtur*

MB PM

April: 1 Agia Reservoir 12.4.
 2 Gouves lagoons/Aposelemis river 14.-16.4.
 2 Istro 18.4.
 1 Elounda hidden valley 19.4.
 4 Akrotiri 20.4.
 3 heard and seen in woods behind Aghios Ioannis and Kanevos
 23.5.& 27.5.
 6 near Niki Apartment Hersonissos 23.4.
 From 23.4. onwards small groups recorded Aposelemis river.
 May: Total of 7 birds seen from 1.5. - 12.5.
 1 Vrisses 8.5.
 1 Tavronitis river 10.5. and 15.5.
 1 Prasses 15.5.
 Giflos valley 16.5
 4 Georgioupolis Lake 20.5. and 1 heard there 24.5.
 1 Geropotamos bridge 25.5. & 26.5.
 June: 1 between Geropotamos bridge and Hania 1.6.
 1 Potamies 5.6. & 27.6.
 1 Kalo Horio 6.6. 2 there 10.6. & 29.6.
 1 Aposelemis river 8.6.
 1 Gouves 20.6.
 2 Tavronitis 25.6. & 2 Aposelemis river 25.6.
 1 Azogires 28.6.
 July: 2 Kalo Horio 4.7. & 1 on 9.7.
 1 Asimi 24.7.
 August: 1 Kalo Horio 4.8. 5.8. & 18.8.
 1 Lassithi plain 5.8.
 1 Avdou 22.8.
 September: 6 Kalo Horio 4.9. 3 there 6.9. and singles 7.9. & 27.9.

CUCKOO *Cuculus canorus*

PM

April: 1 Agia Reservoir 5.4.
 3-4 Akrotiri peninsula 5.4.
 2 Agia Triada 11.4.
 1 Sitia river 15.4.
 1 Akrotiri 18.4. 7 3 there 20.4.
 1 rufous female flying up lower Kotsiphos Gorge 23.4.
 1 Gouves 28.4.
 May: 1 Samaria Gorge 23.5.

BARN OWL *Tyto alba*

RB WV?

April: 1 Gouves 1.4.
 July: 1 Agia Deka 1.7.
 1 Platanias 4.7.
 Frequent Kalo Horio from 21.7.
 August: 1 Heraklion 3.8.
 September: 1 Kalo Horio 25.9.
 October: 1 Kalo Horio 11.10.
 1 seen between Perama and Skepasti 29.10.

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November: 1 Kalo Horio 20.11.

SCOPS OWL *Otus scops*

RB MB

February: 1 Kalo Horio 15.2.
 March: Frequent in Kalo Horio.
 April: Widespread. Singles Kotsiphos Gorge 3.4. & 4.4.
 1 Agia Triada Monastery 5.4. 2 there 11.4.
 May: Frequent in Kalo Horio. and Platanes.
 1 Chora Sfakion 8.5.
 2 Spili 9.5.
 1 Rethymnon 10.5. 2 -1 ad. 1 juv. in Rethymnon Pines 21.5.
 June: Common Kalo Horio
 1 Agia Deka 30.6.
 July 1 Agia Deka 1.7.
 Common Kalo Horio
 1 Pahia Amos 11.7.
 2 Agia Galini 23.7.
 August: Frequent Kalo Horio
 1 Megali Horafia calling from 9pm-10.45pm. 27.8.
 September: Frequent Kalo Horio.
 1 Agia Deka 28.9.
 October: Common in Kalo Horio.
 1 near Gouves 24.20. November: Frequent Kalo Horio until 11.11.
 1 Gouves 26.11.

NIGHTJAR *Caprimulgus europaeus*

MB PM

April: 1 Agia Reservoir 4.4.

SWIFT *Apus apus*

MB PM

March: Common from 11.3.
 April: Very Common. Small numbers only at beginning of the month. 5-600 in
 Chania 5.4. 3-400 Chania 6.4.
 Seen daily in small numbers but major count over Chania.
 20+ Rethymnon 14.4.
 6 over Myrthios 19.4.
 A few over Rethymnon 20.4.
 many from 25.4.-3.5. near Hersonissos.
 1 Plakias 30.4.
 May: Very Common. 1 Plakias 1.5. several 3.5.& 4,5, 8 there 9.5.
 Numerous Tavronitis 7.5. & 14.5. & 15.5. held up by winds.
 Good numbers everywhere.
 June & July: Common
 August: Recorded Elounda, Heraklion, Lassithi, & Spinalonga.
 September: 6 Kalo Horio 1.9.
 Small flock Heraklion 2.9.
 1 Heraklion 8.9. but a flock there 9.9.
 Small flock over Phaestos 29.9..
 October: 3 Mt. Youchtas 1.10.
 2 Dafnedes 2.10.
 4-5 east of Ag. Nikolaos 26.10.

PALLID SWIFT *Apus pallidus*

MB PM

April: 2 in mixed flock Kakomouri peninsula Plakias 15.4.
 2 Elounda Saltpans 25.4.
 May: Rethymnon.- No birds nesting in building where usually recorded
 [TD]. Building being refurbished.

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June: 1 Chania 25.6.

ALPINE SWIFT *Apus melba*

MB PM

March: 1 Almyros 20.3.
1 Agia Reservoir 27.3.

April: Common. Small numbers noted on most days at the beginning of April.
1-2 daily 15.4.-20.4.
30 Plakias 17.4.
3 Kourtaliotiko 18.4.
20 Agia Reservoir 19.4.
10 Kakomouri peninsula 22.4. & 26.4.
2 Niki apartments Hersonissos 29.4.

May: Max 16 around Plakias early May.
2 Limnes 3.5.
1 Kritsa 4.5. and many Ag. Nikolaos 4.5.
Several Agia Reservoir 7.5. Numerous Tavronitis 7.5. & 10.5.
1 Chora Sfakion 9.5.
Numerous Giflos valley 16.5.
4 Phaestos 17.5.
20 Omalos 23.5. & 1 Lassithi 23.5.
1 Georgioupolis Lake 20.5. but 15-20 over Georgioupolis 24.5.
6 Agia Reservoir 30.5.

June: 3 Akrotiri 1.6.
3 Kalo Horio 11.6.
2 Aposelemis river 29.6.
3 Kato Gouves 29.6.

July: Common.

August: 50 Lassithi plateau 5.8. & 6.8.
20 Heraklion 7.8.
200 over Spinalonga 10.8.
12 east of Chania 16.8.
1 Aposelemis river 20.8.

September: 1 Gortyn 12.9.

October: 2 Thrapsano 1.10.
100+ Georgioupolis Lake 8.10.

KINGFISHER *Alcedo atthis*

RB? PM WV

February: 1 Almyros 27.2.

March: 1 Lake Kournas 30.3.

April: 1 Agia Reservoir 5.4.
1 Karteros 8.4.
1 Agia Reservoir 12.4. & 13.4.
1 Elounda Saltpans 19.4. & 20.4.

August: 2 Aposelemis river 14.8. & 27.8. Singles 20.8.-30.8.
1 Beachwood City 24.8. & 25.8.
2 Karteros 29.8.

September: 2 Aposelemis river 1.9. Singles 4.9, 6.9. & 7.9.
1 Karteros 2.9.
2 Spring Pool 2.9.
1 Ag. Nikolaos 10.9.
1 Spring Pool 26.9.

October: 3 Geropotamos Bridge 3.10.
1 Aposelemis river 9.10. & 18.10.
1 Heraklion 17.10. & 29.10.
1-4 Georgioupolis Lake 6.10.-17.10.
1 flying along coastline at Tsoutsouros. 23.10.

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3 Elounda Harbour at dusk 26.10. 1 Plakias 26.10.
 Last week in October recorded Gouves, Almyros, Damnoni, Plakias,
 Lake Kournas, Georgiopolis Beach, 4 at Agia Reservoir. 1 found shot Aposelemis
 river 26.10.
 November: 1 Heraklion 16.11.
 1 Malia 24.11.
 2 Elounda 28.11. & 1 Ag. Nikolaos 28.11.
 December: 1 Heraklion 31.12.

BEE-EATER *Merops apiaster* PM MB?
 May: 2 Aposelemis river 2.5. 4 Plakias 2.5. Flock heard 9.5.
 14+ group there 3.5.
 2 Malia Marsh 3.5.
 1 Niki Apartments Hersonissos 5.5.
 7 Vai 16.5.
 20 Platanes 17.5. 50 flying east 20.5.
 1 Malia 19.5.
 30 Agia Reservoir 21.5.
 8 Geropotamus Bridge 25.5.
 20 Mylo Ford 26.5.
 September: 12 Kalo Horio 3.9. and a single there 4.9. Then a flock on 6.9.
 10 Potamies 3.9.

ROLLER *Coracias garrulus* PM
 May: 1 on wires near Plakias 18.5.[TWD].

HOOPOE *Upupa epops* PM
 March: 1 Kavrochori 13.3.
 3 Aposelemis river 22.3.
 1 Malia 24.3.
 April: 1 Aposelemis river 1.4.
 1 Akrotiri 5.4.
 1 Moni Preveli 9.4.
 1 Malia 13.4.
 May: 1 heard Plakias 10.5.
 1 Petrokefali 12.5.
 August: 1 Chania 16.8.
 September: 2 Kalo Horio 4.9.
 October: 1 Dafnedes 2.10.

WRYNECK *Jynx torquilla* PM
 April: 1 behind Agia Triada Monastery 5.4.
 2 near Aposelemis river 8.4.
 October: 2 Georgiopolis Lake 13.10. & a single there 18.10.

SHORT-TOED LARK *Calandrella brachydactyla* MB PM WV
 March: 1 Gouves lagoons 31.3.
 April: 2 Karteros 1.4. 5 Gouves lagoons 1.4.
 Small flock Malia 1.4. 6 there 8.4. & 2 13.4.
 2 Aposelemis river 2.4. & 8.4.
 1 Chania Harbour 7.4.
 4 Karteros 8.4.
 6 Gouves lagoons 14.4.-16.4.
 1 Plakias 16.4. & 1 singing m there 17.4.
 1 Kakomouri 17.4
 3 Aposelemis river 18.4.

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6 Malia palace coast 23.4.
 4 in ploughed field near Plakias beach road 27.4.
 May: 2 Malia 3.5.
 1 pair above Plakias town 8.5.
 June: 1 Aposelemis river 19.6. & 24.6.
 August: Small flock Aposelemis river 27.8.
 September: 5 Aposelemis river 1.9. 3 there 4.9. and 7 on 7.9.
 October: Flock Malia 21.10.
 5 Gouves lagoons 23.10.
 November: 5 Karteros 5.11.
 3 Aposelemis river 10.11. & 27.11.
 December: Very large flocks Kalo Horio 3.12. and Malia 23.12 & 28.12.

CRESTED LARK *Galerida cristata*

RB

January: Very Common.
 February: Common.
 March: Very Common.
 April: Common & breeding. Numerous everywhere relatively less in west.
 May: Very Common. June: Common. July: Very Common. August: Common.
 September: Very Common. October: Very Common. November: Common.
 December: Frequent Kalo Horio. Many Aposelemis river 4.12.
 Very many Aposelemis river 4.12.
 2 Karteros 12.12. 3 there 31.12.
 Single Malia 18.12. and many there 23.12. & 28.12.

WOODLARK *Lullula arborea*

RB PM

Recorded February to December, mainly singles until March, April and may when common and widespread especially in uplands. 1-3 recoded at numerous sites for the remainder of the year.

February: 1 Kalo Horio 4.2.
 1 Arkadi 13.2.
 1 Gouves 18.2
 1 Mount Edhery 28.2.
 March: Common.
 April: Common. Locally common in uplands.
 9 Omalos Plateau 6.4.
 Common Lassithi & Omalos Plateaus.
 2 Lassithi Plateau 15.4.
 4 Mt Youchtas 16.4.
 10 Kotsiphos Gorge 17.4.
 2 Kourtaliotiko Gorge 18.4.
 2 Moni Prevelli 9.4.
 Common on slopes Prevelli and Kakomouri (seen feeding brood)20.4.
 Up to 5 singing m's Moni Prevelli 15.4. Also at Ag. Ioannis.
 May Widespread. 1 Mt Youchtas in song flight 2.5.
 2 singing Moni Prevelli 18.5.
 1 Agia reservoir 21.5.
 3 Alikambos 24.5.
 4 Omalos Plateau 30.5.
 June: 1 Akrotiri peninsula 1.6.
 2 Omalos 26.6.
 August: 3 Lassithi Plateau 6.8.
 3 Hersonissos 12.8.
 3 Omalos 16.8.
 1 Kalo Horio 26.8.

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September: 2 Kalo Horio 5.9. 1 Kalo Horio 23.9. & 25.9.
 1 Agia Varvara 28.9.
 1 Gergeri 29.9.
 October: 3 Nida plateau 2.10.
 1 Arkadi 3.10.
 3 Kalo Horio 9.10.
 1 Kalo Horio 10.10. & 19.10.
 2 Aposelemis river 14.10.
 November: 1 Kalo Horio 1.11. 2.11. & 3.11.
 2 Gouves 28.11.
 December: 1 Gouves 4.12.

SKYLARK *Alauda arvensis*

WV PM

January: Small flock Malia 8.1. and 26.1.
 7 Aposelemis river 17.1 2 there 31.1.
 February: 10 Malia 7.2. 12 there 27.2.
 1 Aposelemis river 12.2.
 March: 4 Malia 14.3. Small flock there 24.3.
 Flock Aposelemis river 16.3. & a single 21.3.
 April: 1 Malia 1.4.
 1 heard Niki Apartments Hersonissos 24.4.
 August: 4-18.8. Hersonissos 1 or 2 regular in fields.
 October: Common Georgioupolis Lake 8.10.-16.10.
 2 Malia 13.10.
 6+ Gouves lagoons 23.10. 2 there 26.10.
 November: 2 Kalo Horio 3.11.
 5 Aposelemis river 4.11.
 A flock recorded at Karteros 12.11. & a single 16.11.
 Flocks at Malia 24.11. & 29.11.
 December: 1 Karteros 12.12.
 1 Malia 18.12
 Large flock Malia 23.12 & 28.12.

SAND MARTIN *Riparia riparia*

PM

March: Small flock Stomio 19.3.
 Large flock Makrighialos Bay 20.3. & a single Almyros 20.3.
 April: Very common. Seen daily in small numbers.
 1 Agia reservoir 5.4. c20 there 7.4.
 6 Georgioupolis Lake 7.4.
 1-3 daily in east 12.4.-16.4.
 200+ Agia reservoir 19.-20.4.
 May: Small numbers passing through Plakias 1st week in May.
 Flocks Skoutelonas river 7.5. & Chora Sfakion 8.5.
 Movement Agia reservoir 7.5. & Tavronitis river.
 20 Platanes river 13.5.
 Small flock Kato Zakros 16.5.
 Small flock Vai 16.5.
 Small flock Skopi 17.5.
 September: 3 Aposelemis river 6.9. and a single 7.9.
 October: 2 Aposelemis river 18.10.
 1 Malia 21.10.

CRAG MARTIN *Hirundo rupestris*

RM PM

January: 1 Prinas 21.1.
 February: Flock Ierapetra reservoir 10.2. and a large flock Ierapetra
 reservoir 27.2.

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March: Common
 April: Common in gorges, such as Kourtaliotiko Gorge, Kotsiphos Gorge, Samaria Gorge and Kato Zakro and plateaux such as Lassithi. 2 pairs feeding young, Kotsiphos gorge 17.4. 23.4. & 27.4.
 May: 1 Kera/Gorge 16.5.
 10 Omalos 23.5.
 August: 20 Lassithi 5.8.
 5 Prasses 7.8.
 2 adults feeding 4 young in nest Samaria gorge 16.8.
 3 Kera/Avdou Gorge 22.8.
 Very large flock Monasteraki 24.8.
 September: Small flock Kera/Avdou Gorge 3.9.
 2 Sfaka 11.9.
 Large flock Zaros 29.9.
 October: Abundant Georgioupolis Lake 6.10.
 1 Georgioupolis Lake 16.10.
 30+ quarry below Mochlos 24.10 gone 26.10.
 7- 12 in Kera/Avdou Gorge 24.10
 Small flock Kourtaliotiko Gorge 26.10 & 3 there 27.10.

SWALLOW *Hirundo rustica*

MB PM

March: Common from 13.3.
 April: Very common. After a slow start due to cold weather 250 Agia reservoir 7.4.
 Daily 7.4.-21.4. small flocks of 30-100.
 800 Agia reservoir 19.-20.4.
 May: Very common. Passage noted 3.5. 7.5. and particularly 14.5. & 15.5. & 16.5. when thousands of hirundines were held up by strong N & NW winds.
 June: July: Very common.
 August: Common.
 September: Very common.
 October: Common Georgioupolis Lake 6.10-19.10.
 Common until 18.10 then small numbers 1 Matala 21.10.
 1 Agia Galini 22.10.
 3 Matala 23.10. & 5 Gouves 23.10. with 3-4 there 26.10.
 15 Agia reservoir 28.10.

RED-RUMPED SWALLOW *Hirundo daurica*

MB PM

March: Small flock Makrigialos Bay 20.3.
 April: 1 Aposelemis 1.4. 2 Aposelemis river 2.4. and 9.4. & 16.4.
 2 Knossos 2.4.
 2 Plakias 2.4.
 2 Agia reservoir 6.4. & 7.4.
 12 Gouves lagoons 7.4.
 2 Platanes 9.4.
 1 Agia reservoir 11.-13.4.
 2+ Almyros 12.4.
 2+ Sitia river 13.4. & 14.4.
 Moving through with swallow flocks 12.-15.4. 10 in mixed flock 15.4.
 Plakias.
 1 at Mt Youchtas 16.4.
 2 Akrotiri 20.4.
 20 Agia reservoir 19.4. and a single 22.4.
 4 Gouves area 28.4.
 May: 1 Plakias 5.5.
 1 Rethymnon 19.5.

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2 Rethymnon Pines 21.5.
 Few Lassithi plateau 23.5.
 2 nest building in new house above Rethymnon 21.-23.5.
 1 Mt Youchtas 25.5.
 Few Agia reservoir 27.5.
 August: 9 Kalamavka 24.8.
 September: 1 Phaestos 12.9.
 1 Zaros 29.9.

HOUSE MARTIN *Delicon urbica*

MB PM

March: 3 Karteros 13.3.
 30 Kavrochori 13.3.
 3 Mirtos 19.3.
 A flock at Stomio 19.3. and another flock in Ierapetra 19.3.
 4 Arvi 19.3.
 1 Ierapetra reservoir 20.3.
 Large flock Makrigialos bay 20.3.
 1 Alikambos 30.3.
 April: Very Common. Seen daily in small numbers.
 After 1 Knossos 1.4.
 2 Plakias 2.4.
 4 Plakias 3.4.
 7 Souda Bay 5.4.
 1 Agia reservoir 6.4. & 6 there 7.4.
 50+ over Plakias 19.4.-20.4.
 100+ Elounda 19.4.
 May: Passage noted Plakias 3.5. Very large flock Chora Sfakion 8.5.
 Flock Kera/Avdou Gorge 13.5.
 Flock Kelaria 16.5.
 Flock Vai 16.5.
 Flock Kato Zakros 16.5.
 Large flock Skopi 17.5.
 4 Ag. Nikolaos 23.5.
 Flock Georgioupolis Lake 27.5.
 June: 1 Gonies 13.6.
 August: 10 Prasses 9.8.
 September: 3 Knossos 9.9.
 1 Houdetsi 12.9.
 October: 1 Georgioupolis Lake 7.10.

RICHARD'S PIPIT *Anthus novaseelandiae*

AV

May: 2 Malia 3.5.[LB].

TAWNY PIPIT *Anthus campestris*

MB PM

April: 1 Gouves lagoons 7.4.
 1+ Malia 8.4. & 13.4. 1 Aposelemis river 8.4.
 3 Plakias 10.4. & a single 1.4. 5. on 23.4. and singles 24.4. &
 27.4.
 3 Omalos plateau 12.4.
 4 Aposelemis river 14.-16.4. Singles 24.4.,26.4. & 28.4.
 5 behind Plakias beach 21.4.
 1 Niki apartments, Hersonnisos 21.4.
 May: 4 Malia 3.5.
 4 above Plakias 9.5. 3 there 10.5.
 4 Omalos plateau 30.5.
 August: 1 Limnes pool 10.8.

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1 Omalos plateau 16.8.
 October: 2 Malia 13.10.
 December: 1 Aposelemis river 4.12.

TREE PIPIT *Anthus trivialis* PM

April: Regular in olive groves in April. 1 Malia 1.4.
 3 Akrotiri 5.4.
 20 Malia fields 8.4.
 2 Aposelemis river 9.4. 2 Agia Triada 9.4.
 2 Preveli 10.4. 3 Aposelemis river 10.4. 10+ there 14.-16.4.
 2 Malia 18.4.
 1 Agia reservoir 19.4.
 1 Plakias 26.4.
 May: 1 Plakias olive groves 9.5.
 1 Moni Preveli 18.5.
 August: 1 Hersonissos 5.8.
 November: 1 Malia 24.11.

MEADOW PIPIT *Anthus pratensis* WV OB PM

January:February:March: Common.
 April: Recorded everyday during first week of April.
 3 Aposelemis river 1.4. many 2.4.
 2 Malia 1.4.
 1 Platanos 4.4.
 3 Gouves lagoons 7.- 9.4.
 2 Lassithi plateau 11.4.
 Last 1 Aposelemis river 19.4.
 October: Winter birds just arriving 15+ Gouves lagoons 23.10.
 1 Karteros 29.10.
 November: Common.
 December: 2 Kalo Horio 3.12.
 Very many Aposelemis river 4.12. & 8.12.
 1 Kalo Horio 7.12. 16.12. & 17.12.
 Many Karteros 12.12. a single 31.12.
 1 Malia 18.12. Many Malia 23.12. 3 there 28.12.

RED-THROATED PIPIT *Anthus cervinus* PM

March: 1 Gouves lagoons 10.3. 4 there 31.3.
 April: 15 Gouves lagoons 1.4. & 10 on 2.4. 4 there 7.4. & 20+ 8.4.
 4 Malia 1.4. 7 there 13.4, 8 on 18.4. & 5 on 23.4.
 2+ Malia fields 8.4. 1 Karteros 8.4.
 1 Lassithi plateau 11.4.
 1 Lassithi plateau 17.4.
 3 Elounda Saltpans 17.4. 2 there 20.4.
 1 Aposelemis river 18.4.
 May: 4 Malia 3.5.
 1 Gouves lagoons 3.5.
 October: 1 Gouves lagoons 23.10.
 November: 1 Malia 24.11.

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YELLOW WAGTAIL *Motacilla flava*

OB PM

March: Common from 13.3.
4 Gouves 31.3.

April: Very Common. Small flocks everyday in April. Races *feldegg*, *flava*,
cinereocapilla and *thunbergi* recorded.
30+ Sitia 15.4.
100 Agia reservoir 19.4.
30+ Plakias 21.4.

Regular flocks on coast 21.-28.4. all races.

May: 20 flock in Plakias early May.
1 *feldegg* race Rethymnon beach 14.5.
1 Platanes river 22.5.

June: 1 Aposelemis river 5.6.

August: Common from 19.8.

September: 1 Kalo Horio 5.9.
2 Malia 10.9.
5 Tzermiado 21.9.

October: 5 Nida Plateau 2.10.
Several Georgioupolis Lake 6.10. between 6 and 10 on 7.10. 2 there
18.-19.10.
1 Chora Sfakion 22.10.
1 Damnoni 27.10.

GREY WAGTAIL *Motacilla cinerea*

WV OB PM

January: 1 Aposelemis river 6.1. 7 23.1. and 31.1.
1 Heraklion 7.1.
1 Almyros 21.1.
1 Kera 25.1.

February: 1 Almyros 27.2.
1 Ag. Nikolaos 27.2.
1 Aposelemis river 28.2.

March: 1 Spring Pool 13.3.

October: 1-2 Georgioupolis Lake 6.10.- 19.10.
1 Aposelemis river 9.10.
1 male drinking and bathing at small pool near Gortyn acropolis
21.10.
1 Plakias 26.10.
5 along coast Mochlos 26.10.
1 Damnoni 27.10.

November: 1 Aposelemis river 27.11.

December: 1 Aposelemis river 4.12.

WHITE WAGTAIL *Motacilla alba*

WV RB PM

January: Common. February: Very Common.

March: Common.

April: Recorded in ones or twos at coastal sites in April. 22+ going to
roost on Gouves lagoons 7.4.

May: A few Plakias bay early May.
1 Rodakino 9.5.
1 Rethymnon beach 13.5. 1m *yarrelli* Rethymnon beach 14.5.

June: 4 Petres river 1.6.
2 Aposelemis river 22.6.
1 there 25.6.

July: 1 Aposelemis river 6.7.

August: 50 going to roost in Hersonisos 17.8.
3 Karteros 21.8.

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1 Aposelemis river 23.8. & 30.8.
 1 Limnes 31.8.
 September: 1 Power Station 2.9.
 1 Aposelemis river 7.9.
 1 Tzermiado 21.9.
 2 Kalo Horio 25.9. and a single there 27.9.
 October: Common from 10.10. through November and December.

WREN *Troglodytes troglodytes*

WV RB

Common in uplands and in gorges from sea level to mountains.

January: Common.
 February: 2 Arkadi 13.2. 1 Amnatos 13.2. 2 Dafnades 14.2. 1 Drosia 14.2.
 March: Common. April: Very Common. May: Common. June: Many Kera/Avdou Gorge
 6.6. 1 there 13.6.
 July: 1 Kera/Avdou 25.7.
 August: 1 Kalo Horio, Lassithi.
 October: 2 Nida Plateau 2.10.
 1 Samaria Gorge 11.10

ALPINE ACCENTOR *Prunella collaris*

RB

May: 2 Mt. Ida on edge of snowfield 19.5.
 4 pairs Mt Gingilos all feeding, young one shared lunch with
 observer. P Marriott.

ROBIN *Erithacus rubecula*

WV PM

January: Common. February: Common, March: Common,
 October: Common from 9.10. 2 drinking at pool 21.10. Gortyn,
 November: Common. December: Common.

NIGHTINGALE *Luscinia megarhynchos*

MB PM

April: Widespread.
 May: 1 heard 2.5. Morosini Aqueduct Knossos 2.5.
 1 Vrises 7.5.& 8.5.
 1 Spili 9.5. 2 there 10.5.
 1 Gerakari 11.5.
 1 Kardaki 11.5.
 2 Agia 21.5.
 1 Armeni 25.5.
 1 heard 27.5. Agia reservoir.

BLACK REDSTART *Phoenicurus ochrurus*

WV PM

January: Common.
 February: 1 Heraklion 3.2.
 1 Kalo Horio 4.2. & 11.2.
 1 Potamies 4.2.
 1 Malia 5.2.
 1 Kalamavka 10.2.
 1 Arkadi 13.2.
 October: 1 male Tsoutsouros 23.10.
 1 Petres river 29.10.
 1 Kalo Horio 30.10.
 1 Gouves lagoons 31.10.
 November: Widespread.
 December: 1 Aposelemis river 4.12.
 1 Kalo Horio 7.12. 16.12. & 26.12. and 2 there 17.12.

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- REDSTART** *Phoenicurus phoenicurus* PM
- April: 2 Petres river 4.4.
2 Kato Zakro 13.4.
4+ Ag Fotia, Itanos and Moni Toplou 14.4.
1 Sitia river 15.4. & 16.4.
1 Omalos 23.4.
1 Arkadi 28.4.
- WHINCHAT** *Saxicola rubetra* OB PM
- April: Common. 10+ Malia 8.4. 6+ Malia 23.4.
3 Plakias 15.4. 6 there 16.4. Common and widespread 19.4.
- May: 6+ Malia 3.5.
1 Frangokastello 9.5.
- June: 4 Malia 12.6.
- July: 1 Aposelemis river 6.7.
- August: 1 Kera/Avdou Gorge 22.8.
- September: 1 Karteros 2.9.
2 Kalo Horio 6.9.
2 Aposelemis river 7.9.
1 Malia 10.9.
- October: 1 Rethymnon 9.10.
1 Georgioupolis 13.10. & 19.10.
Seen daily 20.10.-27.10. usually male bird perched calling with female nearby.
- November: 1 Kalo Horio 1.11.
1 Karteros 12.11.
- STONECHAT** *Saxicola torquata* WV RB PM
- Common to very common - Recorded throughout the year.
*Siberian stonechat *Saxicola torquata steinegeri* 1 male seen on the edge of Malia marsh. [D. Ireland et al.] 1.4.
- ISABELLINE WHEATEAR** *Oenanthe isabellina* OB PM
- April: 1 Malia 8.4. [SC et al.] and 1 Elounda 19.4. [SC et al.]
- October: 1 7am on shore Georgioupolis 18.10. [P.Cooper].
- WHEATEAR** *Oenanthe oenanthe* MB PM
- March: Common from 5.3.
- April: Very Common. particularly from 6.4.-14.4. c 500 all males Omalos 12.4. c50 Omalos plateau 20.4.
- May: 1 Rethymnon 7.5.
1 Chora Sfakion 8.5.
1 Moni Prevelli 9.5.
1 Lefkogia 9.5.
1 Spili 11.5.
1 Seli Ambelou Pass 12.5.
Recorded 19.5. 23.5. & 30.5.
- June: 1 Aposelemis river 8.6.
2 Kalo Horio 11.6.
1 Fourni 26.6. & 5 Omalos 26.6.
4 Tsoutsouros 30.6.
- July: 1 Lendas 24.7.
- August: Common on hillsides 4.-18.8.
1 Kalo Horio 27.8.
1 Malia 28.8.

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September: 1 Spring Pool 2.9.
 1 Kalo Horio 5.9. & 6.9.
 October: 1 Nida Plateau 2.10.
 1 Ag. Antonios 13.10.

BLACK-EARED WHEATEAR *Oenanthe hispanica*

MB PM

March: 1 Ag. Ioannis Point 24.3.
 1 Rouvas Forest Track 31.3.
 April: Widespread. Breeding on Kakomouri peninsula with at least 3 pairs
 May: 1 Moni Prevelli 9.5. 1 male in song 18.5.
 1 Rodakino 9.5.
 1 Omalos 23.5.
 August: 4 Lassithi 6.8.
 4 in hills above Hersonisos 14.8.
 1 Samaria gorge 18.8.

BLUE ROCK THRUSH *Monticola solitarius*

WV RB PM

January: 1 Aposelemis river 13.1.
 1 Kalo Horio 18.1. & 30.1.
 February: 1 Damasta 14.2.
 March: 1 Harasso 11.3.
 2 Red Butterfly Gorge 20.3.
 April: Common, including 3 males on Kakomouri peninsula 15.4. 1 Sweetwater
 Bay, Pair breeding in upper mill Plakias 2-3 Kotsiphos gorge.
 May: Widespread. Recorded Maroulas, Moni Prevelli, Imbros Gorge,
 Kotsiphos Gorge and above Kritsa.
 June: 2 Kalo Horio 8.6. & 11.6. and 1 Kera/Avdou Gorge 27.6.
 August: 1 male Prasses 9.8.
 Pair seen regularly in hills above Hersonisos 4.-18.8.
 7 Kera/Avdou Gorge 22.8.
 September: 4 Kera/Avdou Gorge 3.9.
 1 Gournia 11.9.
 2 Spring Pool 26.9.
 2 Zaros 29.9.
 October: Widespread. Kera, Kourtaliotiko and Petres Gorges.
 November: 2 Kalo Horio 1.11. & 13.11. and 2 there 2.11.
 1 Aposelemis river 10.11.
 1 Malia 24.11.
 December: 1 Kalo Horio 31.12.

BLACKBIRD *Turdus merula*

WV RB PM

Common every month except at the end of December.

SONG THRUSH *Turdus philomelos*

WV PM

January: 1 Aposelemis river 6.1. & 5 there 13.1.
 1 Malia 8.1.
 1 Kera 19.1. with many there 25.1.
 1 Vatheo 24.1.
 February: 1 Potamies 4.2.
 1 Mount Edhery 9.2.
 March: 2 Kalo Horio 4.3. a single 11.3.
 1 Kera/Avdou 9.3. & a flock at Malia 14.3.
 Last Spring record 1 Aposelemis river 22.3.
 October: 1 at pool Gortyn 21.10.
 1 Kera 24.10. & many in Kera/Avdou Gorge 24.10.
 c60 going to roost across Gouves lagoons 26.10.

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Many Kalo Horio 31.10.
 November: Frequent in Kalo Horio. Single Lyttos 18.11.
 December: 1 Kalo Horio 3.12.

MISTLE THRUSH *Turdus viscivorus*

WV

January: 4 Kalo Horio 5.1. 2 18.1. & singles there 15.1.& 30.1.
 1 Kera 19.1. & 25.1.
 1 Monasteraki 21.1. & 1 Vatheo 24.1.
 February: 1 Kalo Horio 4.2.
 March: 5 Kalo Horio 1.3. Very many Kalo Horio 4.3. & 2 11.3.
 2 Kera/Avdou Gorge 6.3.
 1 Aposelemis river 22.3.
 December: 2 Malia 28.12.

CETTI'S WARBLER *Cettia cetti*

RB

January:February:March:Common, April: Very Common. c30 Plakias-Kotsiphos 17.4.
 May:June: Common.July & August: No records.
 September: 1 Aposelemis river 1.9. & 6.9.
 1 Kalo Horio 25.9.
 October: Very Common.
 November: 2 Aposelemis river 10.11.
 1 Kalo Horio 23.11.
 1 Aposelemis river 27.11.
 1 Malia 29.11.
 December: 2 Aposelemis river 4.12.
 2 Malia 18.12. Singles 23.12 & 28.12.
 Common in reeds and scrub by rivers and the coast.

FAN-TAILED WARBLER *Cisticola juncidis*

RB

April: 1 Malia 1.4. 8.4. & 13.4. 2 there 18.4. 23.4.
 1 Heraklion Power Station 12.4.
 1 Ierapetra reservoir 16.4.
 1 Elounda 17.4. & 1 Plakias 17.4.
 1 Plates river 20.4
 1 Moni Prevelli 21.4.
 1 Vrises 22.4.
 1 Platanias 26.4.
 1 Georgioupolis 28.4. & 1 Plakias 28.4.
 May: 2 Malia 3.5. & 1 Malia 19.5. Reports of no usual residents at
 Georgioupolis in May.
 June: 1 Malia 12.6.
 July: 3 Malia 22.7.
 October: 1-3 Georgioupolis 16.10.- 19.10.

GRASSHOPPER WARBLER *Locustella naevia*

PM

April: 1 Aposelemis river 8.4. [DM].
 May: 1 Prasses 17.5. [PM]

MOUSTACHED WARBLER *Acrocephalus melanopogon*

WV

PM

April: 2 Aposelemis river 22.4. 1 there 26.4.

SEDGE WARBLER *Acrocephalus schoenobaenus*

PM

March: 1 Agia reservoir 30.3.
 April: Widespread. with fall at Agia reservoir 250 on 6.4.
 5+ Sitia river 13.4.-16.4. 20 Agia reservoir 19.4.
 1 Plakias 24.4.

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May: 1 Aposelemis river 2.5. & 3.5.
1 Agia reservoir 21.5. 1 there 27.7.

REED WARBLER *Acrocephalus scirpaceus*

PM

January: 1 Malia 3.1. and 26.1.
March: 1 Agia reservoir 30.3.
April: 1 Malia 1.4.
1 Agia reservoir 4.4. & 5.4. but 100+ there 6.4. reduced to single
27.4.
1 Kiliaris river 6.4.
1 Kaloudiana 6.4.
1 Heraklion power station 8.4.
2 Malia 13.4. & 1 Tavronitis 13.4.
1 Sitia river 16.4.
1 Malia 18.4.
May: 3 Aposelemis river 2.5.
2 Gortyn 12.5.
Common around Platanes 13.5.-17.5.
June: 1 Geropotamus bridge 2.6.
1 Malia 12.6.
3 Gerani river 27.6.
December: 1 Malia 18.12.

GREAT REED WARBLER *Acrocephalus arundinaceus*

MB PM

April: Singles daily while visiting wet areas 10.4.-16.4.
1 Malia 1.4. & 1 Gouves 1.4.
1 Agia Reservoir 5.4. 3 Agia reservoir 6.4. & 1 there 7.4.
1 Georgioupolis 7.4.
2 Tavronitis river 13.4.
1 Ierapetra 15.4.
1 Istro 15.4.
2 Aposelemis river 16.4.
1 Malia 18.4. 1 Plakias 18.4. 21.4. & 28.4.
6 Agia reservoir 19.4.
1 Tavronitis river 26.4.
1 Kotsiphos stream valley - Ag.Ioannis 27.4.
Recorded Malia and Hersonnisos late April & early May.
May: 1 Geropotamus bridge 24.5. & 25.5.
1 Petres bridge 27.4.
June: 1 Geropotamus bridge 2.6.
August: 1 Malia 28.8.

OLIVACEOUS WARBLER *Hippolais pallida*

MB PM

April: 1 Niki apartments Hersonisos 23.4.
1 in tamarisks Prevelli beach 25.4.
May: 5 singing males Rethymnon 20.5.
2 Georgioupolis 24.5. & 2 Souda Bay 24.5.
1 Geropotamus bridge 25.5.
8 Aposelemis river 23.5. 6 at same site 26.5.
June: Common Aposelemis river.
1 Platanias 24.6.
October: Recorded last week in October Aposelemis river.
3+ singing Lake Kournas 28.10.

OLIVETREE WARBLER *Hippolais olivetorum*

PM

April: 1+ behind Plakias 15.4.

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	ICTERINE WARBLER <i>Hippolais icterina</i>		PM
April:	1 behind Plakias 16.4. & 17.4. 1 in olive groves Plakias 23.4.		
August:	1 Aposelemis river 21.8.		
	SUBALPINE WARBLER <i>Sylvia cantillans</i>	MB	PM
April:	1 male Gouves lagoons and Malia 1.4. 1 male Tavronitis river 8.4. 1+ Mt. Youchtas 11.4. 1 Kotsiphos gorge 17.4. 1 Sitia 12.4.		
July:	1 Agia Deka 1.7.		
	SARDINIAN WARBLER <i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>	WV?	RB PM
January:February:March:April:May:	Very Common		
June:July:	Common		
August:September:October:	Very Common		
November:	Common		
December:	Common Kalo Horio 1 Gouves 4.12. Many Aposelemis river 4.12. down to 4 there 8.12 Many Malia 23.12. & 28.12.		
	RÜPPELL'S WARBLER <i>Sylvia rüppelli</i>	MB	PM
April:	2 singing males at Kotsiphos gorge 17.4. 1 Megalopotamos valley 16.4.		
May:	2 singing males Alikambos 24.5.		
	ORPHEAN WARBLER <i>Sylvia hortensis</i>	MB	PM
April:	1 male Kotsiphos gorge 19.4.		
	WHITETHROAT <i>Sylvia communis</i>	MB	PM
April:	1 Fodele 2.4. 4 Moni Preveli 3.4. 1 Agios Ioannis 4.4. 1 Akrotiri peninsula 5.4. 1 Phaestos 9.4. 1 Lassithi plateau 9.4. & 11.4. Several in olive groves below Plakias headland 16.4. & 17.4. 1 Istro 18.4. 1 Agia reservoir 19.4. 5 Plakias area 19.4. 1 Petres gorge 21.4.		
May:	1 Rodakino 9.5. 2 Spili 11.5. 1 Gortyn 12.5. 1 Kato Zakros 16.5.		
October:	1 Malia archaeological site 25.10.		
	GARDEN WARBLER <i>Sylvia borin</i>		PM
April:	2 Plakias stream valley 22.4.		
May:	1 Platanes river gorge 21.5. & 22.5.		
	BLACKCAP <i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>	WV	PM
April:	1 female Akrotiri peninsula 5.4. 1 male Agia reservoir 5.4. & 6.4. c30 Plakias - Kotsiphos gorge 17.4. 1 Agia reservoir 20.4.		

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1 in olive groves Plakias 23.4.
 May: 1 in song Georgioupolis 24.5.
 October: 1 singing Almyros 23.10
 1 Kera/Avdou gorge 24.10.

BONELLI'S WARBLER *Phylloscopus bonelli*

PM

April: 1 in olive grove at base of Kakomouri peninsula 16.4.
 1 Elounda 19.4.
 1 singing Kanevos 27.4.

WOOD WARBLER *Phylloscopus sibilatrix*

WV

PM

April: 5 Moni Prevelli 3.4. Singles there 9.4. & 21.4.
 1 Souda Bay 5.4.
 2 Agia reservoir 5.4. & 12 there 6.4. & 19.4.

 1 Creta Sun Hotel grounds 7.4.
 1 Heraklion Power station 8.4.
 1 Aposelemis river 10.4.
 1 nr. Mirsini 12.4.
 1 Ierapetra reservoir 16.4. & Plakias 16.4. & 21.4.
 1 Kotsiphos gorge 17.4.
 1 Istro 18.4.
 Common in Plakias area after 19.4.
 6 at Petres Gorge 21.4.
 2 Rethymnon 22.4.
 2 Armeni 22.4.
 1 Prasses 24.4.
 1 Tavronitis 26.4.
 1 Theriso Gorge 27.4.
 May: 1 Phaestos 11.5.
 1 Kritsa 18.5.
 September: 2 Aposelemis river 6.9. and 1 there 7.9.
 October: 1 Malia archaeological site 23.4.

CHIFFCHAFF *Phylloscopus collybita*

WV

PM?

January:February:March: Common
 April: 1 Platanos 4.4.
 4 Agia reservoir 5.4. 2 there 6.4.
 1 Aposelemis river 8.4.
 1 Kato Zakro gorge 13.4.
 September: 2 Kalo Horio 4.9.
 4 Spring Pool 26.9.
 1 Hersonnisos 30.9.
 October: 1 Morosini Aqueduct 1.10.
 1 Axos 2.10.
 1 Panoramio 3.10.
 1 Elevation 3.10.
 1 Georgioupolis 19.10.
 November: 2 Aposelemis river 4.11. & 20.11. 3 there 10.11. with a single
 20.11. followed by many 27.11.
 1 Kalo Horio 18.11.
 1 Malia 24.11.
 December: 2 Aposelemis river 4.12. & 8.12.
 1 Kalo Horio 8.12.
 1 Malia 23.12. & then many Malia 28.12.

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- WILLOW WARBLER** *Phylloscopus trochilus* PM
- April: 1 Malia 1.4.
1 Agia reservoir 5.4.& 6.4.
1 Moni Prevelli 9.4.
3+ Kato Zakro 13.4.
2 singing and seen Sweetwater Bay 16.4.
1 Elounda 19.4.
- GOLDCREST** *Regulus regulus* WV RB
- April: 1 singing by factory Agia reservoir 5.4.
October: 2 Chania airport 20.10.
1 in bushes at pool Gortyn 21.10.
2+ Kera/Avdou gorge 24.10.
- SPOTTED FLYCATCHER** *Muscicapa striata* MB PM
- January: 1 Kalo Horio 5.1.
April: 1 Moni Prevelli 15.4.
2+ Ierapetra reservoir 16.4.
1 Akrotiri 18.4. Common in olive groves and woods after 18.4.
3 Agia reservoir 19.4. 1 there 27.4.
10 Akrotiri 20.4.
1 Moni Prevelli 21.4. & 2 Petres river 21.4.
2 Tavronitis river 26.4.
1 Rodopou peninsula 26.4.
2 Lassithi 30.4.
May: 1 Malia 3.5.
1 Vrises 7.5.
1 Armeni 7.5. 4 there 25.5.
1 Komitades 9.5.
1 Matala 11.5.
1 Komos 11.5.
3 Imbros gorge 16.5.
1 Rethymnon 17.5.
1 singing Georgioupolis 20.5.
1 Rethymnon pines 21.5.
1 & 1 singing Georgioupolis 24.5. & 2 Souda Cemetery 24.5.
4 Samaria gorge 30.5.
June: 1 Aposelemis river 5.6.
August: 1 Lassithi 11.8.
2 Hersonnisos 12.8.
1 Kera/Avdou gorge 22.8.
1 Kalo Horio 31.8.
September: Widespread.
October: Widespread until 18.10.
Last record 1 Agia reservoir 28.10.
- RED-BREASTED FLYCATCHER** *Ficedula parva* PM
- April: 1 Agia reservoir 4.4.
- COLLARED FLYCATCHER** *Ficedula albicollis* PM
- April: 1 male Kotsiphos gorge 17.4.
2 males at Akrotiri 18.4.
1 male Elounda rubbish tip 19.4.
1 pair suspected breeding NW Timeos Stavros 19.4.

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PIED FLYCATCHER *Ficedula hypoleuca*

PM

April: 1 male and female Moni Prevelli 3.4.
1 male Agia reservoir 5.4.
2+ Elounda rubbish tip 10.4.
1 male Tavronitis river 13.4. Kato Zakro 13.4.
1 Itanos 14.4.
1 male Ierapetra reservoir 16.4.
1 Kotsiphos Gorge 17.4.
Common in the Plakias area after 18.4. this influx coinciding with
bad weather.
3 Akrotiri 18.4. c10 there 20.4. & a single 25.4.
1 Elounda 19.4.

BLUE TIT *Parus caeruleus*

RB

Common until June:
June: 2 Aposelemis river 5.6. & a single 29.6.
2 Kalo Horio 10.6. 2 there 29.6.
2 Kera/Avdou 13.6. & a single there 27.6.
1 Pines 26.6.
July: 1 Agia Deka 1.7.
2 Kalo Horio 4.7.
1 Gouves 6.7.
Many Kato Symi 12.7.
August: Widespread.
September: October: Common.
November: Frequent in Kalo Horio,
1 Kastelli 18.11.
December: 2 Kalo Horio 3.12 & 1 there 7.12.

GREAT TIT *Parus major*

RB

Common until June:
1 Kalo Horio 10.6.
Many Kera/Avdou gorge 13.6. & a single there 27.6.
July: Widespread.
August: Common.
September: October: Common:
November: Common in Kalo Horio
1 Aposelemis river 4.11. & 20.11. 2 there 10.11. & 27.11.
1 Lyttos 18.11.
December: Frequent Kalo Horio
1 Aposelemis river 8.12.

SHORT-TOED TREECREEPER *Certhia brachydactyla*

RB

May: 3 Samaria Gorge 30.5.

PENDULINE TIT *Remiz pendulinus*

WV

RB

January: 4 Malia 3.1.
March: 1 Aposelemis river 7.3.
1 Malia 14.3.
April: 1 Malia 1.4.
1 Agia reservoir 6.4.
October: 2 in reeds at mouth of Platanes river 29.10.
November: Small flock Malia 29.11.
December: 3 Malia 18.12 and a small flock Malia 28.12.

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GOLDEN ORIOLE *Oriolus oriolus*

RB PM

April: 1 Heraklion Power station 10.4.
 2 Sitia 15.4. & Plakias 15.4. then seen or heard daily til 29.4.
 Probably 2-3 pairs or 5 m°s.
 2 Ierapetra reservoir 16.4.
 2 Plakias 17.4.
 c10 Akrotiri 18.4. 7 there 20.4. & a single 25.4.
 1 Aghia reservoir 19.4.
 1 Georgioupolis 22.4. & Agisaros 22.4. & 29.4.
 1 Ag. Ioannis 23.4.
 May: 1 Mt Youchtas 2.5.
 2 Agisaros 2.5.
 1 Ag. Ioannis 7.5.
 1 near Plakias 8.5.
 2 Falasarna 8.5.
 September: 1 Kalo Horio 6.9.

RED-BACKED SHRIKE *Lanius collurio*

PM

August: A pair near Hersonissos 11.8.-17.8.
 2 Aposelemis river 19.8. 1 there 20.8.
 1 Monasteraki 24.8.
 1 Ierapetra 24.8.
 1 Kalo Horio 26.8. & 6 there 31.8.
 September: 1 Aposelemis river 1.9 2 at same site 7.9.
 2 Kera/Avdou gorge 3.9.
 11 Kalo Horio 4.9. 1 there 5.9. and 9 around village 6.9.
 1 Agia Deka 28.9.
 October: 1 juv. Georgioupolis 6.10.-7.10. and 1 also juvenile 19.10.
 1 Aposelemis river 9.10.
 1 Kalo Horio 18.10.
 1 Malia 21.10.

LESSER GREY SHRIKE *Lanius minor*

PM

August: 1 adult Hersonissos 17.8.

WOODCHAT SHRIKE *Lanius senator*

MB PM

March: 1 Omalos Plateau 30.3.
 April: 5+ Gouves lagoons 2.4.
 1 Rodopou peninsula 5.4.
 2 Gouves lagoons 7.4.
 1 Aposelemis river 8.4. 3 Malia 8.4.
 1 Lafkotia 9.4.
 2 Aposelemis river 10.4.
 1 Omalos plateau 12.4.
 1 Heraklion power station 14.4. 1 Sitia 14.4.
 2 Aposelemis river 14.4.- 16.4. 18.4. & 19.4.
 2-3 Plakias beach fields 15.4.-28.4.
 2 Malia 18.4. 1 Akrotiri 18.4. & 20.4.
 2 Elounda 19.4.
 3+ Elounda/Plaka road 20.4.
 1 Akrotiri 25.4.
 5+ recorded daily Plakias from 30.4.
 May: 1 Armeni 7.5.
 June: 1 Aposelemis river 5.6.
 3 Aposelemis river 25.6.
 August: 2 Neopolis 10.8.

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1 Hersonissos 12.8. - 17.8.
1 Kalo Horio 18.8.

JAY *Garrulus glandarius*

RB

March: 1 Omalos plateau 30.3.
April: 2 Omalos plateau 12.4. & 24.4.
May: 5 Imbros gorge mobbing Bonelli's Eagle 16.5..
1 Amari valley 29.5.
4 Omalos plateau 30.5.
August: 2 Samaria Gorge 16.8.
October: 1 Kera/Avdou Gorge 24.10.

ALPINE CHOUGH *Pyrrhocorax graculus*

RB

April: 1 Kotsiphos gorge 21.4.

CHOUGH *Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax*

RB

January: 135 Monasteraki Gorge 21.1.
March: 55 Monasteraki 5.3.
2 Kato Metochi 9.3.
2 Omalos plateau 27.3. 7 there 28.3. & 40 on 30.3.
April: 1 Mt Edhery 1.4.
2 Kotsiphos Gorge 3.4.&4.4.
19 Samaria Gorge 6.4.
2 pairs Kotsiphos Gorge 9.4.
c40 Samaria Gorge 12.4.
20 Monasteraki 15.4.
6 Lassithi 15.4.
4 Omalos 20.4. & 5 Omalos 23.4. and a single 24.4.
3 Theriso Gorge 27.4.
2 Lassithi 30.4.
June: 6 Omalos 26.6.
August: 54 Monastiraki 24.8.

JACKDAW *Corvus monedula*

RB

January: 6 Ierapetra 21.1.
February: 20 Kalo Horio 5.2. with a flock on 28.2.
1 Ierapetra 10.2. 2 there 27.2.
100 Spring Pool 17.2.
March: Common.
April: Common. Flocks in Kourtaliotiko and Kotsiphos Gorges. Heraklion Power Station. Kato Zakro Gorge. Mt Youchtas. Knossos- Morosini Aqueduct.
May: Common.
June: Small flock Aposelemis river 25.6.
Large flock Spring Pool 25.6.
July: Small flock Siva 2.7.
Very large flock Ligortinos 24.7.
Very large flock Spring Pool 30.7.
August: Small flock Ierapetra 24.8.
September: Common.
October: Very large flock Morosini aqueduct 1.10.
Flock Spring Pool 2.10.
2 Axos 2.10.
Large flock Elevation 3.10.
Small flock Aposelemis river 14.10.
November: 8 Kalo Horio 16.11.

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- HOODED CROW** *Corvus corone cornix* RB
 Very Common.
- RAVEN** *Corvus corax* RB
 Common and widespread. One large flock reported this year, 100 Frangocastello 30.7.
- STARLING** *Sturnus vulgaris* WV PM
 Common in January and February:
 March: Common until 24.3.
 October: Very large flock Heraklio 25.10.
 Very large flock Karteros 26.10.
 Very large flock Aposelemis river 29.10.
 1 Kokkino Hani 29.10.
 November: Common.
 December: Common.
- HOUSE SPARROW** *Passer domesticus* RB
 April: Recorded Creta Sun Hotel, Gouves lagoons, Rethymnon, Moni Prevelli and Ag. Triada Monastery.
- ITALIAN SPARROW** *Passer domesticus italiae* RB
 Very common everywhere.
- SPANISH SPARROW** *Passer hispaniolensis* PM
 March: 1 Creta Sun grounds Gouves 31.3.
 April: 3 Creta Sun grounds 8.4.
 10 Elounda 17.4.
 c15 Kotsiphos Gorge 17.4. and 5 Plakias 17.4.
 12+ near Plakias 27.4.
- TREE SPARROW** *Passer montanus* WV? PM
 April: 10 Souda Bay Cemetery 5.4.
 c10 nr Gonies 15.4.
 1 Akrotiri 18.4.
 May: 1 Georgioupolis 20.5.
 10 Souda Bay cemetery 24.5.
 2 Knossos 25.5.
- CHAFFINCH** *Fringilla coelebs* WV RB PM
 Very Common.
- SERIN** *Serinus serinus* WV RB PM
 January: 12 Aposelemis river 13.1.
 Small flock Aposelemis river 17.1.
 4 Aposelemis river 23.1.
 February: 1 Aposelemis river 12.2.
 1 Mt. Edhery 28.2.
 March: 1 Kalo Horio 1.3
 3 Aposelemis river 7.3. 5 there 14.3. and a flock 22.3.
 1 Alikambos river 30.3.
 April: Common.
 4 in pines Ag.Triada monastery 5.4.
 Omalos plateau 12.4.

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2 Tavronitis river 13.4.
 3 Lassithi Plateau 15.4. & 2 there 30.4.
 2 Agia reservoir 19.4.
 2 Akrotiri 20.4.
 May: 2 Vrises 7.5. & 1 there 8.5.
 1 Angoules 9.5.
 1 Agios Konstandinos 13.5.
 2 Magoulas 13.5.
 1 Kritsa 14.5.
 November: Small flock Kalo Horio 23.11.
 December: 1 Aposelemis river 4.12.
 3 Kalo Horio 5.12.

GREENFINCH *Carduelis chloris*

WV RB PM

Widespread in January:
 February: 1 Malia 5.2.
 March: 5 Aposelemis river 7.3. 3 there 16.3. and many on 21.-22.3.
 1 Omalos road 29.3.
 3 Agia reservoir 30.3.
 April- June: Common.
 July: Widespread.
 August: 1 Kalo Horio, Lassithi,
 2 Kalo Horio 31.8.
 September: No records.
 October: 3 Kalo Horio 9.10 & 1 there 11.10.
 2 Aposelemis river 14.10
 1 Malia 21.10.
 November: 1 Gouves 1.11.
 2 Kalo Horio 2.11. & 26.11.
 2 Aposelemis river 4.11. 3 there 27.11.
 Small flock Malia 24.11. 3 there 29.11.
 December: 3 Kalo Horio 3.12. Singles 7.2. 26.12. & 31.12.
 1 Aposelemis river 4.12.
 3 Malia 18.12. flocks there 23.12. & 28.12.

GOLDFINCH *Carduelis carduelis*

WV RB PM

Very common every month.

LINNET *Carduelis cannabina*

MV RB PM

Common to very common in winter.
 April: Small numbers recorded daily.
 May: 1 Aposelemis river 2.5.
 1 Frangokastello 9.5.
 1 Voila 15.5.
 June: Small flock Kalo Horio 10.6.
 5 Kalo Horio 11.6.
 3 Kera/Avdou gorge 13.6.
 1 Malia 26.6.
 1 Aposelemis river 29.6.
 July: Many Kalo Horio 3.7. & a single there 4.7.
 Small flock Gouves 6.7.
 1 Kera/Avdou gorge 25.7.
 Small flock Kalo Horio, Lassithi 31.7.
 August: Small flock Kalo Horio 14.8. Large flock 18.8. and a single 26.8.
 1 Ano Kourouzano 14.8.
 1 Kalamavka 24.8.

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September: Small flock Kalo Horio 4.9. & 5.9. Large flock 6.9. 2 there 25.9.
 October: Common.
 November: Common in Kalo Horio
 1 Aposelemis river 4.11.& 20.11.
 Very large flock Malia 24.11. & 29.11.
 2 Aposelemis river 27.11.
 December: Common.

CROSSBILL *Loxia curvirostra*

OB??

June: 2 Omalos 26.6.

CIRL BUNTING *Emberiza cirlus*

RB

January: 1 Malia 3.1.
 February: 1 Kalo Horio 4.2.
 April: 1 singing Ag. Ioannis 4.4.
 1 Kera/Avdou gorge 8.4. & Lassithi plateau 8.4.
 1 Vidiani 11.4.
 3 Omalos Plateau 12.4. & 1 Lassith 12.4. & 3 there 15.4.
 1 Exo Potami 17.4. & 1 Kotsiphos Gorge 17.4.
 1 male above Ag. Ioannis 23.4.
 1 above Kotsiphos ravine 27.4. & 1 east of Kanevos 27.4.
 1 Lassithi 30.4.
 May: 1 near Ag. Ioannis 7.5.
 1 Imbros gorge 16.5.
 June: 1 Kera/Avdou Gorge 6.6. 2 there 13.6.
 1 Aposelemis river 25.6.
 1 Kera/Avdou gorge 27.6.
 July: 1 Kera/Avdou gorge 11.7.
 1 Kato Metochi 27.7.
 August: 1 Kalo Horio 31.8.
 September: 1 Kalo Horio 4.9. 5.9. & 6.9.
 October: 1 Kalo Horio 14.10.
 November: 1 Kalo Horio 2.11. & 3.11.
 December: 1 Kalo Horio 3.12. & 7.12.

ORTOLAN *Emberiza hortulana*

MB PM

April: 1 Kotsiphos Gorge 17.4.
 1 Plakias 18.4.
 2 Kourtatitotiko Gorge 18.4.
 Fairly common in Plakias area from 17.4. onwards.

CRETZSCHMAR'S BUNTING *Emberiza caesia*

PM

May: 1 Souda Bay Cemetery 24.5. (J & C Richardson)

REED BUNTING *Emberiza schoeniclus*

WV

April 1 Almyros 12.4.

CORN BUNTING *Miliaria calandra* Locally common.

WV? RB PM

January: 1 Aposelemis river 17.1.
 3 Kalo Horio 18.1.
 February: 1 Gouves 19.2.
 April: Common. Recorded daily early April.
 1 Gouves lagoons 2.4.
 5 Lassithi 15.4.
 1 Plakias 18.4.
 1 near Hersonissos 25.4. & 30.4. Lassithi.

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May: Common.
June: No records.
July: 1 Ag. Konstandinos 27.7.
October: 1 Arkadi 3.10.
November: 5 Kalo Horio 13.11. & small flock there 15.11.
December: 2 Kalo Horio 3.12
Very many Aposelemis river 8.12.

BUTTERFLIES

Swallowtail *Papilion machaon*
Scarce Swallowtail *Iphiclides podalirus*
Eastern Festoon *Zerynthia cerisyi f. cretica*
Small White *Artogeia rapae*.
Large White *Pieris brassicae*
Bath White *Pontia daplidice*
Gruners Orange Tip *Anthocharis gruneri*
Clouded Yellow *Colias hecla*
Wood White *Leptidea sinapis*
Cleopatra *Gonepteryx cleopatra*
Brimstone *Gonepteryx rhamni*.
Southern Comma *P. egea*
Painted Lady *Cynthia cardui*
Red Admiral *Vanessa atalanta*
Cretan Grayling *Hipparchia semele*
Meadow Brown *Maniola jurtina*
Southern Speckled Wood *Pararge aegeria aegeria*
Wall Brown *Lasiommata megera*
Small Copper *Lycaena phlaes*
Holly Blue *Celastrina argiolus*
Brown Argus *Aricia agestis*
Lang's short-tailed blue *Syntarucus pirthous*
Common Blue *Polyommatus menelaos*
Lulworth Skipper *Thymelicus acteon*

MOTHS

Humming Bird Hawk Moth *Macroglossum stellatarum*
Silver Y *Autographa gamma*

REPTILES

Common Tree Frog *Hyla arborea*
Green Toad *Bufo viridis*
Stripe-necked Terrapin *Mauremys caspica*
Marsh Frog *Rana ridibunda*
Turkish Gecko *Hemidactylus turcicus*
Ocellated Skink *Chalcides ocellatus*
Balkan Green Lizard *Lacerata viridis*
Erhards Wall Lizard *Podarcis erhardii*
Balkan Whip Snake *Coluber gemonensis*
Dice Snake *Natrix tessellata*

MAMMALS

Eastern Hedgehog *Erinaceus concolor*
Rat *Rattus sp.*
Bat *sp.*
Beech marten *Martes foina bunites*
Weasel *Mustela nivalis*

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INSECTS

Broad bodied *Libellula Libellula depressa*
Blue spot dragonfly *Sympetrum pedemontanum*
Mining bees *Andrena spp.*
Carpenter bee *Xylocopa violacea*
Cicada sp.
Locust *Locusta migratoria*
- *Scolia flavifrons*
Paper wasp *Polistes gallicus*
Egyptian Grasshopper *Anacridium aegyptium*
Stick Grasshopper *Acrida ungarica*
Bush Cricket spp.
Ground Bug *Lygaers saxatilo*
Beefly *Bombylius major*
Spider *Argiope brunnechi*
Praying Mantis *Mantis religiosa*
Graphsoma italicum
Pollen Beetle *Oxythyrea funesta*

RECORDS :

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1.1.92-31.12.92 Chris & John Henshall
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29.4.92-12.5.92 Phil Dunk
7.5.92-18.5.92 John & Marion Manester
12.5.92-26.5.92 Tom Dougall & Gill Arbuthnott
13.5.92-26.5.92 Peter Marriott
19.5.92-2.6.92 John & Christine Richardson
22.6.92-5.7.92 Risto Saranto, Finland
25.7.92-27.7.92 Jim Slater
4.8.92-18.8.92 Philip Edmonds & Marie Edmonds
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