

Caiundo - Diversity of Birds

During a short three-day observation period 63 bird species were observed within the floodplains and river terraces of

the Cubango River at the Caiundo core site. The total number of bird species to be found within the whole core site can be assumed

to be much higher. The species found are listed in table 1.

Table 1: List of bird species which have been found during the three-day observation period.

Common name	Species name	Family
Non-Passeriformes		
Bateleur	<i>Terathopius ecaudatus</i>	Accipitridae
Brown Snake-eagle	<i>Circaetus cinereus</i>	Accipitridae
Swainson's Spurfowl	<i>Pternistis swainsonii</i>	Phasianidae
Coqui Francolin	<i>Peliperdix coqui</i>	Phasianidae
Helmeted Guineafowl	<i>Numida meleagris</i>	Phasianidae
Red-billed Spurfowl	<i>Pternistis adspersus</i>	Phasianidae
Quail	<i>Excalfactoria adansonii, Coturnix coturnix</i>	Phasianidae
African Wattled Plover	<i>Vanellus senegallus</i>	Charadriidae
Red-eyed Dove	<i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i>	Columbidae
Emerald-spotted Wood-dove	<i>Turtur chalcospilus</i>	Columbidae
Ring-necked Dove	<i>Streptopelia capicola</i>	Columbidae
Laughing Dove	<i>Spilopelia senegalensis</i>	Columbidae
African Green Pigeon	<i>Treron calvus</i>	Columbidae
Namaqua Dove	<i>Oena capensis</i>	Columbidae
Meyer's Brown Parrot	<i>Poicephalus meyeri</i>	Psittacidae
Black Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus clamosus</i>	Cuculidae
White-browed Coucal	<i>Centropus superciliosus</i>	Caprimulgidae
Square-tailed Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus fossii</i>	Caprimulgidae
Malachite Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo cristata</i>	Alcedinidae
Woodland Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon senegalensis</i>	Alcedinidae
Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>	Alcedinidae
African Pygmy Kingfisher	<i>Ispidina picta</i>	Alcedinidae
Little Bee-eater	<i>Merops pusillus</i>	Meropidae
Lilac-breasted Roller	<i>Coracias caudatus</i>	Coraciidae
Racket-tailed Roller	<i>Coracias spatulatus</i>	Coraciidae
African Grey Hornbill	<i>Trochus nasutus</i>	Bucerotidae
Southern Ground-Hornbill	<i>Bucorvus leadbeateri</i>	Bucerotidae
Bradfield's Hornbill	<i>Tockus bradfieldi</i>	Bucerotidae
Pale-billed Hornbill	<i>Tockus pallidirostris</i>	Bucerotidae
Black-collared Barbet	<i>Lybius torquatus</i>	Capitonidae
Reed Cormorant	<i>Microcarbo africanus</i>	Phalacrocoracidae
African Darter	<i>Anhinga rufa</i>	Anhingidae
Hamerkop	<i>Scopus umbretta</i>	Scopidae
Black Cuckooshrike	<i>Campephaga flava</i>	Campephagidae
White-bellied Stork	<i>Ciconia abdimii</i>	Ciconiidae
Baillon's Crake	<i>Porzana pusilla</i>	Rallidae
Double-banded Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles bicinctus</i>	Pterocliidae
Grey Lourie	<i>Corythaixoides concolor</i>	Musophagidae

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Passeriformes		
Mosque Swallow	<i>Cercropis senegalensis</i>	Hirundinidae
Dark-capped Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus tricolor</i>	Pycnonotidae
White-browed Scrub-robin	<i>Erythropygia leucophrys</i>	Turdidae
Tawny-flanked Prinia	<i>Prinia subflava</i>	Sylviidae
Grey-backed Camaroptera	<i>Camaroptera brevicuadata</i>	Sylviidae
Long-billed Crombec	<i>Sylvietta rufescens</i>	Sylviidae
Croaking Cisticola	<i>Cisticola natalensis</i>	Sylviidae
Pale Flycatcher	<i>Bradornis pallidus</i>	Muscicapidae
African Paradise Flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone viridis</i>	Monarchidae
Arrow-marked Babbler	<i>Turdoides jardineii</i>	Timaliidae
Black Sunbird	<i>Chalcomitra amethystina</i>	Nectariniidae
Swamp Boubou	<i>Laniarius bicolor</i>	Malaconotidae
Black-backed Puffback	<i>Dryoscopus cubla</i>	Malaconotidae
Grey-headed Bush-shrike	<i>Malaconotus blanchoti</i>	Malaconotidae
White-crested Helmet-shrike	<i>Prionops plumatus</i>	Prionopidae
Black-headed Oriole	<i>Oriolus larvatus</i>	Oriolidae
Fork-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>	Dicruridae
Pied Crow	<i>Corvus albus</i>	Corvidae
Greater Blue-eared Starling	<i>Lamprotornis chalybeatus</i>	Sturnidae
Violet-backed Starling	<i>Cinnyricinclus leucogaster</i>	Sturnidae
Spectacled Weaver	<i>Ploceus ocularis</i>	Ploceidae
Blue Waxbill	<i>Uraeginthus angolensis</i>	Estrildidae
Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	Ardeidae
Green-backed Heron	<i>Butorides striata</i>	Ardeidae



Fig. 1: Helmeted Guineafowl, *Numida meleagris* (photo: M. Finckh).

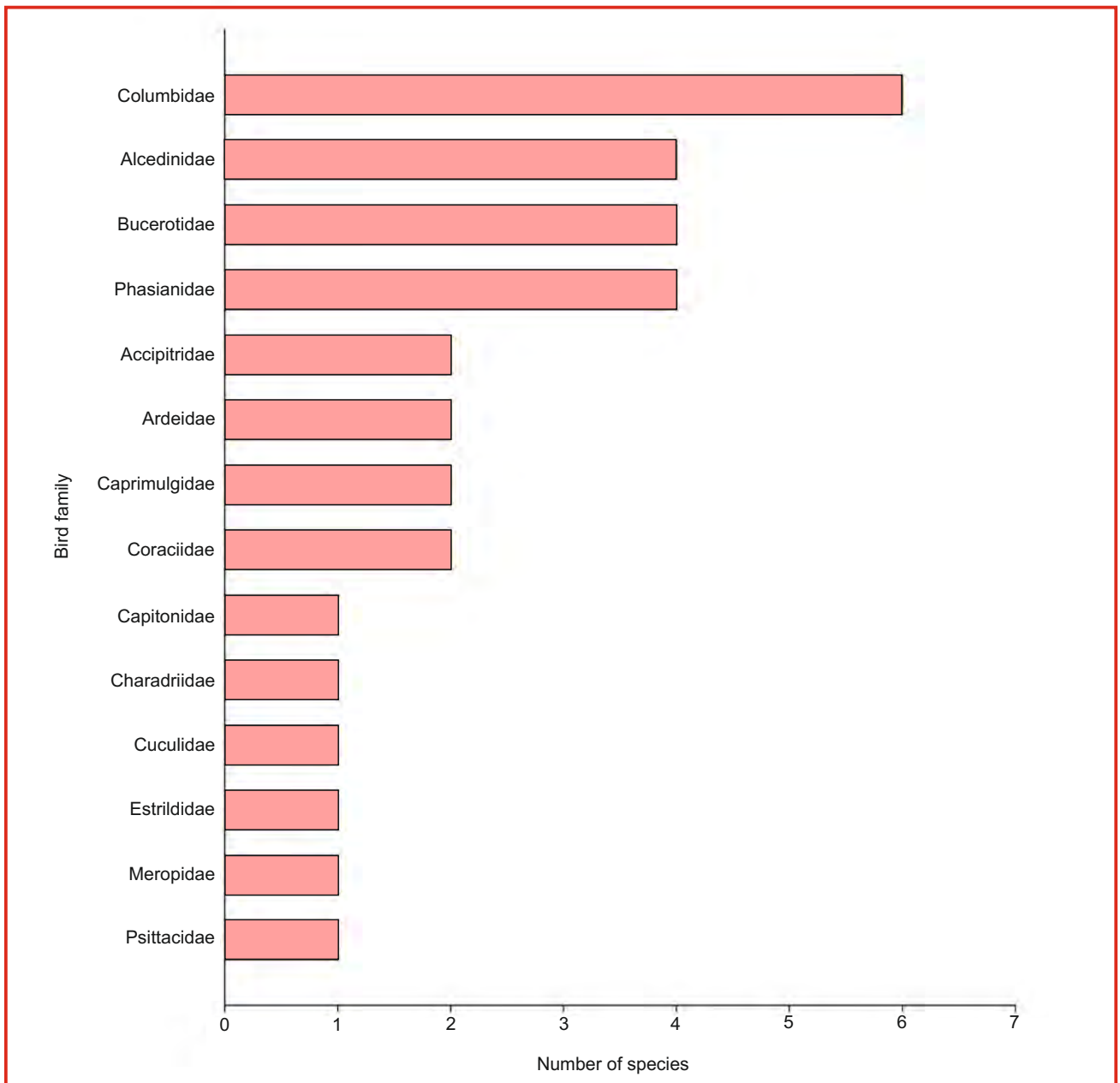


Fig. 2: Numbers of Non-Passeriformes species that have been found, according to the bird families.

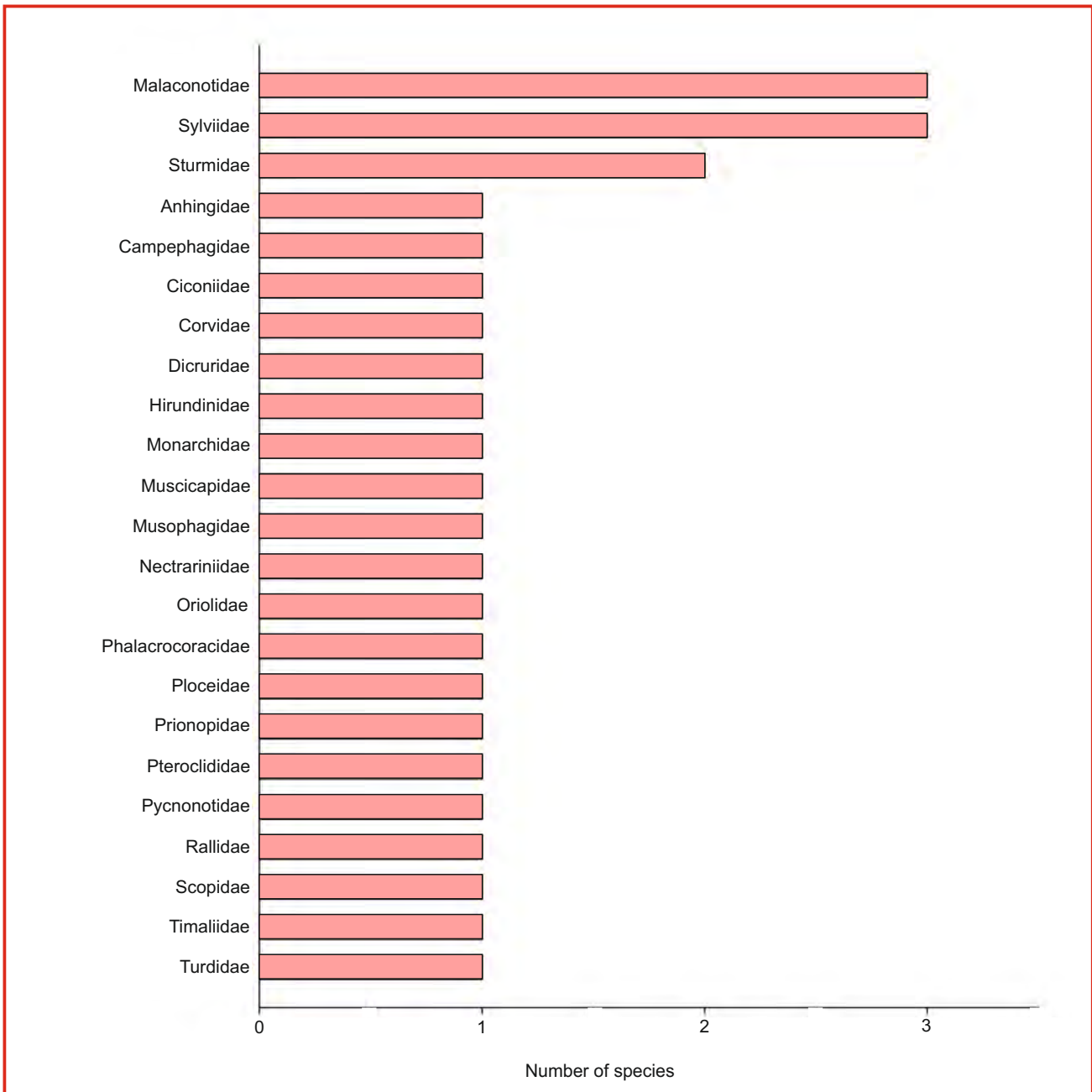


Fig. 3: Numbers of Passeriformes species that have been found, according to the bird families.

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