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RANGE EXTENSIONS TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF SOME BIRDS OCCURING  
IN SOUTH WEST AFRICA / NAMIBIA

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INTRODUCTION

Very little detailed distributional information exists on the birds in South West Africa. The standard texts to which most people refer, e.g. Roberts Birds of South Africa (McLachlan and Liversidge 1978) and Newman's Birds of southern Africa (Newman 1982), give at best very general patterns, and for many species, are hopelessly inadequate. The reason for these shortcomings is the dearth of published distributional information, and this situation is likely to continue until the South West Africa bird atlas has been published. However, because of the size of the country and the relatively small number of bird watchers it is unlikely that sufficient coverage will be achieved to warrant publishing the atlas within the next five years.

In an attempt to begin improving the situation and to prevent incorrect distributional information being copied from one fieldguide to the next, we suggest that this newsletter devote a section to "range extensions" within South West Africa/Namibia.

Bird watchers can then publish their records of the birds they observed out of the ranges presented in the most recently published fieldguide; at present Newman's Birds of southern Africa. In this way the range extensions will be taken up into the ornithological literature, thereby improving the accuracy of distribution maps.

A format for the presentation of these "range extensions" has been designed so that the data easily be incorporated into the bird atlas project. The range extensions presented by us use this simple format, and it is suggested that other people presenting their "out of range" observations use the same format.

Information pertaining to rare birds as listed on the "rare bird species observation form" (obtainable from CJB at the address below) are submitted and published separately. English and Latin names are from Newman's Birds of southern Africa (Newman 1982) as are the distribution maps. The descriptive locality gives the name of the site where the birds were seen, followed by the districts or territory name. The localities of the "out of range" sightings are indicated on the maps by arrows. We consider all the "out of range" sightings below to be true range extensions and not of vagrant birds.

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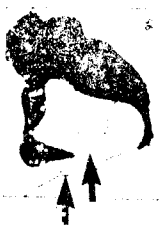








Range extension maps on the following 9 pages

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RANGE EXTENSIONS

<u>Species</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Locality</u>	<u>4° square</u>
<u>Squacco Heron</u> <u>Ardeola ralloides</u>	2 1	28/02/82 17/08/84	Hardap Dam Mariental Avis Dam Windhoek	2417BD 2217CA
<u>Blackcrowned Night Heron</u> <u>Nycticorax nycticorax</u>	common common 2 2 2	19/12/81 29/12/81 20/03/82 30/07/82 03/12/82	Sandwich Harbour Namib-Naukluft Park Fish River Mariental	2314AD 2314AD 2417BD 2417BD 2417BD
<u>Cattle Egret</u> <u>Bubulcus ibis</u>	several	03/12/82	Hardap Dam Mariental	2417BD
<u>Purple Heron</u> <u>Ardea purpurea</u>	2 1	22/05/83 29/05/83	Windhoek sewage works Windhoek	2217CA 2217CA
<u>Goliath Heron</u> <u>Ardea goliath</u>	-	05/12/82	Naute dam Keetmanshoop	2617DD
<u>Marabou Stork</u> <u>Leptoptilos crumeniferus</u>	several several several several several	26/03/83 24/04/82 27/06/82 25/08/82 02/12/82 13/06/83	Hardap Dam Mariental	2417BD 2417BD 2417BD 2417BD 2417BD 2417BD



<u>African Spoonbill</u> <u>Platalea alba</u>	1	26/12/81	Sandwich Harbour Namib-Naukluft Park	2314AD	
	-	05/12/82	Naute Dam Keetmanshoop	2617DD	
<u>Sacred Ibis</u> <u>Threskiornis aethiopicus</u>	-	05/12/82	Naute Dam Keetmanshoop	2617DD	
<u>Whitebacked Duck</u> <u>Thalassornis leucotis</u>	3	20/05/84	Farm Otjisauna north	2117DC	
	2	22/08/84	Avis Dam Windhoek	2217CA	
<u>Maccoa Duck</u> <u>Oxyura maccoa</u>	27	04/08/84	Sewage pans Walvis Bay	2214CD	
<u>South African Shelduck</u> <u>Tadorna cana</u>	-	19/12/81	Sandwich Harbour	2314AD	
	-	26/12/81	Namib-Naukluft Park	2314AD	
<u>African Black Duck</u> <u>Anas sparsa</u>	1	13/11/83	Daan Viljoen Game Park	2216DB	
	1	--/01/84	Windhoek	2216DB	
<u>Knobbilled Duck</u> <u>Sarkidiornis melanotos</u>	30	20/05/84	Farm Otjisauna north Windhoek	2117DC	

<u>Blacknecked Grebe</u>	1	28/02/82	Hardap Dam	2417BD
<u>Podiceps nigricollis</u>	26	16/04/84	Mariental	2217CA
	9	22/08/84	Avis Dam	2217CA
			Windhoek	
<u>Purple Gallinule</u>	1	24/08/82	hardap Dam	2417DB
<u>Porphyrrio porphyrio</u>			Mariental	
<u>African Jacana</u>	2	05/05/82	Naute Dam	2617DD
<u>Actophilornis africanus</u>	1	30/07/82	Keetmanshoop	2417DB
	1	24/08/82	Farm KeiKanachab West	2417DB
			Mariental	
<u>Temminck's Courser</u>	2	13/03/82	Khomas Hochland	2216BC
<u>Cursorius temminckii</u>	2	19/12/83	Windhoek	2115BD
			Omaruru town	
			Omaruru	
<u>Ludwig's Bustard</u>	2	20/04/84	Nossob river	2318DB
<u>Neotis ludwigii</u>			Gobabis	
<u>Hartlaub's Francolin</u>	3	22/07/83	Avis Dam	2217GA
<u>Francolinus hartlaubi</u>	4	28/07/83	Windhoek	2217CA
	3	08/11/83	Windhoek	2217CA
	3	16/03/84	Concordia college	2217CA
			Windhoek	



Orange River Francolin  
Francolinus levaillantoides

3	27/04/84	Concordia college Windhoek	2217CA
3	02/05/84	Windhoek town lands	2217CA
-	04/05/84	Windhoek	2217CA
2+	09/07/83	Daan Viljoen Game Park	2216DB
2+	--/12/83	Windhoek	2216DB



African Hawk Eagle  
Hieraaetus fasciatus

1	24/04/82	Mariental district	2417BD
1	--/06/82		2417BD
1	27/06/82		2417BD
1	29/07/82		2317CD



Little Banded Goshawk  
Accipiter badius

1	13/04/82	Aus Luderitz	2616CC
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Dark Chanting Goshawk  
Melierax metabates

1	12/03/84	Waterberg Plateau Park Otjiwarongo	2017AD
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Gymnogone  
Polyboroides typus

1	--/05/81	Otjvasondu Etosha National Park	1914AB
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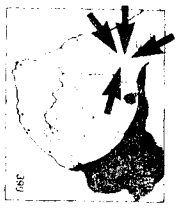


Rock Pigeon  
Columba guinea

many	--/06/82	Waterberg Plateau Park	2017AD
many	06/06/83	Waterberg Plateau Park	2017AD
many	13/07/83	Otjiwarongo	2017AD
many	10/08/83	Otjiwarongo	2017AD



<u>Emeraldspotted Dove</u>	1	--/06/82	Hardap Dam	2417BD
<u>Turtur chalcospilos</u>	1	03/12/82	Marlental	2417BD
	2	10/06/83	Avis Dam	2217CA
			Windhoek	
<u>Cape Parrot</u>	3	05/06/84	Kaudom	1820BC
<u>Poicephalus robustus</u>	5	05/06/84	Kavango	1820BC
<u>Striped Cuckoo</u>	1	--/12/82	Ugab river	2014DD
<u>Clamator levaillantii</u>			Damaraland	
<u>Burchell's Coucal</u>	2	10/09/82	Mahongo	1821BA
<u>Centropus superciliosus</u>	2	12/08/83	Kavango	1821BA
<u>Barred Owl</u>	1	24/05/83	Waterberg Plateau Park	2017CA
<u>Glaucidium capense</u>	1	13/07/83	Otjiwarongo	2017CA
	1	08/08/83	Farm Okakango	2116DD
	1	10/08/83	Okahandja	2116BB
	1	22/04/84	Farm Waterloo	2117BD
			Otjiwarongo	
			Hochfeld	
			Okahandja	
<u>Pearlbreasted swallow</u>	2	30/07/82	Marlental district	2417DB
<u>Hirundo dimidiata</u>	2	--/12/83	Dean Viljoen Game Park	2216DB
	2	--/01/84	Windhoek	2216DB





2417DB  
2417BD  
2417BE  
2418AD  
2418DA

2417BD  
2417BE

1916BA

2016DC

2417BD

2417DB  
2417DE  
2417DB  
2417DB  
2417DB  
2417DB

2017AD  
2017AD  
2017AD

Hardap Dam  
Mariental  
Aueb river  
Mariental

Hardap Dam  
Mariental

Halali  
Etosha National Park

Farm Okonjima  
Otjiwarongo

Hardap Dam  
Mariental

Hardap Dam  
Mariental

Waterberg Plateau Park  
Otjiwarongo

21/05/82  
30/07/82  
25/08/82  
22/04/84  
common  
common  
common  
common

--/06/82  
25/08/82  
small  
flocks

6  
31/05/84

7  
13/03/84

1  
25/06/82

24/04/82  
26/05/82  
--/06/82  
30/07/82  
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common  
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10/08/83  
12/11/83  
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Palm swift  
Cypsiurus parvus

Redfaced Mousebird  
Colius indicus

Monteiro's Hornbill  
Tockus monteiri

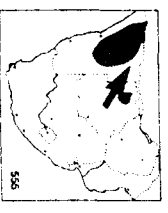
Bradfield's Hornbill  
Tockus bradfieldi

Goldentailed Woodpecker  
Campethera abingoni

Cape Robin  
Cossypha caffra

Rockrunner  
Achaetops pycnopygius

<u>Black Cuckooshrike</u> <u>Campephaga flava</u>	-	13/07/83	Waterberg Plateau Park Otjiwarongo	2017AD
<u>Southern Black Tit</u> <u>Parus niger</u>	-	05/06/84	Kavango	1819DD
<u>Carp's Black Tit</u> <u>Parus carpi</u>	2	03/06/84	Kavango	1819DC
<u>Rufous Bellied Tit</u> <u>Parus rufiventris</u>	-	02/06/82	Kavango	1819DD
<u>Olive Thrush</u> <u>Turdus olivaceus</u>	-	---/06/82	Hardap Dam Mariental	2417BD
<u>Garden Warbler</u> <u>Sylvia borin</u>	-	03/12/82	Hardap Dam Mariental	2417BD
	-	05/12/82	Naute Dam Keetmanshoop	2617DD
<u>Cape Reed Warbler</u> <u>Acrocephalus gracillirostris</u>	-	05/05/82	Naute Dam Keetmanshoop	2617DD
<u>Grey Penduline Tit</u> <u>Anthoscopus caroli</u>	-	18/06/82 10/08/83	Waterberg Otjiwarongo	2017AD 2017AD





Fantailed Cisticola  
Cisticola juncidis

- 23/04/82 Hardap  
- --/06/83 Mariental  
- 05/05/82 Naute Dam  
- 10/05/82 Keetmanshoop  
Luderitz  
2417DB  
2417DB  
2617DD  
2615CA



Tawnyflanked Prinia  
Prinia subflava

1 06/07/83 Waterberg  
Otjiwarongo  
2017AD



Whitetailed Shrike  
Lanioturdus torquatus

2 19/05/84 Farm Otjisauna Nord  
Windhoek  
2117DC



Whitecrowned Shrike  
Eurocephalus anguitimens

1 08/07/84 Auob river  
1 08/07/84 Mariental  
1 13/07/84  
2519DA  
2519DB  
2519DA



Blackcrowned Tchagra  
Tchagra senegala

1 24/06/83 Farm Okarurua  
Otjiwarongo  
2116AB



Black Sunbird  
Nectarinia amethystina

2 21/10/83 Windhoek  
2 11/01/84  
1 26/05/84 Otjivasando  
Etosha National Park  
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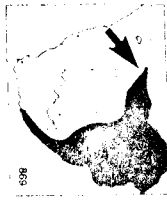


Marico Sunbird  
Nectarinia mariquensis

2 26/03/82  
2 20/05/82 Hardap  
- 30/07/82 Mariental  
- 25/08/82  
2417BD  
2417BD  
2417BD  
2417BD



<u>Yellow White-eye</u> <u>Zosterops senegalensis</u>	7	13/07/83	Waterberg Plateau Park Otjiwarongo	2017AD
<u>Redheaded Weaver</u> <u>Anaplectes rubiceps</u>	-	13/07/83	Waterberg Plateau Park Otjiwarongo	2017AD
<u>Blackcheeked Waxbill</u> <u>Estrilda erythronotos</u>	small flocks small flocks	27/03/82 25/04/82 20/05/82 25/08/82	Hardap Mariental	2417BD 2417BD 2417BD 2417BD
<u>Blue Waxbill</u> <u>Uraeginthus angolensis</u>	6	19/05/84	Farm Otjisauna north Windhoek	2117DC
<u>Pintailed Whydah</u> <u>Vidua macroura</u>	1 1 1	03/12/82 28/02/82 27/03/82	Hardap Dam Mariental	2417DB 2417DB 2417DB
<u>Yelloweyed Canary</u> <u>Serinus mozambicus</u>	small flock	03/06/84	Kavango	1819DD



PAN-AFRIKANISCHER ORNITHOLOGEN-KONGRESS.

Der nächste Pan-Afrikanische Ornithologen-Kongress findet Ostern 1985 in Francistown, Botswana, statt. Neben einem reichhaltigen Angebot interessanter Berichte werden auch Exkursionen in die, für jeden Naturfreund, einmalige Landschaft des Okavango-Deltas angeboten.

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