

List of Birds of Canberra, The Federal Territory

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The following list of 121 birds (including four species of introduced birds) has been compiled since June, 1913, at Duntroon, in the Federal Capital Territory. In addition, the dates of arrivals of several species of migrants during the years 1927 and 1928 have been recorded:—Stubble Quail (*Coturnix pectoralis*), Little Quail (*Turnix velox*), Diamond Dove (*Geopelia cuneata*), Common Bronzewing (*Phaps chalcoptera*), Lewin Water-rail (*Rallus pectoralis*), seen only in wet seasons; Dusky Moorhen (*Gallinula tenebrosa*), Little Grebe (*Podiceps ruficollis*), Black Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax carbo*), White-breasted Cormorant (*P. fuscescens*), Australian Pelican (*Pelecanus conspicillatus*), Silver Gull (*Larus novæ-hollandiæ*), occasionally seen during rough weather; Spur-winged Plover (*Lobibyx novæ-hollandiæ*), Banded Plover (*Zonifer tricolor*), Black-fronted Dotterel (*Charadrius melanops*), Australian Snipe (*Gallinago hardwicki*), Southern Stone-Curlew (*Burhinus magnirostris*), Australian Bustard (*Eupodotis australis*), one only seen (21/6/20); Straw-necked Ibis (*Threskiornis spinicollis*), Yellow-billed Spoonbill (*Platalea flavipes*), three seen at long intervals; White-faced Heron (*Noto-phya novæ-hollandiæ*), White-necked Heron (*N. pacifica*), Nankeen Night-Heron (*Nycticorax caledonicus*), Maned Goose (*Chenonetta jubata*), Black Swan (*Chenopsis atrata*), Chestnut-breasted Shelduck (*Casarca tadornoides*), Black Duck (*Anas superciliosa*), Chestnut Teal (*Querquedula castanea*), Grey Teal (*Q. gibberifrons*), Pink-eared Duck (*Malacorhynchus membranaceus*), two seen; Musk Duck (*Biziura lobata*), Swamp-Harrier (*Circus approximans*), Australian Goshawk (*Astur fasciatus*), Wedge-tailed Eagle (*Uroaetus audax*), Black-shouldered Kite (*Elanus axillaris*), Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*), Nankeen Kestrel (*Falco cenchroides*), Boobook Owl (*Ninox boobook*), Barn Owl (*Tyto alba*), Musk Lorikeet (*Glossopsitta concinna*), Little Lorikeet (*G. pusilla*), Yellow-tailed Black Cockatoo (*Calyptorhynchus lathami*), Gang-gang Cockatoo (*Callocephalon fimbriatum*), White Cockatoo (*Kakatoë galerita*), Galah or Rose-breasted Cockatoo (*K. roseicapilla*), a flock of four seen once; Cockatoo-Parrot (*Leptolophus hollandicus*), King Parrot (*Aprosmic-*

tus scapularis), odd ones come from the mountain gullies; Crimson Rosella (*Platycercus elegans*), Eastern Rosella (*P. eximius*), Red-backed Parrot (*Psephotus haematonotus*), Budgerygah or Shell-Parrot (*Melopsittacus undulatus*), Tawny Frogmouth (*Podargus strigoides*), Australian Roller (*Eurystomus orientalis*), Laughing Kookaburra (*Dacelo gigas*), Sacred Kingfisher (*Halcyon sanctus*), Rainbow-Bird or Australian Bee-eater (*Merops ornatus*), Spine-tailed Swift (*Hirundapus caudacutus*), Pallid Cuckoo (*Cuculus pallidus*), Fan-tailed Cuckoo (*Cacomantis flabelliformis*), Horsfield Bronze Cuckoo (*Chalcites basalis*), Welcome Swallow (*Hirundo neorhoa*), Fairy Martin (*Hylochelidon ariel*), Grey Fantail (*Rhipidura flabellifera*), Willie Wagtail (*R. leucophrys*), Restless Flycatcher (*Seisura inquieta*), Jacky Winter (*Micraea fascians*), Scarlet Robin (*Petroica multicolor*), Red-capped Robin (*P. goodenovii*), Flame Robin (*P. phoenicea*), Hooded Robin (*Melanodryas cucullata*), Southern Yellow-Robin (*Eopsaltria australis*), Golden Whistler (*Pachycephala pectoralis*), Rufous Whistler (*P. rufiventris*), Grey Shrike-Thrush (*Colluricincla harmonica*), Magpie-Lark (*Grallina cyanoleuca*), Eastern Shrike-Tit (*Falcunculus frontatus*), only one seen; Black-faced Cuckoo-Shrike (*Coracina novaehollandiae*), White-winged Triller (*Lalage tricolor*), Grey-crowned Babbler (*Pomatostomus temporalis*), White-fronted Chat (*Epthianura albigrons*), Little Thornbill (*Acanthiza nana*), Yellow-tailed Thornbill (*A. chrysorrhoa*), Brown Songlark (*Cinclorhamphus cruralis*), only seen in spring and summer of wet seasons; Australian Reed Warbler (*Acrocephalus australis*), Superb Blue Wren (*Malurus cyaneus*), Masked Wood-Swallow (*Artamus personatus*), White-browed Wood-Swallow (*A. superciliosus*), Dusky Wood-Swallow (*A. tenebrosus*), Orange-winged Sittella (*Neositta chrysoptera*), Brown Tree-Creeper (*Climacteris picumnus*), White-throated Tree-Creeper (*C. leucophæa*), Mistletoe-Bird (*Dicaeum hirundinaceum*), only one seen; Silvereye (*Zosterops* sp.), Spotted Pardalote (*Pardalotus punctatus*), Red-tipped Pardalote (*P. ornatus*), White-naped Honeyeater (*Melithreptus lunatus*), Eastern Spinebill (*Acanthorhynchus tenuirostris*), Regent Honeyeater (*Zanthomiza phrygia*), Lewin Honeyeater (*Meliphaga lewini*), Yellow-faced Honeyeater (*M. chrysops*), White-plumed Honeyeater (*M. penicillata*), Yellow-winged Honeyeater (*Meliornis novaehollandiae*), Noisy Miner (*Myzantha melanoccephala*), Red Wattle-Bird (*Anthochaera carunculata*), Noisy Friar-Bird (*Philemon corniculatus*), Australian Pipit (*Anthus australis*), Diamond Firetail (*Zonæginthus gutta-*

tus), Red-browed Finch (*Ægitha temporalis*), Olive-backed Oriole (*Oriolus sagittatus*), Satin Bower-Bird (*Ptilonorhynchus violaceus*), very plentiful at Condor Creek in the mountain gullies; Australian Raven (*Corvus coronoides*), Australian Crow (*C. cecillæ*), White-winged Chough (*Corcorax melanorhamphus*), Pied Currawong (*Strepera graculina*), Grey Currawong (*S. versicolor*), Grey Butcher-Bird (*Cracticus torquatus*), Black-backed Magpie (*Gymnorhina tibicen*), White-backed Magpie (*G. hypoleuca*), House Sparrow (*Passer domesticus*), Goldfinch (*Carduelis carduelis*), Skylark (*Alauda arvensis*), and Starling (*Sturnus vulgaris*).

MIGRATORY BIRDS, 1927.

Date of Arrival.

Noisy Friar-Bird, 3rd September; Pallid Cuckoo, 3rd September; Black-faced Cuckoo-Shrike, 3rd September; Rainbow-Bird (Bee-eater), 3rd September; Dusky Wood-Swallow, 4th September; Regent Honeyeater, 6th September; Nankeen Kestrel, 6th September; Scissors Grinder, 7th Sept.; White-browed Wood-Swallow, 8th Sept.; Dollar Bird (Roller), 9th September; Rufous-breasted Whistler, 10th September; White-plumed Honeyeater, 10th September; Red Wattle-Bird, 11th September; Olive-backed Oriole, 11th September; Masked Wood-Swallow, 11th September; Bronze Cuckoo, 12th September; Mountain Thrush, 14th September; Sacred Kingfisher, 27th September; Grey Butcher-Bird, 30th October; Eastern Spinebill, 2nd November.

MIGRATORY BIRDS, 1928.

Date of Arrival.

Nankeen Kestrel, 7th August; Sacred Kingfisher, 14th August; Black-faced Cuckoo-Shrike, 19th August; Dusky Wood-Swallow, 20th August; Golden-breasted Whistler, 20th August; Regent Honeyeater, 22nd August; Noisy Friar-Bird, 24th August; Horsfield Bronze Cuckoo, 24th August; Pallid Cuckoo, 25th August; White-winged Triller, 26th August; Rainbow-Bird, 27th August; White-naped Honeyeater, 29th August; Rufous-breasted Whistler, 30th August; Red Wattle-Bird, 30th August; Olive-backed Oriole, 31st August; White-browed Wood-Swallow, 5th November; Masked Wood-Swallow, 6th November; Dollar-Bird (Roller), 11th November; Fan-tailed Cuckoo, 26th November.