

Checklist of birds of Nagpur City (Maharashtra)

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Nagpur! a city situated right in the center of India, in-fact the Zero milestone of India is situated in the city of Nagpur. Unfortunately Nagpur is also a city which can be characterized by monumental neglect by not only people from outside Nagpur but the citizens of Nagpur as well.

The field of bird watching and ornithology has been no different. Most major bird books do not mention the diversity of bird fauna of Nagpur explicitly, many do not show it as an important city of the country either.

This checklist and the allied website <http://www.nagpurbirds.org> is a small beginning which intends to change the way world views Nagpur when it comes to birds.

This is a checklist compiled from the data gleaned from arduous work done by a handful of dedicated individuals who over the period of several years have collected information about the birds of the city. Every bird listed has been done so after verification from at least two independent sources

The order of presentation loosely follows S Dillon Ripley's "A Synopsis of the Birds of India and Pakistan" but no sub-specific identifications are made.

Currently the checklist has only the English and Latin names but later versions of the checklist will have the data on status, frequency and stay of each of the birds. This version of checklist contains 309 birds, however no checklist can ever be deemed complete. We keep getting new observation data and we keep adding to it to the checklist.

We would be very glad if new records are brought to our notice

The latest version of this checklist can be downloaded from <http://www.nagpurbirds.org>

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Grebes, Cormorants

Little Grebe (Dabchick)

Great Cormorant

Indian Cormorant

Little Cormorant

Darter Bird

Great Crested Grebe

Tachybaptus ruficollis

Phalacrocorax carbo

Phalacrocorax fuscicollis

Phalacrocorax niger

Anhinga melanogaster

Podiceps cristatus

Hérons, Egrets, Storks

Cattle Egret

Large/Great/White Egret

Black-crowned Night Heron

Cinnamon (chestnut) Bittern

Painted Stork

Asian Openbill

Woolly-necked Stork

White Stork

Intermediate Egret

Little Egret

Purple Heron

Indian Pond Heron

Eurasian Spoonbill

Grey Heron

Demoiselle Crane

Bubulcus ibis

Casmerodius albus

Nycticorax nycticorax

Ixobrychus cinnamomeus

Mycteria leucocephala

Anastomus oscitans

Ciconia episcopus

Ciconia ciconia

Mesophoyx intermedia

Egretta garzetta

Ardea purpurea

Ardeola grayii

Platalea leucorodia

Ardea cinerea

Grus virgo

Ibises, Ducks, Geese

Black-headed (White) Ibis

Black Ibis

Greylag Goose

Lesser Whistling-duck (Teal)

Fulvous Whistling-duck

Threskiornis melanocephalus

Pseudibis papillosa

Anser anser

Dendrocygna javanica

Dendrocygna bicolor

Brambling or Ruddy Shelduck	<i>Tadorna ferruginea</i>
Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>
Common Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>
Spot-billed Duck	<i>Anas poecilorhyncha</i>
Falcated Duck	<i>Anas falcata</i>
Eurasian Wigeon	<i>Anas penelope</i>
Red-crested Pochard	<i>Rhodonessa rufina</i>
Common Pochard	<i>Aythya ferina</i>
Cotton Pygmy-goose (Cotton Teal or Quacky Duck)	<i>Nettapus coromandelianus</i>
Comb Duck (Knob-billed Goose)	<i>Sarkidiornis melanotos</i>
Garganey	<i>Anas querquedula</i>
Gadwall	<i>Anas strepera</i>
Northern Shoveler	<i>Anas clypeata</i>
Tufted Duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>
Ferruginous Pochard	<i>Aythya nyrocha</i>

Birds of Prey

Black-shouldered (Black-Winged) Kite	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>
Black (Pariah) Kite	<i>Milvus migrans</i>
Brahminy Kite	<i>Haliastur indus</i>
Shikra	<i>Accipiter badius</i>
Besra (Besra Sparrow-Hawk)	<i>Accipiter virgatus</i>
Changeable (Crested) Hawk Eagle	<i>Spizaetus cirrhatus</i>
Pallas's Fish (Fishing) Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucoryphus</i>
Long Billed (Indian) Vulture	<i>Gyps indicus</i>
Egyptian (Scavenger) Vulture	<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>
Eurasian Marsh Harrier	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>
Short-toed Snake Eagle	<i>Circaetus gallicus</i>
Crested Serpent Eagle	<i>Spilornis cheela</i>

Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>
Lesser Kestrel	<i>Falco naumanni</i>
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>
White-eyed Buzzard	<i>Butastur teesa</i>
Oriental Honey-buzzard	<i>Pernis ptilorhynchus</i>
Booted (Hawk) Eagle	<i>Hieraaetus pennatus</i>
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>
Hen Harrier	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>
Laggard Falcon	<i>Falco biarmicus</i>
Montagu's Harrier	<i>Circus pygargus</i>
Pallid Harrier	<i>Circus macrorous</i>
Pied Harrier	<i>Circus melanoleucos</i>
Steppe Eagle	<i>Aquila nipalensis</i>
Tawny Eagle	<i>Aquila rapax</i>
White-rumped Vulture	<i>Gyps benghalensis</i>

Partridges, Junglefowl

Painted Francolin (Painted Partridge)	<i>Fracolinus pictus</i>
Grey Francolin (Grey Partridge)	<i>Fracolinus pondicerianus</i>
Common (Grey) Quail	<i>Coturnix coturnix</i>
Rain (Black-breasted) Quail	<i>Coturnix coromandelica</i>
Blue-breasted Quail	<i>Coturnix chinensis</i>
Jungle Bush Quail	<i>Perdica asiatica</i>
Rock Bush Quail	<i>Perdica argoondah</i>
Painted Bush Quail	<i>Perdica erythrorhyncha</i>
Painted Spurfiowl	<i>Galloperdix lunulata</i>
Red Junglefowl	<i>Gallus gallus</i>
Grey (Sonnerat's) Junglefowl	<i>Gallus sonneratii</i>
Indian (Common) Peafowl	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>
Small Buttonquail	<i>Turnix sylvaticus</i>

Yellow-legged Buttonquail

Barred Buttonquail

Red Spurfowl

Turnix tanki

Turnix suscitator

Galloperdix spadicea

Rails, Crakes

Brown Crake

White-breasted Waterhen

Watercock

Common Moorhen

Purple Swamphen

Common Coot

Baillon's Crake

Amauornis akool

Amauornis phoenicurus

Gallicrex cinerea

Gallinula chloropus

Porphyrio porphyrio

Fulica atra

Porzana pusilla

Jacanas, Snipes, Sandpipers

Bronze winged Jacana

Pheasant tailed Jacana

Black-winged Stilt

Eurasian Thick-knee (Stone
Curlew)

Great Thick-knee (Great Stone
Plover)

Indian Courser

Small (Small Indian) Pratincole

Red-wattled Lapwing

Yellow-wattled Lapwing

Little Ringed Plover

Common Redshank

Marsh Sandpiper

Common Greenshank

Green Sandpiper

Wood Sandpiper

Common Sandpiper

Metopidius indicus

Hydrophasianus chirurgus

Himantopus himantopus

Burhinus oedicnemus

Esacus recurvirostris

Cursorius coromandelicus

Glareola lactea

Vanellus indicus

Vanellus malarbaricus

Charadrius dubius

Tringa totanus

Tringa stagnatilis

Tringa nebularia

Tringa ochropus

Tringa glareola

Actitis hypoleucos

Pintail Snipe
Common (Fantail) Snipe
Little Stint
Temminck's Stint
Jack Snipe
Kentish Plover
Oriental Pratincole
Greater Painted-snipe
Spotted Redshank

Gallinago stenura
Gallinago gallinago
Calidris minuta
Calidris temminckii
Lymnocyptes minimus
Charadrius alexandrinus
Glareola maldivarum
Rostratula bengalensis
Tringa erythropus

Gulls, Terns

Black-headed Gull
Whiskered Tern
River (Indian River) Tern
Indian Skimmer
Chestnut-bellied (Indian)
Sandgrouse
Black-bellied Tern
Little Tern

Larus ridibundus
Chlidonias hybrida
Sterna aurantia
Rynchops albicollis
Pterocles exustus
Sterna acauticauda
Sterna albifrons

Pigeons, Doves

Yellow-footed (Yellow-legged)
Green Pigeon
Rock (Blue) Pigeon
Oriental (Rufous) Turtle Dove
Eurasian Collared (Indian Ring)
Dove
Red Collared (Red-Turtle) Dove
Laughing (Little Brown or
Senegal) Dove
Spotted Dove

Treron phoenicopterus
Columba livia
Streptopelia orientalis
Streptopelia decaocto
Streptopelia tranquebarica
Streptopelia senegalensis
Streptopelia chinensis

Parakeets

Rose ringed (Ring-necked) Parakeet.	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>
Plum-headed (Blossom-headed) Parakeet	<i>Psittacula cyanocephala</i>
Vernal Hanging Parrot (Indian Lorikeet)	<i>Loriculus vernalis</i>
Alexandrine Parakeet	<i>Psittacula eupatria</i>

Cuckoos

Pied (Pied Crested, Jacobin) Cuckoo	<i>Clamator jacobinus</i>
Common Hawk Cuckoo (Brainfever Bird)	<i>Cuculus varius</i>
Indian Cuckoo	<i>Cuculus micropterus</i>
Banded Bay Cuckoo	<i>Cacomantis sonneratii</i>
Asian Koel	<i>Eudynamis scolopaceus</i>
Greater Coucal (Crow Pheasant or Coucal)	<i>Centropus sinensis</i>
Sirkeer Malkoha	<i>Phaenicophaeus leschenaultii</i>

Owls, Nightjars

Barn Owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>
Collared Scops Owl	<i>Otus bakkamoena</i>
Eurasian Eagle (Great-Horned) Owl	<i>Bubo bubo</i>
Jungle Owlet	<i>Glaucidium radiatum</i>
Spotted Owlet	<i>Athene brama</i>
Mottled Wood Owl	<i>Strix ocellata</i>
Brown Wood Owl	<i>Strix leptogrammica</i>
Grey (Indian Jungle) Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus indicus</i>
Indian Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus asiaticus</i>
Savanna (Franklin's or Allied) Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus affinis</i>

Swifts

House Swift.	<i>Apus affinis</i>
Asian Palm Swift	<i>Cypsiurus balasiensis</i>
Crested Treeswift	<i>Hemiprocne coronata</i>
White-rumped Needletail	<i>Zoonavena sylvatica</i>

Kingfishers

Pied (Lesser Pied) Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>
Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>
Stork-billed Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon capensis</i>
White-throated (White-breasted) Kingfisher	<i>Halcyon smyrnensis</i>

Bee-Eaters

Chestnut-headed Bee-eater	<i>Merops leschenaulti</i>
Blue-tailed Bee-eater	<i>Merops philippinus</i>
Green Bee-eater	<i>Merops orientalis</i>

Rollers, Hoopoes

European Roller	<i>Coracias garrulus</i>
Indian Roller	<i>Coracias benghalensis</i>
Common Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>

Hornbills

Indian (Common) Grey Hornbill	<i>Ocyroceros birostris</i>
Malabar Pied Hornbill	<i>Anthracoceros coronatus</i>

Barbets, Woodpeckers

Brown-headed (Large Green) Barbet	<i>Megalaima zeylanica</i>
Coppersmith (Crimson-breasted) Barbet	<i>Megalaima haemacephala</i>
Rufous Woodpecker	<i>Celeus brachyurus</i>

Streak-throated (little Scaly-bellied Green) Woodpecker	<i>Picus xanthopygaeus</i>
Lesser Yellownape (Small Yellow-naped) Woodpecker	<i>Picus chlorolophus</i>
Black-rumped Flameback (Lesser Golden-backed) Woodpecker	<i>Dinopium benghalense</i>
Common Flameback (Indian Golden-backed Three-toed) Woodpecker	<i>Dinopium javanense</i>
Yellow-crowned (Yellow-fronted Pied) Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos mahrattensis</i>
Brown-capped Pygmy Woodpecker	<i>Dendrocopos nanus</i>
Eurasian Wryneck	<i>Jynx torquilla</i>

Pitta

Indian Pitta	<i>Pitta brachyura</i>
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Larks

Singing Bushlark	<i>Mirafra cantillans</i>
Indian (Red-winged) Bushlark	<i>Mirafra erythroptera</i>
Ashy-crowned Sparrow Lark	<i>Eremopterix griseus</i>
Rufous-tailed Lark	<i>Ammomanes phoenicura</i>
Sykes's (Sykes's Crested or Tawny) Lark	<i>Galerida deva</i>
Oriental (Eastern) Skylark	<i>Alauda gulgula</i>
Greater Short-toed Lark	<i>Calandrella brachydactyla</i>

Swallows

Plain (Plain Sand) Martin	<i>Riparia paludicola</i>
Dusky Crag Martin	<i>Hirundo concolor</i>
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
Wire-tailed Swallow	<i>Hirundo smithii</i>

Streak-throated (Indian Cliff) Swallow	<i>Hirundo fluvicola</i>
Red-rumped (Striated) Swallow	<i>Hirundo daurica</i>
Northern House Martin	<i>Delichon urbica</i>

Shrikes, Orioles, Drongos

Bay-backed Shrike	<i>Lanius vittatus</i>
Long-tailed (Rufous-backed) Shrike	<i>Lanius schach</i>
Brown Shrike	<i>Lanius cristatus</i>
Eurasian Golden Oriole	<i>Oriolus oriolus</i>
Black-hooded (Black-headed) Oriole	<i>Oriolus xanthornus</i>
Black Drongo (King-crow)	<i>Dicrurus macrocercus</i>
Ashy (Grey) Drongo	<i>Dicrurus leucophaeus</i>
White-bellied Drongo	<i>Dicrurus caeruleus</i>
Greater Racket-tailed Drongo	<i>Dicrurus paradiseus</i>
Southern Grey Shrike	<i>Lanius meridionalis</i>

Starlings (Mynas)

Chestnut-tailed Starling (Grey- headed Myna)	<i>Sturnus malabaricus</i>
Brahminy Starling (Brahminy Myna)	<i>Sturnus pagodarum</i>
Rosy (Rose-coloured) Starling (Rosy Pastor)	<i>Sturnus roseus</i>
Asian Pied Starling (Pied Myna)	<i>Sturnus contra</i>
Common Myna	<i>Acridotheres tristis</i>
Bank Myna	<i>Acridotheres ginginianus</i>
Jungle Myna.	<i>Acridotheres fuscus</i>

Crows, Treepies

Rufous (Indian) Treepie	<i>Dendrocitta vagabunda</i>
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House Crow.

Corvus splendens

Large-billed (Jungle) Crow

Corvus macrorhynchos

Cuckooshrikes, Minivets

Common Woodshrike

Tephrodornis pondicerianus

Large Cuckooshrike

Coracina macei

Black-headed Cuckooshrike

Coracina melanoptera

Scarlet Minivet

Pericrocotus flammeus

Rosy Minivet

Pericrocotus roseus

Small Minivet

Pericrocotus cinnamomeus

White-bellied Minivet

Pericrocotus erythropygus

Ioras, Leafbirds, Bulbuls

Common Iora

Aegithina tiphia

Blue-winged Leafbird (Blue-winged Chloropsis)

Chloropsis cochinchinensis

Red-whiskered Bulbul

Pycnonotus jocosus

Red-vented Bulbul

Pycnonotus cafer

White-browed Bulbul

Pycnonotus luteolus

Golden-fronted Leafbird

Chloropsis aurifrons

White-eared Bulbul

Pycnonotus leucotis

Babblers

Puff-throated (spotted) Babbler

Pellorneum ruficeps

Tawny-bellied (Rufous-bellied) Babbler

Dumetia hyperythra

Yellow-eyed Babbler

Chrysomma sinense

Common Babbler

Turdoides caudata

Large Grey Babbler

Turdoides malcolmi

Jungle Babbler

Turdoides striata

Brown-cheeked Fulvetta

Alcippe poioicephala

Flycatchers

Asian Brown (Brown) Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa dauurica</i>
Red-throated (Red-breasted) Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula parva</i>
Ultramarine (White-browed Blue) Flycatcher	<i>Ficedula superciliaris</i>
Tickell's Blue Flycatcher	<i>Cyornis tickelliae</i>
Verditer Flycatcher	<i>Eumyias thalassinus</i>
Grey-headed Canary (Grey-headed) Flycatcher	<i>Culicicapa ceylonensis</i>
White-browed Fantail (Flycatcher)	<i>Rhipidura aureola</i>
White-throated Fantail (Flycatcher)	<i>Rhipidura albicollis</i>
Asian Paradise-flycatcher	<i>Terpsiphone paradisi</i>
Black-naped Monarch (Flycatcher)	<i>Hypothymis azurea</i>

Warblers

Zitting Cisticola (Streaked Fantail Warbler)	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>
Grey-breasted Prinia (Franklin's Wren-warbler)	<i>Prinia hodgsonii</i>
Rufous-fronted Prinia (Wren-warbler)	<i>Prinia buchanani</i>
Plain Prinia (Wren-warbler)	<i>Prinia inornata</i>
Ashy Prinia (Wren-warbler)	<i>Prinia socialis</i>
Jungle Prinia (Wren-warbler)	<i>Prinia sylvatica</i>
Common Tailorbird	<i>Orthotomus sutorius</i>
Clamorous (Indian Great) Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus stentoreus</i>
Blyth's Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus dumetorum</i>
Paddyfield Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus agricola</i>
Lesser (Eurasian) Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>
Hume's Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia althea</i>

Greenish (Dull Green Leaf)
Warbler

Phylloscopus trochiloides

Hume's Warbler

Phylloscopus humei

Large-billed Leaf Warbler

Phylloscopus magnirostris

Orphean Warbler

Sylvia hortensis

Rusty-rumped Warbler

Locustella certhiola

Sulphur-bellied Warbler

Phylloscopus griseolus

Chats, Thrushes

Bluethroat

Luscinia svecica

Oriental Magpie Robin

Copsychus saularis

White-rumped Shama

Copsychus malabaricus

Black Redstart

Phoenicurus ochruros

Common Stonechat

Saxicola torquata

Pied Bushchat

Saxicola caprata

Indian Robin

Saxicoloides fulicatus

Orange-headed Thrush

Zoothera citrina

Scaly(Golden Mountain) Thrush

Zoothera dauma

Blue Rock Thrush

Monticola solitarius

Brown Rock-Chat

Cercomela fusca

Tits, Nuthatches

Great (Grey) Tit

Parus major

Black-lored (Yellow-cheeked) Tit

Parus xanthogenys

Fire-capped Tit

Cephalopyrus flammiceps

Chestnut-bellied Nuthatch

Sitta castanea

Velvet-fronted Nuthatch

Sitta frontalis

Pipits, Wagtails

Olive-backed (Indian Tree) Pipit

Anthus hodgsoni

Tree Pipit

Anthus trivialis

Paddyfield (Oriental) Pipit

Anthus rufulus

Blyth's Pipit	<i>Anthus godlewskii</i>
Yellow Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>
Citrine (Yellow-headed/hooded) Wagtail	<i>Motacilla citreola</i>
White (Pied) Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>
White-browed (Large Pied) Wagtail	<i>Motacilla maderaspatensis</i>
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>
Long-billed Pipit	<i>Anthus similis</i>
Olive-backed Pipit	<i>Anthus hodgsonii</i>

Flowerpeckers, Sunbirds

Thick-billed Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum agile</i>
Pale-billed (Tickell's) Flowerpecker	<i>Dicaeum erythrorhynchos</i>
Purple-rumped Sunbird	<i>Leptocoma zeylonica</i>
Purple Sunbird	<i>Cinnyris asiaticus</i>
Oriental White-Eye	<i>Zosterops palpebrosus</i>

Sparrows, Buntings

House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>
Chestnut-shouldered Petronia (Yellow-throated Sparrow)	<i>Petronia xanthocollis</i>
Baya Weaver	<i>Ploceus philippinus</i>
Streaked Weaver	<i>Ploceus manyar</i>
Red Avadavat (Red Munia)	<i>Amandava amandava</i>
Green Avadavat (Green Munia)	<i>Amandava formosa</i>
Indian (Common) Silverbill (White-throated Munia)	<i>Lonchura malabarica</i>
White-rumped (White-backed) Munia	<i>Lonchura striata</i>
Scaly-breasted (Spotted) Munia	<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>
Black-headed Munia	<i>Lonchura malacca</i>

Common Rosefinch
Black-headed Bunting
Crested Bunting
Grey-necked Bunting
Red-headed Bunting
White-rumped Munia

Carpodacus erythrinus
Emberiza melanocephala
Melophus lathami
Emberiza buchanani
Emberiza bruniceps
Lonchurra striata

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