

Taiwan: Formosan Endemics

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As many of the wintering birds had already flow north towards their breeding grounds, this custom tour concentrated on picking up as many of the resident endemic species and subspecies as possible, along with the gorgeous breeding Fairy Pitta. Lists vary widely, but the according to the latest Clements list there are 22 endemic species in Taiwan, up from the traditional 15 species. During this tour we found all the traditional and 21 of Clements' endemic species. Given the number of remarkably distinct forms, this is destined to increase even more and makes it particularly important to keep track of subspecies, giving a big potential for future 'armchair ticks'. Whichever taxonomy you follow, Taiwan is an increasingly important destination for world listers. However, Taiwan holds a lot more than just quantity of endemics. Birds like Swinhoe's Pheasant and Formosan Magpie are arguably some of the most attractive and desireable birds in Asia. In addition to its amazing birdlife, Taiwan boasts stunning landscapes with peaks reaching up to 4,000m. The wonderfully friendly people, fascinating culture and a delicious cuisine means that there is something for everyone. Taiwan really is the hidden gem of Asia.

May 7th - Taipei to Anmashan

We started our tour with some birding in the Botanical Gardens. A great place to become familiar with some of Taiwan's commoner birds. Our main targets were the endemic **Taiwan Barbet** and the interesting **Malayan Night-Heron** which we found walking around on the grass. Other interesting birds seen were endemic subspecies of **Black-naped Monarch**, **Light-vented Bulbul** and **Grey Treepie**. From here we drove straight to Anmashan, our base for the next 2 days. We kick-started our birding here at a bridge over a stream lower down on the mountain with the endemic **Formosan Whistling-Thrush** and endemic subspecies of **Plumbeous Redstart**, **Collared Finchbill** and **Striated Prinia**. It is especially important to keep track of endemic subspecies on Taiwan as many are liable to be elevated to full species in the future. A **Brown Dipper** along the river here was a welcome addition to our list and we also found a **Dusky Fulvetta** skulking in the undergrowth nearby.

Higher up the mountain we went to a spot where the endemic **Mikado Pheasant** was being fed with grain. While we waited we saw more endemics in the form of **White-whiskered Laughingthrush**, **Collared Bush Robin** and the endemic subspecies of **Vinaceous Rosefinch**. A stunning male **Mikado Pheasant** finally appeared showing no fear of the small crowd of photographers that were gathered. After this we walked down the road, adding endemic subspecies of **White-browed Bush Robin** before calling it a day and heading back to our well-located lodge.



Seeing the previously tricky endemic Mikado Pheasant has now been made easy by Taiwanese photographers putting out grain for them (Charley Hesse)

May 8th - Anmashan

Early the next morning we drove down to a feeding station where we saw a beautiful male **Swinhoe's Pheasant** and also one of the most difficult endemics, the **Taiwan Partridge**. This fantastic species had been showing for photographers for the previous few weeks and they seemed unperturbed by the crowds. After a roadside breakfast we continued birding to find the endemic **Taiwan Yuhina** plus other interesting species such as **Vivid Niltava**, **Grey-chinned**

Minivet and **Rufous-faced Warbler**. Further down we found more endemics in the shape of **White-eared Sibia** and **Steere's Liocichla** as well as the distinctive endemic race of **Chinese Bamboo Partridge** which is a strong candidate to be elevated to species status in the near future.

In the afternoon we birded the higher elevations and added more endemics like **Flamecrest**, **Taiwan Bush-Warbler** and **Taiwan Fulvetta**. We had our first views of a group of **Taiwan Macaques** and also saw the endemic race of **Spotted Nutcracker** which is distinctive in its relative lack of patterning. At night we took a walk around the grounds and found the striking **White-faced Flying-Squirrel** near our cabins.



The stunning male Swinhoe's Pheasant was understandably voted bird of the trip. Another species made easy by the use of feeding stations (Charley Hesse)

May 9th - Anmashan to Tainan

After birding around the hotel and picking up an **Oriental Honey-buzzard**, we walked down the road and came across a soaring **Black Eagle**. Lower down we added **Coal**, **Green-backed** and the endemic **Yellow Tit** as well as endemic races of **White-backed Woodpecker**, **Rusty Laughingthrush** and **Grey-cheeked Fulvetta**. Lower still we had great views of **Brown Bullfinch** and **White-tailed Robin**. Leaving Anmashan, we stopped in a more open scrubby area where we found the endemic **Taiwan Hwamei**.

We drove to Tainan and had a nice afternoon of shorebirding. Although many of the shorebirds had left already we still found a good selection at some salt pans, including **Lesser Sand Plover** and **Common Redshank**. We visited the impressive Black-faced Spoonbill reserve and scanned the flats for late spoonbills without success but added **Grey-tailed Tattler**, **Whimbrel**, **Terek Sandpiper** and a breeding-plumaged **Spotted Redshank**. We spent the night at a hotel in Tainan and went out to a well known restaurant for one of the most delicious meals of our trip.

May 10th - Tainan to Taitung Mountains

We checked another wetland area close to Taitung and found more good waders, including **Dunlin, Ruddy Turnstone** and **Broad-billed Sandpipers** but no Black-faced Spoonbills. We were just a little too late for these. We also had **Spot-billed Duck** and **Black-shouldered Kite**. The latter an uncommon but expanding species on Taiwan.

From here we had a long drive around the southern end of the island to Taitung county in the South East. On the way we spotted a **Ring-necked Pheasant** in the roadside fields. Another endemic subspecies and our final game bird of the trip. In the evening, we arrived at our comfortable hot spring resort where some of us took a soak after dinner.

May 11th - Taitung Mountains

Today we explored some forest in the Taitung mountains. We had great birding along an old logging road and saw the endemic **Taiwan Barwing**, **Taiwan Yuhina** and **Yellow Tit** as well as endemic races of **Green-backed Tit**, **Black Bulbul**, **Vivid Niltava** and **Rusty Laughingthrush**. At the lower elevation on the way back down, we started to see the bright red endemic race of **Maroon Oriole**, **Black-naped Monarch** and **White-bellied Yuhina**. In the afternoon we had great views of **Formosan Magpie**. After dark we went owling along the road and saw **Mountain Scops-Owl** and also **Red Giant Flying Squirrel**.



The Taiwan Yuhina is one of the easiest endemics to find and also one of the more distinctive members of the genus. (Charley Hesse)

May 12th – Taitung to Lanyu

Today we were flying to Lanyu. A funny little island, home to people of Micronesian origin. We had spectacular views from our small plane and had an exciting landing as the airstrip only appeared just before we touched down. After lunch, we set out birding along the coast, adding **Chinese Egret, Pacific Reef-Heron** and **Blue Rock Thrush**. In some patches of forest, we found **Brown-eared Bulbul** and **Lowland White-eye**. Neither of which are found on Taiwan's main island and both endemic subspecies to Lanyu.

We reached a forest patch in the North of the island where we had brief views of **Japanese Paradise-flycatcher** but the forest was quiet and we decided to come back the following day. After dark we went looking for the endemic subspecies of **Ryukyu Scops Owl**, split by some authors as the Lanyu Scops-Owl. We found it easily at a stake out and all had great views of it perched in the spotlight.

May 13th - Lanyu to Hualien

We set off early and went to a spot for **Whistling Green-Pigeon** and then to the same forest site as yesterday where we had much better views of **Japanese Paradise-flycatcher** and our first **Emerald Dove** and **Philippine Cuckoo Dove**. The taxonomic status of the latter questioned by some. Finally we had a cultural visit to some underground houses where we got some idea of the traditional lifestyle of the aboriginal people.



Styan's Bulbul is Taiwan's most threatened endemic species (Charles Hesse)

It was back to Taitung on the main island from where we headed up to Hualien for the night. On the way we had good views of the endemic **Styan's Bulbul**. This endemic species is threatened by hybridisation with the expanding **Light-vented Bulbul**.

May 14th - Taroko Gorge and Mt. Hohuan Shan to Wushe

Today we travelled on Taiwan's most scenic road, and along one of Asia's seven natural wonders, Taroko Gorge. This journey through vertical marble cliffs along the side of a deep, steep-sided gorge was breathtaking. At a stake out we managed to find **Little Forktail** and the much more common Plumbeous Redstart.

The Wuling Pass is the highest road in East Asia at 3,275m (10,745ft) and is a well known site for the **Alpine Accentor**. We had amazingly close views of this attractive and confiding bird. Going down the other side, we found the endemic **Collared Bush-Robin**, **Taiwan Barwing** and **White-whiskered Laughingthrush**, plus endemic subspecies of **Grey-headed Bullfinch**

and **Vinaceous Rosefinch**. We finally made it to the town of Wushe, our base for the next 2 nights.

May 15th - Wushe Mountainous Interior

We started our birding at a site down from Wushe and as soon as we arrived we heard the distinctive call of the endemic **Taiwan Scimitar-Babbler**. This species didn't take long to find, but the **Black-necklaced Scimitar-Babbler** proved much more difficult and we only got fleeting views. We had much better views of the endemic race of **Rusty Laughingthrush**. Some other endemic races seen were **Crested Serpent Eagle, Grey Treepie, Collared Finchbill**, the distinctive race of **Vinous-throated Parrotbill** and after much effort, a **Brownish-flanked Bush Warbler**.

On the way back to the higher elevations we saw **Snowy-browed Flycatcher** and the endemic **Yellow Tit**. We spent the whole afternoon on the famous Blue Gate trail looking for endemics. **Taiwan Wren Babbler** is a real skulker but with a lot of effort we got good views. The endemic race of **White-browed Shortwing** (split by many as the Taiwan Shortwing) was just as difficult but equally satisfying when we finally found it.



The Steere's Liocichla is more often heard than seen but this attractive species occasionally hops out into the open and can come quite close (Charley Hesse)

May 16th - Wushe to Alishan.

We now headed to Alishan, our final mountain site of the tour. The owner of our guest house had set up a feeding station where pheasants and partridges attended. We sat in the blind and waited for these birds to come in. Many birds such as **Steere's Liocichla**, **Yellow Tit**, **Vivid Niltava**, **White-eared Sibia** and **Taiwan Yuhina** came in to drink at an artificial pond. We had to wait quite a while but we finally saw a beautiful male **Swinhoe's Pheasant** and a covey of **Taiwan Partridges** which came in to feed on grain that had been put out for them. At night we went owling and saw a **Mountain Scops-Owl**.

May 17th - Alishan to Huben.

Today was our last day to pick up high elevation species. On our first birding stop, a bit of Collared Owlet impersonation brought in many species ready to mob it. We saw **Green-backed Tit**, **Yellowish-bellied Bush-Warbler**, and **Vivid Niltava**. Higher up we found our target **Golden Parrotbill** and the very distinctive endemic race of **Grey-headed Bullfinch**. Several other excellent birds seen here were **Collared Bush-Robin**, **Flamecrest**, **Taiwan Fulvetta** and **Vinaceous Rosefinch**. We said goodbye to this wonderfully scenic area with its very special birds.



The striking plumage of the male Collared Bush-Robin is in stark contrast to the dull female. Like many of Taiwan's high elevation species, they can be very confiding (Charley Hesse)

May 18th - Huben to Taipei.

On our last day of birding, we searched for a very special bird, the **Fairy Pitta**. We met our local guide at a temple near the birding site. Straight away we saw **Taiwan Blue Magpie**, **Grey Treepie** and **Collared Finchbill** before setting off to look for the pitta. He took us to the site where he had seen it the previous day and we stood around as he did his whistled imitations. With no response, we moved on to another site spotting **Crested Serpent Eagle** and **Crested Goshawk** on the way. At the next site we got a response and started moving towards it. The experienced local guide continued imitating the bird until finally he spotted it and we all had scope views. We continued birding for a short while and found **Taiwan** and **Black-necklaced Scimitar-Babblers** before setting off back to Taipei.

Despite the relatively short trip list on a May tour, we saw all of the traditional 15 endemics and 21 out of 22 from the latest Clements list, only missing the difficult White-throated Laughingthrush. In addition to this we saw the vast majority of the endemic subspecies, several of which are likely to be elevated to full species in the coming years.

Bird list

Taxonomy follows Clements 6.5 online checklist. Updated Feb 2011

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| Eastern Spot-billed Duck | Anas zonorhyncha | |
| Taiwan Partridge | Arborophila crudigularis | Endemic species |
| Chinese Bamboo Partridge | Bambusicola thoracica sonorivox | Endemic subspecies |
| Swinhoe's Pheasant | Lophura swinhoii | Endemic species |
| Mikado Pheasant | Syrmaticus Mikado | Endemic species |
| Ring-necked Pheasant | Phasianus colchicus formosanus | Endemic subspecies |
| Little Grebe | Tachybaptus ruficollis | |
| Yellow Bittern | Ixobrychus sinensis | |
| Cinnamon Bittern | Ixobrychus cinnamomeus | |
| Grey Heron | Ardea cinerea | |
| Great Egret | Ardea alba | |
| Intermediate Egret | Mesophoyx intermedia | |
| Chinese Egret | Egretta eulophotes | |
| Little Egret | Egretta garzetta | |
| Pacific Reef-Heron | Egretta sacra | |
| Cattle Egret | Bubulcus ibis | |
| Chinese Pond Heron | Ardeola bacchus | |
| Black-crowned Night Heron | Nycticorax nycticorax | |
| Malayan Night Heron | Gorsachius melanolophus | |
| Oriental Honey-buzzard | Pernis ptilorhyncus | |
| Black-shouldered Kite | Elanus caeruleus | |
| Crested Serpent Eagle | Spilornis cheela hoya | Endemic subspecies |
| Crested Goshawk | Accipiter trivirgatus formosae | Endemic subspecies |
| Japanese Sparrowhawk | Accipiter gularis | |
| Besra | Accipiter virgatus fuscipectus | Endemic subspecies |
| Grey-faced Buzzard | Butastur indicus | |
| Common Buzzard | Buteo buteo | |
| Black Eagle | Ictinaetus malayensis | |
| White-breasted Waterhen | Amaurornis phoenicurus | |
| Common Moorhen | Gallinula chloropus | |
| Lesser Sand-Plover | Charadrius mongolus | |
| Snowy Plover | Charadrius alexandrinus | |
| Little Ringed Plover | Charadrius dubius | |
| Black-winged Stilt | Himantopus himantopus | |
| Terek Sandpiper | Xenus cinereus | |
| Common Sandpiper | Actitis hypoleucos | |
| Grey-tailed Tattler | Tringa brevipes | |
| Spotted Redshank | Tringa erythropus | |
| Common Greenshank | Tringa nebularia | |
| Marsh Sandpiper | Tringa stagnatilis | |
| Wood Sandpiper | Tringa glareola | |
| Common Redshank | Tringa totanus | |
| Whimbrel | Numenius phaeopus | |
| Ruddy Turnstone | Arenaria interpres | |
| Red-necked Stint | Calidris ruficollis | |
| Dunlin | Calidris alpina | |
| Curlew Sandpiper | Calidris ferruginea | |
| Broad-billed Sandpiper | Limicola falcinellus | |
| Oriental Pratincole | Glareola maldivarum | |
| Little Tern | Sternula albifrons | |
| Caspian Tern | Hydroprogne caspia | |
| Whiskered Tern | Chlidonias hybrida | |
| Rock Pigeon | Columba livia | Introduced species |
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| Ashy Wood Pigeon | Columba pulchricollis | |
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| Oriental Turtle Dove | Streptopelia orientalis orii | Endemic subspecies |
| Red Collared Dove | Streptopelia tranquebarica | • |
| Spotted Dove | Streptopelia chinensis | |
| Philippine Cuckoo-Dove | Macropygia tenuirostris | |
| Emerald Dove | Chalcophaps indica | |
| White-bellied Pigeon | Treron sieboldii sororius | |
| Whistling Green-Pigeon | Treron formosae formosae | Endemic subspecies |
| Lesser Coucal | Centropus bengalensis | |
| Mountain Scops-Owl | Otus spilocephalus hambroecki | Endemic subspecies |
| Collared Scops-Owl | Otus bakkamoena glabripes | Heard only |
| Ryukyu Scops-Owl | Otus elegans botelensis | Endemic subspecies |
| Collared Owlet | Glaucidium brodiei pardalotum | Endemic subspecies |
| Brown Hawk-Owl | Ninox scutulata | Heard only |
| Fork-tailed Swift | Apus pacificus | , |
| House Swift | Apus nipalensis kuntzi | Endemic subspecies |
| Common Kingfisher | Alcedo meninting | |
| Taiwan Barbet | Megalaima nuchalis | Endemic species |
| Grey-capped Woodpecker | Dendrocopos canicapillus | |
| White-backed Woodpecker | Dendrocopos leucotos insularis | Endemic subspecies |
| Grey-faced Woodpecker | Picus canus | |
| Fairy Pitta | Pitta nympha | |
| Grey-chinned Minivet | Pericrocotus solaris | |
| Brown Shrike | Lanius cristatus | |
| Long-tailed Shrike | Lanius schach | |
| Maroon Oriole | Oriolus traillii ardens | Endemic subspecies |
| Black Drongo | Dicrurus macrocercus harterti | Endemic subspecies |
| Bronzed Drongo | Dicrurus aeneus braunianus | Endemic subspecies |
| Black-naped Monarch | Hypothymis azurea oberholseri | Endemic subspecies |
| Japanese Paradise-flycatcher | Terpsiphone atrocaudata | Enderme dasopecies |
| Eurasian Jay | Garrulus glandarius taivanus | Endemic subspecies |
| Formosan Magpie | Urocissa caerulea | Endemic species |
| Grey Treepie | Dendrocitta formosae formosae | Endemic subspecies |
| Black-billed Magpie | Pica pica | Lindernic subspecies |
| Spotted Nutcracker | Nucifraga caryocatactes owstoni | Endemic subspecies |
| Large-billed Crow | Corvus macrorhynchos | Lindernic subspecies |
| Oriental Skylark | Alauda gulgula | |
| Plain Martin | - 1 | |
| Barn Swallow | Riparia paludicola Hirundo rustica | |
| Pacific Swallow | Hirundo tastica | |
| Red-rumped Swallow | | |
| Asian House Martin | Cecropis daurica Delichon dasypus | |
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| Coal Tit Green-backed Tit | Periparus ater ptilosus | Endemic subspecies |
| | Parus monticolus inseperatus | Endemic subspecies |
| Yellow Tit Brownish-flanked Bush-Warbler | Macholophus holsti | Endemic species |
| Yellowish-bellied Bush-Warbler | Cettia fortipes robustipes Cettia acanthizoides concolor | Endemic subspecies |
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| Rufous-faced Warbler | Abroscopus albogularis | |
| Black-throated Tit | Aegithalos concinnus | |
| Eurasian Nuthatch | Sitta europaea | |
| Brown Dipper | Cinclus pallasii | Endomic subsection |
| Collared Finchbill | Spizixos semitorques cinereicapillus | Endemic subspecies |
| Styan's Bulbul | Pycnonotus taivanus | Endemic species |
| Light-vented Bulbul | Pycnonotus sinensis formosae | Endemic subspecies |
| Brown-eared Bulbul | Ixos amaurotis harterti | Endemic subspecies |

| Black Bulbul | Hypsipetes leucocephalus nigerrimus | Endemic subspecies |
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| Flamecrest | Regulus goodfellowi | Endemic species |
| Oriental Reed Warbler | Acrocephalus orientalis | |
| Taiwan Bush-Warbler | Bradypterus alishanensis | Endemic species |
| Zitting Cisticola | Cisticola juncidis | |
| Golden-headed Cisticola | Cisticola exilis volitans | |
| Striated Prinia | Prinia criniger striata | Endemic subspecies |
| Yellow-bellied Prinia | Prinia flaviventris | |
| Plain Prinia | Prinia inornata flavirostris | Endemic subspecies |
| Vinous-throated Parrotbill | Paradoxornis webbianus bulomachus | Endemic subspecies |
| Golden Parrotbill | Paradoxornis verreauxi morrisonianus | Endemic subspecies |
| Ferruginous Flycatcher | Muscicapa ferruginea | |
| Snowy-browed Flycatcher | Ficedula hyperythra innexa | Endemic subspecies |
| Vivid Niltava | Niltava vivida vivida | Endemic subspecies |
| White-browed Bush-Robin | Tarsiger indicus formosana | Endemic subspecies |
| Collared Bush-Robin | Tarsiger johnstoniae | Endemic species |
| Oriental Magpie Robin | Copsychus saularis | Introduced species |
| Plumbeous Redstart | Rhyacornis fuliginosus affinis | |
| White-tailed Robin | Cinclidium leucurum montium | Endemic subspecies |
| Little Forktail | Enicurus scouleri fortis | Endemic subspecies |
| Blue Rock Thrush | Monticola solitarius philippensis | |
| Formosan Whistling-Thrush | Myophonus insularis | Endemic species |
| White-browed Shortwing | Brachypteryx montana goodfellowi | Endemic subspecies |
| Rusty Laughingthrush | Garrulax p. poecilorhynchus | Endemic subspecies |
| Taiwan Hwamei | Garrulax taewanus | Endemic species |
| Steere's Liocichla | Garrulax liocichla | Endemic species |
| White-whiskered Laughingthrush | Garrulax morrisonianus | Endemic species |
| Black-necklaced Scimitar-Babbler | Pomatorhinus erythrocnemis | Endemic species |
| Taiwan Scimitar-Babbler | Pomatorhinus musicus | Endemic species |
| Taiwan Wren-Babbler | Pnoepyga formosana | Endemic species |
| Rufous-capped Babbler | Stachyris ruficeps praecognita | Endemic subspecies |
| Taiwan Barwing | Actinodura morrisoniana | Endemic species |
| Taiwan Fulvetta | Alcippe formosana | Endemic species |
| Dusky Fulvetta | Alcippe b. brunnea | Endemic subspecies |
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Mammal list

| Reeve's Muntjac | Muntiacus reevesi micrurus | Endemic subspecies |
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| Taiwan Macaque | Macaca cyclopsis | Endemic species |
| Formosan Striped Squirrel | Tamiops martimus | Endemic species |
| Owston's Long-nosed Squirrel | Dremomys pernyi owstoni | Endemic subspecies |
| Red-bellied Tree-Squirrel | Callosciurus erythacaeus | |
| White-faced Flying-Squirrel | Petaurista alborufus lena | Endemic subspecies |
| Red Giant Flying-Squirrel | Petaurista petaurista grandis | Endemic subspecies |
| Bottle-nosed Dolphin | Tursiops truncates | |

Other endemics...



White-whiskered Laughingthrush



Flamecrest



Taiwan Bush-Warbler



Taiwan Hwamei



Formosan Whistling-Thrush



Taiwan Wren-Babbler



White-eared Sibia



Yellow Tit