

## Birdwatching Trip Report Egypt - Red Sea Coast & Upper Nile Valley, 4.2.-13.2.2006

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### Itinerary

#### 4.2.06 – Driving from Waldhausen, Upper Austria, to München. Flight München-Hurghada

Charterflight with *Condor*, 9 days, B&B *Hotel Horus* (341,- €). When we had been transferred to the hotel, we tried to rent a car – without success. As there had been a ferry catastrophe in the Red Sea some days before, with about 1000 dead bodies, now the city was crowded with relatives and journalists. Hotels were fully booked and car rentals too. Our tourist guide told us, that it is not allowed to drive to the South with a rented car. We tried to get information from the Tourist Police, but in vain. So we decided to start our round trip nevertheless and to look for a car rental next day.

#### 5.2.06 – Hurghada – Safaga - Marsa Alam (280 km)

In the early morning we crept in the gardens of the **Shedwan Golden Beach Hotel**. The park is a good site for migrating and overwintering warblers. We found many Chiffchaffs and Laughing Doves in the trees and bushes, Bluethroat, Sedge Warbler, heard Sardinian Warbler. At the beach there was the first Reef Egret, 2 Caspian Terns and 2 White-eyed Gulls. We tried some seawatching, but there was only one bird, far away. Was it a gull or a tern? When the bird drew nearer and was finally circling over the harbour, we could see, that it was a large tern with a long sharp yellow bill: **Greater Crested Tern!** After the poor breakfast we went by minibus (1 EL = 0,15 €) to the *Sheraton Road* but we didn't find any car rental. At least we were asked by a taxi driver, whether he could help us. He told us of "a good friend" who has an office nearby. We hit the jackpot! Within some minutes we had the promise that a Daewoo Lamos would be brought to our hotel. We should pay 200 EL each day. That meant 230 € for 8 days leisure, instead of about 600 €, if we had booked the Avis car. At 14:50 p.m. the car was at the hotel; we prepayed 800 EL and started to the South.

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The highway to *Safaga* is leading through bleak desert. No sign of vegetation. Covering 60 km we only saw 5 Brown-necked Ravens and a flock of 17 **Black-bellied Sandgrouses**.

In *Safaga* 30 **House Crows** are sitting on roofs. At the beach, just south of the town, we find some birds: Reef Heron, 6 Greater Sandpipers, 1 Stonechat.

The next 230 km in the dusk and the sudden darkness are arduous. Egyptian drivers must be owl-eyed! They drive without floodlight until it's pitch dark. If you drive with dipped beam (as usual everywhere), they angrily turn up their headlights. You must switch on your parking light; otherwise the lightning-war goes on. It was a hard job to find a hotel in **Marsa Alam**. There was only an Arabian luxury hotel, *King Cape*, at a bay North of the town (60 €, double room, half-board).

#### 6.2. – Marsa Alam – Wadi Gemal – Wadi Lahami (220km)

Up at first light, we explored the surroundings of the hotel. The highlight was a **Sooty Falcon** soaring along the cliffs. Whilst enjoying an excellent breakfast on the terrace we were visited by **Desert Wheatears, White-crowned Black W. and Finsch's W.**

40 km South we explored some Mangroves, but a soldier prohibited to use our bins. But further in the South, at *Hamata*, we managed to approach the Mangroves on a track from the South without military. Remarkable numbers of Ospreys, Reef Herons including one of the dark morph, 3 Pied Kingfishers, 2 Kingfishers, 7 Kentish- and 12 Greater Sandpipers were noted and, near the coast a **Lesser Crested Tern** perched on a stone in the shallow water.

Driving from *Hamata* to *Wadi Lahami* we noted 2 **Desert Larks**, 1 **Mourning Wheatear** and 1 **Desert W** singing by the roadside. When we arrived at the „*Red Sea Diving Safari Ecolodge*“ we were stopped by a ranger. He offered a trip into the desert with his Pickup and suggested, driving to *Ber Shelatein* would be impossible without local driver. I didn't believe him, and after checking in (45 €, full board, sleeping in a chalet) we drove south to the nearby checkpoint. Without problems we could pass (We declared that we wanted to drive to *Baranis/Berenice*). We noticed that the small road from the checkpoint to *Kira' el Hiriway* was closed (Goliath Heron has been found there in the mangroves). After a short drive to the South we returned to the Lodge and visited the *Wadi Lahami Mangroves*. Several Ospreys perched on the treetops, whilst the mud flats were crowded with waders, most of them Greater Sandpipers. Eventually we flushed a **Striated Heron**, Hermann's first!

#### 7.2. Wadi Lahami – Bir Shelatein – Marsa-Hemira-Mangroves – Wadi Lahami

The divers in the Lodge get up at first light. So we had breakfast on the terrace before sunrise. Whilst I allowed me a second cup of coffee, Hermann took fotos of different Reef Herons at the beach. I hadn't

drunk up my coffee when I heard Hermann excitedly call something. How now? He gesticulated and pointed a finger at the sky. There was a big heron passing the rising sun and then landing on a solitary mangrove tree, instantly attacked by two Caspian Terns. So I had an opulent breakfast, including two coffees and one superb **Goliath Heron**.

Some minutes later – the heron had no longer been seen on the annoying terns – we reached the checkpoint. The soldier seems to be controlling more accurately than his colleague yesterday. We must provide information about us, show our documents and then we are asked for „fotos“. We found out that he wanted copies of our passports. Fortunately each of us keeps one with himself. The copies are thrown into a box. Maybe he spares himself the incommensurable writing of Latin letters. Whatever! We were allowed to pass.

Just behind the checkpoint we saw a **Hopoe Lark**. Continuing south through the desert we noticed 2 flocks of **Crowned Sandgrouse**, **White-crowned Black Wheatear**, **Finsch's** and **Isabelline W**. Checkpoints are at *Baranis* and then at *Bir Shelatein*. When being controlled there, we spotted an enormous raptor, circling overhead. That was the bird we were longing for! We left the checkpoint, drove some 100 m and stopped by the roadside because several **Lapped-faced Vultures** were soaring in the sky together with **Egyptian Vultures** and a **Barbary Falcon**. Around the camel market we counted 12 Lapped-faced and 8 Egyptian Vultures. A fearless **Cattle Egret** was hunting blow-flies at a carcass. Numerous **Brown-necked Ravens** and 3 **African Rock Martins** were noted. The vultures disappeared bird by bird before noon. You have to visit the market a.m.!

Heading for the harbour we delightedly noticed numerous Waders, gulls and terns and 1 **Oystercatcher**. We had just detected 2 **Sooty Gulls** in a flock of **White-eyed**, when lots of soldiers appeared. Not allowed to walk here! No bins and no fotos! So we headed off north.

30 km N of B.S. (23°24'45"N; 35°30'26"E) a small asphalt road leads through a sandy desert into a rocky area. A sign with gazelles, White Stork and Eagle Owl at the junction indicated, that we entered a nature reserve. We headed on for 20 or 30 kilometers with great desert and mountain scenery, rocky cliffs and acacia trees along the road. Uninformed about the aim of the road we turned back to the coastal road and at **Marsa Hemira** (23°28'33"N; 35°29'28"E) we managed to approach the mangroves unnoticed by military. The first bird at the lagoon was a **Terek Sandpiper** but it disappeared behind an earth wall and was gone. We couldn't find the Terek, but as comfort to us we detected both, **Striated** and **Goliath Heron**, each hidden in the branches of a mangrove bush and a **Pallas's/Great Black-headed Gull** headed north. Needless to say, there were Ospreys, Reef Herons and numerous Greater Sandplovers. On a sandy area off the banks of the lagoon Hermann discovered a suspicious sandplover which moved very economically. That bird proved to be **Lesser Sandplover**!

We left that productive site in the last daylight and headed north into the duskiness. The headlights illuminated numerous big moths and then, at once a bird flying over the road: an **Egyptian Nightjar**! Just in time for the dinner we reached the Lodge. 4 "lifers" for me and 7 for Hermann within one day! Needless to say, we had to empty one beer bottle or two!

## 8.2. Wadi Lahami – Marsa Alam – Edfu – Assuan

Heading north in the early morning we had an unforgettable meeting with a **Lanner Falcon**. Perched on the top of a small tree by the roadside the bird wasn't troubled, even when we left the car. Hermann tried some digiscoping at a distance of 15 meters. When he returned to the car, he had snapped nearly hundred photos of the superb bird that remained sitting in its tree.

In Marsa Alam we courageously drove up to the strictly guarded checkpoint at the Edfu road. Everybody had told us, foreigners are not allowed to take this road. The guard seemed to be perplexed for a moment and then asked us to go to the office of the commandant. Fearing the worst, we entered the bureau. The commanding officer businesslike checked our documents, phoned someone and then said: „O.K.!" And off we headed! Thus we avoided the time-consuming drive via Safage and the trouble of the convoys. 40 km W M.A. we turned left into a road to the south. A superb savannah-like landscape with old acacias, but only few birds (**White-crowned Black Wheatear** and **African Rock Martin**). Stupidly we had not enough fuel and must turn back to the main road. For one hour we drive through sandy and rocky desert. A short stop at a dip with meagre scrub 50 km east of Edfu, produced a flock of 12 **Trumpeter Finches** and some more African Rock.

Then we reached the green Nile Valley. Plantations, gardens, sugarcane, irrigation canals..., crowded with Swallows, Crested Larks, Pied Kingfishers. The first **Black-shouldered Kites** on telegraph poles. In Edfu, at 3:30 p.m. we hit on the checkpoint and learnt about the 16:30 departure of the convoy to Assuan. One hour left for birding at the Nile Bridge. We noted 20 **Purple Swamphens**, 3 **Black-winged Stilts**, 1 **Spur-winged Plover** and 5 **Glossy Ibis**es.

When the convoy arrived from Qena we had to queue and a high speed race began. En route we saw a **Black Stork**, **Black** and **Black-shouldered Kites** and reached Assuan in the darkness.

## 9.2. Assuan: Philae Temple, Lagoon near High Dam, Nile N Assuan, Nile bridge (North)

In the morning we visited the Philae-Temple. The boat trip produced **Spoobills** and Great Cormorants, Reef and Squacco Herons and 4 **Egyptian Geese**. In the bushes and trees on the temple island were Hoopoes, Lesser Whitethroat, Sardinian Warblers and 2 **Graceful Prinias**. Numerous Black Kites, Gull-billed Terns and Whiskered Terns were flying around. Back in the town we tried to find an access to the Lake, but were rejected by military. So we had to follow the tourist busses to arrive at places where it was allowed to use the bins. We thought the „*High Dam*“ could be such a site. When heading to this aim we saw a promising lagoon near the road. After a short unpleasant visit of the crowded High Dam we hurried back to the lagoon, a real hotspot! Clouds of annoying flies were a demanded prey for **Green Bee-eaters**, **Tawny Pipits**, **White-crowned**, **Desert and Mourning Wheatear**. At the watersides were resting Egyptian Goose and Glossy Ibisses and we counted nine species of waders with 5 **Spur-winged Plovers**, 2 **Marsh Sandpipers** and the best: 2 **Kittlitz's Plovers**! This site is at 23°38'36"N;32°51'32"E. In the afternoon we grubbed through the traffic north. On the Nile were dozens of **Slender-billed Gulls** and **Gull-billed Terns** as well as hundreds of Shovelers and Wigeons. After 15 km we reached a checkpoint. Tourists are stopped here by the security. We were told to turn back. We should drive some hundred meters to the Nile Bridge and then come back. Turning round at the bridge, we saw a promising oxbow lake with reedbeds and bushes, well-visited by herons and waders. We asked the guard for permission to go back to the wetland. He granted one hour birding in the restricted area. In the first reedbed we found a **Clamorous Reed Warbler**. Purple, Grey and Reef Heron, Little Egret, 2 **Pintails**, 2 **Ferruginous Ducks**, Marsh Harrier, 9 Spur-winged P., Green-, Wood- and Marsh Sandpiper, 8 Blacktailed Godwits, 20 Purple Swamphens, 10 Pied Kingfishers, 15 Hoopoes, 8 **Red-throated** and 1 **Meadow Pipit**, 2 Yellow, 1 **Ashy-headed W.** and many White Wagtails were noted. You find this bird-filled location at 24°11'41"N;32°52'10"E. We could have spent several hours here, but the guard was waiting and the dawn befell.

## 10.2. Assuan – Luxor (Crocodile Island)

At 8 a.m. the convoy drives off. After a three-hour-rallye through the very densely populated agricultural region we enter the checkpoint of strictly guarded **Crocodile Island**. Whilst bearing our luggage across the well-groomed hotel grounds, we were welcomed by **Green Bee-eaters** and **Nile Valley Sunbirds**. Our luxurious bungalow is surrounded by flourishing bushes and exotic trees. Needless to say, we examined instantly the island. At first we walked along bushes at the west bank with noisy Prinias and Pied Kingfishers. We went round the end of the fence and got to acres and meadows. At a poor farmer's hut a flock of tiny birds attracted our attention: the hoped for **Red Avadavats**.

At the swampy southern tip of the island we were attended by a variegated congregation of birds – I don't like to write down all the species now. But the highlight is worth to be mentioned: three **White-tailed Lapwings**.

At the east side we eyed up all the snipes in the ponds at reed beds, but no Painted among the numerous Common Snipes. Scanning the flocks of pipits and wagtails we found out a **Yellow-headed Wagtail** (*M. lutea*). In the last daylight flocks of **Black-crowned Night Heron** left their roosting trees at the road to the bridge. This site produced also our first **Senegal Thick-knee**. Loudly calling the bird was flying over the trees.

## 11.2. Crocodile Island, Semi-desert NE Luxor, Horus Temple

In the morning we took it easy and went to the White-tailed Lapwings to take some photos. This day some flocks of **Pallid Swifts** migrated north. Before noon we successfully searched for the **Senegal Thick-knees**. At least five of them were hidden on a cornfield; from time to time a cautiously lifted head with a big eye appeared over the dense vegetation. The site is southeast of the football ground in the corner between a green fence and an earth wall covered over with reed.

In the afternoon we tried to find Namaqua doves in the semi-desert of the Airport, a vain and stressfull and time-consuming undertaking! In the evening we produced another flop when trying to seek out Hume's Tawny Owl or Egyptian Nightjar at the temples in the west of the Nile. A smartish boy led us to a pretended nest of a HTO, but the nesting bird was a Kestrel.

## 12. 2. Luxor – Safaga (Konvoi) – El Gouna – Hurghada

In the dawn we awoke from the calls of a **Senegal Thick-knee** sitting on the flat roof of our chalet (Nr. F 17). Sharp at 8 a.m. we have to queue up for another 200km – race. About 50km W of Safaga a **Steppe Eagle** flew over the road and at a small oasis and fuel station (the only stop of the convoy, 30km off Safaga) our last **Nile Valley Sunbird** was noted.

Before returning the car we decided to make a short detour to El Gouna. Disappointingly a force 5 gale had blown away all the birds from the Golf Course, so we visited the lagoon in the south. Some waders, Slender-billed Gulls, Caspian Terns, 3 **Greater Flamingos** and 1 Lesser Black-backed Gull could be noted.

### 13.2. Hurghada (Shedwan Golden Beach) – Flight back to Munich – Waldhausen (by car)

In the morning there is enough time to bird in the gardens of Shedwan Golden Beach Hotel. A male **Rupell's Warbler** showed superbly. 4 **Great Black-headed Gulls** in little harbour near the hotel's beach were the farewell present. Then we relocated from the sandy Egypt desert to a snowy desert in Austria.

#### Trip List

Als **Statusangaben** werden folgende Abkürzungen benutzt:

- **h** häufig – an vielen Orten in größerer Zahl (**abundant**)
- **v** verbreitet – an vielen Orten, aber in eher geringer Zahl (**common**)
- **z** zerstreut – an mehreren Orten in geringer Zahl (**uncommon**)
- **s** vereinzelt – an wenigen Orten in geringer Zahl (**rare**)
- **e** nur einmal beobachtet (**only one record**)

Für folgende **Beobachtungsorte** werden Abkürzungen benutzt:

#### (Birding Spots – List of Shortcuts:)

**ADL** = Assuan- High Dam, Lagoon, 09.02.2006

**AN** = Assuan- North, Swamp near Northern Nile Bridge, 9.2.

**APT** = Assuan, Lake Nasser, Philae-Tempel, 9.2.

**BSC** = Ber Shelatein, Camel Market, 7.2.

**BSH** = Ber Shelatein, Harbour, 7.2.

**CI** = Crocodile Island, Luxor, 10./11.2.

**EG** = El Gouna, Lagoon, 12.2.

**HM** = Hamata Mangroves, 6.2.

**HSS** = Hurghada, Shedwan Hotel and beach, 5.2.

**HSB** = Hurghada, Shedwan Beach, 12/13.2.

**MA** = Marsa Alam, Hotel „King Cape“, 6.2.

**MHM** = Marsa-Hemira-Mangroves, 7.2.

**WL** = Wadi Lahami, 6./7.2.

1. <b>Great Cormorant</b>	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	<b>Kormoran</b>	<b>z</b>
2. <b>Black-crowned Night-Heron</b>	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	<b>Nachtreiher</b>	~ 60 <b>CI</b>
3. <b>Striated Heron</b>	<i>Butorides striatus</i>	<b>Mangrovenreiher</b>	<b>WL + MH</b> je 1 Ex.
4. <b>Cattle Egret</b>	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	<b>Kuhreiher</b>	<b>v-h</b> Nile Valley
5. <b>Squacco Heron</b>	<i>Ardeola ralloides</i>	<b>Rallenreiher</b>	<b>z, v CI</b>
6. <b>Western Reef Egret</b>	<i>Egretta gularis</i>	<b>Küstenreiher</b>	<b>v</b> , Coast and Nile Valley
7. <b>Little Egret</b>	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	<b>Seidenreiher</b>	<b>v</b> , Nile Valley
8. <b>Grey Heron</b>	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	<b>Graureiher</b>	<b>v</b> , small numbers
9. <b>Purple Heron</b>	<i>Ardea purpurea</i>	<b>Purpureiher</b>	<b>z</b> ,
10. <b>Goliath Heron</b>	<i>Ardea Goliath</i>	<b>Goliathreiher</b>	<b>s</b> 1 Ex. at <b>WL</b> and <b>MH</b>
11. <b>Black Stork</b>	<i>Ciconia nigra</i>	<b>Schwarzstorch</b>	<b>e</b> , 1 Ex N Edfu
12. <b>Glossy Ibis</b>	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	<b>Sichler</b>	<b>z</b> Edfu 5, <b>CI</b>
13. <b>Eurasian Spoonbill</b>	<i>Platalea leucorodia</i>	<b>Löffler</b>	<b>z</b>
14. <b>Greater Flamingo</b>	<i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>	<b>Flamingo</b>	<b>e</b> 3 Ex El Gouna
15. <b>Egyptian Goose</b>	<i>Alopochen aegyptiacus</i>	<b>Nilgans</b>	<b>s</b> , Assuan
16. <b>Eurasian Wigeon</b>	<i>Anas Penelope</i>	<b>Pfeifente</b>	<b>h</b> , hundreds on the Nile
17. <b>Common Teal</b>	<i>Anas crecca</i>	<b>Krickente</b>	<b>z</b>
18. <b>Mallard</b>	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	<b>Stockente</b>	<b>z</b> .
19. <b>Pintail</b>	<i>Anas acuta</i>	<b>Spießente</b>	<b>s, AN + CI</b>
20. <b>Northern Shoveler</b>	<i>Anas clypeata</i>	<b>Löffelente</b>	<b>h</b> thousands on the Nile
21. <b>Tufted Duck</b>	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>	<b>Reiherente</b>	<b>s, ATP 80, AN 10 Ex</b>
22. <b>Ferruginous Duck</b>	<i>Aythya nyroca</i>	<b>Moorente</b>	<b>e</b> , 2 Ex., <b>AN</b>
23. <b>Black-winged Kite</b>	<i>Elanus caeruleus</i>	<b>Gleitaar</b>	<b>v</b> , Nile Valley
24. <b>Black Kite</b>	<i>Milvus migrans</i>	<b>Schwarzmilan</b>	<b>s</b> , Nile Valley <b>v ATP</b>
25. <b>Egyptian Vulture</b>	<i>Neophron percnopterus</i>	<b>Schmutzgeier</b>	<b>e</b> , 8 Ex. <b>BSC</b>
26. <b>Lappet-faced Vulture</b>	<i>Torgos tracheliotus</i>	<b>Ohrengeier</b>	<b>e</b> , 10 Ex. <b>BSC</b>
27. <b>Marsh Harrier</b>	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>	<b>Rohrweihe</b>	<b>z, AN, CI</b>
28. <b>Steppe Buzzard</b>	<i>Buteo buteo vulpinus</i>	<b>Falkenbussard</b>	<b>s</b> ,
29. <b>Long-legged Buzzard</b>	<i>Buteo rufinus</i>	<b>Adlerbussard</b>	<b>s</b> ,
30. <b>Steppe Eagle</b>	<i>Aquila nipalensis</i>	<b>Steppenadler</b>	<b>e</b> , ~ 50 km W Safaga
31. <b>Osprey</b>	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	<b>Fischadler</b>	<b>v</b> , coast (Mangroves)
31. <b>Eurasian Kestrel</b>	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>	<b>Turmfalke</b>	<b>v</b>

32. Sooty Falcon	<i>Falco concolor</i>	Schieferfalke	e, 1 Ex. Marsa Alam
33. Lanner Falcon	<i>Falco biarmicus</i>	Lannerfalke	e, 1 Ex. Wadi Gimal
34. Barbary Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinoides</i>	Wüstenfalke	e, 1 BSC
35. Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>	Teichhuhn	h, at the Nile
36. Purple Swamphen	<i>Porphyryla madagascariensis</i>	(Grünrücken-)Purpurhuhn	v, Nile Valley
37. Common Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>	Blässhuhn	z-v, Nile Valley
38. Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	Austernfischer	e, 1 Ex. BSH
39. Black-winged Stilt	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>	Stelzenläufer	z,
40. Senegal Thick-knee	<i>Burhinus oedicephalus</i>	Senegalriehl	e, ca. 10 CI
41. Little Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius dubius</i>	Flussregenpfeifer	z
42. Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	Sandregenpfeifer	s,
43. Kittlitz's Plover	<i>Charadrius pecuarius</i>	Hirtenregenpfeifer	e, ADL 2 Ex
44. Kentish Plover	<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>	Seeregenpfeifer	s
45. Lesser Sand Plover	<i>Charadrius mongolus</i>	Mongolenregenpfeifer	s, 1 Ex. WL(?) and MH
46. Greater Sand Plover	<i>Charadrius leschenaultii</i>	Wüstenregenpfeifer	v, coast
47. Grey Plover	<i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>	Kiebitzregenpfeifer	z, coast, ADL+ EG
48. Spur-winged Lapwing	<i>Vanellus spinosus</i>	Spornkiebitz	z, ADL, AN, CI
49. White-tailed Lapwing	<i>Vanellus leucurus</i>	Weißschwanzkiebitz	e, CI 3 Ex.
50. Little Stint	<i>Calidris minuta</i>	Zwergstrandläufer	s, ADL, AN
51. Temminck's Stint	<i>Calidris temminckii</i>	Temminckstrandläufer	s, ADL 15, CI 3 Ex.
52. Dunlin	<i>Calidris alpina</i>	Alpenstrandläufer	e, WL 2
53. Ruff	<i>Philomachus pugnax</i>	Kampfläufer	z,
54. Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>	Bekassine	s, ~15 CI
55. Black-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa limosa</i>	Uferschnepfe	s, Nile
56. Whimbrel	<i>Numenius phaeopus</i>	Regenbrachvogel	e, HSG, 1 Ex.
57. Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	Großer Brachvogel	z, many sightings
58. Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>	Rotschenkel	z,
59. Marsh Sandpiper	<i>Tringa stagnatilis</i>	Teichwasserläufer	z, ADL 2, AN 1, CI 6 Ex.
60. Common Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>	Grünschenkel	s, WL 2, AN + EG 1 Ex
61. Green Sandpiper	<i>Tringa ochropus</i>	Waldwasserläufer	s AN + CI
62. Wood Sandpiper	<i>Tringa glareola</i>	Bruchwasserläufer	s,
63. Terek Sandpiper	<i>Xenus cinereus</i>	Terekwasserläufer	e, MHM, 1 Ex
64. Common Sandpiper	<i>Tringa hypoleucos</i>	Flussuferläufer	s
65. Sooty Gull	<i>Larus hemprichii</i>	Hemprichmöwe	e, BSH, 3 Ex.
66. White-eyed Gull	<i>Larus leucophthalmus</i>	Weißaugenmöwe	z, coast, up to 20 Ex.
67. Pallas's Gull	<i>Larus ichthyaetus</i>	Fischmöwe	z, MHM 1, HSG 4 Ex.
68. Black-headed Gull	<i>Larus ridibundus</i>	Lachmöwe	z,
69. Yellow-legged Gull	<i>Larus michahellis</i>	Mittelmeermöwe	v
70. Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>	Heringsmöwe	e, EG 1 Ex
71. Slender-billed Gull	<i>Larus genei</i>	Dünnschnabelmöwe	z, coast and EG 6 Ex.
72. Gull-billed Tern	<i>Sterna nilotica</i>	Lachseeschwalbe	z Nile Valley
73. Caspian Tern	<i>Sterna caspia</i>	Raubseeschwalbe	v, at the coast
74. Greater Crested Tern	<i>Sterna bergii</i>	Eilseeschwalbe	e, HSS
75. Lesser Crested Tern	<i>Sterna bengalensis</i>	Rüpellseeschwalbe	s, HM 1, BSH 3 Ex.
76. Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	Flusseeschwalbe	s at the Nile
77. White-winged Tern	<i>Chlidonias leucopterus</i>	Weißflügel-Seeschwalbe	e 2 Assuan
78. Whiskered Tern	<i>Chlidonias hybridus</i>	Weißbart-Seeschwalbe	s, ATP 2, CI several Ex.
79. Crowned Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles coronatus</i>	Kronenflughuhn	s, 2x7 Ex., desert N Baranis
80. Black-bellied Sandgrouse	<i>Pterocles orientalis</i>	Sandflughuhn	e, 5.2., 17 Ex. N Safaga
81. Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>	Felsentaube	v
82. Collared-Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>	Türkentaube	e, WL Mangroves, calling
83. Laughing Dove	<i>Streptopelia senegalensis</i>	Palmtaube	h,
84. Egyptian Nightjar	<i>Caprimulgus nubicus</i>	Pharaonenziegenmelker	e, road S Baramis, 1 Ex.
85. Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>	Mauersegler	s
86. Pallid Swift	<i>Apus pallidus</i>	Fahlsegler	v Nile Valley migrating
87. Common Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>	Eisvogel	z, Mangroves at the coast
88. Pied Kingfisher	<i>Ceryle rudis</i>	Graufischer	v - h coast and Nile Valley
89. Green Bee-eater	<i>Merops orientalis</i>	Smaragdspint	z, ADL 2, CI 6-8 Ex.
90. Hoopoe	<i>Upupa epops</i>	Wiedehopf	v, Nile Valley
91. Bar-tailed Lark	<i>Ammomanes cincturus</i>	Sandlerche	z, S Hamata 2 Ind.
92. Greater Hoopoe Lark	<i>Alaemon alaupides</i>	Wüstenläuferlerche	e, near Checkpoint S WL
93. Crested Lark	<i>Galerida cristata</i>	Haubenlerche	v Nile Valley
94. Sand Martin	<i>Riparia riparia</i>	Uferschwalbe	at the Nile local h (migration)
95. African Rock Martin	<i>Ptyonoprogne fuligula</i>	Steinschwalbe	z, BSC, E Edfu, APT
96. Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	Rauchschwalbe	v,
97. Tawny Pipit	<i>Anthus campestris</i>	Brachpieper	e, ADL 1 Ind.
98. Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>	Wiesenpieper	s, AN u. CI
99. Red-throated Pipit	<i>Anthus cervinus</i>	Rotkehlpieper	z, AN u. CI, 8 Ex.
100. Blue-headed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla flava</i>	Wiesenschafstelze	v
101. Yellow-headed W.	<i>Motacilla lutea</i>	Wolgaschafstelze	e, CI 1 M
102. Ashy-headed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinereocapilla</i>	Aschkopfschafstelze	z, AN and banks of Nile
103. Black-headed Wagtail	<i>Motacilla feldegg</i>	Maskenstelze	v
104. Thunberg's Wagtail	<i>Motacilla thunbergi</i>	Thunbergschafstelze	e, CI 1 M
105. White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	Bachstelze	v - h
106. Common Bulbul	<i>Pycnonotus barbatus</i>	Graubülbül	v Nile Valley
107. European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	Rotkehlchen	e, WL 1 Ind.
108. Bluethroat	<i>Luscinia svecica</i>	Blaukehlchen	z, HSS, APT, CI,

109. Whinchat	<i>Saxicola rubetra</i>	Braunkehlchen	s, AN, CI,
110. Common Stonechat	<i>Saxicola torquata</i>	Schwarzkehlchen	e, S Safaga, 1 Ex.
111. Isabelline Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe isabellina</i>	Isabellsteinschmätzer	z, Wadi Gimal 6-8 Ex.
112. Desert Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe deserti</i>	Wüstensteinschmätzer	z, Coastal Road a. ADL
113. Finsch's Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe finschii</i>	Felsensteinschmätzer	z, roadside S MA
114. Mourning Wheatear	<i>Oenanthe lugens</i>	Schwarzrücken-Steinschmätzer	z, South a. ADL
115. White-crowned Wh.	<i>Oenanthe leucopyga</i>	Saharasteinschmätzer	v, Coastal Road a. ADL
116. Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>	Singdrossel	e, HSG
117. Fan-tailed Warbler	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>	Zistensänger	s, CI 5 Ex.
118. Graceful Prinia	<i>Prinia gracilis</i>	Streifenprinie	z, Nile Valley, CI: v
119. Sedge Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus schoenobaenus</i>	Schilfrohrsänger	z, HSS, AN, CI
120. Clamorous Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus stentoreus</i>	Stentorrohrsänger	z, AN, CI
121. Olivaceous Warbler	<i>Hippolais pallida</i>	Blassspötter	v
122. Sardinian Warbler	<i>Sylvia melanocephala</i>	Samtkopf-Grasmücke	z, HSS, APT....
123. Ruppell's Warbler	<i>Sylvia rueppelli</i>	Maskengrasmücke	e, HSB 1 M
124. Lesser Whitethroat	<i>Sylvia curruca</i>	Klappergrasmücke	v,
125. Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>	Zilpzalp	v - h
126. Willow Warbler	<i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>	Fitis	e, HSS rare
127. Spotted Flycatcher	<i>Muscicapa striata</i>	Grauschnäpper	e 1 Ex CI
128. Nile Valley Sunbird	<i>Anthreptes metallicus</i>	Erznektarvogel	z, CI u. Oasis W Safaga 1 Ex.
129. House Crow	<i>Corvus splendens</i>	Glanzkrähe	e ~30 on roofs , Safaga
130. Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus [corone] cornix</i>	Nebelkrähe	v
131. Brown-necked Raven	<i>Corvus ruficollis</i>	Wüstenrabe	v
132. House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	Hausperling	h
133. Spanish Sparrow	<i>Passer hispaniolensis</i>	Weidensperling	z, near Safaga a. CI
134. Red Avadavat	<i>Amandava amandava</i>	Tigerfink	e, CI some flocks
135. Trumpeter Finch	<i>Bucanetes githagineus</i>	Wüstengimpel	s, 50km E Idfu 12, ADL 2