

FURTHER BIRD RECORDS FROM THE BONTEBOK AND MOUNTAIN ZEBRA NATIONAL PARKS

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A. Bontebok National Park

The avifauna of this Park is well-known. Shortly after the Park was re-located to Swellendam in 1960, a preliminary list of the birds of the Park was published (Winterbottom 1962a). This was soon followed by a comprehensive check list (Winterbottom 1967a) and a report on bird densities in the Coastal Renosterbosveld of the Park (Winterbottom 1968a).

Six further bird species, five of which have been reported in *The Ostrich*, are documented here, increasing to 150 the total number of species recorded in the Park. The numbers denote those used in *Roberts birds of South Africa* (McLachlan and Liversidge 1970) and the nomenclature follows the *Check list of the birds of South Africa* (S.A.O.S. List Committee 1969).

58 GREAT WHITE HERON *Egretta alba*
GROOTWITREIER

On three occasions in November 1967 a Great White Heron was seen feeding in a vlei in the new part of the Park (Marais 1968).

60 YELLOW-BILLED EGRET *Egretta intermedia*
GEELBEKWITREIER

One was recorded in flooded veld in June (Winterbottom 1967b).

115 HOBBY *Falco subbuteo*
EUROPESE BOOMVALK

In November 1975 L. J. van Zyl and I sighted a Hobby in the Park. The Hobby is a rare vagrant in the South-Western Cape (Winterbottom 1968b), but has been recorded in the Swellendam District (Winterbottom 1962b).

167 AFRICAN MARSH HARRIER *Circus ranivorus*
AFRIKAANSE VLEIVALK

"One, 12 June, no doubt owing to the extensive flooded areas at that time" (Winterbottom 1967b).

442 LESSER HONEYGUIDE *Indicator minor*
KLEINHEUNINGWYSER

One was recorded in May 1962 (Winterbottom 1967b).

678 FAIRY FLYCATCHER *Stenostira scita*
FEËVLIEËVANGER

Recorded in May 1962 (Winterbottom 1967b).

B. Mountain Zebra National Park

In a recent paper (Penzhorn and Bronkhorst 1976), 22 additional bird species were reported from this Park. The two species reported here increase the check list total to 172 species.

139 BOOTED EAGLE *Aquila pennata*
DWERGAREND

Two light-phase Booted Eagles were observed in the Park in October 1975 (Alden 1976). This species has recently been reported from a number of localities in the Cape Province (Donnelly 1966; Martin and Martin 1975) and is now known to breed in the South-Eastern and South-Western Cape, as well as the Cape Midlands (Martin and Martin 1974a, 1974b and 1976).

507 HOUSE MARTIN *Delichon urbica*
HUISWAEL

A single House Martin was observed in a feeding flock of swifts and swallows at Berghof in March 1975 (Every 1976).

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