

## PNG - Endemic Families

July 19<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> 2019 + Extension

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Day 1 - July 19<sup>th</sup> : Everyone met up in Port Moresby and flew to Mt Hagen where we were picked up and transferred to Kumul Lodge.

Day 2 – July 20<sup>th</sup>: AM: A visit to Murmur pass.

PM: We spent the time around Kumul Lodge.

Day 3 – July 21<sup>st</sup>: AM: A second visit to Murmur pass.

PM: Another afternoon around Kumul Lodge.

Day 4 – July 22<sup>nd</sup> :An early trip to Tomba village for Blue Bop in the morning was very successful. We then drove to Hagen avoiding the upset in town and transferred to Rondon Ridge. We spent the afternoon around Rondon Ridge.

Day 5 – July 23<sup>rd</sup>: We climbed up the hill to the birding area and spent all day birding around Rondon Ridge. We went spotlighting before dinner.

Day 6 – July 24<sup>th</sup>: We drove back down to Mt Hagen and then flew to Port Moresby. In the afternoon everyone on the extension went birding at the PAU.

Day 7 – July 25<sup>th</sup>: With an early start we spent the full day at Varirata NP.

Day 8 - July 26<sup>th</sup> : The tour ended and most people flew home.



## ACCIPITRIFORMES

### Accipitridae

- 1 Variable Goshawk *Accipiter hiogaster*  
Good views at Tomba.
- 2 Black Kite *Milvus migrans*  
Very common throughout the tour.
- 3 Brahminy Kite *Haliastur indus*  
Common.

## CHARADRIIFORMES

### Scolopacidae

- 4 New Guinea Woodcock *Scolopax rosenbergii*  
Heard only at Kumul.

## COLUMBIFORMES

### Columbidae

- 5 Amboyna Cuckoo-Dove *Macropygia amboinensis*  
Flight view at Tomba.
- 6 Bar-tailed Cuckoo-Dove *Macropygia nigrirostris*  
Good views at Rondon Ridge.
- 7 Great Cuckoo-Dove *Reinwardtoena reinwardti*  
Heard only.
- 8 Peaceful Dove *Geopelia placida*  
Seen at the PAU.
- 9 Bar-shouldered Dove *Geopelia humeralis*  
Seen at the PAU.
- 10 Western Bronze Ground Dove *Alopecoenas beccarii*  
Jan saw one at the feeder at Kumul.
- 11 Ornate Fruit Dove *Ptilinopus ornatus*  
Heard only at Rondon Ridge.
- 12 Mountain Fruit Dove *Ptilinopus rivoli*  
Seent Rondon Ridge.
- 13 Papuan Mountain Pigeon *Gymnophaps albertisii*  
Several flight views were had.

## CUCULIFORMES

### Cuculidae

- 14 Little Bronze Cuckoo *Chrysococcyx minutillus*  
Heard only at Murmur Pass.
- 15 Fan-tailed Cuckoo *Cacomantis flabelliformis*  
Good views at Murmur Pass.

- 16 Brush Cuckoo *Cacomantis variolosus*  
Heard only at Tomba.

## STRIGIFORMES

### Strigidae

- 17 Papuan Boobook *Ninox theomacha*  
Heard only at Rondon Ridge.

## CAPRIMULGIFORMES

### Caprimulgidae

- 18 Archbold's Nightjar *Eurostopodus archboldi*  
Brief views at Kumul.

## APODIFORMES

### Aegothelidae

- 19 Feline Owlet-nightjar *Aegotheles insignis*  
Heard only at Kumul, brief flight view at Rondon Ridge.
- 20 Mountain Owlet-nightjar *Aegotheles albertisi*  
Heard only at Kumul.

### Apodidae

- 21 Glossy Swiftlet *Collocalia esculenta*  
Common around Kumul.
- 22 Mountain Swiftlet *Aerodramus hirundinaceus*  
Common around Rondon Ridge.

## PSITTACIFORMES

### Psittaculidae

- 23 Brehm's Tiger Parrot *Psittacella brehmii*  
Common on the feeder at Kumul.
- 24 Modest Tiger Parrot *Psittacella modesta*  
At Rondon Ridge.
- 25 Madarasz's Tiger Parrot *Psittacella madaraszii*  
Good views at Rondon Ridge.
- 26 Plum-faced Lorikeet *Oreopsittacus arfaki*  
Mostly flight views, reasonably common.
- 27 Papuan Lorikeet *Charmosyna papou*  
Several good views, reasonably common.
- 28 Orange-billed Lorikeet *Neopsittacus pullicauda*  
At Murrumbidgee Pass.

- 29 Double-eyed Fig Parrot *Cyclopsitta diophthalma*  
Great views on the way to Rondon Ridge.

## PASSERIFORMES

### Ptilonorhynchidae

- 30 MacGregor's Bowerbird *Amblyornis macgregoriae*  
Good views at Rondon Ridge.
- 31 Yellow-breasted Bowerbird *Chlamydera lauterbachii*  
We were treated to a brief encounter on the way to Rondon Ridge.

### Maluridae

- 32 White-shouldered Fairywren *Malurus alboscapulatus*  
Seen at several locations, good views at Rondon Ridge.

### Meliphagidae

- 33 Elfin Myzomera *Myzomela adolphinae*  
Common.
- 34 Red-collared Myzomela *Myzomela rosenbergii*  
Common at Murmur pass.
- 35 Rufous-backed Honeyeater *Ptiloprora guisei*  
Common.
- 36 Grey-streaked Honeyeater *Ptiloprora perstriata*  
Common.
- 37 New Guinea Friarbird *Philemon novaeguineae*  
Heard only at Mt Hagen.
- 38 Common Smoky Honeyeater *Melipotes fumigatus*  
Very common.
- 39 Black-throated Honeyeater *Caligavis subfrenata*  
At Murmur Pass.
- 40 Yellow-browed Melidectes *Melidectes rufocrissalis*  
Common at Rondon Ridge.
- 41 Belford's Melidectes *Melidectes belfordi*  
Common around Kumul.
- 42 Ornate Melidectes *Melidectes torquatus*.  
Common at Rondon Ridge.

### Acanthizidae

- 43 Mountain Mouse-warbler *Origma robusta*  
Reasonably common.
- 44 Buff-faced Scrubwren *Aethomyias perspicillatus*  
At Rondon Ridge.
- 45 Papuan Scrubwren *Aethomyias papuensis*  
Common around Kumul.
- 46 Large Scrubwren *Sericornis nouhuysi*  
Reasonably common.
- 47 Brown-breasted Gerygone *Gerygone ruficollis*  
Common, but mostly heard.
- 48 Grey Thornbill *Acanthiza cinerea*  
Common at Rondon Ridge.

### Cnemophilidae

- 49 Loria's Satinbird *Cnemophilus loriae*  
Brief view at Murmur Pass.
- 50 Crested Satinbird *Cnemophilus macgregorii*  
Great views at Kumul.

### Melanocharitidae

- 51 Mid-mountain Berrypecker *Melanocharis longicauda*  
At Rondon Ridge.
- 52 Fan-tailed Berrypecker *Melanocharis versteri*  
Reasonably common.
- 53 Streaked Berrypecker *Melanocharis striativentris*  
Finally seen on the very last day.

### Paramythiidae

- 54 Tit Berrypecker *Oreocharis arfaki*  
Several fly overs at Murmur Pass.
- 55 Crested Berrypecker *Paramythia montium*  
Good views at Kumul.

### Machaerirhynchidae

- 56 Black-breasted Boatbill *Machaerirhynchus nigripectus*  
Common around Kumul.

Rhagologidae

- 57 Mottled Berryhunter *Rhagologus leucostigma*  
Several brief views but it wasn't easy. Unfortunately, not everyone managed to see it.

Campephagidae

- 58 Black-bellied Cuckooshrike *Edolisoma montanum*  
Common at Murrumbidgee Pass.

Neosittidae

- 59 Papuan Sittella *Daphoenositta papuensis*  
Brief views at Rondon Ridge.

Eulacestomatidae

- 60 Wattled Ploughbill *Eulacestoma nigropectus*  
Several good views were had but again it wasn't easy and unfortunately, not everyone managed to see it.

Oreoicidae

- 61 Rufous-naped Bellbird *Aleadryas rufinucha*  
Common around Kumul.

Pachycephalidae

- 62 Black Pitohui *Melanorectes nigrescens*  
Good views at Rondon Ridge.
- 63 Brown-backed Whistler *Pachycephala modesta*  
Found both at Kumul, and Rondon Ridge, but was uncommon.
- 64 Sclater's Whistler *Pachycephala soror*  
Brief views at Kumul, and Rondon Ridge, uncommon.
- 65 Regent Whistler *Pachycephala schlegelii*  
Common around Kumul.

Laniidae

- 66 Long-tailed Shrike *Lanius schach*  
Common at Grassland.

Rhipiduridae

- 67 Willie Wagtail *Rhipidura leucophrys*  
Common.
- 68 Black Fantail *Rhipidura atra*  
Good views at Rondon Ridge.
- 69 Friendly Fantail *Rhipidura albolimbata*

Common around Kumul.

- 70 Dimorphic Fantail *Rhipidura brachyrhyncha*  
Good views at Rondon Ridge.

#### Melampittidae

- 71 Lesser Melampitta *Melampitta lugubris*  
Great view at Kumul.

#### Ifritidae

- 72 Blue-capped Ifrit *Ifrita kowaldi*  
Common around Kumul.

#### Paradisaeidae

- 73 Ribbon-tailed Astrapia *Astrapia mayeri*  
Common around Kumul.
- 74 Princess Stephanie's Astrapia *Astrapia stephaniae*  
Common around Rondon Ridge.
- 75 King of Saxony Bird-of-paradise *Pteridophora alberti*  
Reasonably common, giving us several great views.
- 76 Superb Lophorina *Lophorina superba*  
Great views at Tomba, displaying male.
- 77 Black Sicklebill *Epimachus fastosus*  
Great views at Rondon Ridge.
- 78 Brown Sicklebill *Epimachus meyeri*  
Great views at Murmur Pass.
- 79 Blue Bird-of-paradise *Paradisaea rudolphi*  
Good views at Tomba.

#### Petroicidae

- 80 Ashy Robin *Heteromyias albispecularis*  
At Murmur Pass.
- 81 White-winged Robin *Peneothello sigillata*  
Common at Kumul.
- 82 Torrent Flyrobin *Monachella muelleriana*  
Good view on the way to Hagen.
- 83 Lesser Ground Robin *Amalocichla incerta*  
Heard only at Rondon Ridge, it was so close but would not oblige us by coming out.

Hirundinidae

- 84 Pacific Swallow *Hirundo tahitica*  
At Hagen airport.

Phylloscopidae

- 85 Island Leaf-Warbler *Phylloscopus policephala*  
Good views at Rondon Ridge.

Locustellidae

- 86 Papuan Grassbird *Cincloramphus macrurus*  
In Max's Garden.

Zosteropidae

- 87 Papuan White-eye / New Guinea White-eye *Zosterops novaeguineae*  
Good view at Rondon Ridge.

Sturnidae

- 88 Singing Starling *Aplonis cantoroides*  
In downtown Mt Hagen.

Turdidae

- 89 Island Thrush *Turdus poliocephalus*  
Common around Kumul.

Muscicapidae

- 90 Pied Bush Chat *Saxicola caprata*  
Common in grassland.

Dicaeidae

- 91 Red-capped Flowerpecker *Dicaeum geelvinkianum*  
Common.

Passeridae

- 92 House Sparrow *Passer domesticus*  
At airports.

Estrildidae

- 93 Mountain Firetail *Oreostruthus fuliginosus*  
At Kumul.

- 94 Hooded Mannikin *Lonchura spectabilis*  
Reasonably common in grassland.



Motacillidae

- 95 Australian Pipit *Anthus australis*  
At Mt Hagen airport.

**ADDITIONAL SPECIES ON POM EXTENSION**

ANSERIFORMES

Anseranatidae

- 96 Magpie Goose *Anseranas semipalmata*

Anatidae

- 97 Plumed Whistling Duck *Dendrocygna eytoni*

Only one bird at PAU.

- 98 Raja Shelduck *Radjah radjah*

Good view at rice field near PAU.

- 99 Pacific Black Duck *Anas superciliosa*

Good views in a rice field near the PAU and at the PAU itself.

PELECANIFORMES

Threskiornithidae

- 100 Australian White Ibis *Threskiornis molucca*

At the PAU.

Ardeidae

- 101 Nankeen Night Heron *Nycticorax caledonicus*

At the PAU.

- 102 Eastern Cattle Egret *Bubulcus coromandus*

Good views in a rice field near the PAU.

- 103 Great Egret *Ardea alba*

Good views in a rice field near the PAU.

- 104 Intermediate Egret *Ardea intermedia*

At the PAU.

- 105 Pied Heron *Egretta picata*

Good views in a rice field near the PAU.

## ACCIPITRIFORMES

### Accipitridae

- 106 Long-tailed Honey Buzzard      *Henicopernis longicauda*  
    Seen at Varirata.

## GRUIFORMES

### Rallidae

- 107 Buff-banded Rail      *Gallirallus philippensis*  
    Good views at rice field near the PAU.
- 108 Australasian Swamphen      *Porphyrio melanotus*  
    Good views at rice field near the PAU and at the PAU.
- 109 Dusky Moorhen      *Gallinula tenebrosa*  
    Good views at rice field near PAU and PAU.

## CHARADRIIFORMES

### Charadriidae

- 110 Masked Lapwing      *Vanellus miles*  
    Common.

### Jacanidae

- 111 Comb-crested Jacana      *Irediparra gallinacea*  
    Good view at PAU.

## COLUMBIFORMES

### Columbidae

- 112 Rock Dove      *Columba livia*  
    Seen in town.
- 113 Peaceful Dove      *Geopelia placida*  
    Good views at the PAU.
- 114 Bar-shouldered Dove      *Geopelia humeralis*  
    Good views at the PAU.
- 115 Coronated Fruit Dove      *Ptilinopus coronulatus*  
    Very brief views at Varirata.
- 116 Beautiful Fruit Dove      *Ptilinopus pulchellus*  
    Seen at Varirata.
- 117 Dwarf Fruit Dove      *Ptilinopus nainus*  
    Good view at Varirata.
- 118 Zoe's Imperial Pigeon      *Ducula zoeae*  
    Heard only at Varirata.

119 Torresian Imperial Pigeon      *Ducula spilorrhoa*  
    Good views at the PAU.

## CUCULIFORMES

### Cuculidae

120 Ivory-billed Coucal      *Centropus menbeki*  
    Seen in Varirata.

121 Pheasant Coucal      *Centropus phasianinus*  
    Seen in Varirata.

## CAPRIMULGIFORMES

### Podargidae

122 Papuan Frogmouth      *Podargus papuensis*  
    Good views at the PAU.

## APODIFORMES

### Aegothelidae

123 Barred Owlet-nightjar      *Aegotheles bennettii*  
    Good view at Varirata.

### Apodidae

124 Uniform Swiftlet      *Aerodramus vanikorensis*  
    Common at Varirata.

## CORACIIFORMES

### Alcedinidae

125 Brown-headed Paradise Kingfisher      *Tanysiptera danae*  
    Brief, but good views at Varirata.

126 Blue-winged Kookaburra      *Dacelo leachii*  
    Common at Varirata, PAU.

127 Forest Kingfisher      *Todiramphus macleayii*  
    At Varirata.

128 Sacred Kingfisher      *Todiramphus sanctus*  
    At PAU.

129 Yellow-billed Kingfisher      *Syma torotoro*  
    Heard only at Varirata.

130 Azure Kingfisher      *Ceyx azureus*  
    Brief view at Varirata.

Meropidae

- 131 Rainbow Bee-eater *Merops ornatus*  
Common at dry habitat in Varirata, PAU.

PSITTACIFORMES

Psittaculidae

- 132 Papuan King Parrot *Alisterus chloropterus*  
Heard only at Varirata.
- 133 Eclectus Parrot *Eclectus roratus*  
A few fly over at PAU, and Varirata.
- 134 Red-cheeked Parrot *Geoffroyus geoffroyi*  
Common at PAU, and Varirata.
- 135 Black-capped Lory *Lorius lory*  
Several fly overs at Varirata.
- 136 Goldie's Lorikeet *Psitteuteles goldiei*  
At PAU.
- 137 Coconut Lorikeet *Trichoglossus haematodus*  
Common.

PASSERIFORMES

Ptilonorhynchidae

- 138 Fawn-breasted Bowerbird *Chlamydera cerviniventris*  
Common.

Meliphagidae

- 139 Dusky Myzomela *Myzomela obscura*  
At Varirata.
- 140 Papuan Black Myzomela *Myzomela nigrita*  
At Varirata.
- 141 Streak-headed Honeyeater *Pycnopygius stictocephalus*  
At Varirata.
- 142 Tawny-breasted Honeyeater *Xanthotis flaviventer*  
Common at Varirata, mostly heard.
- 143 White-throated Honeyeater *Melithreptus albogularis*  
Common in eucalyptus.
- 144 Rufous-banded Honeyeater *Conopophila albogularis*  
At PAU.
- 145 Elegant Honeyeater *Meliphaga cinereifrons*  
Common at PAU.

Acanthizidae

- 146 Fairy Gerygone *Gerygone palpebrosa*  
Good view at Varirata.

Melanocharitidae

- 147 Black Berrypecker *Melanocharis nigra*  
At Varirata.  
148 Dwarf Longbill *Oedistoma iliolophus*  
Heard only at Varirata.

Psophodidae

- 149 Painted Quail-thrush *Cinclosoma ajax*  
Heard only at Varirata.

Artamidae

- 150 White-breasted Woodswallow *Artamus leucorhynchus*  
Common.  
151 Black Butcherbird *Melloria quoyi*  
Heard only at Varirata.  
152 Black-backed Butcherbird *Cracticus mentalis*  
Common at PAU.  
153 Hooded Butcherbird *Cracticus cassicus*

Campephagidae

- 154 Barred Cuckooshrike *Coracina lineata*  
At Varirata.  
155 Boyer's Cuckooshrike *Coracina boyeri*  
At Varirata.  
156 White-bellied Cuckooshrike *Coracina papuensis*  
At Varirata.  
157 Common Cicadabird *Edolisoma tenuirostre*  
At Varirata.  
158 Black Cicadabird *Edolisoma melas*  
At Varirata.  
159 Varied Triller *Lalage leucomela*  
At Varirata.

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Pachycephalidae

- 160 Grey Whistler *Pachycephala simplex*  
At Varirata.  
161 White-bellied Whistler *Pachycephala leucogastra*  
At Varirata.

162 Rusty Pittohui *Pseudorectes ferrugineus*

At Varirata.

163 Little Shrikethrush *Colluricincla megarhyncha*

At Varirata. IOC9.2 split them into several species, in that case, this is Variable Shrike-thrush *Colluricincla fortis*.

#### Oriolidae

164 Australasian Figbird *Sphecotheres vieilloti*

Common in town, PAU.

165 Brown Oriole *Oriolus szalayi*

Common at PAU.

#### Dicruridae

166 Spangled Drongo *Dicrurus bracteatus*

Common at Varirata.

#### Rhipiduridae

167 Drongo Fantail *Chaetorhynchus papuensis*

Good view at Varirata.

#### Monarchidae

168 Spot-winged Monarch *Symposiachrus guttula*

Good view at Varirata.

169 Frilled Monarch *Arses telescopthalmus*

Good view at Varirata.

#### Corvidae

170 Torresian Crow *Corvus orru*

Reasonably common in Town, PAU.

#### Paradisaeidae

171 Crinkle-collared Manucode *Manucodia chalybatus*

Surprised to see one at Varirata.

172 Growling Riflebird *Ptiloris intercedens*

Several fly overs at Varirata.

173 Raggiana Bird-of-paradise *Paradisaea raggiana*

Great view at traditional lek site at Varirata.

#### Petroicidae

174 White-faced Robin *Tregellasia leucops*

At Varirata.

175 Lemon-bellied Flyrobin *Microeca flavigaster*  
Common at eucalyptus on the way to Varirata.

Zosteropidae

176 Black-fronted White-eye *Zosterops minor*  
Good view at Varirata.

Sturnidae

177 Metallic Starling *Aplonis metallica*  
At PAU.

178 Yellow-faced Myna *Mino dumontii*  
Good view at PAU.

Nectariniidae

179 Olive-backed Sunbird *Cinnyris jugularis*

Estrildidae

180 Grey-headed Mannikin *Lonchura caniceps*  
Good view at grassland on the way to Varirata.